



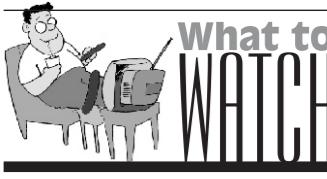
## Did U Know?

The first full soccer international played between non-British sides took place in 1902 at Vienna when Austria beat Hungary 5-1



## Malcolm Speed

(ICC chief executive)  
"Over recent years cricket has come a long way in tackling the evils of corruption but it can never relax and become complacent."



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5. Who will lead Bangladesh's ICC Under-19 World Cup team?

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cricket starts today

**UNB, Dhaka**

The Standard Chartered 22nd National School Cricket Championship for Dhaka Metropolis begins today at four different city venues.

Some 112 schools of Dhaka Metropolis, split into eight groups, will take part in the knockout basis meet.

State Minister for Youth and Sports M Fazlur Rahman will inaugurate the match between Loretto School and Motijheel Ideal School and College, one of the four opening day's matches, at the Dhanmondi Club ground.

Meanwhile, a total of 1016 schools of 56 districts are participating in the division basis knockout meet.

# Board open to captaincy



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ahead of the selection of the rest of the team.

"We will announce the captain's name on Friday after the selectors have submitted their list to the Board on Thursday," said Mumun.

Chief selector Faruque Ahmed, who is now in Pakistan observing the performance of the Bangladesh A team, is scheduled to return home today. He is expected to meet his fellow selectors Athar Ali Khan, Golam Nowsher and Bangladesh coach Dav Whatmore over the next couple of days to finalise the side for captaincy.

The Board also dismissed the two-captain suggestion terming it a 'luxury' for a country like Bangladesh.

Chairman of the BCB media committee Reazuddin Al Mumun told reporters after coming out of an advisory committee meeting yesterday, that the Board would wait until the four-member selection panel had named the final squad before choosing a captain. In the past, the captain had been picked much

ahead of the selection of the rest of the team.

"We decided to break the convention as a show of respect to the selectors' desire," Mumun explained.

Mumun also ruled out any possi-

bility of selecting separate captains for Tests and One dayers.

There have been heated debates in the media and elsewhere regarding the possibility after news leaked out that the selection committee had suggested likewise to the board.

"The question was raised in the board meeting but not for discussion because we don't believe we have options for such luxury. I can assure you that only one person will lead the team in the coming series," said Mumun who is also an advisor to the board.

Some leading dailies carried out reports speculating that country's top batsman Habibul Bashar was destined to take over the Test captaincy while present skipper Khaled Mahmud will be in charge of the one day side.

"It was unfortunate that such reports came out in newspapers at a time when the national cricketers were preparing for a major tour," added Mumun.

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# Hookes' violent death



## REUTERS/AFP, Melbourne

justice process will provide us with some insight into what occurred," he read from a statement at the Alfred Hospital in Melbourne.

Hookes was the coach of the Victoria state side.

Former Australia batsman David Hookes died in hospital on Monday after suffering serious head injuries in an assault outside a Melbourne hotel, Hookes' family said.

"We the family of cricketer David Hookes wish to inform David's many friends, family members and fans that he passed away today at the Alfred Hospital in Melbourne," Hookes' brother Terry Cranagh said.

"David had been celebrating Victoria's cricketing win over South Australia with friends at the Beaconsfield Hotel before the incident occurred," a visibly upset Cranagh said.

"We trust that the police will conduct a full investigation into the cause of the incident and that the

48-year-old Hookes, a swashbuckling batsman who played 23 Tests for Australia from 1976-77 to 1985-86, had been taken to hospital after the assault late on Sunday.

Paramedics gave Hookes cardiopulmonary resuscitation for about 30 minutes at the scene of the assault, outside a hotel in the Subiaco suburb of St Kilda. He never regained consciousness.

He was rushed to intensive care. He was in a coma for a while but eventually his family took the agonising decision to switch off the machine at 7pm local time (0800 GMT).

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