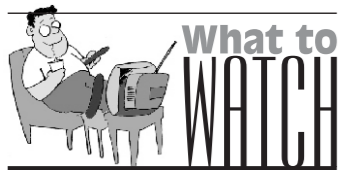
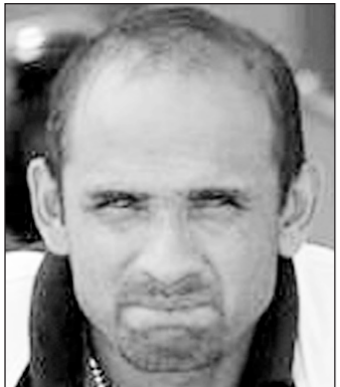


Wimbledon introduced a radio station, Radio Wimbledon in 1992, broadcasting throughout the Championships on 87.7FM. Since it's inauguration Wimbledon has been the leader for the other Grand Slam events, with 2000 seeing the launch of a Championship Radio station at the Australian Open in January.



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Football Focus
Live at 6:30 pm
Sportscentre
Sport News
Live at 8:30 pm
STAR Sports
New Zealand vs South Africa
Second ODI
Live at 6:57 am
Sportsline
Sport News
Live at 8:00 pm



Marvan Atapattu
(Sri Lanka's one-day skipper)
"Australia have earned the right to be called world champions but we will not be cowed by their reputation. They are not invincible. We have nothing to lose and everything to gain. I feel we can push them really hard."

Star WHIZZ KID COMPETITION 2004
Tick the correct answers, The Daily Star

Competition closes at 8 pm Feb 27, 2004 and draw shortly afterwards

1. How many teams are taking part in the ICC U-19 Cricket World Cup?	16	12	20
2. How many months was Shane Warne banned from cricket?	12	13	
3. Who won the Pan Pacific Open title?	Davenport	Clijsters	
4. Who won the Tokyo Marathon?	Njenga	Osaki	
5. Who won the Tokyo Marathon?	Njenga	Osaki	

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Students for free

SPORTS REPORTER
The Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) has taken an initiative to allow school students to watch two matches of the ICC Under-19 Cricket World Cup free of cost. The BCB said that students can go and see India versus New Zealand at the Bangabandhu National Stadium on February 18, and Bangladesh's final Group B match against the Indians also at the big bowl on February 20. Interested students will be allowed to enter the venue through gate number nine only. They must wear their school uniform or bring along some identification.



PHOTOS: ANISUR RAHMAN

TURNING UP THE HEAT: India's U-19s (L-R) Shikhar Dhawan (155 not out), Robin Uthappa (97) and Suresh Raina (38-ball 90) are in full swing during their ICC Under-19 Cricket World Cup fixture against Scotland at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday.

Incredible India



SPORTS REPORTER

Big guns of world cricket all enjoyed a fruitful day but none more than India who absolutely massacred Scotland one of the four ICC U/19 Cricket World Cup 2004 matches yesterday.

India gave a frightening display of their batting prowess when the amassed 425 for three in 50 overs against the startled Scots in a 270-run drubbing at the Bangabandhu National Stadium. It was India's first match of the competition.

Defending champions Australia coasted to a six-wicket win against Canada in Rajshahi. South Africa thrashed Uganda by eight wickets in Chittagong. Among the top teams only the West Indies landed in serious trouble against the little-known Irish in Khulna before escaping with a six run victory.

All the matches passed off without any trouble despite a countryside general strike called by the Awami Juba League.

INDIA V SCOTLAND

Scotland captain Kevin Coetzer played into Group C favourites India's hands when he invited them to bat first on the batting paradise of

the BNS. What happened next was a hiding Scotland will never forget.

Indian opener Shikhar Dhawan led the way by blasting the competition's first century. The main thrust was provided by southpaw Suresh Raina who made mincemeat of the opposition's bowling in a 38 ball 90 that produced 14 fours and two sixes. Before that Robin Uthappa and Dhawan gave the perfect foundation by putting on 175 in the opening stand.

Off-spinner Ian Young broke the partnership when Uthappa offered him a return catch three runs short of a hundred. The right-hander's 79-ball innings had 14 fours and a six.

Dhawan began slowly but accelerated towards the end to reach an unbeaten 155 off 138 deliveries with 15 hits to the fence and one over the ropes. Skipper Ambati Rayudu also joined in the fun with 53 off 51 balls.

