



Did U Know?

The word 'gymnasium' comes from the Greek root 'gymnos' meaning nude; the literal meaning of 'gymnasium' is 'school for naked exercise'. Athletes in the ancient Olympic Games would participate in the nude.



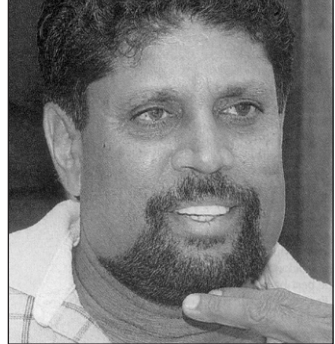
What to WATCH

ESPN
England vs India
Third Test, Day Three
Repeat at 8:30 am
England vs India
Third Test, Day Four
Live at 4:00 pm

STAR Sports
English Premier Football League
West Ham United vs Arsenal
Repeat at 7:30 am &
Liverpool vs Southampton
Repeat at 9:30 am
Futbol Mundial
Repeat at 12:00 pm
England vs India
Third Test, Day Three
Highlights
Same Day Delay at 2:00 pm



TALK TURKEY



Kapil Dev
(Indian cricket legend)
"I'm enjoying my life as I had always wanted to. I'm doing what I like, with the best results. As a player I had learnt that to achieve the best one had to enjoy whatever"

Star WHIZZ KID COMPETITION 178

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- Name the Bangladesh A team captain for the Kenya tour:
Hannan Sanwar Ashrafal
- Who became Asia's fastest woman?
Darsisha Jones
- Asif Hossain clinched gold in which Commonwealth Games event?
Athletics/Shooting/Swimming
- Who won the Orient handball title?
Wari BDR Young Pegasus
- Who was man-of-the-match in the second Test between England and India?
Tendulkar/Vaughan/Stewart

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National Bank Premier Football League
Rahmatganj vs Badda Jagarani (3:30 pm)
Brothers Union vs Victoria SC (5:30 pm)
Venue: Bangabandhu National Stadium.

Muktis halt MSC

Football

SPORTS REPORTER

Mohammedan Sporting Club's five-match winning streak came to a halt when Muktiyoddha Sangsad yesterday handed them a 3-1 tiebreak defeat in the first big match of the National Bank Premier League at the floodlit Bangabandhu National Stadium.

After a goalless 90 minutes it was Mohammedan's dependable central defender Jewel Rana who twisted his ankle as well as his team's fate while taking the first kick in the shootout.

Muktiyoddha and national custodian Biplob blocked the shot with his outstretched leg. Besides, the flamboyant keeper also saved two more spot-kicks by Kanchan and Tushar to give the all-reds two valuable points.

When Biplob was excelling under the bar in the tie-breaker his opposite number Nizam somehow lost his magic touch in the do-or-die situation after making some outstanding saves in the regulation time of play.

He was at a total loss while Rajani, Moni and Hasan-al Mamun were converting from the spot.

The outcome ended the solo lead of Mohammedan and forced them to share the top spot with defending champions Abahani Kirra Chakra, both having collected 16 points each from six games. Muktiyoddha on the other hand are following hard on the heels of the joint-leaders with 15 points, also from six matches.

After from the drama in the shootout, it was Muktiyoddha who looked better of the two giants. They set up two clear chances through Alfaz, who withstood

jeers of the black and white supporters with two rasping shots within a space of three minutes.

The ace national marksman, who left Mohammedan this year, galloped down the right flank to reach deep inside the Mohammedan box before firing a scorching right-footer in the 36th minute.

But Nizam denied him by fisting the ball over the bar. He also came to his side's rescue in the 39th minute when he blocked a second attempt from Alfaz.

After surviving those close calls, Mohammedan came back strongly in the second half with their energetic midfielder Faisal Mahmud setting up the stage for Kanchan to end the evening's duck. But Kanchan, who was only to beat a helpless Biplob, drove the ball straight to the keeper.

The match evidently headed for a draw when Nizam saved Emeka's side volley midway through the second session.

That was the only occasion Muktiyoddha's Nigerian striker broke free of his marker in a match where both he and his rival striker Nakib were given hardly any space to operate.

Nakib and Emeka are vying for the goal-scoring accolade with seven and six respectively.

Yellow cards: Nakib, Salieu, Hasan (Mohammedan) and Emeka (Muktiyoddha).

