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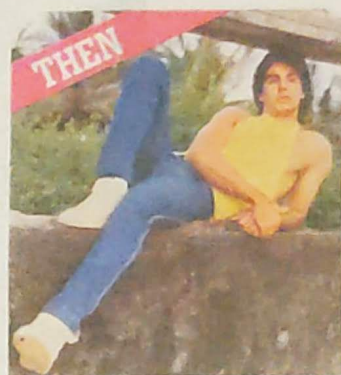


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**WASNT ME:** (Left) Part of the text message that IPL team owners supposedly received from N Srinivasan's number yesterday



**23 years later, Akki now lives in the house where he was once shooed away from** >16

**GWG 2010**

**STARS TO WATCH  
OUT FOR TODAY**

**BADMINTON:**  
SAINA NEHWAL  
(Singles semis)



**SHOOTING:** TEJASWINI SAWANT  
(50m Rifle Prone finals)

**SHOOTING:** GAGAN NARANG  
(Pairs 50m Rifle Prone finals)



**SHOOTING:** SAMARESH JUNG  
(Pairs 25m Standard Pistol finals)

**SQUASH:** SAURAV GHOSAL & JOSHA CHINAPPA  
(Mixed Doubles semis)

**HOCKEY:** INDIA v ENGLAND  
(Men's semi-final)

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## Khan clan

SALMAN Khan clubbed his fashion line's success party with the launch of a hotel. And though people from Salku mia's camp turned up in full force, the host himself was missing from the scene. Guess his eye needed some rest after having made a smashing appearance on the ramp?

1. A friend greets Preity Zinta
2. Sarah Thompson looks hot
3. Sonakshi and Luv Sinha say cheese
4. Ashish Chaudhary and Sahal Khan hug each other tight
5. Prateik Babbar makes an entry
6. Shamita Shetty comes solo
7. Anamika Arora looks ready to party
8. Priyanka Chopra goes casual
9. Mouni (Malika Arora Khan) steals the show once again

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## Dishing it up

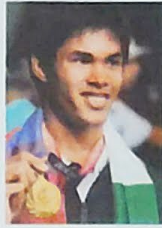
WELL-known social couple, Sammeer and Palak Sheth co-hosted an exclusive pre-launch sit-down dinner with their very good friend Rinit Bai at his soon-to-open authentic Indian cuisine restaurant, Veda at Palladium, Phoenix Mills. Here's a sneak peek:

1. Happy threesome: Shaina NC, Trisha Chopra and Sammeer Sheth
2. Adnan Sami comes especially for the Sheths
3. Dabboo and Manisha Ratnam
4. Fesha looks yummy
5. Palak Sheth poses with Rinit Bai



# CENTRE STAGE

PEOPLE PARTIES PRODUCTS



## DID YOU KNOW? Somdev's busy with winning

TWENTY-FIVE year old Somdev Devvarman put another gold in India's kitty at the Commonwealth Games on Sunday evening. He lived up to his billing of being the top-seeded player in men's singles tennis by defeating Australia's Greg Jones 6-4, 6-2. Here's more about this outstanding athlete:

- ▶ Somdev competed in his first tournament in 2002 when he was just 17 years old and living in India.
- ▶ He rose to prominence while at college at the University of Virginia in the USA.
- ▶ He is the only collegiate player to ever have made it to three consecutive NCAA Singles Championships, winning it in his junior and senior year.
- ▶ Somdev won the Kennedy Funding Invitational in New York in 2008

- ▶ beating Sam Querrey, ranked 44, and Dudi Sela, ranked 76.
- ▶ On July 27, 2008, Somdev won the Lexington Challenger.
- ▶ In US Open 2009, Somdev beat Janowicz to qualify for his first Grand Slam singles main draw, but he lost in the second round.
- ▶ He reached the ATP Tour Quarterfinal of the SA Open in Johannesburg in 2010.



## Bipasha's wedding plans

URMIMALA BAKERJEE

ALTHOUGH the date's not fixed yet, actress Bipasha Basu has already fixed on who will design her outfit for her wedding day. Bips has decided that she will wear a Rocky S outfit on D-Day. She reveals her wedding plans:

### Chic is my style

Less is more for me. And timeless classic is my style. But honestly, I don't shop in India at all. If I need to wear some thing for an occasion, I ask my stylist to hunt for that perfect dress and accessories.

