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The great Indian left-arm spinner Bishen Singh Bedi who was not too flashy with the bat achieved the dubious distinction of being the first Indian player to score a duck in one-day internationals. He achieved this unique but unwanted distinction against England at Headingley Leeds in 1974.



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Steve Waugh (Australian cricket captain)

"I can't say I got on that well with him, I'd be lying if I said that." Asked to comment on his relationship with his Indian counterpart Sauray Ganguly.



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April 20, 2001 and draw shortly afterwards 1. Who became Active Chess champion?

Rakib Reefat Ziaur What was the result of the Sri Lanka and England one-day series?

3-0 3. Who clinched the ATP Masters' Series?

Sampras Agassi Safin 4. Who became Dhaka Reporters' Unity cricket champions?

Inqilab BanglarBani Sangbad 5. How many one-day matches did Tendulkar play to score 10,000 runs? 266 283

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Premier Division Cricket League City Club v Victoria St (Bangabandhu National Stadium)

Mail from Bulwayo

Cricket

AL-AMIN, from Bulawayo

For the first time cricket lovers in Bangladesh will not be seeing two familiar faces in action during the third one-day international in Bulawayo on Wednesday. Both Aminul Islam and Akram Khan have been dropped.

The icons have remained in the centre stage for the last fifteen years since they made their oneday debut in 1986. Also the stalwarts have served as captains of the national team for a fairly long

Akram is best remembered for eading Bangladesh to the 1997 ICC Trophy in Malaysia while Aminul had a memorable victory as a captain against Pakistan in the World Cup two years later in Eng-

With the one-day cricket becoming more demanding for a side looking for fresh legs, the a change.

Although it was not an easy decision for the team think-tank, but manager Mahabubul Anam said it was had done showing all respect to the cricketers.

"I talked to them for quite some time and only took the decision after their approval," he said. WHAT A VIEW!

The sun was shining brightly over Bulawayo on Tuesday, a day after Naimur Rahman's men arrived here for the final one-dayer.

There was a fear on Monday that the rain-gods had decided the fate of the match in advance. The Queen's Sports Club with a capacity of 6,500 promises more fun for the spectators as well as

more runs than at Harare. The outstanding feature of the venue is a spectacular four-storey member's stand. From there, spectators can get excellent view of the batsmen hitting the ball all over the ground.

This was quite evident during veteran pair accepted the need for the practice session of the Zimbabwean team. The bowlers were hit out of the park on a number of occasions.

PICTURE PERFECT

If the face of Bangladesh is green, then Zimbabwe is greener.

That is the impression one gets after a six-hour drive from Harare to Bulawayo.

The lush green spaces and blue skies could easily make any tourist believe he or she is travelling through Arizona in the United States. There are plenty of amuse-

ments in the second biggest city of Zimbabwe, which is often touted as the most spectacular tourist Among many activities include the tidy city boats, a game park.

for a golfer. The Victoria Falls is not far away too. It is only a 40km drive from Bulawayo.

Besides, it is also the ideal place

Mahela, Sanath smite NZ

AFP, Sharjah

Sanath Jayasuriya equalled his own world record of 30 runs in an over to lift Sri Lanka to 269-9 from 50 overs against New Zealand in the Sharjah tri-series here on Tuesday.

Jayasuriya smashed four consecutive sixes, a boundary and a double in the 43rd over bowled by Chris Harris to race from 76 to 106 in the space of six balls.

previous 30-run effort was off Pakistani Aamer Sohail at Singaand six sixes in his 11th one-day

Jayasuriya put on 185 for the hird wicket with Mahela Jayawardena (116) to help Sri Lanka survive a two-wicket burst by Daryl Tuffey in the first over of the in-

Tuffey trapped Marvan Atapattu leg-before with the second ball and had Kumar Sangakkara caught behind off the fourth to give the depleted Kiwis a perfect

The Black Caps, however had to wait till the 37th over for their next success as Jayasuriya and Jayawardena tore into the newlook attack.

