

Kallis kills Pakistan off



AFP, Cape Town

Jacques Kallis wrecked Pakistan's hopes of a consolation victory by taking five wickets as South Africa won the fifth and final one-day international by 34 runs at Newlands on Wednesday.

Kallis ended a century stand between Inzamamul Haq and Younis Khan, which had put Pakistan in a strong position, then cleaned up the tail as South Africa won the five-match series 4-1.

Inzamam (63) and Younis (72) took Pakistan to within striking distance of a target of 266 and were scoring freely when Inzamam was fifth man out with the total on 189 in the 40th over. The pair put on 108 off 123 balls.

Inzamam pulled a short ball from Kallis to man-of-the-series, South African captain Shaun Pollock, who held a sharp catch at mid-wicket. Kallis followed up by having Abdul Razzaq caught behind.

Pakistan's hopes plummeted when Younis was run out and Kallis struck twice more as Pakistan lost their last six wickets for 42 runs. Kallis had figures of five for 41.

South Africa's total was set up by a 134-run partnership between Boeta Dippenaar and Jonty Rhodes after the home side recovered from a poor start. With Mark Boucher contributing a quickfire 34 off 16 balls, South Africa made 265 for eight after they had been struggling at 61 for three.

Dippenaar hit a career-best 93 before he was caught in the deep in the penultimate over, while Rhodes made 81.

Pakistan were hit by the withdrawal of fast bowler Shoaib Akhtar because of an injured right knee. The Pakistan Cricket Board announced that Akhtar would return home, missing the two Test matches that will follow the one-day games, in an effort to ensure he is fit for the World Cup in February.

Pakistan captain Waqar Younis bowled superbly, taking four for 41. He plunged South Africa into early trouble by dismissing both openers, Herschelle Gibbs was caught at second slip for nought and Gary Kirsten bowled for 12 by a ball which swung into the left-hander.

Kallis skied a catch off Saqlain Mushtaq as South Africa struggled to get their innings on track after winning the toss and batting on a good pitch.

But Dippenaar and Rhodes batted solidly as they added 134 off 163 balls. Dippenaar made his runs off 126 balls and hit seven fours, while Rhodes faced 95 deliveries and hit eight boundaries.

Boucher slammed four sixes in his brief innings, two in an over from leg-spinner Shahid Afridi and two more in the next over from off-spinner Saqlain.

Pakistan made a disastrous start with Saleem Elahi and Faisal Iqbal out without scoring in the first two overs but Yousuf Youhana made an impressive 46 before Inzamam and Younis came together. Inzamam scored his 63 off 80 balls with four fours and Younis hit 72 off 81 balls with eight fours.

SCOREBOARD Scoreboard of the fifth and final one-day international between Pakistan and South Africa at Newlands on Wednesday: SOUTH AFRICA Gibbs c Younis b Waqar 0

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Result: South Africa won by 34 runs and take series 4-1. Man-of-the-match: Jonty Rhodes. Man-of-the-series: Shaun Pollock.

Wasim in hot 'liquor'



AFP, Lahore

A civil court has summoned Pakistani cricket star and ex-captain Wasim Akram for contravening Islamic law by modelling in a liquor advertisement, court officials said Thursday.

Waugh

FROM PAGE 13 the event, the team may, with the prior written approval of the event technical committee, replace such a player with another.

"This procedure applies whether or not the injury existed before December 31, 2002."

However whether the word "another" means simply another player or one of a similar type to the injured cricketer could yet be the subject of legal argument.

"It seems a bit strange. I don't understand the whole process," Waugh said earlier Wednesday. "Basically, it's all about printing up the match fixtures and profile books. I think that's crazy."

Meanwhile India have already flouted World Cup rules by only naming their 30-man provisional squad Wednesday, way in excess of the ICC deadline of November 30. But their decision seems set to go unpunished.

What's Aussie

FROM PAGE 13 They lost to Australia A by 102 runs in a warm-up workout before going down to England Tuesday by 43 runs.

The Sri Lankan attack was belted for 312 and 292 runs respectively in the Brisbane games.

"We miss Murilitharan in the middle part of an innings, from the 20th to the 35th over, because he always comes in with his 10 overs," Jayasuriya said.

"This is a crucial time and we are missing that part. He is the sort of bowler who can send down his 10 overs for 30 or so runs most of the time," Jayasuriya said.

