

Nafees gets Test

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hard to improve his technique.
In the case of Kapali who skipped the BCB XI in the lone practice match, selectors were ready to give another chance. May be the other possible reason for his inclusion was if Bangladesh captain Habibul Bashar failed a late fitness test on the injured thumb.
"We are desperately hoping Bashar recovers in time for the Test. If necessary we will wait until the day before the first Test before making decision. It goes without saying his presence in the team is a source of inspiration," said Faruque.
Bashar, who complained of pain in the right thumb during the net session on Thursday, couldn't bat yesterday either at the Bangabandhu National Stadium.

Jennings acting

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internationally for a national coach, and that Jennings would be part of that process.
Jennings has tasted success with provincial team Easterns, who he led to the Supersport Series first-class championship in 2002-03, and with South Africa A.
"We are fortunate to have a man of Ray's experience to call on," the statement quoted UCB chief executive Gerald Majola as saying.
"He was a fine player and has proved with Easterns and in his brief time with the South Africa A team that he is a top class coach.
Speculation that Omar Henry would be sacked as selection convenor came to nought, at least as far as the tour to India was concerned.
"His (Henry's) continuation in that position is conditional on him submitting a report in which he sets out his selection plan through to the World Cup in 2007," Majola was quoted as saying.
"We have now received that report. It will be discussed by the Board of Cricket SA (Pty) Ltd after which his future as convenor will be discussed with him.
"Omar will remain in the position for now, and will convene the panel to select the squad to tour India."
South Africa have won one of their last five Test matches, drawing two, and have lost 13 of their last 15 one-day internationals.
Overall with Simons as coach, South Africa won 14 of 24 Tests and 33 of 62 one-day internationals.

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The Daily Star

Competition closes at 8 pm
Oct 29, 2004 and draw shortly afterwards

1. West Indies defeated England in the ICC Champions Trophy final by:

2 wkts 50 runs 33 runs

2. Who won the China Open tennis title?

Serena Sharapova Hingis

3. How many times was Pavel Nedved capped before announcing his retirement?

83 84 81

4. Who became man-of-the-tournament in the ICC Champions Trophy?

Sarwan Flintoff Lara

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PHOTO: STAR
Chief cricket selector Faruque Ahmed (C), flanked by the other two members of his panel Golam Nowsher Prince (L) and Athar Ali Khan, announces the squad for the first Test against New Zealand at BKSPT yesterday.

Hussain likes Vaughan

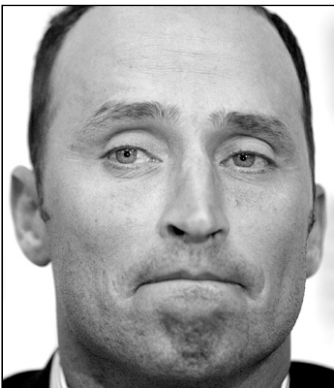


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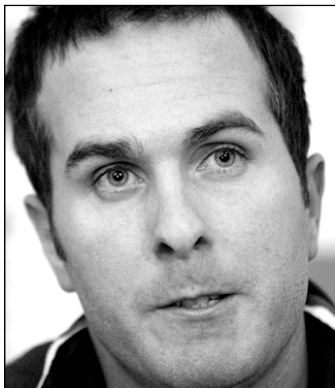
Former captain Nasser Hussain says Michael Vaughan's laid-back style suits the current England side to a tee.
Hussain said his successor's approach would not have worked when he was in charge of the side from 1999 to 2003.
"Back then people would have just gone through the motions and possibly walked all over Vaughan being so relaxed," Hussain told BBC Five Live.
"I don't think Vaughan's style would have worked but I don't think my style would have worked now."
In 1999, when central contracts were still in the future, Hussain said England players would turn up to a Test match, hunt around for freebies and then go back to the county who employed them not particularly worried if they had failed.
It was Hussain's "bad cop" approach when he took the helm which began to instil discipline and get England on the winning trail again.
But now, it is a different scenario.
Hussain said: "One of the reasons I had to pack it in was because the likes of Andrew Flintoff, Steve Harmison and Andrew Strauss needed to be let go and released to express themselves."
"That's where Vaughan has been

exceptional. He's given them the confidence to go out there and enjoy their cricket.
"That's exactly what Harmison and Flintoff need. You can see how they have progressed -- they needed me to take them to a certain level and then Vaughan to take them that extra distance."
Hussain struggles to understand why England are touring Zimbabwe

that were made. It seems to be 'well we better go just because of the finances'.
"Harmison has said he's not going because nothing has changed and the situation has got worse if anything.
"It's almost like an England B team playing against a Zimbabwe C team.
"The captain doesn't particularly



NASSER HUSSAIN



MICHAEL VAUGHAN

in November.
"Nothing's really changed -- it seems to be fudged again," he said, referring back to the 2003 World Cup match in Harare when he was still captain and in which he and his players refused to play.
"I just don't understand the honesty any more and the promises

want to go and his bosses are telling him he has to go. What sort of a state will the team be in?
"The people don't really want you to go, the government doesn't really want you to go.
"What is the point of going except for the financial situation?"

