The Daily Star

Langer's

FROM PAGE 13 "We've always thought he was a

good fella." Burnham told Australian Associated Press at the MCG. "It was just for a laugh and we're

amazed he made those remarks. "To call guys fat -- it's just play-

ground stuff, isn't it? None of us are offended or upset by it. everyone just thinks he's a fool now. The guys are laughing at him.

"I know he's a martial arts guy. What happened to 'sticks and stones will break my bones but words will never hurt me'? To get upset by a few words, he must be a white belt."

Burnham was adamant the noball calls were in good fun, claiming Lee smiled and waved at the Barmy Army after his fiery spell reached a blistering 156.2 km/h (97 mph).

He said there was no malice intended towards Lee, whose action was studied and cleared by the International Cricket Council two vears ago.

"We always have a bit of a good time and this is the first time we've wound anybody up -- and I'm just really surprised it was Justin Langer," said Burnham.

Caddick

FROM PAGE 13 also a warning as to his future conduct."

A Level 1 breach of the International Cricket Council Code of Conduct carries with it a minimum penalty of an official reprimand and a maximum penalty of a fine of 50 percent of a player or official's match

Pakistan

FROM PAGE 13 Inzamam c Gibbs b Boie 13 Youhana c McKenzie b Hayward42 lobal b Kallis Razzaq c Boucher b Hayward 22 Akmal not out 21 Saqlain c Boucher b Pollock 4 Wagar not out Extras: (lb-2, nb-7, w-1) 10 Total: (For 8 wkts in 80 overs) 218 Fall of wickets: 1-50, 2-64, 3-88, 4-132, 5-156, 6-184, 7-199, 8-216. OMRW Bowler

(West Indies) and Srinivas						
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Hayward	13	1	63	2		
Kallis	17	5	30	2		
Pollock	14	4	22	1		
Ntini	17	4	48	1		

Venkataraghavan (India). India wait

FROM PAGE 13

Fleming also expected a better

show from his batsmen despite winning the Test series and the opening one-dayer. Only opener Mark Richardson

could score a half-century in two Tests and none in the last game. The hosts are likely to rest strike bowler Shane Bond and include

seamer Paul Hitchcock.

White's WC hope clouded

Australian tour.

wrist batting in the nets, and all-

CRAIG WHITE

"It's not the exact same area, but

hoping for a final discharge on

Test, which starts in Sydney on

out of hospital, I've been on a drip

the whole time with three different

types of antibiotics going through my

hospital, I'll then go onto a course of

oral antibiotics to make sure I stay

have entered Lehmann's system

"Once I get the all-clear to leave

Doctors believe the infection may

system," said Lehmann.

on top of the problem."

But he will not be fit for the final

"Apart from the time I've spent

Saturday.

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ICC Cricket World Cup seven weeks to get right." White's setback is the latest South Africa 2003 injury to bedevil England's

AFP, Melbourne

England's in-form all-rounder Craig White has a torn side muscle and is expected to be out of cricket for six weeks putting him in doubt for the World Cup.

White, strapped up and batting with painkillers, was England's topscorer with an unbeaten 85 in their first innings of 270, but not enough to avoid the follow on against the Australians in the fourth Boxing Day Test at the Melbourne Cricket Ground on Saturday.

The 33-year-old Yorkshire allrounder afterwards revealed he had torn a side muscle while bowling in the Australian first innings on Thursday and would take around six weeks to recover. He said as he couldn't bowl he was

doubtful to play just as a batsman in next week's final Svdnev Test. "I stiffened up during the day and bowled a fair few overs and just after

tea I bowled a bouncer to Damien Martyn and felt a little burning sensation in the side ... it got worse during the day," White said. few people about it, but the World Cup is my main aim and it will be

touch and go to play in it.

Cricket

REUTERS, Melbourne

Australian batsman Darren

Lehmann will not play any further

part in the Ashes series against

He was forced to pull out of the

England because of a leg infection.

fourth Test in Melbourne after being

taken to hospital for treatment,

enabling Queenslander Martin Love

of hospital for brief spells and is

Lehmann has been allowed out

to make his international debut.

rounder Andrew Flintoff. White, who grew up in rural Victoria and played two Sheffield Shield matches for the state between 1990-94 before returning "Obviously, I've got to speak to a to Yorkshire, tore side muscles in the Test series against India in England.

"Normally this injury takes six to it's thereabouts," he said. "I've bowled a few overs on this tour so it's just wear and tear and eventually it's just had enough.'

He has been one of the Yorkshire fast bowler Darren England's better performers on their Gough was sent home after failing to ill-fated Australian tour, taking a total recover from a long-term knee injury of 14 wickets, including 5-127 in the and he was followed by first-choice third Perth Test. spinner Ashley Giles, who broke his

play.

