SPORT

The Daily Star

wicket with Gayle (68) to help his

team score an impressive 422 in the

India, set a record 408 to win, lost

"When you needed that many

"What was disappointing about

seven wickets for 237 on Tuesday,

including those of Ganguly and

runs, you needed a couple of hun-

dreds. The earlier the better and

Venkatsai Laxman to pull shots.

then go from there.

Easy sail for BD A SPORTS REPORTER

Bangladesh A rode on halfcenturies from Hannan Sarkar and Moniruzzaman as they cruised to a seven-wicket win over USA in their penultimate first round clash of the Malaysia Cricket Challenge at the Royal Salengor Club in Kuala Lumpur vesterday.

Left-arm spinner Mohammad Rafique captured five wickets to restrict the Americans to 178 in the stipulated 50 overs after being sent to bat.

Rafique conceded only 25 runs from his ten overs.

Seamer Taposh Baishya was the other notable wicket-taker with two for 41.

In reply, the second string of Bangladesh reached 179 for the loss of three wickets.

Moniruzzaman, the right-handed Abahani batter, smashed 69 off 85 balls while Hannan added 58 off 82 balls to help Bangladesh A register their third win in as many outings.

Bangladesh A also beat USA by 123 runs in their previous encounter three days back.

The winners will face Malaysia in their last first round match at Club Aman ground in Kuala Lumpur today

SCORES IN BRIEF (incomplete)

USA: 178 for 9 in 50 overs (Steve 73, Ali 37, Rafique 5-25, Taposh 2-

BANGLADESH A: 179 for 3 (Moniruzzaman 69, Hannan 58, Mazharul 28 n.o.)

Result: Bangladesh A won by seven wickets

Pakistan to go to Zim in Nov

AFP, Karachi

Pakistan will play two Tests and five one-day internationals on their tour of Zimbabwe in November-December this year, the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) announced Wednesday.

They will also play five one-day matches and two Tests in South Africa between December 3 and January 6.

Pakistan, which faces a home series drought after security concerns, will open the tour with a threeday warm-up game in Harare from November 4 before the first Test at the same venue from November 9-13.

The second Test will be played at Bulawayo from November 16-20.

The first two limited overs internationals are scheduled at Bulawayo on November 23 and 24 while the remaining three onedayers will be staged at Harare on November 27, 30 and December 1.

Pakistan will then cross the border to play five one-day matches and two Tests in South Africa between December 3 and January



Teammates shower champagne on Shivnarine Chanderpaul (C) on being named the man-of-the-series at the end of the fifth Test between India and West Indies in Kingston on Wednesday

Another foreign failure

pitched on the off and cut in sharply.

Dillon finished the match with the

wicket of Zaheer Khan, who was

caught by Pedro Collins at mid-off

for 12. He finished 1-77 off 22.3

overs, still one short of his 100th

West Indies under Carl Hooper's

captaincy after losing a home series

against South Africa last year and

suffering a 3-0 defeat in Sri Lanka

and a 2-0 rout against Pakistan at

Sharjah in the United Arab

team to a series win just once,

against Zimbabwe last year.

Hooper had previously led his

This was the first big win for the

Test victim.

Emirates

Cricket

AFP, Kingston

The West Indies required just 39 minutes to complete an emphatic 155-run victory over India on the last day of the fifth and final Test at Sabina Park here on Wednesday.

The hosts clinched the fivematch series 2-1 with this win, having already beaten India by 10 wickets in the second Test at Bridgetown. India won the second Test by 37 runs at Port-of-Spain, while the

opening match at Georgetown and the fourth at Antigua were drawn. The West Indies virtually

wrapped up the match on Tuesday when they reduced India to 237-7 after setting a record 408-run target.

series remained unfulfilled as India were all out for 252, adding team had lost in South Africa. just 15 to their overnight total to lose Lanka and now in the West Indies the Test and series. Only two teams have so far

chased a target of more than 400 in the fourth innings to win a match in the history of Test cricket, with India scoring 406-4 against the West Indies at Port-of-Spain in 1975-76 and Australia making 404-3 against England at Leeds in 1948.

