

Pakistan in driver's seat

Cricket

CRICINFO, undated

It's a venue that Pakistan's bowlers have enjoyed more than those from any other side over the last two decades, and they celebrated the Basin Reserve's fiftieth Test in fitting style, destroying New Zealand's top order with another clinical performance that left them superbly placed to level the series. After extending their first innings to 264, thanks largely to Kamrah Akmal's enterprising 70, the bowlers immediately got down to business, exploiting the conditions and the huge flaws in the techniques of the New Zealand batsmen, bundling them out for 99 and taking their overall lead to 229 by stumps.

Save for a brief four-over period when New Zealand took the last three Pakistan wickets and a spell just before close of play, the day belonged entirely to the visitors. Mohammad Aamer did his now customary trick of taking a wicket in his first over and consistently bowled in the mid-140s, Mohammad Asif operated in his usual channel around off and seamed the ball both ways, Umar Gul was the perfect first-change bowler offering New Zealand no respite, while Danish Kaneria befuddled the lower order with his bag of tricks.

While the four-pronged bowling attack gave little away, New Zealand put in yet another shambolic batting display, as their poor defensive techniques and shot selection were ruthlessly exposed. None of their batsmen came to terms with the ball seaming around in both directions, and they made it worse for themselves with some poor strokeplay. None was more guilty than Brendon McCullum, who chased his first ball -- a wide one -- and edged to second slip when New Zealand had already lost five wickets with little on the board.

Ross Taylor was the only batsman to play with confidence -- he raced to 30 from 40 balls, showing decisive footwork and driving confidently through the off side off the fast bowlers. His judgement failed him, though, when Gul slipped in an inopportune that took the off stump after Taylor left it alone.

Peter Fulton was a walking wicket once again, shuffling indecisively to a straight and full one on the stumps, but New Zealand really crumbled after tea, going from 85 for 4 to 99 all out in the space of six overs. It's a fate that has often befallen New Zealand sides of the past against Pakistan, and this time it was Asif who started the slide. Flynn's painstaking knock ended when he was trapped in front of off by one that straightened -- the review failed to save

Pakistan at Basin Reserve in Wellington on Friday: **PAKISTAN:** First innings (overnight 161-6) Farhat c Taylor b Vettori 32 Butt c Tuffey b O'Brien 29 U Akmal b Tuffey 46 Yousof lbw b Vettori 0 Misbahul lbw b Vettori 21 Malik c Vettori b Tuffey 9 K Akmal c Vettori b Tuffey 70 Aamer c Taylor b O'Brien 21 Gul c O'Brien b Tuffey 31 Asif c b Vettori 4 Kaneria not out 0

Fulton lbw b Gul 0 Elliott c b Kaneria 20 McCullum c Malik b Asif 6 Vettori c Misbahul b Kaneria 6 Tuffey c Yousof b Asif 3 O'Brien c Farhat b Kaneria 0 Martin not out 0 Extras: (lb-7) 7 Total: (All out in 36.5 overs) 99 Fall of wickets: 1-1, 2-5, 3-48, 4-52, 5-85, 6-85, 7-95, 8-96, 9-96.

Bowler O M R W
Aamer 11 2 25 1
Asif 12.5 2 40 4
Gul 7 2 21 2
Kaneria 6 2 6 3
PAKISTAN: Second innings Farhat c Fulton b O'Brien 35 Butt c Taylor b O'Brien 18 Yousof not out 10 Misbahul not out 1 Extras: 0 Total: (For 2 wts in 23 overs) 64 To bat: U Akmal, Malik, K Akmal, Aamer, Gul, Asif, Kaneria.

Fall of wickets: 1-49, 2-54.

Bowler O M R W
Martin 6 1 21 0
Tuffey 4 0 15 0
Vettori 7 4 12 0
O'Brien 6 1 16 2

Abahani

FROM PAGE 17 for a second run but a brilliant throw by Ashraf from backward square leg made sure that the number one all-rounder in one-day rankings would not be a threat for Mohammedan.

Saqlain, Nabil and Mahmudullah Riyad took two wickets each.

Despite the easy win, Mashud issued a warning by saying that there has no chance to be complacent. "We overcame a big hurdle but we have to continue our good form in the remaining matches to regain the title. I must say that we were lucky that we won the toss in the crucial match," said the seasoned campaigner Mashud.