All-Russian final



AFP, Moscow

The Kremlin Cup final will be an all-Russian affair for the first time after defending champion Anastasia Myskina beat new world number one Lindsay Davenport of the United States here on Saturday.
Myskina, also the French Open champion, had already met Davenport four times but on this occasion the second seed's ill health was a factor in the Russian's 6-4, 7-6 victory, her first over Davenport, in 1hr 18min.
In what will be her fourth final this season Myskina will face Elena Dementieva, the fifth seed, who beat another Russian, Elena Bovina, 6-4, 7-5.
The first break of serve didn't arrive until the tenth game, when Myskina broke to take a 1-0 lead.
In the second set, the duo traded breaks from the start but a tie-break loomed, and Myskina held sway to set up the first ever all-Russian final at the Kremlin Cup.
"I desperately wanted to win

today," said Myskina.
"It helped me a lot that Lindsay was feeling ill, while I have just recovered from a fever.
"The surface is also rather slow which is better for me as Lindsay doesn't like long rallies."
Davenport, who regained top spot in the world rankings with a second round success here earlier in the week, admitted her poor health had left her depleted.
"I felt like I couldn't play at 100-percent," said Davenport.
"Of course it's a disappointment to lose but I have positive feelings about my performance here."
Dementieva, a two-time Grand Slam runner-up this year, had no such advantage over a healthy Bovina, who lost her way in the first set when Dementieva broke serve in the third game before taking the set inside 40 minutes.
In the second the opponents produced seven breaks, but Dementieva's precision made the difference and she went on to claim the match in 1hr 40 minutes to record her fifth win in their seven head-to-head meetings.

Sanguinetti shocks Massu

AFP, Vienna

Double Olympic gold medalist Nicolas Massu is still seeking his first good run since his Athens triumph two months ago after crashing out of the Bank of Austria Trophy on Friday.
The second-seeded Chilean was beaten in straight sets by 32-year-old veteran Davide Sanguinetti, who has been in danger of falling outside the top 100 but earned his first semifinal appearance of the year here.
The greying Italian's 6-4, 6-3 win was nevertheless well deserved and was on the cards from an early stage.
He added: "What is clear...is that both parties made the hearing unnecessarily difficult and I note in particular the concerns they expressed about your conduct and the impact it had on allowing the proceedings to continue."

NSW wrest initiative

AFP, Brisbane

New South Wales clawed back into their Sheffield Shield cricket match with Queensland to hold an overall lead at the close of the second day at the Gabba on Saturday.
Although James Hopes eked out first-innings points for the Queenslanders, the Blues took the day's honours with bat and ball.
At the close, NSW were 110 for two, holding an overall lead of 104 runs, with Matthew Phelps 43 not out and Dominic Thornely on six.
After being bowled out on the opening day for 203, NSW's pace attack started the fightback to ensure Queensland only took a six-run lead in a topsy-turvy match that is destined for a result.
Hopes ensured Queensland would take the two first-innings points with an unbeaten 82 with 13 boundaries.
NSW quicks Matthew Nicholson (4-64) and Nathan Bracken (3-43) led the fightback with Queensland slumping from 84 for two to 127 to six in the morning session.

Black Caps

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Sinclair retired hurt	71			
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Styris st Dhiman b Nadif	26			
Oram c Alamgir b Ashraf	47			
Franklin st Dhiman b Ashraf	62			
Wiseman not out	4			
Butler not out	12			
Extras: (b-2, lb-5, nb-6, w-3)	16			
Total: (For 4 wkts in 75.5 overs)	351			
Fall of wkts: 1-1, 2-175, 3-310, 4-335.				
Bowler				
Shahadat	14	1	45	1
Talha	8	1	34	0
Munir	6	0	33	0
Alamgir	4	1	28	0
Nadif	15	2	60	1
Kapali	5	0	22	0
Shamsur	8	1	29	0
Hannan	1	0	12	0
Ashraf	12.5	1	54	2
Dhiman	2	0	19	0
BCB XI: Second innings				
Hannan c McCullum b Franklin	6			
Nafees not out	14			
Ashraf	1			
Extras: (lb-1, nb-1, w-1)	3			
Total: (For one wkt in 11 overs)	27			
Fall of wkt: 1-13				
Bowler				
Butler	4	1	12	0
Franklin	2	0	4	1
Styris	3	1	9	0
Oram	2	2	0	0

Result: The match drawn.

