



Did U Know?

First athletes parading during the opening ceremony behind their national flags was introduced in 1908 Olympic Games.



Harbhajan Singh
(India off-spinner)
"Sourav Ganguly has rebuilt this team and whatever the team has achieved so far, credit goes to the captain."



What to watch
ESPN
Sportscentre
Live at 8:30 pm
UEFA Champions League
Inter Milan vs Rangers
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Real Madrid vs Olympiacos
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UEFA Champions League
Liverpool vs Chelsea
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NATIONAL HOCKEY Army thrash BKSP

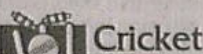
Defending champions Bangladesh Army made a convincing start in the Super Six of the ABS National Hockey Championship when they handed 5-1 defeat on BKSP in the opening match at the Maulana Bhasani National Stadium yesterday.
The service side dominated the first half 3-1.
Sirajul Islam hit the board thrice and Didar Hossain added two more for the winners. Rimun Kumar scored the consolation goal for the losers.
But last year runners-up Faridpur had to fight hard to manage a solitary goal victory over Bangladesh Navy. National media Musa Mia struck the all-important goal in the first half.

Sourav loses grandfather

India skipper Sourav Ganguly's maternal grandfather Sachchidananda Chatterjee, under whose tutelage the cricketer took his first nervous steps into the game, died at his south Kolkata residence on Monday after a protracted illness.
Ganguly's family sources said, Chatterjee (86) was not keeping well after suffering a cerebral attack about two months ago. A widower, Chatterjee left behind a son and a daughter.
A former footballer, Chatterjee turned out for Sporting Union in the 1940s.
"He was a friend, philosopher and guide to Sourav. He taught Sourav the basics of the game. Even today, Sourav used to turn to him when he needed advice," Chatterjee's son Anup said.
Chatterjee was a former vice-president of the Cricket Association of Bengal, and held the same post

ERRATUM
In yesterday's issue we mistakenly wrote a photo caption that in which Syed Raseel and Mohammad Sharif had signed for Gazi Tank in the inter-club players' transfer for the Corporate Cricket League. In fact, they joined Biman. We regret the error.

Transfer ends with a bang



SPORTS REPORTER

After two dull days of trading the three-day players' transfer came to life on Tuesday with the arrival of most of the national cricketers including captain Habibul Bashar and his two predecessors Akram Khan and Naimur Rahman.
But Akram, who signed for Beximco, lent his voice to the poor structure of the Corporate League, which he believed could become a very important event of the domestic calendar.
"The recent happenings regarding the meet are unfortunate. I think the Corporate League could be an important domestic calendar event but in the last three years the authorities have done little or nothing to turn it into a premier event," thought Akram.
The popular Chittagonian pointed to the Board's poor policy as

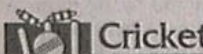
a possible reason for three leading cellular companies staying away from this year's tournament.
"The tournament had a bright beginning but the BCB ruined it by arranging a Twenty20 competition last time. This was termed as nothing more than introduction of 'holiday cricket' by all the teams. Thankfully, they reverted to 50-overs-a-side but it is not enough. The tournament can financially help the players if only it is run properly," he added.
Akram also blasted the pool system.
"It is a shame that a national team pacer (Anwar Hossain Muntir) is unable to find a team to play for. I am against the idea of corporate houses exploiting the current pool," he explained.
The drama surrounding the competition also drew criticism.
"I don't want to comment on the rift between two officials but one thing is for sure it is not a healthy sign for our cricket when we are

under pressure in the international arena," said a national player on condition of anonymity.
Meanwhile, at the end of the bourse the tournament committee met with respective team officials to finalise the grouping (Group A: Araf Apparels, Banglacet, Ipsahani, Gazi Tank, Epyllion and Security Air Express. Group B: Jamuna Bank, Beximco, Biman, Acme and Metro Real Estate.)
The meeting however decided that they would wait until today to complete the 12-team quota.
"There is a chance of another team being included and that's why we have decided to wait at least another day. The team will be able to register any player before the tournament," said Ali Hossain, member secretary of the tournament committee.
He also informed that the league would begin as scheduled on October 5 across the country.
Following is the list of the players
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THE PAST & THE PRESENT: Bangladesh cricket captain Habibul Bashar is flanked by his two predecessors Akram Khan (L) and Naimur Rahman, who all took part in the Corporate Cricket League's players' transfer at the Bangabandhu National Stadium on Tuesday.

