

Peer moves into last 4

Shahar Peer, the first Israeli woman ever to compete in the United Arab Emirates, further increased the security headaches by continuing her inspired run of success to a fourth victory and a semifinal place in the Dubai Open on Thursday.



PHOTO: AFP

Israel's Shahar Peer celebrates after winning the first set against China's Li Na in their Dubai Open quarterfinals match yesterday.

Maria cruises into quarters

Top-seeded Russian Maria Sharapova cruised into the quarterfinals of the WTA Tour event here Wednesday, crushing American Bethanie Mattek-Sands 6-1, 6-1.

Tigers call in trouble

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 opener was scintillating through the off side, stroking four consecutive boundaries in a Tim Southee over. Once again however, he was unable to kick on for the long haul, and holed out to mid on after hitting five fours and a six in a 30-run cameo.

Table with columns: Player, Runs, Wickets. Includes names like Taylor, Guptill, Vettori, and a section for BANGLADESH: Second innings.

IPL shortens timeouts

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 Rahman of Khulna city corporation, Assist engineer Manik Hossain of LGED, Sub divisional engineer Md. Shahin Mian of PWD division-1 office and General Secretary of KDSA Kazi Shamim Ahsan were present.

Smith out of one-dayers

South Africa's captain Graeme Smith will miss the one-day series against India due to a finger injury, an official said on Thursday.

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 It was unanimously resolved in that meeting that the 50-year old stadium building and its galleries needs reconstruction and renovation to save it from collapsing and thus risking lives of the people as it is no more fit for use due to its dilapidated condition.

'We won because of our hunger'

Cricket
 Harbhajan Singh, whose five-for won India a tense game against South Africa, has said their hunger to retain the No. 1 ranking motivated them in their spirited comeback in Kolkata after an innings-defeat in the first Test in Nagpur.

"This was probably a better wicket than Nagpur. We played fantastic cricket, the way we bowled on the first day and the way we batted. Today we just bowled with three bowlers but have done the job," Harbhajan said.

Symonds at ease

Cricket
 Andrew Symonds feels more comfortable with the security situation in India than he did whenever he toured South Africa and the recent terrorist threats against the Indian Premier League (IPL) have not changed his travel plans.

shame if we were pushed into a position where we were cowed by these sorts of people," he said. "By and large they [the players] are going to be okay."

We have to

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 have contributed," McIntosh said. McIntosh had a strange day, being involved in three run outs, the last of which claimed his own wicket.

India exact revenge

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 lobbed to Sharma at mid-off. Left-handed Prince made 23 after scores of zero and one in the previous two innings of the series.

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Kallis c Dhoni b Mishra 20
 Prince c Sharma b Harbhajan 23
 De Villiers lbw b Mishra 23
 Duminy lbw b Harbhajan 6
 Steyn lbw b Harbhajan 1

Khulna take

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 Rajshahi on the third day in the opening encounter.
 BHAKAVSCORES
 DHAKA: First innings 244 and Second innings 325.



Blagladesh's South Asian Games gold medal winning golfer Dulal Hossain (C) poses with col (ret) SM Shawkat Ali, CEO of Kurmitola Golf Club, major Anis-Ul-Islam, Executive Officer of Kurmitola Golf Club, Kazi Shahid Ahmed, the chairman of Gemcon Group, during a tea party in his honour at Gemcon Group's corporate office premises recently.

Porto pip

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 Fabianski kept the score down with a save from Hulk but Arsenal continued to look unsettled at the back and will pray that Fabianski recovers morale in time for the Premier League visit of Sunderland on Saturday.

Just a year to go

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 reached the final in 2007 in the West Indies, said: "Playing in a World Cup in your home country is a wonderful experience for any cricketer and leading your country is a lifetime honour."

"I was fascinated by the game and my mind kept going back to the match against Pakistan which we won. Boys like me turned to the bat and ball instead of kicking football and a cricket generation was born."

"In 2007 we took the world by storm when we reached the Super Eights and knocked over India and South Africa along the way. Now every young kid in Bangladesh aspires to become a cricketer. A solid campaign next year for us would mean a fresh cricket revolution."

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Cryptquip puzzle grid with letters and numbers. Includes the word 'CRYPTOQUIP' and a list of words.

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