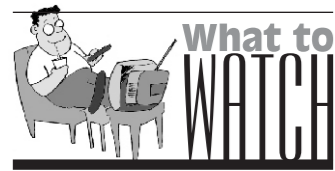




Did U Know?

Zairian Muampa Kazadi was the first goalkeeper to be replaced for any other reason than injury in the World Cup history when Zaire were 0-3 down versus Yugoslavia after just 22 minutes in 1974. However, his replacement Dimbi Tubilandu couldn't stop the goal rush and his country eventually lost the game 9-0! Only one other time has a goalkeeper been replaced for any other reason than injury. That was in the bronze-deciding match in USA in 1994. Bulgarian keeper Mihailov was substituted at half time when Sweden were leading 4-0. Nikolov came in for him and kept a clean sheet in the second half as the result stayed that way.



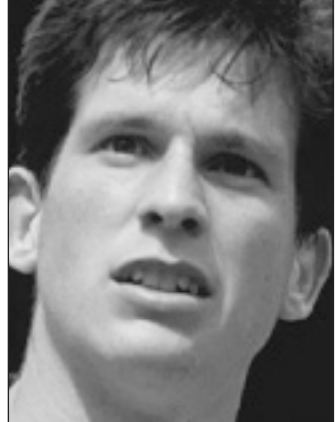
What to Watch

ESPN
Western Union World Football
Repeat at 8:30 am
England vs India
Second Test, Day Three
Highlights
Same Day Delay at 2:00 pm
Pakistan vs West Indies
Third ODI, Highlights
Repeat at 10:00 pm
South Africa vs Kenya
Eighth ODI, Highlights
Taped Version at 11:30 pm

STAR Sports
England vs India
Second Test, Day Three
Repeat at 8:30 am
England vs India
Second Test, Day Four
Live at 4:00 pm



Talk Turkey



Tim Henman
(English tennis star)
"I don't know who kept me alive but the crowd can take a lot of credit. They got behind me. They're incredible. They're a massive asset. I'm going to keep using them as long as I can."
After coming back from a stomach ailment to win his fourth round Wimbledon match.

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- Who won Bangladesh's first gold medal in the Commonwealth Games shooting competition?
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K Collins F Fredericks M Greene
- Who clinched StanChart FIDE Rating chess title?
Rakib Refaat
- Who won the man-of-the-match award in the first Test between England and India?
Nasser Sourav Agarkar
- Bangladesh lost the second Test against Sri Lanka by 288 runs. 9-wkts. 233 runs.

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Muktis mau Badda



SPORTS REPORTER

Title-aspirants Muktijoddha Sangsad Krira Chakra battered Badda Jagarani Sangsad for their third successive victory in a National Bank Premier Division Football League match yesterday.

The all-reds played like a well-oiled machine for the first time in the League to roll up the hapless promotees 5-0, with ace striker Alfaz Ahmed and his Nigerian partner Emeca Achilefu striking twice each. Saiful Islam Moni added the other to help Muktijoddha post the biggest margin win of the season so far.

The star-studded side wasted no time to take full control of the match stabbing in two goals eighteen minutes into the match.

Alfaz started the goal-glut with a power packed grounder after Badda custodian Munna clumsily cleared a Matur Munna cross from the left in the tenth minute.

His striking partner Emeca then complimented Alfaz's first goal in the league with brilliant effort eight minutes later. It was a duet between Emeca and Muktijoddha custodian Biplob. Emeca beat an off side trap to win the long goal kick from Biplob and then took a measured angular shot into the far corner of the net.

Buoyed by the first half lead, Muktijoddhas kept the pressure on and produced three more goals.

Emeca headed home an Alfaz cross from the right flank five minutes after the lemon break while Moni made it 4-0 in the 67th minute with a close range shot after being nicely fed by Rakib.

Alfaz drove the last nail in Badda's coffin through a solo effort. The mercurial marksman, after getting a nice through from defender Rajani, ran down the right flank and scooped the ball over the head of an out of place Badda goalkeeper Munna in the 74th minute.

Alfaz could have got his hat-trick in the injury time had not his shot rebounded off Badda defender Kingshuk in front of an open net.

With yesterday's win, Muktijoddha joined Abahani on the second spot of the ten-team table, having raised their tally to 10 points from four matches.

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Muktijoddha Sangsad's Moni (L) takes a tumble after heading the ball during their National Bank Premier Division Football League encounter against Badda Jagarani at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday.

PHOTO: STAR

ICC steps in



AFP, London

The International Cricket Council (ICC) said Friday it would work with Pakistani and Australian administrators to find a new venue for this October's Test series between the two nations.

Earlier Friday, the Australian Cricket Board (ACB) called off the tour to Pakistan because of safety concerns caused by rising incidents of terrorism.

This prompted an angry response from Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) chairman Lieutenant General Tauqir Zia who said the ACB's fears were unfounded.

"Nobody in Pakistan would have hit the Australians. By cancelling the tour you are bowing (to) terrorism".

However, ICC president Malcolm Gray, himself an Australian, did his best to strike a conciliatory note later Friday.

