Div I cricket

Orient lift title

SPORTS REPORTER

Orient Sporting Club emerged champions in the First Division Cricket League with an easy eightwicket win over powerful side Jatrabari Krira Chakra in their last match at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium yesterday.

The victory was made possible by a brilliant all-round show from Arsek Hossain Jewel

lewel captured four wickets for 29 runs to help his side bowl out Jatrabari for only 166 in 48.5 overs. He then smashed an unbeaten 67 to guide his side home in 33.1 overs with eight wickets to spare.

Jewel smote two sixes and five boundaries in his 77-ball innings.

Opener Masumuddowla, who was not out on 65 off 92 balls, gave him a good support.

Together, they put on 115 runs in their unbeaten third wicket partner-

It was Orient's eleventh win in 15 matches that helped them finish the 16-team league atop the table with highest 22 points.

Two teams Jatrabari and Indira Road Krira Chakra are now jointly in second position with 18 points

India Road, however, have a bright chance to join Orient in the Premier Division next season as runners-up if then can beat Gopibagh Friends Association in their last match today.

PWD Sports Club and Uttara Friends Club have already been relegated to the Second Division as the finished at the bottom of the

ACB scolds Gilchrist

REUTERS, Melbourne

Australia vice-captain Adam Gilchrist has been formally reprimanded by the Australian Cricket Board (ACB) after suggesting Sri Lankan Muttiah Muralitharan's bowling action was suspect.

The ACB had charged Gilchrist, the world's top-ranked batsman, with making public comment detrimental to the interests of cricket.

Gilchrist attended a three-and-ahalf-hour hearing in Sydney on Thursday. The wicketkeeper-batsman said the ACB code of conduct forbade him from com-

Gilchrist, speaking at an Australian Rules football pre-match function in Melbourne on May 26, had been quoted in The Age newspaper as saying the off-spinner's action was "not quite within" the

Gilchrist, who has scored 2,160 runs in 44 Tests at an average of 60.00, was also quoted as saying other bowlers in the history of the sport were guilty of throwing



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Action from the Green Delta Premier Division Hockey League match between Mohammedan Sporting Club and Sonali Bank yesterday

India go up in style

Cricket

Dinesh Mongia slammed an attractive 74 to help India break the Kensington Oval jinx with a sevenwicket victory over the West Indies in the third one-day international here on Wednesday. India faced no difficulty in sur-

passing a modest West Indian total of 186 for their first success at this venue after losing seven of their eight Tests and both of their one-day internationals before this match.

India owed their win to debutant fast bowler Tinu Yohannan and lefthanded Mongia, both starved of a big match for nearly two months after failing to find a place in squads for a recent five-Test series against

Yohannan, 23, exploited the early freshness in the wicket to finish with 3-33 off 10 disciplined overs to stop the West Indies from posting a challenging total despite an unbeaten 76 off 75 balls by skipper He was well-supported by pace-

man Ajit Agarkar (3-36) and offspinners Virender Sehwag (2-23) and Harbhajan Singh (1-22) as the West Indies collapsed dramatically to lose their last seven wickets for 46

There was no pressure on India as man-of-the-match Mongia played his shots with freedom to help his team win with 5.1 overs to spare for

a 1-0 lead in the five-match series. The first two one-dayers in Jamaica were rained off without a ball being bowled.

The West Indies came across just one chance to put pressure on India, but Mervyn Dillon failed to judge a Mongia skier off Hooper at mid-off when the batsman was on 17 in a total of 65. Mongia, 25, went on to play his

shots and reached his second half-

century in 16 one-dayers in style,

lofting Hooper for a straight four. He hit nine boundaries in his 104-ball Sachin Tendulkar then completed a formality with an unbeaten 34 in a match reduced to 49-oversa-side due to rain. Rahul Dravid

made nine not out. The fall of free-stroking Virender Sehwag (21) hardly affected India as Mongia put on 68 for the second wicket with skipper Sourav Ganguly (41), who was caught by Hooper in the covers off spinner Chris Gayle.

