



Did U Know?

The first hat-trick in one-day internationals was achieved by Jalaluddin, a right-arm fast bowler from Pakistan. He dismissed Rod Marsh, Bruce Yardley and Geoff Lawson of Australia on successive balls at Hyderabad on September 20, 1982.



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Second Test, Day One

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Pakistan vs Australia

Second Test, Day Two

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Cricket Programming
Super Selector

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Pakistan vs Australia
Second Test, Day Two

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Second Test, Day Two

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Same Day Delay at 10:00 pm



TALK TURKEY



Nasser Hussain

(England cricket captain)
"The old days of going out to compete are gone. We've got to get on with it and look at ways of beating them rather than telling everyone how good they are. There are field settings and tactics you can beat Australia with. It's up to me as captain and Duncan Fletcher as a coach to work that out as soon as possible."

About their goal in the coming Ashes series.

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- Who won the Kremlin Cup tennis title?
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- In which event did Bangladesh win silver medal in the 14th Asian Games?
Kabaddi Hockey Shooting
- Who is Asia's fastest woman?
Jayasinghe Netalya Darsha
- How many Test matches will West Indies play against Bangladesh in November-December?
Two Three Four
- How many goals did Ronaldo score on his Real Madrid debut?
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PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN

MAKING THE RIGHT MOVES: Latvian Grand Master Igors Raussis teaches a group of children the elementary aspects of chess during a coaching class for 12 kids at the Bangladesh Chess Federation Auditorium yesterday.

India expect nothing less

Men's hockey final today



AFP, Busan

Defending champions India hope to dash the hopes of South Korea when they clash with the hosts in the men's field hockey final on Saturday.

India are on a high after defeating seven-time champions and arch rivals Pakistan 4-3 in a nerve-racking semifinal and coach Rajinder Singh was confident of a good show in the final too.

"The mood in the Indian camp is really upbeat after our win over Pakistan," said Rajinder. "We hope to continue the good run and beat South Korea for gold."

India and South Korea are clashing in the final of the Asian Games for the third straight time - South Korea beat India for gold in the 1994 Hiroshima Games while India regained the title in 1998 at Bangkok.

Both teams are looking for their third gold in the event at the Asian

Games, in which Pakistan have an enviable record of winning seven gold medals since hockey was introduced in 1958.

No other team apart from India, Pakistan and South Korea have ever entered the final.

India and South Korea qualified from the same group in the preliminary league, their previous encounter ending in a 1-1 draw.

"The league match was a tough one and we're preparing for a real good final," said Rajinder, who was also coach during the recent Champions Trophy at Cologne in Germany, where India lost 4-2 to South Korea.

However, Rajinder, top-scorer of the 1982 Bombay World Cup, felt India needed to improve their penalty-corner conversions.

"We've not been doing well in penalty-corners. We've tried some new combinations here but have failed. We will have to convert our chances if we are to win against South Korea."

The Indian coach praised India's performance against Pakistan, especially those of star centre-forward Dhanraj Pillay and goal-

keeper Devesh Chauhan.

"There's no doubting Pillay's class and he is always the danger-man for any opposition.

"We used him well against Pakistan, holding him back in penalty-corner defence to avoid an injury to him and during attack later in the match when he was needed in the midfield.

"He will be a key player as will be Devesh. He made some fine saves against Pakistan and those are the kind of performances that can win big matches for you," said Rajinder.

Korean coach Jeon Jae-Hong was happy at the prospect of playing India in the final.

"India are a good team but we felt Pakistan was a more experienced side and there would have been that extra bit of danger playing them," he said. "I think we should win the final."

South Korea topped their group pipping India on better goal average. They beat Japan 4-0 and Hong Kong 14-1 before beating Malaysia 2-0 in the semifinal.

India did not score so many goals in the league, beating Hong Kong 5-1 and Japan 3-0.

Asian hockey Bangladesh seventh

SPORTS REPORTER

The Bangladesh hockey team finally managed to score a victory in the 14th Asian Games when they edged past Hong Kong 3-2 in their classification play-off match yesterday.

The result placed them second from last in the eight-team event. Four years ago in Bangkok, Bangladesh bagged ninth place.

Hong Kong took a surprise ninth minute lead through Farooq Saeed's penalty-corner but Ashraf Islam ensured that the first half ended evenly with a field goal in the 28th minute.

Maksud Alam scored another field goal in the 60th minute to put Bangladesh in front for the first time. However, the former British colony fought back with Ishtiaq Khan converting a penalty-corner four minutes later.

Midfielder Musa Mia saved Bangladesh's blushes with a late field goal.

