

SL hold out for tense draw

FROM PAGE 13 first slip for 21 off Jason Gillespie to send Sri Lanka to tea at 107 for five and well out of it.

Wicketkeeper Gilchrist played out the day with a broken nose after a Warner delivery flicked Sangakkara's gloves and hit him flush in the face.

Australia declared their second innings at 292 for nine, with Hayden scoring his second hundred of the match.

Hayden followed up his first innings 117 to score a blazing 132 off 171 balls with 10 fours and a booming six. It was the 20th century in his 55th Test and the second time the 32-year-old left-hander has scored a hundred in both innings of a Test.

Hayden scored 197 and 103 against England at the Gabba ground in Brisbane in 2002.

Ponting's declaration was delayed by a clutter of wickets with Australia losing their last seven wickets for 97 runs before Ponting called a halt at the fall of Gillespie's wicket at 292 for nine.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at stumps on the fifth and final day of the second Test

between Australia and Sri Lanka at Cazaly Stadium on Tuesday:

AUSTRALIA: First innings 517 (Langer 162, Hayden 117, Martyn 97; Chandana 5-109, Malinga 4-149)

SRI LANKA: First innings 455 (Atapattu 133, Sangakkara 74, Samaraweera 70; Gillespie 3-116, Warner 3-129)

AUSTRALIA: Second innings (194 for 2 overnight)

Langer c Kaluwitharana b Zoysa 8

Hayden b Chandana 132

Ponting c Jayasuriya b Zoysa 45

Martyn st Kaluwitharana b Chandana 52

Lehmann c Jayawardene b Chandana 21

Katich st Kaluwitharana b Dilshan 1

Gilchrist b Dilshan 0

Warne c Samaraweera b Chandana 4

Gillespie st Kaluwitharana b Chandana 1

Kasprovicz not out 3

Extras: (lb-20, w-1, nb-4) 25

Total: (For 9 wickets dec in 66.4 overs) 292

Fall of wickets: 1-10, 2-105, 3-195, 4-261, 5-284, 6-284, 7-288, 8-288, 9-292.

Bowler O M R W

Vaas 13 3 52 0

Zoysa 14 6 34 2

Malinga 5 0 23 0

Samaraweera 11 0 50 0

Chandana 18.4 1 101 5

Jayasuriya 3 0 8 0

Dilshan 2 0 4 2

SRI LANKA: Second innings

Atapattu c Warner b Gillespie 9

Jayasuriya c Gilchrist b Warner 22

Sangakkara b Warner 66

Jayawardene c Gilchrist b McGrath 6

Samaraweera run out (Martyn) 0

Dilshan c Warner b Gillespie 21

Kaluwitharana c Lehmann b Warner 14

Chandana st Gilchrist b Warner 14

Vaas not out 11

Zoysa not out 3

Extras: (b-5, lb-3, nb-9) 17

Total: (For 8 wickets in 85 overs) 183

Fall of wickets: 1-15, 2-49, 3-58, 4-64, 5-107, 6-136, 7-159, 8-174.

Bowler O M R W

McGrath 16 7 31 1

Gillespie 18 6 39 2

Warne 37 14 70 4

Kasprovicz 11 4 34 0

Lehmann 3 2 1 0

Toss: Sri Lanka

Result: Match drawn, Australia won series 1-0.

Man-of-the-match: Matthew Hayden (AUS)

Man-of-the-series: Matthew Hayden

Umpires: Billy Bowden (NZL)

Aleem Dar (PAK)

WICKET LEADERS

AFP, Cairns

Leading Test wicket-takers after the second Australia-Sri Lanka cricket Test here on Tuesday (Tests/ wickets):

Muttiah Muralitharan (SRI) 90 527

Shane Warne (AUS) 112 527

Courtney Walsh (WI) 132 519

Glenn McGrath (AUS) 97 440

Kapil Dev (IND) 131 434

Richard Hadlee (NZ) 86 431

Wasim Akram (PAK) 104 414

Curly Ambrose (WI) 98 405

Anil Kumble (IND) 84 397

Ian Botham (ENG) 102 383

Hayden joins both innings club

Cricket

AFP, Cairns

Australians who have twice scored hundreds in both innings of a Test match after Matthew Hayden's 117 and 132 in the second cricket Test against Sri Lanka here on Tuesday.

