England off-spinner Graeme Swann took

That gave Swann a match haul of nine for 74

Pakistan started Sunday still 331 runs adrift of

three wickets for four runs in 15 balls on his way

after he'd taken four for 12 in Pakistan's first

England's first innings 446 and batsmen Azhar

Ali and Umar Akmal, both nought not out over-

night, were booed by some spectators as they

took their first wicket Sunday when in the day's

England did not have long wait until they

And Pakistan's 63 for five soon became 64

New batsman Aamer, one of the men at the

Wahab Riaz gave the spinner another wicket

Pakistan were now 73 for eight and that

Umar Akmal's four off seamer Anderson

And his seventh four, off Swann, saw Umar

for six when Kamran Akmal was caught behind

by opposing wicketkeeper Matt Prior off James

centre of the scandal, did not last long at the

when he holed out for a duck to Kevin Pietersen

became 97 for nine when Saeed Ajmal was run

meant Pakistan avoided the embarrassment of

subsequently lofted Swann for a huge straight six.

ENGLAND: First innings 446 (Trott 184, Broad

PAKISTAN: First innings 74 (Swann 4-12, Finn

PAKISTAN: Second innings 147 all out (Butt 21)

Yousuf 10, Azhar 12, Akmal 79 not out

Result: England won by an innings and 225

Men-of the series: Mohammad Aamir (Paki-

runs and clinched four-match series 3-1.

crease, bowled for nought by Swann.

out by Stuart Broad's direct hit.

Akmal to a 67-ball fifty.

169; Aamer 6-84)

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walked onto the field at the 'home of cricket'.

third full over Swann bowled Ali.

to final innings figures of five for 62 in 12 overs.

Five booters returned to Abahani

nary squad of the national football team for the Asian Games joined Abahani's training yesterday ahead of the Bordoloi Trophy to be held in Assam next month.

League champions Abahani appealed to the Bangladesh Football Federation (BFF) to release their five players -defenders Mamun Mia, Jitu, Arup Kumar, midfielder Shohag and goalkeeper Himel -- and the game's governing body released the players from the national camp from BKSP yesterday.

Ghanaian players -- striker

here on September 6 for India to take part in the tournament where they will start their campaign from the quarterfinal stage.

MSC begin training today

After losing all of their last season's players except defender Hasan Al Mamun, a depleted Mohammedan Sporting Club are all set to start its football camp at the Dhaka University ground today.

The Motijheel-based outfit, whose players joined newcomers Sheikh Jamal Dhanmondi Club and a rejuvenated Muktijoddha Sangsad, could hardly confirm any recognised players and have pinned their hopes on youngsters from

confirmed the Black and Whites till yesterday, have been asked to report to head coach Shafiqul Islam Manik at the club premises today.

Manik believes those they confirmed are not readymade players like the national booters

and he needs some time to prepare them. Before the start of the season

Mohammedan are yet to win after rivals Abahani completed a treble last season.



National footballers engage in a practice session at the BKSP training ground in their preliminary camp for the Asian Games.

Butt won't give in

Cricket

AFP, London

Pakistan captain Salman Butt insisted he would not be resigning after being implicated in an alleged betting scam.

Britain's News of the World newspaper claimed it paid 150,000 pounds (230,000 dollars, 185,000 euros) to a middle man in return for details about the timing of three no-balls in the fourth Test at Lord's. The report alleged Pakistan

seamers Mohammad Aamer the tourists' man of the series and Mohammad Asif delivered the blatant no-balls at the exact points in the match agreed with the alleged fixer, who it was also suggested by the paper, was in contact with Butt.

Butt who inherited the captaincy after Shahid Afridi quit Test cricket following Pakistan's 150-run loss to Australia at Lord's last month, was in defiant mood.

."Pakistan has won a Test match against Australia for the first time in 15 years and against England for the first time in nine years," Butt said.

