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Rivaldo

(Brazilian soccer superstar)
"I believe I can do well here in Italy just as I have done at all my other After joining Italian club AC Milan.



Competition closes at 8 pm Sept 27, 2002 and draw shortly afterwards

Who will lead the Bangladesh series in Sri Lanka?

2. What was the result of the England and India Test series? 2-0 2-1 1-1

3. Who won the US Open singles

Agassi Hewitt Sampras

Trophy hockey champs? Pakistan | Netherlands 5. Who clinched the Grand Prix

chess title? Rajib Reefat | Zia

anything. "But to have done well against

looking forward to it." With unfancied Bangladesh the

third side in pool 1, the losers of Sunday's match will almost certainly miss out on a semi-final place.

"The format means it becomes a pretty big game, we're all aware of that," Ponting added. "We need to be sharp and at our best and all our preparations are geared towards that and I'm confident we can do

New Zealand's superiority at the start of the year was founded on having effective plans to dismiss each Australian batsman, but Ponting said he preferred to concentrate on what his players could do rather than countering any

opposition tactics

Victoria stay afloat

Football

SPORTS REPORTER

Victoria Sporting Club earned two valuable points in their bid to stay in the top flight when they recorded a 5-3 tiebreak win against Badda Jagarani Sangsad in a Relegation League match of the National Bank

Premier League at the

Bangabandhu National Stadium

yesterday. Victoria scored from all the five shots from the spot after the battle ended in a 1-1 draw during the 90 minutes.

It was a spectacular turnaround of fortune for a relegationthreatened Victoria. who were trailing the first half by a lone goal.

Badda took a 30th minute lead from a penalty. Referee Maruf Shikder pointed at the dreaded spot after Al-Amin brought down a menacingly poised Bakhtiar in the forbidden zone. Bakhtiar stepped up to convert the 12yarder sending Victoria custodian Tariq at the other end.

But Victoria came back strongly in the second session and equalised in the 57th minute thanks to a sub-

Al-Amin, Polo, Abul, Arman and Rahel have scored for Victoria in the shootout. Interestingly, it was Wasim who failed to score from the spot for Badda. He drove the fourth spot-kick straight to the substitute Victoria keeper Tutul.

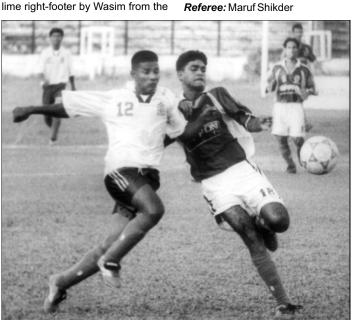
With this win Victoria joined Brothers Union in the second position of the five-team relegation table, both having collected 12 points. Brothers however played one match less. Badda, the only team to have

ensured their stay in the Premier League for at least one more year, however remained at the top with 15 points from 11 games. Farashganj, with three points

from 11 matches, have already confirmed their relegation with tow more matches to go. **TEAMS**

VICTORIA SC: Tariq (Tutul), Gobinda, Jet, Shipon, Al-Amin, Polo, Rahel, Arman, Khokon (Utpal), Abul and Sharif

BADDA JAGARANI: Rafique, Kingshuk, Anupom, Prince, Krishna (Askar Babu), Shamsher, Bakhtiar, Mintu. Wasim, Amin Rana and Uzzal



Victoria's Sharif (L) and Prince of Badda battle for possession during their National Bank Premier Division Football League encounter at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday.

Indians go logo-less

AFP, Colombo

Cricket's sponsorship row took a new twist on Saturday as Indian players went into their opening Champions Trophy match against Zimbabwe without sporting the team sponsor's logo.

"The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has advised the ICC (International Cricket Council) that the Indian team will play the match against Zimbabwe in shirts bearing no commercial sponsor logo," the ICC said in a statement.

