

Javed inches forward

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FM Mohammad Javed drew his tenth round bout with Indian IM Rathnakaran in the 2nd SCS International Chess Grandmaster Chess Tournament in Bhubaneswar yesterday.

Serena pulls

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Petrova had already squandered three match points, but in a final set that contained 11 service breaks, the two-time semifinalist held her nerve and will tackle second seed Venus Williams for a place in the quarterfinals.



PHOTO: AFP
Andy Roddick vents his frustration during his match against Russia's Teimuraz Gabashvili in the French Open at Roland Garros yesterday. Roddick lost the match 4-6, 4-6, 2-6.

Roddick removed

AFP, Paris
Andy Roddick quickly turned his attention to the grasscourt season after an upset defeat to Russian qualifier Teimuraz Gabashvili at the French Open here on Saturday.

through the court a little bit. Obviously my serve gets a little bit better. It's just a more comfortable feeling and with that comes a greater sense of confidence.

The sixth-seeded American lost 6-4, 6-4, 6-2, having skipped the entire pre-tournament claycourt season for personal reasons, and extended his record of having never gone beyond the fourth round at Roland Garros.

England begin their campaign against the United States in Rustenburg on June 12, but Roddick refused to be drawn into a prediction.

"Here [Roland Garros] there's a lot of thought, a lot of adjustments that have to be made. I have to compensate in certain areas for weaknesses that I have on this surface," he said after his third-round defeat to Gabashvili, the world number 114.

Roddick travels to London next week and he will discover a city gripped by football fever as England gears up for the 2010 World Cup in South Africa.

SA take winning lead

Cricket
AFP, Roseau

Morne Morkel and Charl Langeveldt shared seven wickets to bowl South Africa to a 67-run victory over West Indies in the third one-day international on Friday.

also won the second ODI by 17 runs last Monday.

Morkel captured an ODI career-best four wickets for 21 runs from seven overs, and Langeveldt took three for 30 from the same number of overs, as the South Africans successfully defended a victory target of 225 to win the match at Windsor Park with 72 balls to spare.

"It is fantastic to have won the first three games of the series, since series wins are always important," said South Africa captain Graeme Smith.

47.2 overs (De Villiers 70, Amla 34, Kallis 31, Smith 29; Pollard 3-27, Bravo 2-40, Benn 2-43)

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WEST INDIES: 157 all out in 38 overs (Richards 28, Chandernaul 24; Morkel 4-21, Langeveldt 3-30)
Result: South Africa won by 67 runs.

Man-of-the-match: AB de Villiers.

Senior Div football

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Rebirth of Shahadat

Cricket
AFP, London

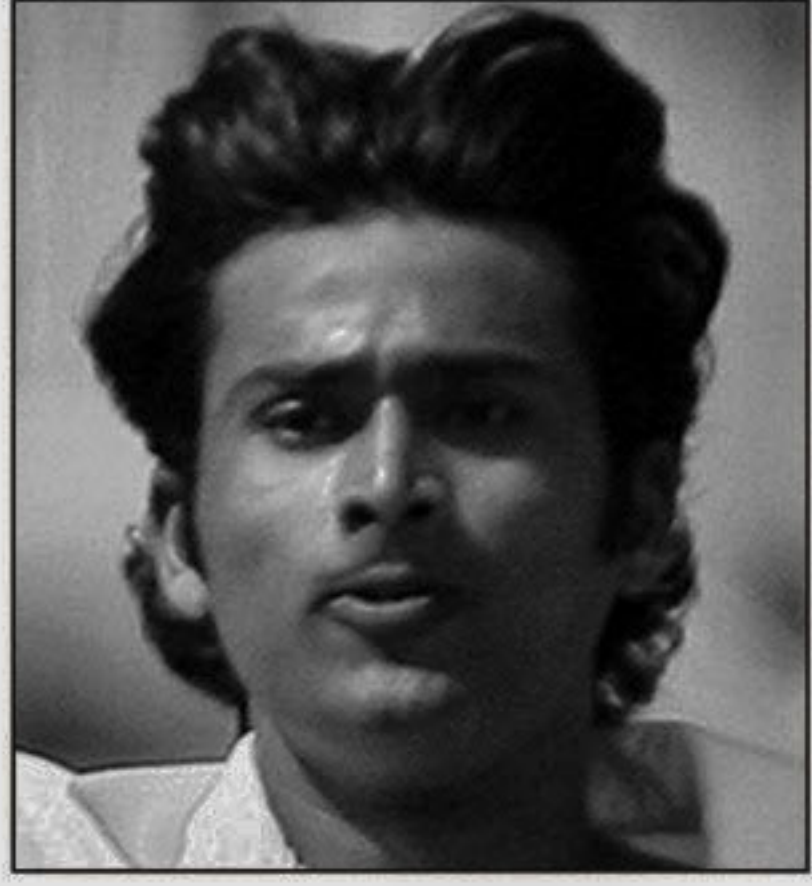
Bangladesh fast bowler Shahadat Hossain took five wickets against England at Lord's on Friday and then revealed he feared he might never play Test cricket after a desperate debut here five years ago.

wicket-taker. I thought if I get another chance at Lord's I must make amends."