Scotland to their credit, managed to last the full 50-overs and finished with 155 for 8. Skipper Coetzer made an impressive 62 off 94 balls.

AUSTRALIA V CANADA
Theo Doropoulos' half-century to guided the Aussies past their Group A rivals Canada's 164 at the Rajshahi Divisional Stadium.

Captain Tim Paine and man-of-the-match Doropoulos gave the young Kangaroos a flying start scoring 56 in 5.4 overs before the skipper was lbw for 22. Doropoulos continued and reached 57 off 55

balls inclusive of eleven fours and a six. The win came rapidly as Australia surpassed the target in 28.2 overs.

Canada's total was built around Soham Anjario's 50 off 94 balls.

SOUTH AFRICA V UGANDA

At the newly built Chittagong Divisional Stadium, Group B giants South Africa shot Uganda out for 125.

Left-arm orthodox spinner Waylin September grabbed four wickets for 14 off ten overs as 33 extras contributed highest to the Ugandan score.

Right-handed opener Andrew Birch made 56 not out off 89 balls to ease his side to victory in 28 overs.

WEST INDIES V IRELAND

The best encounter of the day was the Group D clash between the West Indies and Ireland.

Kevin O'Brien's 95 almost steered Ireland to a shock win as they chased West Indies' 265 for eight. But they ran out of deliveries to end with 259 for 9.

O'Brien paired Wilson to score 93 for the third wicket that unsettled the Indies. Wilson made 64 off 92 balls.

Earlier left-handed batsman Abbas Fudadin, the hero of warm-ups with two centuries could make

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Crucial game against Scots today

SPORTS REPORTER

The charges of Richard McInnes will be aiming to kick-start their campaign with a victory against Scotland at the Fatullah Cricket Stadium today. Anything less than an overwhelming win will definitely end the Under-19 team's dream of a place in the Super League stage.

The hosts lost their opening game to New Zealand by two wickets at the Bangabandhu National Stadium on Sunday.

Despite the setback, the 29-year old McInnes was still optimistic that his young side would show their true potential to advance into the main competition for the first time in their history.

"I think we played only seventy-five per cent of what we aimed for against New Zealand," said the Australian coach.

On the other hand the Scots wanted to quickly forget Monday's massive 270-run defeat against favorites India and instead concentrate on upsetting their win-less opponents.

"I think Bangladesh will certainly start the game under pressure having lost their opening fixture. We will need to keep things tight against them tomorrow and hope for the best.

"We lost badly but I'm reasonably happy with the way we battled against India," said Scotland coach William Morton.

Premier Div football starts today

SPORTS REPORTER

Muktijoddha Sangsad Krira Chakra will take on Victoria Sporting Club when the Western Union Premier Division Football League resumes today after a seven-day break.

The match kicks off at 4pm at the She-e-Bangla National Stadium in Mirpur.

Muktijoddha have secured 24 points from eleven matches to remain six points behind from league leaders Brothers Union with one match in hand.

Victoria bagged ten points from the same number of outings.

The league was suspended from February 10 after the Reds went to Turkmenistan to take part in the first-ever Asian Football Confederation (AFC) Cup.

But the biggest match of the season is on the following day when Abahani Krira Chakra and

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ICC U-19 Cricket World Cup
Bangladesh vs Scotland (9:00 am)
Venue: Fatullah Cricket Stadium
Pakistan vs Ireland (9:00 am)
Venue: Khulna Divisional Stadium
England vs Uganda (9:00 am)
Venue: M A Aziz Stadium, Chittagong
Sri Lanka vs Canada (9:00 am)
Venue: Rajshahi Divisional Stadium
Western Union Premier Division Football League
Muktijoddha vs Victoria (4:00 pm)
Venue: Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium, Mirpur

