# SPORI

#### Hefty fine on pitch invader

INTERNET, undated

The man who tackled Khalid Latif to the ground during a one-day game at the WACA last month has been fined 9,000 Australian dollars after being convicted of assault and trespass.

David James Fraser, 37, of Yangebup, pleaded guilty to the charges and his lawyer said he had been dared by a mate to run on to the ground.

Fraser was fined 6,000 dollars for the trespass charge and 3,000 dollars for the assault following the incident on January 31, which his lawyer said was alcoholinduced.

He was also banned for life from the WACA.

The incident led to calls from Cricket Australia and the WACA for harsher penalties for pitch invaders.

Following the court hearing, the WACA released a statement saying that it would continue to lobby the state government for greater fines for field invaders.

#### Clash over cricket

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Moulvibazar

A dispute over a cricket match between two villages left around fifty people injured in Moulvibazar on Monday night. Of the injured, eight were admitted to the Moulvibazar sadar hospital.

According to locals, the clash broke out between the people of Purbo Kaliargaon and Moanpur under Moulvibazar sadar upazila at about 8pm. About one thousand people got involved in the clash with lethal weapons. After being informed, police reached the spot and took the situation under control where they are still deployed.

#### Mashrafe flies

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England will arrive in Dhaka on February 21 to play three one-day internationals and two Tests against the Tigers.

The country's leading paceman, who has been out of action since July last year after he had suffered a knee injury during the first Test in West Indies and had operations on both his knees again in Australia, said that he was always at risk with his injury.

"Now I feel better but I am always at risk with my injury, so I don't know what is waiting for me before the England series," he added.

#### Robiul gives

FROM PAGE 17 Mominul 34, Faisal 62 not out,

Sunny 14 not out, extras 7; Sajib 2-53). RAJSHAHI: First innings

(overnight 125-3) 258 all out in 85 overs (Zahurul 24, Shuvo 10, Forhad Hossain 56, Anisur 70, Nasir 24, Delwar 20, extras 32; Kamrul 2-52, Iqbal 2-47, Sunny 2-51).

DHAKAVKHULNA KHULNA: First innings 244

and Second innings 198 for three in 50 overs (Amit 68, Taposh 20, Mithun 62, Rezwan 17 not out, Tushar 14 not out, extras 17; Mahbubul 1-34, Nazmul 1-36) DHAKA: First innings (over-

night 9-0) 111 all out in 40 overs (Shuvagoto 26, Nadif 27, Sharif 20 not out, extras 16; Robiul 5-30, Dollar 2-40, Taposh 2-3).

#### Cech relishes

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"It's tough mentally because sometimes you can have one shot against you and it's a goal. It can be a brilliant goal, when basically the whole game you haven't touched the ball, and you're just getting it out of the

"The ability you have is always important but if you want to win the game you have to keep your concentration for the full 90 minutes at the top level.

"Not everyone can adapt to that because in the past so many great keepers from midtable sides come to a big club and it hasn't worked for them.



National Cricket League (Four-Day Match, Day Three) Rajshahi v Chittagong Venue: Shaheed Chandu Stadium,

Bogra Dhaka v Khulna Venue: Zahur Ahmed Chowdhury Stadium, Chittagong



Rajshahi's Forhad Hossain looks back at his shattered castle after being clean-bowled by Chittagong spinner Elias Sunny on the second day of the four-day 11th National Cricket League match at the Shaheed Chandu Stadium in Bogra yesterday.

### Wozniacki survives a scare

Guptill, McCullum put

stand short, at 79. Tamim in

particular took the New

Zealand pacemen to task,

bringing up his fourth Test

half-century in just 39 deliver-

unbeaten on 56 when bad

light stopped play, in an

innings that featured 10

boundaries, leaving

Bangladesh on 87 for 1. The

tourists require their top order

to cash in on a surface getting

better for batting on the third

day, in order to avoid a mas-

Scoreboard on the second day

of the only Test between New

Zealand and Bangladesh at

Seddon Park in Hamilton on

**NEW ZEALAND:** First innings

Watling c Zunaed b Rubel 13

Ingram c Shahadat b Rubel 42

Taylor c Mushfiqur b Rubel 40

Total: (For 7 wkts dec in 135 overs)553

Fall of wickets: 1-17, 2-57, 3-

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Did not bat: Southee, Martin.

66, 4-126, 5-158, 6-497, 7-525.

McIntosh c Imrul b Shafiul

sive first innings deficit.

