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William Henry 'Billy' Meredith (1874-1958) became the oldest international soccer player when he played for Wales against England at Highbury in London on March 15, 1920. He played that match at the age of 45 years and 229 days.



What to Watch

- Ekushey TV**
 Bangladesh vs Zimbabwe
 Second & Final Test Day Three
 Live at 2:00 pm
- ESPN**
 Cricket Classics Boycott's Best
 England vs India
 1990 First ODI
 11:30 am
 Harsha Online
 Cricket Talk Show
 12:30 pm
English Premiership
 Chelsea vs Leeds
 Live at 5:00 pm
 Cricket Classics Boycott's Best
 England vs India
 1990 Second ODI
 7:00 pm
English Premiership
 Liverpool vs Coventry
 Live at 8:00 pm
- Star Sports**
 South Africa vs West Indies
 First One-Day Int'l
 Live at 8:30 pm



Talk Turkey



Nayan Mongia

(Indian wicketkeeper)
 "I've performed well in (domestic) Ranji Trophy matches and will keep trying to work hard. I hope to make a comeback. But I'm dejected right now and don't know how to react."

After he was not picked for the team that would tour Zimbabwe in May.

Sports Whizz Kid

Competition 148
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 May 4, 2001 and draw shortly afterwards

- Who clinched the Biman Cup Under-14 national football title?
 Mouvibazar Narayanganj Madaripur
- Who became Professor Abdur Razzak National chess champion?
 Niaz Murshed Ziaur Rahman Enamul Hossain
- Who lifted the Eston Open title?
 Felix Mantilla Carlos Ferrero Andre Agassi
- Who won the English Premiership?
 Newcastle Man United Leeds
- What was the result of the Bangladesh and Zimbabwe one-day series?
 2-1 3-0 2-0

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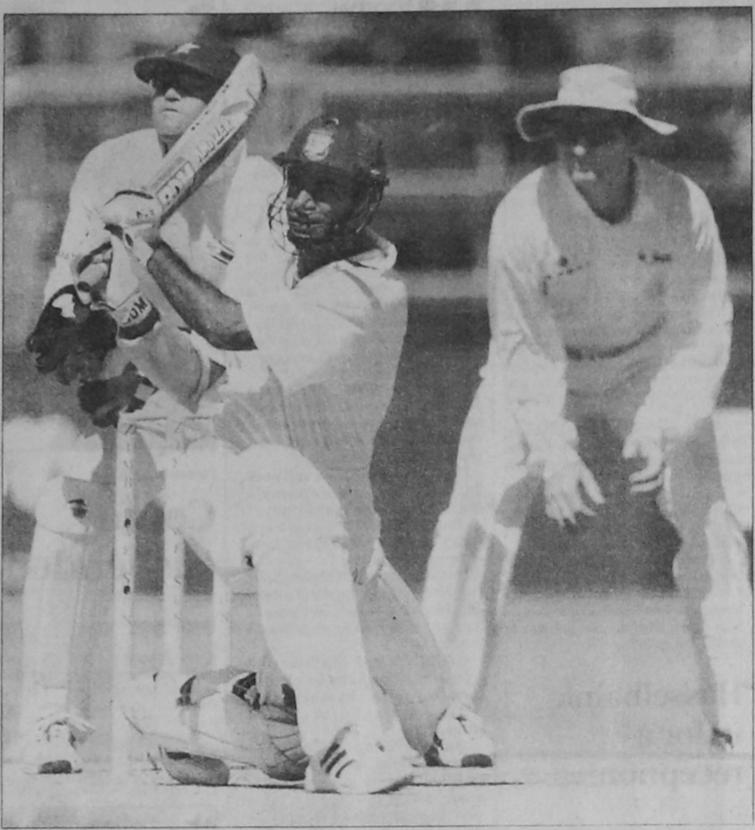


PHOTO: BANGLADESH CRICKET BOARD
 Bangladesh's Enamul Haque follows through on a sweep shot during his unbeaten 20 on the second day of the second Test against Zimbabwe at the Harare Sports Club on Friday.

Hello from Harare

Cricket

Al-Amin from Harare

Ekushey TV's commentator Shamim Ashraf Chowdhury had the misfortune of losing his valuable passport on Thursday afternoon.

Shamim was enjoying some light moments with former Zimbabwe captain Dave Houghton and manager of the Bangladesh team Mahabubul Anam at the members' refreshment room of the Harare Sports Club when he suddenly discovered that his handbag was missing.

He was carrying some local currency along with his passport inside the bag.

