

NBL v'ball

UNB, Dhaka

Sonali Bank beat Nabajagarani Sangha 25-22, 25-22, 26-28, 25-13 points in the NBL First Division Volleyball League yesterday.

Rainer reaches final

AFP, Munich

Home favourite Rainer Schuttler ended the hopes of a Czech qualifier Radek Stepanek to reach the final of the 400,000-dollar Munich Open here on Saturday.

With second-seeded Tommy Haas and Nicolas Kiefer - who beat Yevgeny Kafelnikov to start and then lost in the second round - out of the tournament, the 26-year-old Schuttler played the hero for chilly fans at the Iphtos club.

He came away 6-4, 6-3 winner over Stepanek and will face off Sunday against sixth seed Younes El Aynaoui, who needed to go the full distance to beat Russian teenager Mikhail Youzhny 4-6, 7-5, 7-6.

Schuttler stands 18th in the season-long ATP points race and claimed a title last autumn in Shanghai with a runner-up finish to Marcelo Rios a week later in Hong Kong.

Schuttler will be aiming for his third career trophy while El Aynaoui has already won a pair this season in Casablanca and Doha.

What to watch

FROM PAGE 13 STAR Sports Cricket Programming Super Selector Repeat at 9:30 am Gillette World Sports Special Int'l Sports News Taped Version at 1:00 pm Sportsline Tonight Sport News Live at 6:30 pm West Indies vs India Third Test, Day Five Live at 8:05 pm

The goods

FROM PAGE 13 police on board to look out for problems," he said. Police will also escort fans to and from the stadium, said Yokohama's Miyoshi, but he admitted it would be hard to stop people buying booze before and after the matches.

"There is no law to restrict the sale of alcohol therefore we can't force shopkeepers to stop," he said. City officials and the local alcohol industry will meet in mid-May to discuss the issue, but most vendors seem prepared to risk rowdy behaviour in favour of some hefty profits.

"We will still sell alcohol during the World Cup," said Yuko Watanabe, a 29-year-old shop assistant at the Kiosk in Shin-Yokohama station, the main arrival point for fans going to matches at Japan's largest football venue.

"(But) I am a bit worried about hooliganism," she added. Ami Murayama, a 24-year-old worker at a Yokohama convenience store, was less concerned and said the shop was likely to continue selling its range of beer, wine, whisky and alco-pops during the games.

"If there looks as though there might be trouble we might stop sales," she said. "But ultimately they are our customers."

A rise in thirsty customers will provide a welcome boost to business at Japan's breweries such as Kirin Co. Ltd., Asahi Co. Ltd. and Sapporo Co. Ltd.

"Budweiser is the official sponsor ... but after the matches we hope people will go out into the town drinking and then we will benefit," said Maki Morimoto, a spokeswoman for Sapporo, a firm named after the far northern city which will host the hotly contested England versus Argentina game on June 7.

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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State Minister for Education AMN Ehsanul Huq shakes hands with the players prior to the start of the Nitol-Niloy Boys School Basketball tournament yesterday.

India left with stiff task

Cricket series. The master batsman, who has scored 0, 0 and 8 in his last three innings, faced just 17 balls to leave his team struggling at 118-4.

India's plight would have been worse had Sarwan taken the sharp chances offered by Ganguly and Laxman early in their innings.

Dillon was not the only bowler to trouble India on a good batting pitch as Adam Sanford removed Rahul Dravid and Cameron Cuffy gave away just three runs off 18 tight overs, including 15 maidens.

David allowed the West Indian pacemen to keep up the pressure with his defensive batting. He made 14 in 94 minutes before being caught behind while attempting to drive a fuller-length delivery.

In contrast, young Jaffer batted attractively for his maiden Test half-century, executing handsome shots off the back foot against an all-pace attack.

Jaffer was on 39 when he got the benefit of the doubt from TV umpire after Sarwan had claimed a catch in the covers off left-arm fast bowler Pedro Collins.