White, who is the brother-in-law of Australian batsman Darren Lehmann, completed a fine match double following up his 3-133 in Australia's innings on Friday with his defiant 182-minute knock, belting nine fours and three sixes.

He featured in a 54-run partnership for the seventh wicket with John Crawley (17), 55 for the eighth wicket with James Foster (19) and a 37-run ninth-wicket stand with Andy Caddick (17).

White, who used to come to watch Test matches at the MCG as a youngster, said it had been an ambition to play in a Boxing Day Test before a huge crowd.

"I saw Tests here, I was barracking for England and wore my English T-shirt," he said proudly.

White has been back in England for 13 years and said it was great to play against Australia.

regime I've been given to get back

aim of getting back for the VB Series

match on January 9.

the problem.

the selectors.

"It's great to play against a fantastic team like the Aussies, you learn so much from watching them

Henman.

of trouble. "When I get back to Adelaide it

and Henman were unavailable. will then be a case of following a "Potentially it could be a fantastic week of tennis if we have myself and my strength with a programme of Mark Philippoussis playing against walking, weights and biking with the Rusedski and Henman," he said.

thought it was the toughest draw "I've had to disinfect my gear to you could get." ensure there is no possible repeat of

nered by Philippoussis in the open-The only opportunity of international cricket before that would be with the A team against Sri Lanka in Adelaide on January 7 and so fitness in time.

"It's a case of knowing how I'm feeling and whether I'm up to the rigours of the game. Form isn't an issue. It won't be a problem, it's simply a physical thing as I've had a drip in me since Monday."

Lehmann appears to be a certain selection for Australia's World Cup squad, which has to be confirmed by New Year's Eve

He made 119 against Sri Lanka in his final game before being taken ill.

An Anwar FROM PAGE 13

"I have proved my fitness before a medical panel and have gained invaluable match practice," Anwar said

Lleyton amazed at Greg

withdrawal

AFP, Perth

SPORT

World number one Lleyton Hewitt on Friday described Greg Rusedski's unavailability for Great Britain's Davis Cup tie against Australia in February as "very weird".

Canadian-born Rusedski will soon return to tournament play after foot surgery with events in Doha starting on Monday and next month's Australian Open in Melbourne.

"Very weird, I struggle to see how a quy can pull out and say he is injured and he is playing in Doha (in the Middle East) on Monday," Hewitt said on Friday. The left-hander has told Britain's

Davis Cup captain Roger Taylor he is unavailable for the tie on clay in Sydney from February 7-9 because his foot wouldn't last the distance. Hewitt said the British team will be needing Tim Henman to quickly recover from his shoulder injury to

be competitive against Australia. "It is very weird and I am sure the British people are a little shocked with it all, and I am sure the team is

"But I heard (third-string British player) Martin Lee might be injured. I am not sure where that leaves Tim

"He needs to get his shoulder

Hewitt said it would disappointing for the Sydney fans if Rusedski

his amazing run which lifted him into "When the draw came out, I

the top 100 for the first time and saw him end the year ranked 16th in the Hewitt is expected to be part-

ing round tie providing the former US Open finalist can prove his

maybe there is a chance of playing Philippoussis will play in a tourthere, although that is a matter for nament in Madras. India. starting on Monday, his first event since injuring a knee at this year's US Open

Hopman Cup

results AFP, Perth

Result of the play-off tie at the Hopman Cup tennis tournament here on Saturday:

Uzbekistan bt Paraguay 2-1 Women's singles: Rossana Neffa-de Los Rios (Par) bt Iroda

Tulyaganova (Uzb) 6-4, 6-2 Men's singles: Oleg Ogorodov (Uzb) bt Ramon Delgado (Par) 7-5,

Rios/Delgado (Par) 6-4, 7-6 (7/4).

Bubka becomes

Hopman Cup main draw.

advisor

AFP, Kiev

6-3. Mixed doubles: Ogorodov/ Tulyaganova (Uzb) bt de Los

Uzbekistan clinch last spot in

The 39-year-old Bubka won a

parliamentary seat in March elec-

tions campaigning for the "For a

United Ukraine" party backing

Famous for his exploits in athlet-

ics where he was the first man to

clear six metres in 1985. Bubka has

been carving out a career for himself

as a politician and businessmar

He is notably head of the

International Olympic Committee's

President Leonid Kuchma.

since he retired two years.

athletes commission.

Zim matches to go on The government has urged the **C** to "reflect" on its decision but made it clear it will not order English South AFRICA 2003

BBC ONLINE, London

World Cup cricket organisers have defended the decision to go ahead with matches in Zimbabwe following criticism from a senior member of the British government.