During their campaign the national stick-wielders were outplayed 6-1 by Malaysia, hammered 9-0 by Pakistan, lost 3-2 to China and crushed 6-1 against Japan.

In another match to decide minor positions, China defeated Japan 3-2 to claim fifth spot.

BD's 4-dayer from today

SPORTS REPORTER

After being outclassed in all three one-day internationals, Khaleed Mashud's men turn their attention to a four-day game against the South Africa County Districts starting at Bedford today.

The tourists will be hoping to make the most from their lone longer-version practice match ahead of the Test series next week. Bangladesh have already beaten the County Districts when they met in a limited-overs fixture at Nelspruit on September 29.

The first Test begins in East London from October 18 with the second and final Test scheduled for October 25 in Potchefstroom.

Gaibandha volleyball

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Gaibandha

Agomony Krira Chakra won the Gaibandha Volleyball League defeating Jubo Sangsad in the final at the local stadium here on Thursday.

They won the match 24-18, 24-19, 24-23 to collect first prize of Taka 3,000. The runners-up finished with 2,000 taka.

WHIZZ KID-181 winner

Mahmudur Rahman

(Tejgaon Govt Science School & College)

Please produce your ID card and an attested passport size photograph while collecting the winner's prize from the Sports Desk of The Daily Star at 7:30 pm on October 20.



PHOTO: AFP

India fast bowler Zaheer Khan (C) is surrounded by teammates after he claimed another West Indies wicket on the third day of the first Test at Bombay yesterday.

Pakistan hit new low



AFP, Sharjah

Champion leg-spinner Shane Warne grabbed 4-11 as Australia shot out Pakistan for their lowest ever Test total of 59 on the opening day of the second Test here on Friday.

The Australians then tightened the noose around their rivals by closing the day at 191-4, a lead of 132 with six first-innings wickets in hand.

Left-handed Matthew Hayden returned unconquered on 74 after Australia lost three wickets for three runs, including the Waugh twins off successive deliveries from Saqlain Mushtaq.

Justin Langer was unlucky to be run out for 37 when bowler Danish Kaneria missed a return catch off Hayden but deflected the ball onto the stumps with Langer out of his ground.

After Ricky Ponting was dismissed by Kaneria for 44, Saqlain trapped Mark Waugh leg-before for two and then had captain Steve Waugh caught at silly point next ball.

Damien Martyn prevented the hat-trick and was unbeaten on 19 when play was called off eight overs early due to bad light.

Warne, who took 11 wickets in the first Test played in Sri Lanka to lead Australia's 41-run win, once again tormented his rivals with three wickets in 10 balls before lunch.

The blond spinner now has 465 Test wickets, second only behind world record holder Courtney Walsh of the West Indies, who retired last season with a haul of 519.

Pakistan, electing to bat after winning the toss, stuttered to 50-9 by lunch before falling short of their previous lowest of 62, also against Australia on a fiery wicket in Perth in 1981.

Adding to Pakistan's woes was a hamstring injury to wicketkeeper Rashid Latif while batting, forcing Taufiq Umar to don the gloves in the field.

The Australians made light of stifling heat and humidity - the players' shirts were dripping with sweat even before the first over had been completed - to rip through

Pakistan's batting.

Warne prospered after pace bowlers Glenn McGrath, Brett Lee and Andy Bichel removed the top-order in a dramatic first session which was extended by 30 minutes to accommodate the hour-long lunch break for Friday prayers in this Islamic emirate.

McGrath, bowling with nine men close to the bat, worked up a tidy pace even on the slow pitch and was rewarded with the wicket of Imran Nazir with his sixth delivery, caught at first slip by Warne.

At the other end, Lee struck with his second delivery when he forced left-handed Umar to edge an inswinger on to his stumps to make Pakistan 2-1.

McGrath then removed vice-captain Yousif Khan in his fourth

over as Bichel took a low catch at fourth slip.

Younis, who hit half-centuries in both innings of the first Test, made only five.

Bichel, replacing the injured Jason Gillespie for the Test, found quick success when he came on to bowl first change. He had Misbah-ul Haq caught at second slip by Mark Waugh to reduce Pakistan to 23-4.

Faisal Iqbal, Pakistan's man of the moment at Colombo, plodded for 43 minutes to make four when he was deceived by a straight ball from Warne and trapped plumb in front.

Warne struck again in his next over as Abdul Razzaq slashed at a short-pitched ball only to give a catch to Martyn in the covers.

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PHOTO: AFP

Australia opener Matthew Hayden is ready to sweep one on the first day of the second Test against Pakistan at Sharjah yesterday.

Infamous distinctions

INTERNET, undated

Pakistan's miserable score of 59 in Sharjah is the 16th lowest Test score of all time.

