Dwain, David's bans unlawful

AP, London

Sprinter Dwain Chambers and cyclist David Millar will be eligible to compete for Britain at the London Games after the country's lifetime Olympic ban for doping offenders was found to be unlawful by sports' top court.

A Court of Arbitration for Sport panel has decided the British Olympic Association's 20-year-old bylaw now violates the World Anti-Doping Agency code, a person familiar with the ruling said Sunday.

The person spoke on condition of anonymity because the CAS verdict is not being publicly released until Monday.

Britain, the only country to enforce lifetime bans for dopers, will now have to remove the sanction from its Olympic regulations.

And both Chambers and Millar, who have worked with authorities to help officials crack down on doping, can try to qualify to represent Britain at the July 27-Aug. 12 Olympics.

Chambers, who won a bronze medal in the 60 meters at the world indoor championships in March, served a two-year ban after testing positive for the steroid THG in 2003. Millar was suspended in 2004 for two years after testing positive for the bloodboosting agent EPO.

Salahuddin

FROM PAGE 16 firm," said Chittagong DFA delegate AZM Nasir.

Pabna DFA president Anjan Chowdhury Pintu urged whichever committee is elected should fulfil their

pledges made during the campaign. Centring the polls, the club area of Motijheel wore a festive look as hundreds of supporters for different candidates like Mohiuddin Mohi, Ashraf Uddin Ahmed Chunnu, Arif Khan Joy, Ariful Islam Babu, Tabith M Awal took to the streets in front of

the BFF House and chanted

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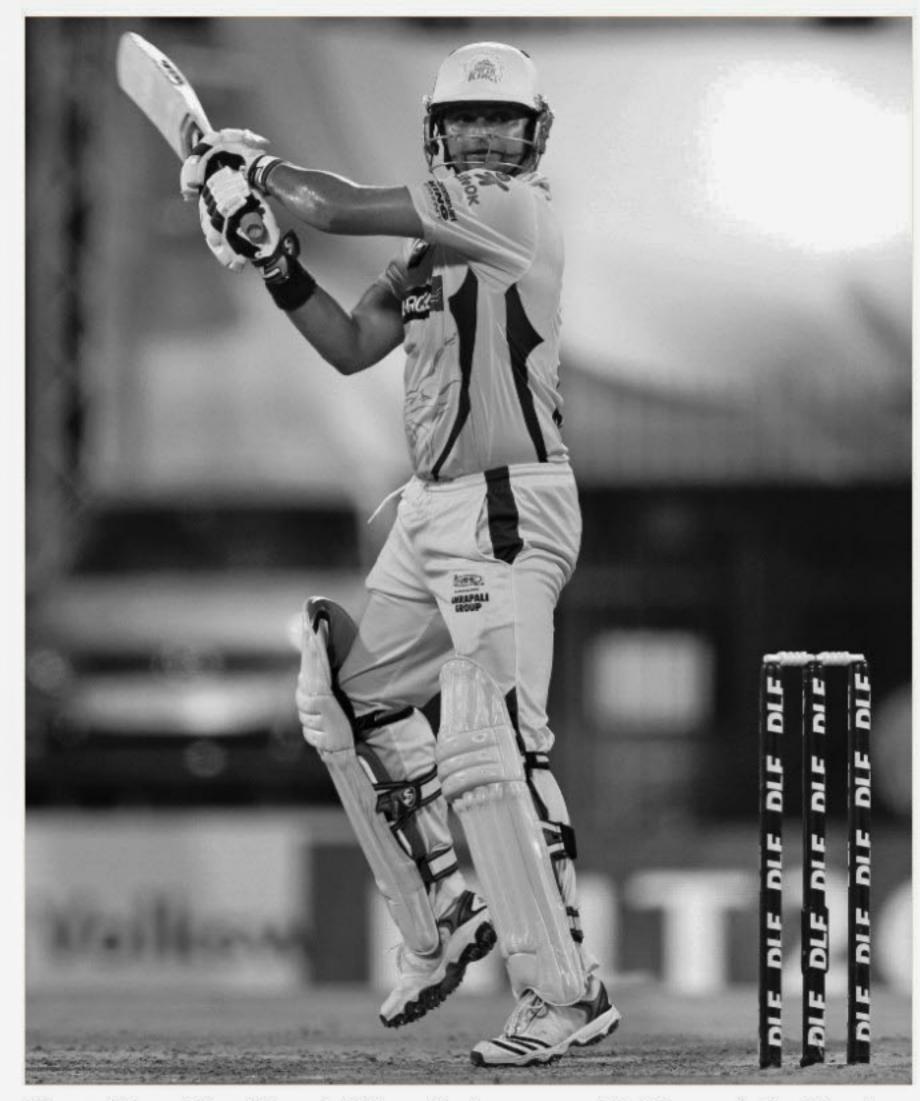
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Chennai Super Kings' Suresh Raina, who has amassed 2,000 runs in the IPL, plays the ball behind square on the off-side during their match against Kolkata Knight Riders at the MA Chidambaram Stadium in Chennai yesterday. PHOTO: AFP