Lanka put up

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balls and six fours while Sangakkara scored his 19th half-century as his 68 came from 69 balls with seven fours.
It was a solid-looking total but both teams will be well aware that Pakistan, who have never won a one-day tournament title at home, successfully chased a bigger target two days ago.
SCOREBOARD
Scoreboard of the Sri Lankan innings against Pakistan in the final of the one-day triangular tournament at the Gaddafi Stadium in Lahore yesterday:
SRILANKA
Jayanthura run out (Moin) 0
Jayasuriya c Inzamam b Naved 21
Atapattu st Moin b Malik 66
Sangakkara b Razzaq 68
Jayawardene b Afridi 49
Dilshan b Afridi 39
Chandana b Sami 7
Vaas not out 18
Maharof not out 2
Extras: (lb-5, w-6, nb-6) 17
Total: (For 7 wkts in 50 overs) 287
Fall of wickets: 1-0, 2-35, 3-141, 4-181, 5-244, 6-257, 7-275
Did not bat: Fernando, Zoysa
Bowler **O** **M** **R** **W**
Akhtar 7 1 41 0
Naved 7 0 29 1
Sami 9 0 53 1
Afridi 10 0 60 2
Malik 10 0 56 1
Razzaq 7 0 43 1
PAKISTAN: Butt, Hameed, Malik, Inzamam, Youhana, Razzaq, Afridi, Moin, Sami, Naved, Akhtar. Toss: Pakistan. Umpires: Aleem Dar (Pakistan) and Simon Taufel (Australia)

Kumble at it again

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coastal city.
Kaif and his overnight partner Patel, who started the day at 291-6, saw out the first hour to take their seventh-wicket lead to 102 before Warne broke through.
The leg-spinner forced Patel to edge a catch to wicketkeeper Gilchrist.
Patel, who came to the crease on Friday afternoon with India still one run short of Australia's first innings total of 235, stood firm for almost three hours to score 54.
It was the 19-year-old wicketkeeper's fourth half-century in 18 Tests and followed his defiant 46 in the first Test at Bangalore, which India lost by 217 runs.
SCOREBOARD
Scoreboard at stumps on the third day of the second cricket Test between India and Australia at the Chepauk on Saturday:
AUSTRALIA: First innings 235 (Langer 71, Hayden 58, Katich 36 not out; Kumble 7-48, Harbhajan 2-90)
INDIA: First innings (overnight 291-6)
Yuvraj c Gilchrist b Warne 8
Sehwag c Clarke b Warne 155
Pathan c Hayden b Warne 14
David b Kasprovic 26
Ganguly c Gilchrist b Gillespie 9
Laxman b Gillespie 4

Don't fix it, warns AFC

AFP, Beijing

The Asian Football Confederation (AFC) has warned China and Hong Kong against fixing their crucial World Cup football qualifier next month, state media reported Saturday.
AFC general secretary Peter Velappan warned the two teams against any "funny business" in the November 17 tie, which China must win by a wide margin to have any hope of travelling to Germany in 2006.
"Both FIFA (International Football Federation) and the AFC will be watching the matches very carefully," the China Daily quoted

Velappan as saying.
"If there is any funny business, they will face the music."
Velappan's comments come after a leading Chinese sports newspaper urged China Football Association head Yan Shiduo to lean on his counterparts in Hong Kong to throw the match.
"When the cat asks the mouse not to eat him, then this is a real football revolution," said the Oriental Sports Daily.
"What he (Yan) must do is use that thick magnetic voice of his to recite to his beloved Hong Kong compatriots the saying that 'blood is thicker than water'," the paper said.
The article was widely seen as a cynical attack on China's corruption-plagued Super League and the nationalist prestige China places on the performances of its sports

teams.
Reports suggest that the unpopular Yan, who is already embroiled in a corruption-related match boycott in China's domestic league, could be sacked if China fails to make the next round in Asian qualifying for the 2006 World Cup.
China qualified for the World Cup finals for the first time in 2002, when Asian teams from Japan and South Korea won automatic berths as hosts.
After taking second place in this year's Asian Cup, China were at least expected to make the second round.
But their 1-0 defeat to Kuwait Wednesday means they must now beat Hong Kong handsomely on November 17 and hope Kuwait slip up against Group Four whipping boys Malaysia to progress.

