

Gokulam qualifies for quarterfinals

DURAND CUP

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Defending champion Bengaluru FC was held to a 2-2 draw by a 10-man Kerala Blasters in a Group C match of the 132nd Durand Cup in Kolkata on Friday. The result helped Gokulam Kerala become the group topper (six points in two games) and qualify for the last-eight stage.

In another match of the day, Chennaiyin FC beat Delhi FC 2-1 in Guwahati.

The results: Group C (Kolkata):

Kerala Blasters 2 (Justine Emmanuel 14, Mohammad Aimen 84) drew with Bengaluru FC 2 (Edmund Lalrindika 38, Ashish Jha 52).

Group E (Guwahati): Delhi FC 1 (Pape Alassane Gassama 54) lost to Chennaiyin FC 2 (Rafael Crivellaro 38, Vincy Barretto 51).

AROUND THE CITY

Bhuvaneshwaran survives a scare

D. Bhuvaneshwaran of ABC survived a scare from M.K. Manoj of MGC in the qualifying stage of the men's 6-red snooker event at the TN Billiards and Snooker State-ranking championship.

Down 0-2 at one stage, Bhuvan bounced back in the next four frames to win it 4-2.

In another match, junior player M. Prakash (TRDBSA) defeated E. Sivakumar (TNBSA) 4-2 in the best-of-seven frames.

JMC (Tiruchi) clinches ball badminton title

Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchi, defeated Loyola Whites 35-37, 35-27, 35-33 in the final of the 89th Rev. Fr. Bertram Memorial ball badminton tournament, organised by Loyola College, on Friday.



On top: The winners in the boys' and girls' categories of the TVS MCC tennis tournament. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

In the third-place playoff, St. Joseph's College, Tiruchi, defeated Salem Engineering College 35-27, 35-28.

Tennis Results (quarterfinals):

Guru Nanak bt Ramakrishna Mission 3-0 (Mukesh bt Srinivasa 9-5; Pranav bt Sridhar 9-1; Mukesh & Prasanna bt Sudhakar & Sridhar 9-4).

Nazareth bt Loyola Yellows 3-0

(Saraniyan bt Prithvi Sounder 9-6; Kaushik bt Bharathwaj 9-4).

Saraniyan & Kaushik bt Manith & Jarish 9-4).

Suhitha in line for a double

Top seeds Rethin Pranav of Tamil Nadu in the boys' section and Suhitha Maruri of Karnataka in the girls' category lived up to their billing and reached the summit clash of the TVS MCC under-18 National Clay Court tennis



Triumphant: Jamal Mohamed College won the ball badminton title in the Bertram tournament. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

championship, hosted by Madras Cricket Club. Once again due to overnight rain, the matches had to played at the SDAT stadium. Meanwhile, in the doubles finals, the pair of Pratyaksh and Skandha Prasanna Rao defeated Mahalingam Kandavel and Rethin Pranav 6-4, 2-6, 10-6 to emerge the winner. In the girls' finals, Suhitha

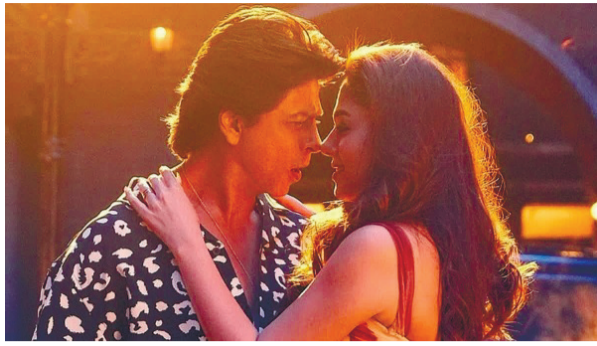
Maruri and Ruma Asutosh Gaikawaiari got the better of Aishwarya Dayanand Jadh (MH) and Aakruti Narayan Sonkusai (MH) 6-3, 6-3 to emerge triumphant.