SCORES IN BRIEF

MOHAMMEDAN-ABAHANI

Venue: SBNCS

ABAHANI: 191 all out in 47.1 overs (Imrul 15, Rony 19, Nadif 32, Shakib 25, Razzaq 28, Rafique 12, Sunny 18, extras 25; Rana 1-42, Emon 1-41, Saqlain 2-39, Nabil 2-29, Riyad 2-32, Ashraf 1-5).

MOHAMMEDAN: 192-4 in 33.1 overs (Tamim 13, Ashraf 35, Aftab 107 not out, Riyad 26, extras 8; Razzaq 1-37, Shakib 1-23, Rafique 1-28, Shibli 1-51).

Result: Mohammedan won by six wickets.

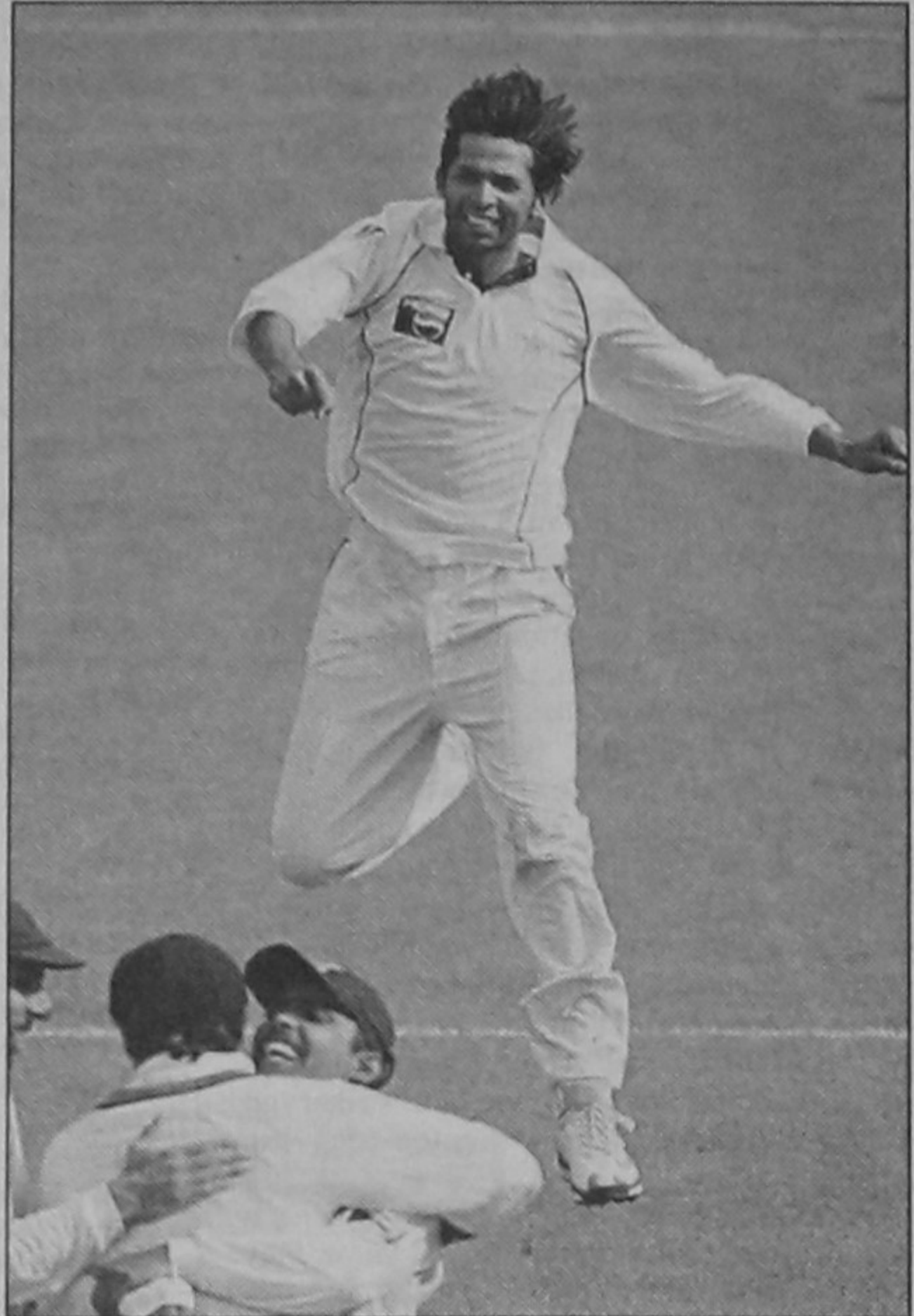


PHOTO: INTERNET

Pakistan pacer Mohammad Asif celebrates one of his four wickets on the second day of the second Test against New Zealand at Basin Reserve in Wellington yesterday.

