Henman follows 'em

REUTERS, Vienna

Number two seed and defending champion Tim Henman tumbled out of the Vienna CA Trophy on Wednesday, losing to Argentina's Guillermo Canas 3-6, 7-6, 7-6 in a close-fought second-round clash.

Henman's defeat continued a disappointing day for the tournament's seeds following the elimination of Russian favourite Yevgenv Kafelnikov and fifth seed Goran Ivanisevic in their first-round

Canas bounced back from a set down to defeat Henman who failed to take his chances.

"I dominated the first and half sets and then began to struggle," Henman told reporters. "I was pretty close to winning having one match point but not close enough.

Sixth seed Tommy Haas of Germany and Roger Federer, seeded fourth, are the only seeded players left in the tournament after Spaniards Carlos Moya and Alex Corretja and France's Fabrice Santoro also all failed to make it

through the first-round on Tuesday. Wimbledon champion Ivanisevic earlier plunged out of the \$800,000 tournament, losing 6-7, 6-3, 6-3 to

an inspired Michael Chang. The Croatian said he had fought hard to hold the first set against Chang but added the American's game in the final two sets was

"unbelievable" "I have played him 10 times and he has never played like that against

me," Ivanisevic said. Chang will next meet wild-card Stefan Koubek of Austria who beat Czech Jiri Vanek 4-6, 6-3, 6-2.

Sugiyama moves into qtrs

AFP, Shanghai

Japanese fourth seed Ai Sugiyama swept to the quarterfinals of the 140,000-dollar WTA women's tournament here on Thursday but two other seeds fell to unfancied

The 26-year-old Wimbledon doubles finalist beat Switzerland's Emmanuelle Gagliardi 6-3, 6-3 on the fourth day of the Shanghai tournament

Thailand's third seed Tamarine Tanasugarn was defeated by Australian Alicia Molik 4-6, 7-6, 2-6, while French eighth seed Nathalie Dechy was beaten by her compatriot Stephanie Foretz 6-3, 4-6, 4-6.

South Korea's Cho Yoon-Jeong reached the quarterfinals by beating Rachel McQuillan by a walkover as the Australian had to bow out due to

Change

BNP government, it will always be difficult not to put a political person in

DSS: Do you consider yourself indispensable to Bangladesh's cricket? What qualities do you like to see in the next BCB chief?

SH: I never considered myself indispensable. No one is. I am a believer in the changing process. Regarding the next chief, well there are many good people out there. The qualities that I believe reflects a good leader are: 1) He must be a good Public Relations (PR) man, 2) He must have a feel for the game. not necessarily a top level cricketer. but a person who understands and is passionate about the game and 3) He must be devoted and dedicated.

I should also mention another on customary condition on anonymcrucial factor. The Board president must have the freedom to work. I can honestly say, during my time in from the Lankan board, which office, I never faced any interference includes officials nominated by

from the prime minister or the Minister for Youth and Sports Obaidul Quader. That was one of the key elements behind our success. DSS: You were an executive

member of the ICC and presidentelect of the Asian Cricket Council (ACC). Are you still holding those positions? You also had an excellent rapport with the international cricket community. Don't you think the new BCB president will experience difficulties if those responsibilities are put on his shoulders?

SH: The ICC position is determined by the respective cricket boards. So I don't have anything to say here. However the ACC post, according to the new rules, is given to an individual and his respective Board doesn't have a say in it. But I am the last person to compromise my country's image abroad. So if a situation arises where my appointment is being questioned, I will not hesitate to step down

DSS: There is a rumor that the sports federations of the country are going back to the ad-hoc era. What are your views on it?

SH: If it is true, then it would be a regressive rather than a progressive move. There must be continuity in a process. You don't need to change the system. If a person is not capable, rather change him.

In this regard, I commend a recent statement made by new Prime Minister Khaleda Zia. She has said that the performance of the ministers will be reviewed after one year. But she has not said that they will be given five years to hold their positions. This I feel can also have a positive impact in sports

Kiwis hope to be in full

Cricket

REUTERS, Wellington

New Zealand will be near fullstrength for the first time in almost two years for the forthcoming tour of Australia, coach Denis Aberhart said on Thursday.

New Zealand leave on Saturday for the nine-match, three-Test tour, Aberhart's first assignment since taking over from David Trist in July.

