

Australia and West Indies played the firstever floodlit one-dayer at Sydney on



### **ESPN**

**UEFA Champions League** 9:00 am English Premier Football League Man United vs Sunderland

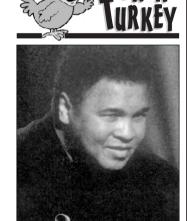
11:00 am
Pakistan Tour of New Zealand Pakistan vs New Zealand Third Test, Day Four 3:00 pm

### **English Premier Football League** Live at 8:00 pm **STAR Sports**

World Cup Soccer Mix 1:00 pm Tennis Masters Series, Stuttgart

4:00 pm Primera Liga Highlights at 6:30 pm South Africa Tri Series India vs South Africa Seventh ODI

Highlights at 11:00 pm Primera Liga Villareal vs Betis Live at 1:00 am (Sunday)



### Muhammad Ali

"A river, lake and stream are differ ent words, but they all contain water; Christianity, Islam and Judaism are different words but they all contain truth."



The Haily Star Win attractive prizes

Competition closes at 8 pm Oct 26, 2001 and draw

shortly afterwards

1. How many runs did Herschelle

Gibbs score in the first ODI against Zimbabwe? 115

2. Who clinched the Princess Cup

tennis title Dokid Kournikova

3. Who became the new Australian Cricket Board chief? Denis Rogers Bob Merrimam Geofi Marsh

4. What was the result of the South Africa and Zimbabwe Test series?

Name champion?

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in India (BCCI) will also assess the fitness of medium-pace bowlers Zaheer Khan and Ashish Nehra -- all back from injury lay-offs -- before the Test side is picked on Tuesday.

Khan, who is recovering from a foot injury, and Nehra, who was nursing a groin strain, were both sidelined for India's ongoing one-

But its executive secretary Sharad Diwadkar said later on Friday that Laxman will in fact go to South Africa to join the one-day squad for its last two games following a team request.

## **BCB** gets serious Ground and Facilities Committee told The Daily Star

Cricket

**SPORTS REPORTER** 

With only three weeks left before the first Test against Zimbabwe, Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) president Akmal Hossain has decided to convene an emergency

meeting today at the Board's stadium office at 4pm. Since the political changes following the October 1 general election, the Board has not been able to prepare

for the two-Test series against the Zimbabweans. After the tourists arrive here on November 5, they will play the opening Test at the Bangabandhu National

Things at the Board got momentum with the visit of State Minister for Youth and Sports Fazlur Rahman on

Thursday. He assured the directors of complete cooperation from the new government. The meeting call caught most of the BCB officials by

surprise. As a result they were found busy spending their holidays preparing their individual progress reports.

Board director Enayet Hossain Siraj, chairman of the

Sport yesterday that his committee would seek a separate meeting with Akmal an hour before the Board meeting starts.

However, chairman of the Cricket Committee and Board director Syed Ashraful Huq is going to miss the meeting. The Board's former general secretary is expected to return from Kuala Lumpur on October 22 after attending the two-day ICC executive committee meeting which ended on Friday.

Meanwhile, the new sports boss intends to hold an inter-ministerial meeting on the Zimbabwe tour. It will be

held on Monday at 11 am at his Secretariat office. Representatives from 13 Ministries, and officials of essential services like Dhaka City Corporation, T&T, WASA, PDB, DESSA, as well as the BDR, and the police

The Zimbabwe tour also includes three one-day ernationals.

The second Test starts at the MA Aziz Stadium in Chittagong on November 15. The first one-day match will also be held in Chittagong on November 23.

The last two ODIs will be held in Dhaka on November

## Cricket on neutral grounds

**AGENCIES,** Kuala Lumpur

The International Cricket Council (ICC) has approved the use of neutral venues for countries that are unable to host Test series during the

current global unrest. Pakistan and India are likely to be the hardest hit because they neighbour war-torn Afghanistan,

ICC president Malcolm Gray said. New Zealand pulled out of a tour of Pakistan scheduled for this month after the September 11 attacks on New York and Washington.

'Cricket in some countries, most notably Pakistan, is in the front line of world events," said ICC president Malcolm Gray at the conclusion of an executive board meeting on

'We need to adopt creative solutions to support those affected and to overcome those problems. In agreeing to use independent venues, the board was totally supportive that every effort should be made to assist them.

But England will go to India next month as scheduled, he said.