The sport's world governing body wanted the Indian team's sponsors to remove the wings graphic from the new logo since it conflicted with South African Airways (SAA), an official sponsor of the ongoing tournament.

The team sponsor, Sahara India group, had already revised the logo once on orders from the ICC and refused to make further changes to the design.

"The ICC had previously approved the use of the name Subrata as the team sponsor for the Champions Trophy tournament," the statement said.

"Subrata was nominated by the BCCI to replace Sahara as the team sponsor because of a clash with South African Airways

When the ICC turned down Sahara's plea that SAA was an international airline and could not be a rival to a domestic company, Sahara changed the logo to Subrata, named after its chairman Subrata Roy.

But Sahara refused to remove the wings graphic on the logo which signifies the three colours of the Indian national flag.

Siraj soccer

CU CORRESPONDENT

Pahartali Ekadosh moved into the semifinals outplaying Hathazari Khelowar Samity 4-0 in the Sirai Mohanagari Kishore Football League at the Dampara Police Lines ground in the port city of Chittagong yesterday.

Sumon Kanti Das of Pahartali scored two goals while Harun-or-Rashid and Anwar Hossain netted one each for the winners.

Eden Star Club will face the Zorna Para Ekadash today at the same venue.

The young middle-order batsman put on 117 for the sixth wicket

SRILANKA 2002

Mohammad Kaif slammed an

unbeaten 111 for his maiden century

to help India survive a Douglas

Hondo scare in the Champions'

Trophy one-day cricket match

against Zimbabwe here on

The 21-year-old batted well

under pressure as India recovered

from 87-5 to post a challenging 288-

6 after electing to bat in the day-

night match at the Premadasa

AFP, Colombo

Saturday.

with Rahul Dravid (71) and 84 for the next with tail-ender Anil Kumble (18 not out) after fast bowler Hondo had nearly ruined the Indian batting reputation with a four-wicket burst in

Kaif, who reached his half-

Kaif stops Hondo

century off 70 balls, needed 37 more deliveries to complete his first ton in 19 one-dayers. He improvised brilliantly in the slog-overs with two behind-the-wicket fours off seamer Sean Ervine. Dravid struck six fours in his 40th

half-century and Kaif one six and eight boundaries in his 112-ball knock as India overcame a horror start to their first match of the tournament. Hondo, 23, revived memories of

his team's clash with India at Cochin, where he wrecked the hosts' top order with a four-wicket spell to set up a stunning Zimbabwean victory. India, however, managed to

overcome Hondo's incisive spell this time as Kaif and Dravid came to their rescue with commendable

Hondo was well supported by first-slip Alistair Campbell, who took

Tendulkar (seven) India maintained an impressive run-rate despite losing wickets at regular intervals as opener Virender

skipper Sourav Ganguly (13),

Dinesh Mongia (nought) and Sachin

Sehwag exploded with a flurry of strokes, smashing eight fours in his 36-ball 48. In-form Dravid, who scored 602 in four recent Tests in England, then steadied the innings with his sensible batting as he worked the ball

scoreboard moving. Kaif initially took no risks and hit just one four in his half-century.

smartly into the gaps to keep the

Zimbabwe struggled to find wicket-takers after Hondo's impressive spell as none could keep pressure on Dravid and Kaif. **SCOREBOARD**

Scoreboard of the India innings

ties in sports by the same date. against Zimbabwe in the day-night

BSJA names awardees UNB, Dhaka Bangladesh Sports Journalists Association (BSJA) yesterday announced awards for the sportsmen, coaches, organisers and sponsors for 1997, 1998 and 1999 in recognition to their contributions in their respective fields. 1997: Masud Rana (football), Akram Khan (cricket), Issa Mia (hockey), Sabrina Sultana (shooting), Nibedita Das (swimming), Syeda Sabana Parveen Nipa