### Dressing for the D-day

Well, I think that most young brides today are quite fit and don't hesitate to flaunt their toned bodies at their weddings. My wedding dress will definitely have to be designed by Rocky S, who is a great friend of mine. I think bold colours like purple, magenta, greens, reds and pink work better than the usual pastels. And I'll probably wear diamond jewellery, though nothing too heavy.

### Sari worry

The sari looks extremely elegant as it flatters your shape so beautifully. But I need help to wear it, someone to pin and tuck it in the right places. That done, I can wear it anywhere.



PICS: SANTOSH NAGWEKAR

## Dress code

FASHION designer Shobha Somani seeks to end bridal couples' dilemmas about what to wear. She talks to **CS** about what sets her new Sushobhit collection, that will be on display at the Trident tomorrow, apart from the rest:

### Wear's the party?

I have an exquisite range of ghararas that have been inspired by the Mughal era. You'll find vibrant purples and reds setting the mood for the wedding season. I have also designed some in light colours coordinated with bright shades. One of my strengths has always been innovative colour combinations. There is a wide range of saris with coordinated blouses and kameezes too. The men don't need to feel left out. We also have sherwanis in subtle colours with classic cuts and antique workmanship. The chic kurtas in linen, voile and tussar spell style. And unlike other designer wear, these garments are timeless. You won't even find too much chamak, dharmak in my designs. That's because I don't want to camouflage the beauty of my motifs, especially since I am very particular about detailing.



PICS: BIPIN NAGWEKAR

## The desi touch Floored by Florsheim

SHEENA THOMAS

WHEN foreign artists say that their work has been inspired by India, we can predict what their paintings will look like. Ganesha, rangolis, Ganges, hawkers, ancient Indian architecture, slums — are subjects that are sure to find a place on their canvases. But German artist Daniela Florsheim's body of work is a pleasant change in that regard. With innocent faces of children staring back at you and the flora and fauna of our country beckoning you, Daniela certainly hasn't stereotyped India like many other foreigners. The artist who is currently exhibiting her work at the Jethangir Art Gallery talks to **CS** about her love for India:

### Incredible India

When I first came to India, I had no idea that my visit would have such a profound impact on my life. I instantly fell in love with it and came back to visit the country twice after that. I wanted to give something back to the people of this country and decided to prepare for a show. I was very fascinated by the natural beauty of the Ganga and the children that I saw around me. I took their pictures and replicated them with my own interpretation. All the kids in my work are real, and that's how I think art should be, real and easy to relate to. Some people say that there is a touch of melancholy in my art, but it isn't conscious. When you draw from the heart, your emotions get translated in your paintings.

### India, my second home

I don't want people to create walls and barriers between them, so the children in my paintings aren't rich or poor, intelligent or daft. I think everyone has the potential of becoming something and I want to give them that chance. I wish people in India would die away with such discrimination; you're such beautiful and warm people. I never expected people here to be so friendly; they look calm on the surface, but have an unmistakable inner strength. I almost feel Indian when I'm here.

### Being me

I hope that people like my work. I'm not really following a recipe that is guaranteed to sell — in Germany, artists believe in being different to draw the public. Recently, one artist got a janitor to perform a song during his show and it was a big hit. I don't think I can dilute my work. If I'm constantly worrying about producing something that has never been done before, I would be taking away the freedom that I have as an artist. I'm happy letting my heart call the shots, the strokes, I mean.

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## Art with a heart

A SET of new clothes, a remote controlled helicopter and a sparkling new bicycle. These were the wishes of a few terminally ill children from Make A Wish Foundation that got fulfilled at a Sunday art brunch at Zarne Khan and Bina Aziz's Tradition Art gallery. When one of the kids made an impromptu request for a video game, dildaar Zayed Khan quickly got his almost new Playstation from home and gave it to the boy.

1. Zayed Khan with the kids
2. Zarne and Sanjay Khan look relaxed
3. Lalitha Lajmi looks around
4. Farha Khan Ali and a friend exchange numbers
5. Vipta Kapadia drops by



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**WHO:** Daniela Florsheim

**WHAT:** Talks about putting on canvas her love for India and its people

**WHERE:** Kala Ghodda

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