The West Indies required just 8.3 overs in the morning to take the remaining three Indian wickets and complete a formality, with fast bowler Cameron Cuffy taking two and Mervyn Dillon one

India's hopes of saving the match depended on the weather as heavy overnight rain and earlymorning showers threatened to wash out the last day's play. The rain, however, ceased just in

in each innings of the match, scoring Result: West Indies win by 155 212 and 252 runs and take the series 2-1. time to allow the West Indies a few Shivnarine Chanderpaul contin-Man-of-the-match: Wavell Hinds. overs to make short work of the ued to relish the Indian attack, Indian tail Man-of-the-series: Shivnarine Cuffy trapped wicketkeeper Ajay making 58 in the first innings and a Chanderpaul crucial 59 in the second. Umpires: David Shepherd (Eng-Ratra leg-before in his second over The left-hander's second sucland) and Russell Tiffin (Zimbaafter the batsman had added just cessive half-century helped the three runs to his overnight score of bwe) hosts add 116 for the last five wick-

He than bowled Javagal Srinath ets and set a stiff target for the middle-stump for four, the tail-ender Indians. having no clue to the one that

Chanderpaul was adjudged man of the series for scoring 562 in seven

Test innings. SCOREBOARD

Complete scoreboard on the last day of the fifth and final Test between India and the West Indies at the Sabina Park on Wednesday:

WEST INDIES: First innings 422 (W Hinds 113, C Gayle 68, R Sarwan 65, R Jacobs 59, S Chanderpaul 58; H Singh 5-138)

INDIA: First innings 212 (V axman 65 not out: M Dillon 5-71) WEST INDIES: Second innings 197 (S Chanderpaul 59; Z Khan 4-

79, H Sinah 3-42) INDIA: Second innings (overnight

against Zimbabwe last year.	237-7)					
India captain Sourav Ganguly's	Das Ibw b Collins				10	
dream of winning an away Test	Jaffer c Hinds b Collins				7	
series remained unfulfilled as his	Dravid Ibw b Sanford				30	
team had lost in South Africa, Sri	Tendulkar b Collins				86	
Lanka and now in the West Indies.	Ganguly c Sarwan b Sanford				28	
Nothing went right for Ganguly's	Laxman c Dillon b Sanford				23	
Indians in the decider as they were	Ratra Ibw b Cuffy				19	
outplayed by the hosts in every	Harbhajan c Cuffy b Gayle				17	
department of the game.	Zaheer c Collins b Dillon				12	
The Indian captain won the toss	Srinath b Cuffy				4	
for the first time in the five-match	Nehra not out				0 0	
series and put the West Indies in to	Extras: (nb-9, w-1, b-5, lb-1)				16	
bat on a lively track, but was let		Total: (All out in 88.2 overs) 2				
down by his fast bowlers.	Fall of wickets: 1-19, 2-25, 3-77,					
The hosts posted an impressive	170, 5-176, 6-209, 7-228, 8-242, 9-				,	
422 in the first innings, with left-	252	200, 1 2	, 、		., 0	
handed opener Wavell Hinds crack-	Bowler	0	м	R	w	
ing 113.	Dillon	22.3	6	77	1	
The 25-year-old Jamaican was	Cuffy	18	6	34	2	
named man of the match for his	Collins	17	4	60	3	
second hundred in 22 Tests.	Sanford	19	8	48	3	
India then put in a below-par	Hooper	5	1	15	Õ	
batting performance against a	Gayle	4	2	7	1	
disciplined West Indian pace attack	Sarwan	3	2	5	Ó	

CityCell cricket **BKSP retain nat'l** vouth crown SPORTS REPORTER

Bangladesh Krira Shikkha Protisthan (BKSP) retained the City Cell 21st National Youth (under-19) Cricket Championship title with an easy eight-wicket win over Comilla in the final at the Natore Stadium yesterday.

Chasing a paltry Comilla total of 87 in 50 overs, the winners were in no hurry as they took 29.5 overs to complete the smooth sail. They lost only two wickets in the process. Rabiul scored highest 33 while

Nayeem chipped in with 24. Earlier, electing to bat, Comilla were shot out for 87 in 40.2 overs with Monirul hammering highest 33. Abul Bashar of BKSP claimed

highest three wickets while Rubaiyat and Nadif captured two wickets each. State Minister for Youth and

Sports Fazlur Rahman witnessed PHOTO: AFP the final as the chief guest. It was BKSP's sixth title overall

and second in a row SCORES IN BRIEF COMILLA: 87 all out in 40.2 overs (Monirul 33, Shimu 16, Bashar 3-

13. Rubaivat 2-22. Nadif 2-9) BKSP: 88 for 2 in 29.5 overs (Rabiul 33, Naveem 24, Arman 1-

Result: BKSP won by eight wickets.

