

## ITF JUNIOR TENNIS

# Dual crown for Arina, Fancutt

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Top seeds Thomas Fancutt of Australia and Ma Ka Man Carina of Hong Kong lived up to their billing by claiming double crowns in the Focal Point 26th Bangladesh ITF Junior Tennis Championships which concluded at the National Tennis Complex in Ramna yesterday. Biplob

Ram of Bangladesh was the saving grace for the hosts as he won the boys' doubles crown pairing with Fancutt. Biplob, the top-ranked Bangladeshi player, had earlier made it to the third round in the boys' singles. Jamil Bhuiyan was the best performer for Bangladesh, reaching the quarterfinals. The top two female participants had seen their run end in the second round of the championships.

Fancutt defeated number two seed Al Obaidly of Kuwait 6-2, 6-3 in the singles final in the morning before he paired up with Biplob to take the doubles crown by beating Naruka Digvijay Singh of India and Vellodi Keshav of USA 6-4, 6-4 in the doubles final in the afternoon.

Girls' top seed Carina defeated Hsieh Yu-Ting of Taipei 6-2, 6-3 in the final in the morning. She had earlier won the doubles title on the previous day, beating Vidya Ria of Singapore and Zhang Xizian of China 6-7, 6-3.

## Div I football

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Young Men's Club of Fakirerpul defeated T&T Club of Motijheel 2-1 in their Popular Life Insurance Senior Division Football League match at the Birshreshtha Shaheed Mostafa Kamal Stadium in Kamalapur yesterday. Mohammad Tutul gave Fakirerpul the lead in the 18th minute. Mohammad Sohel equalised for T&T in the 79th minute. However, Tutul Junior restored the lead in the next minute, which confirmed all three points for the Fakirerpul club. Dhaka Wanders Club take on Jatrabari Krira Chakra in today's match at the same venue.

## BGF eyes Olympics

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Bangladesh Golf Federation (BGF) is hoping to send their golfers to the 2016 Olympic Games in Brazil where golf has been one of the events, expressed organisers of golf in a meet the press event at the Kurmitola Golf Club yesterday. Bangladesh won both the individual and team event gold in the South Asian Games in 2010, which inspired the organisers to think of sending the team, provided the players qualify or get wild card. BGF general secretary Brigadier General (retd) Kamrul Islam, tournament secretary Brigadier General Abed were present among others at the press conference. Kamrul Islam said that it is not an unachievable target for Bangladeshis to get in the Olympic golf event which will be held again after 108 years. The BGF officials also briefed on the upcoming events that are going to take place at the Kurmitola Golf Club this season.



Abahani's Cameroonian forward Yoko Samnick (C) is the toast of his teammates after his decisive goal in a Bangladesh Premier League match against Arambagh at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday.

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# Abahani's 2nd in a row

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Defending champions Abahani notched up their second straight win to go joint top of the Grameenphone Bangladesh Premier League along with Muktijoddha Sangsad when they handed a 2-1 defeat on Arambagh Krira Sangha at the Bangabandhu National Stadium yesterday. A 19th minute own goal from Arambagh defender Moniruzzaman Mamun gave Abahani the lead before Cameroonian forward Yoko Samnick made it 2-0 in the 24th minute with an acrobatic side volley. Idris Kasirye, the Ghanaian veteran of Arambagh, reduced the margin from the spot in the 29th minute to make the rest of the encounter an interesting one.

Abahani, who won their opening game 3-0 against Feni Soccer Club, played with Samnick and Brazilian Generoso da Silva at the front instead of regular striker Twum Frank and dominated the early exchanges. The team in yellow sky jerseys were off the blocks early and applied heavy pressure on Arambagh who were back defending the early onslaught. And that pressure paid off.

Arambagh goalkeeper Mitul Hasan missed the flight of a cross from Waly Faisal and defender Mamun, who while trying to clear the ball, put it back into his own net. The goal somewhat created more panic in the Arambagh ranks and they were down 2-

0 five minutes later. This time though there was no luck about the goal as Samnick brilliantly side-volleyed a cross from Awudu Ibrahim from outside the box.

