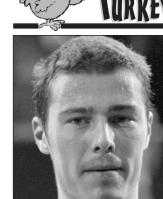
DHAKA WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 6, 2002, E-MAIL: dssports@gononet.com

Sir Jack Hobbs of England proved that age is no bar in cricket when it comes to scoring hundreds in the five-day version of the game. He was 46 years and 82 days old when he scored 142 against Australia on March 8 in 1929 at Melbourne.



Betis vs Malaga Repeat at 10:30 am Tottenham Hotspur vs Chelsea Taped Version at 12:30 pm Sportsline Tonight Sport News Live at 8:00 pm India vs West Indies First ODI, Highlights Same Day Delay at 8:30 pm



Marat Safin

(Russian tennis star) Il didn't win a tournament in 13 months so it's wonderful to have won again." After winning the Paris Masters

Series title.



Tick the correct answers, post to The Haily Star

Win attractive prizes Competition closes at 8 pm

shortly afterwards

1. Who became man-of-match in the first Test between Bangladesh and South Africa? Al-Shahriar | G. Smith | J. Kallis

2. Who won the Swisscom Challenge tennis title? Davenport Schnyder Serena

3. Bangladesh lost the first Test against South Africaion the 3rd day 4th day 5th day 4. India won the second Test against West Indies by

120 runs 8 wkts 5 wkts

How many goals did Bangladesh concede in AFC U-20 meet in

Class..... Roll No.....



Challenge trophy Cricket Tour-Bangladesh National Team v A Team (Day three)

Venue: Dhanmondi Cricket

Stadium



Bangladesh A team's Ehsanul Haque, who scored a century, sets off for a run after working the ball on the off-side on the second day of their Challenge Trophy fixture against the national side at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium yesterday.

Ehsanul rules Day Two

Cricket

SPORTS REPORTER

Ehsanul Haque hogged the headlines on the second day of the fourday Challenge Trophy 2002 match between the national team and the Bangladesh A team at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium yester-

The unsung right-hander struck 102 not out as the second string national side recuperated from a disappointing start to finish the day on 231-6 in reply to the national team's first innings score of 328. Earlier, starting the day on 286 for seven, the national team added 42 runs before being all out.

Opening the innings with Mehrab Hossain, Ehsanul held the innings together after his side collapsed to

Ehsan stole the limelight on a day in which focus was firmly fixed on three veteran campaigners and former national captains Aminul Islam, Akram Khan and Minhazul Abedin

For the trio, desperately seeking to earn spot in the Test squad for the home series against West Indies

champs

and distributed prizes.

final today

tive semifinals yesterday.

BSS, Dhaka

Delta Life h'ball

Viquarunnesa Noon School and

College and Mirpur Girls' Ideal

Laboratory Institute moved into the

final of the Delta Life Handball

Championship winning their respec-

Siddheshwari Girls College 19-4 in

the first semifinal at handball

Viquarunnesa overwhelmed

Liza was the best scorer for the

winners with six goals ahead of Ria

who netted five while Diana added

Mirpur Girls' Institute blanked

Home Economics College 7-0 in the

second semifinal after dominating

pm after the third place deciding

match which kicks off at 2 pm.

at the final as the chief guest.

The final will be held today at 3

Jute Minister Hafiz Uddin

Ahmed, Bir Bikram, will be present

the first session 5-0.

UNB, Dhaka

Akram Khan had success scor-

later this month, it was a mixed day.

ing a solid 53 off 93 balls that included ten boundariesall played over the in field. Akram started nervously but got into his stride against the spinners before he was spectacularly caught by makeshift wicketkeeper Hannan Sarkar down the leg side.

The burly right-hander from Chittagong added a vital 121 runs for the fifth wicket with Ehsanul after misfortune had hit the top-order.

Out of favour opener Mehrab Hossain dragged the ball on to his stumps after scoring four and Mohammed Ashraful, fresh from a five-wicket haul on the opening day, was run out for 13. But Aminul Islam's was the most

unfortunate dismissal of the day when he helplessly watched his green cap drop from his head and dislodge the bails as he went on the back foot to negotiate a delivery from Khaled Mahmud.

Aminul, who scored only nine, later said that the bizarre dismissal happened for the first time in his

Minhazul, dreaming of a first Test cap defying the age barrier, did his prospects no good by flashing Mahmud straight to Alok Kapali at

backward point after making just five. Mahmud was the most successful national team bowler with three for 23 from his ten overs of gentle pace.