The results (semifinals): Boys:

Rethin Pranav bt Skandha Prasanna 6-3, 6-2; Aradhya Kshitij bt Mahalingam Kandhavel 6-3, 7-6(2). **Girls:** Suhitha Maruri bt Nainika Reddy 6-1, 6-1; Sonal Patil bt Asmi Adkar 7-5, 6-0.

Shah Rukh - Nayan's romantic second single from 'Jawan'

Chennai, Aug 16: Director Atlee is directing Bollywood's King Shah Rukh Khan in his Hindi debut. Now, the maker has brought back the vintage romantic avatar of SRK in the film's second single which surfaced over the internet today. The new song, 'Hayyoda', is ruling many playlists already. Hayyoda is a soothing romantic melody number in Anirudh's composition, sung by himself and



Priya Mali. Lyricist Vivek choreographed the song which shows the amazing chemistry between King Khan and Nayanthara. Farah Khan has

The song is very pleasing to the eyes and ears. Jawan produced by Red Chillies Entertainment is slated to hit the screens on September 7th. The film stars SRK in dual roles with Nayanthara, Vijay Sethupathi, Priyami, Sanya Malhotra, Yogi Babu and others with Deepika Padukone and Sanjay Dutt in cameo roles. GK Vishnu takes care of the cinematography with editing by Ruben.

'Tamil Kudimagan' audio and trailer launched

Chennai, Aug 16: The audio and trailer of Lakshmi Creations 'Tamil Kudimagan' released at a function held in Chennai. Directed by Esakki Karvannan, who made movies like 'Pettikadai' and 'Pagiri', this film has director Cheran in the lead role. L a l , S . A . Chandrasekhar, Vela Ramamurthy, Dhruva, Sri Priyanka of 'Migamiga Avasaram' fame, Deepiksha, Arulloss, Ravi Maria and others have played key roles. Sam CS has composed the music for this film. Rajesh Yadav is in charge of the cinematography and Karthik is the editor. Director of the film Esakki Karvannan said, 'In this film, we have thrown light on caste-

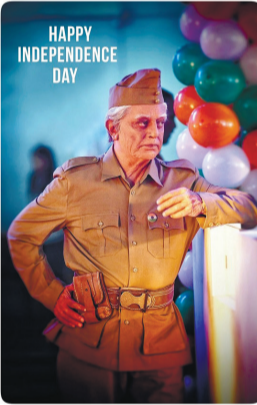


based life. I have narrated my experiences. All are equal at birth. The disparity of caste comes only after growing up. We have discussed caste-based vocations in this movie.' Actor Ponvannan said, 'It is very important to keep the audience engrossed in the story from the first frame to the last frame. I think it has worked perfectly in this film. As a viewer, I enjoyed this movie. Actor Sarathkumar said, 'Tamilkudimagan' is a must watch movie for everyone. 'Tamilkudimagan' is a film that tells the truth. They are talking about caste-based vocation. 'Tamilkudimagan' is going to be a movie that breaks that pattern. I wish this movie will be a super hit. Director and the film's protagonist Cheran, Mari Selvaraj, Ameer, Music director C.S. Sam, Lyricist Viveka, Actress Deepiksha, Actor Dhruva, Writer Ramaswami, Vela Ramamurthy, Actor and director Ravi Maria, Actor Arulloss were also spoke at the function.

Majestic new avatar of Kamal from 'Indian 2'

Chennai, Aug 16: Director Shankar released a new poster of Ulaganayagan Kamal Haasan in his majestic avatar as the timeless Indian Thatha from 'Indian 2' which has gone viral on the internet. The magnum opus 'Indian 2', one of the most awaited in Indian

cinema is being produced. on a grand scale by Lyca Productions and Red Giant Movies with Anirudh scoring the music, Ravi Varman handling the camera, A. Sreekar Prasad the editing and T. Muthuraj incharge of the production design. The project is in hectic postproduction aiming at a festive date in mid 2024. 'Indian 2' stars Kamal Haasan, Vivek, Siddharth, SJ Surya, Kajal Aggarwal, Rahul Preet Singh, Priya Bhavani Shankar, Guru Somasundaram, Bobby Simha, Manobala, Samuthirakani, George Mariyaan and Delhi Ganesh.