SL in quest of 'short' answer

AFP, Perth

Sri Lanka's batsmen are preparing to deal with a barrage of bounce from England and Australia's bowlers this weekend, skipper Sanath Jayasuriya admitted Thursday.

The Sri Lankans will come up against England Friday and Australia Sunday in day-night matches on the liveliest surface in the country at the WACA.

After being beaten by England by 43 runs in their opening game in the competition in Brisbane, Sri Lanka need maximum points from at least one of the weekend outings to remain in contention for a place in next month's best-of-three finals.

Jayasuriya said he expected opposition attacks to continue to focus on pace.

Biman soaring



SPORTS REPORTER

Bangladesh Biman remained unstoppable in the First Division Chess League as they scored their eighth successive victory yesterday.

The national flag-carrier thrashed Somali Bank 4-0 to collect 31.5 points.

GM Ziaur Rahman beat Kamber Ali, IM Reefat-Bin-Sattar beat Arifuzzaman Shikder, IM Abdullah-Al-Rakib beat Shafiq Ahmed and IM Enamul Hossain beat Debaraj Chatterjee.

However nearest rivals Titas Club suffered their first loss of the meet when they went down 3.5-0.5 to Kamalpur Samaj Kalyan and Krira Sangha in the eighth round.

Barring Grand Master Niaz Murshed, who managed a draw, against Ejaz Hussain, the title contenders saw Saifuddin Lavlu, Khandakar Kayes Hasan and Mehdi Hasan Porag all lose their boards.

Burki nabbed

AFP, Islamabad

Pakistan's former cricket captain and senior bureaucrat Javed Burki has been arrested by a military-led anti-corruption force, officials said on Thursday.

Burki, 64, who played 25 test matches for Pakistan in the 1960s and 70s and was captain in five of them, was picked up by the National Accountability Bureau late Wednesday from his residence in the capital Islamabad, they said.

"Burki has been arrested on corruption-related charges," bureau spokesman Mohammad Ali told AFP.

Burki was head of the Pakistan Automobile Corporation until 1998, but Ali declined to confirm whether the corruption charges were related to his tenure in the state-run organisation.

Anwar not going to SA

INTERNET, Karachi

The Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) has turned down a request for opening batsman Saeed Anwar to join the squad on tour in South Africa.

Team management wanted the left-hander as an extra batting option for the two Test matches, the first of which starts in Durban on December 26.

But chief selector Wasim Bari said it was likely Saeed would be part of the squad for the World Cup, which also takes place in South Africa next February.

"Instead of taking the risk of sending Saeed now, we have decided that since he is a near certainty for the World Cup, he plays on the domestic circuit to regain the required form, fitness and confidence," Bari explained.

Inter-MSC football in January

SPORTS REPORTER

An inter-Mohammedan football tournament will be held from January 31 under the auspices of Mohammedan Sporting Club of Dhaka in order to foster better relations with their affiliated clubs.

The last date of entry is January 4.

Emirates joins World Youth soccer

PRESS RELEASE

Emirates, the Dubai-based international airline, signed an agreement with the UAE Football Association to become an event partner for the FIFA World Youth Championship, which will be held in the UAE from March 25-April 16, 2003.

Emirates will enjoy sponsorship benefits at the tournament, the world's premier youth event. It will be featured on all publicity material including perimeter boards in six stadiums throughout the UAE, and a ticketing and hospitality facility for all matches.

A total of 15 countries have qualified for the finals, six from Europe; Spain, Germany, England, Slovakia, Czech Republic and Ireland. Five from Asia; Korea, Japan, Saudi Arabia, Uzbekistan and hosts UAE. Four from North America; United States, Canada, Mexico and Panama. The other nine countries will qualify from South America, Africa (four from each continent) and one from Oceania.

Pete to play on



REUTERS, London

U.S. Open champion Pete Sampras is to continue playing on the ATP tour for at least one more season but will skip January's Australian Open.

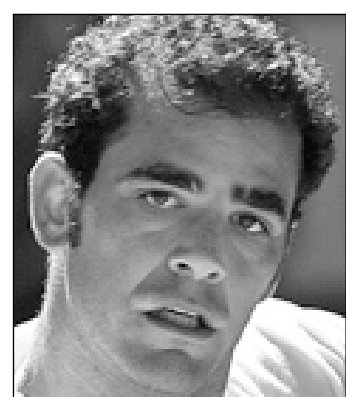
Sampras, 31, ended a two-year barren run in September in New York by winning the U.S. Open for his 14th grand slam title -- more than any other player in men's tennis history.