"A tour to Australia is the biggest challenge so I'm looking forward to it and so are the players," Aberhart

New Zealand, who pulled out of a tour to Pakistan following the September 11 attacks in the United States, will open their Australian visit with a four-day match against Queensland's second XI in Brisbane on October 16.

The first Test, also in Brisbane, begins on November 8. Aberhart said the cancellation of the Pakistan tour was disappointing as it would have provided a chance for the players, particularly those returning from injury, to gain some "match

NZ will be bolstered by the expected return to Test cricket of allrounders Chris Cairns and Dion Nash, and left arm spinner Daniel Vettori after lengthy injury lay-offs.

"They're not only your experienced players, they're your match winners so it's great to have them back. They are competitive, they are aggressive and they've showed they can compete against anyone in the world," said Aberhart,

The trio will be joined by left-arm swing bowler Shavne O'Connor. who is returning after knee surgery.

The last time Cairns. Nash and Vettori -- who between them share 370 Test wickets -- played together in a Test, NZ won by an innings (against the West Indies in December 1999).

Gavin Larsen, the former NZ player turned commentator, said the middle-order, already rich in strokemakers, would be strengthened by the return of the trio.

Facing the might of Australia's bowling attack -- likely to include the world's top ranked bowler Glenn McGrath, speedsters Brett Lee and Jason Gillespie, and leg spinning wizard Shane Warne -- NZ's sometimes brittle batting line-up will need to deliver to have any chance of toppling the world champions.

Following the exclusion of the experienced Matt Horne, his opening partner Matthew Bell and lefthander Mark Richardson have emerged as key players at the top of

The pair performed admirably during Pakistan's tour of NZ last season, with Richardson named New Zealand cricketer of the year in his first international campaign.

He scored 710 runs in nine Tests at an average of 54.61 but he and Bell face a tough challenge opening the batting on Australia's fast and bouncy pitches rather than NZ's tamer tracks. Larsen said.

"The stats in previous Aussie

tours have been pretty disastrous in terms of opening partnerships -- this is a different kettle of fish. We've got a middle order chock full of strokemakers but ideally you don't want them exposed early on. Mathew Sinclair, who usually

bats at number three, has proven his ability to make big centuries, racking up three scores of more than 150, including 214 in his maiden Test in 1999. However, Sinclair's lack of footwork early in his innings was

build an innings of substance. Also lining up to take on the Australian bowlers are captain Stephen Fleming, big hitters Nathan Astle and Craig McMillan, and newcomer Lou Vincent, who impressed in his one-day performances and the recent NZA tour of

exploited by Australia's pace bowl-

ers later that season and he failed to

Australia whitewashed New Zealand 3-0 in the 1999/2000

BCCI wants CBI to fix it

Cricket

AP, New Delhi

The Indian cricket board wants the assistance of federal investigators to fight court cases filed by players who were banned for their involvement in match-fixing, a top cricket official said Thursday.

Board of Control for Cricket in India's (BCCI) president Jagmohan Dalmiya said the country's federal investigation agency, Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), needs to assist the board's lawyers in defending the bans imposed on cricketers in the wake of the matchfixing scandal which erupted last

"The CBI's probe report on match-fixing is already there But the board needs active assistance from it in fighting the court cases,"

The CBI had probed cricketers' involvement in match-fixing on the directive of India's sports ministry.

The BCCI appointed its own inquiry commissioner, K Madhavan, after the CBI pointed an accusing

A planned tour by the West Indies

cricket team to Sri Lanka later this

vear has become uncertain after

political developments in the host

country, cricket officials said

following terrorist attacks in the

pounded by the parliamentary

elections due on December 5.

officials at the Board of Control for

Cricket in Sri Lanka (BCCSL) said

There was no official comment

President Chandrika

Kumaratunga dissolved Parliament

early Thursday and ordered new

The tour was already in doubt

The situation is now com-

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finger at several cricketers.

The cricket board banned four players after Madhavan also said the players were hand in glove with bookmakers and had helped them

. India's former captain Mohammad Azharuddin and Ajay Sharma were banned for life and two other players -- Ajay Jadeja and Manoj Prabhakar -- were suspended for five years. Azharuddin and Jadeja have

challenged the bans in courts -- in Hyderabad and New Delhi.