More pertinently, it is the sixth lowest since 1958, which is about the time when cricket entered its modern era.

And it is the only score of the six recorded in the first innings of a match. But Pakistan's poor performance, their lowest ever score in Test cricket to date, is in part mitigated by the fact that they have a very inexperienced top order.

Australia, meanwhile, have one of the finest bowling attacks to have ever graced the game, and that is despite missing Jason Gillespie with injury for this match.

The current Test is only the third to be staged at Sharjah -- the previous lowest score being 171 recorded by the West Indies in February this year.

Following is the list of 20 lowest totals in Test cricket:

Runs	Countries	Venue	Season
26	New Zealand v England	Auckland	1954-55
30	South Africa v England	Port Elizabeth	1895-96
30	South Africa v England	Birmingham	1924
35	South Africa v England	Cape Town	1898-99
36	Australia v England	Birmingham	1902
36	South Africa v Australia	Melbourne	1931-32
42	Australia v England	Sydney	1887-88
42	New Zealand v Australia	Wellington	1945-46
42	India v England	Lord's	1974
43	South Africa v England	Cape Town	1888-89
44	Australia v England	The Oval	1896
45	England v Australia	Sydney	1886-87
45	South Africa v Australia	Melbourne	1931-32
46	England v West Indies	Port of Spain	1993-94
47	South Africa v England	Cape Town	1888-89
47	New Zealand v England	Lord's	1958
51	West Indies v Australia	Port of Spain	1998-99
52	England v Australia	The Oval	1948
53	England v Australia	Lord's	1888

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U-15s crush CAB colts

SPORTS REPORTER

Opener Mazharuddin slammed a superb century to propel the Bangladesh Cricket Board's Under-15 team to a convincing 71-run win over their Cricket Association of Bengal counterparts at the BKSP ground yesterday.

Mazhar smashed 120 off 126 balls with nine fours and four sixes as the home side piled up 254 for six in the stipulated 45 overs after electing to bat.

Middle-order batsman Ahad made a 51-ball 54 that included eight boundaries.

In reply, the tourists were restricted to 183 for nine in 45 overs with opener Banarjee hammering highest 34.

Shuvo took four wickets for the winners conceding 24 runs in nine overs.

DC Cup soccer

UNB, Dhaka

Gazaria Upazila moved into the final of the Munshiganj DC Cup Football Tournament beating Tangbari Upazila by a solitary goal at the local stadium yesterday.

They will take on Sadar Upazila in the final.

Rising Sun's moment



AFP, Busan

Japan will come full circle here on Sunday when they make the transformation from national laughing stock to history makers as they face Iran in their first Asian Games football final.

When they left home, Masakuni Yamamoto's young side was written off as a team with no plan, no stars and no hope - criticisms sparked by a crushing 7-0 defeat at the hands of J-League side Jubilo Iwata and a 1-0 loss to their Chinese counterparts.

Three weeks later, the campaign that was meant to be testing ground for a challenge on the Olympic Games gold medal in 2004 has been transformed into an opportunity to join their Asian Cup winning colleagues as the region's football rulers.

"When we lost 7-0 to Jubilo, we took a lot of criticism but we tried not to worry about what people were

saying," said Yamamoto whose side reached the final here with an impressive 3-0 win over Thailand.

"It was a bad defeat, but we just had to start from scratch again. The players have responded well and now we have made history by making the final for the first time."

Japan have fielded a squad of under-21 players unlike the rest of the teams taking part here who have stuck to the under-23 guidelines, spiced up with the odd over-age heavyweight to add a touch of know-how.

They may find they could do with a little bit of old-fashioned expertise when they come up against Iran who are the defending champions and three-times winners and who booked their place in the final courtesy of a penalty shoot-out win over South Korea.

"The players are very relaxed as it has always been our intention to build a team for the Olympics," explained Yamamoto.

"Although we defended well against the Thais and didn't panic, we will still look at the match and see which areas need to improve

because Iran are a very big, powerful side.

"They have a lot more experience than us so it will be a very difficult match but we must remember that just getting this far is a tremendous achievement."

Before these Games, Japan's best performance had been two semi-final spots, the most recent in 1970.

At the last Asian Games in Bangkok in 1998, Japan employed the same under-21 policy and bowed out in the second round, but the tournament launched the likes of Shinji Ino and Junichi Inamoto onto a path that has since taken them to lucrative careers with Feyenoord and Fulham respectively.

Defeated Thailand coach Peter Withe said that Japan's domestic system and set-up could prove decisive in Sunday's final.

"They have such fantastic resources and the J-League is very strong so, on paper, they could win quite comfortably," said the Englishman.