The loss, especially that of the passport, left Shamim in a state of shock and he was seen busy the whole Friday trying to contact the Bangladesh Mission in South Africa for a new one.

CLOSE SHAVE!

In Zimbabwe the disciplined traffic movement is bound to astonish any Bangladeshi. Not a single driver will violate the street signals not even if it's after midnight with not another vehicle in sight.

However there are the odd rule-breaker but if caught, tough time waits.

Two Bangladesh reporters experienced this when their taxi driver stopped near a 'No Stopping' sign. A policeman popped up from nowhere and charged the driver.

At one stage the driver started weeping in fear of the punishment that could be met. Luckily for him however, he got away with the verbal lashing only.

HOME AWAY FROM HOME

The small but very enthusiastic

different types of 'bharta' for us", said a fascinated Al-Shahriar.

OLONGA MAKES HIS MARK

Zimbabwe fast bowler Henry Olonga is one of the most colourful characters in world cricket.

Olonga was not playing in the second Test against Bangladesh but that hasn't stopped him from making his presence felt on the ground.

The 'ragamuffin'-haired pace man, who is well known for his

singing talent, was seen teaching the lyrics of a song to nearly a hundred school children at the stands of the Harare Sports Club on Friday.

And the kids, already overjoyed to see their hero from so close, joined in the hearty chorus—"Every time we are gathered on the field of play we know It's gonna probably gonna be a long long day".

MORE CRICKET MORE PEPSI

Bangladeshi community in Zimbabwe is ever keen to entertain the national cricketers.

The Bangladeshis here have been in a virtual competition to invite the national cricketers over for dinner and it was Mr. Swapan's turn on Thursday night.

The players too are passing a great time savouring the classic 'Deshi' delicacies.

"It was like I'm taking my meal at home. Our host even arranged

BD-ZIMBABWE SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at the close of play on the second day of the second and final Test between Zimbabwe and Bangladesh on Friday:

BANGLADESH: First innings (overnight 198-6)

Javed Omar c Blignaut b H. Streak	1
Mahreb c Carlisle b Price	71
Al-Shahriar c G. Flower b Streak	11
Amimul c Campbell b Price	12
Bashar st A. Flower b Price	64
Akram c Campbell b Streak	44
Naimur lbw b Price	16
Mushfiqur c A. Flower b Streak	2
Enamul not out	20
Sharif c Campbell b Watambwa	0
Monjurul c Carlisle b Watambwa	0
Extras:(lb-8, w-3, nb-2)	13
Total: (All out)	254

Fall of wickets: 1-1, 2-23, 3-48, 4-162, 5-171, 6-196, 7-207, 8-254, 9-254

Bowler O M R W

Blignaut	27	6	67	0
Streak	30	12	38	4
Watambwa	14.5	3	48	2
Nkala	19	11	22	0
Price	30	9	71	4

ZIMBABWE: First innings

G Whittall run out (M. Shari)	59
Ebrahim c Akram b Naimur	39
Stuart Carlisle not out	21
Campbell not out	22
Extras:(lb-3)	3
Total: (For 2 wkts)	144

Fall of wickets: 1-90, 2-104

Bowler O M R W

Monjurul	15	4	38	0
Sharif	9	2	33	0
Enamul	20	5	38	0
Mushfiqur	4	0	13	0
Naimur	10	4	19	1

School cricket

SPORTS REPORTER



Chittagong Police Institution, Rangpur High School and Sher-e-Bangla High School of Natore moved into the final round of the Standard Chartered 19th National School Cricket Championship after winning their respective zonal final matches across the country on Friday.

Police Institution beat Arun Chandra High School of Noakhali by seven wickets in the Noakhali zone final at the Majid Stadium. Rangpur High School beat hosts Kurigram Ulipur High School by 60 runs at the Kurigram Stadium while home side Sher-e-Bangla High School defeated BB Hindu Academy of Rajshahi by 96 runs at the Natore Stadium.

SCORES IN BRIEF

Arun Chandra High School (Noakhali): 100 all out in 30.4 overs (Hirak 17, Subrata 3/6)

Police Institution (Chittagong): 101 for 3 in 17 overs (Ikram 46)

Result: Police Institution won by seven wickets.

Rangpur High School: 158 all out in 34.1 overs (Sumon 31, Alam 3/31, Ranjeet 3/32)

Ulipur High School (Kurigram): 98 all out in 35.5 overs (Sumon 4/19, Shaon 3/16)

Result: Rangpur High School won by 60 runs.