SCOREBOARD

(overnight 258 for 5)

Guptill c Mushfigur b Rubel

Extras: (b-1, lb-10, w-5, nb-8)

Vettori b Shakib

Tuffey not out

Patel not out

Bowler

McCullum b Rubel

Tuesday:

ies. He ended the day Ashraful

Tennis

AFP, Dubai

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speed twos.

Bangladesh did well to dry up

the boundaries for ninety-five

consecutive deliveries. Guptill

and McCullum had little

trouble negotiating the sec-

ond day pitch however, pick-

ing up the singles on offer and

converting the ones into

expertly judged, lightning

A renewed Rubel, in his first

spell of the afternoon, was to

be their eventual demise,

dismissing McCullum first

with a fuller delivery before

inducing a top edge from

Guptill a few overs later to pick

up his maiden five-wicket

haul in Tests. By the time the

mammoth partnership

ended, the duo had broken the

record for highest sixth-wicket

partnership for New Zealand,

missing out on the world

record by 12 runs, while

McCullum's 185 was the

highest by a New Zealand

wicketkeeper. Daryl Tuffey

and Jeetan Patel then came

out playing shots and boosted

the hosts total to an utterly

dominant 553 for 7 until the

declaration came on the

began at a breakneck pace for

Bangladesh in the evening

session before Daniel Vettori

brought himself into the

Tamim and Imrul Kayes

op-seeded Caroline Wozniacki survived an edgy wobble before reaching the last 16 of the Dubai Open on her first visit to the two million dollar tournament.

The charismatic Dane had to summon resilience and level-headedness to fight back from 1-5 down against an in-form Dominika Cibulkova to win 6-2, 7-6 (7-2). The buoyant and mobile Slovakian belied

her world number 30 ranking to get the better of some athletic baseline exchanges in the middle of the match, and was within two points of taking the second set while serving at 5-2. "I was getting a bit nervous," admitted

Wozniacki. "But I went out there and I fought and didn't give up, and felt like I was in there all the time. So I thought it might be just a matter of time. "It's a bit difficult to play here because the

have to get used to it." Wozniacki did that by making one break of serve for 3-5 with some carefully controlled, yet still forcing drives; then she broke again for 5-5 with the help of a successful appeal to the

ball fies a bit, but the courts are pretty slow. You

Hawkeye electronic replay system. Cibulkova's bubbling baseline presence had pressured Wozniacki into a counter-hit which

looked as though it might have landed long, and was called out.

But the Dane's appeal to the computerised replay showed the ball just clipping the outside edge of the baseline, preventing her from slipping to 30-love down, and enabling her to get the point replayed.

Had this not happened Wozniacki might well have found herself a coupls of minutes later at 40-30 and set point down rather than of 30-40 ahead in that crucial Cibulkova service game.

Instead Wozniacki converted that break point for 5-5 with an enterprisingly early backhand cross court return of serve which landed plumb on the sideline. By the time the tie-break came along two

games later she had re-acquired enough ground-stroking momentum to carry her steadily to a hard-fought victory. Wozniacki next plays Shahar Peer, who

yesterday became the first Israeli woman to compete in a UAE state, and who scored a high quality win for the second successive day. Having beaten the 13th seeded Yanina

Wickmayer in the first round, Peer now outplayed Virginie Razzano, last year's runner-up, by 6-2, 6-2.

The commitment required of Peer's effort was underlined by her once again overcoming the distractions of careful security, with special arrangements for accommodation, transport changing and the scheduling of her matches.

Shafiul

Shakib

Extras:

Bowler

Southee

Martin

Patel

Tuffey

Vettori

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Mahmudullah

Tamim not out

Zunaed not out

**BANGLADESH:** First innings

To bat: Ashraful, Aftab, Shakib

Mushfiqur, Mahmudullah,

With Lee and his fellow senior

fast man Stuart Clark both

enduring long periods on the

sidelines, Australia's fast-

bowling depth has been tested

this summer and the results

have been promising. Lee said

he would consider talking to

Australia's captain Ricky

Ponting when deciding

whether to retire or attempt to

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Imrul c Taylor b Vettori

Total: (For 1 wkt in 17 overs)

Shahadat, Shafiul, Rubel.

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Fall of wickets: 1-79.

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#### May fears for T20 cricket

CRICINFO, undated

Tim May, the chief executive o the international players union Federation o International Cricketers Association (FICA), has warned that Twenty20 cricket is 'ripe for corruption'.

