Sonali almost in final

SPORTS REPORTER

Unbeaten Sonali Bank all but ensured a place in the Dhaka Bank Victory Day hockey tournament final when they crossed a major hurdle yesterday.

The bankers' all-win run extended when they crushed Bangladesh Army 3-0 after leading 1-0 at the break at the Maulana Bhasani National Hockey Stadium.

A brace by Zahid Bin Talib in the 22 and 52 minutes put the result beyond any doubt while Russell Mahmud Jimmy sealed the victory

in the 55th minute. Sonali Bank face title aspirants BKSP on January 10 in their last league match.

In another match, Bangladesh Air Force drubbed bottom-table Barnak Samaj 7-0 with Russell slotting four goals, Mamun two and Mobarak one.

The competition will resume tomorrow after a day's rest with matches between Bangladesh Navy and Barnak Samaj and BKSP and Bangladesh Army.

Open final yesterday.

Cricket

CRICINFO, undated

Andrew Symonds turned in disgust

and threw darts with his eyes at

Steve Bucknor, Mahendra Singh

Dhoni had not played a shot to

Symonds's off-spin and the bowler

was furious even though the ball

was heading over the stumps. After

the umpiring perks Symonds

received during the match he had

Ricky Ponting who could not

understand why Bucknor did not

agree with a similar appeal against

Rahul Dravid. Ponting crouched

down and muttered as if nothing

ever went his team's way. In this

Test, from the moment Ponting's

legside edge on Day One went

unnoticed by Mark Benson, almost

nate man in the game. Following

his batting reprieves, he was at the

centre of another crucial decision

that went against India and led to

them losing the match. Poor

Dravid, who battled to 38, was

providing a formidable obstacle

when he pushed his pad forward to

Symonds and hid his bat and gloves

behind his front leg. A sound was

heard, Adam Gilchrist caught the

ball, the Australians yelled and

Bucknor was swayed in a ruling

that was as bad as his miss of

Symonds in the first innings.

Listening to the edges has obvi-

ously become more difficult, but

soon a fine servant may actually

hear the calls for his retirement.

The decisions contributed to India

losing the Test, but the visiting

players shook the hands of both

officials after the match. While they

took their caps off and lined up, the

Australians danced, jumped and

whooped in a manner that would

have reminded the Indians of their

until the 81st minute when

Ronaldo was first to a Ryan Giggs

sealed victory in stoppage time.

Rooney, on as a substitute,

"It's not in our nature," said

United defender Rio Ferdinand

World Twenty 20 celebrations.

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for 115 was soon to be 6 for 137.

Symonds was the most fortu-

everything did.

nothing to complain about.

CHENNAI OPEN Youzhny stuns Nadal

AFP, Chennai

Fourth-seeded Mikhail Youzhny demolished world number two Rafael Nadal in straight sets to win the 436,000-dollar ATP Chennai Open title here on Sunday.

The 19th-ranked Russian won 6-0, 6-1 against the lacklustre Spaniard in a disappointing 58minute final before 4,000 fans on centre court of the Nungambakkam Tennis Stadium.

It was Youzhny's fourth win in seven matches on hard courts against Nadal and earned him 68,800 dollars and 35 ATP race points in the season-opener in this southern Indian city.

Nadal, who called for the trainer midway through the second set, won 37,350 dollars and 24 points.

Nadal looked exhausted after his marathon semi-final against compatriot Carlos Moya on Saturday which lasted three hours and 54 minutes as all three sets went into tie-breaks.

It was the longest three-set match since 1993 when Andrei Cherkasov beat Andrea Gaudenzi . in the quarter-finals of the Tel Aviv Open over the same duration.

On Sunday, Nadal failed to hold any of his three service games in the first set, which Youzhny won in just 24 minutes.

Youzhny then broke his rival twice -- in the fourth and sixth games of the second set -- before wrapping up the match on his own

Valencia rope

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informed veteran trio David Albelda, 30, Miguel Angel Angulo, 30, and goalkeeper Santiago Canizares, 37, that they were surplus to requirements as he gives the team a facelift.

