

The first two twins to play in the same Test match were not Steve and Mark Waugh of Australia, but Rosemary and Elizabeth Signal of New Zealand, versus England in 1984; in women's cricket!



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First Final



Luis Figo

(Real Madrid's Portuguese super "I am proud to be here with these

great players and I thank my teammates, my family, my friends and After he was crowned FIFA's

World Player of the Year.



	1.	Who won the man-of-the-series award in the Bangladesh and Z i m b a b w e o n e - d a y internationals?							
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Earlier, Indian leg-spinner Anil

Kumble, who bowled 29 overs

vithout success, finally reached the landmark on his home ground by trapping last man Matthew Hoggard The 31-year-old computer

only the fourth spinner to join the 18strong club after Australia's Shane Lance Gibbs.

Warne, Sri Lanka's Muttiah Muralitharan and West Indian India's joy at Kumble's feat faded

quickly as Flintoff removed opener Deep Dasgupta and Venkatsai Laxman in his first five overs. Dasgupta had yet to get off the

mark when he edged a rising delivery to Marcus Trescothick at first Laxman hit Flintoff for two fours in his 12, before the big Lancashire all-rounder hit back by shattering

Mark, Craig blast BD

Cricket

Centuries from Mark Richardson and Craig McMillan led a New Zealand recovery after they lost four early wickets on day three of the first Test against Bangladesh here Thursday.

At stumps, the home side had reached 306 for five, with Richardson unbeaten on 124 and Chris Cairns not out 40.

With two days lost to rain and just 68 intermittent overs possible Thursday, it put the Kiwis in a domi-

RICHARDSON...124 n.o

nant position after being sent into

190 runs, 32 short of the New

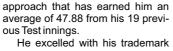
Zealand fifth wicket Test record set a

year ago by Nathan Astle and

McMillan against Zimbabwe in

Wellington.

Richardson and McMillan added



Richardson continued the

shots -- the cut, the straight drive and the flick off his legs -- and occasionally a hook as he and McMillan steadied the ship to 93 for four at

Richardson ground out his eighth Test 50 off 89 balls despite being dropped twice in the 40s. McMillan's 15th half-century followed soon after off 95 balls.

McMillan though was first to three figures after taking 18 off four

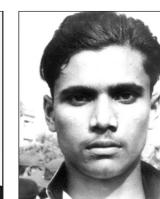


It leaves his place for the second

McMillan was lucky to be on the field at all after walking away from a car crash almost unscathed on Tuesday, the first scheduled day of the match

inely good delivery.

The taxi he was in was hit by another car on the side he was sitting, throwing him across the back seat. He



balls from Mohammad Sharif, then helping himself to 25 off three overs from leg-spinner Mohammad Ashraful.

McMILLAN...106

A thunderstorm forced the players off for two hours with Richardson stranded on 96 but he immediately clocked up Test century No 2 on his return to the field. McMillan was caught on the third

man boundary later in the over for 106 as New Zealand chased quick runs. A quickfire 40 from Cairns helped Richardson add 65 before the rain returned for good. The New Zealand top order

discipline and seam. Three of them -- Lou Vincent, captain Stephen Fleming and Astle -- were all coming off centuries in the

earlier collapsed to a mixture of ill-

third Test against Australia Mathew Sinclair waved the bat outside off stump and was caught behind off Monjurul Islam for seven.

MASHRAFFF...3/82 escaped with a badly bruised finger

and no broken bones **SCOREBOARD**

WestpacTrust Park on Thursday: **NEW ZEALAND**: First innings Richardson not out Vincent c and b Mashrafee

Fleming c Mashud b Mashrafee 4 Astle cAl Shahriar b Monjurul McMillan c Monjurul b Mashrafee Cairns not out Extras: (b-2, lb-10, w-5, nb-3) 20 Total: (For 5 wkts in 68 overs) 306

Scoreboard after Day Three of the first cricket Test between New Zealand and Bangladesh at

Sinclair c Mashud b Monjurul

Fall of wickets: 1-1, 2-19, 3-29, 4-

Bowler	0	M	R	١
Mashrafee	23	3	82	
Monjurul	18	5	66	
Sharif	16	2	87	
Mahmud	8	0	34	
Ashraful	3	0	25	

ENGLAND: First innings (over-

Trescothick c Laxman b Srinath 8

Hussain c Dasgupta b Srinath 43

Flintoff c Tendulkar b Sarandeep 0

Vaughan handled the hall

White c Das b Srinath

Giles Ibw b Sarandeep

Hoggard Ibw b Kumble

Extras: (b-8, lb-9, nb-3)

