



## Did U Know?

A British tabloid once referred to former England wicketkeeper Jack Russell's MBE (he was honoured in the Queen's birthday honours list in 1998) as Mad, Brashness and Eccentricity!



## What to WATCH

**ESPN**  
Cricket Magazine  
The Cricket Archives 1905-1960  
3:00 am (Tuesday)  
UEFA Champions League  
Weekly Highlights  
1:00 pm  
Serie A  
Highlights  
7:30 pm

**Star Sports**  
Harsha Online  
Cricket Talk Show  
11:00 pm  
Primera Liga  
8:30 am  
Asian Football Show  
4:30 pm



## Talk TURKEY



**Herschelle Gibbs**  
(South African cricketer)  
"I was lucky enough to speak with Sir Viv quiet a few times on this tour."  
Paying tribute to Viv Richards for his successful comeback.

## Sports WHIZZ KID

**Competition 149**  
✓ Tick the Correct Answers  
Post to The Daily Star  
Win attractive prizes  
Competition closes at 8 pm  
May 18, 2001 and draw  
shortly afterwards

1. Who clinched the Monte Carlo Tennis Masters Series title?	Agassi	Arazi	Kuerten
2. Who lifted the Ary Gold Cup Sharjah tri-series cricket trophy?	New Zealand	Pakistan	Sri Lanka
3. What was the result of the South Africa and West Indies Test series?	4-1	3-2	2-1
4. Who was the man-of-the-match in the Bangladesh and Zimbabwe first Test?	Heath Streak	K M Saoud	Javed Omar
5. How many Test wickets did Courtney Walsh capture when he retired?	536	520	519

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## Juvenile soccer camp starts

**UNB, Dhaka**  
The third phase of the long-term juvenile football training camp for building up the under-17 and under-20 teams began at the Mirpur Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium yesterday.  
A total of 49 players, picked up from 200 booters played in a recently concluded tournament, are taking part in the 45-day training camp.  
Abdus Sadeq and Jubair Nipu are conducting the under-17 camp while Golam Sarwar Tipu takes care of the under-20.  
A special training programme with 17 youth custodians also began at the same venue yesterday.

## Quader not at all happy

### Inquiry report sent back



**SPORTS REPORTER**

State Minister for Youth and Sports Obaidul Quader has sent back the cricket's much-delayed inquiry report today, terming it not only incomplete but also short of investigation.  
"I think, the probe committee failed to produce a complete report. It is not only inadequate but also inconclusive. I felt, if the committee were committed to the cause of it the report might have been altogether different," said a disappointed Quader while reacting to the five-page findings on the alleged malpractice during the 25th February election of the Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB).  
The sports minister has also asked the three-member probe body, headed by BKSP DG Ahsan Habib, to elaborate and clarify some vital points he underlined before returning it to him by May 20.

"The report has addressed some underlying problems, but did not provide any guidelines in their recommendation," Quader observed to the Daily Star Sport over telephone last night.

The committee was formed by the Ministry of Sports on March 1 amidst reports of a widespread

manipulation in the polls by a few leaders of the district organisers forum. Although the committee had been given 15 working days' time to submit its findings, it took more than two months before winding up its assignment.

Quader was not also happy about the committee's dealing with the fourth state. "The report stated that the committee did not



OBAIDUL QUADER

get adequate co-operation from members of the press. But, I have got the impression that the press people were not properly informed."

Though the sports boss called it an "incomplete" report, but he ruled out any possibility of dis-

solving the newly elected board of directors. "I did not find any concrete proof to abolish the newly elected committee," Quader said.

His remark clearly indicates that the 30 directors are eligible to sit in the first meeting scheduled for May 21 whatever the revised report may be.

Board president Saber Hossain Chowdhury was very angry with the media about their fund-raising drive through election manipulation, that he had refused to sit with the controversially elected directors unless their names were cleared by the inquiry.

Quader however said that he had talked with the Board president about the findings of the report and assured him that the re-investigation would be over before the first Board meeting takes place.

But observers were however not yet convinced even though the sports minister sent the report back. They knew well about the fact that some controversial figures had already got away with their ominous acts on grounds of lack of evidence and investigation. And they would also be there when Saber convenes the first meeting of the directors, who are supposed to guide Bangladesh cricket to a new height.

