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Did U Know?

Wasim Akram holds the record for maximum ducks in 10-day internationals. He was out without scoring on 23 occasions in 241 innings until last year.



Michael Jordan
(Legendary basketball player)
"I am doing it for the love of the game. Nothing else. For the love of the game."

Why he made a comeback.



ESPN
English Premier Football League
Man United vs Tottenham Hotspur
7:00 am &
Arsenal vs Derby County
9:00 am
India vs South Africa
ICC Knockout 2000
3:00 pm
Serie A
Roma vs Juventus
4:00 pm

English Premier Football League
Liverpool vs Newcastle
Live at 6:50 pm &
Leeds United vs Ipswich
Live at 9:00 pm

STAR Sports
World Cup Soccer Mix
9:30 am
Gillette World Sports Special
Intl Sports News
10:00 am
Asian Basketball Show
12:00 pm
Futball Mundial
12:30 pm

Primera Liga
Barcelona vs Real Sociedad
2:30 pm
India Tour of South Africa
Ninth ODI
6:00 pm



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Oct 12, 2001 and draw
shortly afterwards

1. How many runs did Herschelle Gibbs score in the first ODI against Zimbabwe?
115 125
130

2. Who clinched the Princess Cup tennis title?
Hingis Dokic
Kournikova

3. Who became the new Australian Cricket Board chief?
Denis Rogers Bob Merriman Geoff Marsh

4. What was the result of the South Africa and Zimbabwe Test series?
2-0 1-0
1-1

5. Who became Shanghai Open champion?
Chang Schutte Agassi

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Wahidul BCB's policeman

Cricket

SPORTS REPORTER

Bangladesh have followed in the footsteps of the International Cricket Council (ICC) by appointing their own 'cricket policeman' Major (retd) Wahidul Haq to head the Board's Anti-Corruption Unit (ACU).

Cricket's world body, which was concerned by the widespread match-fixing allegations, appointed Englishman Sir Paul Condon last year to investigate the irregularities in the gentleman's game.

The former chief of British police recently released a sensational report that identified world stars Brian Lara, Mark Waugh, Mohammad Azharuddin, Alec Stewart and of course disgraced former South African captain Hansie Cronje for bringing the sport

into disrepute. Besides, he also mentioned that renowned organiser and former Pakistan captain Asif Iqbal accepted bribes.

"Wahidul Haq will have to probe any allegations regarding Bangladesh cricket. If necessary he can pick his own men during the course of an investigation. The Board will pay for him and his colleagues' services," said BCB director Syed Ashraful Haq to a group of journalists on Saturday.

The Board's ACU was deemed essential after some high-profile cases of match-fixing in Dhaka and Chittagong, mismanagement of ticket allocations during the 1998 ICC Knockout Tournament as well as the election fiasco in February this year.

"Even if the press makes a charge against the Board, then we will ask him to look into the matter. He is free to conduct his inquiry with whomever he chooses," said

Ashraful, who is also the chairman of Cricket Committee.

The 54-year-old ex-armyman will start his office from October 1.

Wahidul has served in various capacities. After retiring from the army in 1975, he served as DG of the NSI (National Security Intelligence) till 1997. Then for two years he was the Director General of Passport and Immigration before becoming the Additional Inspector General of Police. He retired in March last year.

However, the idea of employing a policeman is not new.

Former BCB chief Saber Hossain Chowdhury in his last days floated the concept among the directors of the Board before he was replaced by Akmal Hossain,

who approved Wahidul's selection from a probable two-man list during Thursday's regular meeting.

Proteas pummel Zimbabwe

Cricket

AFP, Harare

Left-arm spin bowler Claude Henderson took four for 17 as South Africa crushed Zimbabwe by 148 runs in the second one-day international against Zimbabwe at Harare Sports Club on Saturday.

It enabled South Africa to win the three-match series. They won the first game by 153 runs in Bulawayo on Sunday.

Herschelle Gibbs and Jonty Rhodes hit aggressive half-centuries as South Africa hammered 272 for seven after winning the toss.