Dawson not out

Ramprakash c Dravid b Sarandeep

Foster c Dasgupta b Srinath

Butcher run out

TEAM

medan); Aminul, Rajani, Munna, Prodeep and Hasan al Mamum (Muktijoddha); Parvez Babu (Brothers Union); Liton (Arambagh); Mintoo (Badda); Moni (Rahmatganj) and Biplab (Farashganj).

crossed the 300-wicket milestone in his nervous home crowd.

third and final Test against England with 299 wickets against his name, bowled 29 unfruitful overs before leg-before to achieve the feat.

computer engineer, is only the fourth spinner to join the 18-strong club after Australia's Shane Warne,

519 wickets, but only Kapil Dev (434) has taken more wickets for Ìndia than Kumble.

wicket on the first day of the Test on Wednesday was that his mother was unable to watch him achieve

on the first day, but could not make it today because she had taken ill. the 66-Test veteran said.

UNB, Dhaka

The training camp of the under-19 cricketers resumes today at BKSP after a nine-day recess due to Eid vacation. The young players, who are

preparing for the Under-19 World

Cup to be held in New Zealand next year, reported to the coach at the cricket board office yesterday. Coach Jalal Ahmed Chowdhury informed that the camp will continue

Rajshahi cricket

Rajshahi Sporting Club and Koritola local Railway ground yesterday.

Upashar Cricket Coaching Centre by 40 runs in the first match.

In reply, Upashar were allout for 115 in 21.1 overs.

Bazar Sporting Club a six-wicket defeat in the other match of the day. Winning the toss, Saheb Bazar batted first and made 129 for six in stipulated 25 overs.

NSC acts on BFF

SPORTS REPORTER

Board Ali Asghar will hold his first **SPORTS REPORTER** official meeting with his directors at the Board's Gulshan office today at

During the meeting an announcement is likely on who will captain the Bangladesh Under-19 team at the World Youth Cup in New Zealand next month.

Asghar meets

directors today

President of Bangladesh Cricke

Also, a review of preparations for the forthcoming home series against Pakistan will be made.

Pakistan arrive in Dhaka on January 3 to play two Tests and three one-day internationals.

The first Test begins at the Bangabandhu National on January 9 with Chittagong's MA Aziz Stadium the venue for the second Test starting on January 16.

After the first one-dayer is at the port city on January 22 the one-day series returns to the capital on January 25, 26.

BFF names 20 for SAFF meet

UNB, Dhaka

Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) on Thursday selected the final 20 players to take part in the third SAFF (South Asian Football Federation) Championship.

The seven-team regional event will the held in Dhaka over January 26 to February 5.

Bangladesh have been drawn in Group B along with Bhutan, Maldives and Nepal while the other group comprises India, Pakistan

and Sri Lanka. Sujon, Ritu, Kanchan, Hasan, Nazrul and Arman (Abahani); Pavel, Monwar, Alfaz and Joy (Moham-

Kumble enters 300-wkt club

AFP, Bangalore

Indian leg-spinner Anil Kumble Test cricket on Thursday after an agonising wait over two days before The 31-year-old, who began the

trapping last man Matthew Hoggard Kumble, a Bangalore-based

Sri Lanka's Muttiah Muralitharan and West Indian Lance Gibbs. Fast bowler Courtney Walsh of the West Indies leads the field with

Kumble's regret at not taking a

"My mother came to the stadium

U-19 cricketers camp resumes today

till January 7 and the team is expected to leave for New Zealand on January 11.

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Rajshahi

Sporting Club won their respective matches of the seventh Birshestha Captain Mohiuddin Jahangir Smriti Gold Cup cricket tournament at Rajshahi Sporting defeated

Batting first the winners scored 155 for nine in stipulated 25 overs.

Koritola Sporting handed Saheb

In reply, the winners reached the target (130) loosing four wickets in

Football

As expected the government on Thursday dissolved the Bangladesh Football Federation's (BFF) elected executive committee. It became the first victim of the dreaded National Sports Council Act 20 (A).

