

## Waugh handed

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nationals and was in Australia's 1987 and 1999 World Cup-winning sides. He has scored 7,569 runs at 32.90 and taken 195 wickets at 34.67.

Waugh was second only to Indian Mohammad Azharuddin (334) in the most number of ODI's played since making his debut against New Zealand in Melbourne in 1985-86.

Waugh, who led Australia to a world record 16-straight Test wins and the 1999 World Cup, had anticipated the chop.

"Everyone is under scrutiny," he said earlier this month. "You've got to perform, I don't expect any favours."

"If I'm not doing the job and someone is doing better, then they will get the opportunity."

Waugh escaped punishment for an outburst to journalists at a press conference following Australia's failure to qualify for the one-day finals.

Sutherland said he had spoken to Waugh about the incident.

The latest news follows an ACB announcement that Waugh and his deputy Adam Gilchrist would not act as selectors on overseas tours, commencing with this month's tour of South Africa.

## Who's the next

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lead his country for the first time after years of being labelled the heir-apparent.

The Tasmanian captain has toned down his off-field activity in recent years since he was involved in a fight at a Sydney night-spot following a one-day match.

Ponting's position is not in doubt and he is rated as a good cricket-thinker with plenty of time left in the international arena.

Hohns said the new captain would not be named until the one-day squad for the South African tour was chosen within a week.

Meanwhile, Waugh vowed to return to Australia's international one-day cricket team.

Waugh said he saw his axing as "a setback and a challenge".

"I was disappointed and probably a little bit shocked, as anyone is when they are dropped from the side, particularly when you are captain," Waugh told the press conference.

"It is a big decision and impacts on a lot of people. I'll definitely remain available for Australia for one-day cricket - I'd love to be part of that World Cup campaign."

"I see this as a setback and a challenge. I've never shied away from a challenge. I'm a pretty determined sort of a person and I believe I will do everything in my power to get back into that one-day side."

## Zim to follow Eng's lead

## Cricket

AFP, Bombay

Zimbabwean cricket captain Stuart Carlisle said on Wednesday his team would try to follow England's tactics of applying pressure on India in the upcoming Test and one-day series.

"We will play positive cricket like the Englishmen did during their recent tour of India," Carlisle said after his team arrived here to play two Tests and five one-day internationals.

"We watched the series keenly and observed that the Englishmen came here as underdogs, but played positively to put the Indians under pressure."

England skipper Nasser Hussain also said before the one-day series against India last month his team would try to maintain pressure on the hosts and exploit their vulnerability in crunch situations.

His tactics paid rich dividends as England squared the six-match series 3-3 after trailing 3-1 as India choked under pressure in the last two games.

Even Indian captain Sourav Ganguly conceded after the drawn

series against England that his team's middle order was inexperienced and had to learn to handle the pressure.

"We too would like to catch India on the wrong-foot by never letting them settle down. We know the Indian middle order is a bit suspect," said Carlisle.

"We would first like to go after the top order, which has world class players like Sachin Tendulkar and Sourav Ganguly, and then work our way through the middle order."

The Zimbabwean captain said his team was confident of coping with the Indian spin challenge on slow pitches.

"We just came back from the tour of Sri Lanka where we found off-spinner Muttiah Muralitharan a hard nut to crack," said Carlisle, whose team was blanked 3-0 by Sri Lanka last month.

"We know India has two quality spinners in Anil Kumble and Harbhajan Singh, but many of our batsmen have played them quite well and we would like to do the same this time as well."

Zimbabwe did reasonably well on their last Indian tour in 2000, with a prolific Andy Flower (540 runs) dominating the Indian spin in the two Test series won 1-0 by the hosts.

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Two former Indian national hockey players Sandeep Singh (L) and Sanjeev Kumar (R) arrived in the capital on Wednesday to play for Mariner Youngs Club in the ongoing Jamuna Bank Club Cup.

said the Test and one-day series against India would be tough, but his team was keen to perform better.

"It is always a challenge to play in India," said Marsh, a former Australian opener.

"I have come here as a player and coach of the Australian team and now with this young side. I am looking forward to this challenge. We have some very talented guys and this tour will help them become tough cricketers."