India in the three-nation tournament, are without eight senior Fleming and star all-rounder Chris

Stand-in captain Craig McMillan employed seven bowlers to contain the Sri Lankans. Tuffey and Jacob Oram finished with three wickets each.

Lanka reached 112-2 by the halfway stage of the innings.

The stylish right-hander reached his century in the 33rd over, flicking Tuffey for a single to mid-wicket.

pulling Tuffey for a six over square

The Kiwis removed Javawardena and Russel Arnold in succes-

Prince's

ransom!

reward for coming first and second in the Arab Super Cup.

"Al Hilal and Al Nasser's victory is a landslide victory for Saudi Arabia," said the prince.

He is a supporter of Al Hilal but wanted to reward both teams, the prince's spokesman Amjed Shacker told AFP on Tuesday.

Al-Hilal finished first and Al-Nasr were runners-up of the tournament which ended Friday in Syria and included Al-Jaish of Syria and Tunisia's Club Staxien. Al-Sharq Al-Awsat said.

Al-Walid, 43, a nephew of King Fahd, runs the Kingdom Holding group with worldwide investments, including a seven percent stake in South Korea's Hyundai. The prize cars are Hyundai El-

King Fahd met the players on Sunday and "offered them gifts and rewards," the Saudi Press Agency said.

Walid's personal fortune is es-

sive overs to make it 188-4, but Javasuriva hit out to help Sri Lanka add 77 runs in the last 10 overs.

Sri Lanka were forced to make one change from the team that lost to Pakistan by 16 runs in Sunday's opening match, replacing Romesh Kaluwitharana with offspinner Kumar Dharmasena.

Monday to attend the funeral of his mother, but is expected to return before Sri Lanka's next match against Pakistan on Friday. SCOREBOARD

nings against New Zealand in the Sharjah tri-series on Tuesday: **SRI LANKA** Atapattu lbw b Tuffey Jayasuriya c Bell b Adams

Jayawardena c Vincent b Tuffev 116

Sangakkara c Nevin b Tuffey

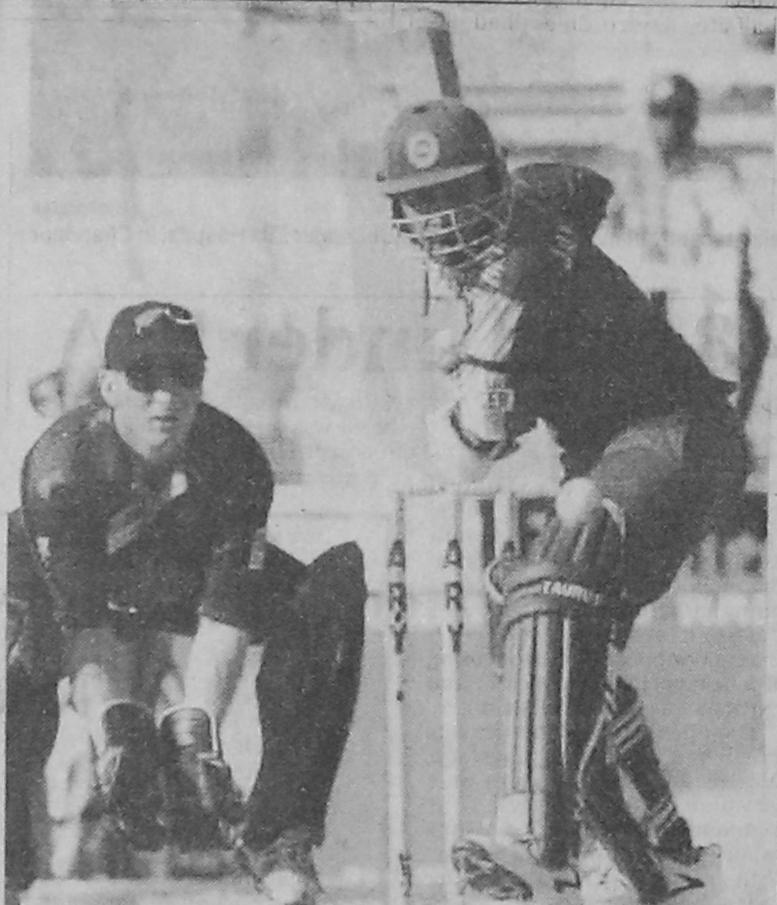
Arnold c and b Oram

De Saram run out Dharmasena lbw b Oram Vaas run out Muralitharan b Oram Zoysa not out Extras: (w-4, nb-2)