Valencia have been in freefall for months crashing out of the Champions League at the group stage and slumping to seventh in the table.

Siddons urges

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far side and need to improve on that corner pocket."

SCOREBOARD

Final scoreboard on the third day of the first Test between New Zealand and Bangladesh at University Oval in Dunedin on Sunday:

BANGLADESH: First innings 137 (Iqbal 53; Martin 4-64, Oram 3-23) NEW ZEALAND: First innings 357 (Oram 117, Bell 107; Mortaza 4-74) BANGLADESH: Second innings

Rahim lbw b Vettori

Shahadat lbw b Vettori

Extras: (lb-4, nb-7)

252, 10-254.

Bowler

Martin

O'Brien

Vettori

Extras:

Bowler

Mortaza

Bellnotout

Fulton not out

Martin, O'Brien.

Fall of wickets: 1-13.

Oram

Mills

Enamul not out

Mortaza c McCullum b Vettori

Sajidul c McCullum b Martin

Total: (All out in 83.1 overs)

Fall of wickets: 1-161, 2-167, 3-179,

4-205, 5-205, 6-222, 7-232, 8-252, 9-

0

NEW ZEALAND: Second innings

Cumming lbw b Mortaza

Total: (For 1 wkt in 8.1 overs)

Did not bat: Fleming, Sinclair,

Oram, McCullum, Vettori, Mills,

M

12 5 21

6 56

1 54

2 49

6 70

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R W

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when asked if United had thought of holding on for a draw. "The (overnight 148-0) manager (Sir Alex Ferguson) Iqbal b Mills wouldn't settle for that either." Zunaed c Fleming b Martin Australia international David Bashar c Sinclair b Oram Carney grabbed Sheffield United's Ashraful c Cumming b O'Brien 23 Nafees lbw b Vettori Aftab c Bell b O'Brien

decisive goal three minutes before half-time against a weakened Bolton.

Lowly Havant, who play in the second flight of England's nonleague set-up, kept out Swansea

until the 74th minute when Andy

Robinson put the hosts ahead. But Havant fought back and levelled three minutes from the finish through Rocky Baptiste.

Russian Mikhail Youzhny salutes the crowd after beating Spaniard world number two Rafael Nadal in the Chennai

Street. Bucknor's decision cost

India 131 runs and he also refused

to call for the third umpire during a

close stumping when Symonds

was 148. Two days later Anil

Kumble missed a hat-trick when

Bucknor judged a wrong'un to be

going over the stumps when

Symonds pushed forward. He went

luck evens itself out over a career,

but their long-sightedness is not

shared by visiting teams. Bob

received almost six times more

line-ball decisions than Pakistan

during the 2004-05 series, and

while it sounded like an exaggera-

tion, the benefit of the doubt

favours the home team in Australia

soldiers on the final days of the

Tests. Fielders crowd round the

batsmen and they are shouted at

every couple of balls over fantasy

and non-fiction. Every country has

its ways of pushing the rules and

one of Australia's traditional pet

hates was the amount of appealing

conducted by teams from the

view and on the final day his former

team-mates were expert at trying

to influence the officials with

shouts at all volumes. (Despite the

ridiculous as Kumble's plea for an

lbw of Brad Hogg in the first innings

when the ball was struck through

cover for two.) Benson was so worn

down late in the afternoon that he

sent a run-out call to the third

umpire even though the batsman

deal with Michael Clarke's low

catch off Sourav Ganguly, who

stood with hand on hip as he

waited for a decision. Of course the

Australians raced to the fielder and

swamped him. They were certain it

was out, but Benson wasn't sure.

He looked to Bucknor at square leg

In the same session he had to

was in by a metre.

Shane Warne helped alter that

Umpires must feel like frontline

Most Australian players believe

on to score another 61.

and around the world

subcontinent.