Wenger set to sign fresh deal



AFP, London

Arsene Wenger is about to sign a new contract which will keep him at Arsenal till 2008 which would extend his Highbury stay to nearly 12 years.
Wenger, who this week marked the eighth anniversary of his first match as Arsenal boss -- a 2-0 win at Blackburn -- has since won two domestic doubles and gone an entire league season unbeaten.
"It's not signed yet but it will be signed. It will take me until the end of this season and then three more seasons," he revealed.
However he admitted: "I didn't think it would last eight years, never. In football, when you win a game, you only have the right to do the next one."

"How can you plan for eight years in football? It's like 50 years in normal life. I couldn't have made it to eight years at Arsenal without winning anything but I think I could've done more. You always remember the games you lost -- FA Cup finals and European finals."
Then again, when he first arrived in north London in October 1996, he was greeted by scepticism, false slurs over his personal life and headlines of 'Arsene Who?'.
No wonder, therefore, that he believes the likes of Jose Mourinho, Jacques Santini and Rafael Benitez now have a much easier task in settling into English football.
"It was much more hostile and hotter for me when I came to England than it has been for them," he said.
"I was completely unknown in England and I got some stories in my

private life. They were not true but it was not easy for me to deal with that. "We also had no previous foreign managers who had been successful. There was a lot of scepticism. But in the past eight years, England has changed a lot. It is much more open to international life than when I arrived."
Wenger has, indeed, unearthed the likes of Nicolas Anelka, Cesc Fabregas and Kolo Toure, while reviving the careers of Thierry Henry and Patrick Vieira.
He has also witnessed a change in himself over the past eight years, falling in love with English football.
"Look at the photos of me eight years ago and you will see a big change," he admitted. "I will always spend part of my life in England, just for football reasons.
"I've been infected a bit by the English football virus. I would miss that anywhere that I went."

SOCCER-SCOPE

AFP, London

And former Welsh boss John Toshack is unwanted by the players.
Houllier's experience and expertise at setting up programmes to develop youth talent, which he showed in France, was believed to have tilted the balance in his favour.
The players' choice would be a combination of captain Speed and former Swansea and Wrexham manager Brian Flynn.
However, Speed's chances of getting involved with Wales' managerial set-up may be hampered by his club manager Sam Allardyce, who sees the midfielder as a crucial part of his plans at Bolton.
Speed is under contract at Bolton until 2006 and Wanderers are in no mood to let their midfield star go unless there is a fee.
But the Daily Mail reports that Fulham boss Coleman, Swansea-born and capped 32 times, is also interested in the job.
The new 90,000-capacity Wembley is scheduled to open for the 2006 FA Cup final, while Manchester City's 48,000-seater stadium successfully hosted the 2002 Commonwealth Games before the club moved in.
England has not hosted the UEFA Cup final since it became a one-off event in 1997/98 but Old Trafford hosted the UEFA Champions League final between AC Milan and Juventus in 2003.
The old Wembley Stadium staged the 1992 European Cup final between Barcelona and Sampdoria.

HOULLIER IN RACE FOR WALES JOB

AFP, London

Former Liverpool and France coach Gerard Houllier and Fulham manager Chris Coleman have stepped into the frame for the job of Wales coach following Mark Hughes departure for Blackburn Rovers.
Players' favourite Gary Speed, who retired from international football after Wednesday's 3-2 home defeat to Poland, could lose out because his club Bolton have demanded 750,000 pounds in compensation for the midfielder.

MALAYSIA OUTLAWS LEGAL BETTING

REUTERS, Kuala Lumpur

Malaysia has rejected a bid to run a legal betting service for English Premier League soccer matches, with officials saying there was already enough gambling in the mostly-Muslim country, local media said on Saturday.
The government had last year approved in principle a bid by Ascot Sports Sdn Bhd to collect bets from Malaysians who, media reports say, bet over one billion dollars a year on the English League and other international soccer matches through illegal bookies.
But mainstream newspapers said on Saturday the deal was off and there will be no licence for Ascot -- a firm owned by local tycoon Vincent Tan who runs a property, resorts and betting empire through the Berjaya Group Bhd.
There are no legal bookmakers inn Malaysia. But the Southeast Asian nation has a casino, horse-

