oc will face BPCL in the snooker team event final of the Petroleum Sports Promotion Board's inter-unit championship. In the semifinals at the KSBA on Tuesday, ONGC sailed past GAIL 4-0, while the last four clash between BPCL and IOCL went down to the wire, with BPCL winning the decider frame and then the contest 4-3.

is: Semifinals: ONGC bt GATT 4-0 (Pankaj Advani bt Hinu Jain 2-0; Varun Madan bt Ketan Chawla 2-0); BPCL bt IOCL 4-3 (Manan Chandra tied with Ishpreet Chaddha 1-1: Devendra Joshi tied with Dhvaj Haria 1-1; Shahbaaz Khan tied with Brijesh Damani 1-1. Deciding Frame: Shahbaaz Khan bt Brijesh Damani). Quarterfinals: GAIL bt MRPL 4-0 (Himanshu bt Malateesh 2-0; Ketan bt Muralidhar 2-0); BPCL bt OIL 4-0 (Manan bt JK Kotaki 2-0; Devendra bt S µэтагі 2-0). TNN

He 'a vow to sort out proplems: McLaren-Honda on Tuesday vowed to overcome a worrying start to their Formula One partnership and challenge champs Mercedes when the season starts next month. The British-Japanese team managed only 79 laps in testing last week as glitches cast concerns over their performance at the opener in Melbourne. Yasuhisa Arai, chief officer of Honda's motor sport division, said the team should prepare to vie with Mercedes, who won the 2014 drivers

Young Pioneers to face RVCE in final

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Bengaluru: Syed Parvez's first innings haul of 7-27 went in vain as RVCE Cricket Club fought back from a first innings deficit to beat Silky Town Cricket Club, Channapatna by five wickets in a semifinal clash of the KSCA Group I, Division V tourna-

Trophy on Tuesday.

Batting first, the Channapatna side was dismissed for 115 before they struck themselves, bundling out their rivals for a paltry 78.

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However, RVCE hit back strongly, as they dismissed Silky Town CC for 110 in their second innings and rode on fine unbeaten knocks by Pavan KS (49 n.o) and Piyush

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Singh (41 n.o) to reach 149/5 and prevail. In another lastfour match, Young Pioneer Cricket Club beat Magadi Cricket Club by five wickets

Brief scores: Silky Town Cricket Club, Channapatna: 115 all out in 40.2 overs (Pratik Singh 4-27, Kushal 4-17) and 110 all out in 24.1 overs (Chandrashekar Murthy 46; Pratik Singh 4-22, Vineet M 2-12) lost to RVCE Cricket Club: 78 all out in 30.2 overs (Syed Asif Rifai 2-33, Syed Parvez 7-27) and 149/5 in 29 overs (Pavan 49 n.o, Piyush Singh 41 n.o; Maqdoom H 2-24).

Piyush Singh 41 n.o; Maqdoom H 2-24).

Magadi Cricket Club, Magadi: 239/9 in 55 overs (PC Venkatesh 41, Sujith Singh 52, Madhusudan HV 48 n.o, Manoj Singh 27 n.o; Kodand Ram 2-56, Madan Yaladalu 3-52, Aman Khan 3-64) and 158/7 in 30 overs (PC Venkatesh 55, Vijay Gowda 25 n.o, Madhusudan HV 38 n.o; Aman Khan 5-71) lost to Young Pioneer Cricket Club: 236/8 in 55 overs (Primith 61, Kiran HB 34. Kodand Ram 44 n.o; Manoj Kumar S 2-

(Deepak Sridhar 48, Vinod 35, Aman Khan 62; MK Srinivas 2-31).

VISHWANATH SPARKLES

M Vishwanath slammed an 87-ball 132 to lead Mount Joy Cricket Club to a 138-run victory over Vidyaranya Cricket Club in the KSCA special tournament for zonal champions and top six teams of Group I, Division II on Monday.