Earlier, Hooper smashed two sixes and six fours in his 29th halfcentury, but his effort was not enough to help his team reach a challenging total after being put in to

India never relaxed their grip on the match after Yohannan had captured two wickets in his lively seven-over opening spell as they bowled and fielded well to contain

SCOREBOARD

Complete scoreboard of the third one-day international between India and the West Indies at the Kensington Oval here on Wednesday: **WEST INDIES**

15 44 Sarwan b Sehwag Lara c Kaif b Harbhaiar 76 Hooper not out Chanderpaul run out R Hinds st Dravid b Sehwag Jacobs c Dravid b Yohannan Dillon b Agarkar Collymore lbw b Agarkar Cuffy b Agarkar Extras: (nb-1, w-13, b-5) Total: (All out in 44.5 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-38, 2-45, 3-53, 4-140, 5-155, 6-162, 7-164, 8-182, 9-O M R W

Gayle c Mongia b Yohannan

W Hinds b Yohannan

Yohannan	10	1	33	3					
Zaheer	8	2	31	0					
Agarkar	8.5	1	36	3					
Harbhajan	7	0	22	1					
Ganguly	3	0	20	0					
Mongia	2	0	16	0					
Sehwag	6	1	23	2					
INDIA									
Ganguly c Hooper b Gayle									
Sehwag c Sarwan b Dillon									
Mongia c Chanderpaul b Hinds									
Tendulkar not o	ut			34					
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Total: (For 3 wkts in 43.5 overs)187 Fall of wickets: 1-41, 2-109, 3-166 10 0 30 Cuffy 0 34 0 28 0 Hooper 0 25 34 34 5.5 0 Result: India win by seven wick-

Man-of-the-match: Dinesh

Next match: Port-of Spain, June

Serial sledgers!

Cricket

AFP, Sydney

Australian cricketers hit back Thursday after being branded serial sledgers by South African players.

South African rookie Graeme Smith lashed out at the Australians this week. describing their verbal series as "below the belt".

He singled out opener Matthew Hayden as the worst culprit, although he named one-day captain Ricky Ponting, star spinner Shane Warne, Mark Waugh, Justin Langer and wicketkeeper Adam Gilchrist as iust as foul-mouthed.

Smith said Hayden "stood on the crease for about two minutes telling me that I wasn't ... good enough" when he went to bat in his second

Smith also said he was hit by a prolonged spray from McGrath, while Warne repeatedly swore at

By Eugene Sheffer

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him and fast bowler Brett Lee said he would "... kill me" after a midpitch collision.

Jimmy Maher, one of Australia's



MATTHEW HAYDEN

best players during their 5-1 victory in the one-day series, was surprised at Smith's claims.

"It's unfair because I didn't see or

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: THE NEW HAIRPIECE I'M WEARING DIDN'T COST MUCH. I GUESS IT'S Today's Cryptoquip Clue: C equals P

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

hear anyone step over the mark the whole time I was there." Maher said Thursday.

"You're representing your coun-



try and it's hard cricket.

have a great time'

"I've had things said to me before and I take it with a pinch of salt because I've get more important things to focus on.

against the Australians by the on-field umpires and there were no reports made to the Australian Cricket Board which said Thursday it did not condone verbal abuse which is covered by the International Cricket Council's code of conduct.

"If Australian players are breaking the code of conduct I'm sure officials at the match would take appropriate action," ACB chief executive James Sutherland said.

Green Delta Hockey Rafiq fires MSC up

SPORTS REPORTER

A magnificent hattrick by ace forward Rafiqul Islam Kamal propelled helped defending champions Mohammedan Sporting Club maintain their solo lead in the Green Delta Premier Hockey League with a comprehensive 6-0 win over Sonali Bank in one of the two return leg clashes held at the Maulana Bhasani Stadium yesterday.

Second-placed Mariner Youngs Club kept pace with the leaders after recording a 4-0 thrashing of Wari Club.