racing and lottery operations.
Ascot, if licensed, would have collected bets through Tan's Berjaya Sports Toto lottery outlets.
The New Straits Times said Malaysians place around 5 billion ringgit (\$1.3 billion) annually with illegal bookies and Ascot's operations could have diverted some of that to local coffers
MORIENTES TARGETS LIVERPOOL MOVE
BBC ONLINE, Liverpool
Fernando Morientes has put Liverpool boss Rafael Benitez on red alert by saying he would consider a move to Anfield in the January transfer window.
Benitez is believed to have wanted Real Madrid's Morientes as part of the deal which saw Michael Owen move to Spain.
"The return to form of Owen can be excellent for Real, but it is also a new problem for me," said 28-year-old Spanish international Morientes. He added: "Liverpool could be a great option for January."
Morientes appears to be growing increasingly frustrated at the lack of first team opportunities at Real where he seems to be behind Raul, Ronaldo and Owen in the pecking order.
"My situation at Real is not pleasant," he said.
"If things continue like this I will have to think about leaving. I am tired of sitting on the bench."
"Liverpool is a club where any player would be happy to play. It is a club with a history of having great supporters, a good coach and now Spanish players."
Benitez has been encouraged by the comments of Morientes.
He said: "It was good to hear, because when a good player talks about a good club, it is good for us."

Mutu leaving Chelsea?



BBC ONLINE, London

Adrian Mutu is reported to have walked out on Chelsea as a result of his dispute with manager Jose Mourinho.
The striker have been at odds over the player's fitness, with Mutu defying Mourinho's wishes by playing a World Cup qualifier for Romania last weekend.
Mourinho admitted on Friday that he could not be certain that Mutu would play for the club again.
And a newspaper report on Saturday said Mutu had gone to Italy for a holiday without the club's permission.
Mutu was signed for 15.8 million pounds from Parma by previous manager Claudio Ranieri in August last year.
But he has made just two substitute appearances in the Premiership under Mourinho this

season.
The dispute with Mourinho escalated when Mutu played for Romania, even though Chelsea had told him he needed time to recover from knee and thigh injuries.
Mutu accused Mourinho of saying he was injured to stop him playing against the Czech Republic, a claim denied by the Chelsea manager.
Mourinho said there had been an "internal" meeting upon Mutu's return over a "personal situation".
And, when asked on Friday if he thought Mutu would play for Chelsea again, Mourinho said: "I do not see why not...I cannot say yes."
"At this moment, he cannot train. "I have individual programmes for my staff to work with him to improve certain qualities and because of the medical problems he has, he is not able to go through these programmes."
"So at this moment I feel this day is far."

Buchanan

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little runs as possible. Chasing a big target on this wicket could be hazardous.
"I am delighted at the way Kaif and Patel batted in the morning which helped us take a good lead.
"(Adam) Gilchrist's wicket towards the end of play was just what we needed. Hopefully we can turn them over quickly tomorrow."
Mohammad Kaif, who struggled through cramp to hit 64, said India could not afford any premature celebrations.
"It's going to be hard battling fourth," he said. "The ball is spinning and bouncing and some are also keeping low."
The 23-year-old batsman shared in a crucial 107-run seventh wicket stand with wicketkeeper Parthiv Patel (54).
Kaif had to be put on drip for dehydration. "It was a combination of weakness and not drinking water. I had viral fever during the first Test in Bangalore," he said.

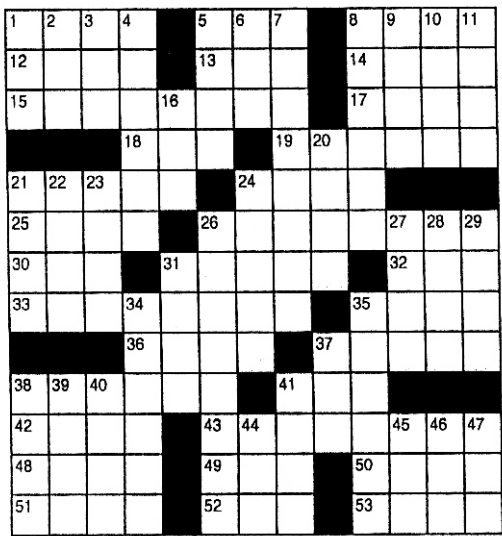
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CRYPTOQUIP
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Yesterday's Cryptquip: WHEN NEWBORN DUCKS HEAR BALLROOM MUSIC, DO YOU SUPPOSE THEY DANCE CHICK TO CHICK?
Today's Cryptquip Clue: F equals P
The Cryptquip is a substitution cipher in which 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.