## Nat'l cricketers resume training on May 20

**SPORTS REPORTER**

The training camp of Bangladesh national cricket team will start on May 20 at the Bangladesh Krira Shiksha Protisthan (BKSP). The month-long programme will run three days a week under the supervision of Australian coach Trevor Chappell.

The 22 cricketers under the Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB)'s pay-roll are currently having an off-time. Sixteen of them, who represented the country in its first overseas Test tour in Zimbabwe, have gone on leave after returning home.

Apart from the 22 under contract, nine other cricketers are also likely to be included in the short camp, which is to concentrate mostly on fielding.

"We will deal with the fielding aspects, running between the wickets and building up the stamina of the players", said Chappell to the Daily Star at the BCB office on Sunday afternoon.

Chappell, who took over the national team in March, said that he would not mind if thirty players attended the training.

"But anything above that would be rather difficult", opined Chappell.

The additional players' list was yet to be announced by the Board.

The cricketers will join the camp on every Friday and continue till Sunday.

## England A duo get Test call up

**AFP, London**

Surrey batsman Ian Ward and Yorkshire left-arm seamer Ryan Sidebottom received their first call-up into the senior England squad when the 13 for Thursday's first Test of two against Pakistan at Lord's was announced here Sunday.

Both players impressed during the winter when England A (the reserve side) competed in West Indies' domestic first-class competition.

Left-hand opening bat Ward has been an important member of Surrey's back-to-back Championship winning team of the last two seasons and scored three successive centuries out in the Caribbean. Sidebottom, the son of Manchester United footballer and Yorkshire and England pace bowler Arnie, was the leading English bowler in last season's first class averages here and also enjoyed a successful tour in the West Indies.

With the rest of the squad having a familiar look, Ward has the better chance of making his debut if England decide to play an extra batsman to combat the Pakistan pace attack.

Sidebottom has come in for injured county colleague Matthew Hoggard, out with a back injury sustained in the opening match of the season. However, as England's frontline pace quartet of Darren Gough, Andrew Caddick, Craig White and Dominic Cork all selected, Sidebottom will do well to force his way in.

But David Graveney, England's chairman of selectors hinted that Ward could well reinforce the top order and also added that Sidebottom was more than a glorified stand by.

"Ian's inclusion will give us the option of playing seven batsmen as we chose to do in some of last season's Tests against West Indies and Ryan is also in the frame to play on Thursday and has not just been chosen as a back-up in case of injury to one of the other pace bowlers."

England have only the one specialist slow bowler, Glamorgan off-spinner Robert Croft, in their line-up because Warwickshire slow left armer Ashley Giles is still battling against his longstanding Achilles problem.

## SQUAD

Nasser Hussain (Essex, capt), Michael Atherton (Lancashire), Marcus Trescothick (Somerset), Graham Thorpe (Surrey), Alec Stewart (Surrey, wk), Michael Vaughan (Yorkshire), Ian Ward (Surrey), Craig White (Yorkshire), Dominic Cork (Derbyshire), Robert Croft (Glamorgan), Andrew Caddick (Somerset), Darren Gough (Yorkshire), Ryan Sidebottom (Yorkshire)



Abahani football coach Amalesh Sen gives instructions to his charges during a practice session at their club ground in Dhanmondi yesterday.

## BKSP-Manikganj High final



**SPORTS REPORTER**

Bangladesh Krira Shiksha Protisthan (BKSP) and Manikganj Government High School set up a final clash in the Standard Chartered 19th National School Cricket Championship after winning their respective semifinals in Sylhet on Sunday.

Fancied BKSP stormed into the final with an 81-run thrashing of Blue Bird High School at the Sylhet Stadium.

Defending a fighting total of 166 for nine in the stipulated 40 overs, the students of country's lone sports institute bowled out the reputed Sylhet-based school for 85 runs.

The BKSP total was built around two half-centuries from

Nayem (52) and Ashraf (50).

In the other semifinal at the MC College, Manikganj Government School recorded a facile eight-wicket win over New Model BH School, who were shot out for 57.

The Manikganj boys rattled up the required 58 for the loss of two wickets in 16.3 overs with Johnny scoring an unbeaten 20.