In a statement issued from the governing body's headquarters at Lord's, saying that while he regretted that the tour would not be proceeding, the key issue now was to find a suitable alternate location.

"Clearly, having a team withdraw from a series is regrettable but the safety of players and officials cannot be compromised," said Gray in a statement release by the ICC on Friday.

"The ACB and the Australian government are best placed to make assessments in relation to the safety of Australian cricketers in Pakistan and their decisions must be respected."

"The choice is now made and the focus now shifts to ensuring the games are played in an alternate location."

Gray also confirmed the ICC was finalising a policy that would allow countries affected by tour cancellations to draw against future ICC revenues.

"At June's meeting with all boards, the PCB proposed a compensation scheme to deal with cancelled tours."

"This compensation could only come from the entitlements of other boards and such a move was not supported by the other countries."

"However, the ICC agreed in principle to a scheme that would allow any home board affected by the cancellation of a tour to draw against its future entitlements from

the ICC.

"The mechanics of this scheme are now being finalised and I would expect that the PCB to be the first board to be able to draw against its future entitlements if it deems it necessary."

After weeks of uncertainty over whether world champions Australia would go to Pakistan in October the ACB officially announced Friday it was cancelling the three-Test tour on advice from government agencies.

Crickets in Pakistan has been badly hit by the spate of deadly militant attacks -- including two this week that targeted Christians and left 10 people dead -- in the wake of the country's decision to join the United States-led "war on terrorism" in Afghanistan.

The New Zealand cricket team cut short a tour in May after a suicide car-bomb attack near their Karachi hotel. The blast killed 11 French naval engineers and three Pakistanis.

Pakistan have already shifted a one-day triangular-series tournament involving Australia to Nairobi.

Hosts Kenya are the third team in the August 29 to September 7 event after replacing New Zealand, who pulled out.

Indo-Pak cricket tops Ashgar's ACC agenda

AFP, Islamabad

The revival of competition between Pakistan and India is top of the Asian Cricket Council's (ACC) agenda, the council's new president Moinuddin Ali Ashgar said here Friday.

"It's a big loss for cricket that due to politics, Pakistan and India do not play ... but as the new ACC president and a (Bangladeshi) parliamentarian I will try my best to revive cricketing relations between the two countries," Ashgar told this news agency.

"I will ask the Bangladeshi government to bring Pakistan and India back to the cricket fields."

India and Pakistan last played in Bangladesh in June 2000 after which competition was suspended amid allegations from Delhi that Pakistan was actively supporting Kashmiri separatists.

Ashgar is in Pakistan to take over as ACC president from Pakistan's Lieutenant General Tauqir Zia.

"The deadlock between Pakistan and India has been hampering the progress of Asian cricket," said Ashgar, who is also the president of the Bangladesh Cricket Board.

Since the breakdown in relations India has refused to send its team to Pakistan, boycotting a full tour in December 2000 and an Asian

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Div I soccer

UNB, Dhaka

East End Club defeated Sadharan Bima 3-1 in the National Bank First Division Football League at the Mirpur Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium yesterday.

The insurancemen took first lead when Abul Hossain scored in the 16th minute but Shaon Barua levelled the margin in the 44th minute to lock the first half 1-1.

Shaon netted another goal in the 66th minute while the winners' third goal was netted by Mahub.

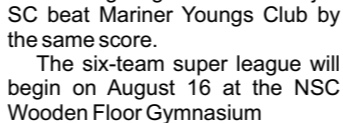
AB Bank TT

UNB, Dhaka

Swamibagh TTS, Khelaghar SKS, Arka, Mariner Youngs Club, Cynthia SC and Ajax SC moved into the super league of the AB Bank Metropolitan First Division Table Tennis League yesterday.

Cynthia beat Angels 3-2, Dhaka TT Club overpowered Ghop KC 3-0, Khelaghar defeated Uttara Club 3-0, Swamibagh beat Progoti Club 3-0, Angels beat Barua Club 3-0, Mohammadpur Boys beat Young Friends 3-2, Management Net beat Jagarani Club 3-2, Modhumita KS beat Young Pegasus 3-0 and Ajax SC beat Mariner Youngs Club by the same score.

The six-team super league will begin on August 16 at the NSC Wooden Floor Gymnasium.



DAY'S EVENT
Nat'l Bank Premier Division League Farashganj v Victoria (5pm)
Venue: Bangabandhu National Stadium

Ashraful ACC's CEO



SPORTS REPORTER

Syed Ashraful Huq has been made the chief executive officer (CEO) of the Asian Cricket Council (ACC) on Friday.

Ashraful, an influential director of the Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB), becomes the regional body's first chief executive as part of the ACC's step towards having a setup likened to the International Cricket Council (ICC).

The ACC will be permanently based in the Malaysian capital Kuala Lumpur.

Ashraful emerged as the overwhelming favourite of the four-member panel that comprised president-elect of ICC Ehsan Mani, BCCI president Jagmohan Dalmiya, PCB chairman Lt. Gen Tauqir Zia and BCB president Ali Asghar.