'The CBI's got the evidence with it," Dalmiya said. "We need its help . The board doesn't want to land in a situation where it cannot justify the bans in court." The CBI, on its own, has already

moved the New Delhi High Court to become a party in Jadeja's case against the ban The High Court, which has agreed to hear Jadeja's petition next

month, accepted the CBI to defend

its probe report in this case. "We're seeking to get the BCCI and CBI lawyers to fight the cases together," said Dalmiya, a former chief of the International Cricket

The West Indies team is sched-

uled to visit Sri Lanka November 1-

Even before the new political

developments, the tour was up in

the air as the West Indies board was

concerned with the tension building

a series in Pakistan during the

West Indies Cricket Board said

(WICB) its president, Wes Hall, and

chief executive, Gregory

Shillingford, would discuss the issue

with Sri Lankan officials at a meeting

of the International Cricket Council

in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, October

review safety and security issues

surrounding the tours ...

Considering developments follow-

ing the recent terrorists' attack on

the United States," the West Indies

"The parties would then carefully

West Indies is also slated to play

In a statement last week, the

December 22.

up in the subcontinent.

subcontinent tour.

Dalmiya, who was elected BCCI president last month, said he had not received the final report from Dalmiya said the BCCI did not

need a full-time inquiry commis-"The board decided six months

ago that Madhavan's appointment was for a specific assignment ... We'll seek his services if and when it might be required," Dalmiya said. The BCCI president welcomed

decision to break his self-imposed exile from the game. Dev, captain of India's 1983 World Cup winning squad, had severed all links with cricket when

former Indian captain Kapil Dev's

"Kapil's an icon ... We're all delighted to know he's broken his self exile by helping medium-pacer Ashish Nehra sort out some prob-

developing Indian cricket," Dalmiya

Pakistan while in transit through

Singapore two days after the

September 11 attacks on the World

Trade Center and the Pentagon.

The Black Caps were scheduled to

play three Tests and three one-day

country off India's southern coast, is

million Tamil minority are leading a

violent campaign to create a home-

land away from the Sinhalese

majority who account for 14 million

of the country's 18.6 million people.

Eelam have not disrupted the coun-

try's main sport, cricket. But the

militants have often attacked

Colombo -- causing economic

turmoil, killing politicians and dra-

matizing their 18-year-old cam-

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Sri Lanka, a small tropical island

Militants among the country's 3.2

internationals.

Saurav doesn't believe it

REUTERS, Pretoria

India captain Saurav Ganguly was quick to play down the inability of South Africa to cope with the visitors spin attack in their Standard Bank triangular series one-day international on Wednesday.

India claimed a 41-run victory that was spearheaded by the spin attack of Harbhajan Singh and Anil

The duo were instrumental in bowling out South Africa for 192 in 46.2 overs as they chased a victory Harbhajan finished with figures

of three for 27 in his 10 overs, while Kumble claimed two for 42 in 10 overs, raising serious questions about South Africa's ability to play But while praising the efforts of

Harbhajan and Kumble, Ganguly made a point of putting the performance in perspective.

"Remember, South Africa are the only side in the last 13 years that has beaten India at home," Ganguly said when asked to rate the South African batsmen's ability to play

South Africa captain Shaun Pollock also dismissed any suggestions of a crisis in the home camp.

"I don't think there should be any panic. We play spin well and I think the guys are confident that they can continue to do so," he said. But it still does not take away

from what was a sublime bowling performance by the visitors.

"We bowled pretty well. We bowled a decent line and length. But Anil and Harbhaian were exceptional. I thought Harbhajan bowled fantastically. If they start bowling well it's good for the team," Ganguly said.

"I've always said that they have done well for India with the ball and they did it again, so all praise to

But while Ganguly was impressed with his team's fielding, Pollock was less enthusiastic about his own side's performance in that department after they dropped three

"We are putting down too many catches at the moment. It's a disappointing aspect of our game because we always pride ourselves at being good in the field," Pollock

"But to be fair, we've had some difficult chances. But with the standards we set for ourselves, we believe we should be taking those catches. It builds pressure if you can take brilliant catches and convert half chances into wickets. It's some-

Arazi

2-6, 7-5, 6-3 triumph. He will meet Max Mirnyi in the second round after the native of Belarus defeated German Rainer Schuettler, 4-6, 6-4

'Against Mirnyi, I have to be patient and wait for a chance to break his serve. I'm going to have to be alert and stay concentrated.'