him -- and when McCullum fell next ball, Asif was on a hat-trick. Vettori averted it, but was, for once, unable to lead another rearguard effort as Kaneria snuffed out the tail in a trice. More than just the three wickets he got, what would have worried Vettori was the amount of turn he extracted from the second-day pitch.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at close on the second day of the second Test between New Zealand and

Extras: (w-1) 1
Total: (All out in 88.2 overs) 264
Fall of wickets: 1-60, 2-66, 3-66, 4-119, 5-131, 6-156, 7-193, 8-257, 9-264.
Bowler O M R W
Martin 20 2 64 0
Tuffey 23.2 5 64 4
O'Brien 23 4 78 2
Vettori 22 6 58 4
NEW ZEALAND: First innings McIntosh c Butt b Asif 4 Guptill c K Akmal b Aamer 0 Flynn lbw b Asif 29 Taylor b Gul 30

SL steal dramatic win

FROM PAGE 17 Arif Mehmood, who drove straight to goalkeeper Sathishkumar in the 19th minute.

However, four minutes later, Sri Lanka suddenly took the lead through a penalty when referee Al Hosni Ibrahim from Oman awarded Sri Lanka a spot kick. Pakistan goalkeeper Jaffer Khan brought down EB Channa, who darted into the danger zone collecting a lob from Kasun Jayasuriya.

After going down, Pakistan kept Sri Lanka at bay with better ball possession, but could hardly break the Sri Lanka backline though midfielder Adnan Ahmed tested the Sri Lankan goalkeeper letting loose a 30-yarder

that went inches over the crosspiece in the 40th minute.

In the stoppage time of the first half, Pakistan could have equalised, but they were not lucky enough as an Arif Mehmood header off a Mahmood Ali lob came off the sidebar.

After the breather, Sri Lanka were totally at bay with Pakistan playing all out attack and produced some chances, but their shaky strikers could not find the back of the net.

Adnan Ahmed was the culprit in chief as he sent his penalty sailing over the bar much to the relief of tall goalkeeper Sathishkumar, who was given the room in the starting eleven instead of number one Ajit Kumara in a bid to foil attacks

from the tall Pakistanis.

"Actually we were lucky enough to win the game as it was a very tough game and Pakistan played very well, but in the last moment we lost two key players. However, we are happy to secure full three points in the opening match," said Sri Lanka trainer Sumith Walpola at the post-match briefing.

"We dominated the first half even though these players were playing together for the first time. The boys were nervous and shaky, but they were coming up step by step in the second half and we missed at least three scoring chances due to poor finishing," said Pakistan coach George Kottan adding that they still had chance to qualify for the semifinals.

India pile on the runs

FROM PAGE 17 applause for his 254-ball effort which was studded with 40 boundaries and seven sixes.

Off-spinner Muralidaran's first success after 21 overs costing 124 runs broke a second-wicket stand of 237 between Sehwag and Rahul Dravid that had lifted India to 458-2.

Sehwag's two triple centuries, matching Australian legend Don Bradman and West Indian great Brian Lara, were 309 against Pakistan in Multan in 2004 and 319 versus South Africa in Chennai last year.

Dravid fell soon after for 74, edging a wild drive off seamer Chanka Weledgedara to wicket-keeper Prasanna Jayawardene to make it 487-3.

Dravid, who survived a confident appeal for a catch at the wicket off Rangana Herath earlier in the morning, hit five boundaries and a six.

But Sri Lanka's misery under the hot sun did not end as the famed Indian middle order flexed its muscle to lead a run-riot.

Sachin Tendulkar hit 53, sharing a fourth-wicket stand of 71 with Venkatsai Laxman, when he was bowled by seamer Nuwan Kulasekara soon after lunch.

Laxman chipped in with 62 and Yuvraj Singh made 23, before both were dismissed before tea on a dusty pitch that provided turn to the slow bowlers.

Dhoni dominated the last session with a sparkling century that was achieved with a six off Herath over the mid-

wicket boundary.

The Indian captain, who was on 50 when the ninth wicket fell, hit 50 off the last 56 runs in the company of number 11 Pragyan Ojha, who made just five.