India's comfortable position of 3 consistent requests, none was as

The noise of Symonds' nick on and then walked down the pitch

31 was so loud it could have carried and asked Ponting what he

Man U, Chelsea

On the last ball before tea it was Woolmer reckoned Australia

to the shoppers in nearby Oxford thought. "He caught it," Ponting

seemed to say and put his finger up.

gained credibility for the decision

by refusing to accept a low catch in

the first innings, the replays did not

show the ball falling short.

Typically, they also could not clear

all doubt from the take. Ponting's

noble request for all teams to have

an honesty system for these inci-

dents has been rejected by the rest

of the world -- he had a small vic-

tory before this series when

Kumble agreed the captains would

have the final say on contentious

catches -- and they must have

squirmed when they saw Ponting

relaying the message to the umpire.

ently to appealing and walking.

They say it's up to the umpire to

decide on edges and lbws, but

when it comes to knowing whether

a ball has carried, the fielder is the

best person to judge. What they

miss is that both arguments are

about telling the truth. Why should

Clarke be trusted to rule on a

potentially match-turning catch

when he stayed at the crease on day

One of Gilchrist's finest traits is

four after edging a ball to first slip?

he walks whenever he gets an edge,

and claims to appeal only if he's

sure the batsman has got a nick.

Apart from Dravid, Gilchrist was

the best-positioned player to know

what Symonds' delivery had

touched. It was definitely not bat or

glove. Gilchrist also did not see the

puff of dust from the ball bouncing

after Dhoni hit it into his leg before

ricocheting back to the

wicketkeeper, who appealed with

his teammates for a catch. It was an

easy decision for Bruce Oxenford

Australians devised a Spirit of

Cricket document that they swear

by. They insist they play the game

"hard and fair" and are shocked

whenever their outlook is chal-

lenged. After emotional days like

this it is hard to sympathise with

Under Steve Waugh the

the television umpire.

their complaints.

Hussey not out

Australians see catching differ-

Fortunately for Ponting, who

Benson did the same.

Attitude lacks appeal

Chelsea beat QPR thanks to a fortunate own-goal when Claudio Pizarro's shot hit the post and rebounded off Rangers keeper Lee Camp in the 28th minute at Stamford Bridge.

At White Hart Lane, want-away striker Dimitar Berbatov twice gave Tottenham the lead but Stephen Hunt twice equalised for Reading to ensure a replay.

Chasetown, the lowest-ranked club ever to reach this stage of the FA Cup, saw their dreams of further glory end in a 3-1 home defeat against Cardiff.

1 '0 Khulna or Rajshahis

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balls that contained five boundaries while Rashedur was not out on 29.

Kamrul claimed four wickets conceding 37 runs in 21 overs while Tareq grabbed four for 34. Earlier, overnight 288-7, Chittagong were all out for 319.

BRIEFSCORES

KHULNA: 193 and 325 all out in 102 overs (Nazmus 32, Imrul 0, Mostafizur 34, Sahagir 8, Jamal Babu 48, Nahidul 52, Ziaur 32, Murad 21, Farid 61, Aslam 3, Robiul 12*; Talha 3-77, Bashar 2-23, Tariqul 2-63,

BARISAL: 217 and 20 no loss in 5 overs (Hannan 3*, Nasiruddin 16*). RAJSHAHI: 365 for 9 (dec) and 59-7 in 29 overs (Jahirul 12, Shakil 0, Rafiqul 17, Farhad 3, Mashud 2, Mushfigur 0, Anisur 5, Naeem 5*, Shahjada 6*; Mosharraf 4-9,

DHAKA: First innings 313 all out in 107.4 overs (Anwar 3, Mehrab 33, Arafat 10, Javed 3, Mehrab Jr 51 Riyad 41, Sharif 2, Nazmul 93, Mosharraf 34, Rafique 9, Mahbubul 9*; Farhad 4-74, Alamgir 3-89, Saglain 2-89).