'Paramporul' trailer promises tense thriller

Chennai, Aug 16: The film 'Paramporul's trailer was launched in the presence of legendary filmmaker Mani Ratnam and his wife Suhasini in Chennai. Ace director Gautham Menon unveiled the trailer on social media. Sarathkumar is co-starring with the young hero Amithash in this upcoming crime thriller. Paramporul is an enthralling story focusing on the intriguing narrative of a corrupt cop (Sarathkumar) teaming with a young criminal (Amithash) to smuggle and make money with an 11th-century sacred idol in the black market. The female lead Kashmira Pardeshi plays an antique enthusiast caught up in this mishap. Paramporul releases on September 1. The 2.5-minute video



is filled with gripping moments and is sure to be an arresting thriller. The debutant maker Aravind Raj has touched on a distinct premise which hasn't been explored much in Kollywood. Yuvan Shankar Raja's musical score is pulsating, and Pandikumar's visuals are great with smart editing by Nagooran Ramachandran. While Manoj and Girish have produced the film, Sakthivelan of Sakthi Film Factory is releasing it. Yuvan Shankar Raja has composed the music for the film. 'Richie'-fame cinematographer Pandi Kumar has taken care of the cinematography.



Imbalance on Independence Day..!

I stood with the rest of the gathering, at attention as the strains of Jana Gana Mana ended, and the National Flag was unfurled. I watched as those around me walked away for their light refreshments, and then heard voices around me, "It's not balanced!"

"Yes sadly it isn't!" said another familiar voice.

"Of course it is!" I snarled without turning around, "The pole is balanced. The flag is also balanced. See how it waves in the wind!"

"It's not the pole or the flag in the wind, we are talking about!" said the first voice, "It's the colours! They are not balanced anymore!"

I turned around slowly and realised I stood alone, next to the just unfurled flag. "I hear your voices!" I whispered, "But can see no one!"

"We are here for your flag unfurling!" said the first voice.

"And you said there was no balance, and I said there is!" I replied.

"But there isn't anymore!" said the second voice, sounding even more sadder, "Just look at your flag!"

I looked and could see nothing wrong, "When we got it made!" said the first voice which I now recognised was that of the late Jawaharlal Nehru, "The saffron, white and green were equally balanced!"

"It is!" I said.

"What we can see, you can't!" said the second voice, that of the Mahatma, "And the imbalance which may sound good to some, may also have brought politicians to power, will soon create huge problems!"

"Only an equal balance of orange, white and green will keep the country stable!" the two voices said together.

I looked hard at the flag and saw how right they were. The colour on the top was slowly spreading, but as it spread down, it was turning from its original colour to colours which expressed anger and hate, and unrest!"

"Can you see what is happening when one colour tries to grab the whole flag?" asked the first voice.

"Yes!" I said, "it's a different flag I see!"

"It's only in balance and proportion that the country can stand proud and alone.."

"..and strong and independent!" said the second voice.

I saw the others coming back to the flag, "Why are you standing and staring at the flag?" they asked.

"It's not balanced!" I said.

"That's okay!" some said.

"No!" I whispered, "It will not work any other way except if the colours are balanced! Look around you, democracy has failed in all the nations where any one colour tries to dominate. Don't let this happen here!"

"Keep telling them!" I heard both the voices of two men who I knew had fought and won our freedom, "Keep telling them, that only through balance in those three colours of saffron, white and green can we remain a great country and an Independent India. Jai Hind..!"

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Following the Independence Day Celebration held at Loyola College, the 89th Bertram Memorial Tournament was inaugurated. Sendhil V. Thyagarajan, Trade Commissioner-Latin American Caribbean Trade Council Treasurer- Rugby India and Tamil Nadu Olympic Association participated as the chief guest. Addressing the students and players, he said that starting league matches among the colleges is a constructive measure to maintain the standard and nurture the sports talent in India to meet the global standards. Rev. Dr B. Jeyaraj, SJ, Secretary, Rev. Dr. A. Louis Arockiaraj, SJ, Principal, Rev. Dr. Jacob SJ, Director of Sports and Games and Dr. Vijayakumar, Physical Director, Loyola College were present on the occasion.