The final will be held the Sylhet Stadium on May 16.

**SCORES IN BRIEF**

BKSP: 166 for 9 in 40 overs (Nayem 52, Ashraf 50, Tanvir 21; Jakwan 3/18)

Blue Bird: 85 all out in 33.5 overs (Tanvir 20, Adnan 16; Tanvir 4/8, Nayem 3/18)

Result: BKSP won by 81 runs.

New Model: 57 all out in 26 overs (Raifan 12; Hadibul 4/10, Sarwar 2/12)

Manikganj Govt. High: 58 for 2 in 16.3 overs (Johnny 20, Siddiq 10)

Result: Manikganj won by 8 wickets.

## Windies wilt again



**AFP, Port of Spain**

Fast bowler Andre Nel took three wickets on his debut and Neil McKenzie hit 73 as a re-jigged South African team beat the West Indies by 53 runs in the sixth one-day international at Queen's Park Oval Saturday.

The tourists, who made 190, lead the West Indians, who were all out for a paltry 137, by five games to one with just one remaining.

South Africa included all five of the players fined for smoking marijuana after their recent test series win but they failed to shine as they stumbled to just 190, the lowest total of the one day series up till the West Indians failed to respond.

Nel bowled with pace and accuracy, taking three for 20 before limping off with a hamstring injury in his ninth over.

Sent in on a pitch which had early life as well as uneven bounce, South Africa were in early trouble before a third wicket stand

of 92 between McKenzie, who was returning after recovering from the hamstring injury he suffered in the first one-day, and Justin Kemp (46) revived them.

Kemp's dismissal, when he was given out lbw after missing a sweep against West Indian captain and off-spinner Carl Hooper, started a collapse in which eight wickets fell for 67 runs.

Opening bowler Cameron Cuffy bowled superbly in an unbroken spell of two for 26 in 10 overs, dismissing both opening batsmen, Herschelle Gibbs and Boeta Dippenaar.

He received good support from a new opening partner, Corey Collymore, who took two for 29.

Hooper also proved difficult to score off, taking two for 27 in his 10 overs.

South African captain Shaun Pollock and Nel put an immediate clamp on the West Indian scoring rate, with Nel taking his first international wicket when he had Darren Ganga caught at first slip with the total on 18 in the 12th over.

Shivnarine Chanderpaul and Brian Lara built what seemed a

potential winning position for the West Indies, with Lara making 41 in a second wicket stand of 53 before Lara was run out by a direct hit from Jonty Rhodes at extra cover.

Left-arm spinner Paul Adams had Chanderpaul stumped for a patient 27 off 84 balls and Nel made a double breakthrough when he dismissed Hooper and Ricardo Powell with successive balls in the second over of his second spell.

**SCOREBOARD**  
Scoreboard in the sixth one-day international between West Indies and South Africa at Queen's Park Oval on Saturday:

**SOUTH AFRICA**

Dippenaar lbw b Cuffy	7
Gibbs b Cuffy	1
McKenzie c Jacobs b Collymore	73
Kemp lbw b Hooper	46
Kallis b Hooper	3
Rhodes c Lara b Collymore	25
Pollock c and b Samuels	5
Boucher b Jeremy	3
Telemachus b Jeremy	2
Adams b Samuels	6
Nel not out	3
Extras (b-2, lb-9, w-4, nb-1)	16
Total (All out in 49.5 overs)	190

Fall of wickets: 1-1, 2-31, 3-123, 4-131, 5-152, 6-157, 7-170, 8-177, 9-184

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Cuffy	10	2	26	2
Collymore	8.5	1	29	2
Jeremy	9	0	42	2
Hooper	10	0	27	2
Ramnarine	7	0	41	0
Samuels	5	1	14	2

**WEST INDIES**

Ganga c Kemp b Nel	11
Chanderpaul st Boucher b Adams	27
Lara run out (Rhodes)	41
Samuels b Telemachus	29
Hooper c Boucher b Nel	8
Powell c Boucher b Nel	0
Jacobs c Adams b Kallis	7
Ramnarine c Boucher b Kemp	1
Jeremy b Telemachus	0
Cuffy not out	3
Collymore lbw b Pollock	1
Extras (w-4, nb-5)	9
Total (All out in 47 overs)	137