SYLHET: 354 and 201 all out in 73.1 overs (Imtiaz 30, Saif 0, Rezaul 25, Golam Mabud 0, Alok 14, Sharifullah 2, Rahman 5, Ezaz 29, Sadigur 1, Nabil 37, Rashedur 29*;

CHITTAGONG: First innings 319 all out in 93 overs (Salahuddin 21, Masumuddowla 12, Rezaul 12, Nazimuddin 31, Ehsanul 54, Faisal 32, Yasin 23, Dhiman 82, Kamrul 2, Tareq 12, Younus 6*; Rezaul 3-41, Alok 3-84, Rashedur 2-51, Imtiaz 1Parag, Aminul win in UK

MASTERS CHESS

SPORTS REPORTER

Two Bangladeshi players won in the ninth round of the Masters Chess Tournament of the 83rd Hastings Chess Congress on Saturday at Hastings, in England.

FIDE Master Khondokar Aminul Islam defeated local player John Sugden while Mehdi Hasan Parag beat Dominic Foord also of England but FIDE Master Abu Sufian Shakil lost to Grand Master Bogdan Lalic of Croatia.

Aminul and Shakil both were on 5.5 points while Paraghad five.

GEMS clinch bridge title

SPORTS REPORTER

GEMS Club clinched the title of the 25th National Team Bridge Championship with a 207-160 international match points in the final at the National Sports Council (NSC) auditorium yesterday.

The nine-day meet that was divided into three phases concluded yesterday where a total of 14 team including five from different district took part in the champion

The six-member GEMS Club was comprised of Quazi Habibul Huq, Jamilur Rahman, Mobinul Islam, Rafique Hossain Siddique SM Reza and Shakawat Hossain.

4th JFA Cup from Feb 1

SPORTS REPORTER

The qualifying rounds of the 4th JFA Cup Under-15 football tournament will begin on February across the country.

Eight venues will be used in the preliminary stage with all group champions joining the final rounds in Dhaka. The qualifiers will be held on knockout basis.

The tournament, sponsored Japan Football Association, has become a regular event of the Bangladesh Football Federation since 2006.

Grant set

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were tactically very good and they closed the space very well. It was the game we expected." For Rangers, there was the

consolation of a determined display and the promise of better days

The potentially huge financial backing from their new board, where Formula One supremo Bernie Ecclestone and co-owner Flavio Briatore, the Renault team boss, have been re-enforced by an investment from the family of Indian steel magnate Lakshmi Mittal, could transform a club mired in mediocrity for far too long although it will take time for Luigi De Canio's side to match Chelsea on the field.

"It was more or less the match we expected," De Canio admitted.

"Chelsea showed they are great team and they had the right attitude to the game but we also did what we were expected to do," the Italian added. "We were tidy and we tried to make the most of every chance we made.

"Hopefully, it will not be long before we come here in the Premier League. But the issue isn't so much coming here to play Chelsea but more to play them on a level playing field and match them. That is much more important and would be much more gratifying."

Jones facing

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prosecutors when handing down a sentence Friday on Jones, who has given up five medals, three of them gold, she won at the Sydney Olympics. Prosecutors suggested a six

month sentence for Jones while defense lawyers pleaded for no time behind bars, saying probation was enough given the public humiliation she has endured. Jones had spent years denying

any wrongdoing before confessing last October to her use of performance-enhancing drugs before and after her star turn at the Sydney Olympics. Karas gave each side until Wednesday to reply to his

It's not cricket

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match suffered an early setback when they lost out-of-form opener Wasim Jaffer, Sachin Tendulkar and Vangipurappu Laxman but Rahul Dravid and Sourav Ganguly consolidated the innings.

Dravid was the victim of another umpiring blunder after tea but the tourists still looked to have done enough to avoid defeat when Ponting tossed the ball to Clarke in desperation and the match took one last twist.