However, Arambagh were given a lifeline by Abahani's young goalkeeper Shahidul Alam Sohel, just two minutes later, when he blatantly kicked Arambagh forward Osondo Maurice outside the box. The Nigerian forward had gone clear on a long ball as Arambagh counter attacked when Sohel came off the blocks and took the forward down. Sohel got away with only a yellow card and a penalty. Kasirye stepped up and put the ball past the keeper with a neat spot kick.

The second half was a more even affair as Arambagh stepped up the attack. However, Abahani were gifted a penalty in the 54th minute when Arambagh defender Morsalin Parvez brought down Tawhidul Alam inside the box. Da Silva's feeble effort was easily saved by the Arambagh keeper.

Abahani might have extended the margin anyway if Samnick's back volley had gone in instead of coming off the woodwork in the 79th minute. Arambagh were down to ten men in the 88th minute when Uzumefon Zoel was sent off for a second bookable offence. But the scoreline remained the same and Abahani trudged off with another win, albeit an unconvincing one.

It was Arambagh's two defeats in as many games.

## Nadif, Dhiman hit hundreds

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### BARISALV RANGPUR

The century from Dhiman, who ended the day on 142 not out, led Rangpur's strong reply against Barisal as the team finished the day on 360 for 7 at Shaheed Kamruzzaman Stadium in Rajshahi. Half-centuries from Sohrawardi Shuvo and Mahmudul Hasan helped Rangpur extend their lead. Discarded national pacer, Syed Rasel was Barisal's best bowler as he picked up three wickets.

### SYLHETV KHULNA

Khulna continued to dominate the game as they finished the day at 356 for 7 at the Rangpur Cricket Garden. Veteran Tushar Imran remained unbeaten on 145 and guided Khulna's reply. Sylhet's Enamul Haque Jr took three wickets and was his side's top wicket-taker.

### RAJSHAHIV DHAKA METRO

In a match favouring the bowlers, Rajshahi, who had an overnight score of 235 for 6 were dismissed for 256 in the morning at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium in Mirpur. In reply though, Dhaka Metro, were bundled out for 129 as pacer Shafiul Islam ran through their batting order with his 4 for 47. Rajshahi's

second innings began during the last session of the day and they scored 67 runs for the loss of one wicket.

### SCORES IN BRIEF

**CHITTAGONG:** First innings 138 all out in 55.1 overs and second innings 35 for no loss in 11 overs (Karim 26, Nafees 9)

**DHAKA:** First innings 401 all out in 109.2 overs (Nadif 114, Milon 77; Yasir 3-66, Kamrul 2-77)

**BARISAL:** First innings 245 all out in 79.5 overs

**RANGPUR:** First innings 360 for 7 in 92 overs (Dhiman 142 not out; Shuvo 82; Rasel 3-38, K Islam 2-77)

**SYLHET:** First innings 244 all out in 88.1 overs

**KHULNA:** First innings 356 for 7 in 91 overs (Tushar 145 not out, Kayes 62; Enamul 3-142m, Imtiaz 2-30)

**RAJSHAHI:** First innings 256 all out in 99.4 overs (Myshukur 91, Junaid 41; Sharif 3-41, Hydar 3-62) and second innings 67 for 1 in 19 overs (Myshukur 27 not out, Jaharul 19 not out; Suleman 1-15)

**DHAKA METRO:** First innings 129 all out in 49.2 overs (Sahagir 44; Shafiul 4-47, Muktar 2-28)

## Premier chess

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Mohammedan SC, Duronto Rajshahi and Access Group Chess Club shared the lead of the Ultra Milk Premier Division Chess League after the second round held at the NSC Auditorium yesterday.

Defending champions Mohammedan beat Bangladesh Biman by 4-0 points, Duronto Rajshahi beat Narayanganj Pritam-Prism Chess Club by 2.5-1.5 points while Access Group beat Titas Club by 2.5-1.5 points. Faith Chess Club defeated Destiny 2000 Limited by 3-1 points while Air Destiny Limited drew with Farashganj Sporting Club 2-2 in the other match.

