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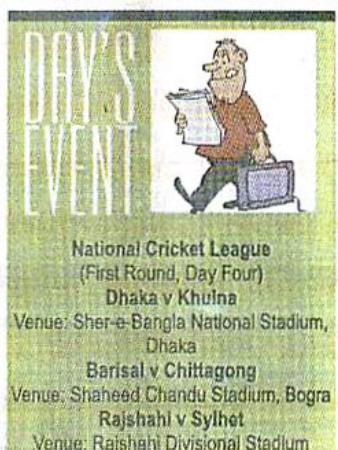
A German farmer sued the owners of a nearby golf club in 1994 after his veterinarian discovered a golf ball lodged in the throat of a recently deceased cow. The farmer claimed the club was responsible for the death of 30 of his cows. It was later discovered the 30 cows had swallowed about 2,000 golf balls that had landed in the pasture.



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National Cricket League
(First Round, Day Four)
Dhaka v Khulna
Venue: Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium,
Dhaka
Barisal v Chittagong
Venue: Shaheed Chandu Stadium, Bogra
Rajshahi v Sylhet
Venue: Rajshahi Divisional Stadium

AFC Festival goes to Iran

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Iran will host next year's AFC Football Festival (U-13, U-14) instead of Bangladesh, which staged the last two events and got Asian Football Federation's verbal assurance of being the permanent hosts.

The Bangladesh Football Federation has received AFC's invitation to join the meet.

It was learned that the AFC has shifted the venue following the Central Asian nations' failure to acclimatise to the hot and humid conditions as the event is usually held in April. Also, the foreign teams had complained about food and lack of facilities.

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ISPAHANI
NATIONAL CRICKET LEAGUE
9th National Cricket League

Dhaka were with a sniff of a chance against Khulna while Barisal and Rajshahi reached to strong positions after third day's play in the 9th National Cricket League yesterday.

At Bogra, Chittagong will resume 209 runs ahead after reaching 307-9 in their second innings replying to Barisal's first innings score of 274. At the Rajshahi Divisional Stadium, the hosts chipped away at Sylhet, who posted an overall 7-run lead with six wickets in hand after Rajshahi was bowled out for 301 in the first innings.

In Dhaka, Khulna set the hosts 314 to win after slumping to 184 all out in the second dig. Dhaka reached 72 for two when stumps were drawn.

DHAKA-KHULNA
Captain Habibul Bashar, making his first NCL appearance in two seasons, struck 67 as he tried in vain to hold Khulna's innings at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium. His overnight partner Tushar Imran, who resumed on 29, moved to 43 when left-arm spinner

Mosharraf Hossain had him caught off his own bowling. The two experienced campaigners had added 84 for the third wicket since the second day.

Bashar then fought a lone battle before being the sixth man dismissed, having hit five boundaries in a patient 166-balls knock.

It was left to the batting talents of Mashrafe Bin Mortaza to give Khulna a 300-run advantage and he obliged, smashing a 41-ball 31. But there were no fireworks from first-innings hero Abdur Razzaq, as Mohammad Sharif snared him. The Dhaka paceman took four wickets while Mosharraf picked up three.

Dhaka lost opener Anwar Hossain but Al Shahriar joined Javed Omar to add 51 runs before Khulna struck a considerable blow by removing the stylish Shahriar with 65 runs on board. Captain Ashraful and Javed, on 3 and 29 respectively, were carrying the hopes of the home side, who need further 242 to win.

RAJSHAHI-SYLHET
Khaled Mashud, unbeaten on 50 overnight, had an able ally in tailender Delwar Hossain to frustrate Sylhet. The two had already added 39 for the ninth wicket on Saturday

and went on to put on 41 more. Delwar, who struck four boundaries in his 40, was dismissed but Mashud milked the strike during a 31-stand with number eleven Mohammad Shahjada. Mashud was the last man dismissed on 82.

Trailing by 160 runs, Sylhet made an enterprise start but lost three quick wickets. But captain Rajin Saleh's 130-ball 59 not out with help of Alok Kapali (35) and Mushfiqur Rahim (22 batting) gave the tourists the hope of a draw.

BARISAL-CHITTAGONG
Visiting Chittagong made sure Barisal have to work hard for an outright victory at the Shaheed Chandu Stadium, batting all day to grind out a lead of 209 runs that could be handy on a last day pitch.

Tamim Iqbal and Gazi Salabuddin added a further 34 runs to their overnight 34 but their partnership was cut short when the latter was run out for 26.

Nafis Iqbal and Aftab Ahmed spent an hour at the crease after Tamim's departure on 60. But after both the senior batsmen were dismissed, Nazimuddin and captain Ehsanul Haque played out two more hours, adding 89 runs.

Barisal, however, rode that

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Blow for BCB



Cricket

Dyson joins West Indies

AGENCIES, undated

Australian John Dyson has been appointed as West Indies coach, more than two years after ending his time at the helm of the Sri Lanka team.

Dyson succeeds David Moore, who was coach on a temporary basis after Bennett King quit in March.

"The rest of the team management will be identified and appointed subsequently," a West Indies Cricket Board statement said on Saturday.

It was not immediately clear when Dyson will start in his new role, but the West Indies are due to begin a tour of South Africa in December.

A batsman Dyson, 53, who played 30 Tests, scoring two centuries and averaging 26.64, and 29 one-dayers between 1977 and 1984, coached Sri Lanka for almost two years.

In that time, Sri Lanka won five of 16 Tests, drawing six more, and were victorious in 21 of 29 one-day

as close as we could be to seal the deal.

"Naturally, Dyson chose the better option but now we have to start afresh, which is a difficult task."

With the board president giving his associates an October deadline to decide on a new coach, it seems an impossible task.

"It's more of a preliminary target than a deadline. It would be better if we achieve the target of confirming a coach by October," opined the former national captain.

"In fact, coaches are not very much available for international jobs as most have commitments. We still have two men in our list but it seems that Gordon (Greenidge) cannot stay in Bangladesh for full two years without interruption. We have already sent him our itinerary and I will contact him tomorrow to know his views," he informed about Bangladesh's ICC Trophy winning West Indian coach.

BCB's short-list also includes Australian all-rounder Colin Miller, whose coaching background is not as rich as the other two.

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