SA in Singh

gled on a pitch which offered bounce and carry to the fast bowlers. Rahul Dravid survived two early chances to make top score of 54. He was involved in the only major partnership of the innings, 90 for the fourth wicket with left-hander Yuvraj Singh, who scored 42.

Ganguly and Tendulkar again gave India a good start, putting on 44, but Ganguly was out in controversial circumstances.

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match between South Africa and India at Centurion Park Wednesday. INDIA: 233 all out in 48.5 overs

(R Dravid 54, Y Singh 42, S Tendulkar 38, V Sehwag 33; S Pollock 5-37, L Klusener 2-30)

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Result: India won by 41 runs. Singh.

Sehwag

Hingis scrapes through

Tennis

REUTERS, Filderstadt

World number one Martina Hingis recovered from a torrid start to beat Bulgaria's Magdalena Maleeva 0-6, 6-4, 6-2 in a second round match at the Filderstadt Grand Prix on spot, then picked up her game and gradually wore down her opponent.

The defending champion wrapped up the match after 86 minutes with a tiring Maleeva hitting a return long on match point.

"The beginning of the indoor season is always a bit difficult because you need time to adapt to the quick surface," said the Swiss, who has won the tournament four times and now meets either

fashion with a straight forward 6-1 6-4 victory over Dutch qualifier Miriam Oremans, who had knocked out former French Open champion Iva Majoli of Croatia in the first

The other seed in action on Wednesday, fifth-seeded Amelie Mauresmo of France, was made to work before beating combative Swiss Patty Schnyder 3-6, 6-3, 7-5 in a second round match.

Anna Kournikova had earlier served an amazing 25 double faults in losing to Luxembourg's Anne Kremer.

Kremer capitalised on the Russian's mistakes to win their first round match 4-6, 6-2, 7-5 in one hour and 53 minutes. It was the third time that

Kournikova has lost in the first round of a tournament since she returned to action last month in Leipzig after a foot injury which has sidelined her for much of the year. Kournikova struggled with her

she bowed out by hitting a forehand into the net on match point. "I don't know what happened." said Kournikova. "One moment I

serve throughout the match until

feel fine and the next, my legs are heavy and I can hardly move. "Right now it is difficult for me to set goals for myself. All I can do is

wait and hope things get better." Kremer now plays American

Lindsay Davenport, the third seed. Despite her defeat in the singles.

Kournikova will stay in Filderstadt after she teamed up with Hingis to beat Martina Navratilova and Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario 6-3, 6-4 in the battle of the generations in a first round match of the doubles compe-

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The crew members also keep

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Teamwork the key

better.'

Martina Hingis of Switzerland plays a forehand return against Bulgarian

Magdalena Maleyeva at the Porsche Grand Prix on Wednesday.

Maleeva played close to perfec-

Top seed Hingis, aware that an

early exist from the tournament

might enable world number two

Jennifer Capriati to knock her off top

tion in the first set, hitting devastat-

ing returns and winners almost at

will to take it in just 19 minutes.

PRESS RELEASE

Sailing has not always been a pastime of choice. In bygone days, when ships were the only means of international trade, exploration and the first line of defence, unsuspecting young men were press-ganged into a life at sea, a life filled by more misery than excitement.

How times have changed. Today, life at sea has been dramatically improved by developments in science and modern technology. Boats are guided by cutting edge technology, and crews are trained in every aspect of seamanship. Long gone are the press gangs of old as crewmen now seek to travel the world by choice in search of new experiences.

Modern-day life on the ocean waves is a safer place and crews are well aware of the demands placed on their bodies and minds. None more so than the crew of the John Player Gold Leaf who are currently sailing around the Mediterranean as part of the World Adventure 2001 which was inspired by the fundamentals of sailing inherent to this most unique of seas.

A combination of nutrition and mental fitness is crucial to the success and safety of this maritime

adventure. "Striking a healthy balance between regular exercise and good nutrition is key to maintaining the physical as well as mental well-being of the crew," explains captain of the Gold Leaf.

France's Nathalie Tauziat or

"She played really well and

Capriati, the second seed

could hardly follow the ball.

Fortunately I then started to play

advanced in more comfortable

Russian Tatiana Panova.