## Bangabandhu Kabaddi in Kolkata

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The Bangladesh national women's kabaddi team, under the banner of Bangladesh Kabaddi Federation XI, will participate in a six-team kabaddi competition titled Bangabandhu Invitational Women's Kabaddi Tournament which starts in Kolkata on November 28.

The tournament, which features six teams -- West Bengal, Murshidabad, Orissa, Jharkhand, Bidya Sagar Kabaddi Club and Bangladesh Kabaddi Federation XI -- is being organised to commemorate Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman's stay in West Bengal during his student days.

The competition will continue till December 3 in different venues of Kolkata.

## Tino fit

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fourth day with two quick strikes. One was a bouncer that Shahriar Nafees uncontrollably lobbed in the air and the second was an inswinging delivery that deceived the in-form Na'em Islam and uprooted his off-stump.

"I think that leave alone [Na'em's wicket] was my best. I bowled really well at him in the last three innings. I knew I was going to beat him for pace but the ball just swung back fantastically. I just got him on a little tired legs, got him bowled," said Best in the post-day press conference at the Sheikh Abu Naser Stadium.

Best, who had to leave the field during Bangladesh's first innings due to an injury, was delighted to have made an immediate impact in the second. "It is an injury that I have had since 2010 when I played county cricket. It came back on me from the Dhaka Test where I really pushed my body," said Best. "I was sure I could bowl, when I knew what sort of injury I had and I informed the coaching staff," he added.

He also believed that the fall of Shakib Al Hasan, at the end of the fourth day, shifted the momentum towards the visitors. "I think breaking this partnership in the evening was the turning point in the game. Shakib played fantastic, just [wrong] shot selection again, I think he's young and will improve," he said.

## CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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39 Ticks off

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43 Bache-lor's last words

44 Zero

45 Sparkler

# England solid in reply



Cricket

PTI, Mumbai

Skipper Alastair Cook continued to torment India with yet another gritty batting display while Kevin Pietersen returned to form with an unbeaten half-century to give England a slight advantage in the second Test here Saturday.

After dismissing India for 327 in the first innings, England moved to a comfortable 178 for two in 65 overs before the stumps were drawn on the second day, with the visitors trailing by 149 runs.

At close, the left-handed Cook, who had scored a big century in the first Test, was unbeaten on 87. The more aggressive Pietersen was batting on 62 after a stay of 127 minutes during which he faced 85 balls and hit nine fours.

Cook batted for 251 minutes and faced 209 balls, striking a six and ten fours in the process.

The third wicket duo has so far put on 110 runs in 186 balls.

With three more days left in the game, a result is on the cards on a track that is aiding the spin bowlers.

England, though, looked to have a slight advantage with a settled and experienced pair at the wicket and some more batting to follow.

On a wicket where the spin duo of Monty Panesar and Graeme Swann ran through the star-studded India batting line-up in which Cheteshwar Pujara (135) and Ravichandra Ashwin (68) stood out, the trio of home team spinners looked largely clueless against the determined Cook and Pietersen.

Cook again showed monumental patience to lead his side's reply.

Pietersen, who looked in a hurry in the opening game, adopted a slightly different approach.

In the morning, England finally dismissed Pujara for the first time in three innings as India were all out 22 minutes before lunch.

Pujara was the ninth man out at 316, after batting for almost the entire day Friday and with

just half an hour left for lunch on Saturday.

### SCOREBOARD

**INDIA:** First innings (Overnight 266-6)  
Gambhir lbw b Anderson 4  
Sehwag b Panesar 30  
Pujara st. Prior b Swann 135  
Tendulkar b Panesar 8  
Kohli c Compton b Panesar 19  
Yuvraj b Swann 0  
Dhoni c Swann b Panesar 29  
Ashwin lbw b Panesar 68  
Harbhajan lbw b Swann 21  
Zaheer c Bairstow b Swann 11  
Ojha not out 0  
Extras: (lb-1, nb-1) 2  
Total: (All out in 115.1 overs) 327  
Fall of wickets: 1-4, 2-52, 3-60, 4-118, 5-119, 6-169, 7-280, 8-315, 9-316