He completed his half-century in style, fluently driving Collins through the covers for his 10th four. He was soon run out, failing to beat a Chanderpaul direct hit to the striker's end from short cover.

The morning session belonged to Hooper and Chanderpaul, who put the Indian attack to the sword with their aggressive batting.

SCOREBOARD Scoreboard at stumps on the third day of the third Test between the West Indies and India at the Kensington Oval here on Saturday.

INDIA: First innings 102 (Ganguly 48, Dillon 4-41, Sanford 3-20)

WEST INDIES: First innings (overnight 314-4) Williams c Jaffer b Zaheer 18 Gayle lbw b Zaheer 14 Sarwan c Jaffer b Nehra 60 Lara c and b Nehra 55 Hooper c Tendulkar b Harbhajan 115 Chanderpaul not out 101 Jacobs c Ratra b Nehra 0 Dillon c Das b Nehra 6 Collins b Harbhajan 0 Sanford lbw b Harbhajan 0 Cuffy run out 1 Extras (nb13, lb8, b3) 24 Total: 394

Fall of wickets: 1-30, 2-35, 3-154, 4-161, 5-376, 6-376, 7-392, 8-393, 9-393

BOWLING O M R W Srinath 32 7 85 0 Nehra 32 9 112 4 Zaheer 29 8 83 2 Ganguly 7 5 9 0 Harbhajan 34.5 7 87 3 Tendulkar 1 0 7 0

INDIA: Second innings Das c Sarwan b Dillon 35 Jaffer run out 51 Dravid c Jacobs b Sanford 14 Tendulkar lbw b Dillon 8 Ganguly not out 15 Laxman not out 30 Extras: (nb-11, lb5) 16 Total (for 4 wks) 169

Fall of wickets: 1-80, 2-101, 3-117, 4-118

BOWLING O M R W Dillon 19 4 49 2 Cuffy 18 15 3 0 Collins 15 1 54 0 Sanford 11 3 37 1 Hooper 4 0 7 0 Gayle 3 0 14 0

Umpires: Asoka de Silva (Sri) and Daryl Harper (Aus) Match-referee: Ranjan Madugalle (Sri)

Zulu strikes for Notts

Cricket coached by former South African all-rounder Olive Rice, needed a decent partnership.

Together with captain Jason Gallian (56), Klusener was content to nudge ones and twos showing how there is more to scoring runs in limited overs games than just brutal hitting.

After Gallian's departure to left-arm spinner Graeme Bridge, former England wicket-keeper Chris Read was a useful ally before Klusener was run out off the final ball of the innings, Nottinghamshire 224 for six.

Klusener's runs came from 89 balls including one six and three fours.

He then chipped in with a couple of wickets as Durham, despite Nicky Peng's tournament-best 72, falling short with seamer Andrew Harris taking four for 42.

At The Oval, England batsman

Graham Thorpe looked in good touch ahead of the Sri Lanka series with 61 in defending champions Surrey's first win of this year's tournament.

Thorpe hit eight boundaries in his 76-ball innings against Kent - his 72nd half-century in limited-overs cricket and together with Alistair Brown (73) took Surrey to 257 for nine from 50 overs.

Robert Key's 59 was the only Kent score of note as they finished 44 runs adrift.