Fall of wickets: 1-18, 2-71, 3-97, 4-108, 5-108, 6-126, 7-131, 8-132, 9-135

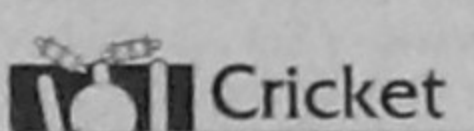
Bowler	O	M	R	W
Pollock	9	3	15	1
Nel	8.1	2	20	3
Telemachus	9	0	26	2
Kallis	8	0	25	2
Adams	6	0	24	1
Kemp	6.5	0	27	1

Result: South Africa won by 53 runs.

Series: South Africa lead 5-1.

Man-of-match: Neil McKenzie.

## Key hundred



**AFP, London**

Kent's England A batsman Robert Key celebrated his 22nd birthday in fine style Saturday as he emulated the late Sir Colin Cowdrey in hitting a century against Pakistan as the English county romped to 313-5 declared with the tourists 41 without loss at the close.

Key, who has also lost a stone over the winter, put on a superb partnership of 207 with Matthew Walker before being out for 119 while Walker missed out on a century when he played on to Saqlain Mushtaq for 98.

Key's accomplished knock inspired by Aussie coach John Inverarity who told him to be aggressive against the Pakistani spin attack came 27 years after Cowdrey made 105.

It looked unlikely when Key took 21 deliveries to get off the mark against the new ball, but after lunch flourished with the addition of 54 in the first 70 minutes of the afternoon session to march on to three figures.

And Key's vital stand with Walker revived Kent from nine for two to the luxury of 313 for five declared after being put in by Pakistan's stand-in captain Inzamam-ul-Haq.

Key said of his slow start: "I've had times when I've been hanging around desperately to get off the mark and it was hard work early on, but it is a good wicket. If you stuck at it, as soon as you were in, you could stay in."

"Matthew and I got on well together, and it was nice to get a big partnership like this. We've got 50 stands together and a few hundred partnerships."

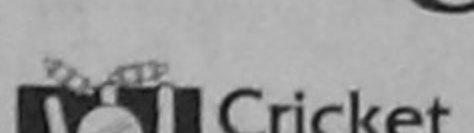
"I got 98 against Yorkshire and when I got into the nineties I was thinking about that. I was on 96 for a long time in that match so it was good to get through to the hundred so quickly this time so the nerves didn't have time to set in."

The unbeaten 42 of England's number two wicketkeeper Paul Nixon lifted Kent to their declaration total before Pakistan reached 41 for no wicket in the 11 overs possible before the close.

Mohammed Sami, the blossoming Pakistan fast bowling prospect, looked lithe and pacy

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## Gough's 'Dazzler'



**AFP, London**

England bowler Darren Gough has revealed how he was suffering from a hangover following a late drinking session when he earned the winning runs for England in the dramatic end to the series against South Africa last year.

In his new autobiography 'Dazzler', which was serialised in Sunday's News of the World, Gough told how he had stayed up drinking with golfer Ian Woosnam in a hotel bar until the early hours before what turned out to be an historic day of Test cricket.

South Africa had struggled to make 155 for six on a rain-affected opening day and with the following three days washed out, there seemed little hope of play on the final day and a positive result.

However after the pitch passed an inspection, both skippers agreed to forfeit an innings and Hansie Cronje's men set England a winning target of 249 off 76 overs -

making Gough regret his actions of the night before.

He said: "I am still ashamed of the way I let myself down on the final day of England's Centurion Park Test triumph over South Africa."

"I have never walked on to a cricket field in such a disgraceful, self-induced state of disrepair as I



DARREN GOUGH

was that last morning in Pretoria.

"I had already thrown up in the dressing room and I felt so bad I wasn't sure whether I had a hangover or was still drunk."

England skipper Nasser Hussain added to the Yorkshireman's woes by insisting he bowl 10 overs in a row as South Africa finished their innings.

"Nasser wanted to teach me a lesson," said Gough.

