

TV PICKS

Badminton: Chinese Taipei Open: Star Sports 1 (SD & HD), 9.30 a.m.
Duleep Trophy: (final), Star Sports 2 (SD & HD), 9.30 a.m.
Bangladesh vs Afghanistan: Only Test, Star Sports Select 1 (SD & HD), 9.30 a.m.
The Ashes: Fourth Test, Sony Six (SD & HD), 3.30 p.m.
PKL: Star Sports 1 & 2 (SD & HD), 7.30 p.m.
US Open: Star Sports Select 1 (SD & HD), 9.30 p.m.
Euro 2020 Qualifiers: Sony Ten 2 (SD & HD), 9.30 p.m. & 12.30 a.m. (Sunday)

IN BRIEF



Dustin Johnson undergoes knee surgery

World number three Dustin Johnson underwent knee surgery on Thursday but is expected to make a full recovery and will return to golf later this year, his management team said. A statement from Johnson's management said the former world number one had undergone a procedure in Fort Lauderdale, Florida to repair cartilage damage in his left knee. AFP

Payas Jain in final

Ulaanbaatar (MONGOLIA): Seventh-seed Payas Jain stormed into the cadet boys' singles final of the 25th Asian junior and cadet table tennis championships, when he defeated South Korean Lin Yunoh 4-3 (15-13, 11-9, 9-11, 3-11, 7-11, 11-9, 11-6) here on Friday. This will be the second medal for the Indians at the championships after the junior boys had clinched a silver medal. Jain will take on top-seed and world No. 1 Yuanyu Chen in the final on Saturday.



Joshua making changes for Ruiz rematch

NEW YORK: Anthony Joshua says he has been forced to make "drastic changes" to his lifestyle in a bid to win back the heavyweight titles he lost to Andy Ruiz earlier this year. "There will be no aftershock after the first fight. I will be smarter. Getting knocked down was good. If I am smarter, I know I can pull it off. I don't want to say it will be 'Joshua 2.0' - I know what I was doing before was working, I just have to tweak little things and I will be perfect," he said. AFP

Haryana and TN advance

SPORTS BUREAU CUTTACK

Haryana, Tamil Nadu, Chhattisgarh, Rajasthan, Punjab and Maharashtra moved into the quarterfinals in the boys section in the National Sub-junior basketball championships here on Thursday.

The results (league):
Boys: Haryana 76 (Kapil 20, Sandeep 18, Himanshu Hooda 10) bt Uttar Pradesh 25, Maharashtra 71 (Shaik Taufiq 21, Amit Yadav 14) bt Punjab 61 (Rupanash Garg 16, Gurmaninder Sandu 12), Rajasthan 88 (Dhannjay Jhakar 13, Ajay Kumar 12, Krithivardan Singh Rathore 12) bt Bihar 38 Tamil Nadu 61 (Harish Aravind 19, Abhimanyu 11) bt Chhattisgarh 49 (Sanju 23), West Bengal 67 (Shadman Maleave 16, Savd Wakede 12) bt Goa 28 (Micam Pinto 15).
Girls: Maharashtra 70 (N. Pragati 16, Anaya 14, M. Gunjan 11) bt Kerala 47 (Akshara 10), Himachal Pradesh 39 (Milab 17, Sapna 11) bt Manipur 5, Chandigarh bt Goa 19-8, Uttar Pradesh 68 (Aanavi Vidhya Anand 16, Chavi Tomar 15, Deepikha 11) bt Chhattisgarh 45 (Ishika 15, Tanisha 11), Delhi 60 (Sahara Balwan 15, Harshita 14) bt Uttar Pradesh 45 (Deepikha Choudary 11, Kerala 65 (Meiza Luis 21, Tiyonna Ann Philip 16) bt Punjab 60 (Tarushi Bati 16).

Sanju stars in India-A's win

The visitors come up with a timid show in a truncated contest



True champion: The India-A team which clinched the series 4-1 against South Africa-A. ■SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

SA-A IN INDIA

M.R. PRAVEEN CHANDRAN THIRUVANANTHAPURAM Sanju Samson made atonement in front of his home crowd and his splendid knock of 91 set up India-A's fourth win against South Africa-A in the fifth unofficial one-day match here on Thursday.