Inzy changes his mind



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Pakistan cricket captain Inzamamul Haq has finally agreed to play in next month's Super Test against Australia, reversing an earlier decision to withdraw.
The 35-year-old, who replaced injured Indian star Sachin Tendulkar, has been involved in a series of rows with international selectors and Pakistani cricket authorities, including a dispute over a parking space.
Inzamam said he agreed to feature in the Super Test to improve Pakistan's image.
"I did say that I would not go but after being convinced by the chair-

man that my participation is necessary for the better image of the country, I have decided to tour Australia," Inzamam told reporters.
Inzamam was initially angered when the International Cricket Council left him out of the Test and one-day squads to face Australia, which were announced in August.
Last week the International Cricket Council (ICC) said he would take Tendulkar's place in the Test, but the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) wrongly announced that he was in both squads.
Already angered by the confusion, he then said he would pull out of the Super Test after he was reportedly denied permission to park his car at PCB headquarters in Gaddafi stadium in Lahore on Monday.
The PCB said the matter had been resolved.

"PCB chairman Shaharyar Khan met with Inzamam Monday night and explained the background of the genuine misunderstanding and now Inzamam has agreed to play in the Super Test," it said in a statement.
"Newspaper reports on Tuesday have suggested that I was angry which is wrong. It was a principled stance that I should be treated with respect and that's why I was disappointed," added Inzamam.
The ICC-organised Super Series features three one-dayers in Melbourne on October 5, 7 and 9 and a six-day Test in Sydney from October 14-19.
Expressing disappointment over the earlier confusion, the council said there had been preliminary discussions between the ICC and PCB to find out whether Inzamam
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Greg rebuked in Australia itself

AFP, Sydney

The embattled coach of the Indian cricket team, Greg Chappell, was Tuesday criticised by former player Paul Wilson as a "poor coach" during his five-year stint at the South Australian state side.
Chappell, a former Australia captain and one of the country's best ever batsmen, is embroiled in a power struggle with Indian captain Sourav Ganguly after an email he wrote criticising the Indian captain became public.
"Greg Chappell's a fantastic individual skills and batting coach, but he was a poor coach when it came to looking after a group of people," Wilson told the Australian news agency AAP.
Wilson, who played one Test for Australia in 1998 against India as well as 11 one-day internationals, said in five seasons in South Australia the team's best results were two fourth-placings in the national state competition.
"When he was with SA a lot of guys fell by the wayside, Greg didn't seem to worry himself with a lot of the guys and they really didn't feel led," Wilson said.
"It's only now under (coach) Wayne Phillips that the lost ground is being recovered."

Wilson, a fast bowler who left South Australia to play for Western Australia in the 2002-2003 season, retired from cricket in 2004.
Wilson, who also worked as a marketing and development officer for South Australian cricket during Chappell's time with the organisation, said Chappell did not nurture talent.
"No real batting talent came through and I don't think he looked hard enough within his own squad or within the state for the players that could have improved," Wilson said.
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ASIAN U-14 TENNIS Sani reaches last eight

SPORTS REPORTER

Bangladesh's top seed Omar Faruk Sani was the lone local player to reach the boys' singles quarterfinal of the Sheldite Asian Under-14 Series Tennis tournament yesterday eliminating his compatriot Rezman Ahsan 6-4, 6-3 at the Ramna National Tennis Complex yesterday.
He will play the quarterfinal against Akiyoshi Sy of Philippines today.
The results of the other boys' singles matches: Hutanuk Faruqin (Indonesia) beat Mir Abu Syed (Bangladesh) 6-0, 6-0, Sameer Paranjape (India) defeated Arif Hossain (Bangladesh) 6-3, 6-4, Ronak Manuja (India) beat Rafiqul Islam (Bangladesh) 6-0, 6-0, Sudanwa Sitaram (India) defeated Jimil Bhuiyan (Bangladesh) 6-0, 6-0, Akiyoshi Sy (Philippines) beat Arzayman Borowwa (India) 6-0, 6-1, Mansingh Athorew (India) eliminated Sabir Rezwan (Bangladesh) 6-2, 6-1 while Arvind Fernando (Sri Lanka) beat Saleem Sadiam (Bangladesh) 6-1, 6-0 to reach the quarterfinals.
In the girls' singles, four players -- Grace Sari Ysidora and Nadia Frederika (Indonesia), Naik Adnyaa (India) and Neesha Thirumalichelvam (Malaysia) -- advanced to the semifinals eliminating their respective Bangladeshi opponents.
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Andrew Flintoff with the player-of-the-year trophy at the Royal Albert Hall in London on Monday.