As an 18-year-old, Shahadat had figures of no wickets for 101 runs in just 12 overs as England won by a crushing innings and 261 run margin inside three days at Lord's in 2005.

He certainly did, with a burst of three wickets for 12 runs in 21 balls, Trott, wrapping up the England innings shortly after lunch.

Bangladesh's batsmen then backed up Shahadat's good work although, as the



SHAHADAT HOSSAIN

But it was a different story on Friday with Shahadat becoming the first Bangladesher to take five wickets in a Test innings against England, with a return of five for 98 in 28 overs.

"My debut here in 2005, I was very nervous," Shahadat told reporters.

paceman pointed out, they were facing a far less threatening pace attack than the 2005 class of Stephen Harmison, Simon Jones and Andrew Flintoff who went on that season to help England regain the Ashes from Australia.

"This time I try my best, just bowl line length. It's the first time Bangladesh has got a name in the book [on the Lord's honours board] that's very important.

"I just tried to be accurate, bowl quick with swing, line and length and nothing else."

Thinking back to his first Test at Lord's, Shahadat added: "I had a nightmare debut. I never felt I would get a second chance to come to Lord's."

"I played for the 'A' team and came to England where I became the highest

Harmison, Jones and Flintoff. The bowling was very fast," Shahadat said.

Turning back to Friday's play, he continued: "The batting was very good, Tamim and Imrul gave us a good start and Junaed carried it on."

England's bowlers struggled for both penetration and accuracy on a good batting pitch, the exception being 21-year-old Steven Finn who, making his home Test debut on his Middlesex home ground having first featured at this level during a 2-0 series win in Bangladesh in March.

Finn removed Kayses with a well-directed short ball the batsman could only glove to England captain Andrew Strauss, a country colleague of the bowler, to first slip.

"It was a fantastic feeling to get my first (Test) wicket at Lord's in front of that crowd, and the atmosphere," Finn said.

Looking ahead, the 6ft 7in paceman added: "At the moment it looks like a battle of attrition, us again trying to limit their boundary options and being clever with field-setting and able to attack at the right time."

"We're still 300 odd runs ahead, so if we can get a couple of quick wickets that's going to be in the back of their minds they could potentially be following on within a session."

"They have players who are dangerous, and it's important we don't take them lightly," Finn insisted.

"We're not just going to be able to blast them away; we have to build pressure, which will in turn get us wickets."

Tigers in

Cricket
AFP, Lahore

Former captain Shoaib Malik will be available for Pakistan in next month's Asia Cup and tour of England after a judge Saturday recommended lifting his ban for disciplinary offences.

Earlier this year the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) banned Malik from the national squad for one year and fined him two million rupees (23,270 US dollars) for breaches of discipline while on tour.

Ban on Malik lifted

Cricket
AFP, Lahore

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that "the arbitrator Justice Irfan Qadir has lifted the one-year ban on Malik and has also halved the fine on Malik to one million rupees."

The PCB also punished six other players who took part in the tours of the United Arab Emirates, New Zealand and Australia, particularly after Pakistan lost all three Tests and five one-day games in Australia in December-January.

Along with Malik, all-rounder Navedul Hasan was also banned for one year and fined two million rupees. Former captains Younus Khan and Mohammad Yousof were banned for indefinite periods, while Kamran Akmal, Shahid Afridi and Umar Akmal were fined heavily.

The punishments were referred to a retired judge for review, with PCB chairman Ijaz Butt telling a parliamentary committee last week that his board would accept any of the judge's findings.

Younus's appeal was also heard on Saturday but after arguments between the tribunal and Younus's lawyer Ahmed Malik Qayyum, the hearing was adjourned until June 5, Rizvi said.

PCB lawyer Talib Rizvi told AFP Saturday

Appeals by Afridi and the Akmal brothers -- Kamran and Umar -- were also adjourned until June 5, Rizvi said.

Malik said he was delighted about the ban being lifted.

"I am very happy on getting this news," Malik told AFP from Dubai.