Heavy rain in the morning and wet outfield turned the 50-overs contest into a T20 affair.

Chasing a stiff target of 205 off 20 overs, the visitors again put up a timid show to make 168 to give India-A victory by 36 runs

Sanju walked in after opener Prashant Chopra (2) fell in the first over. He got into his groove early and slammed Lutho Sipamla over midwicket for his first boundary.

Dhawan's support role Shikhar Dhawan played the supporting role as Sanju tore into the attack. Both Junior Dala and Marco Jansen bore the brunt of Sanju's attack as he raced to his fifty off 27 balls. A century was for his

taking but Sanju holed out to Janneman Malan at sweeper cover off George Linde.

Shikhar Dhawan (51) was circumspect after taking a hit on the neck as he tried to play the ramp shot off Beuran Hendricks. "However, he slowly found his rhythm to reach his second consecutive fifty. He fell soon after, charging at spinner Linde.

But his 137-run stand with Sanju for the second wicket flattened the visitors. Captain Shreyas Iyer cameo's enabled the hosts to see the visitors a daunting target.

Early wickets

The South Africa-A chase was scuppered by the fall of early wickets. However, Kyle Verreynne and Reeza Hendricks took on the Indian spinners to raise hopes.

Kyle (44) played a few audacious strokes before Washington Sundar had him caught at deep to end the threatening third-wicket stand. Reeza Hendricks played well for his half-century but didn't get enough support from his teammates.

The Indian medium-pac-

ers were incisive at the death and brought a swift end to the innings.

Sanju relieved

Sanju Samson was a relieved man after his match-winning knock of 91.

"I have been working hard on my game in the last four months and it was one of those days when everything fell in place.

"I should thank the team management for promoting me. It was an important knock for me and I am a little disappointed that I couldn't score a hundred," he said.

Sanju said batting with Shikhar Dhawan eased his nerves.

"He put me at ease when I walked to the crease. He encouraged me to go for my shots and told me which bowlers I should attack. I really enjoyed batting with him."

The scores:

India-A: Prashant Chopra c Klaasen b Beuran Hendricks 2, Shikhar Dhawan c Verreynne b Linde 51, Sanju Samson c Malan b Linde 91, Shreyas Iyer c Reeza Hendricks b Beuran Hendricks 36, Shubman Gill (not out) 10,

Shivam Dube (not out) 0; Extras (b-4, lb-2, w-7, nb-1): 14; Total (for four wkts. in 20 overs): 204.

Fall of wickets: 1-2, 2-137, 3-160, 4-202.

South Africa-A bowling: Beuran Hendricks 4-0-29-2, Lutho Sipamla 4-0-36-0, Marco Jansen 4-0-48-0, George Linde 4-0-43-2, Junior Dala 4-0-42-0.

South Africa-A: Janneman Malan c Shreyas b Shardul 16, Reeza Hendricks c Shreyas b Chahar 59, Temba Bavuma c Sanju b Porel 6, Kyle Verreynne c Shardul b Washington 44, Heinrich Klaasen c Shreyas b Deshpande 14, Sinethemba Qeshile c (sub) b Shardul 16, George Linde c Gill b Dube 1, Marco Jansen b Shardul 0, Beuran Hendricks run out 1, Junior Dala c Gill b Washington 1, Lutho Sipamla (not out) 2; Extras (lb-3, w-3, nb-2): 8; Total (in 20 overs): 168.

Fall of wickets: 1-19, 2-26, 3-95, 4-143, 5-148, 6-162, 7-162, 8-164, 9-164.

India-A bowling: Shardul Thakur 3-0-9-3, Ishan Porel 3-0-26-1, Tushar Deshpande 3-0-28-1, Rahul Chahar 4-0-38-1, Washington Sundar 4-0-39-2, Shivam Dube 3-0-25-1.

MoM: Sanju Samson.

India-A won by 36 runs to clinch five-match series 4-1.

CoA extends date for State associations' election

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT MUMBAI

The Committee of Administrations (CoA) extended the date from Sept. 14 to 28 for State cricket associations to conduct own elections, as per a media release from the BCCI. The Board elections will be held as scheduled on Oct. 22. The extension of date is in response to requests from State units.