KKR keep winning

INTERNET, Chennai



Gautam Gambhir scored a half-century as the Kolkata Knight Riders beat the Chennai Super Kings by five wickets as game 41 of the

Indian Premier League went down to the wire at the M.A. Chidambaram Stadium here Monday.

Debrabrata Das stroked the winning runs with two balls to spare as Chennai fought hard but were unable to defend a score of 139 for five.

Gambhir had departed in the penultimate over for 63 but his hard work had set his side up for a grand finale.

They started well, as bowling to his compatriot Michael Hussey and the in-form Francois du Plessis, Brett Lee produced a fiery opening spell which brought him the wicket of du Plessis for three when he edged to wicket-keeper Brendon McCullum.

Hussey looked in excellent touch given that he has only just arrived from the

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Caribbean and he stroked two fours before he was run out for 18, the Lee-McCullum combination working again for the away side.

Suresh Raina then took the fight to Kolkata - and Lee, who he hit for a handsome six - with an innings of 44 in 34 balls which also included four fours.

Dwayne Bravo made 12 before he was caught by Iqbal Abdulla off Jacques Kallis, who struck again to remove Raina, who rather threw his innings away when he was caught by Yusuf Pathan.

Chennai bat deep, but on a slow pitch, even they struggled to rebuild with Mahendra Singh Dhoni having to work hard to make 34 in 30 balls, Ravindra Jadeja not getting out of first gear in hitting nine in 13 balls.

BRIEF SCORES

CHENNAI SUPER KINGS: 139/5 (Hussey 18, Raina 44, Dhoni 34 not out; Kallis 2-21) KOLKATA KNIGHT RIDERS: 140/5

(Gambhir 63, Kallis 26, Das 11 not out; Bravo 2-27, Ashwin 2-22)

Maria upbeat

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I came to Europe a bit earlier than normal before the French Open and this suited my schedule so I added it to Madrid and Rome.

"I was just going to use this tournament as a warmup, but it works for me.

"I have been playing consistently well here and just chosen the right moments and played a bit smarter.

"On clay, placement is so important, you have to be a bit more patient, but with good placement your chances of holding serve are much higher.

"You finish the tournament and you only have a few days to enjoy the win before you are off to the next one, but I am very pleased with the way it is going so far

on clay. "The goal is always the next tournament, it's tough to get too far ahead of yourself, because there is so

much in front of you." Sharapova admitted she had extra motivation to win the Stuttgart title after losing twice to Azarenka in the final at both the Australian Open and Indian Wells before also losing to Agnieszka Radwanska in the Miami final.

Cook calls

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this upcoming Test series -but it is not our right to do so. Any Test side is a good side and we need to be at our best to beat West Indies," The Sun quoted him, as saying.

"It's a great chance to continue from the final Test win over Sri Lanka, which came after a disappointing time for us over the winter.When things go well it's easy to get on, but when things don't go well it can be

Adam turns a cage-fighter

ANI, London

Former England cricket captain Adam Hollioake has turned into a cage-fighter.