"Does that make me resign from this current situation?" Saeed added: "I don't think

you should ask if someone will

resign on allegations. Let's wait until the case is complete. Saeed, when asked if the

newspaper report proved Pakistan cricket was "institutionally corrupt", said: " would not like to say that."

"This is the first time I've been the manager and we've been involved in such a thing. Saeed also confirmed Butt,

Aamer and Asif had their mobile telephones taken away by police on Saturday after being spoken to about the allegations. "The three gentlemen have

had their phones confiscated. Meanwhile, Butt said:

"Anybody can stand out and say anything about you, that doesn't make them true." Butt insisted his team had

given their all throughout. "Definitely we have tried

our best. It's just that the conditions have been difficult for the batsmen and remember this is a very inexperienced team, especially the batting. "These guys are young with

the least experience and in these difficult conditions they might struggle. "Every person in my team

has given 100 percent and all the efforts he could but not every time do you achieve what you want to.

"All you can do is try and the rest, you know, is beyond control."

WC delegation arrives today

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The operations committee of the 2011 World Cup will arrive in the capital today to discuss the numerous aspects of the preparation for the showpiece event.

Cricket

England crushed Pakistan by an innings and

225 runs to win the fourth and final Test at

Lord's here on Sunday with more than a day to

fourth day, gave England the series, their last

before they defend the Ashes in Australia in

surpassing their innings and 198-run loss to

Australia at Sharjah in 2002, was overshadowed

by allegations they had been involved in a

claimed it gave 150,000 pounds (230,000 dol-

lars, 185,000 euros) to a middle man in return

for details about three "no balls" which later

were bowled in the match exactly when he had

Mohammad Aamer and Mohammad Asif,

delivered the three blatant no-balls at points in

ceremony was moved indoors from the outfield

Cricket Board (ECB) chairman Giles Clarke

refused to look Aamer in the eye when present-

ing him with Pakistan's man of the series award.

the match agreed with the alleged fixer.

to the Long Room of the Lord's pavilion.

second time in this match.

were bowled out for 147.

The report alleged two Pakistan bowlers,

Unusually, the post match presentation

During the ceremony, England and Wales

On the field, Pakistan collapsed for the

Resuming on an overnight score of 41 for

They lost five wickets for 34 runs in 61 balls

four, having been made to follow-on after being

dismissed for 74 in their first innings, Pakistan

on Sunday before a last-wicket stand of 50

between Umar Akmal -- whose 79 not out was

the lone act of Pakistan batting resistance this

match -- and Asif briefly checked England.

Britain's News of the World newspaper

Victory, wrapped up before lunch on the

But Pakistan's heaviest defeat in Test cricket,

AFP, London

November, 3-1.

predicted.

betting scam at Lord's.

spare.

An ICC representative, the three country directors and the tournament director will be present at the meeting that will be held over two days from August 31, informed Ali Ahsan Babu, the country director for Bangladesh.

He added that on the sideline of the meeting they will also select a firm to conduct the opening ceremony. A total of ten companies have participated in the bidding for the February 17 opening ceremony.

The operations committee will take a look at the different presentations made by the bidding companies.

The local organising companies have already shortlisted six firms, from which one will be selected for the ceremony.

Chess officially included

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Bangladesh Olympic Federation finally included chess yesterday in the Bangladesh contingent for the upcoming 16th Asian Games to be held in China in November.

BOA had earlier decided to send the chess players only to the individual events but the **Bangladesh Chess Federation** refused the offer as their president requested to send the players in both men's and women's team events.

However, BOA training and development committee in line with the selection criteria decided to send five male players and two female players while the federation would sent three more women players with their own cost to complete the women's team.

Div I football

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Manikganj

A first-half goal from Jamal Hossain helped Dautia Bulbul Club beat Nabajagarn Sangsad 1-0 in the Hafijul Islam Khan Uttu Smriti First Division Football League at the Shaheed Miraz-Tapan Stadium yesterday.

Jamal struck the decider in the 25th minute to raise Dautia's points tally to ten from five matches while Nabajagarn Sangsad stuck to seven points from five outings.