Prakash Aali slams century in Seven Premier T20 League

Chennai, Aug 16: A quick fire century by Prakash Aali (104 from 44 balls) helped Vidhun CC beat 11 Jolly Boys in the Seven Premier League Season T20 Tournament held at Kundrathur. In another match, five wickets haul by Mohsin Sheikh guided Caymaan Kings to score a win over Blue Warriors

The Score: Vidhun CC 269 for 6 in 20 overs (Prakash Aali 104) beat 11 Jolly Boys 145 for 9 in 20 overs (Gopiki 46, Raja 3 for 20) **M.O.M -Prakash Aali 104 (Vidhun CC)**

Caymaan Kings 212 for 7 in 20 overs. (Yathin 56, Yuvaraj 3 for 36) bt Blue Warriors 133 all out in 13.4 overs. (NB Sathya 52, Mohsin Sheikh 5 for 34). **M.O.M — Mohsin Sheikh (Caymaan Kings).**



Prakash Aali Mohsin Sheikh



SRM IST Volleyball (W) team beat PKR in the finals 25-14, 25-15 and won the Gold Medal at the State Level Invitational Volleyball Tournament held at Nethaji Subhash Chandra Bose Volleyball Club, Villupuram.

Vijayaram goes down fighting

Chennai, Aug 16: Vijayaram of CWCSF went down fighting in the deciding frame against Vinhoth D. Mohanraj (SSA) by 2-3 in second round of the best-of-five frames qualifying stage event of the Tamil Nadu Billiards and Snooker Associations State Ranking 15-Red Snooker Championship 2023. Jabez Naveen Kumar, 15-year-old, moved up by defeating Mohd. Sikkander (Q Ball City) in the deciding frame. Siddharth Rao (MCC) registered a 61 break in the 3rd frame while thrashing Kevin Kiran Raj (Snooker Hub) 3-0.

AIFF task force to evaluate OCI, PIO players

New Delhi, Aug 16: All India Football Federation (AIFF) president Kalyan Chaubeyon Monday, constituted a task force for a feasibility study and evaluation of footballers, who come under the status of Persons of Indian Origin (PIO) and Overseas Citizens of India (OCI). The task force will also evaluate the players playing at a higher level and the status of youth players. The task force will submit its report by January 31. The task force, Chaubey announced, will be chaired by Samir Thapar, president of the Punjab Football Association, and a veteran sports administrator. The AIFF president will name the other members of the Task Force after consultations with the chairman and the Executive Committee. Making the announcement, Chaubey said, "The Task Force's primary objective will be to collect data on footballers who are either Overseas Citizens of India (OCI) or Persons of Indian Origin (PIO). It is a matter of great pride for us that many such footballers are playing in different countries with distinction and have made a name for themselves in the tough world of professional football."

Prabhu, Verghese emerge victorious

G. Prabhu and A. Chummar Verghese (70 Nett) won the Bharath & Associates and R.S. Mani Cup golf tournament (Doubles, Greensome Format) held at the Madras Gymkhana Club - Golf Annexe Guindy. Arun P Sowdas & Santosh Ukkur (71 Points) finished as runner-up.



Chennaiyin FC ropes in Battocchio

Chennaiyin FC on Monday announced the signing of Cristian Battocchio as its fourth foreign acquisition for the new season. Battocchio has joined the rest of the squad in Guwahati and could be in contention to make their squad ahead of the Durand Cup quarterfinal. The midfielder kickstarted his career in Europe with Serie A outfit Udinese in 2009. He was named captain of their youth side before being called up to the first team where he

also made three appearances in the UEFA Europa League.

SRM Arts and Science triumphs

SRM Arts and Science College, Kattankulathur clinched the Vendhar Trophy All-India inter-collegiate women invitation hockey tournament recently.

Final standings: 2. SRM IST, Kattankulathur; 3rd: Ethiraj Arts and Science College, Chennai; 4th: Nazareth College of Arts and

Science, Avadi.