The Brisbane-born Hollioake, who retired from cricket in 2004 and returned briefly to play Twenty20 in 2007 was often described as a fighter.

The former Surrey and England cricketer is preparing to make his debut as a professional Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) cage-fighter against Joel Millar, as part of an event called Days of Glory in Broadbeach, Queensland next Saturday.

The 40-year-old will be fighting in a style based around his teenage love of boxing.

"It's been almost 30 years in the making. I was 12 when I first started boxing. It was just something I really enjoyed from the start," The Guardian quoted Hollioake, as saying.

He said that fighting in the MMA isn't any different than cricket in the matter of techniques involved.

I don't really try to complicate anything. When I was playing cricket, I didn't have a particularly complicated style. I wasn't very talented as a bowler. I didn't have natural speed or natural height, so I had to just do what I could," he added.

NCL ends

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League clubs wouldn't budge in the Mohammad Yousuf controversy and there was a large void all of a sudden in the domestic schedule. It was hastily announced that the tournament would restart within seven days, on April 20, and when it did, it became too taxing on the players. There were also the general strikes which hampered the tournament and with each day, the organising became increasingly laughable.

Many also questioned whether there was a need to add the eighth team as it would saturate the level of competition. Soon the reason behind the expansion became clear: ambitious club-based councillors needed the inclusion o Dhaka Metro ahead of the next BCB elections.

With the prospect of a new franchise-based tournament doing the rounds, it is paramount that the BCB make all their changes by keeping the sanctity of firstclass cricket intact. Firstclass cricket is not for the impatient club councillors; it is the backbone of cricket development in a Testplaying nation. With Bangladesh getting fewer and fewer Test matches in the last few years, it is now high time for the board to reshape their most important product and focus less on earning quick money.

Rafa means records

Tennis

AFP, Barcelona

Rafael Nadal is back on top of his mental and physical game after completing a fortnight of history-making with the Spanish king of clay adding another line for the record books on Sunday.

The world number two became the first man to win two separate events seven times, as he defeated battling compatriot David Ferrer 7-6 (7/1), 7-5 to win a seventh trophy at the Barcelona Open.

That success came seven days after he thrashed world number one Novak Djokovic for an eighth consecutive title at the Monte Carlo Masters. At the start of the month, Nadal would not

have liked his victory chances after being forced to quit before his Miami semifinal with Andy Murray due to left knee pain. But a week or so of therapy, married to his

iron will, has put the 25-year-old on course for what would be an unprecedented seventh French Open title. His Barcelona triumph marked his sev-

enth title in eight editions, with his only loss prior to 34 straight victories coming in 2003 to current Davis Cup captain Alex Corretja. "I've won two extremely difficult events --

set," said Nadal. "No one deserves more than David to win here, but I had the luck on the day.

Monte Carlo and Barcelona without losing a

"When you play your best, as I always say, it's because the opponent makes you do so;

that's what David did. I was able to play some of my best tennis in the first set.

"You have to really enjoy the victories as you never know when you will have another one. I'm very happy to win but I'm only

looking ahead to Madrid." Nadal takes a well-deserved week off before heading to the Spanish capital for the

Madrid Masters staring next Sunday. His Barcelona victory came a decade to the day since he made his winning ATP

debut on his home island of Mallorca. Now he owns 34 claycourt titles and has lost only four finals on the surface. He now

has 48 career trophies overall. "I don't know when I'll go to Madrid. But since it is played at altitude, you have to prepare for that. It's totally different from

Monte Carlo, Rome and Paris," he added. Spaniards have dominated Barcelona, with Nadal beating Ferrer four times for the title and it was the 10th consecutive year that a pair of countrymen had met for the trophy at the Real Club de Tenis.

Ferrer was disappointed but realistic about the epic contest.

"Rafa is Rafa and he is very good. I've lost four times to him in this final, but I've always lost to one of the greats. He is a very good player and even better as a person," he said.

"This loss is not a huge drama, it's still been a good week for me. But beating Rafa is always difficult, I wasn't able to win the key points today. Other than that, I don't know what else to do. The more I play him, the tougher it gets."