Six teams, including England, are due to play first round games in Harare and Bulawayo despite calls for a boycott by various politicians and sports personalities.

But International Development Secretary Clare Short said: "The (Zimbabwe) government is destroying its country and massively damaging its people and not feeding hungry people.

"How can you go and play a game of cricket in that?"

A spokesman for British Prime Minister Tony Blair reiterated that there had been no change in policy.

It was at the same event last

January that Paradorn kick-started

Granted a last-minute entry for

India's biggest tennis event, the 23-

year-old Thai stunned a competitive

field to reach the final where he lost

and emotional for me," the soft-

start I need in the new season."

"A win here would be just the

Philippoussis, nicknamed 'Scud'

for his missile-like serves, returns to

the circuit after a four-month lay-off

due to a knee injury sustained

Tennis

AFP, Madras

Monday.

world

last season.

spoken Thai said.

Paradorn, Scud set to fire Indian Open starts tomorrow

cricketers not to go to Zimbabwe.

March 23

man delegation.

people of Zimbabwe.

Zimbabwe.

Short however indicated that she

would be pushing for a tougher

stance in the run up to the World

Cup, which runs from February 8 to

The International Cricket Council

recently confirmed that it was safe

for teams to travel to Zimbabwe

following an inspection tour by a 10-

nications Director for the World Cup,

said it was time for people to get

behind the organisers, and the

advanced stage and we do not

think, from our point of view, that it

will be beneficial to anyone to stop

those matches, or to have one team

pulling out of the schedule for

Zimbabwe, and the people of

"For the sake of cricket in

"The preparations are at an

And Jos Charle, Commu-

during the US Open in New York in August.

The Australian, who slipped from Bhupathy will take the court with his career-best ranking of 11th in Australian doubles specialist Todd 2000 to 83 this year, starts the new Wood-bridge. All matches will be played under floodlights to beat the heat in this southern Indian coastal city. SEEDINGS

DHAKA SUNDAY DECEMBER 29, 2002

Should any side refuse to go to

They could decide to award the

match to Zimbabwe, as happened

when Australia and the West Indies

refused to go to Sri Lanka during the

1996 World Cup, or try and resched-

Charle confirmed that it would be

"We put contingency plans (in

possible to switch a game to South

place) from the word go. When we started organising the World Cup,

being aware of various factors, we

full steam ahead and we are confi-

dent those matches will go ahead as

Board is resisting calls for a boycott.

saying they do not make decisions

But he added: "We are working

The England and Wales Cricket

Paes has paired with David Riki

of the Czech Republic, while

had to have contingency plans.'

Africa with "24 to 48 hours" notice.

Zimbabwe, the organisers would

then be left with a dilemma over how

to respond.

scheduled.'

on political grounds.

spot behind world number one Lleyton Hewitt in Australia's first round clash against Britain in Sydney in February.

"I am really looking forward to playing in India for the first time," the Scud said.

"I have heard great things about the tournament through other players and, hopefully, I can get a good start to the new year here. Canas, ranked 15th in the world,

to Guillermo Canas of Argentina. returns to defend the title on the Paradorn, who went on to add hard courts of the Nungambakkam the Asian Games gold medal to his stadium against a strong 32-man first two ATP titles at Long Island field that includes another top-20 and Stockholm, returns to India player, Sjeng Schalken of the hoping to continue where he left off Netherlands. "It was here that it all started, so

"Winning the last time in front of this tournament is pretty important an enthusiastic crowd was very special," said the Argentine, who went on to take the Masters series crown in Toronto in July.

Home favourites Leander Paes and Mahesh Bhupathy will team up with different partners in the doubles despite winning their fourth Indian Open title 12 months ago.

37 55 Butcher c Love b Gillespie 6 -5 111 Fall of wickets: 1-67, 2-89 о м RW 1 13 McGrath 5 0 Gillespie 9 3 20 MacGill 13 3 37

season hungry to get back to the top Asian tennis sensation Paradorn and gain a berth in his country's Srichaphan and fit-again Mark Davis Cup squad. Philippoussis will light up the sea-A fully-fit Philippoussis is son-opening 400,000-dollar ATP expected to take the second singles Indian Open starting here on

I. Guillermo Canas (Arg-15) Paradorn Srichaphan (Tha-16) Sjeng Schalken (Ned-20) 4. Juan Ignacio Chela (Arg-23) 5. Andrei Pavel (Rom-26) 6. Rainer Schuettler (Ger-33)