For the crowd though, it was heartening to see two young cricketers dictating terms ahead of more seasoned teammates on successive days. Ehsanul's polished hundred

came hot on the heels of Hannan Sarker's enterprising 83 on the opening day. The young opener received a hearty ovation when he completed his ton by guiding the ball for a couple between slip and gully.

He struck 14 boundaries a six in his 208-ball undefeated vigil at the crease. The Bangladesh A team will be looking to wipe out the 97-run deficit as quickly as possible when Ehsanul resumes the innings with wicketkeeper Anwar. The two had added 43 runs for the unbroken seventh wicket by close.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard on the second day of the four-day Challenge Trophy match between Bangladesh national team and the A team at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium yester-

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BDR, Ansars Pak batters show form **JICA Cup** Cricket

AFP, Harare

Pakistan batsmen Taufeeg Umar Bangladesh Rifles clinched the and Younis Khan scored 86 and 84 men's title while Bangladesh Ansars runs respectively in the opening won the women's crown in the JICA three-day match of their tour of Cup Judo competition that con-Zimbabwe against the national 'A' cluded at the National Sports side here, the tourists closing out Council gymnasium yesterday. the first day Monday on 352 for five.

Bangladesh Army and Marshall But Taufeeq and Younis did not Art Star Academy of Noakhali have the day to themselves, the finished runners-up in the men's and towering presence of Inzamamul Haq made sure of that. He smashed women's group respectively. 63 in 62 balls, including two sixes, A total of 175 judokas including one on to the golf course and the 52 women from 18 teams took part other into a nearby car park. in the 20-weight category meet.

Saleem Elahi, who struck 49 and State Minister for Youth and with Taufeeq he formed a 127-run Sports M Fazlur Rahman was opening partnership, was among present as the chief guest in the

the other run gatherers. closing function of the two-day meet Younis also helped himself to two sixes as well as eight other bound-President of Bangladesh Judo aries in a polished innings before Federation Major General Manzurul being well caught near the boundary by Mluleki Nkala off Campbell Alam and Japanese Ambassador to Macmillan in the first over with the Bangladesh Jiro Kobayashi were

Cricket

AFP, Auckland

due to begin a tour.

impasse

The 20-year-old Younis' innings

New Zealand cricket was Tuesday in

turmoil as the country's players

looked set to go on strike just one

month before the Indian team was

The Cricket Players Association

(CPA) earlier Tuesday rejected a

final pay offer while their employers

New Zealand Cricket (NZC)

cancelled any further talks and said

the two sides had reached an

Despite events in New Zealand

"There is still a month to go, but

"We would obviously like to play

Although the dispute is a compli-

cated one over how to divide up

revenues from first class cricket, it

Indian cricket board secretary

Karunakaran Nair said in New Delhi

as far as we are concerned, the tour

that the tour was still on.

against the best team."

is on." he told AFP.

NZ find no way out

particularly pleased the Pakistan management because he is only recently out of age group cricket and his 12 boundaries were all beautifully timed and placed.

These two put on 111 runs for the

third wicket. All four of Pakistan's top-order batsmen played free flowing shots with little regard for defence and they are clearly in good form.

Only Yousuf Youhana missed out on the runs feast.

He needed the batting practice most of all, having been out with injuries for several months. But he suffered a freak dismissal when Younis drove Blessing Mahwire, who stuck out a foot and the ball hit the stumps with Youhana well out of

The local side includes several young players and a sprinkling who have Test experience. They all tried manfully throughout a hard day to contain Pakistan. But they might have to suffer more punishment on Day Two with the tourists appearing to be going for batting practice ahead of victory.

was apparent there is a personality

clash between NZC's chief execu-

tive Martin Snedden and CPA's Rob

CPA is demanding a player pay

MARTIN SNEDDEN

ments pool of 7.2 million NZ dollars

(3.4 million US) while management

NZC are offering 4.7 million dollars

for the upcoming season.

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3:30 pm at the same venue today.

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Platinum Jubilee Jute Mills Club defeated Town Club 2-1 in the Meghna Cement Senior Division Football League at the local stadium yesterday.

Sporting Club beat Winners Club

Todav's matches: Khulna Abahani Krira Chakra vs Digholia YMA Club 1:15 pm and Brothers Union vs UIKA Club 2:45 pm.

JU cricket

Government and Politics moved into the quarterfinals of the intera 56-run win over Economics yes-

Winning the toss, Government and Politics batted first and made 146 runs for two wickets in the stipulated 25 overs. Shanto scored highest 59 runs while Mishu and Kabir made 35 and 20 runs respec-

Taimur and Galib claimed one wicket each for 34 and 30 runs respectively In reply, Economics were all out

for 90 in the 24.5 overs. Rana and Shaibal were their highest contributor with 17 runs each. Shajal and Shanto grabbed three

wickets each for 15 and 18 runs

Salary days over

Cricket

SPORTS REPORTER

afternoon.