Batting first, Mount Joy rode on Vishwanath's brilliant century — which was studded with 15 boundaries and six sixes — and handy knocks from Rajkumar (73) and AM Kiran (48) to post a commanding total of 311 for the loss of eight wickets. In reply, Vidyaranya were knocked out for 173.

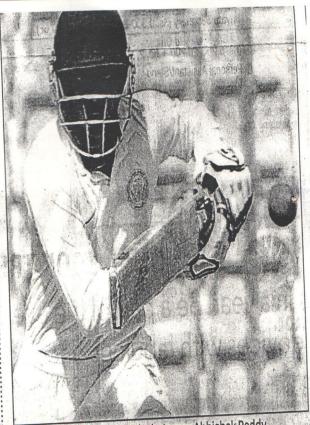
Brief scores: Mount Joy Cricket Club: 311/8 in 50 overs (M Vishwanath 132, Rajkumar 73, AM Kiran 48; Nandakishore 3-54, Sachin BS 2-64) bt Vidyaranya Cricket Club: 173 all out in 45.3 overs (Milind Ramesh 25, Kushal 37, Yashas GL 32; R Harish Kumar 2-25, Shivil K

2-42, Anil IG 3-32)

Friends Union Cricket Club, Davangere: 141 all out in 35.3 overs (Yuvaraj M 34, Nasir Ali S 41; Devaiah 2-16, Suresh H Karani 3-33, Darshan MR 2-28, Aslam 2/-21) lost to Jawahar Sports Club (2): 144/4 in 29.3 overs (Aslam 38, Rohith Sundar 44 n.o; Vijay BP 3-50)

Vijaya Cricket Club: 167 all out in 42.2 overs (Shafiz 67, Sachin MR 34; Hoysala K3-39, Adarsh HS 3-38, Balasubramanya 2-27) lost to Neptune Cricket Club: 168/7 in 41.2 overs (Vijaykumar 47; Nithin 3-47, Shashi 2-23)

Alva Sports Club, Mangalore: 227 all out in 48.3 overs (Duke Kaveri 57, Ritesh Bhatkal 47, Arpith Rai 33, Bharath D 32; Pavan Kumar 3-50, Rahul Menon 3-47, Ranjan R 2-33) bt Jolly Cricketers: 172 all out in 43.5 overs (Lakshmikanth 74, Sufiyan Syed 54; Bharath Dhuri 4-44, Dar-



MAKING IT COUNT: Karnataka batsman Abhishek Reddy

Abhishek's ton gives hosts the advantage

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Bengaluru: Karnataka rode on a sublime batting show from the top-order to gain the upper hand on the opening day of their Col CK Nayudu Trophy (U-25) quarterfinal encounter against Tamil Nadu

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on Tuesday. Leading the way at the M Chinnaswamy stadium was Abhishek Reddy, who remained unbeaten at 166 (227b, 26x4, 1x6) as the hosts piled up 275/2 in 90 overs.

Abhishek and D Nischal (45) who opened the innings for Karnataka, gave the home team a good start bringing up 50 runs in the 12th over. While Abhishek found gaps with page Nischal was happy to

take the singles and rotate the strike. Their 168-run partnership was broken by DT Chandrashekar, after Tamil Nadu skipper Bharath Shankar latched on to a catch.

Left-hander Shishir Bhavane (36) ensured good support for the in-form Abhishek, who brought up his century in 126 balls. Thereafter, the 20year-old slowed down the pace. Bhavane, who looked settled, was sent back to the pavilion caught by S Chandrashekar off Mohammed. At close, Abhishek was batting in the company of Karun Nair (19), with the latter keen to get a good score on the board having struggled in the ongoing Ranji Trophy season.

Brief scores: Karnataka (I innings): 275/ 2 in 90 overs (Abhishek Reddy 166 n.o, D Nischal 45, Shishir Bhavane 36) vs Tamil Nadu.