A31-member ad-hoc committee has been appointed

to run the BFF for a three-month period. As per NSC constitution, a fresh election must be held within the next 89 days, failing to do so, the ad-hoc

committee's tenure can be extended by notification. The move comes despite objection from the Asian Football Confederation (AFC) regarding the appoint-

ment of BFF president SA Sultan. The regional body on December 11 sought an explanation for the removal of former football chief

Mohammad Hanif, the Dhaka City Mayor. To avoid antagonizing both the AFC and FIFA, which views political changes in its associations very seriously, the BFF wasted little time to nullify any possible sanctions by sending a letter stating the reasons for the

In its reply on December 13, BFF argued that the president is always appointed by the government relevant ministry made Sultan president.

Furthermore, it was standard procedure for the ruling party to re-constitute any of the country's sports federations if they deemed it necessary The BFF while assuring that a new election would be

held in the next six months, denounced the one held in

March last year, as premature because it was done to

The infamous 1974 Act, that was later amended on February 19 1991, authorises the NSC to dismiss any federation if the government feels that the existing executive council is not acting properly or in a prejudicial manner. And in its place an ad-hoc committee will man-

The revamp came despite an assurance from the new State Minister for Youth and Sports Fazlur Rahman

that the sports arena would not be politicized. But the new ad-hoc body runs contrary to Rahman's promise as it is dominated by pro-BNP organisers.

Anwarul Haque Helal has been given the chair of general secretary.

There are as many as seven organisers who were also in the previous elected committee including three vice-presidents Anjan Chowdhury Pinto, Khairul Anwar

Piaru and Abdur Rahim Zakaria Pinto and Alhaj Dastgir Chowdhury are the

other two vice-presidents. Following is the full ad-hoc committee:

President: SA Sultan MP; vice-presidents: Zakaria Pinto, Anjan Chowdhury Pinto, Khairul Anwar Piaru, Abdur Rahim and Dastgir Chowdhury; general secretary: Anwarul Haque Helal; joint-secretaries: Col Obaidullah Khan (retd) and Saeed Hasan Kanan; treasurer: Afzal Hossain; members: Kazi Usha Mishu, Mozammel Haque Mukta, SA Khan Jahangir, Kazi Salauddin, Fazlur Rahman Babul, Shafiquzzaman, Yusuf Mia, Manzur Hossain Malu, Azim Badal, Khurshid Alam Babul, Golam Rabbani Helal, Abdur Razzak, Ferdous Islam, Mobinul Islam, Anwar Hossain Uzzal, Firoz Ahmed Iqbal, Khairul Azam Masud, Shahjahan

Mridha, Azfaruzzaman Sohrab, Amirul Islam Babu and

Sanath's show

Cricket

AFP, Colombo

Sanath Jayasuriya guided Sri Lanka to a 34-run victory over the West Indies with a superb all-round performance in the day-night triangular cricket series final here on Wednesday. Skipper Jayasuriya, adjudged

both man of the match and series, scored a brisk 64 to help his team post a challenging 253-8 after electing to bat on a slow pitch. He then grabbed two vital wickets with his left-arm spin to restrict the West Indies, chasing a revised

target of 247 off 47 overs due to rain,

to 212-7 after a 111-run stand

between openers Chris Gayle (60) and Daren Ganga (50). The West Indies lost their way under lights after a solid start as the asking-rate climbed to over six an over after the dismissals of Gayle and Ganga in the space of three

overs and six runs. Jayasuriya kept the pressure on the tourists after off-spinner Kumar Dharmasena provided a breakthrough with Ganga's wicket, who stepped out to try a big shot, missed

The Sri Lankan skipper then dismissed Gayle, who drove uppishly to Upul Chandana at backward point after hitting eight fours in his 87-ball knock. His second victim was Ramnaresh Sarwan, caught behind for five. The tourists got off to a flying

start, with Gayle and Ganga plun-

dering 17 in left-arm seamer Nuwan

Zoysa's opening over and then giving a scare or two to the hosts during their partnership. Ganga, outscored in the initial stages, matched his partner in middle overs as he hoisted Dharmasena over long-on for a six

and then driving straight for a four. None of the remaining batsmen, however, could capitalise on the fine start as the Sri Lankan spinners, led by Jayasuriya, tightened their grip on the match with their disciplined

Dharmasena finished with 3-44 off 10 overs, while off-spinner Muttiah Miralitharan took 1-43. Jayasuriya, who struck one six

and nine fours in his 85-ball knock. was well supported by Mahela Javawardene who scored 63 to drive home the advantage given by

SCOREBOARD

Final scoreboard of the day-night triangular cricket series final between Sri Lanka and the West Indies at the Premadasa Stadium on Wednesday