Total: (For 9 wkts in 50 overs) 269 Fall of wickets: 1-0, 2-1, 3-185, 4-188, 5-236, 6-240, 7-250, 8-264,

Bowler	0	M	R	W
Tuffey	8	0	49	3
Franklin	6	0	20	0
Adams	7	0	39	1
Walker	6	0	30	0
Harris	10	0	66	0
McMillan	4	0	25	0
Oram	9	0	40	3
NEW ZEALA	NIII.			

NEW ZEALAND: Craig McMillan 0 (capt). Andre Adams, Matthew 107 Bell, James Franklin, Chris Harris. Chris Nevin, Jacob Oram, Matthew Sinclair. Daryl Tuffey, Lou Vincent, Brooke Walker.



Sri Lanka batsman Mahela Jayawardene in action during his knock of 116 against New Zealand in the Sharjah Cup on Tuesday.

READER'S ZONE Change wickets

Do you have any observation regarding sports and its management in Bangladesh? Do you feel certain issues need to be addressed before time runs out? Then, hurry up and send us your, burning questions, critical views and thoughtful suggestions not in excess of 400 words. Let your thoughts buzz at your corner, the -Sports Editor

November, as well as before the Zimbabwe tour, everybody has been saving that Bangladesh's strongest point is their batting and the weakest point is their bowling.

After the two one-day internationals against Zimbabwe at the Harare Sports Ground, this whole statement regarding Bangladesh's strongest and weakest point became untrue. In Harare, the wicket is quite different than in Bangladesh. In both the matches. the weakest of the weakest link pace segment of our bowling department did really well. And the -- failed miserably. If you witness and bouncy ones and some of Bangladesh's matches against on Bangladesh will be different on can mature themselves up bowl-

chasing. are hatting poorly and our pace bowlers are bowling brilliantly, but

Test match against India in last supposed to be hold in Queen's Sports Club, Bulawayo, where Harare? If our batsmen do very well and our bowlers do poorly, shall we continue to say that our strongest department is our batting and the weakest department is our bowling? Well, I do not think so. What I believe is that both our batting and bowling departments are very similar in standard. Our hatsman are not too good compared to our bowlers and vice versa. So, now, what can we do about it? The solution lies in our wickets at home. Let us make a strongest department - the batting few of our wickets into real lively those into turning ones so that international sides, your viewpoint both our pace and spin bowlers different pitches. In the first ODI, ing on those pitches. At the same Bangladesh, batting first, scored time, let us make some wickets 151 for 8 wickets in 50 overs that will only suit our batsmen. whereas in the second ODI Bang- This way, I believe, we can change ladesh managed 103 all out while our results in both one-day and Test matches against any interna-Now everybody will say that we tional opponents within five years.

Two-man body to probe BSF polls

BSS, Dhaka

The National Sports Council (NSC has formed a two-member com-(finance) Abul Kalam, to probe the executive committee of Bang-(BSF) an official handout said on

Tuesday.

The committee has been advised to submit its report by April Besides, the NSC announced

the elections schedule for three | matches, Dhanmondi joined Kanational sports federations. According to the schedule the election of the executive committee of Bangladesh Amateur Wres-

tling Federation will be held on April 26 while the elections of the executive committees of the Bangladesh Chess Federation and the Bangladesh Rowing Federation will take place on April 30.

Biman Cup football

UNB, Moulvibazar

Rangpur defeated Khulna 3-0 in the final round of the Biman Cup Under-14 National Football Championship at the local stadium on Tuesday.