(chess), Kutub Uddin Ahmed (organiser), Anjan Chowdhury Pintu (organiser), Yusuf Gani Chowdhury (organiser, posthumous), Jan-e Alam (football organiser, Rahmatganj), Bangladesh Ansar (as organisation) and Bata Shoe Company (sponsor). 1998: Alfaz Ahmed (football), Mohammad Rafiq (cricket), Musa Mia (hockey), Abdullah Al Raqib (chess), Tariqul Islam (kabadi), Shafiqul Islam Manik (football

coach), Amirul Islam (swimming coach), Golam Quddus Chowdhury (organiser), Sirajul Islam (hockey organiser, posthumous), Afzal Karim (shooting organiser), Narail District Sports Association (Table Tennis), Mousumi Industries (sponsor) and Daily Janakantha (spon-

1999: Jewel Rana (football) Minhajul Abedin Nannu (cricket), Asiquzzaman (hockey), Doly Akhtar (swimming), Mahbub Alam (athletics), gold winning shooting team (Sabrina Sultana, Kaji Sahana and Lovli Chowdhury Ankhi), Hossain Imam Chowdhury Santa (hockey coach), Tanvir Mazhar Islam Tanna (organiser), BJMC (as organisation) and Square Toiletries Ltd (sponsor).

The selected sportsmen, coaches and organisers have been requested to submit two copies passport size colour photographs along with a copy of bio-data at BSJA office by September 30. The selected sports organisations and sponsors have also been requested to submit an overview of their activi-

BSJA will soon announce award for the year 2000 and 2001.

Tendulkar, who used to open the

The switch has enabled him to

batting in one-dayers, dropped back

Aussies wary of Bond



REUTERS, Colombo

Australia have identified New Zealand fast bowler Shane Bond as a major threat as they attempt to reverse their poor recent record against their Trans-Tasman rivals in Sunday's Champions Trophy pool 1

Bond was player of the series when Australia lost three out of four encounters to New Zealand in the annual triangular tournament in January and February, losses that cost the world champions a place in the finals for only the third time in the competition's history stretching back to 1979-80.

"What he was able to do was to get wickets beyond the 20th over, he ripped the heart out of us," Australia's captain Ricky Ponting told reporters on Saturday. "(New Zealand captain Stephen) Fleming brought him back to get wickets and we allowed him to do that. We've identified that."

The success Bond enjoyed -- he took 21 Australian and South African wickets in the tournament -- has left him confident and looking forward to locking horns with Australia again.

"It would be nice if they had the odd little doubt in their minds," Bond told the news agency on Saturday. "But they'll have plans to counter me and, knowing the Australians, they'll probably come at me even harder.

"In all honesty, that might make things a bit harder for me so I will have to improve my bowling if

them, the best team in the world in both forms of the game, gives you a lot of confidence and I'm really

what we have to against them."

"Yes, they had good game

that's what cost us. "We're aware of their tactics and we'll be ready for that, but otherwise it's a case of backing ourselves. If we can concentrate on what we do and do it well then we'll win the

bowl well and we didn't field well and

game, that's our main focus." Australia are likely to be at full-



SHANE BOND

strength, although they will wait until the morning of the match before confirming their line-up as fast bowlers Glenn McGrath and Brett Lee have both been ill since the side arrived in Colombo.

If they are fit, the players likely to miss out are batsman Jimmy Maher, fast bowler Andrew Bichel and offspinner Nathan Hauritz.

Maher could make way for Darren Lehmann, back after missthe recent triangular series in Kenya with a broken finger.

side, without Chris Cairns and Craig McMillan, had an unfamiliar look to "We don't know much about them and we haven't been able to

Ponting said the New Zealand

get much footage of their new players either," he said. "We'll be having another meeting and have spoken about their probable line-up but not knowing much

about them is an advantage to them." New Zealand's only doubt is seamer Paul Hitchcock, who picked up an injury to his right elbow during

a practice match against South

Africa on Wednesday. **TEAMS**

AUSTRALIA (from): Ricky Ponting (capt), A Gilchrist, M Bevan, A Bichel, J Gillespie, N Hauritz, M Hayden, B Lee, D Lehmann, J Maher, D Martyn, G McGrath, S Warne, S Watson

NEW ZEALAND (from): S Fleming (capt), N Astle, S Bond, C Harris, P Hitchcock, K Mills, C Nevin, J Oram, M Sinclair, S Styris, G Sulzberger, D Tuffey, D Vettori, L Vincent.