SRM IST clinches title

SRM IST defeated Jamal Mohamed (Tiruchi) 35-33, 35-24 to clinch the men's ball badminton title in the SRM IST Founders Birthday Trophy. In the women's section, Lady Doak College defeated SRM VEC 35-25, 35-20.

Sadeeshkumar, Pratyaksh, Prasanna and Samprit post wins
Rishivandhan



Champions: MOP and Loyola retained the Dr. Sivanthi Adityan Rolling Trophy for having produced the maximum players for the University of Madras. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Sadeeshkumar, Pratyaksh, Skandha Prasanna Rao and Samprit Sharma were some of the winners in the first round of the Kauvery Hospital MGC ITF WTT junior U-18 tennis championship here on Monday.

TN takes opening day honours

Half-centuries from M. Boopathi Vaishna Kumar (81) and A. Badrinath (86 batting) ensured Tamil Nadu (u-23) got to a good

score of 274 for four on the first day of its four-day warm-up match against Jharkhand u-23 side here on Monday.

The duo added 130 runs for the third-wicket stand.

The scores:

TNCA (u-23) 274/4 in 90 overs (M. Boopathi Vaishna Kumar 81, A. Badrinath 86 batting) vs Jharkhand u-23.

Loyola & MOP retain keep crowns

Loyola College & MOP College for Women retained the Dr. Sivanthi Adityan Rolling Trophy (2022-23) for having produced the maximum number of players for the University of Madras men's and women's teams respectively.

ENGAGEMENTS

Tennis: Kauvery Hospital MGC ITF WTT Junior U-18 tournament (MGC courts), 8 a.m.

Sharath, Sreeja win table tennis singles titles

Visakhapatnam, Aug 23: A Sharath Kamal claimed his sixth Institutional singles title when he beat Manush Shah of RII 4-2 in the singles final of the AAI-50th Inter-State National Championships at the Swarna Bharati Stadium here on Tuesday.

Sharath did not have to press hard for the win as the left-handed Manush, appearing in his first final of the championships, could not play as well as he did so far. Maybe, he felt overawed by the occasion and his colossal opponent, with ten national titles to his credit.

The RBI lad was rendered hors de combat in the crucial final, and Sharath did not have

to work hard, despite dropping two games. Sharath admitted it got easy.

"With top players, who existed early, made things easy for me. Manush played well, but I had good control," said the champion. The win was worth Rs. 96,000.

Sreeja knew how to turn the situation in her favour at the right moment. In the tight event, Mounmita Dutta routed Sreeja. But the Railways woman suddenly failed to regain her touch in the singles. Did Sreeja play any differently against her than she did on the third day? No. Invariably, the players conserve energy and hide their bagful of tricks for the singles, which offers good prize

money Sreeja took home Rs 96,000 and 120 ranking points, while Mounmita had to satisfy with the silver medal and half of what Sreeja got in prize money and 80 points.

RBI will not grudge that Sreeja failed to take the team across the line in the final but can celebrate the singles gold the Hyderabad pulled off. For a brief period in the third game, Mounmita inched ahead with a slender lead. But she was awful and played rashly to bring her own downfall after running into a great form in the tournament.

Sharath Kamal and Manush Shah struggled in the semifinals but prevailed over their rivals, Sami Shetty and

Snehit, respectively, to enter the singles final.

Samil had the best opportunity when he led 2-0. But Sharath stormed back into form and demolished the confidence of the left-hander to go 3-2 ahead. In the sixth game, Samil held three game points but let Sharath claw his way back and defence. The left-hander another three to level the score, but Sharath capitalised on his third match point to win.

Mounmita continued her best form of life to enter the women's singles final. She beat Archana Kamath 4-1 in the second, Sreeja Akula weathered the onslaught from Diya Chitale to win 4-2.



Learning and Earning..!

Most of today's billionaires earned while they learned!

And maybe that's one reason there aren't too many in India, since many of those billionaires abroad learned a lot from the jobs they worked at even as they studied.

I'm certainly not anywhere near being a billionaire, nor aspiring to be one, but I remember paying my way through college, writing and selling radio plays, and working as a salesman in my dad's company. All that experience has helped me as much as all I learnt as a graduate and post-graduate!