Player	Innings	Against	Venue	Year
Allan Border	150 n.o. 153	Pakistan	Lahore	1980
Allan Border	140 114 n.o.	New Zealand	Christchurch	1986
Greg Chappell	247 n.o. 133	New Zealand	Wellington	1974
Greg Chappell	123 109 n.o.	West Indies	Brisbane	1975
Matthew Hayden	197 103	England	Brisbane	2002
Matthew Hayden	117 132	Sri Lanka	Cairns	2004

Pioneer soccer

UNB, Dhaka

Siraj Smriti Sangsad moved into the 10-team super league of the Shineeupur 21st Pioneer Football League beating Jirabo SC 1-0 at the Kamalapuri stadium yesterday.

Madhubagh Friends Club enjoyed a goal rush (11-1) against Maghbazar Sabuj Sangha in the other north zone match at the same venue.

McGrath's costly outburst

AFP, Cairns

Australian fast bowler Glenn McGrath was fined 25 per cent of his match fee for making an audible obscenity on the final day of the second cricket Test against Sri Lanka here on Tuesday.

McGrath was fined 3,000 dollars (\$2,200 US) and reprimanded by English match referee Chris Broad for shouting an obscenity after New Zealand umpire Billy Bowden turned down a leg before wicket appeal on Sanath Jayasuriya.

A lot of India

FROM PAGE 13 ment had banned all home and away cricket against Pakistan due to tensions over the disputed region of Kashmir.

The two countries have fought three wars since independence from Britain in 1947 but peace efforts by both sides have calmed tensions and improved relations.

But what volatile Indian and Pakistani fans dislike more than anything is losing to the other at cricket.

Unlike the meeting rooms of diplomats, on the field there will be no quarter given and none asked for.

Solano inspires fightback



REUTERS, Chiclayo

Nolberto Solano scored with a superb free kick and set up another goal three minutes later as Peru fought back to draw 2-2 with Colombia in the Copa America on Monday.

Peru had qualified for the quarter-finals minutes before kick-off. Bolivia's 1-1 draw with Venezuela in the first half of the double bill in Trujillo ensuring the hosts would finish in the top two of group A.

PERU 2; COLOMBIA 2

Colombia, who qualified last Friday, were set for a repeat of their 2-0 World Cup qualifying win in Lima in March after Edwin Congo headed them in front in the 33rd minute and Abel Aguilar swept home the second shortly after half-time.

This time, however, Peru hit back and produced a repeat of their opening match when they came from two goals behind to draw by the same score with Bolivia.

Solano, who plays for English premier league side Aston Villa, sparked the fight-back by curling in a 57th-minute free kick, the first goal defending champions Colombia have conceded in the Copa since 1999 in a run stretching back eight matches.

Van Basten next Dutch coach?

Football

REUTERS, Amsterdam

Former internationals Marco van Basten and John van't Schip are being tipped to become the new Netherlands coach and assistant.

Dutch newspaper Algemeen Dagblad said on Tuesday that Netherlands soccer great Johan Cruyff proposed the duo to the Dutch soccer association (KNVB) at a meeting in Barcelona where former Ajax Amsterdam player and Barca coach Cruyff lives.

Cruyff, the inspiration behind the great Dutch side of the 1970s, is still revered nationally and has a big



MARCO VAN BASTEN

Fatal celebration

Football

AP, Minsk

The head coach of a Belarusian soccer team died of a heart attack as his team celebrated a last-minute winning goal in a weekend match.

Torpedo Zhodino coach Yakov Shapiro was rushed to the hospital from his team's home stadium on

A window of opportunity

FROM PAGE 13 and also worked on technical aspects. Now it is up to the boys to prove their mettle in the field. Most of them will experience playing longer version cricket for the first time.

"The conditions in England will be totally different. The English team will have home advantage so Bangladesh can expect a tough test from them," cautioned McInnes.

But the young coach is buoyed by the presence of a bowler considered to be the fastest ever seen in this country, Shahadat Hossain Rajib.