"The actual job of sailing the boat involves a great deal of physical activity for the crew, but the main emphasis of this voyage is on mental alertness and intuition." Sailing any boat is a demanding

job. The Gold Leaf is no exception. From its 126ft custom built mast and sails to its state of the art navigational systems the boat embodies all the qualities of a modern/sailing vessel. Subsequently the handpicked crew must have their wits about them at all times; day and

Once the boat is under 'windpower' the sails must be continually adjusted to achieve maximum efficiency. The type of sail can also be changed frequently to suit the wind conditions. The mental demands placed on the crew are challenging in their own right, one small lapse in concentration could affect the progress of the boat, and in such a close knit community no one wants to be the one on watch when things go wrong.

Luckily with the advancement in

Boxing legend Futch passes away AFP, Las Vegas Legendary boxing trainer Eddie Futch who inspired 20 world champions in a long career died

Wednesday aged 90. Born in Mississippi in 1911, Futch moved to Detroit and fought as an amateur in the lightweight division becoming friends with

A heart murmur prevented Futch from turning pro and he switched to training guiding Don Jordan to the world welterweight title in 1958. Futch went on from there to work

heavyweight great Joe Louis.

with a veritable who's who of boxing including Bob Foster, Ken Norton, Alexis Arquello, Larry Holmes and Riddick Bowe But it was his partnership with heavyweight Joe Frazier which

Madison Square Garden encounter in 1971. Futch retired in 1998 at the age of 87 and was inducted into the boxing

brought him his greatest success,

handing Muhammad Ali his first

professional defeat in a classic

The captain and the crew of the John Player Gold Leaf recognise the importance of teamwork.

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THEY'RE MAGNIFICENT SPELLERS. Today's Cryptoquip Clue: O equals L The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Marcus makes his mark international between England and

REUTERS, Bulawayo England stand-in skipper Marcus Trescothick proved his leadership

qualities on Wednesday as he

guided his country to a 70-run win

over Zimbabwe in the fourth one-day

international. The Somerset player took over as captain after Nasser Hussain withdrew from the match because of a

"Playing for England is the main thing," Trescothick said. "Being captain is a major part of my dream but not something I've ever really thought about...it was a bonus to be given the job today.

"Somewhere down the line would possibly want to captain England and people have been tipping me for a while," he added. The job was made easier by the fact that we were leading the series

3-0 and there's not as much pressure as captaining in the Ashes.' England fielded an inexperienced side with players such as Hussain and Graham Thorpe missing from the line-up and others such as Alec Stewart, Darren Gough and Andy

Caddick back in England after opting out of the tour. They produced a polished performance with bat and ball although the fielding was below par.

"We were tested today and there were some good performances," Trescothick said. "Paul Collingwood came through and Andy Flintoff did a good job for us at a crucial point. 'The fielding was pretty average

today. It was one of the poor points of

the performance and it was probably

the worst we've fielded in four "It's something we will have to improve if we want to compete with the best sides in the world."

Collingwood won the man of the match award for scoring 77-runs while Flintoff scored 46 off 45 balls and took two for 12 as England posted 280 for nine in 50 overs. In reply Zimbabwe were bowled out for 210.

remaining, England will be keen to finish it a 5-0 whitewash. "It's important to win 5-0." Trescothick said. "We came here wanting to win the series but now we're 4-0 up we're looking for a 5-0 margin of victory.
"They're obviously a bit down at

With one match in the series

bounce and we're on a winning streak and that's the time to nail it The fifth match will be played at the same venue on Saturday

the moment after losing 11 on the

Bulawayo. SCOREBOARD Scoreboard of the fourth one-day

he as the country's national coach in the wake of the match-fixing scan-

ems," Dalmiya said. "We'll always have a place for Kapil if he wants to be associated in

advances

More doubt on W's SL to Heham Arazi of Morocco upended hinth seed Sjeng Schalken of the New Zealand cancelled a tour of Alliance coalition against the main New Zealand cancelled a tour of advance to the second round at the 800,000 dollars Grand Prix of Tennis indoor event. Arazi saved a match point and for

"I'm motivated to do even better here than last year," Arazi said.

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have difficulty lifting themselves Earlier, India's batsmen strug-

Final scoreboard in the triangular limited overs international series

SOUTH AFRICA Kirsten b Srinath Gibbs c Sehwag b Agarkar Kallis st Dasgupta b Harbhajan 29 Fall of wickets: 1-5, 2-38, 3-66, 4-76, O M R W 2

Man-of-the-match: Harbhajan Next match: India v Ken, October 12.