Action from yesterday's Sheetal Women's Handball League match between Arambagh KS and Jatrabari KC at the court next to the Bangabandhu

DSA Cup soccer STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Khulna

The Meghna Cement DSA Cup football tournament 2002 organised by Khulna District Sports

at the Khulna Stadium. Sixteen teams of the district will participate in the tournament. The teams are: Khulna Newsprint Mills Club, Platinum Jubilee Jute Mills Clubs, Cosmos Eleven, Digholia YMA, Brothers Union, Mongla Port Football Team, Mohammedan Sporting Club, Khulna Abahani Krirha chakra, Young Boys Club, Abul Kasham Smiriti Sangsad,

Inter Milan Club and Khulna Shipyard Club. On the opening day of the tournament Khulna Newsprint Mills Club will take on Platinum Jubilee Jute Mills Club.

Winners Club, Town Club, Ulka

club, Mahashwar Pasha Club,

CJKS chess

CU CORRESPONDENT

The Chhatragram Jela Krira Sangstha (CJKS) Progati Insurance Chess League 2002 began at the MA Aziz Stadium's Gymnasium

Audi-torium here on Saturday. Sixteen teams are taking part in the Swiss League tournament. They are the Chittagong City Corporation Ekadash (Junior), Chittagong Mohammedan Sporting Club, Friends Club, Rising Star, Agrabad Nowzoan Club, MH Sporting Club, Bangladesh Muktijoddha Krira Chakra, Bakolia Ekadash (Junior) Shaheed Shahajahan Sangha Jalalabad Krira Sangstha, Panchlaish Jubo Sangha, Nobin Mela, Kwality Sports, Agrani Sangha, Durbar Sangskritik Goshthi and Double Moorning Club.

The 96-player meet has been allocated a budget of Taka 50,000.

Arambagh in final SPORTS REPORTER

Arambagh Krira Sangha recorded a comprehensive 18-8 goal win against Jatrabari Krira Chakra in their penultimate match of the Sheetal Women's Handball League at the court adjacent to the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday. The winners led the first half 9-4

Shahida led the Arambagh charge with 10 goals Arambagh will take on Dilkusha Sporting Club in the title-deciding match at the same venue today.

Arambagh needed only a draw in the final match to win the championship. Dilkusha, who are trailing their Motijheel neighbours by two points, will have to win to pip at the post.

and former junior World Cup-

Leading Indian batsman Sachin Tendulkar is hopeful his team's batting line-up, bolstered by the arrival of young talent, gels ahead of next year's World Cup in South

the world's leading batsman said on his arrival for the Champions Trophy

stay together," he told reporters on India are in Group B with England and Zimbabwe were runners-up in the last tournament in

of their batting depth. Tendulkar leads the pack, having scored a world's best aggregate of 11,505 one-day runs which includes

But newcomers like the explo-

the most number of centuries -- 33. sive Virender Sehwag, left-handers

winning captain Mohammad Kaif have breathed fresh life into the team since last season. Yuvrai and Kaif were India's

Yuvraj Singh and Dinesh Mongia

heroes during their one-day triangu-



SACHIN TENDULKAR

lar series victory in England while Mongia hit a match-winning 159 to lead his side to a 3-2 series victory over Zimbabwe at home earlier this

Sehwag has also proved a majo success and has caught the fans' imagination with shot-making that

to number four during the one-day series in West Indies this year and looks set to retain that position until the World Cup.

anchor the innings until the final overs and it will remain the strategy at the Champions Trophy and the World Cup next February and March. The former Indian skipper arrived in Sri Lanka after a successful Test series in England, where he surpassed Australian Don Bradman's 29 centuries with a match-winning 193 for his 30th hundred in the third Test at Headingley

While that century put him firmly in line for Sunil Gavaskar's record of 34 Test hundreds, Tendulkar said records had not been a motivating factor in his international career. which began when he was a teenager in 1989.