SPORTS REPORTER

Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) is going to set up a pace bowling academy to groom and nurture the pace prospects of the country.

academy

Imran to head

This was revealed by BCB advisor Mahbubul Anam after the meeting of the Advisory Council yester-

"It's going to start soon under the supervision of national coach Sarwar Imran. The academy will also help pacemen maintain their fitness," said Anam.

He added that. Imran. who is currently in charge of the Ateam, will be constantly in touch with India's MRF Pace Foundation. He would be making regular visits to the reputed institution to stay abreast of the latest developments in pace bowl-

Anam added that the academy would initially function in collaboration with the Bangladesh Krira Shikkha Protisthan (BKSP).

Chess Olympiad Mixed day for **Bangladesh**

SPORTS REPORTER

It was a mixed day for Bangladesh players at the 35th Chess Olympiad on Monday as the men's team prevailed over Costa Rica by 3.5-.5 points while the women's lost 1-2 to a strong Israeli side in the Slovenian city of Beld.

In the men's games of the ninth round, Grand Master Ziaur Rahman, who has a rating of 2523, beat International Master Leonardo Valdes, rated 2426. IM Reefat-bin-Sattar, rated 2448, defeated IM Pineda Sergio Minero, 2396, while IM Enamul Hossain, 2396, took control of IM Alejandro Ramirez. 2421. However, the unfortunate of the lot was Sheikh Nasir Ahmed. 2306. who drew with Francis Maynard, 2276.

On the women's side, WIM Rani Hamid, 2148, got Bangladesh in early trouble when she lost to WGM Masha Klinova, rated 2374. But Syeda Shabana Parveen, 2124. and Zakia Sultana, who is yet to get a ranking, put up some brave fight against their more illustrious opponents Angela Borsuk and Tatiana Zatulovskaya, both WGMs, respectively and held them to draws.

Bangladesh men's team is now holding the 35th position in the 141team field with 20.5 points while the women are in the 45th position with 14 points. Russia are the solo leaders in the points table in men's section with 25.5 points. Georgia are the women's leaders with 22

Rating chess

SPORTS REPORTER

FIDE Master Taibur Rahman Sumon and Shawkat Hossain Pallab of Ansars were jointly leading the points table of the Open FIDE Rating chess tournament with maximum points at the end of the fifth round

room of Bangladesh Chess Federation, Taibur beat Kazi Rashed Dinayet while Pallab beat Uten. The sixth round commences at

In the round held at the chess

Khulna soccer

In other match, Mohammedan

OUR CORRESPONDENT

department cricket championship of Jahangirnagar University (JU) with

Tuesday. "When you have no fear of losing

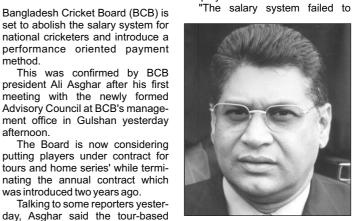
easy game. "But the moment you put losing

into the equation it becomes a whole different ball game, so that's what we have to do to Australia in every Test

but that doesn't mean I'm not going to

against the West Indies," said The BCB boss also hinted at the

possibility of incentive bonuses for



ALI ASGHAR

motivate cricketers to give their hundred percent for the country as they were . ensured of getting well paid irrespective of how they performed. But I am only interested in

rewarding those who contributes

wholeheartedly," said Asghar. When asked how the national players under the BCB pay roll

would be compensated for the months of September and October as their annual contract expired in August this year, Ashgar said that they will receive their salary as per the previous contract as the new system is still being formulated.

Asghar also spoke of appointing a media manager and some other professionals. According to a source close to the BCB, Asghar was planning on recruiting a chief executive officer.

Ten out of eleven advisors were present in the meeting. Only Mahmud Jamal, the latest inclusion in the Advisory Council, was absent.

The meeting mainly focused on the forthcoming tour of the West Indies which starts on November 29. Carl Hooper's men will arrive in Dhaka on November 25 from India to play two Tests and three one day internationals.

Discussion was also held on domestic cricket.

Time for ODI battle

Cricket

was introduced two years ago.

the players to perform better.

contract was more likely to inspire

Pakistan and Sri Lanka follow this

system and we are also trying to put

it into effect before the home series

"Established powers like India,

AFP. Jamshedpur

India hope the absence of Sachin Tendulkar will not matter as they strive to build on their recent oneday success during a seven-match series against the West Indies from Wednesday.