Green Delta hockey resumes

today UNB, Dhaka

West Indies cricket captain Carl The return-league of the Green Hooper on Wednesday told team-Delta Premier Division Hockey League begins today at the Maulana Bhasani National Hockey

Stadium. League leaders Mohammedan Sporting Club take on Dhaka Railway at 2:15 pm in the first match while Usha KC meet Wari Club at 4 pm in the day's other match. second Test at Port-of-Spain where

top in the first phase of the elite league with 25 points despite dropping a point in their last match with a

The popular black and white team is three points ahead of their nearest rivals Dhaka Mariner Youngs Club, who collected 22 points from nine matches.

Abahani KC finished third securing 21 points following defeats in last two matches

Kim Hughes a Gilchrist fan

AFP, Perth

Australian wicketkeeper-batsman Adam Gilchrist is among only four players in the history of the game who would qualify as automatic selections in the best Test team of all time, former Australian captain

Gilchrist. 30. who rose to the top

of the world batting rankings earlier

this month, would join Don

Bradman and Denis Lillee (both

Australia), and the West Indies'

Garfield Sobers, as certainties in

the best-ever line-up, Hughes said.

four who would qualify automati-

cally for a best Test eleven of all

time," Hughes told The West

Bradman, who averaged frac-

tionally short of 100 runs an innings

during his 52-Test career, is almost

universally regarded as the game's

best batsman in the 125 years of

World Team Cup

Britain beats

After rain forced the World Team

Tennis Championships inside

Wednesday, Britain beat Germany

when Lars Burgsmuller had to retire

from the doubles match because of

The countries were tied after

splitting the singles matches, and

the British team of Martin Lee and

Miles Maclagan won the first set 6-3

But at 2-1 in the second

Burgsmuller, who earlier kept

Germany alive in the match by

beating Lee in singles, couldn't

Burgsmuller and Lee's match

It is the first time since 1996 that

Tim Henman gave Britain a 1-0

Russia, last year's runner-up to

Marat Safin beat Spaniard Alex

Safin, the 2000 U.S. Open cham-

Kafelnikov and Safin then beat

Costa and Corretja 6-7, 6-3, 10-5 to

Corretja 6-4, 6-4, but Albert Costa

evened the match by defeating

pion, improved his career record

against former French Open finalist

the tournament had to be moved to

lead by beating Nicolas Kiefer 7-6, 6-

3. Burgsmuller then tied it 1-1 with a

an indoor clay court because of rain.

began indoors, but rain forced play

to be moved inside the Dusseldorf

over Burgsmuller and Nicolas Kiefer

pulled muscles in his back.

Germany

AP, Duesseldorf

continue

Ice Hockey Stadium.

6-3, 6-3 win over Lee.

Australia, beat Spain 2-1.

Yevgeny Kafelnikov 6-3, 7-6.

Corretja to 4-1 with the victory.

win the match.

Australian newspaper.

Tests.

"I consider these are the only

Kim Hughes said here Thursday.

India a loser mentally a 111-run stand for the opening

Cricket

AFP, Kingston

India skipper Sourav Ganguly said Wednesday the lack of mental toughness rather than of ability was the main reason for his team's not winning an overseas Test series.

"The problem is not with the ability, but with the mind," said Ganguly, whose team lost the fifth and final Test by 155 runs against the West Indies to suffer a 2-1 defeat in a five-match series.

India have yet to win an away Test series under Ganguly's captaincy, having settled for a 1-1 draw in Zimbabwe and lost in Sri Lanka. South Africa and the West Indies.

India's last series win outside the sub-continent came in 1986 when they beat England 2-0 under Kapil Dev's captaincy.