On Wednesday, top officials from England and India agreed at the meeting in Kuala Lumpur that there was no reason "at the present time why the England tour to India next month should not go ahead," the FCB said in a statement.

England's Lord MacLaurin and Tim Lamb met with Indian cricket board president Jagmohan Dalmiya, who said he had discussed with the Indian government ne provision of appropriate security for the England team.

If a match or series cannot be played at a home venue, it may now be rescheduled to the opposing team's country or to a neutral venue.

Countries who refuse to fulfil their tour obligations will be fined up to two million dollars, which will be paid to the affected country. The two Test Championship points for a winning series will be awarded to the home country while the side refusing to tour will be deducted two

'Countries would be exempt from penalties if fixtures were cancelled due to natural disaster, war or where the safety of players and officials was proven to be at risk," an ICC statement said. "The new system will be enforced by binding contract, signed by all

member countries. Gray said the decision reflected the priority given to protecting the

'We have to be tough in protecting the integrity of the future tours programme from wilful disruption, hence the introduction of these



MALCOLM GRAY

severe financial and points deduction penalties." he said

With the decision to move venues, he said even non-Test countries such as Malaysia which possess suitable facilities, may be able to host internationals.

"In agreeing to use independent venues, the board was totally supportive of the countries affected by the recent horrific events and unanimous that every effort should be made to assist them "said Gray.

One of the biggest problems with moving fixtures was how it would affect television coverage and advertising.

"We must enter into discussions with the television right holders," he

"The possibility of a rival company getting the rights in a different country is high but here we appeal to

"For instance, we may have to shift Pakistan's future matches if the current situation persists. As it stands now, nearly all sporting activity in that country is at a stand-

But Gray said countries would not be allowed to walk away from

programmes "We will fine the errant countries a minimum of two million dollars. It also depends on the cost factor to the opposing team," he said.

commitments under the future tour

The ICC executive board Friday also discussed deteriorating standards of player behaviour and agreed to a principle of a three of four stage disciplinary system with

The system is expected to be formally approved at an executive meeting next March and will take

Speed said.

Ethics committees have also been approved for all national teams, a move unanimously supported by Test match captains.

The board also agreed in principle to a one-day international championship as well as the World Cup.

would ensure that if a five-match series is decided after the third game, the remaining two matches will be competitive. "All results of all matches will go

will ensure that teams do not throw away their matches after taking a winning lead and also help prevent fixing of matches," he explained.

They also approved prize mon set for the 2003 World Cup in South

The winner will receive approximately 2.2 million dollars from a total prize fund of five million dollars. The tournament will feature 54 matches spread over 15 locations, 12 in South Africa, two in Zimbabwe and one in Kenya

A progress report was given for report and several extra recommendations were approved.

committees in national teams and

## Muktis off to Male

SPORTS REPORTER

An 18-member Muktijoddha Sangsad Krira Chakra football team left last night for Male to play their 21st Asian Club Cup first round away match against New Radiant

Club of Maldives. The game is on October 23 while the return leg is going to be held at the Sher-e-Bangla National

Stadium in Mirpur on November 9. The winners for the first round will meet Korean side Anyang, who earned a first round bye, in the next

round in November. This will be the second foreign trip for the all-reds in October. The Federation Cup champions also took part in the IFA Shield in Kolkata early this month and reached the

last four. However, they were eliminated oldest Indian invitational tournament after losing 2-1 to the under-19 selection of Brazilian club

Palmeiras. Muktijoddha have included three foreigners. They are two Nigerians defender Salio Abdul Wasio and forward Emeca Achilefu and Uzbek

### midfielder Nazarov Yarkin. SQUAD

Hasan Al-Mamun (captain), Aminul Haq, Rajani Kanta Barman, Salio Abdul Wasio, Prodeep Poddar, Matiur Rahman Munna, Rakib Hossain, Yarkin, Ariful Kabir Farhad, Rezaul Karim Liton, Prodeep Barua, Lutfor Rahman Nayan, Saiful Islam Moni, Emeca Achilefu and Ziaur

Officials: Iqbal Hossain (manager), Atiqur Rahman (coach) and Dr. Akhter Ahmed Chowdhury

### One-day practice match today

SPORTS REPORTER

A limited-overs practice match between the Naimur Rahman-led Bangladesh Red and Bangladesh Green team of Khaled Masood will be played at the MAAziz Stadium in Chittagong today.