Pakistan taint

Anderson 2-35, Swann 5-62)

Man-of-the-match: Stuart Broad.

stan) and Jonathan Trott (England).

with PCB chairman Ijaz Butt and the Pakistani High Commissioner (ambassador)

"It's a newspaper report and an allegation is allegation until it is proven, so we will wait for the outcome of the report and then we will deal with the matter as per our rules," said Jakhrani.

Zardari wants

Money, women

FROM PAGE 17 by the News of the World.

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in London.

"How much they're getting paid is a joke. I came from a football background and I can see the difference in football and cricket. It's huge.

Majeed claimed cheating was not confined to matchfixing alone and that ball tampering had also become regular in the Pakistan team. "I used to go out on the

pitch to give the players their drinks. Whenever we couldn't get a wicket I'd have a lump of Vaseline on my hand. Shake their hand. "They'd put it on one side of

the ball and the ball would suddenly start in-swinging, he said. Majeed revealed that he

wanted Salman Butt to continue as captain for long as possible.

"I give out the information the night before or morning. What's going to happen at the end of the fourth day. But now we are not going to do any results for the next two games because we want Salman Butt to be captain long term, Majeed stated.

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team officials had been arrested over the fixing claims.

Pakistan once more

innings.

Anderson.

at mid-on.

Pakistan team manager Yawar Saeed confirmed that Scotland Yard detectives had visited the team's hotel on Saturday and had spoken to Aamer, Asif and skipper Butt and took away the three players' mobile phones. Despite the allegations,

Saeed denied that Pakistan cricket was "institutionally corrupt". The latest allegations will

heap further suspicion on cricket in Pakistan, which is already at a low ebb. Pakistan have been unable

to play matches at home since a militant attack on the Sri Lanka team bus in Lahore in March last year effectively turned the country into a 'nogo area' for international cricket.

by 'fixing' allegations since the 1990s and also embroiled in ball-tampering.

Pakistani President Asif Ali Zardari expressed his disappointment at the allegations and promised that any players found guilty would be severely punished.

If wrongdoing was proven, "all the players involved must forget to play for Pakistan in future," the president's spokesman Farhatullah Babar said.

The News of the World claimed their reporters had posed as front men for an Asian gambling cartel, paying 10,000 pounds to the alleged

fixer as an upfront deposit. They met again on

Wednesday in a London hotel room to hand over the rest of the money as their "entry ticket" into what they claimed was a "huge betting syndicate" In barely two hours of play

Sunday, Pakistan rapidly lost wickets to hand England a crushing victory by an innings and 225 runs with more than a day to spare to wrap up a 3-1 win in the series. Pakistan's players now face

an awkward time as they must remain in England for a series of one-day matches.

US Open starts today

AFP, New York

The team has been dogged Andy Roddick always starts a US Open with a reminder that time is ticking on his chances to win another Grand Slam title.

This year, his 28th birthday comes Monday on the first day of the year's final Grand Slam tournament, but he hopes the biggest party comes on the last day at Arthur Ashe Stadium as it did when he won his only Slam there in 2003.

"The urgency is always there. Birthday or no birthday, you come in trying to win one," Roddick said. "I don't think too much about age, number, whatever. I'll play until I feel like I shouldn't anymore."

Pakistan Eng thrash ashamed **ODIs** on

AFP, London

Pakistan tour manager Yawar Saeed insisted on Sunday the upcoming one-day series against England would go ahead as scheduled despite allegations of a betting scandal surrounding the team. Saeed, speaking after the

match, told reporters at Lord's that Pakistan's two Twenty20 internationals in Cardiff against England on September 5 and 7 and the subsequent five one-day internationals against England, starting at Chester-le-Street in Durham, on September 10, would go ahead.

The one-day series is also due to feature matches at Headingley (September 12), The Oval (September 17) and Lord's (September 20) before concluding at Hampshire's Rose Bowl ground in southern England on September 22.