"We've the ability to win an away Test series, but I don't think we've on the first morning and allowed the mindset. That's the main reason why we haven't done well abroad," said Ganguly

"We've never done well in crunch matches. We've to produce something extra in these games and we've never been able to do it. Our performance in the one-day finals has also proved that, so we need to work on that." Ganguly denied India had always been a poor team overseas, saying his squad had won a few

first innings. away Tests under his leadership. India coach John Wright said "Had this been the case, we batting let the team down in the wouldn't have won in Dhaka, deciding game Bulawayo, Kandy and Port-of-"To be honest, we can't afford to Spain," he said. "The foreign condilose so many wickets coming into tions are not really the key. The the final day while trying to win or save the game or taking advantage West Indies played better cricket than us in Barbados and here and of the weather conditions," said Wright.

won the series "We just didn't bat well on a good wicket in Barbados. The ball moved for 10-15 overs on the first morning. Had we not lost early wickets during that period we would have done better," said Ganguly.

India were shot out for 102 in their first innings after being put in to bat and never looked like bouncing back into the match thereafter.

"We won the toss and bowled badly

their openers to raise a big stand.

think Wavell Hinds and Chris Gavle

this particular match was that it was The West Indies won the Test by the decider and everyone was aware of that 10 wickets to square the series 1-1. "It was the same here." he said

"To win a series away from home, you got to understand it isn't going to be easy. The conditions may not be suited to you or you may not be used to them. "Not winning here was disap-

took the game away from us on the pointing for us and for Indian public first day "We then didn't bat well in the first who deserve an overseas win. It's innings. They played better overall almost a mindset. We've got to turn cricket than us. it around.

Hinds cracked an attractive 113 for his second Test hundred, sharing

Carl wants to cash in on it "I'd still say we're making prog-Cricket

ress, but slowly. We're slowly turning the corner. There's still a lot of hard work to do. Maybe one day we can compete with Australia and say we've turned the corner and are on

the way up." "We've been trying to play good cricket for a while. We've been trying to put in good bowling and batting performances. Each series is important whether at home or abroad. It's very important to get a result."

Hooper said his fast bowlers plaved a crucial role in his team winning the series.

they defeated the hosts by 37 runs. "Fast bowlers are obviously The West Indies came back getting better and it's good to see strongly to win the third match by 10 them deliver, but there's still an area wickets at Bridgetown before wrapwhere we can improve and that's batting," he said.

Mervyn Dillon was the leading wicket-taker with 23 in five matches. while Pedro Collins and Adam Sanford also kept pressure on the Indian batsmen

lost a home Test series against Left-arm fast bowler Collins South Africa last year and away impressed with his ability to bowl series in Sri Lanka and at Shariah wicket-taking deliveries at crucial stages, dismissing master batsman Hooper has so far led his team to Sachin Tendulkar three times in as many matches. "When I came back from

"Pedro is a different bowler," said Hooper. "Sachin looked in trouble with the one that came back into him in this series. Pedro has the ability to bring the ball in and also swing it across

"His first two dismissals of Sachin were off the deliveries which were pushed across. But Sachin is a great player and as he showed on Tuesday that given an opportunity, he can take the game by scruff of the

"Pedro did very well by pushing the first two balls across him and then brought one in.' Tendulkar was bowled by Collins

playing a wrong line after hammering a strokeful 86, posing the main threat to the West Indies during his 139-ball knock.

India struggled after Tendulkar's dismissal as they were shot out for 252 while chasing a record 408-run

target I was excited about Sanford," said Hooper.

"He's very, very competitive. He has a big heart. If he could get help from men like Andy Roberts and Michael Holding, he could go a long, long way towards becoming a fast

bowling threat." Hooper said India were unluckv to miss leg-spinner Anil Kumble, who returned home after suffering a jaw-injury while batting in the fourth Test at Antigua.

"Indians must consider themselves unfortunate not to have Kumble," said Hooper. "He could have played a key role in Antigua and here where the bounce was a bit inconsistent."

mates not to relax after beating India in the five-Test series here. "We can't afford to be complacent and it's very important to build on this win," said Hooper after his team won the fifth and final Test by 155 runs to clinch the series 2-1 at Sabina Park. India's lone success came in the

AFP, Kingston

ping up the series here.

against Pakistan.

four victories in 17 Tests.

and 2-0 against Pakistan.