The winners led the first half 2-0. Mufiz put his side ahead in the 8th minute and Arif doubled the margin after two minuets. Arif netted another goal in the 84"

The day's another match between BKSP and Joypurhat ended in a goalless draw at the same

Shakoor Rana no more

REUTERS, Karachi

Pakistan Test umpire Shakoor Rana died late on Monday following a cardiac arrest, his family said. He was 63.

He was buried on Tuesday in

the Punjab provincial capital Lahore in a service attended by a large gathering of family, friends and members of the Pakistan cricketing world, the official APP news agency said.

and 19 one-day internationals, day of the fourth Test against shot to prominence following a toe-to-toe, finger-wagging confrontation with England captain Mike Gatting during a Test match in Faisalabad in 1987.

Shakoor refused to start the SEE PAGE 9

record holder to be at his dazzling S Africa four wickets away

AFP, St John's

South African captain Shaun Pollock made a double breakthrough as his team moved closer to a series-clinching victory on the fifth and final day of the fourth Test against the West Indies at the An-

tigua Recreation Ground Tuesday. West Indies were 140 for six at | bowling into a large patch of lunch after being set to make 323 on a difficult pitch. South Africa | batsmen's off-stump, dismissed lead the five-match series 1-0.

Miandad's U-turn

INTERNET, undated

Former Pakistan coach Javed Miandad has denied claiming that the recent one-day series between his country and New Zealand was hxed.

Miandad, who was coach during the series, was originally quoted by AFP as saying: "The matches against New Zealand were pre-determined. The video footage is available that will prove everything."

However, reports in Pakistani newspaper The News suggest something different.

Miandad told the paper: "I don't know how the statement of match-fixing was attributed to me. What I said was that the board should hold an internal inquiry to find out the causes of defeat in the series in New Zealand, but my demand was based on purely cricketing reasons, not because I suspect match-fixing."

Miandad's apparent turnaround comes after the New Zealand umpires' association said that their members were entirely happy with the way in which the series was conducted and saw no indication that either team was trying to manipulate the result

Tushar lifts Dhanmondi

Cricket

SPORTS REPORTER Dhanmondi Club's prospects of playing in the Super League enmittee, headed by NSC Director hanced with a 95-run thrashing of Brothers Union Club in the lone into overall affairs on election of Premier Division Cricket League match at the Bangabandhu Naladesh Swimming Federation tional Stadium on Tuesday.

Tushar Imran was again in fine fettle scoring an almost run-a-ball The other member of the 87 as the newcomers reached 257 committee is NSC Law Officer S M | for nine in 50 overs after being put into bat.

In reply, the Gopibagh outfit were bundled out for 162 in 48.5

With their fifth win in nine labagan and Surjo Tarun in fourt position. The threesome have collected 10 points respectively while

Brothers' sixth defeat in eigh matches, virtually dashed the hopes of a place in the six-team Super League. Tushar, who hammered 13

against Mohammedan on Satur day, continued where he left off. After Dhanmondi lost their fir

right hander featured in a 138-run ets and Nayeem ripped through second wicket partnership with

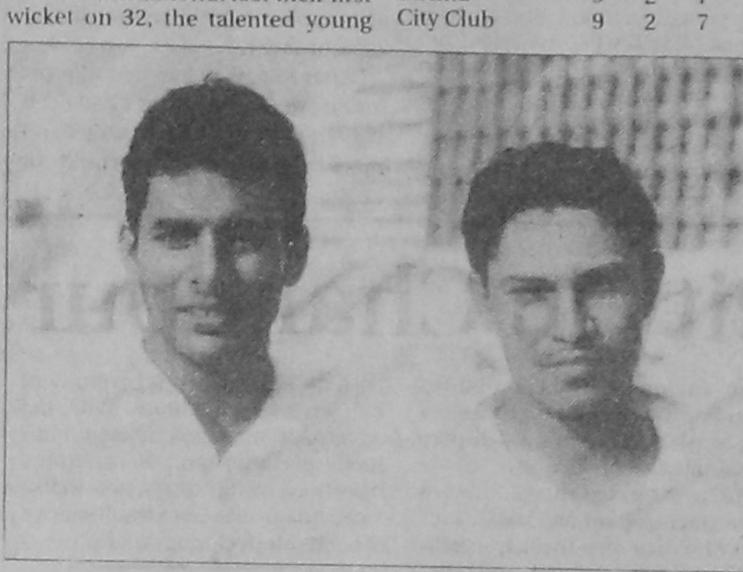
captain and opener Anisul Hakim. On completing his fifty off 40 balls, Tushar went on to faced 84 balls for his 87 which included four sixes and eight boundaries. On the other hand, Anis scored 64