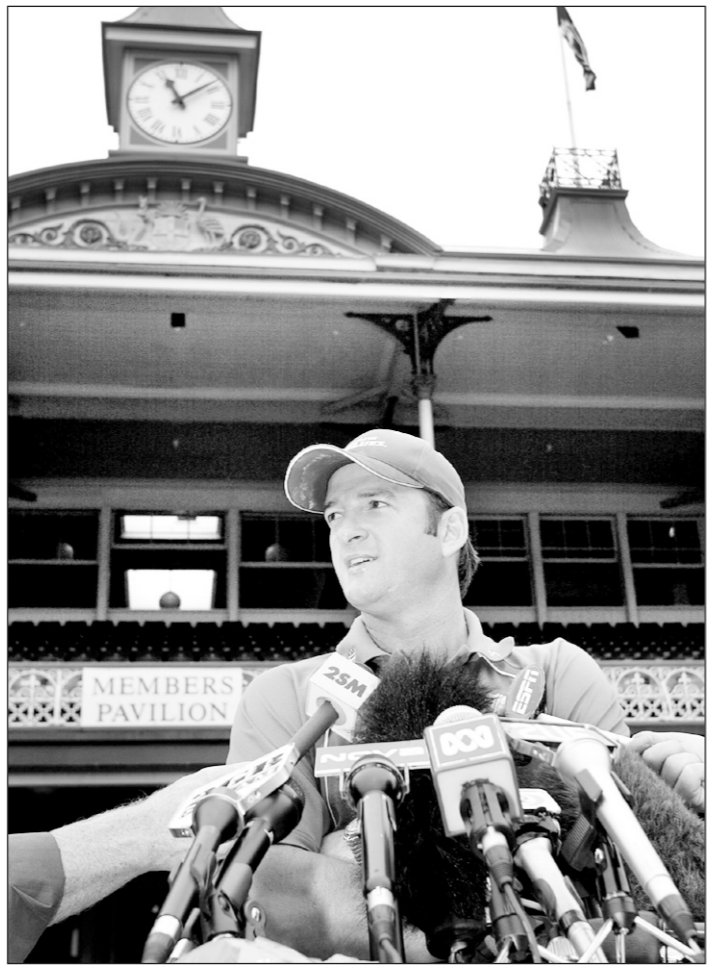


PHOTO: AFP

Former Australia batting superstar Mark Waugh speaks at a press conference at the Sydney Cricket Ground yesterday.

Tareq designs Tigers' win



REUTERS/AFP, Harare

Tareq Aziz Khan cruelly missed out on a hatrick but still claimed a career-best six wickets to spearhead Bangladesh's 29-run win over a strong Zimbabwe A in their three-day tour match on Monday.

The 20-year-old medium-fast bowler took six for 46, including three wickets in three deliveries only for the last one to be ruled out as a no-ball, as the home side were bowled out for 161 on the final afternoon.

Bangladesh, with a 16-run advantage after the first innings, resumed their second knock on 170 for seven but only managed four more runs as seamer Douglas Hondo wrapped up the tail to finish with four for 29.

Tareq more than matched him, however, during his 16 overs as Zimbabwe A chased 190 to win.

His 'hatrick' began when he had Trevor Gripper caught behind and Richard Sims taken in the slips next ball to reduce Zimbabwe A to seven for two.

Tareq, uncapped at Test level but played in five one-day international-

als, then clean-bowled Stuart Matsikenyeri only for the umpire to rule a no-ball.

Vusi Sibanda, 41, and Stuart Matsikenyeri, 22, put on 55 for the third Zimbabwe wicket, but the tourists were not to be denied as Tareq continued his good work to put out four middle order batsmen.

Bangladesh experienced some

match, played on a low-bouncing pitch.

A relieved Bangladesh coach Day Whatmore said the victory was psychologically important ahead of the first Test beginning here Thursday.

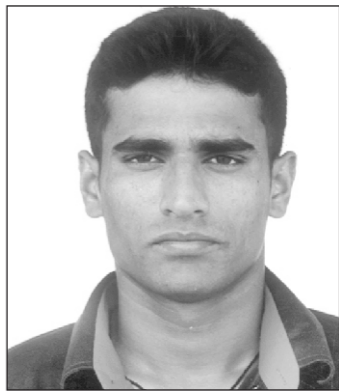
Several Bangladesh batsmen failed to make good scores but he put this down to the settling in process.

