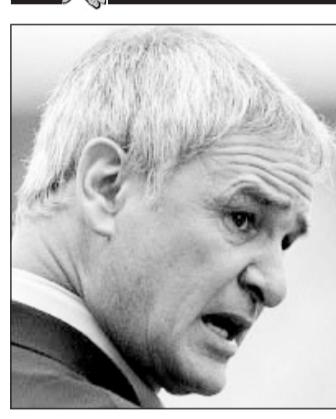




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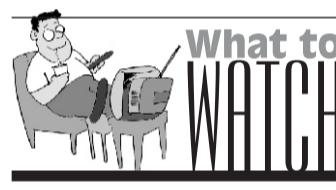
When the United Arab Emirates played in the 1990 World Cup football finals for the first time they managed to score two goals before being eliminated at the group stage. But the goalscorers still received a Rolls Royce each!



Claudio Ranieri

(Chelsea manager)
"Abramovich knows nothing about football. That's the real shame. If he had understood what my side had achieved that season he would have valued me more highly. We did it all without any money."

Questioning Russian owner Roman Abramovich's football knowledge.



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Venus Henin Serena

5. What was the score of the India-Pakistan one-day series?

4-1 5-0 3-2

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Waqar could play again

BBC ONLINE, undated

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No joy for chasers

SPORTS REPORTER



National wicket-keeper Khaled Mashud and his understudy Mohammad Salim scored half centuries as Araf

Apparel made a flying start in the GrameenPhone Corporate Cricket League with a 49-run victory over BEXIMCO Group at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday.

Mashud scored 54 and Salim, who had a rare stint for the Tigers behind the wicket, made 51 in an impressive Araf Apparel total of 246-9 in 50 overs.

BEXIMCO, in their chase, could manage 197 before being all out in 46.5 overs.

BEXIMCO's bid for a winning start nipped in the bud when their star recruit Mohammad Ashraf fell for one. Coming in at number four the youngest Test centurion on debut played only seven balls before flashing off-spinner Jamaluddin Babu straight at the throat of Rubayet.

Jamal finished with 2-30 but it was fellow offie Fahim Muntasir who stole the show with 3-43.

While Araf Apparel made their maiden appearance in any competitive cricket memorable, there was no such luck for Aktel EC who slipped to a 30-run defeat against Partex Group despite a solid start to their campaign at the Dhamondi Cricket Stadium.

Faced with a fighting Partex total of 224, Aktel were off to a flier with the left-right opening pair of Manjul Islam and Uttam Kumar

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SCORES IN BRIEF

Araf Apparel v BEXIMCO

Venue: Bangabandhu National Stadium

Araf Apparel: 246-9 in 50 overs

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PHOTO: STAR
Araf Apparel's Mohammad Salim drives during his 51 against BEXIMCO in their GrameenPhone Corporate Cricket League match at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday.

Jayasuriya goes atop as SL zap Zimbabwe

Cricket

REUTERS/AFP, Harare

Sanath Jayasuriya became Sri Lanka's highest run scorer in one-day internationals and helped his side to a nine-wicket victory over weakened Zimbabwe in Bulawayo on Thursday.

Zimbabwe were dismissed for 136 after being put in to bat. Sri Lanka replied with a whirlwind 139 for one in 20.5 overs to take a 2-0 lead in the five-match series.

Veteran left-hander Jayasuriya, out for 31, had gone into his 315th one-dayer needing 28 to pass Aravinda de Silva's milestone of 9,284, scored in 308 matches.

Jayasuriya passed the mark in the ninth over in sensational style, driving a delivery from medium pacer Douglas Honda high over the cover boundary for six.

The innings also put Jayasuriya in fifth place on the list of all-time run-scorers in the shorter version of the game.

He was dismissed for 31 with what became the last ball before lunch when he skied a drive off fast bowler Tinashe Panyangara to Prosper Utseya at mid-off.

The foundations of the win were laid when left-arm paceman Chaminda Vaas took four wickets in his opening spell on his way to final figures of four for 38. Off-spinner Muttiah Muralitharan mystified the lower order with four for 32.

Zimbabwe captain Tatenda Taibu, who made a career-best 96 not out in the first match of the series on Tuesday, escaped being run out for nought and went on to top-score with 35.

Saman Jayantha scored 74 not out off 64 balls with 12 fours and a six to Marshall Sri Lanka's reply.

Zimbabwe were again fielding a highly inexperienced side after 15 white players made themselves unavailable as part of a selection-process battle with their board.

They had put up an unexpectedly good display in the first game, scoring 211 for six before being edged out on the Duckworth-Lewis method.

Taibu said on Thursday: "It was a different story today. Sri Lanka bowled very well early on, particularly Vaas and (Nuwan) Zoysa, and we didn't have any answers to them."

Sri Lankan captain Marvan Atapattu said: "We knew what to expect from the Zimbabweans this time and we did exactly what the doctor ordered."

The next game is in Harare on Sunday.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the second one-day international between Zimbabwe and Sri Lanka at the Queen's Sports Club in Bulawayo on Thursday.

ZIMBABWE

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ODI LEADERS

Player

Country

Mts

Runs

Sachin Tendulkar

India

333

13,134

Inzamamul Haq

Pakistan

312

9,796

Mohammad Azharuddin

India

334

9,378

Sourav Ganguly

India

249

9,309

Sanath Jayasuriya

Sri Lanka

315

9,288

Aravinda de Silva

Sri Lanka

308

9,284

Desmond Haynes

West Indies

247

8,648

Brian Lara

West Indies

229

8,533

Mark Waugh

Australia

244

8,500

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DAY'S EVENT

GP Corporate Cricket League

GrameenPhone v BADC

Venue: Fatullah Cricket Stadium

Bashundhara v MM Ispahani

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Rajshahi lift nat'l youth volleyball

BSS, Dhaka

Rajshahi clinched the title of the City Bank 20th National Youth Volleyball Championship beating Jessore 3-1 in the final at the volleyball court near Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday.

Rajshahi beat Jessore 25-14, 25-13, 21-25 and 25-21 to claim their third title in the youth championship after their triumphs in 1980 and 1993.

Ironically Jessore became runners-up for the second successive year.

Parag marches on

SPORTS REPORTER

Mehdi Hasan Parag continued to dominate the 25th national junior chess championship at the NSC auditorium yesterday.

He has earned full points from eight rounds.

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