Warren Buffet whose net worth is \$77 billion started working on his billion-dollar empire when he was just a boy. At age 13, Buffet had his first job running a newspaper delivery business. Already a budding businessman, Buffet even deducted his hike from his taxes that year. He went on to start a pinball machine business as a teen, looking for business opportunities wherever he went and graduating college

with a \$10,000 profit from his business ventures.

If you've ever watched an Oprah Winfrey show and think how lucky she is, Winfrey got her start in an average menial job at a grocery store next to her father's Nashville barbershop. She quickly made her move to broadcasting, reading the news for the local radio station by age 16 and moving her way up to the media powerhouse she is today.

Then there's Michael Bloomberg, best known for his investment and political career, but before his success, he worked as a parking lot attendant. As the son of middle-class parents, Bloomberg paid his college tuition by working and eventually went on to graduate with an MBA from Harvard. He got his start on Wall Street at Salomon Brothers and is now one of the wealthiest in America.

And yes, the whole world knows Bill Gates, but do they know his first job was as a computer programmer for TRW during his senior year in high school?

And then there's Amazon's Jeff Bezos, most probably the richest man alive. Way before he founded Amazon and began selling everything from books to newspaper subscriptions, Jeff Bezos was flipping burgers behind the grill at McDonald's. He often said he learned one of his business' most important lessons from that experience: to move things quickly from seller to customer without damaging the goods. And that's exactly what Amazon tries to do!

Yes, college life is fun, and I'm sure nobody wants to lose out on that, but that fun can still be had in the evenings, after college. I doubt, from what my friends tell me, I missed out on fun, except time spent bunking classes and hanging out in the cafeteria, I hung out with my pen or briefcase, and have no regrets for the company they gave, and instead feel a deep satisfaction for time well spent!

Try learning and earning..!
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Ranchi to host women's hockey Asian Champions Trophy

Ranchi, Aug 23: Hockey India and the Government of Jharkhand on Tuesday announced Ranchi as the venue for the prestigious Jharkhand Asian Champions Trophy Ranchi 2023 for women.

This will be the seventh edition of the coveted tournament which is scheduled to be held from October 27 to November 5.

Defending Champions Japan, runners-up Korea, China, Malaysia, Thailand and hosts India are

expected to participate in the tournament. The Indian women's team won this title in 2016 and in the following edition in 2018, they finished runners-up.

Ranchi has previously hosted numerous Hockey India League matches from 2012 to 2015 and was home to the city-based franchise Ranchi Rays. In recent years, the stadium has witnessed several top domestic events being held here and boasts a big fan base for the sport.

Jharkhand has a rich hockey history, having produced seven Olympians who have proudly represented India, including Jaipal Singh Munda, Silbanis Durgdung, Manohar Topno, Ajit Lakra, Nikki Pradhan, Salma Tete and Late Michael Kindo and Late Marang Gomke.

Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren said, "It is an honour and great privilege for us to welcome the best women's hockey teams in Asia to

come and participate at the Women's Asian Champions Trophy which is being hosted in India for the very first time. Over the past decade, hockey in Jharkhand has risen to great heights with several players from this state playing for India in both Junior and Senior teams." Expressing his gratitude to Chief Minister Hemant Soren for his continued support and thanking AHF for entrusting the responsibility of hosting the Jharkhand Asian

Radheesh upsets top seed Saleem in 6-red snooker

Chennai, Aug 23: V.K.S. Radheesh of Towers Club upset top seeded S.A. Saleem of SSA 4-3 in the qualifying round of the men's State Ranking Six-Red Snooker of the Tamil Nadu Billiards and Snooker Association's State Ranking Championship 2023.

Down 0-2 at one stage, Sasikumar (TNBSA) won the next 3 frames in a row. Though Sajiv

Mathew (Towers Club) managed to clinch the sixth frame, Sasikumar won the deciding frame to enter the main draw.