Bowling	O	M	R	W
Anderson	18	3	61	1
Broad	12	1	60	0
Panesar	47	12	129	5
Swann	34.1	7	70	4
Patel	4	1	6	0

**ENGLAND:** First innings  
Cook not out 87  
Compton c Sehwag b Ojha 29  
Trott lbw b Ojha 0  
Pietersen not out 62  
Extras: 0  
Total: (For 2 wkts in 65 overs) 178  
To bat: Bairstow, Patel, Prior, Broad, Swann, Panesar, Anderson

Fall of wickets: 1-66, 2-68

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Ashwin	22	5	54	0
Ojha	21	3	65	2

# Proteas claw back



Cricket

AFP, Adelaide

South Africa gave themselves an outside winning chance in the second Test in Adelaide with five Australian wickets late on the third day on Saturday.

The Australians, leading by 162 runs after the first innings, were sailing along at 77 without loss before a tumble of wickets gave the Proteas renewed heart with two days left.

At the close, Australia were 111 for five with first innings double centurion Michael Clarke on nine and century-maker Mike Hussey not out five. That gave the home side a lead of 273 with five wickets left.

Rory Kleinveldt bowled his team back into the contest with three wickets in 18 balls and Dale Steyn and Morne Morkel grabbed one each to add an edge to the contest.

South Africa had been facing the possibility of a huge run chase. The biggest successful chase at the Adelaide Oval was 315, which Australia achieved to overhaul England in 1902.

Swing bowler Kleinveldt

struck with two wickets in three balls, getting David Warner to miscue to Faf du Plessis at cover for 41 and then dismissing Rob Quiney for his second duck, nicking to wicketkeeper AB de Villiers.

Kleinveldt picked up his third wicket when he bowled Ed Cowan for 29.

Ricky Ponting's miserable series continued when he chopped Steyn on to his stumps for 16 and nightwatchman Peter Siddle made just one before he was caught behind off Morkel.

South Africa were dismissed for 388 at tea with debutant Du Plessis the last out for 78 while Jacques Kallis batted in pain for 58 to help his team avoid the follow on.

Du Plessis faced 159 balls and hit 13 fours and a six before he was caught by Clarke at silly mid on off Ben Hilfenhaus.

Kallis, batting at number nine after spending most of Thursday's opening day off the field with a hamstring injury, scored a crucial half-century off 93 balls before he was caught behind off left-arm spinner Clarke.

### SCOREBOARD

**AUSTRALIA:** First innings 550 (Clarke

230, Warner 119, Hussey 103; Morkel 5-146)