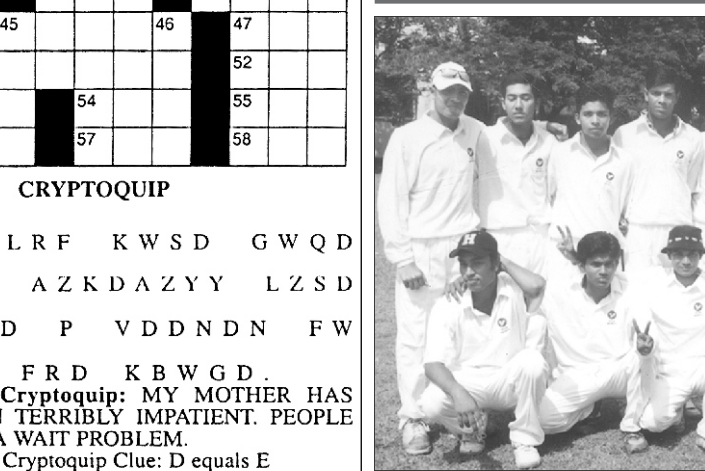
Elsewhere England off-spinner Richard Dawson took four for 13 as Derbyshire were bowled out for a meagre 157 in reply to Yorkshire's 288 for six at Derby.

Matthew Wood (115) and England all-rounder Craig White (77) gave Dawson more than enough to bowl at, Yorkshire winning by 131 runs.

CUP CORNER FROM PAGE 13 have seen fewer numbers. We haven't seen numbers like at Millwall for 10 or 15 years.

"Just under a year ago, we said violence was on the increase - and nothing has happened this year to stop that. It's still a minute percentage, but it's a steady increase."

"It's nothing like the numbers we saw in the 1970s, but there is still a very violent bunch of people."



Players of Social Welfare who became champions in the Dhaka College inter-department cricket tournament yesterday.

Nitol-Niloy boys b'ball Gregory tame Aga Khan

SPORTS REPORTER

St. Gregory High School came from behind to pull off an exciting one-point victory over Aga Khan School in the opening match of the Nitol-Niloy Boys Schools Basketball tournament at the Dhanmondi Basketball Gymnasium yesterday.

The reputed old town school won the nail-biting contest by 59-58.

The Gregorians were trailing Aga Khan boys 26-19 at the breather. Shakil and Babul led the winners' charge caging 19 and 17 points respectively.

Fifteen city schools, split into four groups, are taking part in meet.

Earlier, the State Minister for Education AMN Ehsanul Huq inaugurated the tournament. President of the Bangladesh Basketball Federation Maj Gen (ret'd) ZA Khan was also present.

Venus-Klijsters face-off

AFP, Hamburg

American Venus Williams and Belgian Kim Clijsters meet in Sunday's final at the 585,000-dollar WTA women's event here.

Top seed Williams beat Switzerland's Martina Hingis 7-5, 6-3 and Clijsters, seeded second, reached her first final of the year after downing fifth seeded Yugoslav Jelena Dokic 6-4, 4-4 retired following a right thigh injury to her opponent.

The effects of Williams' ankle injury that had led to her struggling to overcome Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario in the quarter-finals was nowhere to be seen as the defending champion covered the court with ease.

The third seeded Swiss however proved difficult to shake off. Although the American often punished her weak serve, Hingis mixed up her shots, as well as hitting a number of winners down the line.

Gaudio on course

AFP, Mallorca

In-form Argentine Gaston Gaudio continued his dream run by advancing to the finals of the 381,000-dollar ATP tournament here on Saturday to meet rising Finnish star Jarkko Nieminen.

Eighth seed Gaudio, who ousted triple French Open champion Gustavo Kuerten of Brazil in the quarter-finals, was the sole Argentine of the three in Saturday's semi-finals to advance.

Gaudio, winner in Barcelona last Sunday, secured his tenth win in as many matches but was made to work by compatriot and fifth-seeded Agustín Calleri before prevailing 4-6, 6-3, 6-2.

In the match of the day, Buenos Aires-born Gaudio, ranked 17th in the Champions Race standings, initially looked tired and sluggish and went down in the first set after numerous unforced errors.

But the 23-year-old Gaudio got back into his stride using his powerful backhand to wrap up the next two sets 6-3, 6-2, and is favourite for Sunday's tie where his Finnish rival will be hoping to take advantage of his fatigue.

Everyone's

FROM PAGE 13 Ronaldinho also looks likely to earn a place after impressing in the friendly against Portugal last month.