Penalties of fame

Cricket
AFP, Roseau

History, it went to penalties and the Germans won. Brave England, who had improved steadily all through the tournament, finished fourth after losing to Italy in the third-place play-off.

on Rudi Völler. Argentina had been looking to play for penalties once again having had Pedro Monzon sent-off for a foul on Klinsmann, earning infamy as the first ever player to be dismissed in a final.

Goal for

Cricket
AFP, Roseau

Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF), GrameenPhone, BTV and different private television channels, NGOs, women, cultural and youth groups will act as partner organisations for implementation of the campaign.

The game collapsed into farce as the Argentinian players surrounded the referee. Gustavo Dezotti followed Monzon down the tunnel in the dying seconds and the Germans had their revenge for Mexico. Maradona's tears of joy from four years earlier were replaced by tears of self-pity.

BFF vice-president Manzoor Hossain Malu and GP head of corporate communications Syed Tahmeed Azizul Huq, among others, were present at the press conference.

The crowning achievements, though, had been those of Matthäus, who lifted the trophy, and coach Franz Beckenbauer, who became the first player to both captain and coach a World Cup-winning side.

LOCAL SNIPPETS

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First Division Cricket League at the Shaheed Miraz-Tapan Stadium here yesterday.

Batting first, DPMS were all out for 188 runs in 39.1 overs with Shohag making 62 runs from 60 balls. Tanzu picked up four wickets.

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS
1 Cavern phenomenon
5 Detail, for short
9 Hooter
12 Mentor
13 Calendar quota
14 — constrictor
15 Stubborn
17 Tackle moguls
18 Tress
19 Old hat
21 React to a pun
24 Rickey flavoring
25 Red rock
26 Shun liquor holders
31 Aegean island
32 Geneticist's stuff (Abbr.)
33 Miscellaneous remnants
35 Abysses
36 Predetermines the outcome

Crossword grid with numbers 1-37.

DOWN
1 Id counter-part
5 "Clue" weapon
9 Of childbearing
10 Stopped sleeping
11 Deposited
16 "And — the opposite will be"
20 I love (Lat.)
21 Crossword diagram, e.g.
22 Mysterious character
23 Blocks
24 Some summer babies
26 Body art, for short
27 Ostrich's cousin
28 Opposed to
29 Final
31 Mrs., in Milan
34 Brazilian resort city
35 Lobster claw
37 Meadow
38 Kelly or Aultry
39 Dregs
40 Despot
41 Sicilian volcano
44 Marsha area
45 "The Circus of Dr. —"
46 Kreskin's claim
47 Catch sight of

Solution time: 21 mins.
OREOSSEPAWS
VERBATIMORBIT
APERTUREREPLY
SALEMSINE
IRANAPTIERYX
DIMIMOUTARC
APROPOSBLAB
ONERJOLEYS
NECTARSET
ECRUAPPETITE
SHUNGARROTED
TODDELYMANS

CRYPTOQUIP

Z F D N Z J L Z Y C , D N H C B Z F
L H C B Y H B V T O H V Z F D N H
G W O V D G B J H Z J E V W K B K Y P
G B Y Y H X D N H E Y H B X Z F T Y B X P .

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: IF REALLY DISHONEST
FOLKS NEED GRIPPING TOOLS, I GUESS THEY SHOULD LOOK FOR LIARS' PLIERS.
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: Z equals I

BKSP rule the roost

Cricket
AFP, Roseau

Friday's hero Mezbah won the marquee 100m sprint event, finishing the race in 11.4s ahead of Kazi Imran of Bangladesh Postal Department who took 11.5s while bronze medallist Rajatkanti Chakrabarty finished in 11.6s. Mezbah also won in the boys triple jump with a 14.41m jump while Khulna's Arman Gazi and Al-Amin Hossain of Sherpur coming in second and third in the event respectively.

event, thanks to Imran, Sabbir, Mosharrak and Monirul who ensured the gold.

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Mohakhali took the lead through a 25th minute strike from Golap before Milton doubled the margin after four minutes.

Mezbah, the BKSP class 9 student, however lost to Bangladesh Postal Department in the boys 4x100m relay who had a good

But BKSP had a good end to the meet, winning as many as 17 gold, 15 silver and three bronze medals to finish on top of the medals tally. Kishoreganj came in second with three gold while Myemensingh was third with two gold medals.

Bangladesh Athletics Federation president ASM Ali Kabir was the chief guest at the closing function and declared the closure of the two-day meet. BAF general secretary M Shah Alam was present as well.

A total of 439 promising athletes representing 50 teams took part in the meet.

DAY'S EVENT
Bangladesh League
Muktijuddha Farashganj
Time: 4:00pm
Venue: Bangabandhu National Stadium, Dhaka