



Did U Know?

Taekwondo made its debut as an official Olympic sport in the 2000 Sydney Games.



Rahul Dravid
(India cricket captain)
"It's probably unlikely that I will play another World Cup. I am already 34 and by next World Cup, I would be 38. The game is getting younger and people are coming on. You never know what future has in store, but you have to be realistic."

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Gibson spoils Warne dream

AFP, London

Veteran seamer Ottis Gibson was named man-of-the-match as Durham wrapped up victory over Hampshire in the Friends Provident Trophy final on Sunday leaving Shane Warne's dreams of a domestic title shattered.

Durham needed just 38 minutes to clinch a 125-run victory at an almost-empty Lord's after the conclusion of the final had been held over from Saturday because of rain.

Hampshire were already facing an uphill task when they resumed on 158 for five in reply to 312 for five and were eventually all out for 187 at the end of the 41st over.

Former West Indies paceman Gibson, 38, who began the Hampshire reply with wickets off the first two balls and then dismissed dangerman Kevin Pietersen as well, was the star performer.

"Unbelievable," said Gibson who took 10 wickets in an innings against Hampshire in a county championship match earlier in the summer.

"But we've got four games left and if I'm going to get through them I'm going to have to cut down on the celebrations a little bit."

Durham's Paul Collingwood, England's one-day skipper, was delighted to finally see his county clinch a first major domestic title.

"We've had lots of ups and downs at the club -- just after I joined in 1996 I think we won one game all season -- but we learned a lot and it pulled us together as a

team."

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BDR, Army in kabaddi final

SPORTS REPORTER

Bangladesh Army set a final clash against Bangladesh Rifles in the Services Kabaddi League.

The final between the top two teams of the six-team league will be held today at 4 pm at the Shaheed

Suhrawardy Indoor Stadium.

In the final league matches, Army defeated Bangladesh Jails 64-35 while BDR edged Bangladesh Police 18-14. In another match, Fire Service won 27-24 against Bangladesh Air Force.

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Football

SPORTS REPORTER

Bangladesh begin their Merdeka Cup campaign today when they meet Indonesia in Group B in Kuala Lumpur.

The match will kick off at 7 pm Bangladesh time at the Shah Alam Stadium in the Malaysian capital.

With the mainstream footballers touring India for the Nehru Cup, it

is the fourth time Bangladesh

would be a challenge for the second-string national team led by Hassan Al Mamun in a group also featuring Singapore and Zimbabwe.

Although the team have mostly newcomers, the tournament will give veteran and out-of-favour footballers like Hassan Al Mamun, Matiul Munna, Parvez Babu and Saifur Rahman Moni a golden opportunity to impress and return to the senior team before the SAFF Championship.

The only time Bangladesh

played Indonesia in this tournament was in 1975, crashing 4-0.

Bangladesh went down twice to the Southeast Asians before the losing streak ended with a memorable 2-1

win.

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1. 0:4 6/8/1975 Kuala Lumpur Merdeka Cup

2. 1:2 9/8/1984 Jakarta Asia Cup Qualifier

3. 0:2 18/3/1985 Jakarta World Cup Qualifier

4. 2:1 2/4/1985 Dhaka World Cup Qualifier

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