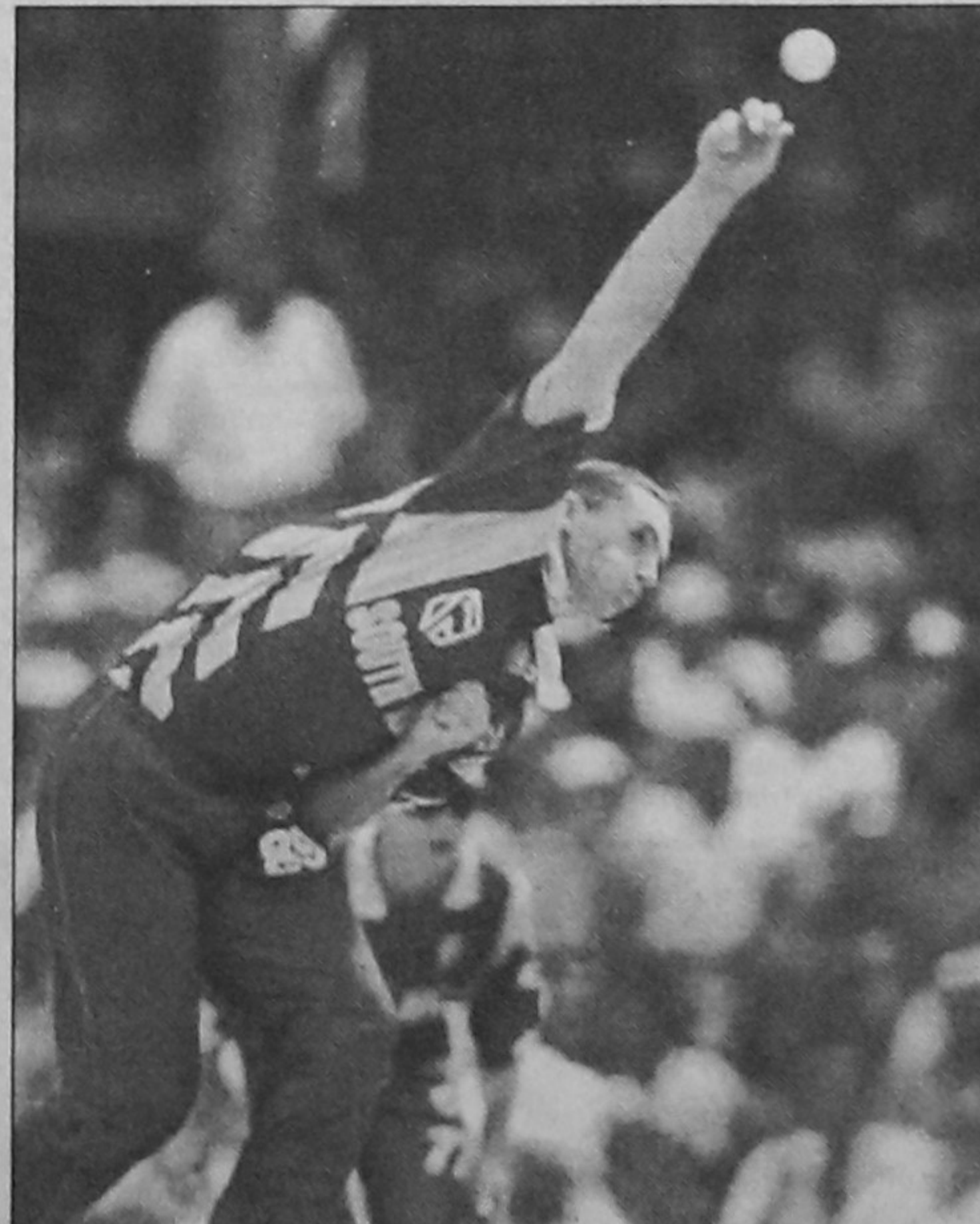
"I didn't say a word. The merest of moans and he would have been down on me like a ton of bricks."

However, the day ended on a high note both for England and for Gough as he hit the runs which clinched victory with only a few balls to spare.

"My celebrations had more to do with relief than anything else," he said.

"I thought I was going to let England down."

"I hit the winning runs, but it's an experience I never want to go through again. I'd been totally unprofessional."



ANDRE NEL ... 3 for 20