Dhoni finished with six sixes and three boundaries, closing the innings as soon as he reached his hundred.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at stumps on the third day of the third and final Test between India and Sri Lanka at the Brabourne Stadium in Mumbai on Friday: **SRI LANKA:** First innings 393 (Paranavithana 53, Dilshan 109, Mathews 99; Harbhajan 4-112, Ojha 3-101)

INDIA: First innings (overnight 443-1)

Vijay lbw b Herath 87 Sehwag c and b Muralidaran 293 Dravid c P Jayawardene b Weledgedara 74 Tendulkar b Kulasekara 53 Laxman c Kulasekara b Muralidaran 62 Yuvraj c Mathews b Herath 23 Dhoni not out 100 Harbhajan b Muralidaran 1

Zaheer c Kulasekara b Muralidaran 7 Sreesanth lbw b Herath 8 Ojha not out 5 Extras: (lb-3, nb-10) 13 Total: (For 3 wts decl in 163.3 overs) 726

Fall of wickets: 1-221, 2-458, 3-487, 4-558, 5-591, 6-610, 7-615, 8-647, 9-670.

Bowler O M R W
Weledgedara 30 3 131 1
Kulasekara 20 1 105 1
Herath 53.3 2 240 3
Muralidaran 51 4 195 4

Mathews 6 0 36 0
Dilshan 3 0 16 0
SRI LANKA: Second innings Paranavithana not out 8 Dilshan not out 3 Extras: 0 Total: (For no loss in 3 overs) 11 To bat: Sangakkara, M Jayawardene, Samaraweera, Mathews, P Jayawardene, Kulasekara, Herath, Muralidaran, Weledgedara.
Bowler O M R W
Harbhajan 2 0 7 0
Ojha 1 0 4 0

School chess

SPORTS REPORTER

Abdullah Al Saif and Tahmina Akter Tisha earned 2½ points each after end of the third round in the 21st Telegraph School's Chess Championship in Kolkata, India. Umme Taslima Protiva Talukder earned 2 points while Ikramul Haq Siam and Tanzina Akter Tani earned 1½ points each. The games of the third round were held on Thursday. Saif beat Sanchari Chakraborty, Tisha beat Aratrik Maity, Siam beat Bandhan Adak, Protiva lost against Subhajoyi Saha and Tani lost against Sambat Subhankar Roy. The event is being held in 10 round Swiss-league system. A total of 381 players from Bangladesh and India are participating in the event.

Police kabadi

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Rangpur

Police Super First Division Kabadi League began at Rangpur Police Lines field yesterday afternoon under the management of Rangpur District Sports Association.

Eight teams Keranipara Krira Chakka versus Damuderpur Krira Chakka, Probin Sangho versus Shaktiman Sangho, Raton Sporting Club versus Sun-Moon Sporting Club, and Bangladesh Boys versus Doyel Krira Chakka played yesterday.

Deputy Inspector of Police of Rajshahi range Moklechur Rahman as chief guest formally inaugurated the league. Deputy Commissioner of Rangpur BM Enamul Huq and Superintendent of Police of Rangpur Saleh Mohammed Tanvir were present in the inaugural ceremony.

DIG Moklechur Rahman said that people have forgotten to play Kabadi which is one of the cultural events of Bangladesh.

"We should revive the ancient game and popularize it once again in the country to keep our culture and heritage up," the DIG suggested.

A huge number of spectators thronged Rangpur Police Lines ground to enjoy the games.

The grand final will be held on December 09.

Citi Cup Golf concludes

SPORTS REPORTER

The fourth edition of the Citi Cup Golf Tournament concluded at the Kurmitola Golf Club in the city yesterday.

Organized by Citibank, N.A Bangladesh, the two-day tournament was graced by nearly 400 golfers in the city.

Minister of Finance, AMA Muhith distributed prizes amongst the winners in the prize distribution ceremony last night.

The tournament was officially inaugurated by Taufiq-E-Elahi Chowdhury, Power, Energy and Mineral Resources Advisor to the Prime Minister and Suk Bum Park, Korean ambassador to Bangladesh, in the presence of Mr. Mamun Rashid, Managing Director & Citi country officer, Bangladesh.

Karate team off to Malaysia

SPORTS REPORTER

A six-member Bangladesh Karate team left Dhaka on Thursday night for Malaysia to take part in the 1st Asian Goju Ryu Karate Championship that is being held at Tanarata Cameron Highland from December 4 to 6. Iran, Indonesia, Singapore, India Nepal, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and hosts Malaysia are participating in the championship.