Zimbabwe open their tour on Friday with a three-day game against a Board President's team at Vijaywada in the southern Indian state of Andhra Pradesh.

The first Test will be held at Nagpur from February 21 and the second at Delhi starting a week later.

The one-dayers will be played at Faridabad (March 7), Mohali (March 10), Cochin (March 13), Hyderabad (March 16) and Guwahati (March 19).

## SQUAD

Stuart Carlisle (capt), Heath Streak, Alistair Campbell, Dion Ebrahim, Andy Flower, Grant Flower, Travis Friend, Trevor Gripper, Mpumelo Mbawanga, Raymond Price, Gavin Rennie, Tatenda Taibu, Brighton Watambwa and Craig Wishart.

Coach: Geoff Marsh.

## Pepsi v'ball on

UNB, Dhaka

The Pepsi national men's and women's volleyball championship began at the Volleyball Stadium yesterday.

On the opening day, Bangladesh Army beat Pataukhali 25-11, 25-4, 25-13; Bangladesh Air Force defeated Kushtia 25-8, 25-18, 25-19 and Bangladesh Navy beat Rangpur 25-19, 25-20, 25-23 in the men's competition.

In the women's competition, BJMC defeated Tangail 25-3, 25-14, 25-21 in the morning session and they again beat Rajshahi 25-13, 25-4, 25-3 in the afternoon while Bangladesh Ansars beat Gazipur 25-5, 25-8, 25-9 in the day's other match.

Kalabagan were all out for 151 runs in 28.3 overs.

In reply, CCS made 122 runs for the loss of 9 wickets in 24.1 overs.

In the day's other match, Kalabagan Cricket Academy (Green) beat their compatriot Kalabagan CA by five wickets.

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In reply, Kalabagan Cricket Academy (Green) reached their target making 153 runs losing five wickets in 27.5 overs.

A total of 13 teams, split into four groups, are taking part in the men's competition while five teams in the women's group on league basis.

Coach: Geoff Marsh.

## TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS



STAR MOVIES: 7:30p.m. *The Beach*, Leonardo DiCaprio stars in this high-charged tale of survival, based on the popular novel by Alex Garland. He portrays Richard, a traveling American who wants nothing more than to experience life completely. Backpacking in Thailand, he gets more than he bargained for when he discovers a seemingly utopian island that is protected by a weapon-yielding gang.

ATN BANGLA: 7:35p.m. *Valentine's Special Debate*. With the humorous topic 'Shoi Ke Bole Priti Bhalo?' ('Friend, who says love is good?') Valentine's Day special debate will take place. Actress Shahnoor and model Caesar will debate along with singer Akhi Alamgir and S D Rubel while Ahmed Chowdhury Kiron hosts the show.

HBO: 10:00 pm. *Autumn in New York*. This is the story of a pair who finds love when each least expects it. Will Keane (Richard Gere) is a successful restaurant owner and bachelor playboy with more "girlfriends" than he knows what to do with but no serious relationships. He meets Charlotte (Winona Ryder), the daughter of an old flame, and is immediately interested in her.



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STAR WORLD

6:00am Happy Days

6:30 3rd Rock From The Sun

7:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show

8:00 MacGyver

9:00 The Drew Carey Show

9:30 Whose Line Is It

10:00 Anyways

10:30 Tonight at 8

9:00 Star Samachar

9:30 Star News English

10:00 Star Business News

10:30 Star NewsHour

11:30 Star News English

12:00pm India Diaries

1:30 The Bold & The Beautiful

2:00 Mork & Mindy

2:30 Happy Days

3:00 Baywatch

4:00 The Simpsons

4:30 3rd Rock From The Sun

5:00 Star News Asia

5:30 Friends

6:00 Roswell

6:55 Asianews Update

7:00 Come Together A

7:30 Night For John

8:00 Lennons Words and Music

9:00 Friends

9:30 Roswell

10:30 Come Together A

11:00 Night For John

11:30 Lennons Words and Music

12:00pm India Diaries

1:30 Jungli Jukebox

2:00 [V] Back To Back

2:30 [V] Jumpstart

3:00 [V] Hit Machine

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