Although the total was 91 short of the record 363 for three that South Africa made in the first international in Bulawayo, it was a good total on a pitch which posed problems for the batsmen.

The pitch was dry and the bounce

delivery in the next over when Flower chopped the ball into his stumps.

Stuart Carlisle played well for 31 but the spin of Henderson and the off-cutters of Lance Klusener were almost impossible to score off on a difficult pitch, with the ball regularly raising puffs of dust from a dry surface.

Carlisle fell to a diving reflex catch by wicketkeeper Mark Boucher as he tried to force the pace after a 44-run stand with Grant Flower. Flower was run out soon afterwards and Zimbabwe quickly folded to their lowest total against South Africa.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the second one-day international between South Africa and Zimbabwe at Harare Sports Club on Saturday:

SOUTH AFRICA

Kirsten and Friend 10
Gibbs and Strang 69
Kallis and Strang 26

Brent 10 0 37 0
Nkala 7 0 48 0
Strang 10 0 56 2
Whitall 10 0 49 2
G Flower 5 0 21 2
Campbell 2 0 16 0

ZIMBABWE

Campbell c Kirsten b Kallis 21
Strang c Boucher b Pollock 19
Masakadza run out (Kallis) 0
A Flower b Ntini 2
Carlisle c Boucher b Henderson 31
G Flower run out (Pollock) 20
Ebrahim c Pollock b Henderson 15
Whitall c Rhodes b Henderson 0
Nkala b Klusener 5
Friend st Boucher b Henderson 1
Brent not out 2
Extras: (lb-7, w-1) 8

Total: (All out in 40.1 overs) 124

Fall of wickets: 1-38, 2-42, 3-48, 4-

50, 5-94, 6-101, 7-102, 8-121, 9-121

Bowler O M R W

Pollock 6 1 13 1
Nel 6 0 29 0



South Africa's Herschelle Gibbs whacks one during the second one-day international against Zimbabwe yesterday.

awkward and uneven, but Gibbs got South Africa off to a good start, hooking a six off Travis Friend in the first over.

Gibbs, who made 125 in Bulawayo, went on to make 69 off 77 balls with nine fours and two sixes.

The fireworks, though, were provided by Rhodes, who raced to a half-century off 36 balls. Using his feet and improvising his strokes, including an effective reverse sweep, Rhodes hit six fours and two sixes before top-edging a sweep to be caught at backward square leg for 56 of 45 deliveries.

Zimbabwe's bowlers gave an improved performance, despite the absence of regular captain and strike bowler Heath Streak because of back spasms.

Medium-pacer Gary Brent, playing his first international in more than a year, bowled steadily to concede just 37 runs off 10 overs, while stand-in captain Guy Whitall took two for 49 despite conceding 12 runs, including a six by Lance Klusener, off the last over of the innings.

Atherton was widely expected to move into a career within the media, and he has now committed himself to Channel 4.

The most-capped Test captain in England cricket history retired from the international game last month after England's 4-1 Ashes defeat.

And next summer he will appear as a pundit for all six Test matches against India and Sri Lanka.

Atherton will also make regular appearances on Channel 4's Saturday morning horse racing preview The Morning Line.

There was a flurry of wickets, with Hamilton Masakadza, Alistair Campbell and Andy Flower all out as another 12 runs were added.

Masakadza was run out for the third time in five innings against South Africa, while a double change of bowling accounted for Campbell and Flower.

With his fourth ball, Jacques Kallis had Campbell caught at mid-off and Makhala Ntini captured the key wicket of Flower with his second

McKenzie c Nkala b G Flower 40
Rhodes c Strang b G Flower 56
Klusener c Campbell b Whitall 34
Pollock c G Flower b Whitall 15
Boucher not out 4
Extras: (b-1, lb-7, w-10) 18

Total: (For 7 wkt in 50 overs) 272

Fall of wickets: 1-24, 2-89, 3-123,

4-212, 5-225, 6-253, 7-272

Did not bat: C Henderson, A Nel, M Ntini

Bowler O M R W

Friend 6 0 37 1

Result: South Africa won by 148 runs.