"The last 30 or 40 minutes of the day's play was about gambling, about rolling the dice," Ponting

An 'ugly' end

Cricket

CRICINFO, undated

Ugly might be an understatement to describe events on the final day in the Sydney Cricket Ground. A potentially cracking Test match was botched, an open series was all but shut and the beautiful scenes that the game produced were forgotten. This was a recordequalling Test containing contrasting centuries on all five days. But it ended bitterly.

can hurt. Tension enveloped the ground during the final stages as couldn't understand what all the Australia packed close-in fielders fuss was about -- he even scowled around the bat. Anil Kumble, who when someone questioned him produced one of his finest innings, battled gutsily and Australia's parttime spinners fizzed it off the rough. Spectators prayed before more than one line -- "Only one every ball and cheered lustily after team is playing in the spirit of the each. This was a cracking match played on a fine pitch. But it was memories of Bill Woodfull in the

Rahul Dravid, out of sorts recently, appeared to be finding his the hard facts. India failed to surgroove. His 61-run partnership vive 72 overs in the second innings, with Sourav Ganguly seemed to a couple of batsmen played injudihave eased the nerves, his positive cious strokes and a few others felt attitude was just returning, the cover drives were being struck crunchily, a corner was being turned, and a game was being sive failure was a reflection of the saved. And he was robbed.

counterattacking with gusto. So gorgeous were the three consecutive fours he struck off Brad Hogg that the frames could be pasted on troversies. "It's a bit of a concern," a picture postcard and sent back to said Kumble, "and we'll address reminder of what a fine Test match Kolkata. He didn't hold back them in the practice game in it could have been.

against the faster men, trying to show that draws and style can go chance will get a knock." together. Until he was done in.

endings that ruin a day's cricket -competent batsmen suffering to go in with an intention to draw incompetent umpiring. When it happens in the second match of a series, with the scoreline reading 1-0, it is worse. When it happens India would have known that, yet against two of your best batsmen, it's frustrating. And when the wickets change the complexion of the match, it is disturbing.

Neither team seemed to agree on the legality of catches, despite These are the sort of losses that an unwritten pact agreed upon before the series. Ricky Ponting claiming a catch after appearing to touch the ball to the ground. Anil Kumble didn't need to say much game", a statement bringing back infamous Bodyline series.

Amid this nobody should forget the heat. Wasim Jaffer's expansive drive just before lunch was reckless and Yuvraj Singh's fourth succesteam's flawed batting line-up. Has Ganguly flowed gracefully, Jaffer been given a long enough rope? Does Yuvraj deserve a spot? These are hard questions that mustn't be buried under the con-

Canberra. Those who haven't got a

Australia's tactics were simple: These are the sort of abrupt declare only after you ensure against defeat. They wanted India and choke them. No dangling carrots, no tempting targets. Bat them out and try to close the game. the runs were being leaked generously. Wasn't this the best chance to dry up the runs and delay the declaration? Were they too lax in conceding 119 in 24 overs on a fifth-day pitch? Often they appeared to be waiting for the declaration, when, in fact, there was still a chance to win.

Teams have their own ways to battle for a draw. Some attack as if it was the first day of the match, other sit on their haunches and prod. India needed to only look back to July last year to see they had got through more than 90 overs in the final innings at Lord's. Mahendra Singh Dhoni was at the centre of that draw and should have known better than to shoulder arms to one that came in, on a pitch where the ball wasn't rising much.

India will also remember that they saved that game thanks to rain and a small matter of an umpiring decision. England had reason to complain that day but had they lost, a fuse might have well blown out. Umpiring decisions matter, context even more so. It was heartening to see Kumble maintain his composure at the end of the day to say "it's a game after all". It was a

Pup punt pays off

Cricket

AFP, Sydney

Michael Clarke badgered skipper Ricky Ponting to give him a bowl before capturing three wickets in five balls in the penultimate over to lead Australia to their recordequalling 16th consecutive Test win here Sunday. The part-time off-spinner was

flung the ball in the final overs and came up trumps to squeak the Australians home in one of Test cricket's most exciting finishes.

