

Caddick out, Atapattu too

REUTERS, Manchester
 England seamer Andy Caddick has been ruled out of the rest of the third and final Test and Sri Lanka opener Marvan Atapattu is also unlikely to play any further part.
 Caddick went off suffering from a strained left side after bowling 5.3 overs on the third day on Saturday and it was announced on Sunday that his Test was over. He will see a specialist on Monday or Tuesday.
 Atapattu was struck on the right index finger by a delivery from Andrew Flintoff late on the third day and retired hurt having scored 10.
 An X-ray and scan proved inconclusive but he will not field and will bat only if he is needed to save the match.
 Sri Lanka resumed at 130 for one wicket at Old Trafford on Sunday, in reply to England's first innings total of 512 all out.



England paceman Andrew Caddick sits down in pain while bowling against Marvan Atapattu of Sri Lanka on the third day of the third Test at Old Trafford on June 15.

Dokic-Myskina showdown

REUTERS, Birmingham
 Top seed Jelena Dokic reached the final of the DFS Classic at Edgbaston on Saturday with a comfortable 6-1, 7-5 victory over eighth seed Lisa Raymond.
 Dokic breezed through the first set but had to pick up her game in the second as the American, Edgbaston champion in 2000, found her rhythm.
 The Yugoslav was broken in the eighth game but she responded immediately and secured the decisive break in the 11th game and served out for the match.
 "Raymond played some very good points and some very good serves, and she played a lot better in the second set," Dokic said.
 "But my returns were pretty good and I was glad with the way I came back to finish off the match."
 Dokic has won four WTA titles but she is still looking for her first title on grass.
 "It is very important for me to win this final and go to Eastbourne next week before Wimbledon. It would be a good time to get my first tournament win on grass."
 The 19-year-old Dokic, ranked eighth in the world, will face Russia's Anastasia Myskina in the final on Sunday.
 Sixth seed Myskina, ranked 22, earlier defeated the 14th seed, Australia's Nicole Pratt 6-3, 7-5, to move within one match of her second WTA Tour title.
 The last time the two players met Dokic was beaten by 20-year-old Myskina in the third round of the Italian Open in May.
 Both players are using the week-long tournament to prepare for Wimbledon which starts on June 24.

SL progress steadily

AFP, Manchester
 Alec Stewart celebrated equalling Graham Gooch's England appearance record of 118 Tests in style with a sparkling century in the final Test against Sri Lanka here at Old Trafford on Saturday.
 At stumps on the third day the tourists, needing victory to square the three-match series 1-1, were 130 for one, 382 behind England's impressive 512.
 Kumar Sangakkara was 33 not out and Mahela Jayawardene 11 not out, both batsmen giving difficult chances to Mark Butcher.
 "All I've ever tried to do is perform whether it's my first Test or my 118th," said veteran wicketkeeper Stewart.
 Some reports had suggested that this might be his final Test with centrally-contracted gloveman James Foster, a fledgling rival for Stewart's position, recovering from an arm injury.
 But Stewart answered his critics with his first Test hundred since a century at this ground two years ago, in his 100th match, against the West Indies.
 Russel Arnold, opening in place of captain Sanath Jayasuriya, exemplified Sri Lanka's attacking approach.
 He made a dashing 62 before he was caught at long leg by Michael Vaughan mishooking against fast bowler Alex Tudor with the score on 107.
 Arnold's fellow opener Marvan