Kamal, the discarded national forward who joined the black and whites this season after spending most of his career with Usha Krira Chakra, scored three goals in a row in the 58th, 60th and 62nd minutes to complete a second half Mohammedan rally after the black and whites had a tough time against the bankers in the first session when they could score only one

Kamal apart, Shahidullah Tito, Moududur Rahman Shuvo and Pakistani Mohammad Shafqat added one each to the winners' account who maintained their threepoint lead over second placed Mariner.

It was Mohammedan's 11th win against a draw that kept them atop the table with highest 34 points.

On the other hand, the defeat pushed Sonali Bank into the relegation zone with their previous eight In the other match of the day,

midfielder Yasin Mia struck twice to help Mariner register their tenth win in 12 matches. Kutubuddin Yen and Moksed

scored the other two goals for the winners who raised their tally to 31 points from 12 matches.

Sri Lanka collapse

AFP, Birmingham

Sri Lanka collapsed to 108 for six at tea on the first day of the Second Test here at Édgbaston on Thursday after losing the toss. In the last over before the break

Russel Arnold (one) edged Andrew Caddick to Andrew Flintoff with Hashan Tillekeratne seven not out. After rain had washed out the morning session it meant Sri

Lanka's top order had subsided in just 32.1 overs, Caddick claiming three for 23. Mahela Jayawardene (47) did his best to steady the ship before receiving a superb ball from

Caddick he could do little about. Sri Lanka lost both their openers in the space of four balls before wicket-keeper Kumar Sangakkara and Jayawardene repaired the early damage with a 53-run part-

But Sangakkara (16) then went for an extravagant shot against a wide half volley from Andrew Flintoff and was caught behind by wicket-keeper Alec Stewart to leave Sri Lanka 76 for three.

nership for the third wicket.

England bowling with greater purpose than in the opening Test, albeit there was more life in the pitch, then struck again. Matthew Hoggard's comeback

over had seen the dangerous Aravinda de Silva strike him for two However, a backfoot forcing

shot, against a ball that moved a fraction, saw de Silva (10) caught in the gully by Marcus Trescothick. Sri Lanka's 96 for four was then transformed into 100 for five when

Caddick produced a magnificent delivery that Javawardene could only edge to Flintoff at second slip. Jayawardene's 47 had come from 60 balls including seven fours but Sri Lanka needed their batsmen to stick around rather than

score quickly. Only one side has won batting first in an Edgbaston Test in the last 20 years and England captain Nasser Hussain saw his decision to field rewarded early on when Jayawardene's fellow First Test

edged Hoggard to Stewart. And four balls later 23 for one became 23 for two, England really cashing on what was only Hussains fourth successful toss in 23 Tests

centurion Marvan Atapattu (13)

Sri Lanka captain Sanath Jayasuriya, who had earlier taken a painful blow on the hand from Caddick, nicked the Somerset quick and Stewart claimed a fine diving catch.



League champions, pose at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium yesterday.

Capriati shines

Tennis

INTERNET. Paris

Jennifer Capriati was finally allowed her day in the sun.

Capriati began defence of her French Open crown with a straightsets victory Wednesday at a busy Roland Garros after rain suspended play on Tuesday. The first match as defending



YEVGENY KAFELNIKOV

Grand Slam, but persistent rain through the first two days of the event had Capriati making her first appearance here Tuesday since a historic 2001 women's final.

After the top-seeded American's match against her countrywoman Marissa Irwin was suspended with Capriati leading in the opening set, 4-2, the battle resumed Wednesday under bright, sunny skies and Capriati completed a sloppy, 6-3, 6-"I think I've been getting better

with each tournament." she said. "Obviously, I've been gearing up

for this. I wanted to play my best tennis here, hopefully it will come through and I'll be able to peak here like I've been planing to. I'm not real nervous coming in here. I just know it's a tough tournament and there's a lot of potential winners. I'm not putting too much pressure on myself. I just want to do well and take it match by match.' Rain and finally darkness left

several first-round matches unfinished on Tuesday, creating a hectic third day around Roland Garros. In a second-round encounter,

Marat Safin of Russia, who is battling a back ailment, got past Michael Llodra of France, 6-4, 2-6,

second seed Venus Williams of the United States crushed Wynne

Prakusya of Indonesia, 6-0, 6-1, in

Sanchez-Vicario, the 15th seed,

fellow Spaniard Marta Marrero.