Following his success in New York he withdrew from the remaining ATP tournaments of the year, fuelling rumours that he was set to retire.

"I'll start in February in San Jose," he told the Los Angeles Times website. "And then go right from there to tournaments in Scottsdale, Indian Wells and Miami."

"I understand that, week in and week out, I don't have what I had when I was number one in the world.

"To do that, to stay there, it has to be your total life, you have to live and breathe it. But that doesn't



PETE SAMPRAS

mean I can't still win the big ones. That's why I play."

Sampras claimed the U.S. title with an emotional victory over Andre Agassi and silenced his critics who said he should have retired.

Prior to the Flushing Meadow

victory, Sampras had not won a tournament since taking the title at Wimbledon in 2000. In 2001 he slumped out of Wimbledon, where he had won a record seven times, in the second round.

"The last couple of years were tough," he said. "It took a lot out of me, emotionally, to not play well and to have to talk about it all the time.

"Of all the majors, that was the sweetest," he said of the U.S. Open triumph. "It was just hard to stop that. There were many moments when I seriously talked about stopping."

"Once I won, I felt like I had wiped out two years of criticism in two weeks of tennis."

Sampras' wife Bridgette gave birth to their first child last month.

The report on the Los Angeles Times website said he would miss the Australian Open due to a lack of preparation time but intended to play the French Open, Wimbledon and defend his title at Flushing Meadow.

Cashing in on Cronje!



INTERNET, Bloemfontein

The family of former South African cricket captain Hansie Cronje, who died in a plane crash in June this year, are horrified and devastated that people are making money from his death.

Leon Dorling, a businessman, and Dr Johan van Zyl, a marketing consultant, are exhibiting the wreckage of the plane in which Cronje died when it crashed in the Outeniqua Mountains outside George.

And, Frik Knoetze, the Middelburg undertaker who provided the aluminium coffin used at Hansie's memorial service at Grey College in Bloemfontein, has indicated that he wants to donate the coffin to the exhibition.

Knoetze said the exhibitors were "very interested" and he thought it would be appropriate if the coffin was preserved "in Hansie's memory".

However, Hansie's father, Ewige Cronje, said on Wednesday the family would "under no circumstances" give permission for the

coffin to form part of the exhibition. He reacted with shock and sadness to the news that Dorling was "callously" cashing in on his son's death.

He said it was absolutely shocking that such a tragedy could be

used to make money. The Cronje family was very disappointed that there were people who actually went to look at the exhibition.

Cronje said the family was dismayed to hear from friends in Mossel Bay that the exhibition had opened after he had explicitly told

Dorling and Van Zyl the family was opposed to the project and did not want it to go ahead.

Even Hansie's funeral programme was on display, said Cronje.

Apparently about 200 people had visited the exhibition of the wreckage in a warehouse in Mossel Bay.

The exhibitors apparently also are selling a CD with snippets of Hansie's career on it, and are taking orders for videos on the highlights of Hansie's cricket career. Another video shows how the wreckage was salvaged from the mountains.

Cronje denied the family had given permission for the use of any material on Hansie's life and career.

"Most of the things written about Hansie in these past months have been untrue," said Cronje.

"Nobody would like this to be done to a loved one. What about the two pilots who died in the crash? How must their families feel?" he said.

Knoetze said he initially thought Hansie's parents might have use for the coffin. He would "definitely" not donate the coffin before speaking to the Cronje's and was planning to phone Cronje in this regard.

Reuters picks

FROM PAGE 13

Williams won eight titles in 2002 and ended the year 940 points ahead of Venus, her nearest rival.

"She's been living in the shadow of the big sister for so long and emerged this year as number one in the world," said Malachy Logan at The Irish Times.

Britain's Radcliffe shattered the world marathon record in Chicago in October and smashed the European record in the final of the 10,000 metres at the European championships in August.

She also won the London marathon and took the Commonwealth 5,000 metre title.

"Nobody's perfect? Yes she is!" said Philippe Vande Weyer at Le Soir in Brussels.

Radcliffe was also chosen as woman's athlete of the year by the International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF).

Roger Crutchley at The Bangkok Post in Thailand voted for Sorenstam, who racked up 13 titles

in 2002 to complete one of the most successful seasons in golfing history.

Croatian skier Janica Kostelic gained 19 points in the poll, while US sprinter Marion Jones came fifth with 11 points.