7. Kristian Pless (Den-74)

8. Lars Burgsmuller (Ger-77) Vaughan

FROM PAGE 13 ENGLAND: Second innings Trescothick Ibw b MacGill Vaughan not out

Hussain notout Extras: (lb-2, nb-3) Total: (2 wkts, 34 overs) Bowler

0 7 0 39 Lee Umpires: David Orchard (RSA) Russell Tiffin (Zim)

very disappointed," he said. Ashes over for Lehmann

right and play or they are in a little bit

through a blister on his right foot

SQUAD

New Zealand (from): Stephen Fleming (capt), Nathan Astle, Mathew Sinclair. Craig McMillan Lou Vincent, Brendon McCullum, Jacob Oram, Kyle Mills, Daniel Vettori, Daryl Tuffey, Shane Bond, Paul Hitchcock

India (from): Saurav Ganguly (capt), Virender Sehwag, Sanjay Bangar, Rahul Dravid, Sachin Tendulkar, Venkatsai Laxman, Mohammad Kaif, Yuvraj Singh, Ajit Agarkar, Anil Kumble, Harbhajan Singh, Zaheer Khan, Ashish Nehra, Javagal Srinath, Parthiv Patel, Rakesh Patel.



Bangladesh Football Federation president SA Sultan meets the players of the Sporting Bengal of England, a club comprising expatriate Bangladeshis, before the start of a friendly match in Chandpur recently.

"I look forward to playing the World Cup for Pakistan and doing my best to guide the team to another world title."

Anwar became a devout Muslim, now sporting a long beard, after his only daughter died in September last year. He subsequently lost his place in the side due to lack of form and fitness.

Former pole-vault king Sergei His absence compounded Bubka has been named as an Pakistan's problems at the top of the advisor for social affairs to Ukraine order as they have tried 12 different Prime Minister Viktor Yankovich, the pairs of openers in their last 19 Tests Interfax news agency reported and 13 in their 38 one-day interna-Friday. tionals in the 2002 calendar.

Pakistani selectors have named six openers in their list of 30 World Cup probables announced last month

Three out of Anwar, leg-spinning all-rounder Shahid Afridi, Salim Elahi and Taufiq Umer are tipped to win spots in the final 15.

The International Cricket Council (ICC) has set December 31 as the deadline to announce the final sides for the World Cup due to be played in South Africa, Zimbabwe and Kenya in February and March.

Cricket for noble cause

FROM PAGE 13

cricketers aimed at raising 14 million dollars (7.8 million US) to enlarge the hospital. Jayawardene uses the charity to

help others avoid the trauma he and his family endured with the death five years ago of his younger brother Dhishal, aged 16 at the time.

Dhishal died after a long fight with a brain tumour.

"I still carry a photograph of him, I think he's still with us with our family though he's not physically,' Jayawardene said on Saturday.

"It's difficult, though he was my brother he was just one year younger than me so he was a very good friend of mine as well."

Sri Lanka, who lost their three opening one-day matches against England and Australia this month, will take on the provincial selection at Hastings, 70 kilometres (40 miles) south-east of Melbourne.

Much like the way England allrounder Adam Hollioake's life and career altered after the death of his brother Ben earlier this year in a car accident, Jayawardene's outlook changed after Dhishal's death

"I stopped playing cricket for

about six months," he said. "I was captaining the school at the time and I just couldn't continue, it was not in me. "But then (my) parents, teachers

and everyone involved said to me 'What has happened has happened, you just need to continue'.

"So it gave me motivation to continue and do really well, for him as well, but it was tough at the time." There are plans to extend the

hospital in late January "It's a pretty big event for us, it's good to have something like this on

tour," Jayawardene said. Jayawardene has been a standout in Sri Lanka's still winless tour, having made 71, 30 and 21 in the three limited-over triangular series matches.

But like his teammates, he wants to build some momentum in the new year.

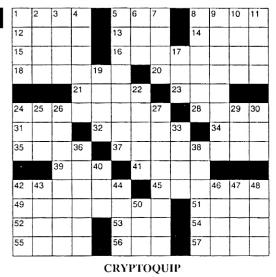
"I need to make those big scores which I'm used to doing, I need to get those big knocks," he said. "Starts are very good, but I need to continue.'



PHOTO: COURTES)

Bangladesh Cricket team, Board high-ups of the host nation and the West Indies pose for photograph at an official dinner, sponsored by the Standard Chartered Bank, at the city's Sonargaon Hotel recently. BCB (Bangladesh Cricket Board) president Ali Asghar, West Indies Cricket Board vice-president E Val Bank and David Fletcher, CEO of the Standard Chartered Bank, spoke on the occasion.

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Saturday's Cryptoquip: IF YOUR HOBBY IS TAKING PICTURES OF CARS, MIGHT THAT MAKE YOU A CARTOGRAPHER?

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: X equals L

The Cryptoquip 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