TEAMS

MUKTIYODDHA: Biplob, Hasan al Mamun, Rajani, Sujon, Papel, Motiur Munna, Arman, Abdullah, Moni, Alfaz (Rakib) and Emeka

MOHAMMEDAN: Nizam, Jewel, Masud Rana, Hasan, Titu, Joy, Pappu (Salieu/Tushar), Monwar, Faisal Mahmud, Kanchan and Nakib

Referee: AKM Monsur Azad



Mohammedan's midfielder Faisal Mahmud (R) gets past Muktiyoddha defender Papel during their National Bank Premier Division Football League at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday.

More ignominy for BD A

SPORTS REPORTER

The Bangladesh A team conceded a nine-wicket defeat at the hand of the Kenya Cricket Association (KCA) in their second limited-overs match at the Ruaraka Sports Club ground in Nairobi yesterday.

The visitors crashed to 90 all out in 33 overs, leaving the home team to milk the required 91 for the loss of one wicket in only 19 overs.

Kennedy Otiemo led the easy chase with an unbeaten 58. The attacking right-hander also scored a superb 148 in the first limited-overs match.

The victory gave the Kenyans a 2-0 lead in the three match one-day series. They won the first match by 92 runs at the same venue on August 21.

The second string national side faced the ignominy of losing the game without a fight when they failed to put up a descent total after being asked to bat by Kenyan captain Steve Tikolo.

Opener Rafiqul with 18 was the top scorer for the tourists while Ashrafal (15) and wicketkeeper Anwar (14) were the other two batsmen who could reach the double figure mark.

The third match will be played at the same venue today.

Bangladesh A will round off their tour with a three-day match, starting on August 27.

Eng face tall order

Cricket

AFP, Leeds

India were well in charge of the third Test against England when rain forced an early tea here at Headingley on Saturday.

England were 134 for three in reply to India's mammoth 628 for eight declared, a deficit of 494 and still 295 short of avoiding the follow-on.

Captain Nasser Hussain was 20 not out with John Crawley yet to get off the mark.

India's total was their highest against England, surpassing the 606 for nine declared they made at The Oval in 1990 and their highest on foreign soil.

England, 61 without loss at lunch, lost their first wicket six runs later.

Robert Key, in his second Test, had made a 76-ball 30 when, pushing at a ball angled across him by left-arm quick Zaheer Khan, he was safely caught by Venkatsai Laxman at second slip.

Meanwhile Vaughan, looking for a third successive Test hundred after his 115 in England's victory at Lord's and career-best 197 in the drawn second match at Trent Bridge, brought up his fifty with a cover-driven four off leg-spinner Anil Kumble.

But, in his next over, Kumble had left-hander Mark Butcher (16) plumb lbw, England wobbling at 109 for two in the 33rd over.

Vaughan, on 61, had a lucky break when he edged medium-pacer Ajit Agarkar. Wicket-keeper Parthiv Patel dropped the chance, second slip Venkatsai Laxman failed to hold on the rebound and first slip Rahul Dravid then failed to

make contact with a diving effort.

But, in front of his home crowd, Vaughan failed to cash in on his reprieve, next ball steering Agarkar straight to cover where Virender Sehwag made no mistake.

Opener Vaughan had faced 116 balls and hit nine fours but England were now 130 for three.

Earlier, India had resumed on 584 for four and scored a further 44 runs in seven overs before captain Sourav Ganguly declared following a shoddy England display that saw four catches dropped in addition to the two put down on Friday.

Sachin Tendulkar started the day 185 not out but fell seven short of a double century when he fell lbw to

Andrew Caddick.

Latest

England were struggling at 166 for six on the third day of the third Test against India last night.

India have not won a Test series outside the sub-continent since 1986. But victory here will square this four match campaign at 1-1 ahead of next month's final Test at The Oval.

Before the second session began players and officials from both sides

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England's Michael Vaughan executes an excellent cover drive to bring up his half-century on the third day of the Headingley Test yesterday.

'Sachin greater than Don'

Cricket

REUTERS, Leeds

Sachin Tendulkar may not agree but, according to his compatriot Sunil Gavaskar, he should be regarded as a greater batsman than Donald Bradman.

Gavaskar told Saturday's Daily Telegraph: "For all Bradman's achievements, Tendulkar is the closest thing to batting perfection I've seen - in terms of technique and temperament."

Tendulkar's blazing hundred on Friday gave him his 30th Test century - one more than Bradman. Only Gavaskar, with 34, has scored more.

But Gavaskar added: "If you have a look at some of the film of Bradman, you see his bat came from third man."

"Because Bradman was Bradman, he could see the ball incredibly early and score at a phenomenal rate."

"Tendulkar's bat comes down very straight, he is perfectly balanced off either foot, and there is not a shot he cannot play."