MSC allege

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from the cricket operations committee where it's said that Tamim is yet to be fit and ask for our consideration in the national interest. You, know for some other players like Shakib (Al Hasan) have had the same advice but they played the match. It was a crucial game for us and that's why we fielded Tamim and there was nothing wrong," he added.

BCB's senior vice-president Mahbubul Anam, who is also a Mohammedan official, criticised the ambiguous letter issued by the cricket operations committee and he also terms it a 'love letter'.

"You have to say it a straight way and there is no scope to issue something like a love letter," said the bearded organiser while talking with the reporters after the match.

Henry was not ready to make any comment on the issue but cricket operations committee chairman Enayet Hossain Siraj defended their position by saying that everybody has to be careful about the national interest.

"I am not a physician but as per physio report Tamim is not match fit and there was nothing wrong in his treatment. Actually he has to take enough rest for recovery. I think Tamim should not have played the match. Players should understand their position because any simple mistake can jeopardise their career. It was his (Tamim) fault as he played the match despite being unfit," said Siraj.

"I don't know whether it was a love letter or something like that but what I can say that we always show respect to the club because we have all faith on them. There is nothing wrong if we request them not to field an injured player," he added.

Bravo leads Windies

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Dwayne Bravo's third Test century ensured a healthy total for West Indies but their fighting efforts were overshadowed by a controversial umpiring review that ended Shivnarine Chanderpaul's push for a hundred. West Indies must win to keep the series alive and Bravo's 104 gave them hope, although on a good batting surface six opening-day wickets wasn't a bad result for Australia.

At stumps, West Indies had moved to 6 for 336, which augured well for a better contest than in Brisbane. Darren Sammy provided some late-afternoon highlights with a pair of sixes down the ground off Nathan Hauritz and he was 44 not out at the close, with Brendan Nash also on 44, having earlier retired hurt.

Bravo rode his luck to reach triple figures after being dropped three times but Chanderpaul's fortune ran out when he was on 62. Chanderpaul was given out caught-behind off Shane Watson and was the victim of a successful review for Australia after Mark Benson initially denied Australia's appeal.

Hot Spot did not carry the right angle to show an edge but a camera view from the long-on region seemed to show a slight deflection as the ball passed the bat. It was far from conclusive evidence and nor was the decision a blatant shocker -- those are the calls the review system is designed

to eradicate -- but the third umpire Asad Rauf was convinced and sent Chanderpaul on his way.

Chanderpaul's dismissal was a major blow for West Indies and things went from bad to worse when in the same over Denesh Ramdin played on to give Watson his second wicket.

Watson was pleased to redeem himself after his comical mishap gave Bravo a reprieve on 59. Bravo hooked Peter Siddle and Watson tried to snare the catch at deep square leg but stumbled back and lobbed the ball up as he realised he would step over the boundary. He tried to reclaim the catch after jumping back into the field of play but stumbled and parried the ball over for six.

Bravo had already been dropped twice on 46, though both were tough chances -- a caught-and-bowled that rocketed back to Siddle and an edge off Hauritz that ricocheted off Brad Haddin and was missed by Michael Clarke at slip. Bravo wasn't about to be discouraged from playing his shots and brought up both his half-century and his hundred with drives that sailed over the bowler's head and away to the boundary.

It was Bravo's first Test century in four years, since he made 113 in Hobart in 2005-06, and though he eventually missed a straight ball from Hauritz and was bowled, it was just the sort of innings that West Indies needed to lift their spirits after their innings loss at the Gabba.

The 116-run stand between Chanderpaul and Bravo was

comfortably West Indies' best partnership of the series, which made it all the more frustrating for them that it was ended in such debatable style. The pair had come together after Nash retired hurt on 20 during the lunch break, having been struck on the arm by his former flat-mate Johnson in the final over before the interval.

Left West Indies in a spot of bother after they lost three wickets in the opening session, including Ramnaresh Sarwan, whose return from a back injury ended on 28 when he drove Johnson on the up to Clarke at point. The early damage came from Bollinger, who had been waiting 11 months for his second Test and picked up two wickets in his first five overs.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at close on the first day of the second Test between Australia and West Indies at Adelaide Oval on Friday:

WEST INDIES: First innings Gayle c Haddin b Bollinger 26 Barath c Hussey b Bollinger 3 Sarwan c Clarke b Johnson 28 Chanderpaul c Haddin b Watson 62 Nash not out 44 Bravo b Hauritz 104 Ramdin b Watson 4 Sammy not out 44 Extras: (b-4, lb-8, w-5, nb-4) 21 Total: (For 6 wts in 85 overs) 336 To bat: Benn, Roach, Rampaul. Fall of wickets: 1-26, 2-39, 3-84, 3-119, 4-235, 5-239, 6-273.