Clarke had a poor match with the bat, scoring one and a duck, but he will be remembered for his two overs which sealed a dramatic win for Australia in the second Test against India at the Sydney Cricket

"I had been asking Punter (Ponting) for a bowl all day and he finally gave me the ball and obviously again, a lot of luck but I am certainly taking it," Clarke said moments after his match-winning performance.

Clarke thought Australia had said.

missed their chance before his intervention. "Honestly, not a chance in hell

and I think that is why Punter threw me the ball. "There was obviously enough rough (footmarks) there and I thought India did really well to fight out and last as long as they did," he

"I think that is the one thing that I have learnt about cricket is how quickly things can change whether for the better or for the worse and I think today is a perfect example.

"I have made no runs and dropped a catch. I fortunately held onto a couple (of catches) and got some wickets at the end.

"When your opportunity comes, you just have to make the most of it."

Ponting, who described the 122run victory as one of his most satisfying in Test cricket, said he was tossing the ball among his bowlers in a bid to find the wickets to claim victory.

"The last 30 or 40 minutes of the day's play was about gambling, about rolling the dice," Ponting

"I tried most guys there in that last hour and a half. I had to do that at that time just to see who the batsmen would find the hardest to play at that time.

"It looked like the faster bowlers were easier to play than the spin-

when I gave him the ball, 'I think I've got about just enough time to win us the game here.' He's always had a fair bit of confidence in him-

Ponting said his team will now head to Perth for the January 16-20 third Test confident of winning the four-match series.

very hard work. When it comes down to the last 10 minutes of a Test match and you win it, that makes it extra special. There was no motivational talk about winning 16 straightTest matches.

'Boys stood up'

AFP, Cape Town

South Africa captain Graeme Smith blasted 85 off 79 balls to take his team to a seven-wicket win on the fourth day of the second Test against the West Indies at

Smith praised the character of his team. "It was a hard-fought Test match. Being 1-0 down made it really tough but the boys stood up

seemed unlikely after a heroic effort by West Indian skipper Chris Gayle extended his team's innings until tea and left South Africa need-

an opening stand of 57 in nine overs and the tempo was maintained as Hashim Amla helped Smith add 83 in 17 overs for the second wicket.

Rawl Lewis but Jacques Kallis and Ashwell Prince took South Africa home 3.2 overs into the final eight after the extra half hour was claimed to achieve a result.

thumb and shared a last wicket partnership of 70 runs with Shivnarine Chanderpaul that kept the West Indies' hopes alive before Smith's assault. Gayle said X-rays showed a

crack right around his thumb just above the joint. "It's not looking good," he said of his prospects of Durban, starting on Thursday.

playing in the deciding match in Gayle praised his players. "It was a good Test match, even though we lost," he said. "We lost one of our strike bowlers in Fidel

hands up. We are still in with a

"If we get an opportunity [in Durban] we must try not to let them get back into the game."

looking forward to the final Test. "It's been an exciting series and Kingsmead is a track which suits us," he said.

Gayle hit 38, with 37 of the runs coming off 29 balls in the last wicket stand before he was caught at long-on off Dale Steyn after

Despite not being able to bowl at top speed because of a hamstring strain, Steyn took four for 44 while Andre Nel took three for 62.

overnight score of one. He returned to the wicket when

Chanderpaul, who had scarcely

played an attacking stroke for most of his innings, started going for his shots as well and the pair needed only 53 balls for their partnership.

the first innings and batted for a total of 644 minutes in the match and faced 391 balls for his match total of 134 runs.

"He (Clarke) actually said to me

"Any Test match that you win is

"We go to Perth on a wicket and conditions that should suit us a lot more than the Indians. After two great wins like we've had we can obviously go to Perth pretty confi-

Cricket

Newlands Saturday.

Smith's innings enabled South Africa to square the series with one match to play.

again and showed a lot of heart.' Victory with a day to spare

ing 185 to win. But Smith and AB de Villiers got the innings off to a flying start with

Amla and Smith were out in successive overs to leg-spinner

Gayle batted with a broken left

chance in the series.