Atapattu (10) had to retire hurt when Sri Lanka were on 48 after being hit on the hand by an Andrew Flintoff delivery.
 He was later taken to hospital where an X-ray indicated a fracture to his right index finger.
 Adding to Sri Lanka's on-field problems was the news that team manager Chandra Schaffer had been ousted following a reported disagreement with chairman of selectors Guy de Alwis.
 Stewart went to his 15th Test hundred with four boundaries off four successive balls -- two pulls, a square cut and a straight drive -- in the same over from paceman Dilhara Fernando.
 The bulk of the crowd missed these elegant strokes as they were watching England's World Cup football win over Denmark on a giant screen in the Old Trafford car park.
 "It kept me informed," said Chelsea fan Stewart, who was eventually caught at silly mid-off by Hashan Tillekeratne off spinner Muttiah Muralitharan.
 "When I was not on strike I could watch the football. But I had a job to do when I was on strike."
 "I've always said I'd rather play in front of 80,000 rather than eighty but that's just the way it is."
 "Something similar happened when we were winning at Edgbaston on the Sunday and England were playing Sweden."
SCOREBOARD
 Scoreboard at close on the third day of the Third Test between England and Sri Lanka here at Old Trafford on Saturday:
ENGLAND: First innings
 Trescothick c J'wardene b M'tharan 81
 Vaughan c Vaas b Fernando 36
 Butcher lbw b Vaas 123
 Hussain c M'tharan b Fernando 16
 Thorpe c S'kara b U'shantha 32
 Stewart c T'ratne b M'tharan 123
 Flintoff run out 1
 Tudor c Arnold b Vaas 19
 Giles c S'kara b M'tharan 45
 Caddick not out 2
 Hoggard lbw b Fernando 7
 Extras: (b-5, lb-10, nb-12) 27
 Total: (All out in 145.2 overs) 512
 Fall of wickets: 1-66, 2-192, 3-219, 4-262, 5-354, 6-361, 7-400, 8-502, 9-503
Bowler O M R W
 Vaas 38 8 121 2
 U'shantha 8 0 65 1
 Fernando 29.2 2 154 3
 M'tharan 60 20 137 3
 De Silva 2 0 5 0
 J'suriya 8 2 15 0
SRI LANKA: First innings
 Atapattu ret hurt 10
 Arnold c Vaughan b Tudor 62
 Sangakkara not out 33
 Jayawardene not out 11
 Extras: (lb-1, nb-13) 14
 Total: (For 1wkt in 38 overs) 130
 Fall of wickets: 1-107
 To bat: A de Silva, S Jayasuriya, H Tillekeratne, C Vaas, E Upasanthan, D Fernando, M Muralitharan
Bowler O M R W
 Caddick 5.3 2 17 0
 Hoggard 2 0 17 0
 Flintoff 9 2 38 0
 Tudor 9.3 2 34 1
 Giles 12 2 23 0
Umpires: Steve Bucknor (West Indies) and David Orchard (South Africa).

Sri Lanka follow on

AFP, Manchester
 Sri Lanka were made to follow-on by England captain Nasser Hussain in the third Test here at Old Trafford on Sunday.
 On the stroke of tea, on the fourth day, Sri Lanka were bowled out for 253, 60 runs short of the follow-on target of 313 after England had piled up 512.
 Fast bowler Alex Tudor did the bulk of the damage with four for 65 as England, 1-0 up in the three match campaign, moved closer to wrapping up their first Test series victory in five attempts.
 Sri Lanka captain Sanath Jayasuriya, who dropped himself down the order after a run of low scores in his usual opening spot, showed his teammates the way forward with a grinding 35.
 That was Jayasuriya's highest score of the series -- an indication of how out of touch the normally fluent strokeplayer has been in England.
 He went lbw on the backfoot to Matthew Hoggard, the Yorkshire quick striking with the 13th delivery with the new ball.

Schaffer hasn't been sacked?

AFP, Manchester
 Sri Lanka cricket team manager Chandra Schaffer denied reports Sunday that he'd been sacked from his post.
 While admitting he would be standing down at the end of the current tour against England, 72-year-old Schaffer said it was his choice to quit.
 "My contract was only for four or five months anyway. It was always agreed that at the end of this tour the Board and I would review the situation," Schaffer told the BBC.
 "The Board are going to have to appoint someone at the end of the series. I wouldn't have wanted to carry on anyway."
 Schaffer also denied that he's had a row with Sri Lanka chairman of selectors Guy de Alwis.
 "The chairman of selectors and I have been friends for over 20 years. We wouldn't have a row (over selection) over something I have no control over."
 Schaffer is due to be replaced by his immediate predecessor Air Commodore Ajith Jayasekera, a former first-class cricketer, after the conclusion of the one-day triangular series here that also features India.
 Sri Lanka, already 1-0 down in their Test series against England, started the fourth day of the third and final Test here at Old Trafford on 130 for one, 382 runs behind their opponents' first innings 512.