V.K.S. Radheesh, Sasi Kumar, Syed Sikkander (Q Ball City), Loganathan (TNBSA), Abdul Saif (SSA), Manoj Dasarathan (Towers Club), Prabhu Kesavan (Q Ball City) and Siddharth Rao (MCC) qualified for the double-elimination main draw.

Qualifying round results:
Radheesh bt Saleem 4-3; Sasi Kumar bt Sajiv Mathew 4-3; Syed Sikkander bt Amin Yasin (MUC) 4-3; Loganathan bt Mohammed Ibrahim (SSA) 4-2; Abdul Saif bt William Lawrence (SSA) 4-1; Manoj Dasarathan bt V. Kamal (YMCA) 4-1; Prabhu Kesavan bt P. Vijayakumar (SIVA) 4-1; Siddharth Rao bt L. Prakash (Snooker Hub) 4-0.

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Champions Trophy Ranchi 2023 in India. Dilip Tirkey, president of Hockey India, said, "This event is a testament to India's growing stature as a global hub for hockey. We are confident that this tournament will not only showcase the best of Asian Women's Hockey but will also provide a platform for our own players to compete against some of the best teams in the world. We are committed to ensuring that the tournament is a resounding success, and we look forward to welcoming the participating teams and fans to India."



SRM IST, Chennai beat Loyola ICAM, Chennai in the finals and won the SRMIST Founders Birthday Cricket Trophy. The Score : SRM IST 169 for 4 in 15 overs (Vignesh S. Iyer 100, Vivek 41) bt Loyola ICAM 124 for 15 overs (Veera Viswa 44, Pradeep Vishal 25). Best Batsman Award: Vignesh Iyer, SRMIST; Best Bowler Award: Jeswin Bradman, Loyola ICAM

Unity is a journey, not a destination

M Rafi Ahmed
Chief Minister M K Stalin said that humanity and communal harmony are the need of the hour. This observation was made by him during the centenary celebrations of industrialist and philanthropist Polachi Dr N Mahalingam this January in Chennai when he pointed out that the Arutchehler's spirituality was communal harmony based on his preachings of his guru Vallalar and Mahatma Gandhi and he firmly believed in the concept of 'Samarasa Suddha Samargam'.

No doubt, the great personality played a pivotal role in creating a society with social harmony and brotherhood among different faiths. Taking this in the right perspective, the Shanti Ashram, Arigatou International, Global Network of Religions for Children (GNRC) and Jamaat-e-Islami Hind conducted its fourth edition of 'Journey for Unity' during the 'Train the Trainer Workshop'.

Earlier, the participants mostly women-folk, assembled at Koramman temple on Big Bazar Street and went around to get info about the history of the ancient temple and later visited the city-Athar Jamaat Masjid on Oppanakara Street.



Interestingly, the jamaath executives opened the gates for the women to have a peek inside the mosque premises and learnt about the five time namaz and other rituals.

At the Gurdwara Singh Sabha, the visitors, who craved to know about the culture and traditional practices of different religions were overwhelmed to learn about their Holy book and the daily prayers. The 150 year old St Michael's Cathedral rolled out a red carpet for them wherein they went near the altar of the church and interacted with the Parish priests to know about the cathedral dating back to the British era.

And the members of the journey for unity were welcomed by the executives of Suparshvanath Jain Shwetambar Mandir located at R G Street in the heart of the busy shopping hub in the city and finally they reached the Mahatma Gandhi Museum where they were received by Narasimhan followed by vote of thanks by A Abdul Hakkim.

TAILPIECE: Despite the necessary instructions given by the City Police Commissioner (CoP) to the concerned jurisdiction police station officers to extend cooperation to the event organisers, the local inspectors and the sleuths from the Intelligence Section (IS) objected to

the conducting of the event which came as a rude shock to organisers. What is surprising is that the local cops hardly have any knowledge about the significance of communal harmony and universal brotherhood to bring peaceful coexistence among different faiths. Much saddening to learn that the local police behaved in a rude way using a threatening tone as if they have committed a grave crime. It is high time for the people-friendly CoP, known for his affable nature and public friendly initiatives to organise an awareness event more specifically for local inspectors and the IS people.



