

Federer meets

FROM PAGE 13 Hewitt, the 12th seed, reached the last 32 with a battling defeat of Jurgen Melzer of Austria 6-4, 6-4, 4-6, 6-2 to set up a third round clash against either last year's beaten finalist Martin Verkerk of the Netherlands or Victor Hanesco of Romania.

meets either 20th seeded Spaniard, and former Wimbledon champion, Conchita Martinez or Argentina's Gisela Dulko who put out Martina Navratilova in the first round.

No 'acrobatics'

AFP, Zagreb Croatia's Euro 2004 players will be allowed to see their wives and girlfriends after each Euro 2004 match in Portugal but should refrain from any 'acrobatic sex' in order to avoid possible injuries, the squad's doctor said on Thursday.



American Jennifer Capriati hits a backhand to Czech Kveta Peschke during her French Open second round match at Roland Garros yesterday. Capriati won 7-5, 6-3.

Roddick leaves US empty

French Open

AFP, Paris Defending women's champion and top seed Justine Henin-Hardenne, and men's second seed Andy Roddick went crashing out of the French Open on Wednesday on a day when home players left a stunning impression on the season's second Grand Slam.

comes to Roland Garros, you forget what has gone before." Franco-American relations were further dented when Vincent Spadea, seeded 27, lost 6-4, 6-2, 7-5 to qualifier Julien Jeanpierre.

cramps to see off Garrigues and now faces another Spaniard, Arantxa Parra Santonia. Some comfort for America came in the form of their women with Lindsay Davenport, the fifth seed, brushing aside Maria Sanchez Lorenzo of Spain 6-4, 6-1, Meghann Shaughnessy knocking out Italian 15th seed Silvia Farina Elia 6-3, 3-6, 9-7 and qualifier Marissa Irvin seeing off Russian 32nd seed Dinara Safina 7-6, 6-2.

Lamb chooses to quit

Cricket

REUTERS, London Tim Lamb is to step down as chief executive of the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) at the end of September. He has held the post since the ECB's inception in 1997.

be made on whether England tour there later this year. The ECB has become embroiled in a political battle over the tour with the government and the International Cricket Council.

Tragedy inspired him

Cricket

AFP, Paris South Korea's Lee Hyung-Taik continued his remarkable run at the French Open here on Thursday by reaching the third round for the first time but then revealed how his game has been affected by a family tragedy.

the formation of two national divisions with promotion and relegation. The reforms also include floodlit matches, the wearing of coloured clothing and the recent creation of the 20-over matches.

A true leader

Cricket

REUTERS, London Nasser Hussain's retirement from cricket on Thursday was a typically decisive, and apparently selfless, move from someone who will be remembered as the finest England captain of his era.

started poorly with series defeats by New Zealand and South Africa. But, working alongside coach Duncan Fletcher, Hussain rallied his players and they won four series in a row for the first time since the days when Mike Brearley was captain in the 1970s.

May dismayed at Zim

Cricket

AFP, Sydney Zimbabwe is ignoring cricket's 'core values' and the International Cricket Council should consider that when assessing the Zimbabwe crisis at its meeting next month, the international players' association said Thursday.

that the present Zimbabwean crisis is more than just a perceived dilution in the value of international cricket," May said in a statement here on Thursday.

Australia is in the midst of three one-day internationals against Zimbabwe after the Test series was ditched over the ramifications of the player dispute that seriously weakened the Test team.

Marketing champs in DU cricket

SPORTS REPORTER Marketing lifted the Dhaka University inter-department cricket title with a thumping nine-wicket win over History in yesterday's final at the Jagannath Hall ground.

Lehmann kills slowly

Cricket

FROM PAGE 13 We lost a few wickets and had to rebuild," Lehmann said. "Matthew Hayden and I had a good partnership and that helped take us past 300."

Zimbabwe captain Tatenda Taibu had little positive to say about the home side's display. "We didn't bowl well, we seemed to give them a four-ball every over," Taibu told.

Scoreboard table for Zimbabwe vs Australia match. Includes bowler and batsman statistics.

Spurs' denial

Cricket

Tottenham have denied they are planning to install sacked Real Madrid coach Carlos Queiroz as their new manager.

Ctg cricket

Cricket

FROM PAGE 13 beat Bangladesh Railway Sports Association by three wickets at the Chittagong Medical College ground.

Crossword puzzle grid with clues and a cryptiquip section. Includes 'Solution time: 24 mins.' and 'Today's Cryptiquip Clue: Z equals Y'.