Sanchez-Vicario had reached the

quarterfinal or better here every

year from 1987-2000. She was a

second-round loser here last sea-

uffered a dismal, 6-0, 6-1 defeat to

Three-time champion Arantxa

39 minutes.



-6, 6-4, in a first-round battle. Safin was forced to retire from his final match at the World Team Cup in Dusseldorf on Sunday because of a pinched nerve in his back. He had been playing well before the injury. with his best result on clay this year a runner-up finish at the Tennis Masters Series event in Hamburg. Fourth seed Andre Agassi

returned to the site of one of his greatest achievements, cruising past French qualifier Eric Prodon, 6-

3, 6-3, 6-1 Agassi won the title here in 1999 to become only the fifth male to

complete the career Grand Slam. "Certainly the anticipation of playing here is at a pretty high level," said Agassi, who played in his first Grand Slam match since the U.S.

Open quarterfinals after missing the

Australian Open with a wrist injury. "To be delayed with the weather and to play late today, I felt like I just needed to go out there and settle down. It took me a little bit to do that. But then I felt real comfortable with my game."

But No. 13 Andy Roddick fell, 4-6, 7-6, 4-6, 7-5, 6-3, to Australian Wayne Arthurs in a battle of hard servers.

Top-seeded Hewitt, the U.S. Open champion, appeared on his way out, as well, against qualifier Andrei Stoliarov, who jumped to a one-set lead and was up 5-0 in the second.

Turning to some inspiration from `Rocky IV," and yelling ``Come on Rock," Hewitt kicked it up a notch, won 14 of the next 15 games plus a tiebreaker and went on to a 4-6. 7-6. 6-0.7-5 win. Defending champion Gustavo

Kuerten won his second-round match Wednesday and then took a lap around the court, slapping highfives with fans who had cheered him as he pulled out another emotional victory at the French Open.

Kuerten, the three-time champion, had hip surgery in February and did not have big expectations for his favorite tournament. But after a three-hour second-

round victory over Davide Sanguinetti, Kuerten thought his game, so suited for clay courts, was coming around in a place where he has won 16 matches in a row. 'It was a match where I just had to find a way," he said after rallving

that prompted him to jog around the court in celebration. No. 5 Yevgeny Kafelnikov and Australian Open champion Thomas Johansson however bowed out.

for a 6-7 (0), 6-2, 4-6, 6-4, 6-3 win

Kafelnikov, the 1996 champion at Roland Garros, was eliminated 7-6, 2-6, 6-4, 7-6 by Mariano Zabaleta. No. 9 Johansson was knocked out by Frenchman Arnaud Clement 7-6,

Home sweet home

Tennis

REUTERS, Paris

Mary Pierce returned to the scene of her finest hour when she won her first match at Roland Garros since her triumph there two years ago.

The Frenchwoman, plagued by injuries since her 2000 victory, struggled to beat Kazakh Irina Selvutina 7-5, 7-5 on a Court Suzanne Lenglen packed with screaming schoolchildren.

But despite an up-and-down match, she was at least content to play after one of a long series of various injuries prevented her from defending her title last year.

"I love playing here. It's really something special," the Canadianborn Pierce said.

"It was really unbelievable to be back in front of my crowd, in front of my fans. I had been waiting for this for two years." Her second grand slam victory

after the Australian Open crown she

seized in 1995 had been the high-

light of her career, but also the

She returned to tennis action this season with mixed results, slumping

tion as well as shoulder and stom-

She hardly played in 2001



MARY PIERCE

to her first ever 6-0. 6-0 defeat. against Jennifer Capriati earlier this

month in Rome. Given her current WTA ranking of 128th, she needed a wild card to play in Paris this year.