The 6 feet three tearaway from Narayanganj made quite an impact with his raw pace in the under-19 World Cup earlier this year and McInnes is visibly excited when talking about him.

"Take it from me he is a genuine fast bowler because he can bowl consistently in the 140 to 145 kmph range. He will be a real asset for Bangladesh if we handle him carefully," said McInnes.

Three minutes later, Solano flicked over an exquisite cross with the outside of his foot, Andres Mendoza headed the ball back across goal from the far post and lumbering Brazil-based striker Flavio Maestri equalised.

Solano was close to a winner when another dipping long-range shot was tipped over by Juan Carlos Henao as both teams kept their unbeaten records.

Colombia topped group A and will stay in Trujillo for their quarter-final on Saturday while Peru travel further north to Chiclayo.

VENEZUELA 1; BOLIVIA 1

Bolivia have only a slim chance of progressing as one of the two best third-placed teams in the three groups after their draw with Venezuela left them with two points and sent their opponents home.

Ruberth Moran put Venezuela ahead from a rebound in the 27th minute but Gonzalo Galindo levelled six minutes later. Both sides had chances to win a lively, end-to-end encounter.

The draw also ensured that Mexico and Uruguay will qualify from group B and that Paraguay will go through from group C along with Brazil, who had already qualified.

The winners of Wednesday's Costa Rica-Chile match will also progress from group C as one of the third-placed teams but if they draw 1-1 or 0-0, Bolivia will qualify on goals scored.

