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OVERHEARD: "It would be nice to think that we are the golden generation rather than the footballers."
Graeme Swann isn't shy about voicing his opinion after England beat Australia to win the NatWest series while their footballers lost to Germany in the World Cup

2011 World Cup fever logs in

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All those who love to catch cricket action live in stadiums, but dread the long queue, fret not. Nine months ahead of the World Cup in the subcontinent, the tickets are already available online. All the World Cup tickets, including the four matches to be held in Bengaluru, are on sale on www.iccvents.yahoo.com website. "We have got very good response until now. Some of the stands at a few venues are already sold out," said Neetu Bhatia, CEO, KyaZoonga, ICC's official ticketing partner.

The tickets are limited to four per person to keep the black marketing of the tickets in check. Another advantage is that the buyers will get an idea about the view of the stadium from the stand even before booking their tickets. Alternatively the tickets are also available on www.kyazoonga.com. There are plans to introduce various packages too. "We are planning to work out packages which will give discounts for the buyers," said Bejesh Patel, secretary, KSCA. "As of now we have planned packages on tickets only, but we are thinking of providing travel

Schedule of WC matches

- WARM-UP GAMES**
- Feb 13: India vs Australia.
 - Feb 15: Australia vs South Africa.
- WORLD CUP MATCHES**
- Mar 2: England vs Ireland.
 - Mar 6: India vs Ireland.
 - Mar 13: Australia vs Kenya.
 - Mar 16: Australia vs Canada.

also. But that will be done after consulting the ICC as they have already tied up with four operators," Neetu added.

In order to attract fans packages such as 'Follow Your Team', 'Love Your City' and 'Be a Great Host' are in the pipeline. While only a few tickets have been put on sale online for the initial stage matches, the number is likely to go up if there is more demand for online tickets. Along with the online sales, the tickets ranging from Rs 100 (Rs 200 for India matches) to Rs 12,500 will be available in the retail outlets and box offices, outside the stadium closer to the match dates. As of now the tickets are available

only for the World Cup matches and does not include the two warm-up matches to be played in the city. But, Patel said that the tickets for the warm-up match between India and Australia will be priced in par with other Indian matches. But the biggest challenge for Bengaluru, which will be hosting only one Indian match, will be to attract crowd to the non-Indian matches. "Selling tickets for the non-India matches is our biggest challenge," said Patel.



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FROM THE TOUCHLINE

Navneeth, Aishwarya triumph in state TT

Navneeth AR and Aishwarya Bidi claimed the men's and women's singles titles respectively in the State ranking table tennis tournament which was held in Belgium.

Results (All Finals):
Men: Navneeth AR vs Karthick CP 4-11, 11-7, 9-11, 11-8, 11-7, 11-8.
Youth boys (U-19): Karthick CP vs Navneeth AR 11-9, 11-9, 11-6, 11-6.
Women: Aishwarya Bidi vs Haripriya KG 7-11, 11-4, 11-6, 9-11, 11-8.
Youth girls (U-19): Marjeya Balcor vs Apala BS 12-10, 11-4, 9-11, 11-7, 7-11, 11-8.
Non-medalists: Sanjay Kanade vs Sanku D 5-11, 11-8, 11-6, 13-11.

Hockey tourney

An Inter-school hockey tournament for the BTC Cup will be conducted at the KSHA Stadium from July 26 to 31.

For further details contact N. Mahalingam 99864-65066 or Kamala Srinivasan on 93425-32674.

Hosur chess

Hosur Chess Academy will conduct a monthly Children's Chess tournament at its academy in Hosur on July 4.

The event will be held in the following categories, U-7, 9, 11, 13 and 15 years and the entry is free for the event. For information contact, Chandady at 09486593322 or 04344-242019.

Bhaskar has it easy against Sherazi

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STATE RANKING BILLIARDS

Defending champion B. Bhaskar continued with his unbeaten streak with a 4-0 win over teenager Mundir Sherazi in the 41st Karnataka State Ranking Billiards tournament. In the 150-up format quarterfinals league, Bhaskar also recorded a break of 129 in the final frame.

A. Satish too recorded victory with a 4-2 win over veteran Arvind Savur. D. Raj Kumar and LH Mansur scored identical 4-1 wins over Duncan Mackenzie and Susha Sambh.