"I have never looked at it that particular way. In the last 13 years I nave just enjoyed my cricket.

"I didn't look at breaking records. That is not my goal. If I break records I am happy about it."

Pollock pumped

MICC CHAMPIONS TROPHY SRI LANKA 2002

AFP. Colombo South African skipper Shaun

Pollock on Friday sounded a warning to his opponents, saying his team was well-prepared to win the Champions Trophy one-day cricket tournament here.

our title hopes in this tournament," said Pollock after his team had pulled off a thrilling two-wicket victory off the last ball. South Africa scored 242-8 in

their slow over-rate. Alan Dawson hit the last ball of the match, bowled by fast bowler Mervyn Dillon, for the winning boundary much to the relief of his

circumstances.'

The South African captain. however, said his team did not play up to its potential in the close match.

"We didn't play as well as we could," he said. "The good thing is that we won when we didn't play at



SHAUN POLLOCK

our best and if you have to win the title you have to win from all types of

Pollock was all praise for Boeta Dippenaar and Jonty Rhodes, who slammed impressive half-centuries during their 117-run stand for the

Rhodes was named man-of-thematch for his brilliant 61. "Rhodes and Dippenaar played

very well. What went wrong was that

off-spinner Carl Hooper's over. West Indies captain Hooper said he felt his team had a good chance in the last over when 13 runs were

needed. "Cricket is a funny game and you don't know till the last ball," said Hooper. "Apart from the first ball, Dillon bowled well and should not be discouraged that he bowled a legitimate wide."

Dillon's first ball of the last over was smashed over long-on for a six by Pollock and West Indian fast bowler then bowled a wide.

the last ball for a four. "There was a lot of pressure and

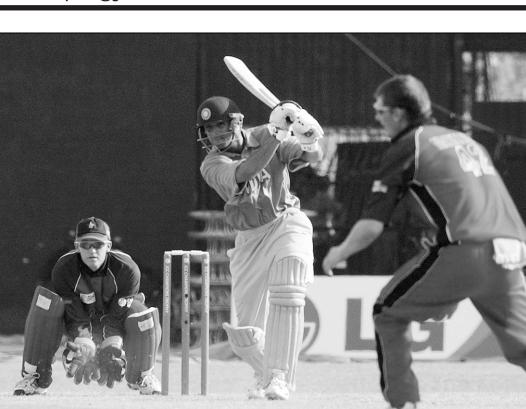
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4. Who became Champions

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Rahul Dravid of India follows through on an off-drive during their ICC Champions' Trophy cricket tournament fixture

three catches to account for India

Sachin sings young songs

REUTERS, Colombo

"We feel the combination is getting right," the player regarded as

in Sri Lanka. "There are five months left to go for the World Cup and it is hard to predict, but hopefully this lot should

Nairobi in 2000 and are among the favourites this time, mainly because

"The win (against the West Indies) is a much-needed boost for

reply to the West Indies' 238-8 despite being penalised one over for

"Now we're pretty much prepared for the rest of the tournament. You don't get tighter than this." said

we lost two wickets in one over," Pollock said, referring to the dismissals of Dippennar and Rhodes in

Striker Nicky Boje and Dawson completed a bye off the wide delivery to tie the score. Dawson then hit

probably it was the first time he (Dillon) was in this situation. He should learn from this." said Hooper.

National Bank Premier Division Muktijoddha vs Dhanmondi

Football League (6:00pm)