"He is probably the most complete batsman the game has seen. I would back him to become the first man to score a hundred interna-

'I'm no Bradman'

AFP, Leeds

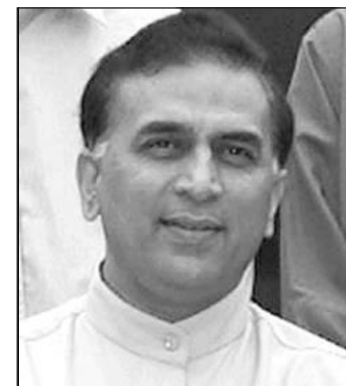
Indian superstar Sachin Tendulkar swept past his hero Don Bradman in the list of all-time Test century makers here on Friday but shrugged off comparisons with the Australian legend.

But despite making his 30th Test century, which took him past Bradman's total of 29, the Indian player said it was impossible to compare his record with that of the Australian legend.

"Statistically I have passed Don Bradman but he scored a hundred every third innings," Tendulkar said. "I can't be compared with him. He's not a normal person."

"You can only dream of scoring a hundred every three innings."

Bradman's hundreds came from



SUNIL GAVASKAR



SACHIN TENDULKAR

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Hockey going to Asiad

SPORTS REPORTER

The Bangladesh Olympic Association (BOA) yesterday decided to send the hockey team to the Asian Games, starting in Busan, South Korea on September 29.

The BOA's change of heart came only three days after it was against participating in the hockey competition.

On Thursday the national hockey players, who had been training for two months at the BKSP, submitted a memorandum to State Minister for Youth and Sports Fazlur Rahman to reconsider the decision.

It was agreed that sixteen players and three officials would be included in the revised Bangladesh contingent.

Earlier, the BOA approved a 74-member Bangladesh contingent, which will take part in eight disciplines. They are football, shooting, kabaddi, athletics, swimming, boxing, wrestling and weightlifting.

As a result of hockey's inclusion the Games budget has also been increased from Taka 1.36 crore to 1.48 crore.

BCB interim body likely on Monday

UNB, Dhaka

The Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) is likely to announce the formation of an interim committee on Monday.

BCB president Ali Asghar said yesterday that he wants to form an advisory committee for interim period but it will come after consulting a lawyer.

"We officially received the court order last Thursday and I am going to a lawyer to discuss the legal aspects," he said.

Asghar on Wednesday met State Minister for Youth and Sports Fazlur Rahman and said that he would form a 10-member advisory committee to run the Board's activities.

Cute handball

UNB, Dhaka

Menjis KC beat Arambagh KS 33-30 in the Cute Premier Division Handball League at the court next to the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday.

The winners led the first half by 16-10. Hanif netted highest 14 goals for Menjis while Sajal scored eight for Arambagh.

Old Ideals drew with Dhaka Wanderers Club 15-15 in the day's another match. Wanderers led the first half by 9-8.

Tareq scored seven goals for Ideals while Faruque netted eight goals for Wanderers.

TODAY'S MATCHES
Bangladesh Police vs Menjis, Bangladesh Rifles vs Narinda Progoti Boys Club.

Siraj soccer

CU CORRESPONDENT

Madarbari Muthakantha defeated Monir Ahmed Chairman Smriti Sangsad 3-1 at the inaugural match of the Siraj Mohanagari Kishore Football League at the Dampara Police Lines ground in the port city on Friday.

Earlier, Zafrul Islam Chowdhury, State Minister for Environment and Forestry inaugurated the tournament as the chief guest.

Shamsul rebuts reports

Football

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Secretary general of Chittagong Abahani Limited Shamsul Haq Chowdhury dismissed the allegation that he was involved in a 'human trafficking' during his team's muck-talked-about trip to London.

"I didn't do anything that can be branded as human trafficking. The tour was purely goodwill and the team members were genuine club officials and footballers," he claimed at a press briefing at a local restaurant here yesterday.

Challenging his critics, Haq claimed that it was a propaganda blitz only to tarnish his image.

"If anybody could prove that I did anything like human trafficking, I will never show my face in Chittagong," Haq said dryly.

He alleged that some quarters that included a few officials of his club and in the capital city have masterminded this campaign

against him.

"I contributed a lot for Chittagong Abahani, brought the club to its present standard and dignity, and that's the reason for which they envy me and made all these dirty hullabaloo."

He also criticised the non-cooperative attitude of some officials from Muktiyoddha Sangsad, Arambagh and Dhanmondi clubs ahead of the tour.

"Those club officials have tried their best to prevent Chittagong Abahani's tour to London."

He even blamed Dhaka Abahani for its step motherly attitude. "Chunnu and Tutul didn't entertain our trip positively."