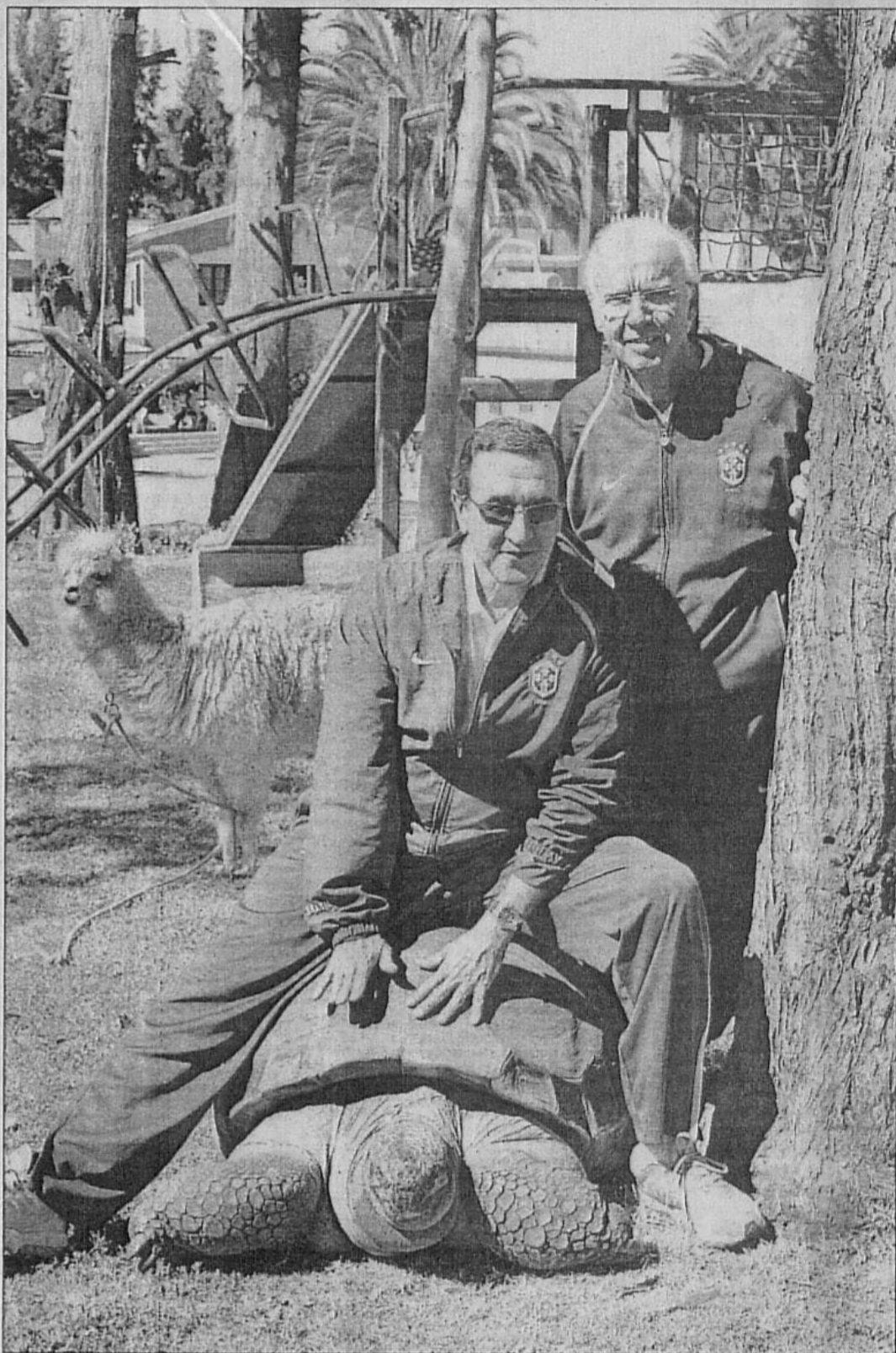


PHOTO: AFP

COMPARED TO THIS WE'RE TEENAGERS! Brazil coach Carlos Alberto Parreira seats on a turtle named Juanita, which is 98 years old, next to supervisor coach Mario Jorge Zagallo in the gardens of the team's hotel in Arequipa on July 12. A lama looks on at the back.

Very much awake



REUTERS, Arequipa

Mercurial midfielder Alex is determined to use his captaincy of Brazil's Copa America team to shake off the "dozy" tag that has dogged him since his country's disastrous gold medal bid at the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games.

Enjoying a return to form that earned him acclaim as the best player in Cruzeiro's 2003 Brazilian championship-winning team, Alex is also banking on a recent move to Turkish club Fenerbahce to wipe out the memory of his last spell in Europe.

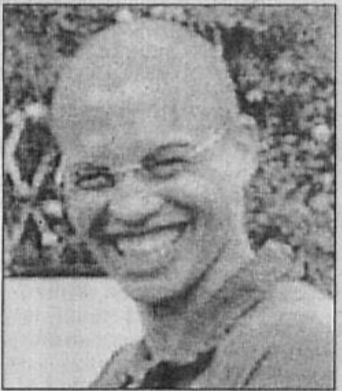
Alex spoke with reporters the day after playing a pivotal role in Brazil's 4-1 win over Costa Rica -- playing a part in three of his team's goals including an exquisite pass to Adriano that allowed the Inter Milan striker to settle Brazilian nerves.

"That first goal was very satisfying. You don't often see goals like that where the play is switched across the whole pitch," Alex recalled.

Brazilian football pundits know all about Alex's ability to turn a game with a stroke of genius, but his languid style and tendency to disappear in matches inspired rival fans

to give him the nickname 'Alexotan' after the sleeping pill Lexotan.

"Every player has his own way of playing. Sometimes my football stands out, sometimes it doesn't," he said. "I don't really understand



ALEX

why it is that others play well or play badly, and in my case I am awake or asleep."

Coach Carlos Alberto Parreira's decision to rest many first-choice players for the Copa America means Alex is one of the most experienced members of the group in Peru.

In recent World Cup qualifying games Alex has been second choice to AC Milan midfielder Kaka, but he said wearing the captain's armband has boosted his confidence.

"It is a way of showing that a manager believes in a player, and Parreira knows my track record," he said.

"I imagine that the fact I captured for two seasons with a trophy-winning Cruzeiro team must have played a role."

Alex first made his mark at Palmeiras where he won a Libertadores Cup medal under coach Wanderley Luxemburgo, who later became manager of the national team.

Luxemburgo's spell as Brazil coach ended when the Sydney Olympic gold medal bid ended at the hands of a nine-man Cameroon team -- a defeat that caused uproar in Brazil.