"I'm simply happy to be here, in good health and able to play," she

the first set with the crowd's enthusi-"They helped me through this

tion," she said. Pierce led 4-1 in the second set but suddenly faltered and Selyutina levelled at 4-4. But the crowd, espe-

cially loud on "kid's day" at Roland Garros again helped her out of After clinching victory she stayed

to sign for everybody," she said. Fans have not forgotten her and she has not forgotten about Paris

"Winning here was something extraordinary, impossible to put into words. "I would really like to live a thing like this one more time," she

Carl accuses

complacency

seven-wicket loss to India in the

third one-day international on

today but I just don't think we turned

Test series win...we seem to have

put our feet up and lost momen-

The West Indies won the five-

The 35-year-old led by example

"We've got to learn from

Hooper said his team had batted

"We just didn't play well. It was a

good wicket, we should have batted

a bit better and maybe got 250-odd.

with an unbeaten 76 in just 75 balls

matches like this and as profes-

sional cricketers you've got to know

how to turn it on when it matters.'

up to play cricket," Hooper said.

match Test series, 2-1.

but ran out of partners.

and bowled poorly.

"We desperately wanted to win

"It's probably because of the

Wednesday.

Going



AP. Paris

the court.

Tough matches bring out the cre-

of 2001 when he used his racket to etch a giant heart in the clay after a grueling final. Then he collapsed on his back, inside the heart, arms spread in jubilation. On Wednesday, Kuerten rallied to beat Italy's Davide Sanguinetti --

It was a follow-up to his artistry

affectionately known, was in real trouble. But as he always seems to do at Roland Garros, he gutted it out and won 6-7, 6-2, 4-6, 6-4, 6-3. `I was hanging in there, fighting

`It's good to survive like this." Where did he get the idea to run a lap after 2 hours, 10 minutes of

No. 66. He followed with champi-"I felt a lot of energy coming onships in 2000 and '01. up," he said. ``Every set was more `It's a magic place," he said. fun and more interesting, so I felt much better at the end of the game than at the beginning.

desian.'

suffering from tendinitis to both ankles, a chronic spinal inflamma-It was far from a great performance against the 108th player in the world, as she was twice broken

> early on, but she fought back to take match and it was a fantastic sensa-

on court for more than 10 minutes to

ranked No. 50 -- in five sets in the second round. Guga, as Kuerten is

a lot like every year here," the seventh-seeded Kuerten said between bites of banana and doughnut at a news conference.

tennis?

really love to play. It's not that I draw a heart just to make a sign autographs for shrieking chil-"It was fun and I would have liked

Guga

beginning of a long downfall

ative side of Gustavo Kuerten. The three-time French Open champion's latest burst of inspiration: treating front-row fans to a palm-slapping victory lap around

Kuerten looked lethargic for

much of the match, while REUTERS, Bridgetown Sanguinetti played like a man with nothing to lose, full of energy and West Indies Captain Carl Hooper impressive shots. At the worst of it, slammed his team for being com-Kuerten was down two sets to one placent after his side slumped to a

'It's a shame because I was playing well," Sanguinetti said. ``I thought I was going to win today, and I think he was thinking the same thing. But, for this year at least,

Sanguinetti will have to comfort

himself with having come close to

beating Kuerten. The Brazilian has

won 16 straight matches at Roland

trailing the next set 0-2, 0-40 on his

Garros. ``It's always great to play against Guga, especially here," the Italian said. "Everybody loves him. He's the king of the French Open." Recovering from hip surgery in

about his condition. But, so far so Today was a great test for me," Kuerten said. "It's a good breakthrough for myself, coming out of

February, Kuerten had concerns

this injury. The day before the tournament started, Kuerten said he thought his chances of winning a fourth title were slim. His first Paris trophy came in 1997 when he was ranked

"It was obviously down to a lack of patience." The Guvanese batsman said it was important for one of the first three batsmen to get a big score if they were to succeed.

"We have been stressing in the

one-dayers one of the top three

have got to bat through, it's very important. "It was disappointing to lose

Ramnaresh Sarwan when we did because we started to actually put something together."



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QDGG CSLIDZ "You're not going to give a bloke a Kit Kat and a can of Coke when he comes out to bat and say 'I hope you

There were no complaints made