He said his team had earned a glory for all the Chittagonians from this tour by beating West Ham United (U-19) club.

"For this, the Asian Sports Federation Limited (ASFL) in a letter to the secretary general of BFF also recognised Chittagong Abahani as the only team from Bangladesh to clinch a successful result in the UK/Europe," he said showing a

Xerox copy of the letter.

Replying to a question, he said, "Ball-boy Shamsu of Dhaka Mohammedan was included in the team as per the wish of Fazlur Rahman Babul, the co-ordinator of the tour. He (Babul) being the co-ordinator have no problem in doing so."

Shamsul Chowdhury, however, regretted that his son was 'mistakenly' included as a player in the team instead of his family member.

He said the actual team that toured London was of 35 members that included 12 players and 8 officials from ASFL. He however did not provide the identity of 15 others who accompanied the team.

Of the 35 members, 21 returned and the others would be back within 8 to 10 days after touring France and Italy, he claimed.

Out of 12 listed players, two footballers Badrul Islam Doza (Mintu) and Anisur Rahman Chowdhury Rubel could not come with the team due to the injury they received there, he said. "Hopefully, they will be back very shortly."

Waugh's survive Aussies pick squad for Pak series

Cricket

AFP, Sydney

Steve and Mark Waugh were on Saturday named in a 14-man Australian Test cricket squad to play Pakistan at a yet to be determined venue in October.

The brothers, axed from the Australian one-day squad, both kept their places for a series which will be switched from Pakistan because of security concerns.

Steve Waugh, who has been replaced by Ricky Ponting as one-day skipper, retains the captaincy.

Off-spinner Nathan Hauritz, who toured South Africa with the Australian one-day side earlier this year, was included in a Test squad for the first time but leg-spinner Stuart MacGill and all-rounder Shane Watson both missed out.

Trevor Hohns, the chairman of the Australian selectors, said there

was no reason to make major changes to the Australian side which was successful in South Africa.



NATHAN HAURITZ... new cap

He said it was disappointing to drop MacGill, but the selectors' preference was to take one leg-spinner and one off-spinner.

"He (MacGill) is still very much in the mix for selection later in the year," Hohns told the Australian Cricket Board's website.

Hohns said he hoped Hauritz's selection would fast track the youngster's development.

"His inclusion will also give us some added variety in the spin bowling department by having a player that can offer us quality spells of off-spin," he said.

Hauritz, who is part of the Australian limited-overs squad departing on Monday for a triangular tournament in Kenya and ICC Champions Trophy in Sri Lanka, said he was thrilled at his Test squad selection.

"Touring with the Test team will be a fantastic opportunity for me

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It's not over yet

Football

AFP, Rio de Janeiro

Brazilian World Cup star Ronaldo boarded a plane for Milan overnight Friday following the breakdown of his planned transfer to Spanish side Real Madrid.

But the 25-year-old Inter Milan forward vowed that he had now given up hope of an eventual move to the Spanish giants.

In an ironic twist two planes from the Brazilian national airline took off at practically the same time - one destined for Milan and the second for the Spanish capital Madrid.

Ronaldo reluctantly took the first for Milan and is expected to arrive Saturday afternoon in Italy.

And the World Cup's top scorer said that he would bide his time while awaiting an eventual move. "For me nothing has changed. I

want to leave Inter. I'm not in a hurry. I'll wait for the situation to become unblocked," said Ronaldo, adding that he would train with Inter "awaiting for a solution to be found."

Real all right it's only a question of patience," said Martins.

"He wants to leave Italy but he has no intention of rebelling. Ronaldo is under contract with Inter and will be at the club's disposal."

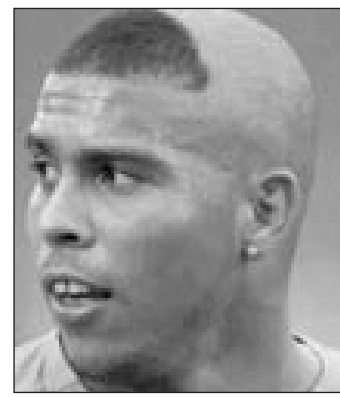
The expected transfer broke down Friday due to "insurmountable differences", the buying club announced.

"Real Madrid states that insurmountable differences exist between the club and Inter Milan concerning the transfer of Ronaldo," read the text on the Spanish club's website.

"It has been seemingly impossible to arrive at a satisfactory agreement during the friendly and frank negotiations this morning (Friday), which has forced both clubs to bring the talks to an end."

Inter had initially slapped a 100 million euros (97 million dollars)

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RONALDO

Ronaldo's agent Alexandre Martins said that he believed all was not lost. "Ronaldo will play at