off 73 balls with seven fours. Middle-order Sumon Barua chipped in with 34 while Tuhin

Brothers made a horrible start losing both openers cheaply and eventually were all out well below 200-mark.

Dhanmondi's Pakistani medium-pacer Naveed Abbas made early inroads capturing two wick-

Teams	M	W	L
MSC	9	8	1
Abahani	9	8	1
Biman	9	6	3
Surjo Tarun	9	5	4
Kalabagan	8	5	3
Dhanmondi	9	5	4
Victoria	9	4	5
Agrani Bank	9	3	6
Y Cricketers	9	3	6
Brothers	8	2	6
S Bima	9	2	7
City Club	9	2	7



Dhanmondi's Tushar Imran (L) and Anisul Hakim. Tushar scored an enterprising 87 while Anis made 64 as their side beat Brothers Union by 95 runs in the Premier Cricket League at the Bangabandhu National ginia Ruano Pascual. .snur 20 yd vidual cases but sam selecti Stadium on Tuesday.

Scoreboard of the Premier Division Cricket League match between Brothers Union and Dhan mondi Club at the Bangabandhu National Stadium on Tuesday:

the tail with three for 28.

SCOREBOARD

DHANMONDI CLUB Anis c Talukder b Sohel Sajjad c Imran b Zeeshan Tushar c Zeeshan b Sohel Sumon Ibw b Masroor Abbas b Mastoor

Dictions b Masroon Tuhin lbw b Shimul S Melmand Boy b Tahikder \aveem run out turjo not out Debabrata not out

Extras: (lb-3, nb-3, w-12) Total: (For 9 wkts in 50 overs) 257 Fall of wickets: 1/32, 2/170. 3/183, 4/184, 5/191, 6/235, 7/240, 8/241, 9/241. Bowler Al-Amin

Talukder Zeeshan Sohel Shimul Masroor **BROTHERS UNION** Sohag lbw b Abbas Sadique c Tushar b Abbas Zeeshan b Debabrata Jahangir c Tuhin b Nayeem Imran c Tuhin b Nayeem Masroor s Tushar b Naveem Mahbub run out

Talukder c Dickens b Turjo

Shimul run out

Al-Amin run out

Dickens

Turio

Sohel not out Extras: (b-4, lb-1, nb-2, w-14) 21 Total: (All out in 48.5 overs) 162 Fall of wickets: 1/3, 2/4, 3/51, 4/69, 5/89, 6/97, 7/118, 8/118, 9/130. Bowler Debabrata 0 39 1 Abbas Naveem S Mehmud

Anis Tushar Result: Dhanmondi Club won

Windies in peril

Cricket

AFP, St John's Brian Lara held the last realistic hopes of preventing a series defeat Shakoor, who stood in 15 Tests | for the West Indies after the fourth South Africa at the Antigua Rec-

reation Ground on Monday. West Indies were 101 for four at the close of play after being set to

make 323 on a difficult pitch. Lara was five not out and it seemed it would need the world

122.2 overs in the first innings. By close of play they required another 222 in a minimum of 90 PEP51

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noon, leaving his team with a

minimum of 131 overs to bowl at

the West Indians on a worn pitch

close, they ensured at least an-

once been above two runs an over,

with uneven bounce.

the distance.