Players from the national pool and reserve A team will make up both squads for the game. which is part of Bangladesh team's preparation for next month's home series against

On Thursday, the Reds won a four-day match at the same venue by 14 runs.

# S Africa 282

Stand-in opening batsman Boeta Dippenaar hit a career-best 81 as South Africa made 282 for four in their triangular limited-overs daynight match against India at Buffalo Park on Friday.

It was Dippenaar's second successive half-century since he came into the side ahead of Gary Kirsten, who is recovering from a thigh strain.

Dippenaar made 74 not out when South Africa beat Kenya by nine wickets in Kimberley on Sunday

South Africa made a flying start after winning the toss with Herschelle Gibbs dominating an opening stand of 63 with Dippenaar.

innings in the triangular limited overs day-night match against India at Buffalo Park on Friday. SOUTHAFRICA H Dippenaar Ibw b Srinath

H Gibbs c Sehwag b Agarkar N Boje run out J Kallis c Ganguly b Srinath J Rhodes not out L Klusener not out Extras: (lb-4, nb-4, w-1) Total: (4 wkts in 50 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-63, 2-93, 3-196, 4-M R W Bowler

10 0 55 Srinath Agarkar 0 64 8 10 0 39 10 0 54 Sehwag 0 37

INDIA: S Ganguly, S Tendulkar, S Das, R Dravid, V Sehwag, Yuvraj Singh, D Dasgupta, A Kumble, A Agarkar, Harbhajan Singh, Javagal

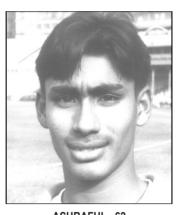
(both Rsa). TV umpire: L Matroos (Rsa). Match referee: Ahmed Ebrahim

## Marauding Ashraful, Mahmud

Cricket

**SPORTS REPORTER** 

Bangladesh A team registered their second successive win in Mumbai on Friday with a comprehensive 71run win over the Cricket Club of India (CCI) President's Eleven at the Brabourne Stadium.



ASHRAFUL...62

Half-centuries by opener Mohammad Ashraful and skipper Khaled Mahmud guided the tourists, who batted first, to a fighting total of 228 in 48.1 overs.

It was another superb display of batsmanship by Ashraful, the youngest Test centurion on debut. His 62 off 76 balls included nine fours. He was following up on his all-

round show against the same opponents on Wednesday. In that game Ashraful claimed two wickets with his leg spin and hit a breezy 53-ball 46 to enable the national second-string team record a six-wicket win in their

Mahmud plundered eight bound-Masrafee-bin-Mortuza Kowshik

then kept the scoreboard ticking over with a rapid 14-ball 23.

The versatile cricketer who has been touted as a future fast bowler. slammed two huge sixes and as

many fours in his cameo. In reply, the home side was bundled out for 157 in 39.5 overs with lower-order Vineet Sharma hammering highest 33 while former Indian Test player Sairaj Bahutule



KHALED MAHMUD...61

And after right-arm seamer Kowshik snapped up two quick wickets, it was left to left-arm spinner Mohammad Rafique and off-spinner Fahim Muntasir to run through the

Rafigue bagged three for 46 while Fahim grabbed two wickets for 30

The visitors next play a three-day match against the Mumbai Colts at the Wankhede Stadium from October 22 to 24

**SCOREBOARD** 

Scoreboard of one-day match between Bangladesh A and Cricket Club of India (CCI) President's Eleven at the Brabourne Stadium on

**BANGLADESHA** Ashraful c Ricky b Hazare Rafigul c Samant b Sharma Tushar c & b Sharma Sanwar Ibw b D Singh Hasanuzzaman Ibw b Hazare K Mahmud b Morris Mushfiq c Sawant b Bahutule 22 Kowshik b Morris 23 13 Rafique b Morris Fahim run out Anwar not out

Extras: (lb-2, w-4) Total: (All out in 48.1 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-56, 2-62, 3-83 4-84, 5-99, 6-121, 7-125, 8-209, 9-

**Bowler** G Sing 0 21 39 Sharma 44 Bahutule 10 0 10 34 D Sinah 16 Hazare Bundella 0 0 S Sawant 0 39

CCI PRESIDENT'S XI

Morris

Morris c Rafigul b Kowshik Ricky c Anwar b Mushfiq S Sawant c Mushfiq b Kowshik Bundella c Anwar b Rafique Pranipe b Fahim 27 Bahutule run out Samant b Rafigue Ssharma c Rafique b Fahim Hazare not out G Singh b Rafique D Singh run out Extras: (lb-1, w-8) Total (All out in 39.5 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-12, 2-22, 3-36, 4-72, 5-88, 6-145, 7-148, 8-150, 9-