May, a former Australian offspinner, told The Wisden Cricketer magazine "Lord Condon, who headed up the ICC's Anti-corruption and Security Unit, said only last year that we can never think we have this cancer beaten. Twenty20 is just ripe for corruption -- the shorter the game the more influence each particular incident can have. So I think it opens up a great deal of opportunities for the bookmakers to try and corrupt players into providing various different outcomes in the game, if not the result itself. Cricket needs to be very, very careful."

#### Atahar will

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Jewel, general secretary of Bangladesh Cycling Federation Parvez Hasan at the Circuit House, Atahar left Khulna on Monday morning.

During his one-day stay in the country's southern headquarters he also had talks with persons concerned like venue officials, umpires and match commissioners.

While leaving he said that he would also record statements of the alleged exgeneral secretary of the cycling federation.

But when Atahar was contacted by The Daily Star last night to know when he was going to submit his report, he only said that he would do that at the 'appropriate time'.

#### Notice

Dear Crossword wizards, due to a technical error the clue of Tuesday's Cryptoquip did not appear beneath it. The clue was 'L equals O'. We regret the Sports Editor

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World number one Roger Federer thinks he has more drive than rival Rafael Nadal and will make keeping the top ranking his main goal, calendar Grand Slam.

by sweeping all four Slam titles this year has grown since he won his 16th Slam at the Australian Open last month.

"I'll try, that's for sure," Federer (pictured centre) told Reuters. "But it's not even number one on my to-do list. I'll just try to defend my

troubled with knee injuries, would be his biggest threat this year but that the Spaniard did not have the ambition to be number one.

one in the world was six years ago now and it was a magical moment in my career," Federer said. "It was pretty special and I always wanted to get back there.

"Some people have that drive more than others who've been number one. Rafa doesn't seem like he cares as much for number one, or he doesn't show it."

Despite casting doubt on Nadal's motiva-

## Kiwi duo elated

Cricket

CRICINFO, undated

Martin Guptill and Brendon McCullum were satisfied with their record-breaking stand that rescued the New Zealand innings from a precarious position in Hamilton. "We just tried to

that were needed by the team," McCullum said. During the course of his career-best 185, he eclipsed Ian Smith's record for the highest score by a New Zealand wicketkeeper, but McCullum chose to focus on the significance of the effort from a team's perspective.

get a significant partnership together at the

start and we were happy to provide the runs

"Once we built a substantial partnership we knew that those sorts of things are always around the corner, but the important thing is that we were able to take the team to a good position."

Guptill was pleased to bring up his maiden Test ton. "Getting your first Test hundred is always a great feeling," he said. "It was also

fantastic to get past that 150-mark, there was a lot of elation." In his short international career, Guptill has featured mostly at No.3, and said that the shift to No. 5 was initiated by his coach.

"It was Mark Greatbatch who suggested I move to No.5, and I'm pretty pleased with the way it went." McCullum too, was appreciative of Greatbatch's impact, claiming "it was helpful to have someone like [Greatbatch] to talk to during the innings, someone who had played for New Zealand and been in similar situa-

stranglehold on the match. "We just have to keep hitting the good areas and execute our plans and there is every chance that we can effect the follow on," he said. Rubel Hossain, who picked up his maiden

McCullum acknowledged New Zealand's

five-wicket haul in Tests with the scalps of the two centurions, was optimistic about his sides chances. He believed that if the Bangladesh top order batted well, as Tamim Iqbal had done thus far, there was no reason they couldn't avoid the follow on.

### Federer's target is to remain No 1



despite speculation that he could land a rare Talk of the 28-year-old emulating Rod Laver

number one position." Federer said Nadal (right), who has been

"The first moment when I became number

tion, the Swiss still sees him as his biggest threat. Injury forced the world number three out of the Australian Open. "He had a good start to the season," Federer

said. "What he's going through is very similar to what I went through last year. Just because you don't win a Major they start picking on you. I'm convinced he will come back shortly." The other players who could upset his shot

at the Grand Slam this year are Novak Djokovic, Andy Murray (left), Juan Martin Del Potro and Nikolay Davydenko, Federer said, adding that he thought Briton Murray had "got Nadal's number a little bit". "Davydenko has made his point and it will

be interesting to see how long he can last because he's playing a lot of matches and he's not used to maybe winning that much," Federer said.

"Players want to beat him even more now." Federer was speaking to Reuters on a trip to Ethiopia to visit a school funded by his charity.

