

Beckenbauer's mentor dead

Robert Schwan, the former Bayern Munich manager and mentor of German football legend Franz Beckenbauer, has died from a heart attack at the age of 80...

Taylor baffles Blake

Unseeded American Taylor Dent etched his name into the history books alongside his father, Phil, after beating top seed James Blake 6-1, 4-6, 6-4 to win the 400,000-dollar Hall of Fame Tennis Championships.

Change

FROM PAGE 13 In England from next season on top of the six (or seven) if they reach the triangular final that Fletcher's men already play is an indication of what coaches anxious to look after their players are up against.

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FROM PAGE 13 players and two at the opposite end for foul play. But for a few thousand fans it was like coming down to earth with a thud...

Tickets delayed

FROM PAGE 13 Cape Town in February 2003 and will entail 54 games at 15 venues in three countries - South Africa, Zimbabwe and Kenya.

HK enter semis ACC Trophy

AFP, Singapore Hong Kong opener Alex French cracked an unbeaten 203 Monday against the Maldives...

French carried his bat through the innings, bringing up his double century in the last over as Hong Kong took an 88-run victory. "I'd survived a couple of missed stumping chances and when I got to there (to 200) on the third to last ball I was elated, then I felt ridiculously tired..."

tually dismissed on the grounds the final result rested on a thorough check of the score sheet for accuracy. In Group A, defending champions United Arab Emirates (UAE) and Nepal remain unbeaten after two matches...

Talking burn-out

REUTERS, London The controversial issue of player burn-out was on the agenda of an International Cricket Council (ICC) meeting with eight of the 10 test-playing nations' captains at Lord's on Monday. Several cricketers have retired from one form or the other of the international game in recent years citing fatigue or withdrawn from tours for personal reasons.



Spaniard Alex Corretja holds the winner's trophy after beating Argentine Gaston Gaudio in the Swiss Open final in Gstaad on July 14.

Swiss Open Corretja's

AFP, Gstaad Title-hungry Alex Corretja snapped a trophy drought lasting for nearly a year as he claimed his third Swiss Open title here Sunday beating Argentine Gaston Gaudio 6-3, 7-6, 7-6. The likeable 28-year-old Spanish eighth seed credited the good food of Gstaad - "I really like the spaghetti here" - for his long-sought success.

Money not MU's problem

Manchester United will use soccer's financial crisis to regain their grip on the English game, the club's chief executive Peter Kenyon warned their English premier league rivals.

depressed state of the transfer market. "We are cash-rich and work on a well-resourced basis. That's helped us to do as well as we have over the past decade on and off the pitch..."

More than a consolation

Majesty the Queen's Jubilee year." However, the build-up to the Games has not been without its problems - both sporting and political. Olympic 400 metres champion Cathy Freeman of Australia, regarded as one of the biggest draws, pulled out to look after her husband who has cancer.



Carlos Moya of Spain holds aloft the trophy after defeating Moroccan Younes El Aynaoui in the Swedish Open final on Sunday.

Arantxa stoops to Myriam

REUTERS, Brussels Unseeded Swiss teenager Myriam Casanova has fought back from a set down to win the WTA Women's French Community Championships 4-6, 6-2, 6-1 against Spanish top seed Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario.

Guga back in action

Brazil's former world number one Gustavo Kuerten returns to the tennis circuit after a month of rest to compete at the 500,000-dollar Mercedes Cup which starts on Monday. Kuerten, who underwent hip surgery in February and started on court again in April, didn't bother with the grass court season.

Carlos clinches Swedish Open

REUTERS, Bastad Third seed Carlos Moya has won the Swedish Open by beating Moroccan Younes El Aynaoui 6-3, 2-6, 7-5 in a close-fought battle. "I was mentally tired (in the third set) and it was very tough," Moya said. "I had to take risks to turn the match around..."

Cycling Dutchman

AFP, France their national holiday of Bastille Day. After 4hr 36min 52sec of riding, Tour debutant Kroon crossed the line ahead of compatriot Servais Knaben, who rides for Domo, to leave last year's Paris-Roubaix classic winner in second. World Cup champion Erik Dekker of Rabobank came third after the 217.5km stage from St Martin de Landelles to Plouay in Brittany on a day when the overall standings changed little and Spaniard Igor Gonzalez de Galdeano retained his 34-sec lead over Lance Armstrong.

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