Bowler Kowshik 6 13 0 18 Mushfiq K Mahmud 0 48 Rafigue 9.5 0 46 Fahim 10 0 30 Result: Bangladesh A won by

## Bradman's ashes RIP

Cricket

REUTERS, Bowral Don Bradman's ashes had been laid to rest and it was time to allow the family to move on. Bradman Museum director Richard Mulvaney

said on Friday. The ashes of the much-loved champion batsman and his wife Jessie, who died in 1997 aged 88, were scattered together at Bradman Oval in a private ceremony as night began to fall. Mulvaney said

The guest-list of 64 included former Australia Governor-General Sir William Deane, a small handful of media celebrities and family and "It was (son) John Bradman's

express wish that the ceremony be

private, although he wanted to have a number of public witnesses there because he realised that Sir Don was a public figure," Mulvaney said. "It was an extremely happy gathering, and in essence, it was certainly the family's wish that Don and Jessie have their ashes scat-

tered together. "The only sound we could hear was the sound of the birds as they were going to sleep, we felt it was

Mark Waugh cracked a majestic 168

but it was not enough for New South

Wales to get first innings points

against Tasmania in their Sheffield

by dismissing NSW for 489, then

reached 30 without loss at stumps

on the third day in a game heading

confirmed his standing as the most

attractive stroke-player in the game

with his glorious innings before a

small crowd at the Sydney Cricket

"I don't think I've been in better

nick," Waugh said. "I was happy with

the innings, happy with how I hit the

ball, just a bit disappointed not to get

us over the line for two (innings)

hopefully I haven't peaked too early

overnight score of 80 to 102 but it

was Waugh, reaching his 79th first-

class ton with consecutive bound-

aries to fine leg and cover, who

almost single-handedly secured the

Harvey stole the show with a hattrick

as South Australia took first innings

At Adelaide Oval, Victoria's Ian

because it's a long season."

points for the Blues.

"I'm hitting the ball really well ...

Michael Bevan pushed his

Waugh was in superb touch and

Tasmania (504) took the points

Shield cricket match here Friday.

Cricket

AFP, Sydney

towards a draw.

Mulvaney said the ashes were

Thursday to avoid the location becoming a shrine John, 62, and his children Greta Tom and Nicholas attended the

'It was a lovely evening -- it was deliberately set at dusk because it

scattered in more than one place on



was a quiet time in Bowral,"

Mulvaney said while people should continue to celebrate the life of Australia's greatest cricketer, he hoped now he had been finally laid to rest people could allow the family to move on.

Bradman died in his Adelaide home in South Australia state on February 25 this year, aged 92. He was cremated during a family service on March 1. Born in Cootamundra in New

South Wales state in 1908, Bradman was raised in Bowral, 80 kilometres (50 miles) south west of

Bradman scored 6,996 runs in 52 Tests at an average of 99.94. a

record, which is unrivalled in cricket. Deane said at the ceremony: His qualities as a man combined with his cricketing skill and on-field sportsmanship and decency made him a significant part of our

Australian identity. `In short, he was the best-known and most-admired Australian of our

Greta sang Handel's Lascia Chio

John Bradman said 'They loved Adelaide and were able to lead a normal life there but here they inhabited a world without expectations and pressure.

Hayden crashed 143 to lead his

team to first innings points after

three days, tormenting Western

Australia in a clear sign he was

ready for the first Test against New

Havden provided the backbone

of Queensland's 403 for six

declared in reply to Western

Western Australia were 16

without loss at stumps, leaving the

door open for an intriguing finish

Saturday if rival captains Stuart Law

and Adam Gilchrist set up a run

Sheffield Shield scores around

Tasmania 504 for 9 (D. Hills

136, R. Ponting 126, J. Cox 107; S.

Clark 5-64) and 30 without loss vs

New South Wales 489 (M. Waugh

168, M. Bevan 102, G. Mail 52; D.

Zealand on November 8.

Australia's 360 for eight.