Tennis

REUTERS, Brussels

Belgians"

tennis

ment this week.

drawn.

The opening Test at Georgetown

This was the West Indies' first

and the fourth in Antigua were

major triumph under Hooper, having

Sharjah, I said we're making prog-

ress," said Hooper. "But they said

how could you be making progress

when you have lost 3-0 in Sri Lanka

Kim Cliisters and Justine Henin

have put paid to the long-standing

brain-teaser: "Name two famous

Holders Mohammedan finished

2-2 draw against Usha KC.

Cricket organisers in Sharjah, United Arab Emirates, are also planning to host a three-nation oneday tournament in January involving Pakistan and two other teams yet to be decided, PCB officials said.

If the tournament does not happen, then Pakistan will remain in South Africa to prepare for the World Cup starting there on February 8, the board said.

'Superfive' launched

PRESS RELEASE

AccessTel and The Independent have teamed up to launch the online game 'Superfive' on the eve of the FIFA World Cup.

One has to select five different teams from among the 32 World Cup finalists according to projected performance. Scores will be calculated according to a formula and the total score of a participant at the of the World Cup shall be called 'Super Score.

To participate contestants have to log on to http: // worldcup.accesstel.net/ and then fill out a form. The entry period that started on May 15 ends on May 27.

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Cricket Talk Show Repeat at 11:00 am Soccer World Cup Heroes Puskas Repeat at 3:00 nm Sportsline Tonight Sport News Live at 10:30 pm Football Asia Taped Version at 11:00 pm

Doubles trouble

Tennis

REUTERS. London

Tennis chiefs are to hold talks at next week's French Open which could kill off men's doubles, a Masters Series spokesman told Reuters on Thursday. Plans to slash prize money and halve doubles. entrance to just 16 pairs at major

Ashe, Perry trophies

1934

Clark

died in 1995, aged 85.

tant to his tennis career.

nificent career."

Club tournament.

one in the world and was very impor

events will be thrashed out in a bid to cut the 5 million dollars (3.4 million pounds) doubles costs men's tennis annually. "Doubles costs close to 5 million

dollars and generates nothing." head of media for TPL, the Masters Series commercial arm. Jon Friend said. "We will be holding talks with the

ATP about doubles reform. "Prize money for each Masters doubles event is 500,000 dollars,

is you have the catering, trans-

to be sold

Trophies won by tennis greats Arthur Ashe and Fred Perry will be

auctioned at Christie's in London

Tennis tournament trophy, which he won in 1975 by beating Bjorn Borg,

is expected to sell for up to 90,000

Ashe, who died in 1993 aged 49 of

to win a Grand Slam singles title when he won the U.S Open in 1968.

He also won the Australian Open in

trophy, which Perry received when

tive Wimbledon singles titles in

he won the first of his three consecu-

Also for sale is the Renshaw

1970 and Wimbledon in 1975.

Ashe's World Championship

The trophy is part of the estate of

Ashe became the first black man

Tennis

BBC, London

next month.

pounds on June 25

AIDS-related pneumonia.

portation and other associated

costs for the players who only play doubles. Yet it sells nothing.' Top doubles players -- names

like Donald Johnson, Mark Knowles and Brian MacPhie -- are virtually anonymous compared to the high-profile stars of the singles game like Andre Agassi and Pete Sampras, neither of whom play

Knowles, from the Bahamas, ranked a microscopic 1,373 in singles, stands fourth in the current doubles list and has won more than 2.5 million dollars from tennis, almost exclusively from the pairs'

Todd Woodbridge, a journeyman singles player who progressed beyond the fourth round of a grand slam just once in 45 attempts, teamed up with fellow Australian Mark Woodforde to collect more than 8 million dollars over 12 years. "Doubles sells no tickets and

broadcasters show no interest in showing it," said Friend. "Sadly, it is a very hefty expense."

Currently 32 pairs play in the main draw of each of the nine Masters Series events -- the second tier of tournaments under the four Grand Slams.

Under Masters Series proposals, that figure would be cut to 16.

"We would like to halve the draw size for doubles," Friend said. "But we don't want to kill off doubles at

"We do, however, have to be realistic in the marketplace. If nobody is paying to watch doubles or to broadcast it then clearly something has to change.