Bowler O M R W
Bollinger 15 2 42 2
Siddle 19 3 86 0
Johnson 18 2 69 1
Hauritz 22 0 85 1
Watson 11 2 42 2



PHOTO: COURTESY

Dignitaries release balloons to signal the opening of the Citi Cup Golf Tournament at the Kurmitola Golf Club in the city yesterday.



AC Milan was founded as a cricket club in 1899 by British expatriates.



Virender Sehwag

(Star Indian batsman)

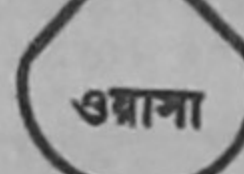
"Cricketers use protection when playing the game and it's the same in life as well."

On World AIDS Day.



Bangabandhu SAFF Championship
Maldives v Nepal (4:00pm)
India v Afghanistan (7:00pm)
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Premier Div Cricket League
Cricket Coaching School v Old DOHS
Venue: Sher-e-Bangla National Cricket Stadium
Paritex v BKSP
Venue: Fatullah Cricket Stadium
Gazi Tank v Victoria
Venue: BKSP-2

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- ০৩। চাকরীরত প্রার্থীদেরকে স্ব-স্ব নিয়োগ কর্তৃপক্ষের মাধ্যমে দরখাস্ত প্রেরণ করতে হবে।
- ০৪। অগ্রাহ্য প্রার্থীদেরকে জীবনবৃত্তান্ত, সকল শিক্ষাগত যোগ্যতা ও অভিজ্ঞতার সত্যায়িত সনদপত্র, মার্কশিট/ট্রান্সক্রিপ্ট, সম্পত্তি তোলা ও(তিন) কপি পাসপোর্ট আকারের সত্যায়িত ছবি স্ব-স্ব স্থায়ী ঠিকানার সমর্থনে ইউনিয়ন পরিষদ চেয়ারম্যান/পৌরসভার চেয়ারম্যান/ওয়ার্ড কমিশনার কর্তৃক প্রদত্ত জাতীয়তা সনদপত্রের সত্যায়িত কপি (বিবাহিত মহিলা প্রার্থীকে স্বামীর স্থায়ী ঠিকানার অনুকূলে ইস্যুকৃত জাতীয়তা সনদপত্রের সত্যায়িত কপি দাখিল করতে হবে) এবং ঢাকা ওয়াসা'র অনুকূলে ৩০০/- (তিনশত) টাকা মূল্যমানের অফেরতযোগ্য পে-অর্ডার/ব্যাংক ড্রাফট (পোস্টাল অর্ডার গ্রহণযোগ্য নয়) সহ দরখাস্ত ব্যবস্থাপনা পরিচালক, ঢাকা ওয়াসা, ওয়াসা ভবন, ৯৮, কাজী নজরুল ইসলাম এভিনিউ, কাওরান বাজার, ঢাকা-১২১৫ এই ঠিকানায় আগামী ১৫/১২/২০০৯ তারিখের মধ্যে পৌঁছাতে হবে। দরখাস্ত গ্রহণের শেষ তারিখ বা তৎপূর্বে অফিস চলাকালে সংশ্লিষ্ট কার্যালয়ে না পৌঁছালে কোন দরখাস্ত গ্রহণযোগ্য হবে না।
- ০৫। প্রার্থীদের লিখিত অথবা মৌখিক পরীক্ষায় অংশগ্রহণ করতে হবে। মৌখিক পরীক্ষার সময় মূল সার্টিফিকেট প্রদর্শন করতে হবে।
- ০৬। শিক্ষা জীবনে তৃতীয় বিভাগ/শ্রেণী গ্রহণযোগ্য হবে না।
- ০৭। অসম্পূর্ণ/ভুল তথ্য সম্বলিত দরখাস্ত কোন প্রকার যোগাযোগ ব্যতিরেকেই বাতিল করা হবে।
- ০৮। কোনরূপ তদবির প্রার্থীর অযোগ্যতা বলে গণ্য হবে।
- ০৯। নিয়োগ সংক্রান্ত সকল ক্ষমতা কর্তৃপক্ষ সংরক্ষণ করেন এবং এ নিয়োগ বিজ্ঞপ্তি যে কোন সময় বাতিলের ক্ষমতাও কর্তৃপক্ষ সংরক্ষণ করেন।

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