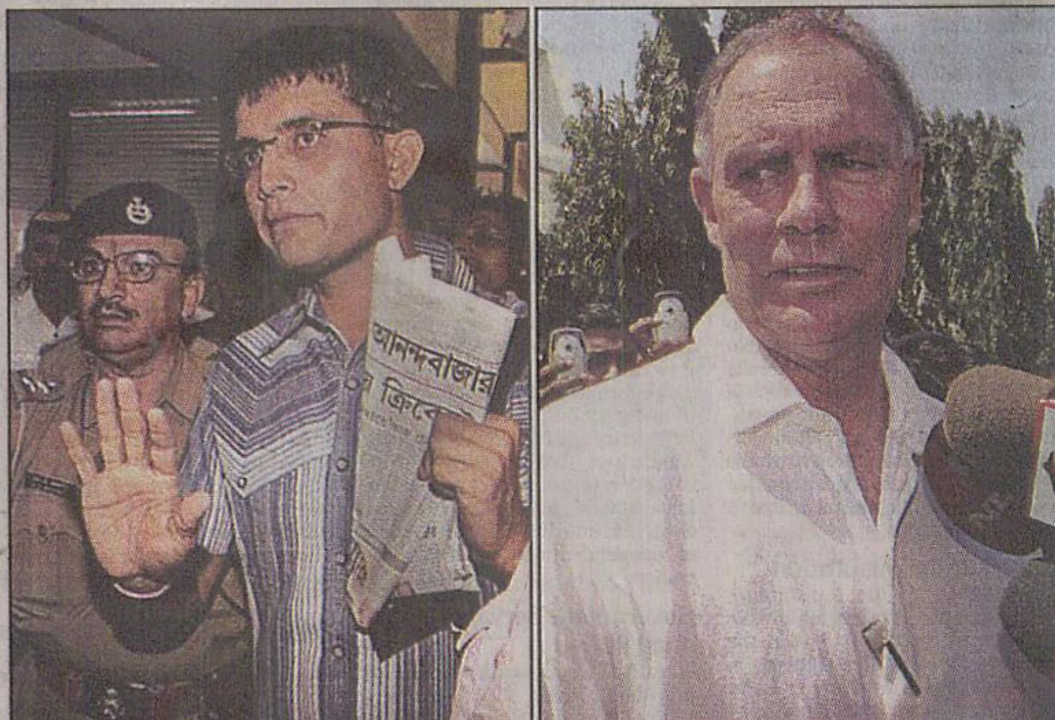
Flintoff No. 1 again



CRICINFO/AFP, undated

Andrew Flintoff was named the Professional Cricketers' Association (PCA) player-of-the-year at a glittery dinner at London's Royal Albert Hall on Monday.
Flintoff won the award, which is voted for by all professional cricketers, for the second year in succession. The previous player to win it back-to-back was John Lever in 1978 and 1979.
"It's been massive," Flintoff said. "You have to pinch yourself sometimes. It's been a roller-coaster of emotions. It's been enjoyable, it's been tense, it's been nerve and to come out with the Ashes has been amazing -- but at the end I just wished there was another Test to play the following week."
But Flintoff, along with other England cricketers, was keen to let the PCA awards mark the end of English celebrations of a wildly successful summer. He told Sky Sports he was looking forward to the challenge of playing in the subcontinent, against Pakistan and then India, in conditions vastly different from home.
"Pakistan is going to hold new

challenges. Having played against Australia, it was hard, and I'm sure Pakistan is going to be equally hard. We're going out to the subcontinent, playing under different conditions foreign to ourselves, and I feel I've got something to prove on the subcontinent. I went out to India a few years ago and I've been to Sri Lanka, and did alright. But I'd like to do well in other parts of the world, not just England."
Flintoff wasn't alone in turning thoughts away from celebrating and towards the challenges that lie ahead.
Ashley Giles, who had such a successful series in Pakistan in 2000-01, is expected to play a key role again on pitches that are likely to offer turn. "They've been great but it's the last hurrah. We're back in the gym after this," Giles explained.
"I've got an important role to play in the subcontinent, so I have to be ready. I have to be fit and firing. So, the next four weeks are important preparation."
England arrive in Pakistan on October 26 for a tour that includes three Tests and five one-day internationals. They also visit India in February before hosting Sri Lanka and Pakistan next summer.
Marcus Trescothick, the vice-captain, said, "There's a lot of cricket
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MEN IN THE SPOTLIGHT: Indian captain Sourav Ganguly (L) and coach Greg Chappell arrive for the hearing in Mumbai on Tuesday.