Glenn counter attacks

AFP, Melbourne
 Australian fast bowler Glenn McGrath on Sunday returned fire on South African batsman Graeme Smith, saying the Protea was not the innocent victim of sledging on the cricket field he claimed to be.
 McGrath said he was disappointed to read Smith's comments in a magazine in which the South

African accused the Australians of verbally abusing him during his Test debut in Cape Town in March.
 McGrath told Channel Nine that Smith gave as good as he got in the verbal battle.
 "The Australian way of playing is what happens out in the middle stays out there and he wasn't Mr Clean himself, he was having plenty to say," McGrath said.
 "Sitting back reading it, especially with a guy that's only just come out, he's played a handful of games, you know two Tests and three or four one-day matches and to come out and sort of say those things, not only about me but other guys as well..."
 Smith said in an interview with South African Sports Illustrated magazine that he had received abuse from several Australians, including McGrath, Shane Warne and opening batsman Matthew Hayden.
 Australian limited-overs captain Ricky Ponting this week admitted his team could improve its on-field behaviour.
 The Australians left Melbourne on Sunday for Brisbane, where they will play the third and final match in a one-day series against Pakistan at the Gabba on Wednesday.
 Pakistan won Saturday's second match at Colonial Stadium in Melbourne by two wickets with seven balls to spare after Australia won the first match by seven wickets last Wednesday.

Hs to fight it out

REUTERS, London
 He is now just one match away and must take on Britain's Tim Henman in Sunday's title match -- a re-run of last year's final.
 Henman survived a spirited fight and a rain delay to beat Dutchman Raemon Sluiter 6-7, 6-4, 6-2.
 Hewitt did just enough to squeeze past the experienced Schalken.
 The twice defending champion

titles achieved between 1979-81.
 "It was tough out there," said Hewitt. "I felt like the court was playing a little bit quicker than the last few days."
 "I thought he played really well, especially in the first set. He has big, hard, flat ground strokes and his game suits grass."
 Yet to drop a set throughout the week with victories over Mardy Fish, Olivier Rochus, Todd Martin and Schalken, the top seed was happy with the way his grass-court game is progressing ahead of Wimbledon.
 "It's been getting better and better," said Hewitt.
 "It's a short grass-court season, so the more matches you get, the better off you will be. I'm feeling pretty good at the moment, and this is one of my favourite weeks of the year."
 Schalken, who slow-balled the top seed throughout, trying to deprive him of any pace, was full of admiration for the 21-year-old Australian.
 "He's always the favourite, no matter what surface he plays on," the Dutchman said afterwards.
 "He's the number one player in the world by far. If you stay back like I did today, he likes that, and if you come in and give him a target, he likes that, too."
 "He's so quick that if you attack him, you're going to have to run a lot."
 Henman made life difficult for himself with some mediocre serving and lapses of concentration to let Sluiter into the contest.
 The Briton never really focused in the first set and allowed Sluiter to impose his will in the tiebreak which he clinched by seven points to five.
 Henman upped his serve in the second set, sending his deliveries skidding wide onto Sluiter's double-handed forehand forcing him to play them with one hand only.
 The tactic paid off and he was able to level the match before spitting rain forced the players off court as officials deemed the slippery court "unsafe".
 After an hour's delay, the pair returned to centre court and Henman, in no mood to hang around any longer, snatched a break in the fourth game.
 One more break in the eighth game saw him reel off victory 6-2 in the decider.
 Australian Hewitt is bidding to join John McEnroe as the only player to win three successive Stella titles.
 now has an 18-2 record at Queen's Club, and the Australian is just one match away from equalling McEnroe's feat of three consecutive



Australia's Lleyton Hewitt makes a backhand return against Holland's Sjeng Schalken during their Stella Artois tennis tournament semifinal at Queen's Club in London on June 15.