Worcs keep Unicorns being dismissed for under a hundred and he to 181-9

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wicket for 39 in his 7 overs as his side Worcestershire kept Unicorns to 181 for 9 in 37 overs in their rain-curtailed List A match at New Road in Worcester yesterday. Shakib took the wicket of

Shakib Al Hasan took a

Sean Park who scored 21 and gave good company to Josh Knapett who held the Unicorn innings together with a 91-run knock. Neil Hancock (29) also provided good support as Unicorns posted a decent total on board. Jack Shantry and Gareth Andrew took three wickets each for Worcestershire. Worcestershire have three

games in hand in the current season.

Spot-fixing FROM PAGE 17

each. For each session, bets

are accepted on permutations and combinations involving runs scored and wickets taken and more marginal aspects along the lines of those mentioned above, such as, for instance, how many wide balls will be bowled in a particular session. In recent times both legal and illegal bookkeepers have started offering odds on session betting. Thus the number of options for betting in a six-session ODI are multiplied many times -- as opposed to just betting on the outcomes at the end of the

What kind of inside information do bookies look for to help with spot-fixing? Bookies and punters are

match.

always looking for inside information, especially information emanating from dressing rooms: the condition of the pitch, the team composition, who will open the batting, injuries -- anything that may impact a specific session of the match or events within, or the final outcome. The players in their innocence or ignorance, or in connivance, may share such inside information.

- Cricinfo

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SPORTS REPORTER Five footballers of the prelimi-

Three-time Bangladesh

Meanwhile, Abahani's Twam and midfielder Yousif Aminu -- impressed the Abahani officials in the first two days, but they still want to see them before taking the final decision. Abahani are likely to leave

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lightweights and minnows. Some twenty players, who

through the Federation Cup (October), Manik apparently leaves his hope of retaining the title of the season's curtainraising tournament and targets to win the Super Cup and the Bangladesh League, a trophy

No-balls: who, how & when

FROM PAGE 17 Aamer confirmed that's what he was trying to do. "Okay, sleep," said Majeed. "We've spoken about every-

thing before anyway. 'Okay,

don't mind. You sleep'.' But when Aamer prepared for his day's work at the fourth Test on Thursday morning, he was certainly awake to what was expected of him.

Pakistan captain Salman Butt strolled out to meet England skipper Andrew Strauss in the middle of the ground shortly before the weather-delayed toss at 1.10pm on the opening day of

the Test. Pakistan won the toss and elected to put England in to

Butt had his customary more comfortable now?" he huddle with his team but asked. "Told you. Once you bizarrely did not even bother to inspect the recently uncovered wicket like his opposite number Strauss. As predicted Butt put Aamer and Asif on to

first ball of the third over to England opening batsman Alastair Cook Aamer overstepped the white line marking his bowling crease by a huge margin.

Botham and Don Bradman.

footing.

Umpire Billy Bowden immediately raised his arm to signal the no-ball at 1:56pm. Pakistan's 18-year-old rising star had sealed cricket's

illuminated by legends including WG Grace, Ian say 'Shall I do it or not?'" But the sly player brazenly tried to hide the truth, raking

the spikes of his boots across the line and asking for sawdust to be put down as he falsely blamed the no-ball on loose Bemused Sky commentator Ian Botham exclaimed: "No-ball. Because of the onedayers, you don't see that too

They've got into the discipline of keeping behind that front The BBC online commentary read: "Dirty great no-ball

often with the bowlers who play two forms of the game.

for the following day's play. open the bowling. "Right, it's going to be And, as promised, on the ball," he said.

shame on the pitch once message from Aamer.