No risk, no gain!

Cricket

INTERNET, Brisbane

Clarke has admitted his ploy of making brave declarations could backfire, but he is still willing to adopt the aggressive route.

Michael Clarke had been earmarked for captaincy almost from the time that he made his debut for Australia; and when he occasionally took over from Ricky Ponting when he was his vice-captain, his acumen for the job was for all to see.

He is the perfect man for the job at a time

when Australia is striving to reclaim its top ranking in Tests. Clarke has come into his own after taking over the captaincy fulltime from Ponting a year back. He is also not averse to taking and backing the tough decisions as the Australian captain along with the coach is now part of the selection panel following the Don Argus review.

Clarke's captaincy record in the last year is impressive to say the least

MICHAEL CLARKE -- Australia have won nine, lost two and drawn three of the 14 Tests he has been in charge. The wins have included a 4-0 whitewash of India at home as well as an inspired victory against South Africa at Johannesburg days after Australia was bundled out for a mere 47 in Cape Town; while the losses have included that Cape Town Test and a shock defeat to New Zealand at Hobart in December 2011. These results have seen Clarke admit that though the intention is to reclaim the top ranking, his team still has a fair way to go and needs to be more consistent. "Cape Town showed us how quickly things can change for the worse and then to be able to pull off a win in Jo'burg

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-- and we're talking about a very strong Test team in their own back yard -- so to be able to level that series was a great learning curve for us," Clarke said after Australia's recent Test series win in the Caribbean, adding "we continue to learn, especially, from those two games, Cape Town and Hobart".

Talking about the Test series in the Caribbean, that's where Clarke came of age as a captain as his unique captaincy style and approach came to the fore in the first two matches of the three-Test series, where he made brave declarations in an effort to inject new life and excitement at Barbados and Port of Spain. At a time when most inter-

national captains adopt the safe route in Tests, Clarke's approach is a refreshing one; and his contemporaries will do well to take a leaf out of the Australian skipper's book.

Clarke has admitted that sometimes his ploy of making brave declarations could backfire, but despite that knowledge, he is still willing to adopt the aggressive route. "At times with my declaration, when there is a

chance for winning, you've got to have a go at it. There's going to be times that it might backfire and we might lose every now and then. But I enjoy the brand of cricket that we're playing at the moment," Clarke said of his attitude as captain.

In the first Test against West Indies at Barbados, Clarke took the call to declare Australia's first innings when they were still 43 runs behind the hosts; but then his bowlers responded exceedingly well to their captain's challenge before the tourists took a 1-0 lead in the series despite losing wickets towards the end in fading light.

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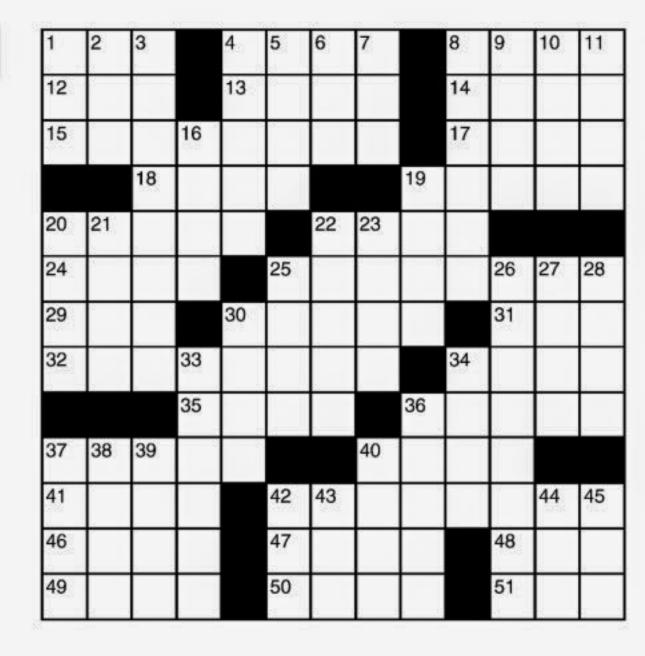
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