SHIELD SCORES

In Sydney (day three)

Australia Friday:

Saker 4-115)

## India suffer Ramesh blow

REUTERS, New Delhi

Opening batsman Sadagopan Ramesh has ruled himself out of India's three-Test series in South

recover fully," Ramesh said on Friday. Ramesh's absence means India will go into the tough series against the world's second best side with only one established opener in Shiv

day triangular series in South Africa. The BCCI secretary Niranjan Shah said the two bowlers and Laxman will have to pass fitness

tests on Monday to be considered for selection.



SADAGOPAN RAMESH

Badani has also ruled himself out like Ramesh for the South African Tests because he was not fit, Diwadkar added.

ligament tear in his right knee and underwent arthroscopy in August. He ruled himself out when the oneday squad was chosen last month because he had not fully recovered. Recent injuries to key players

have undermined the Indian side and the Board conducted fitness tests on the entire one-day squad before the trip to South Africa. Ramesh, 26, suffered muscle

spasms in his lower back while

stretching for a catch in the first

game of a two-Test series in

Zimbabwe in June and subse-

The left-hander returned to play

quently missed the second Test.

in all three games of the Test series in Sri Lanka -- won 2-1 by the hosts -- which ended in the first week of September. The batsman has been criticised for poor footwork after being dismissed frequently to catches in the slip cordon, but showed better technique in Sri Lanka to score 223

37.17. Ramesh, who has played 19 Tests since making his debut two years ago, has had fitness problems in the past and also missed a two-Test home series against South Africa last year. `There was severe muscle spasm in the last joint in the back

and the disc was hurting. It healed.

but got aggravated in the last Test

(in Sri Lanka) because the area had

runs in six innings at an average of

not regained enough strength," he The player said doctors had advised him at least three more weeks of rehabilitation. "There is no pain, but there is a chance of my breaking it if I put too much pressure straightaway which can affect my

# for four

AFP, East London

**SCOREBOARD** Scoreboard of the South Africa

49 282

Harbhaja Kumble 0 29 0. Yuvrai Did not bat: N McKenzie, M Boucher, S Pollock, A Nel, M

Umpires: Ian Howell, Rudi Koertzen

**SIR DONALD BRADMAN** 

Mulvaney said

of centuries to skipper Darren Lehmann and vice-captain Greg Blewett. The home side declared at 337

for seven with Blewett unbeaten on

South Australia passed Victoria's

first-innings total of 334 on the back



At the close of play on day three, the Victorians led South Australia by 85 runs and were 88 for one in their second innings with first innings century-maker Brad Hodge unbeaten on 43 and Jason Arnberger not out 40.

the best opening batsman in Australia when he drove Queensland past Western Australia at the Gabba.

Pianga unaccompanied. Mum and Dad loved this place,"

`Part of them never left this The pair were childhood sweet-

# **Magnificent Mark**

MARK WAUGH

Matthew Hayden proved he was

In Adelaide (day three) Victoria 334 (B. Hodge 140, M. Elliott 42; B. Young 3-70) and 88 for 1 (B. Hodge 43 not out) vs South Australia 337 for 7 declared (G. Blewett 169 not out, D. Lehmann 103; I. Harvey 3-65)

In Brisbane (day three)

Western Australia 360 for 8 declared (A. Gilchrist 98, J. Langer 96; M Kasprowicz 3-89) and 16 without loss vs Queensland 403 for 6 declared (M. Hayden 143, M. Love 78; J. Angel 3-70)

## Next month's West Indies tour of Sri Lanka will go ahead despite concerns over the U.S.-led bomb-

of SL is on

REUTERS, London

measures to quarantee the safety and comfort of the Carl Hooper-led

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ing in Afghanistan, the Caribbean news agency CANA has reported The report said Sri Lanka Board Control chairman Vijaya Malalasekera had assured West Indies Board chairman Wes Hall that the host nation "will undertake Cricket

Africa next month because of a back I am unlikely to go. It is a lower back injury and I don't think I will

The Board of Control for Cricket

"He will play the Kenya game (on October 24) and the final," said Diwadkar, adding that Laxman will not be asked to prove his fitness again after scoring a match-winning 148 in a premier domestic game

earlier this week on his return to Middle-order batsman Hemang

Laxman missed a recent Test series in Sri Lanka because of

set penalties for each stage.

effect in April. "Improving on-field discipline is a major priority and the new system will add greatly to the authority and consistency of decision making that we will ask of the match referees, ICC chief executive officer Malcolm

Grav said the championship into a database where we will compile the results to rank teams. This

each of the 24 recommendations in Paul Condon's Anti-Corruption Unit

# These included creating ethics