SCOREBOARD

Final scoreboard on the final day of the three-day tour match between Zimbabwe A and Bangladesh at the Country Club in Harare on Monday:
BANGLADESH: First innings 199 (Shahriar 75, Manjural 40, Anwar 20; Hondo 3-19, Friend 2-25, Ewing 2-31)
ZIMBABWE A: First innings 183 (Ewing 71, Gripper 38, Marillier 26; Alamgir 5-47, Tareq 3-54)

BANGLADESH: Second innings (overnight 170-7)
Hannan c Maregwede b Friend 6
Shahriar c Marillier b Hondo 22
Bashar b Mahwire 0
Rajin c Friend b Brent 8
Ashraf c Friend b Ewing 59
Shahriar lbw b Brent 0
Manjural c Sims b Brent 25

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TAREQ AZIZ... 6/46

anxiety when the last Zimbabwe pair, Hondo and Blessing Mahwire, needing 58 to get home, put on 28 with some aggressive batting before Hondo was caught.

No side reached 200 during the



PHOTO: ZOBAER HOSSAIN SIKDER

GONE ARE THOSE YOUTHFUL DAYS, BUT THE PASSION REMAINS: Elderly citizens of port city Chittagong went to the newly-built Divisional Stadium to enjoy the Under-19 World Cup match between South Africa and Uganda yesterday.

Ganguly & co relishing it



AFP, New Delhi

India's cricket captain Saurav Ganguly on Monday set at rest speculation that top stars may pull out of the Pakistan tour, saying he looked forward to playing there.

"Most of the team members have not played any Test cricket in Pakistan. So we are kind of keen to go there," Ganguly told the Mid-Day newspaper in his first public comments after the government gave the green signal for the ice-breaking tour last week.

India are to play three Tests and five one-day internationals on their first full tour of Pakistan in almost 15 years, scheduled to begin in early March.

The detailed itinerary is expected to be announced this week.

The go-ahead for the tour came on Saturday after a week of media speculation that the home ministry wanted the tour to be put off till after the parliamentary elections due in April and May.

Ganguly had earlier voiced

security concerns about the tour, but appeared satisfied following the recent visit to Pakistan of a three-member delegation of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI).

The delegation, which will return to New Delhi later on Monday, included a security expert from the home ministry.

The Indian captain said he was confident the best available squad will undertake the tour.



SAURAV GANGULY

"I will not force anybody to come," he said. "If any cricketer is concerned about security in Pakistan, I think we should accept that."

The Mid-Day said all the senior players it spoke to, including star batsmen Sachin Tendulkar and Rahul Dravid, indicated they will tour.

Tendulkar, who made his international debut on the previous tour of Pakistan in 1989, is the only current player from either side to be involved in a Test match between the arch-rivals on Pakistani soil.

Ganguly's only worries centred around injuries sustained by his main bowlers, Zaheer Khan, Ajit Agarkar, Anil Kumble and Harbhajan Singh on the recent tour of Australia.

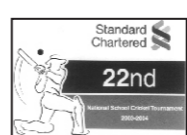
Of the four, off-spinner Harbhajan has been ruled out of the Pakistan tour due to surgery on his bowling hand. Zaheer and Agarkar have hamstringing worries while Kumble has a sore shoulder.

"I think if we go at full strength,

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Biddyaniketon, Willes in R Two

SPORTS REPORTER



Biddyaniketon Pre-cadet and High School and Willes Little Flower School romped into the eight-team second round of the Dhaka Zone Standard Chartered 22nd National School Cricket Championship at different city venues yesterday.

Sujon Kumar hit an unbeaten 70 to give the Biddyaniketon boys a 53-run victory against Rayarbazar High School in the group final at the Residential Model School ground.

Jewel grabbed four for 22 as Rayarbazar were bundled out for 122 in 29.4 overs in reply to Biddyaniketon's 174 all out in 32.2 overs.

At the Mirpur Outer Stadium, Willes Little Flower emerged group champions with a convincing six-wicket win against Tejgunipara High School.

Mehrab scored 65 to guide Willes Little Flower to 180-4 in 30.4 overs in reply to Tejgunipara's 176 all out in stipulated 35 overs.

But AK High School recorded the biggest victory of the day when they

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BFF names SAF Games officials

SPORTS REPORTER

The Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) has named the officials of the Bangladesh Under-23 for the upcoming ninth SAF Games to be held in Islamabad from March 29.

BFF member Muzammel Haq Mukta has been named manager and Golam Sarwar Tipu is technical manager. Shahidur Rahman Shantoo will accompany the team as coach.

"Mohammedman manager Amirul Islam Babu was the likely candidate to fill the managerial post but we dropped him because of a recent incident," said BFF general secretary Anwarul Haq Helal after a