Austrian skier Michaela Dorfmeister also won plaudits, along with Turkish middle distance runner Sureyya Ayhan.

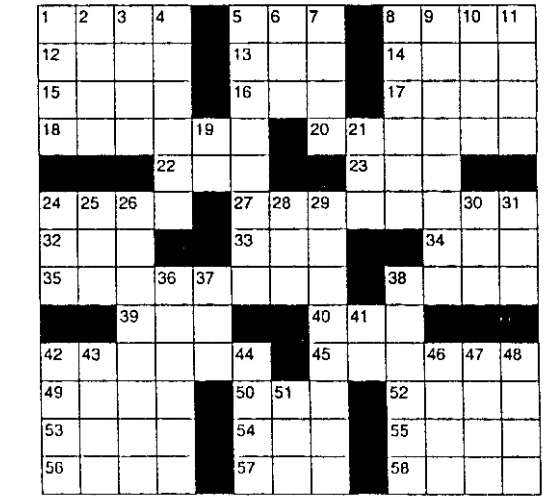
Andre Fontenelle, a contributing editor at Placar in Brazil, nominated Briton Ellen MacArthur as top sportswoman of the year.

MacArthur, who finished second in the Vendee Globe yacht -- handed round -- the world single race in February 2001, won the monohull class of the Route du Rhum transatlantic single-handed race in November.

"MacArthur's win of the Route du Rhum puts the young female skipper alongside the great names of transatlantic sailing," Fontenelle said.

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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CRYPTOQUIP

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Yesterday's Cryptogram: I DON'T BELIEVE I COULD EVER SCOFF AT NUDISTS. AFTER ALL, THEY WERE BORN THAT WAY.

Today's Cryptogram Clue: P equals H

The Cryptogram is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

A professional in every sense

FROM PAGE 13 toured South Africa it was not a pleasant experience both on and off the pitch. How would you think you've prepared the team for the World Cup?

RH: The number of one-day games we have played were all part of the preparations and build-up for the World Cup. However, when we leave Bangladesh we will have a camp prior to going off to South Africa for the World Cup where we will only be focusing on that competition and fine tuning everything. That's our final preparation.

DSS: Name three young West Indian players who will perform during the tournament?

RH: I don't think it would be fair of me to name three players because I really expect all the players selected for the competition will make huge contributions to the team's success. And, I think they are all capable of making contributions. As a team we expect everyone to be capable, able and willing to contribute to the team's success.

DSS: Most countries are adopting the Australian approach to develop their cricket. Explain whether the West Indies is following same model.

RH: We are trying to implement a cricket development plan as we have on paper but it's not been a smooth implementation as we would have liked it to be. But I think

we are working towards it. DSS: The game has changed a lot since your days. What qualities are you trying to place in the present squad?

RH: I don't know how the game has changed a lot since my days. I think players are still trying bowl fast, take wickets and try to big scores. I don't think the game has changed much at all except that from a fielding perspective you see a lot more sliding and diving which has been added to the game due to the amount of one-day cricket being played and so they need to save as many runs as possible. That's the main difference.

However, I still think of the qualities of patience, persistence, determination and if you are going to apply those qualities you have to be dedicated. Those are the same qualities which the great players and teams exhibited in the past and players today must have.

DSS: How has captain Carl Hooper helped to mould the players?

RH: I think Carl by his manner, by his style of leadership is a very calm, cool customer. And that I think to an extent has rubbed off on the players. He has been able to share his tremendous experience with the players.

DSS: You were regarded as a brilliant fieldsmen but what do you regret not achieving as a player?

RH: (Pondering). I would have

certainly liked to have played more Test cricket for West Indies. At that time they had a great team so it was difficult to break into such tremendous eleven as well as maintain my place on a Test-playing basis. When you do get the chance you must be able to perform consistently but I couldn't do that.

DSS: There seems to be a new purpose within the team as the recent tour of India proved. Explain the change in attitude?

RH: Well it is a simple case of the players growing in every sense. Growing in maturity, growing in experience, growing in understanding and just the total part of their development.

DSS: Can the West Indies ever become a dominant force again?

RH: Of course that is the ultimate objective. That is something the staff and the players are working towards. I don't think it will happen overnight. You have to understand all the teams are working to become the top side in the world. I think if we can sustain the effort with a true sense of purpose and dedication we are going to get back there.

DSS: How do you wish to be remembered once you leave?

RH: I think as a true professional in every sense of the word.