SRI LANKA: 253 for eight in 50 overs (S Jayasuriya 64, M Jayawardene 63, M Atapattu 38; C Hooper 2-32) **WEST INDIÉS**

Ganga b D'sena Gayle c Chandana b Jayasuriya 60 Sarwan c S'kara b Jayasuriya Hooper c Atapattu b D'sena Samuels run out Powell c Chandana b M'tharan Jacobs st S'kara b D'sena Hinds not out Brown not out Extras: (lb-8, w-4)

4-147, 5-150, 6-181, 7-203 **Bowler** 23 Vaas Zovsa 36 43 M'tharan 10 Jayasuriya 41 Chandana 0 17

Man-of-the-match: Sanath Jayasuriya. Man-of-the-series: Sanath

Serie A

Ronaldo propels Inter

Football

the Italian First Division.

Brazilian striker Ronaldo continued his return from the wilderness Wednesday, scoring two goals as Inter Milan defeated Verona 3-0 at the San Siro to return to the top of

to full fitness after two injuryblighted years, had a hand in Christian Vieri's opener and then scored twice himself to send Hector Cuper's side top of the division. That position is owed partly to the fact that Chievo's home match with

The 25-year-old, finally returning

icy pitch while champions AS Roma, level with Chievo on points at the top at the start of play, only managed a 0-0 draw with Brescia. In-form Vieri, set up by a touch from Ronaldo, put his side ahead in

the first half with his 10th goal of a

season that has also been injury hit. But after the interval it was the Brazilian who took centre stage with two clinical strikes in the space of five minutes, taking his tally to three for the season after scoring his first goal for two years against Brescia

His first was a simple header but his second saw him outpace the Verona defence and round goalkeeper Fabrizio Ferron before scoring to complete his first double since May 3, 1999 when he scored twice in Inter's 5-4 victory over Roma in Rome. Ronaldo was later substituted.

10 days ago.

AS Roma, given that Chievo's match was postponed, therefore missed the chance to take the outright lead in the division and could not break down Brescia who will be pleased with the 0-0 draw. Juventus, looking for a boost before being floated on the stock

market Thursday, had to settle for a 1-1 draw away to cash-strapped Fiorentina. French striker David Trezeguet, who had earlier had a goal disallowed, profited from dismal defend-

ing to put the Turin side ahead after

57 minutes but 11 minutes from time

Gomes equalised when he put his current side



RONALDO

In the second half referee Alfredo Trentalange briefly needed treatment after being struck on the lip by But after 57 minutes AC Milan got

back on terms when their Ukrainian striker Andriy Shevchenko bagged his 11th goal of the season. It fin-A late own goal by Lecce goal-

Perugia a 3-2 win in a basement Perugia's Giovanni Tedesco had

D'sena

Result: Sri Lanka beat West Indies by 34 runs.

Lecce's Uruguayan Javier

Portuguese international Nuno Former AC Milan player Luigi Sala haunted his former employers

minutes after the visiting captain Paolo Maldini had been carried off with what looked a serious knee

a snowball.

keeper Antonio Chimenti gave

given his side an early lead but

Total: (For 7 wkts in 47 overs) 212 Fall of wickets: 1-111, 2-117, 3-124,

Chevanton restored parity two

minutes later from the penalty spot. Fabio Bazzani restored Perugia's lead but then Alessandro Conticchio put the home side back on terms again just before half-time. But Chimenti's blunder settled it. Crisis club Parma continued to

Argentinian coach Daniel Passarella on Tuesday, losing 1-0 at Torino. Experienced striker Marco Ferrante gave Torino the points, converting a rebound after his penalty was saved by Parma's

slump despite the sacking of their

French goalkeeper Sebastien Frey. Udinese's highly-rated Danish midfielder Martin Jorgensen lobbed a second-half goal to give his side a 1-0 win at Bologna and Giampiero Ventura his first win in charge of the northerners.

Bottom club Venezia, buoyed by their first victory of the season over Udinese last weekend, were deflated again after losing 3-2 to Piacenza after leading twice. The Venice oufit led through

xperienced striker Filippo Maniero. Carmine Gautieri equalised shortly after the interval for Piacenza but Uruguayan midfielder Federico Magallanes restored Venezia's lead. But it ended in tears for the Venice club as two late

visitors prevailed.