**SOUTH AFRICA:** First innings (overnight 217-2)

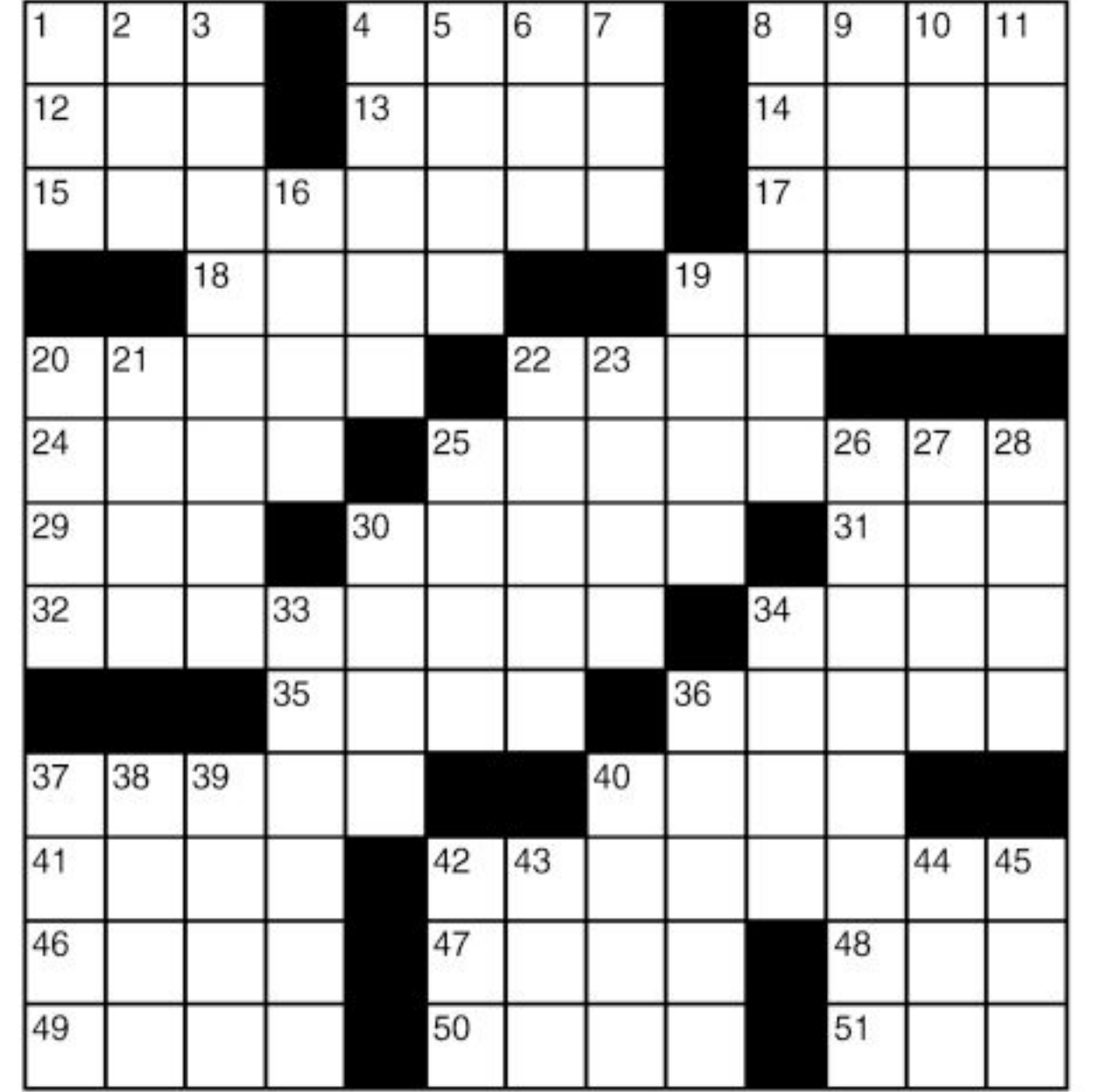
Bowler	O	M	R	W
Smith c Wade b Siddle				122
Petersen run out (Hussey)				54
Amla stumped Wade b Warner				11
Rudolph c Quiney b Lyon				29
De Villiers lbw b Siddle				1
Du Plessis c Clarke b Hilfenhaus				78
Steyn c Ponting b Hilfenhaus				1
Kleinveldt b Hilfenhaus				0
Kallis c Wade b Clarke				58
Morkel b Lyon				6
Tahir not out				10
Extras: (lb-7, nb-3)				18
Total (All out in 124.3 overs)				388
Fall of wickets: 1-250, 2-169, 3-233, 4-233, 5-240, 6-246, 7-138, 8-343, 9-352,				

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Hilfenhaus	19.3	6	49	3
Pattinson	9.1	0	41	0
Lyon	44	7	91	2
Siddle	30.5	6	130	2
Clarke	7	1	22	1
Hussey	1	0	7	0
Warner	5	0	27	1
Quiney	8	3	12	0

**AUSTRALIA:** Second innings

Cowan b Kleinveldt				29
Warner c du Plessis b Kleinveldt				41
Quiney c de Villiers b Kleinveldt				0
Ponting b Steyn				16
Clarke not out				9
Siddle c de Villiers b Morkel				1
Hussey not out				5
Extras: (lb-7, nb-3)				10
Total: (For 5 wkts in 32 overs)				111
Fall of wickets: 1-77, 2-77, 3-91, 4-98, 5-103				

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Steyn	10	4	28	1



### CRYPTOQUIP

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**Yesterday's Cryptoquip:** THE TINY HAIR STRUCTURES ARE ACTING COMPLETELY ABSURD. I SHOULD TELL THEM TO STOP BEING CILIA.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: G equals A