The master batsman, whose 11,544 runs and 33 centuries are unmatched in limited-overs cricket was rested from the series after he suffered a hamstring strain during his match-saving century in the Calcutta Test last week

India have not lost a one-day series in the last 12 months and hope to continue that form leading up to the World Cup in southern Africa in February-March next year.

In-form seamer Zaheer Khan has also been sidelined with a knee

West Indies ahead of next month's tour of New Zealand "Injuries happen when we are playing so much, its better to accept that and get on with what we have, captain Saurav Ganguly said after

practice at the Keenan Stadium

their reserve strength against the

here on Tuesday. India, who will once again rely on the dashing Virender Sehwag at the top of the order, have batsmen of the calibre of Rahul Dravid, Ganguly injury, leaving the Indians to test and Venkatsai Laxman to unsettle the West Indian bowlers.

> Young guns Yuvraj Singh and Mohammad Kaif will be making their first home appearance since leading India to a remarkable victory over England in the NatWest oneday final at Lord's in June.

All-rounder Ajit Agarkar may be pitchforked in the role of a pinchhitter, Ganguly indicated, leaving Tendulkar's replacement Dinesh Mongia to carry the drinks.

The West Indies, meanwhile, have put aside the 2-0 defeat in the Test series to go into the one-dayers with confidence after giving India a scare in the drawn final Test at Calcutta.

Carl Hooper's men had India pinned to the ropes for the first three days of the match before centuries by Tendulkar and Laxman helped the hosts wriggle out of an embar-

"I am delighted at the way we played in Calcutta and hope we can continue the good work in the onedayers," said Hooper, whose side is without star batsman Brian Lara.

Chanderpaul, Wavell Hinds and Marlon Samuels in the Calcutta Test bodes well for the West Indies, who have been bolstered by the return of one-day specialists Ricardo Powell, Vasbert Drakes and Corey Colly-

The remaining one-dayers will be played in Nagpur (November 9), Rajkot (November 12), Ahmedabad (November 15), Baroda (November 18), Jodhpur (November 21) and

Vijayawada (November 24). **TEAMS**

the opposition.

pressure situations.

time to get used to it."

PHOTO: AFP

INDIA (from): Saurav Ganguly (captain), Virender Sehwag, Dinesh SEE PAGE 15 COL 5

things but what wins cricket games is

basic cricket and putting pressure on

don't believe our failings are down to

a mental thing. It's down to basic

at such a level that it pays off in those

an intensity that you have to do all the

"I've played against Australia and I

"I believe they practise their skills

"That's what we have to learn. It's

Hussain was trying to put a posi-

The likely Test-strength bowling

tive spin on things before the Test

despite a series of injuries and indif-

attack was carted for 582 by

Queensland, who were without Test

opener Matthew Hayden and to

compound that they lost pace spear-

head Darren Gough for the early

Tests to a recurring chronic knee

Adelaide, Hussain said the fitness of

With Gough rehabilitating in

ferent form over the last few weeks.

Nasser's pressure theory

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Cricket

Skipper Nasser Hussain wants to put the world champions Australia under the cosh for a change and see how they handle playing under pressure. That might be easier than it

sounds with Hussain's men trying to

reclaim cricket's Ashes for the first time in 16 years. The five-match series gets underway here on Thursday at the Gabba and Hussain, charged with plotting the downfall of Steve Waugh's champion team, wants his players to play,

what he terms, basic cricket. "You play differently when you're under pressure, whatever side you are, and too often now Australia have dictated terms by putting pressure on the opposition," Hussain said in his pre-match press conference here on

a game and you can show all your skills and the crowd can get behind you, it's a very easy life and a very

"It's much easier said than done

India captain Saurav Ganguly (L) discusses something with coach John

Wright during a practice session at Jamshedpur yesterday. India face West

Indies in the first one-day international at this venue today.

say it.
"The other option is to say we'll turn up here and play exactly the same cricket we've been playing against Australia and go home 4-1

Based on leadup form, England have not shown enough to suggest that they will stretch Australia, who



NASSER HUSSAIN have not lost a home series at home

since going down 2-1 to the West Indies nine years ago. But Hussain believes his team

basic cricket." Hussain said.

can upset the odds with a back-tobasics campaign. "The difference this time will be

"Everyone will write about mental strength and all these other vague

problem

Lancashire all-rounder Andrew Flintoff was the most pressing issue Flintoff looked stiff in bowling 26

overs against Queensland last weekend, going for 2-112, but tour from double hernia surgery.

selectors want to ensure he is ready for the Test after his slow recovery