At Verona the belated decision by referee Domenico Messina to postpone the Chievo-Lazio match because of an icy match after the scheduled kick-off time was greeted by a chorus of boos by both sets of

strikes by Paolo Poggi ensuring the

Italian First Division table after Wednesday's matches (played, won,

rrawn, iost, goals for, against, points).											
nter Milan	15	9	4	2	28	14	31				
AS Roma	15	8	6	1	21	9	30				
Chievo	14	9	2	3	28	16	29				
luventus	15	6	7	2	23	13	25				
AC Milan	15	6	6	3	23	17	24				
.azio	14	6	5	3	19	10	23				
Note: Chievo-Lazio match, postponed Wednesday, to be played at dat o be announced											

Tick the Correct Answers Post to The Baily Star Win attractive prizes Competition closes at 8 pm Dec 21, 2001 and draw

2. Who became Inter-Continental Cup champs? 3. How many runs did Habibul Bashar score in the first innings

of the second Test against

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Class..... Roll No.....

School Address

108 1. Which number Test venue is the MAAziz Stadium?

Their tons were much needed to haul New Zealand out of deep trouble at 51 for four as the jubilant Bangladeshis celebrated their best session in their seven-Test history. Paceman Mashrafee-bin-

Richardson snatched the game back in the space of three hours. They overcame difficult conditions with controlled aggression, particularly from McMillan who played shots to all parts of the

Mortuza and left-armer Monjurul

Islam did the damage with two

wickets each before McMillan and

Cricket AFP, Bangalore Andrew Flintoff dented India's batting with three vital wickets to leave England in control of the third and final cricket Test here on

Thursday.

to intervene.

innings and reduced India to 99-3 by close of an acrimonious second day's play at the Chinnaswamy Stumps were drawn 11 overs early due to bad light with India still trailing by 237 runs on a brand new

wicket that is already showing signs

The tourists, looking to square

the series scored 336 in their first

Sachin Tendulkar kept India's hopes alive with an unbeaten 50, his 30th half-century in Tests. Rahul Dravid was the other batsman at the crease on one. The final session was marred by a heated exchange between Indian batsman Shiv Das and England's

spinner Ashley Giles after an appeal

was disallowed, forcing the umpires

Umpires Avi Jayaprakash of India and Asoka De Silva of Sri

Lanka spoke to the two players and also summoned England captain Nasser Hussain during the drinks break to calm matters. The tourists, already seething at Michael Vaughan's dismissal on Wednesday for handling the ball, were annoyed further when umpire

Television replays showed the ball from Giles hit both the bat and pad before lobbing to wicketkeeper James Foster, but De Silva was A wicket at that stage would have reduced India to 40-3, but Das went on to add 66 for the third wicket with

Tendulkar before being bowled by

Flintoff soon after the last drinks

De Silva erred in turning down an appeal for a catch against Das.

umble claimed his 300th wicket as England's innings folded 21 minutes

engineer, a veteran of 66 Tests, is

England on top on hot day the stumps with a swinging yorker. Foster had earlier hit a careerbest 48 to help the tourists recover after they were struggling at 219-6 in the final session on the first day.

> 19 minutes to surpass his previous best of 40 in the second Test at Ahmedabad last week. Foster was finally caught behind soon after lunch, giving seamer Javagal Srinath his fourth wicket of

Giles, who made 28 in a 63-run

Foster, playing only his third Test.

held his end up for three hours and

Sarandeep Singh in the next over. The off-spinner, a last-minute inclusion for the Test, finished with three for 54 even as his senior partner Harbhajan Singh went wicketless. England, who started the day on

255-6, lost just one batsman in the

morning session to go to lunch on

stand for the eighth wicket with Foster, was leg-before to

Foster and Craig White took their overnight seventh-wicket stand of 36 to 52, making light of the second new ball taken by India at the start of White, who hit a maiden century in the Ahmedabad Test, made 39

when he fended at a short ball from

Scoreboard at stumps on the sec-

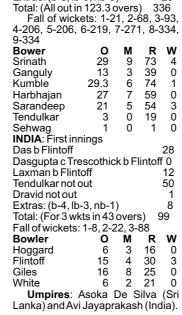
ond day of the third and final cricket

Test between India and England at

the Chinnaswamy Stadium on

Srinath to Das at forward short-leg.

SCOREBOARD





taking his 300th wicket on the second day of the third and final Test against England in Bangalore on Thursday. Sachin also shone with the bat as he remained not out on 50 at the end of the day's play.



Lazio was postponed because of an

ished 1-1.

Serie A's top six