The CoA further asked the State associations to prepare a list of representatives for the BCCI elections and communicate the same on Sept. 28. Further, the State associations have been directed to submit amended constitutions (in compliance with the Supreme Court judge-

ment on Aug. 9, 2018) for approval to the CoA, which met at the BCCI headquarters here.

The directions issued: 1. The date for election remains unaltered and will take place on October 22, 2019.

2. Deadline for completion of State associations' elections is extended from Sept. 14 to 28 and no further extensions will be feasible, since the notice of the AGM for BCCI elections has to be issued 21 days prior (to Oct. 22), which is Sept. 30. The State associations are required to send the names of their representatives to the Board for the BCCI election on Sept. 28.

3. All State associations which have not already submitted amended constitutions for approval to the CoA; and/or appointed electoral officer for conducting the elections; and/or issued the notice for conduct of elections, are required to complete all of the aforesaid on or before Sept. 12.

The CoA will neither take cognisance of any request for extension of time from State associations or their electoral officers who do not complete all the three conditions before the Sept. 12 deadline, nor entertain any request to vet the constitution or amended versions thereof submitted beyond the said deadline.

Nabi to quit Test cricket

IANS CHITTAGONG

Afghanistan all-rounder Mohammad Nabi will bring curtains down to his Test career after the ongoing one-off match against Bangladesh being played at the Zahur Ahmed Chowdhury Stadium.

"Yes, he (Nabi) will retire after the ongoing Test match," Afghanistan team manager Nazim Jar Abdurrahimzai confirmed.

It is understood that Nabi has taken this decision in a bid to prolong his white-ball career.

Including the ongoing Test, the 34-year-old has featured in only three red-ball matches.

A right-handed batsman and a handy off-spinner, Nabi's game in white-ball cricket, especially in T20s, remains in good stead and he will be a key component of the Afghanistan team in next year's T20 World Cup scheduled in Australia.

Navy is the team to beat

MURUGAPPA HOCKEY

K. KEERTHIVASAN CHENNAI

A star-studded Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) hasn't played very well, even the team management admitted it as much. A few of its players fell ill on arrival, a few have injuries. As a team that adjusts to the situation and plays well within its limitations, IOC has done that reasonably well.

When it takes on Central Secretariat (CST) in the semifinals of the MCC-Murugappa Gold Cup All-India hockey tournament here on Saturday, it will hope its star players - all internationals including Deepak Thakur, V.R. Raghunath, S.K. Uthappa, Affan Yusuf, Gurjinder Singh and Roshan Minz - rise to the occasion and make it count.

After a moderate performance, CST upped the ante in a must-win match against Punjab and Sind Bank, with a thumping show. But it will have to come up with so-

mething special to overcome IOC.

Under the radar

Punjab National Bank (PNB) was under the radar in its first two matches. It lost badly to Bengaluru HA, but slowly got into the groove with a win over Air Force. Against Indian Army, it played to a wonderful structure, defending well and attacking in waves.

Mandeep Mor showed why he is rated so high with a wonderful drag flick against IOC in their last group match for a 3-3 draw, a goal that ensured it reached the knock-out.

PNB's head coach Romesh Pathania will hope his team puts up a strong show against Indian Navy, which has been the best team, without a doubt.

Possessing only a junior International in Sunny Malik, Navy has been exceptional. If the performance in the group stages is any indication, Navy will be the team to beat.

SCOREBOARD

Afghanistan - 1st innings:

Ibrahim Zadran c Mahmudullah b Taijul 21, Ihsanullah Janat b Taijul 9, Rahmat Shah c Soumya b Nayeem 102, Hashmatullah Shahidi c Soumya b Mahmudullah 14, Asghar Afghan c Mushfiqur b Taijul 92, Mohammad Nabi b Nayeem 0, Afsar Zazai b Taijul 41, Rashid Khan c & b Mehidy 51, Qais Ahmad c Mominul b Shakib 9, Yamin Ahmadzai c Soumya b Shakib 0, Zahir Khan (not out) 0; Extras (lb-1, nb-2): 3; Total (in 117 overs): 342.