"As well as that, doubles can cause scheduling problems at tournaments if there are delays or rain.

Any changes which may be made would be implemented next season, Friend added.

Donald can play for Worcester

REUTERS, Johannesburg

South Africa's veteran pace bowler Allan Donald has been given permission by the United Cricket Board of South África (UCBSA) to take up a short-term contract with English county Worcestershire from June 4-

The deal was announced last week but was thrown into doubt by UCBSA chief executive Gerald Majola on Tuesday who insisted that nationally contracted players were unable to play for another team "Arthur Ashe is one of the great without prior clearance.

"The national physiotherapist, Craig Smith, has assured me that The collection of former British tennis champion Sir Francis Gordon Allan is fit to play and that, provided I owe is also for sale, including a he sticks to his fitness programme, it 1925 winner's cup from the Queens would not do any harm to play

Belgium's best

"We have played a lot of matches on clay and that's a good

thing before going to a Grand Slam. "I like the French Open, it's maybe my favourite tournament of

the year. I am confident I will play well but you never know what's going to happen."

Henin was beaten by Clijsters in the French semifinals last year Returning from the Italian Open, before Clijsters herself was beaten the pair, who are eagerly looking in three mammoth sets in the final forward to next week's French by American Jennifer Capriati. Open, are fast becoming two of the Both women have birthdays

biggest world names in women's during the French Open. Henin turns 20 on the first Saturday and Henin was edged out in the Rome final by Serena Williams, a Clijsters will be 19 a week later. But there is little time to think of reverse of the result of the German

birthday celebrations with the Open in Berlin, and the Belgian's pressure building up for Roland recent strong form has pushed her world ranking up from eight to five. Garros.

"For sure people expect a lot "We are both feeling confident,' from us because we played very Henin said with typical understatewell recently and because last year



Swede Thomas Enqvist makes a backhand return against his US opponent James Blake during their World Team Cup encounter in Duesseldorf yester-

we had good results," Henin said. But she said the pressure would not affect her performance as she was mentally tougher than she used

to be. The turning point came for her during the third round of the German Open two weeks ago

"I realised I wasn't playing at 100 per cent and I was preventing myself from doing so because of my attitude "she said "From that moment I decided to

play more for myself and for my leasure and it worked.' She went on to win the tourna-

nent. "Of course I gained a lot of confidence after Berlin. To have such results you have to be strong mentally," she said.

Asked if she felt she had a lot to lose in Paris. Henin replied: "No.

why not a lot to win?" Clijsters, who has slipped to the number four slot, is hoping to get back to winning ways at Roland

Garros this year. "I'm really looking forward to going out there and to be able to be on centre court again because last year was a great experience for me," she said.

"It'll be great to get back into the atmosphere of a Grand Slam.

"It's not that I'm nervous or anything like that.

The two Belgians are level in their head-to-head meetings with four wins apiece.

Clijsters sympathised with former world number one Martina Hingis, who has withdrawn from the French Open due to injury and is recovering from surgery to repair her left ankle

"She's been on the court for so long and she hasn't had that many injuries," Clijsters said.

"Let's hope for Martina that she will recover after the surgery and that she will get back in form.

"What she has done for women's tennis has been unbelievable.

Clijsters said she was not worried that recent injuries of her own would hamper her performance in Paris

"No, my arm has been okay," she said.

Cliisters also said she would be happy to be based in both Belgium and Australia, home of boyfriend and world number one Lleyton Hewitt.

"I love Australia and I always go in summer so it's really great," she said.

"I would never leave Belgium because this is my home and I have a big family. But, yes, I would love to live in Australia one day. It would be great to have two homes

Christie's expects around 45,000 pounds for the trophy when it is sold by the anonymous owner. Perry was the first tennis player to win all four Grand Slam titles, June 16.

although not in the same year. He "We are very excited about putting these items up for auction," said Christie's tennis specialist Lucy

'Allan contacted me this morning heroes of tennis and his trophy was and he also wrote to me today to ask won when he was ranked number if he could play for Worcestershire while their overseas professional, Andy Bichel, is playing in Australia in "Fred Perry was the last British a one-day series against Pakistan. man to win Wimbledon and the Majola said in a statement on

trophy marked the start of his mag-Wednesday. county cricket for a few weeks.