The three goalkeepers are likely to be Dida, Marcos and Ceni.

Other players expected to secure their berths include the skilful defensive midfielder Gilberto Silva, with Real Betis' Denilson and Leverkusen's Ze Roberto also probables.

Romario's team-mate at Vasco da Gama, the diminutive attacking midfielder Juninho, should also take a place on the team after returning to his best form since coming back to Brazil after a spell in Europe with Middlesbrough and Atletico Madrid.

Hooper calls for caution

Cricket

REUTERS, Bridgetown

West Indian captain Carl Hooper is wary of an Indian reversal over the last two days of the third Test despite his team being firmly in command.

The Indians, needing 291 to avoid an innings defeat, are 169-4 with the last recognised pair of Saurav Ganguly and Vangipurapu Laxman at the crease.

"It's never over till its over," Hooper said on Saturday.

"In cricket, you have to be prepared for anything. Who knows Saurav and Laxman might come out tomorrow and bat the whole day."

One recent match supports Hooper's circumspection.

Laxman had scored 281 and Rahul Dravid 180 as they batted an entire day against Australia at Calcutta last year to lead India to victory after they had been asked to follow on.

"We'd obviously like to remove

this pair as early as possible," Hooper said.

"We've got to keep working, without taking for granted that this one is already in the bag. We have to chip away at them. There are still six dismissals to get and anything is possible."

But a fightback of that magnitude would be most unlikely on a pitch that is getting harder and harder to bat on.

Hooper, who scored 115 for his 12th Test century in West Indies's first innings 394 said the deteriorating wicket was another reason he wanted to wrap up the Indian innings quickly.

India were bundled out for 102 in their first innings.

"In the second innings, this wicket always becomes difficult to bat on. It gets harder, the ball stops a bit before coming on and there are a lot more worn-out areas," Hooper said.

"If they get near the 300-mark with wickets in hand, it won't be good for us because you want to chase a few runs as possible here."

India had been famously bowled out for 81 while chasing 120 for

victory at the same venue in 1997. "I'm happy to get a hundred here but it was important for Shrivarine and I to continue this morning and push the lead to 300-350 plus to get India under more pressure," Hooper said.

The Guyanese heaped praise on his bowlers for coming back with three wickets in the post-tea session after openers Wasim Jaffer (51) and Shiv Sundar Das (35) had an opening stand of 62.

"We bowled too short and with too much width in the first 15 to 20 overs. But we came back strongly after tea, bowled closer to the off-stump and made them play."

Hooper said one of the reasons for the slow start could be his team's poor Test record over the last few years.

"We have lost six of their last seven Test matches coming into this game.

"Its not often we find ourselves in this position -- 300 ahead with two days to go.

"We knew we had to get 10 wickets so maybe we were trying a bit too hard to do something special."

Round 2, Draw in Khulna

Competition Information, Prizes and Rules

Information Rules

- A. The Daily Star Rangs Toshiba World Cup Quiz 2002 is a series of competitions on World Cup Soccer being held in Japan & South Korea from May 31 to June 30. There will be SIX rounds of competition.

Table with 6 columns: Prize, Item, Model, Winner. Lists prizes like Toshiba Flat TV, Refrigerator, Washing Machine, Rice Cooker, Dry/Iron.

QUIZ SCHEDULE

Table with 4 columns: Round & Draw, Starts, Answers must reach by noon, Lucky Draw for prizes. Lists dates from April 12 to June 29.

The Daily Star RANGS TOSHIBA World Cup Quiz, Round 2 Ends May 9, 2002

Tick (O) the correct answers

- 1. First World Cup was played in Argentina Uruguay Brazil
2. Maradona scored his 'Hand of God' goal in 1984 1986 1990
3. Pele played his last World Cup in 1962 1966 1970
4. How many World Cups were held from 1938-1950? 2 3 4

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