Fall of wickets: 1-19, 2-48, 3-77, 4-197, 5-197, 6-278, 7-299, 8-322, 9-327.

Bangladesh bowling: Taijul 41-5-116-4, Shakib 22-1-64-2, Mehidy 28-5-73-1, Nayeem 13-0-43-2, Mahmudullah 4-0-9-1, Soumya 4-0-26-0, Mominul 4-

0-9-0, Mosaddek 1-0-1-0.

Bangladesh - 1st innings:

Shadman Islam c Zazai b Ahmadzai 0, Soumya Sarkar lbw b Nabi 17, Liton Das b Rashid 33, Mominul Haque c Asghar b Nabi 52, Shakib Al Hasan lbw b Rashid 11, Mushfiqur Rahim c Zadran b Rashid 0, Mahmudullah b Rashid 7, Mosaddek Hossain (batting) 44, Mehidy Hasan b Qais 11, Taijul Islam (batting) 14; Extras (b-4, lb-1): 5; Total (for eight wkts. in 67 overs): 194.

Fall of wickets: 1-0, 2-38, 3-54, 4-88, 5-88, 6-104, 7-130, 8-146.

Afghanistan bowling: Ahmadzai 10-2-21-1, Nabi 22-6-53-2, Zahir 9-1-46-0, Rashid 18-3-47-4, Qais 8-2-22-1.

Afghanistan on top

AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE CHITTAGONG

Spin sensation Rashid Khan starred with bat and ball on Friday as Afghanistan took command in the one-off Test against Bangladesh here.

Rashid hit 51 off 61 balls to take Afghanistan to 342 in its first innings and then claimed four for 47 to leave Bangladesh struggling at 194 for eight at stumps on the second day.

Mominul Haque scored the only half-century for Bangladesh, 52 off 71 balls, while Mosaddek Hossain remained unbeaten on 44.

Hat-trick of wins for BKSP

SUBROTO CUP

ANANT KAUR NEW DELHI

Defending champion Bangladesh Krida Shiksha Prothisthan (BKSP) thrashed Nilmani English School, Manipur 4-0 in the Diamond jubilee edition of Subroto Cup girls (under-17) final and achieved a hat-trick of championship wins at the Ambedkar Stadium.

Bangladesh dominated from the start and Aklima Akter, the top scorer of the tournament with 11 goals from six matches, netted in the 19th minute. Shirina Akter made it 2-0 just before the first half for BKSP.

The second half, started with Nilmani English School, Manipur trying to take the game to BKSP but it didn't have much success.

Bangladesh held its ground and defended the goal by maintaining a very strong formation at the back.

In the 55th minute Sapna Rani gave Bangladesh a 3-0 lead. Two minutes before the final whistle Aklima scored her second goal of the match.

The winning coach, Jaya Chakma was happy with the team's performance and



Champions: Bangladesh Krida Shiksha Prothisthan won the junior girls (U-17) Subroto Cup tournament. ■SANDEEP SAXENA

said, "I told my team you have to take every match like it is your final match of the tournament and you have to win this tournament. You suffer for only one hour and lead the rest of your life as champions."

Lack of communication

Manipur captain L Rejija reflected on the loss, "It was lack of communication in the final today and we were not well acquainted with the playing conditions here but I told my team don't lose hope, just keep playing."

The top scorer striker, Aklima, maintained her performance throughout the tournament.

She said, "I was very hap-

py with my execution today and wanted to make an impression in the match.

"I wanted to keep the momentum going. I dream of playing in my national team someday."

The result: Bangladesh Krida Shiksha Prothisthan 4 (Aklima Akter 2, Shirina Akter, Sapna Rani) bt Nilmani English School, Manipur 0

The individual awards:

Best goalkeeper: Surudhani Kisku, BKSP, Bangladesh; **Best Player:** Afeida Khandaker, BKSP, Bangladesh; **Best Coach:** Jaya Chakma, BKSP, Bangladesh; **Most Contributing School for Football:** Nilmani English School, Manipur; **Fair play Award -** Dhirubhai Ambani International School, Mumbai.

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