Sher-e-Bangla High School (Natore): 173 all out in 38.4 overs (Masud 35, Rony 35, Murad 3/16)

BB Hindu Academy (Rajshahi): 77 all out in 34.4 overs (Robin 5/33)

Result: Sher-e-Bangla High School won by 96 runs.

DMFLC seek to defer inter-club transfers

SPORTS REPORTER

The Dhaka Mahanagari Football League Committee (DMFLC) in a meeting on Thursday night, has decided to request the Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) to defer the four-day inter-club booters transfers, scheduled for May 5.

The representatives of twenty Senior Division clubs sought to put it off by five days, citing financial difficulties.

The meeting also agreed to scrap the existing Super Four phase in the Premier Division League and replace it with a Super Three instead.



DAY'S EVENT

- Premier Division Cricket Super League**
 Mohammedan SC v Biman (Bangabandhu National Stadium)
- Premier Division Cricket Relegation League**
 Victoria SC v City Club (Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium)

Dhanmondi slay Tarun

Cricket

SPORTS REPORTER

A century stand between openers Monirul Islam and Sajjadul Hasan drove Dhanmondi Club to an impressive eight-wicket win over powerful neighbours Surjo Tarun Club in a Premier Division Super League match at the Bangabandhu National Stadium on Friday.

The Dhanmondi openers put on 121 runs, to help their side, chasing a Tarun's total of 202 in 50 overs, to reach 206 for two with nearly six overs to spare.

The match-winning partnership was eventually broken when young right hander Sajjad (66), one of the most consistent local

batsmen in the league, was out after making his sixth half-century.

On his way to 66, which came off 100 balls with seven fours, Sajjad also toppled Biman's Hasanzaman as the leading local batsman having scored 617 runs in 14 innings. Hasan had amassed 561 runs so far.

Moni then added 43 runs for the second wicket with one-down Tushar Imran before the former fell on 61. His 88-ball knock featured four boundaries.

Tushar and Sumon Barua took their side home sharing 42 runs for the unbeaten third-wicket, which came off just 33 balls.

Tushar was undefeated on 41 while Sumon remained 17 not out off 12 balls.

Earlier, put into bat, Surjo Tarun were restricted to 202 for

eight in the stipulated 50 overs with middle-order Shamsul Arefin hammering highest 47. Pakistani Irfanullah (33) was the only other notable run-getter.

Dhanmondi pacer Debabrata Paul took highest three for 35 followed by Tahmin and Nayeem who captured two each.

With yesterday's win, high-flying Dhanmondi, who created sensation by making it to the six-team Super League, moved into the fourth position ahead of giants Kalabagan and Tarun. They have raised their tally to 14 points from as many matches.

On the other hand, the defeat kept Surjo Tarun at the bottom of the table along with Kalabagan with 12 points from 14 matches.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the Premier Division Cricket Super League match between Dhanmondi Club and Surjo Tarun Club at the Bangabandhu National Stadium on Friday:

SURJO TARUN CLUB

Hannan c Tahmin b Debabrata	17
Salauddin c Nayeem b Debabrata	22
Mazhar c Momin b Debabrata	19
Iqbal c Momin b Nayeem	7
Irfan st Nuruzzaman b Tahmin	33
Faruq b Nayeem	36
Shamsul not out	17
Anwar c Irfan b Tahmin	10
A Kamal b Momin	10
Suja not out	9
Extras: (lb-3, nb-2, w-17)	22
Total: (For 8 wkts in 50 overs)	202

Fall of wickets: 1/30, 2/56, 3/67, 4/73, 5/96, 6/130, 7/154, 8/171.

Bowler O M R W

Tareq	10	1	51	0
Debabrata	10	1	35	3
Nayeem	10	0	27	2
Tahmin	10	0	43	2
Sumon	5	0	21	0
Momin	5	0	22	1

DHANMONDI CLUB

Monir c Salauddin b Irfan	61
Sajjad c Hannan b Suja	66
Tushar not out	41
Sumon not out	17
Extras: (lb-1, lb-4, w-16)	21
Total: (For 2 wkts in 43.4 overs)	206

Fall of wickets: 1/121, 2/164

Bowler O M R W

A Kamal	8	1	31	0
Shamsul	7	2	21	0
Ziaul	6	0	33	0
Salauddin	1	0	6	0
Suja	10	0	36	1
Iqbal	4	0	24	0
Irfan	6.4	0	43	1
Hannan	1	0	7	0

Result: Dhanmondi Club won by eight wickets.



PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN
 Khaled Masood, the injured wicketkeeper who returned from Zimbabwe in the middle of the tour, entering his house at Mirpur in the city on crutches as his wife helps him scale the stairs on Thursday. He fractured his right ankle during a practice session on the third day of the first Test in Bulawayo on April 21.

Vaughan, Lehmann in runs

Cricket

AFP, London

England hopeful Michael Vaughan and Australian Darren Lehmann were in form as Yorkshire stayed in charge of their County Championship First Division match against Kent at Canterbury on Thursday.

On another day of rain delays and wash-outs, Vaughan made 71 at the top of the order to set Yorkshire on the way to a first-innings lead over the hosts, who made only 142 all out Wednesday.

Yorkshire, with 68 from Lehmann, were 208 for four by the close of a stop-start second day.

Kent pace bowler Martin Saggers (three for 57) claimed each of the first three wickets.

Northamptonshire had reached 119 for four when rain forced an early close at Chelmsford as they sought to push for a first-innings lead over Essex, who managed 206 all out.

The hosts' once promising innings went out with a whimper as

they added a run-of-the-mill 52 for their last four wickets today.

Former Essex pace bowler Darren Cousins did most of the damage, with another wicket today to add to his three yesterday for figures of four for 62.

Glamorgan made up for a first-day wash-out at Cardiff by reaching 330 for seven against Somerset — with Michael Powell and the in-form Adrian Dale both hitting 64 and Adrian Shaw chipping in with an unbeaten 62.

Somerset new boys Keith Dutch and Richard Johnson — both formerly of Middlesex — were in the wickets, off-spinner Dutch finishing with two and paceman Johnson three.

But there was still no joy for Surrey and Lancashire, last season's champions and runners-up respectively, who again failed to get on the pitch and have yet to bowl a ball in their match at Old Trafford because of rain.

In the Second Division Middlesex seamer Simon Cook gave the Londoners the edge when play finally got under way after another

first-day wash-out against Derbyshire at the Racecourse Ground.

Cook finished day two with three for 53 to his name while Phil Tufnell and Tim Bloomfield bagged two wickets each as the home side mustered 171 for seven.

Durham's Paul Collingwood was the day's top-scorer with 95 out of his team's 284 all out against Nottinghamshire at Trent Bridge, where the northerners progressed from 148 for five at start of play.

Fomer Northamptonshire seamer Richard Logan had the best day among the home pace attack, finishing with four for 69, while all-rounder Paul Franks took three for 74.

Nottinghamshire's reply was worth 38 for one by stumps after opener Guy Welton had gone caught behind for a duck off Neil Killeen.

The other scheduled match between Worcestershire and Sussex was abandoned without a ball being bowled for the second suc-

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PHOTO: INTERNET
 Yorkshire's Australian recruit Darren Lehmann plays the ball on the on-side during their County Championship match against Kent at Canterbury on Thursday.



SHAUN POLLOCK



CARL HOOPER

SA, WI to start ODI rivalry

Cricket

AFP, Kingston

West Indies will be seeking to build on their win in the final Test against South Africa when they meet the tourists at Sabina Park on Saturday in the first of seven one-day internationals.

"The Test win has given the players confidence, even though one-day cricket is a totally different game," said West Indian captain Carl Hooper.

Hooper, who claimed there were no fitness worries surrounding his squad, said that for the first time in his experience the current West Indies one-day squad had versatile players who gave the side all-round depth.

"For the very first time we have got guys among our top five batsmen who can bowl," he said.

For both teams the series will

be part of a build-up to the 2003 World Cup in South Africa.

"We have a lot of young guys in the squad and the selectors will be starting to earmark those they think might make it to the World Cup," said Hooper.

Hooper, who had a disappointing Test series with the bat, against South Africa, one of the top one-day teams in the world, would provide a good gauge of the ability of the West Indies to become a serious World Cup contender.

South African captain Shaun Pollock said he expected the bulk of his current squad to be contenders for World Cup places.

Pollock admitted his side had suffered a blow with the withdrawal through injury of left-arm spinner Nicky Boje, whose replacement, Goolam Bodi, was himself injured the day before he was to join the squad.

It leaves the South Africans short of proven one-day spinners and could provide an opportunity for uncapped Justin Ontong to make his mark at international level.

The 21-year-old, bowling a mixture of legspin and offspin, bowled tidily in a warm-up match against Jamaica on Wednesday and batted confidently.

Ontong enhances an already strong fielding side.

Pollock said his team were determined to finish their tour on a high note by winning the one-day series as well as the Test series.

"There is a bit of fatigue," he admitted. "It has been a long season and