

V-Day hockey final today

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Sonali Bank will look forward to maintain their all win run in the Dhaka Bank Victory Day hockey tournament final today when they meet Bangladesh Army.

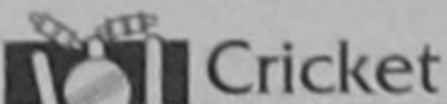
Victory Day TT ends today

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Binti clinched the girls' singles title in the Victory Day table tennis tournament defeating Cynthia in the final at the Woodenfloor Gymnasium yesterday.



Jatrabari KC kabaddikas successfully hold a raider (M) from neighbouring Matuail Milon Smriti Sangsad in yesterday's EXIM Bank Women's Kabaddi League match at the Outer Stadium kabaddi court.

Shaking Ponting's tree



PETER ROEBUCK

From a distance the SCG Test match was a beauty. Five contrasting hundreds, plenty of wickets, fine weather, large crowds and a thrilling finish - cricket at its best.

Throughout its course it was clear the Test was hovering on the brink of calamity. A Test match has a history, a mood, a progression that requires constant attention.

Throughout its course it was clear the Australians were oblivious to the mounting dismay they were generating in their own community.

The debacle began on the opening day and owed something to bad umpiring. Everyone had been looking forward to a worthwhile contest only to be denied by umpiring blunders.

Sourav admires

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Hogg and claims of poor sportsmanship by the Australians. There was also widespread criticism of the standard of umpiring.

On top of that there was talk of India abandoning the tour, before they decided to go ahead with the match against the ACT XI.

However, Ganguly said spirits were high in the Indian camp, although he admitted he went into the Test series under-prepared.

Runs flow

Table with columns: Bowler, O, M, R, W. Rows include Kingsmead on Friday, WEST INDIES: First innings 139, SOUTH AFRICA: First innings (overnight 213-1).

Real ready

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African Nations Cup with Mali international Seydou Keita and Frederic Kanoute - two of their best players - leaving for the Ghana showpiece.

Pakistan seeks Oval reversal



AFP, Karachi

Pakistan has officially asked cricket's governing body to change the result of the Oval Test that was awarded to England on forfeit two years ago, officials said Friday.

Seven players share lead in chess

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Seven players shared the lead in the 28th National Sub-junior Chess Championship after the end of the third round at the Chess Federation hall-room yesterday.

Lara writes

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to have any regrets at all. "I don't think you should think about that right now. I think it's important that I'm here to play for Trinidad and Tobago."

Eves warming up well for int'l kabaddi

UNB, Dhaka

Jatrabari KC earned their second win in the EXIM Bank Women's Kabaddi League defeating Matuail Milon Smriti Sangsad 58-38 with four lonas at the Outer Stadium kabaddi court yesterday.

Utseya stays skipper

REUTERS, Karachi

Zimbabwe have named off-spinner Prosper Utseya as captain for their Pakistan tour.

Patient Tait to wait for recall

CRICINFO, undated

Shaun Tait is trying not to get his hopes up of playing his third Test despite growing speculation that he will be included as a fourth fast bowler in Perth next week.

Bayern appoint

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But he returned to the football fold last year when he accepted a job as a match analyst for German television.

Pawar's ultimate power



CRICINFO, undated

Sharad Pawar, the BCCI president, has been handed the power to order India home from Australia without consulting the rest of the board.

'We aren't wrong'



AFP, Sydney

Australian opening pair Phil Jaques and Matthew Hayden on Friday defended the aggressive approach of the world champions to their cricket following last week's controversial Sydney Test.

Henin wins classic final



AFP, Sydney



World number one Justine Henin of Belgium holds the trophy after winning the final against Svetlana Kuznetsova of Russia at the Sydney International tournament on Friday.

Ponting didn't want

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not just accusing a cricketer, but the ramifications of this accusation, unproven in the eyes of most people, were bound to be huge.

ported anti-racism movements in South Africa. There were concerns that India would withdraw from the Perth Test, which starts on Wednesday, if Harbhajan's appeal was not heard before the match.

"Obviously a few things have happened over the last couple of weeks but we're still two very good cricket teams out to win the series and I'm sure it'll be played in the right spirit," he said.

League minus

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Africa striker Benni McCarthy available for their match with Bolton even though club-mate and Bafana Bafana captain Aaron Mokoena believes he should be in Ghana.