Alex, along with Ronaldinho, were picked out for blame but while Ronaldinho's move to Paris St Germain revived his career, Alex's move to Parma ended in a contractual dispute.

But his move to Cruzeiro worked wonders. He won the state and national championships, plus the Copa do Brazil, scoring 57 goals in 110 games.

His success made it hard to leave for Turkey, but he believes Fenerbahce, the Turkish champions, represents another forward step in his career.

"We had eight months of negotiations, and I spoke with Parreira to make sure I was doing the right thing," he said.

"Fenerbahce are in the Champions League and want to become bigger in Europe. I also want to grow, and I'm not looking to any other European country to do so," he added.

Chelsea get Kezman on board

Football

AFP, London

Chelsea signed striker Mateja Kezman on Monday from PSV Eindhoven for a fee of approximately 5 million pounds (9.3m dollars) after the Serbian was granted a work permit by the British government.

"I'm very glad that I'm here. It's a fantastic club with a great history and a good team," the 25-year-old forward told the club's website.

Chelsea manager Jose Mourinho said: "I like Kezman because he is a team player. He has the motivation to come to the top league in the world and that, along with his scoring record, makes him a good player for me."

Kezman's signing came on the same day as Portuguese coach Mourinho gave Hernan Crespo 10-days in which to commit himself to

the London club.

Argentina striker Crespo angered Mourinho by turning up late for pre-season training and the Chelsea boss wants a decision on his Stamford Bridge future before the club set off for their United States tour on July 21.

Mourinho is set to move for Marseille striker Didier Drogba if Crespo leaves west London.

The Chelsea chief told Sky Sports News: "I didn't understand why he (Crespo) was arriving late (for training). He was making excuses. But everything is okay with him now."

"I want to go to the US with my squad decided," he said. "The only doubt is whether Crespo stays or is leaving. If Crespo is leaving we will buy another striker."

"It's up to him (Crespo). I don't want players who are not 100 per cent ready to stay. If he has one percent of doubt I don't want him to stay."

Becks' misfortune is another man's fortune!

REUTERS, Madrid

The Spanish football fan who grabbed David Beckham's wayward penalty in England's Euro 2004 quarter-final defeat against Portugal has put the ball for sale on an auction website.

The ball was fetching 9,050 euros (\$11,180) on Tuesday on the Spanish site of Internet auctioneers eBay (www.ebay.com), a day after it went on sale with the first bid at just one euro. The auction is open until July 22.

Pablo Carral, a 25-year-old Deportivo Coruna fan, claimed the trophy when Beckham's first attempt in the penalty shootout landed in his arms in Row Q of the Luz stadium in Lisbon.

It is embossed with the names of the two teams, the date and the venue of the game.

"The incredible thing was that the ball reached us because we were so far from the goal," he said.

Carral said he has already received an offer of 18,000 euros (\$22,240) from a British newspaper for the ball, and was hoping it would fetch a higher price in the Internet auction.

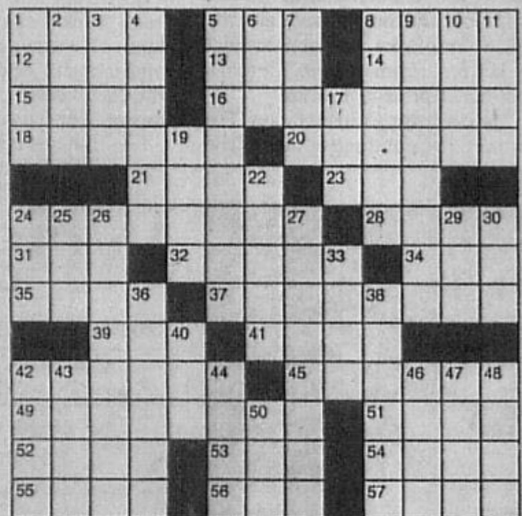
CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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CRYPTOQUIP

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Saturday's Cryptiquip: IF STEINBECK WROTE A BOOK ABOUT FINLAND, IT COULD BE CALLED "EAST OF SWEDEN."

Today's Cryptiquip Clue: Z equals C

The Cryptiquip 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.