"Every season is different or special," he said. "Last year was the most emotional, the most special. Losing in Australia, coming back, winning Paris, Wimbledon, getting married, going through pregnancy, having the babies.

When asked if this season was going to be his best yet, Federer smiled: "Well, it's certainly on the right track."

### Laxman, Dhoni put India guilty of letting off Dhoni in

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Duminy had also grassed Sehwag on 47 while fielding in the slips on Monday. Sehwag went on to make 165 and set the platform for India's huge first innings total.

Resuming at 342-5, Laxman flicked a couple of boundaries in the first over of the day by Dale Steyn, who conceded 115 runs while taking just one wicket.

Laxman faced 260 balls during his nearly six-hour stay at the wicket.

Mishra (28) enjoyed a brief flourish and a couple of reprieves before falling to an ambitious upper cut which was plucked by Jacques Kallis off Morne Morkel (2-115) at second slip.

Mishra, dropped once each by Kallis and Graeme Smith, hit five fours in his 38ball knock. Kallis was also

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the slips on 23. Four South African bowlers

conceded more than 100 runs each, with left-arm spinner Harris being the most expensive with figures of 1-182 from 50 overs.

**SCOREBOARD** 

Scoreboard at stumps on the third day of the second and final Test between India and South Africa at the Eden Gardens in Kolkata on Tuesday:

SOUTH AFRICA: First innings 296 (Amla 114, Petersen 100; Zaheer 4-90, Harbhajan 3-64) INDIA: First innings (over-

night 342 for 5) Gambhir run out Sehwag c Prince b Duminy Vijay c De Villiers b Morkel 7 Tendulkar c Kallis b Harris Laxman not out 143

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Badrinath b Steyn Mishra c Kallis b Morkel 28 Dhoni not out 132 Extras: (b-6, lb-9, w-13, nb-8)

Zaheer, Sharma. Fall of wickets: 1-73, 2-82, 3-331, 4-335, 5-336, 6-384.

Bowler

Total: (For six wkts decl in 153 overs) 643

Did not bat: Harbhajan,

115 Morkel 103 Parnell 40 Kallis 182 Harris 73 1 0 Duminy 15 SOUTH AFRICA: Second

innings Smith not out Petersen not out Total: (For no loss in 0.5 overs) To bat: Amla, Kallis, De Villiers, Prince, Duminy, Steyn, Parnell, Morkel, Harris. Bowler 0 M 6 Zaheer 0.5 0

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#### Shahadat 24 1 136 0 regain his place in the team. attack to cut the opening Booters stun Tajikistan

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stroke of tea.

After the barren first half, Bangladesh dominated possession from the beginning of the second half, Mamun sent a hooked effort wide when meeting Abdul Baten's deep back post cross 13 minutes after the break while at the other end, Tukhtasunov saw his low goalbound shot from the edge of the area beaten away by Aminul.

Bangladesh finally got the dividend eight minutes after the hour mark as Abahani striker Enamul followed up after Nasir's shot was saved by Tuychiev to rifle home from a tight angle.

But the lead was short lived as Tajikistan found an instant response two minutes later when Rabiev took advantage of Bangladesh's inability to clear the danger on the edge of the penalty area to fire under Aminul.

However, just four minutes later, Bangladesh regained the lead when Abahani defender Mishu sent a flicked front post header from Emily's delivery across the face of goal and past the outstretched arm of Tajikistan were reduced to

Choriev was shown a straight red card following a hard challenge on Bangladesh substitute striker Touhidul Alam Sabuz. "The credit must go to the

players. They pressed for possession whenever the opponents had the ball even when the ball remained in their area," Titu was quoted as saying by bffonline. "They (Tajikistan) never

expected such a pressing

game from us and were taken

by surprise. We never allowed

them to utilise their long-ball

every time they got the ball. They had no answer for that," added the former national midfielder. "The Tajiks spoiled two chances. We could have won

strategy, closing the space

said Titu. "I never felt any pressure when I was given the job. I always wanted to make sure that the team maintains the same performance from the SA Games."

by a bigger margin had we not squandered some opportuni-10 men with 11 minutes ties. It's a deserving victory. remaining as Farrukh The team remained compact all the time as the Tajiks, despite having better skill than us, were overpowered,' added Titu. "I just helped the players

play the way they should play,'

Squad: Aminul, Nasir, Mintu, Rezaul, Waly Faisal, Shakil (Nasiruddin), Mishu, Mamun, Komol (Sabuz), Enamul (Mithun) and Emily.

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