MORE CRICKET MORE PEPSI

taking a winning 2-0 lead in the 2.47. five-Test series. Left-arm spinner Nicky Boje, rough outside the left-handed three of the five left- handers in

batting order. Boje, who was brought into the attack after only seven overs, had figures of three for 40 after 19

other wicket, ending a promising innings of 21 by West Indian captain Carl Hooper.

best in order to stop South Africa overs, with the required rate still at

South Africa laboured to 215 for seven before declaring after 123 overs in their second innings. Pollock took his total of runs in the series to 275 for twice out when he made an unbeaten 41.

Veteran West Indian fast bowler Courtney Walsh took three wickets for 13 runs in a 12-over spell before lunch as South Africa struggled to lift their scoring rate before Pollock and Kallis shared an unbeaten eighth wicket stand

Walsh finished with four for 56 Sarwan not out in 38 overs. Walsh, 38, the only fit Extras: (b-10, lb-1, nb-3) fast bowler in the West Indian Total: (For 4 wkts in 45 overs) 101 team following an injury to Merinnings midway through the after- vyn Dillon, took his world record



PHOTO: INTERNET

haul of Test wickets to 513. SCOREBOARD Scoreboard at close of play on the fourth day of the fourth Test By bowling 45 overs before the match between West Indies and South Africa at the Antigua Rec-

other four overs if the match went reation Ground on Monday: SOUTH AFRICA: First innings, The required run rate for the 247 (H Gibbs 85, S Pollock 48 not West Indies was 2.47 in a match in out, M Dillon 3-47, N McGarrell

which the scoring rate has only 4-72) WEST INDIES: First innings, when South Africa made 247 in 140 (S Chanderpaul 40, I. Klusener

> 3-15) SOUTH AFRICA: Second innings (overnight 122-3) Gibbs c Gayle b Ramnarine Boucher c Jacobs b Walsh Pollock not out

Extras (b6, lb3, w4, nb1) Total: (For 7 wkts dec in 123 overs) 215 Fall of wickets: 1-17, 2-95, 3-96, 4-123, 5-135, 6-146, 7-156 Walsh

Dillon Hinds McGarrell Hooper 42 24 55 Ramnarine WEST INDIES: Second innings Gavle c McKenzie b Boje Hinds c Kirsten b Boje Chanderpaul Ibw b Boje Hooper c McKenzie b Klusener 21 Lara not out

Pollock Kallis Boje Kemp Klusener

Umpires: Ed Nicholls (West Indies), Srinivas Venkataraghavan (India).

Match referee: Mike Denness

(England)

Annual sports

The annual sports competition of Dhaka University's Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Hall was held at the university Central Playground on Tuesday, reports UNB.

nament while Pro VC Prof M Shahadat Ali and hall Provost M Golam Rahman were present.



Cricket

The Sri Lankan captain, whose pore in 1996, struck three fours

New Zealand, who replaced players including captain Stephen

Jayawardena outscored the usually aggressive Jayasuriya, making 80 to his captain's 29 as Sri

Jayasuriya completed 50 later in the same over and celebrated by

AFP, Riyadh Saudi billionaire Prince Al-Walid bin Talal has gifted 113 luxury cars to two teams from the capital as a

antras, Shacker said.

timated at about 20 billion dollars.

Kaluwitharana flew home on 9-269

Scoreboard of the Sri Lanka in-



READERS' ZONE. During and after our inaugural what about the third ODI, that is

batting would be much easier than -- Fahmida Waliullah, through e-mail

the top seven of the West Indian

All-rounder Lance Klusener, bowling off-cutters, claimed the

South African captain Shaun Pollock declared his team's second

Nicky Boje of South Africa (C) is the toast of his teammates after trapping Shivnarine Chanderpaul Ibw on the fourth day of the fourth Test against West Indies in Antigua on Monday.

Kirsten c Sarwan b Walsh McKenzie b Walsh Boje c sub (Joseph) b Hooper Cullinan c.Gayle b McGarrell Kallis not out Klusener c Hinds b Walsh

Bowler

Fall of wickets: 1-36, 2-56, 3-86, 4-Bowler

TV umpire: Pat Whyte (West

UNB, Dhaka

Vice Chancellor Prof A K Azad Chowdhury inaugurated the tour-