The decision was made in Islamabad, which was attended by everybody but Dalmiya.

"It is an honour to be chosen for such a high-profile job. I'm ready to take up the challenge to give shape to a newly floated institution," Ashraful told the Daily Star Sport over phone yesterday.

Interestingly, it was only learnt from his appointment that Ashraful

had applied for the post.

"I actually forgot when I applied. The process has been going on for the last ten months. I was approached in an informal way on whether I was interested to take up the demanding job," said Ashraful. He however admitted that he had sent a CV.

But only a month ago Ashraful



SYED ASHRAFUL HUQ

said that he would be willing to take over in an advisory role until a permanent CEO could be named.

Despite having a finger in every pie of the BCB, Ashraful is now ready to relinquish his responsibilities like the chairmanship of the Cricket Committee to reap the benefits of a new avenue.

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Vaughan leads Eng reply



AFP, Nottingham

Michael Vaughan's second successive Test hundred anchored England's reply to India's 357 here at Trent Bridge on Saturday.

At tea on the third day of the second Test, England were 201 for one, a deficit of 156, with Vaughan making a Test best 130 not out and Mark Butcher 43 not out.

Vaughan, 31 not out at lunch, failed by just a single to score 100 runs in the session.

He had faced 166 balls including 16 fours with Butcher, offering solid support, unbeaten off 99 balls with six boundaries.

Vaughan's fourth Test hundred in all was the 27-year-old Yorkshire opener's third this season alone.

In the second innings of England's series opening, 170-run win at Lord's, he made 100 while,

prior to that, he made 115, also in the second innings at Lord's, during England's drawn first Test against Sri Lanka.

Such was his command on Saturday that he offered only one chance when he deflected a delivery from spinner Harbhajan Singh down the leg side.

However, India's 17-year-old debutant wicket-keeper Parthiv Patel spilled the chance.

As they had done at Lord's, India again looked a pace bowler light in the absence of the Test-retired Javagal Srinath.

And their cause was not helped before this match when world-class leg-spinner Anil Kumble withdrew because of a calf injury with batsman Virender Sehwag's part-time off-spin a long way from being an adequate substitute.

Such was his bowlers' lack of penetration that India captain Sourav Ganguly brought on star strokeplayer Sachin Tendulkar to

bowl some gentle seamers and he even called upon his bowling ability but his two overs went for 23 runs.

But Harbhajan Singh was unlucky not to capture Butcher's wicket when the left-hander had made just seven, the off-spinner failing to cling on to a diving caught and bowled chance off a mistimed drive.

Meanwhile Vaughan seized on anything loose.

His most spectacular stroke was a violent pull off medium-pace Ajit Agarkar, still as ineffectual as he was at Lord's, that went straight down the ground for four.

Vaughan, playing his 21st Test, reached his hundred with two off Ganguly and, next ball, the 100 partnership between Vaughan and Butcher came up off 133 balls.

England, 46 without loss at lunch, had added 10 runs when they lost their first wicket.

Test debutant Robert Key had made 17 when, trying to pull left-

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England's Michael Vaughan sets off for a run during his century innings against India on the third day of the second Test at Trent Bridge yesterday.

PHOTO: AFP

PCB's cash concern



AFP, Karachi

Pakistan cricket stands to lose much of its domestic audience and income essential for a healthy future of the game in the wake of Australia's decision to pull-out of a planned October tour, officials and former players said Saturday.

"We are disappointed and so are Pakistani cricket fans as Australia's pull-out will prompt a decline in local interest in the game and cause a loss in profits," Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) director Chishty Mujahid told this news agency.

Australia ended long-running uncertainty over the October Test tour Friday by announcing it was withdrawing over security concerns.

Pakistan's cricket crazy fans have watched only three Tests and as many one-day internationals on home grounds since December 2000 following cancellations by India, the West Indies and now Australia to compete in the troubled Islamic republic.

New Zealand, having already postponed their scheduled tour of

said.

The Former secretary of Asian Cricket Council (ACC), Zakir Hussain Syed, said Pakistan's problems were serious.

"Pakistan's problems are serious and the International Cricket Council (ICC) and ACC must decide a course of action and sort out ways to help Pakistan," Syed said.

Since the United States began its war on terror in neighbouring Afghanistan last year, security fears have forced Pakistan and the West Indies to shift their series to Sharjah in February-March this year.

Pakistan also had to relocate its Golden Jubilee year tri-series to be played later this month and also involving Australia, to Nairobi.

"The PCB has various options after Australia's pull-out and playing at a neutral venue is one of them. After consulting with the government we will take a decision on that in a couple of days," Mujahid said.

Bangladesh is one of three neutral venues suggested for the series, with Sri Lanka and the United Arab Emirates also offering their grounds for the series.

On the monetary front, Pakistan

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TIME TO GO: Luiz Felipe Scolari leaves after addressing a press conference in Rio de Janeiro on August 9. Scolari announced that he was resigning as Brazilian national coach.

PHOTO: AFP