> up. He's just texted me now to And Aamer did do it --

him as being "on fire" as England wickets tumbled to

from Aamer, that was fully two

feet over." Seven overs later, yet more disgrace was heaped on the game, as 27-year-old Asif also overstepped the crease on the last ball of the tenth over. He too went through the masquerade of calling for sawdust

to dry the ground. Former England captain Mike Atherton commented: "There's been a couple of biggish no-balls. He was over that front line by a good half-a-

foot or so." Play was abandoned due to bad light and rain at 5.45pm so the third no-ball promised by Majeed didn't happen. But after play ended for the day Majeed smugly rang our

showed your hand, I showed my hand, okay?" Then he revealed how he had arranged another no-ball

reporter to brag. "You a bit

Aamer's third over and third "It'll be his third over, not the third over of the game." He ended the call by reminding our man: "Boss, I'm telling you, you're dealing with the

right person, you're not dealing with an idiot, all right?" But on Friday morning Majeed contacted our man saying that he'd received a

Majeed said: "He's briefed

despite getting off to a sensational start, taking three quick wickets in nine balls. Commentators described

his pace attack. Aamer managed to skittle out England batsmen Kevin Pietersen, Paul Collingwood and Eoin Morgan without any of them scoring a single run. It was only the fifth time in history the third, fourth and fifth batsmen in an order had been dismissed for ducks. During the blitz, former West Indian

fast bowler Michael Holding, commentating for Sky, said:

"It's been Mohammad Aamer's morning. He's made that ball talk." His colleague Michael Atherton said: "Remarkable stuff this morning from Pakistan and in particular Mohammad Aamer. Just 18 years of age. He's running in

> from the Pavilion End. He's like an old hand. "He looks like he's going to get a wicket with every ball he

bowls." With Aamer tearing through the batsmen, Majeed quickly contacted our man, warning that the promised noball might have to be cancelled and that we shouldn't place big bets on it. He said the captain might tell Aamer to keep up the onslaught. "So much is happening out there at the moment," he added. Majeed was right -- captain Butt, who Majeed boasts is one of his players in the fixing scam -- did have a quick word

with Aamer just before the third ball of the third over. Usually mid-over conversations between bowlers and captains would be about the placement of fielders and

whether to make any changes. On this occasion, no changes were made, prompting commentator Michael Holding to chip in: "A quick conference between captain and the bowler. Hasn't resulted in the field being changed. Not yet.'

change in Aamer's form. As promised, he bowled and again placed his foot over the crease, into the banned area -a no-ball. The umpire had a word with Aamer about the surprise delivery, pointing out how far over the line his foot had been. On the TV replay, the side it. view showed he placed his

foot at least eight inches past

But there was a sudden

the line. It prompted bowling legend Michael Holding to exclaim: "How far over was that?Woh!" Ian Botham added: "It's was the best day of his career like net bowling" -- referring to so far.

when bowlers don't try so hard when they are practising in the

bowled a delivery that again caused problems for Jonathan Trott, with both commentators saying how good a ball it had been. Test Match Special listeners on BBC Radio 4 heard Jonathan Agnew and England legend Geoffrey Boycott recall how Aamer had massively overstepped the crease the day before and called the delivery a "hostile ball".

that Aamer's boot was over the line "by a foot". They then discussed the possibility that Aamer could have done it on purpose in a

done."

haul at Lord's.

snared England's Alistair Cook -- shortly before he carried out

Agnew explained to listeners

bid to deliver the quicker ball

you're confident?" Grasping Majeed demanded yet another 10,000-pound payment. He said: "Try and get it to me four or five o'clock, yeah? Because I can give it to them as soon as they're finished, then that's

his third bent no-ball -- the "most delightful wicket."

The young bowler, who made a big show of kneeling to kiss the hallowed turf on reaching the landmark, told Test Match Special: "These moments are for me good. At Lord's I wanted my name on the [honours] board and I did He called the delivery that

Ironically, the cheat said it

With his next ball Aamer

closer to the batsman. After the disgraceful cheating by Aamer, Majeed rang back and told our man: "I'm not a joker, boss, okay? So

He explained how he was due to meet the team straight after close of play to accompany them to a charity dinner organised by the Pakistan Cricket Board. In an emotional interview after Friday's play on Friday, Aamer hid his secret shame and told of his pride at bagging his first five-wicket

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