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Kiefer vs Kafelnikov

REUTERS, Halle
 Home favourite Nicolas Kiefer came back from a set down to upset Swiss second seed Roger Federer at the 800,000-dollar Gerry Weber Open on Saturday and earn a place in the final.
 Kiefer will meet top seed Yevgeny Kafelnikov on Sunday, after the Russian defeated Denmark's Kenneth Carlsen 4-6, 6-3, 6-3 in the other semi-final.
 Cheered on by the Halle crowd, Kiefer claimed his second big scalp of the tournament after knocking out Pete Sampras in round two.
 The German, who won here in 1999 but had not got past a second round in 2002 before this week, won 4-6, 6-4, 6-4 after Federer's seemingly impregnable service gave way and Kiefer increasingly found the lines and the corners.

found his rhythm and fought back from 1-3 down. He completed the victory after a long rally that ended when he pushed Federer into the corner with a near unplayable ball.
 Kiefer, ranked as high as fourth in the world in early 1999, has slipped steadily down the rankings since. He last won a title in 2000 when wrist and ankle injuries curtailed his season.
 "From the start of January, I had won just four games. Now I've won another four in a week," said a smiling Kiefer, who added that Germany's 1-0 defeat of Paraguay in the World Cup had completed a perfect day for him.
 Meanwhile, Federer will head for Rosmalen in the Netherlands as he completes his preparations for Wimbledon which begins on June 24 after what he described as a disappointing performance.
 "I was up a break and doing fine, but I didn't serve well in the third set. Today was also not my day at the net," Federer said.
 Federer was leading his fifth different national team at his fifth World Cup and cementing his respected status in the history of the tournament as well as establishing China as a soccer power of the future.
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 Before the tournament began,

Ronaldo to score once!

AP, Kobe
 Brazil's Ronaldo didn't say a word, but he sent a message to round-of-16 opponent Belgium with a simple thrust of the finger.
 "How many goals will you score tomorrow?" a reporter asked Sunday as Ronaldo walked away from the team's training site.
 The Internazionale star turned around and smiled, then playfully put up his right index finger.
 Although still out of shape after a two-year absence for two knee operations, Ronaldo has scored four goals in three games at this year's World Cup. The "phenomenon" now has eight World Cup finals goals.
 This year, he trails only Miroslav Klose of Germany in the race for the Golden Boot. Klose has five goals so far.

Foreigners are cool

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Senegal's French coach Bruno Metsu said: "The last thing I want for us to be the Jamaica of this World Cup. I don't want us to be the charming team that nobody takes seriously."
 The famous win over France and qualification for the second round proved his team were as good as his words and his flowing hair has become as much a motif of Senegal's success as the midfield power of the outstanding Pape Bouba Diop.
 While Argentina and Uruguay, both former World Cup winners, travelled home, Paraguay stayed on to the experience of Cesare Maldini, the former Italy coach, who guided them to a second round exit at Germany's hands.
 Eriksson, having inspired England to a dramatic 5-1 win in Munich in the qualifiers, produced another near-miracle to stimulate a first round win over Argentina and an easy 3-0 success over hapless Denmark in the second round.
 But all of these men's successes are eclipsed by those of Frenchman Philippe Troussier and Dutchman Guus Hiddink with Japan and South Korea respectively.
 The under-stated and underestimated Troussier had four years in charge of Japan without the distraction of needing to qualify and, like Hiddink, has focused solely on his one ambition: success in these finals.
 Both guided their teams into the second round with rousing demonstrations of high-tempo attacking