Smith said South Africa were

Chanderpaul again stood firm for the tourists. He was unbeaten on 70 after batting for 299 minutes and facing 168 balls.

hitting four fours and three sixes.

Gayle was struck on the thumb by a delivery from Nel four balls into the first over of the day. After in. lengthy treatment on the field he retired hurt without adding to his

his side were nine down and only 114 runs ahead. Batting with a runner because of a hamstring injury, he swung powerfully whenever the ball was in his range although it was obvious he was in

Chanderpaul made 64 not out in

Smith and De Villiers were aggressive from the start of South

Africa's chase. Marlon Samuels dropped Smith at point off Taylor when he had 18 but continued to attack, reaching his fifty off 41 balls. Despite his injury, Gayle led his team onto the field and held slip Amla and Smith.

The first was a spectacular grab at the third attempt while he was lying on the ground and the second a sharp reflex take as the ball flew to his right off an edge from Smith.

South African opening batsman Neil McKenzie joined the match's growing casualty list when it was announced he had suffered a torn right calf muscle while fielding Friday and would be out of action for between four and six weeks.

One of our

FROM PAGE 17 "To win a Test like that, coming

down to the last eight or 10 minutes on the fifth day is very special." Ponting admitted he had only tossed the ball to Clarke out of des-

peration because he feared the

chances of winning were slipping

away as the Indian lower order dug Clarke had already performed a miracle with the ball when he took 6-9 against India on his debut in 2004 and spent the last half hour pestering Ponting for another

chance. "Michael Clarke's got the golden touch," Ponting said. "He actually said to me when I

gave him the ball I think I've got

about just enough time to win us the game here.' He's always had a fair bit of confidence in himself." Ponting feared he got his mathematics wrong when he gave his

bowlers just 72 overs to dismiss the Indians after delaying his team's declaration until 17 minutes before He aborted the innings on 401-7 with Mike Hussey unbeaten on

145, setting the Indians a near-

impossible target of 333 for an

unlikely win. "I was conscious not to set anything that was going to be too easy for the Indians to chase," he

"I wanted us to be able to get ourselves in the situation where we

Edwards but the guys put their catches off Lewis to dismiss both were the only team that could win."

Result: New Zealand won by nine

Sajidul Shahadat wickets Man-of-the-match: Jacob Oram.

Arafat 1-49, Monir 1-76).

Rafique 1-9, Sharif 1-14, Mahbubul

Kamrul 4-37, Tareq 4-54, Younus 2-

Lee Johnson Clark Hogg Symonds Clarke

Controversy FROM PAGE 17 Hayden c Jaffer b Kumble

Ponting c Laxman b Harbhajan

Symonds c Dhoni b RP Singh

Clarke c Dravid b Kumble

Gilchrist c Yuvraj b Kumble Hogg c Dravid b Harbhajan Leenotout Extras: (b-3, lb-8, w-3, nb-9) Total: (For 7 wkts decl in 107 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-85, 2-90, 3-250, 4 250, 5-378, 6-393, 7-395. O M RP Singh Sharma 6 92 Harbhajan 3 148 Kumble Tendulkar 0 11 INDIA: Second innings Jaffer c Clarke b Lee Dravid c Gilchrist b Symonds Laxman lbw b Clark Tendulkar b Clark Ganguly c Clarke b Lee Yuvraj c Gilchrist b Symonds Dhonilbw b Symonds Kumblenotout Harbhajan c Hussey b Clarke RP Singh Ibw b Clarke Sharma c Hussey b Clarke Extras: (nb-2)

Total: (All out in 70.5 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-3, 2-34, 3-54, 4-115, 5-115, 6-137, 7-185, 8-210, 9-R W O M Bowler 3 34 33 32 55 19 51 1.5 Result: Australia won by 122 runs and lead series 2-0. Man-of-the-match: Andrew

Symonds.