Results: D.Pai Kumar vs Duncan Mackenzie 4-1 (150 7-89-52, 151-21, 129-187, 190-122, 151 0-65) 4-2; LH Mansur vs Susha Sambh 4-1 (104-151, 151-96, 151-86, 150-100, 151-105); B Bhaskar vs Mundir Sherazi 4-0 (151-110, 151 1-151) 0-0, 151-05, 152 0-129-54; A. Satish Kumar vs



B. Bhaskar
Arvind Savur 4-2 (54-152, 150-131, 150-132, 99-150, 150-135, 150-99)

Bindra, nine others get Sports Ratna scholarship

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Olympic gold medalist Abhinav Bindra and nine other Indian medal hopes were included in the Samsung Sports Ratna programme, that will offer them financial support for their training and preparations for the upcoming Asian Games in Guangzhou, China.

The other athletes in the scholar-

ship programme are shooters Manvjit Singh Sandhu, Gagan Narang and Ronjan Sodhi along with boxing hopefuls Vijender Singh, Akhil Kumar, Nanso Singh Thakchom and Mayengbam Surajjoy Singh and grapplers Sushil Kumar and Ramesh Kumar. Samsung India is the official partner for the Indian contingent at the November 12 to 27 sporting extravaganza.

Harshit shines in Dolphin's victory

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KSCA CRICKET II DIVISION

Harshit Urs with a five-wicket haul started in Bangalore Sports Club's four-wicket win over Dolphin Cricketers in the KSCA Group I, II Division cricket tournament for the MAT Acharya Shield.

Batting first, the Dolphins were restricted to meagre 199 in 53.2 overs. Harshit received good support from Ajay and Praveen, who scalped two wickets each.

In reply, BSC achieved the target in 41.2 overs as Manjunath top-scored with 50.

In other matches, Vijay Chavan scored a splendid 140 for Jolly Cricketers in their drawn game against Swastik Union Cricket Club (2).

K.V. Siddrath (104 n.o.) and Ullas (100) also slammed centuries for Bangalore United CC (1) and Jaidar Cricketer, in their respective matches.

Best scores:

Dolphin Cricketers: 199 all out in 53.2 overs (IGR Ranjan 30, Khadir 30, Gunraj 50, Ajay 2/62, Harshit Urs 5/80, Praveen 2/41) **lost to Bangalore Sports Club:** 200 for 6 in 41.2 overs (Manesh Aise 35, Manjunath 50, Chethan 32, Uday 30 n.o., Santhosh 28, Vinay Gowda 2/67, Anand 2/53, Sharath 2/35) by 4 wickets.

Jaidar Cricketers: 249 for 7 Decl. in 50.1 overs (Meeth 25, Ullas AR 100, Aman Raj 23, Jagadeesh 30, Yashash Sagar 20, Daniel Liao 2/80, AR Mahesh 5/77) **drew with Friends**

Union C C (2): 196 for 6 in 45 overs (Anesh John 31, Daniel Liao 70, M Vinod 41, Arun Kumar 2/52, Chetan 2/31)

Sir Syed Cricketers: 147 all out in 29.3 overs (Muralikrishna 24, Shashank BV 36, Shashank Rao 20, J Karthik 2/28, Yashash Kumar 4/64, Vighwanath LK 3/28) **lost to City Cricketers (1):** 149 for 8 in 37 overs (Rajesh 36, Puneeth Vyshnav 31, Vijay Bharadwaj 29 n.o., Sanjay Nair 4/28) by 7 wickets.

Jolly Cricketers: 265 all out in 56 overs (Vijay Chavan 140, Roshan Shah 44m Santosh Shetty 2/70 Anand Katti 4/88) **drew with Swastik Union C C (2):** 216 for 6 in 43 overs (Santhosh P Kumar 63, Sachin 72, Bharath 22 n.o., Ranjan 2/32)

Bangalore United Cricket Club C (1): 222 for 6 in 55 overs (GV Sidharth 104 n.o., Ajendra 31, Vikram Venkatesh 24, Dominic 3/72, Sachin Shinde 2/49) **drew with Jayanagar Colts:** 212 for 5 in 46 overs (Aji 59, Nihal 37, Athab 50 n.o., Keerthi Bhat 40 n.o., Marjunath 3/48)

Vijaya Cricket Club: 255 for 8 in 56 overs (Samarth Hogde 25, Praveen Kumar 51, Chakravaraj HR 69, Vijay Kumar 26, Harish Kumar Naidu 31, Sarlans 2/20, Prashanth G 3/85) **beat Malleswaram Gymkhana:** 137 all out in 22.3 overs (Prithvi Ramesh 70, Kranthi 24 n.o., Krishna Kumar 3/44, HR Chakravaraj 5/13) by 127 runs.



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