play, just the kind of football needed to succeed in Asian conditions against the cautious, dour and outdated Europeans.
 Hiddink, formerly the coach of the Netherlands at the 1996 European Championship finals and the 1998 World Cup in France, knew what was needed.
 Appointed only in January 2001, he shook up the squad's 'class system', brought in a tough fitness regime and instilled strength and confidence. "Football is not tennis, sometimes you need to play rough," he told his players.
 His comment was noted by his men, who responded by delivering a delicious first World Cup finals victory, as Troussier's men did for Japan.
 These were the successes of coaches as much as players just as much as those by England, Germany, Mexico, Ireland, Spain and Brazil have been, too.
 Voeller's faith in his men has been rewarded, Javier Aguirre's astute tactical work has made Mexico dark horses, Mick McCarthy overcame the crisis of captain Roy Keane's pre-tournament outburst and departure by taking Ireland into the second round and the maligned Brazil coach Luiz Felipe Scolari has had his critics eating their words.
 But Brazil's glorious flowing forward play is built on solid foundations created by one of Latin America's most successful club coaches.
 Scolari, like Eriksson and

Hiddink, Metsu and Aguirre, knows that if you are going to play pleasingly, first you must win the ball.
 "If we have to play ugly to reach the objective, we can play ugly," he said before it all began. "What's the point of a cup like this after all? For me, it is one thing -- to be champions."
 As a man, Scolari may be Brazilian, but as a coach, the Brazilians treated him like an outsider, before the finals began.
 Now, his pragmatism may become a decisive force in ensuring his re-adoption -- as a national hero -- if Brazil can succeed in their time-anointed 'samba' style.
Casillas points
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 only 10 players. But the team had a lot of chances to decide the game earlier.
 "It was not a penalty and we had three or four chances ruled out for offside."
 Ireland coach Mick McCarthy said it was sickening to lose in a penalty shoot-out.
 "I'm very proud -- we didn't deserve to lose in the end, we deserved to win in normal time. Sickingen," McCarthy said.
 "They're a wonderful bunch of people these players and I'm glad I've had the chance to work with them."
 "You saw us all together. I said to them before the shootout that whatever happens there will be no recriminations here, we've had a wonderful World Cup."

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Larsson's swansong

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 minute opener against Senegal in Oita on Sunday, before the Scandinavian team were knocked out of the tournament by Henri Camara's extra-time winner.
 Larsson, who won his first cap in 1993, was a member of the Sweden squad which finished third at the World Cup finals in the United States eight years ago.
 He began his career in 1989 with Hogaborg before joining hometown club Helsingborg in 1992 and Dutch side Feyenoord a year later.
 But it was his 1997 transfer to Celtic, for a fee of 650,000 pounds, which helped him rise to prominence.
 After recovering from a broken leg in late 1999, he returned in style to plunder 53 goals in all competitions as Celtic claimed the treble of premier league, Scottish Cup and League Cup.
 His prolific scoring also propelled Celtic to another premier league title last season.
 Sweden are indebted to a player whose eight goals helped them qualify for the 2002 World Cup.
 Two more strikes against Nigeria

in a 2-1 win helped Sweden finish top of group F in the first round of the finals.
 Sweden coaches Lagerback and Soderberg appeared split on how best to deal with Larsson's surprise news.
 "I don't agree with trying to persuade people to do what they don't want to do," said Lagerback.
 But Soderberg held out hope. "This is how Henrik is feeling right now but he might have second thoughts."
Dakar
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 of a soccer-mad continent and the centre of hopes that they can now beat either Japan or Turkey to reach the semi-finals.
 "People who think Africa cannot win the World Cup may soon eat their words because I see Senegal going all the way. No team can stop them now," said Chukwudi Okeke, a businessman in Nigeria's business hub Lagos, black Africa's biggest city.

Thank you BTV

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 The surprise announcement was greeted with relief by anxious callers to the Sports Section of The Daily Star who had earlier wanted to know whether they would be made to miss the nail-biting finale as the two contestants looked destined for the tie-breaker.
 Let's hope that this was not a one-off occasion whereby BTV made millions of football fans very happy, but rather will continue the gesture until the end of the mega event on June 30.

Diego for free!

FROM PAGE 13
 Argentina's early exit from the tournament after being tagged as favourites.
 Maradona said the country's players lacked pride in their national shirt.
 "Today the players think first about how much they can earn instead of thinking about representing their country, their nation and their roots," he said.