Uneasy truce in India Captain, coach agree to work together



AFP, Mumbai

India's cricket chiefs brokered an uneasy truce between captain Sourav Ganguly and coach Greg Chappell on Tuesday, sternly warning both to mend their differences for the sake of the national team.
Ganguly and Chappell agreed to "work together" after appearing separately before a high-powered panel of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) at a five-star hotel here, an official said.
"Indian cricket has to move forward and for that both the captain and coach have to work together and a professional working relationship has to be maintained," BCCI president Ranbir Singh Mahendralal told reporters.
"Both Chappell and Ganguly have told the committee they will work together."
"There has obviously been some miscommunication. Some of the

points raised by Chappell against Ganguly about his fitness are far from the truth," Mahendra said.
Both Chappell and Ganguly have been barred by the BCCI from speaking on the subject to the media.
Relations between the two soured on the recent Zimbabwe tour and culminated in the coach writing a confidential e-mail to the BCCI saying the captain was unfit to lead India.
The 2,334 word e-mail, which was leaked to the media, spoke of Chappell's distrust of Ganguly, the country's most successful captain with 21 Test wins -- seven more than second-placed Mohammad Azharuddin.
The BCCI panel included three former captains, Sunil Gavaskar, Ravi Shastri and Srinivas Venkatraghavan besides Mahendra and his powerful predecessor Jagmohan Dalmiya.
It was the same panel which appointed Chappell, the former Australian captain, as coach in June for a two-year period till the 2007 World Cup in the Caribbean.
Under Chappell, India lost two

one-day finals, against Sri Lanka in Colombo and New Zealand in Harare in August, before routing a weakened Zimbabwe 2-0 in the Test series earlier this month.
India are scheduled to play Test series against Sri Lanka, Pakistan, England and the West Indies, besides a minimum of 33 one-dayers, in a gruelling eight-month period from late October.
The national selectors, who had appointed Ganguly captain only for the Zimbabwe tour, will meet in mid-October to select the skipper for a seven-match one-day series against Sri Lanka from October 25.
The crisis boiled over on Monday when players and officials lined up to take sides, forcing Mahendra to impose a gag order amid fears of unbridgeable divisions in the national team.
Mahendra warned players of "serious consequences" if they aired their views after off-spinner Harbhajan Singh announced the team had "developed a sense of insecurity"
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Cronje a bestseller



REUTERS, Durban

Cricket has moved on from the dark days of its betrayal by Hansie Cronje and his death in a plane crash.
South Africa, however, is still gripped by the Cronje story, or so it would seem from the interest generated by a new book on the former South African captain who was banned from cricket in 2000 for his match-fixing activities and who died two years later.
"The Hansie Cronje story: an authorised biography," by Garth King, was published on July 22 and quickly surged to the top of South Africa's non-fiction bestseller list.
In Cronje's hometown, Bloemfontein, where he remains a hero to most, the book reportedly outsold JK Rowling's "Harry Potter and the

Half-blood Prince" in the first week of its release.
Unusually for a South African book, and particularly a sports book, some 12,000 copies were sold in the month after publication.
By the start of this week, more than 17,000 had left the shelves. A third printing of 8,000 copies -- half of them in English, half in Afrikaans -- is on order.
"When I arrived at my desk today I had another order for 300 copies waiting," Esme Briz of the Cape Town-based publishers, Global Creative Studios, told Reuters on Monday.
"Every day we get inquiries from the UK asking where they can buy the book, but it's not available overseas yet."
"We're trying to get someone over there to warehouse copies of the book for us before we sell it here."
Briz said she had handed a copy

of the book to Brian Lara when the West Indies batting hero was in South Africa two weeks ago to play in benefit matches for Jacques Kallis.
Clearly, there is significant interest in this sympathetic portrayal of a fallen hero published by a company in which Cronje's older brother, Frans, is involved.
Cronje, lauded as a pillar of Afrikaaner integrity and a born-again Christian, rocked the world of cricket when he confessed to taking cash from bookmakers to influence the course of matches. He was banned from the sport for life.
The scandal also resulted in life bans for former test captains Salim Malik of Pakistan and Mohammed Azharuddin of India.
Cronje died when the plane he was travelling in flew into a mountainside in bad weather near George, some 350 km east of Cape Town.
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মুক্তিযুদ্ধের গল্প শোনো

মুক্তিযুদ্ধ উৎসব : বাংলাদেশ
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আমাদের ইতিহাসের সবচেয়ে গৌরবের অধ্যায় মুক্তিযুদ্ধ। আমাদের বৃহৎ দুর্ভাগ্য, এই দেশের নতুন প্রাণময় মন মুক্তিযুদ্ধকে সত্যিকার অর্থে অনুভব না করেই বড় হয়ে যাচ্ছে, এজন্য অনেক সময়ই তাদের মধ্যে দেশের জন্যে সন্মানবোধ এবং মনস্তত্ত্ব পড়ে উঠবে না। গৌরব করে হলেও আমরা নতুন প্রাণকে আমাদের সবচেয়ে বড় আত্মত্যাগ, বিরুদ্ধ এবং অর্জনের কথা বলতে চাই। সেই উদ্দেশ্যকে সামনে রেখে মুক্তিযুদ্ধের গল্প শোনো নামে একটি উৎসবের আয়োজন করা হয়েছে।

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