Man-of-the-match: Jonty Rhodes.

Next match: September 30, Harare.

INTERNET, London

explained: "I've been signed to give an insight into the players' thinking."

"I had to think carefully what I wanted to do after retiring from cricket."

"Channel 4 only cover home Tests and after touring for the last 10 or 12 years that was a real attraction."

"But I also enjoyed my first experiences of working with the C4 team during last summer's one-day series."

Atherton captained England 54 times -- and defied some of the world's best pacemen for hours on end to compile 16 Test centuries.

His first experience of television commentary came with the BBC, during the 1999 World Cup. And he also pens a column in the Sunday Telegraph.

One of Channel 4's perceived weaknesses was the absence of a recently-retired Test player in their commentary team. Atherton ideally plugs the gap.

Simon Hughes, Channel 4 analyst, added: "Mike has a strong sense of humour which isn't always recognised and I think the public will see a different side of him."

The veteran of 155 Tests

AFC picks 3 local referees

SPORTS REPORTER

The Asian Football Confederation (AFC) named three Bangladesh referees in a panel of five officials to conduct the Asian Youth (Under-14) football festival, beginning in the capital from October 25.

The three local officials are Ibrahim Nesar, Ehsanul Huq and Rakib Mohammed Abdul. Bose Praever Kumar of India and Mogilevskiy of Uzbekistan are the other members.

Six nations including hosts Bangladesh will compete in the competition for South Asian Zone. The other participants in the 10-day meet are India, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

Div III cricket qualifiers

SPORTS REPORTER

Rangdhan Sangha, CCS White and Media CC won their respective Third Division cricket qualifying matches at different venues in the city on Saturday.

At the Uttara Police Lines ground, Rangdhan Sangha recorded a facile 65-run win over Chandpur Cricket Academy.

The winners scored 150 all out in 34.2 overs with opener Abdulla notching highest 58. Chandpur were shot out for 85 in 23.2 overs.

At the Dhamondi Club ground, White defeated Sishu Kishore by 63 runs.

In a low-scoring affair, CCS boys managed to make 92 and then bundled out their opponents for only 29.

Sajib took four wickets for five runs.

At the GYC ground, Media CC posted an 83-run victory over Kochi Kacha Sangha.

Batting first, Media CC scored 144 all out in 34.1 overs.

In reply, Kochi Kacha tumbled for 61 runs.

Friendly gesture

INTERNET, Colombo

Most international teams would balk at last-minute attempts to organise unscheduled tours in an already congested calendar, but Sri Lanka's cricketers have apparently informed the Board of Control for Cricket in Sri Lanka (BCCSL) that they are willing to undertake a short tour of Pakistan.

Pakistan cricket, facing a financial crisis after the last-minute withdrawal of New Zealand in the wake of the US terrorist attacks and India's cancellation of a three-Test series earlier this year for political reasons, sent a SOS tour invitation to the Sri Lankan board last week, to fill the gap left vacant by the Black Cap pullout. The plan was for three one-day matches in mid-October.

The players were then consulted by the BCCSL and according to a BCCSL official: "The players have shown a keenness to go to Pakistan and help them out of a financial dilemma, after the support Pakistan gave us during the 1998 World Cup."

That support occurred five years ago when Australia and West Indies refused to play their World Cup qualifying round matches in Colombo after a Tamil Tiger suicide bomb. Facing lost revenue and a tarnished image abroad the BCCSL were rescued when players from Pakistan and India travelled to Colombo to play a hastily arranged curtain raiser.

Sri Lankan captain Sanath Jayasuriya confirmed his players' support on Thursday, saying: "We are willing to go. Pakistan helped us in 1996 and we would like to return that favour now if our government gives the all-clear."

The BCCSL are now awaiting clearance from the Foreign Office, which was contacted on Tuesday.

A final decision will be made when the interim committee of the BCCSL meet on October 2.

Sarfraz says the same

Cricket

REUTERS, Karachi

Former Pakistan fast bowler Sarfraz Nawaz claimed at a cricket match-fixing inquiry on Saturday that the result of two games at the 1999 World Cup were rigged.