Master Blaster CC wins T20 trophy

Chennai, Aug 23: VRI CC. Master Blaster CC won the Saturday tournament Season 5 T20 trophy held at Seven Cricket Ground at Kundathur. In the finals they defeated

The Score: Final: Master Blaster CC (Sriini 85) bt VRI CC 161 for 5 in 20 overs (Anif 42). M.O.M-

Sriini (Master Blaster CC) The following awards were presented: Man of the Series- Suresh (PSK) 152 runs and 11 wickets.

Best Batsman of the Series- Sriini (Master Blaster CC) 330 runs. Best Bowler of the Series -Suresh (PSK) 11 wickets



Aggarwal Matric. Hr. Sec. School, Colmbatore won the Volleyball title in the 89th Bertram memorial tournament for School category organized by Loyola College. In the final league they defeated St. Berles Anglo Indian School, Santhome.

Bertram Memorial tournament Loyola retains table tennis trophy

Chennai, Aug. 24: Loyola Whites defeated Jamal Mohamed College, Trichy in the finals and won the 89th Bertram Memorial Table Tennis Tournament trophy.



Loyola Whites team, winners of the 89th Bertram Memorial Table Tennis Tournament trophy with Principal Rev. Dr. A. Louis Arokiaraj S.J.

The Results: Final: S Tharun (Loyola) bt Arunkumar (Jamal) 11-6, 11-6, 11-8. Livingston (Jamal) bt Sri Sai (Loyola) 11-8, 11-8, 11-5.

Panimalar Engineering College (B) bt The New College, Chennai 25-14, 24-26, 25-15. D G Vaishnav College, Chennai bt Hindustan Arts & Science College, Chennai 25-18, 25-13.

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CEAT announces cricket rating awards

Coimbatore, Aug 24: CEAT Limited celebrated the success and glory of the crème-la-crème from the international and domestic arena, across formats, with the CEAT Cricket Rating (CCR) awards 2023 in Mumbai.



accomplishments on the field, both men and women, based on their performances as rated by the CEAT Cricket Rating for the year June 2022-May 2023.

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Indian visually challenged women win World Games gold

Birmingham, Aug 27: The Indian women's blind cricket team on Saturday scripted history as they won a gold medal after defeating Australia in the rain-curtailed final of the International Blind Sports Federation (IBSA) World Games 2023 on the back of their scintillating show in Birmingham here.

The Indian women's blind cricket team has won everyone's hearts with their spectacular show in the World Games. The Women In Blue remain undefeated, having won all their league games in the tournament.

India restricted Australia at 114/8 in the allotted 20 overs and then chased down the revised target of 42 in the fourth over.

Blind cricket in IBSA World Games made a debut last week with England and Australia playing the first match. This was the first final in the World Games and India won the ultimate showdown beating Australia by 9 wickets.

Opting to bat first, Australia got off to a bad start as the side lost the first wicket in the 4th over. Feeling the pressure of finals, Australia carried their

innings slowly, scoring 29 runs in the power play.

India picked two wickets in the eighth and ninth over as Australia were left reeling at 39/3. C. Lewis and C. Webeck then carried Australia's innings stitching a 54 run partnership.

However, India came back in the game picking wickets at regular intervals and reduced Australia to 109/8 in just 3 overs. In the end, the team from down under was just able to score 114/8 in the allotted 20 overs.

Chasing a paltry target of 42 runs, India came all

guns blazing on Australia bowlers. The Women In Blue never looked out of form as the side chased down the target in just 3.3 overs.

In another thrilling encounter, the Indian men's blind cricket team will meet arch-rivals Pakistan in the finals of IBSA World Games. Pakistan had defeated India by 18 runs when the two teams began their World Games campaign last week.

India will now look to take revenge from arch-rivals Pakistan as the two teams meet for the second time in the tournament.

15-member Indian Esports squad to feature in Asiad

New Delhi, Aug 27: In a groundbreaking achievement for Indian Esports, the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS) has officially approved the 15-member Esports contingent that will be participating in the Asian Games 2022 alongside other sports.

Esports is going to make its debut at the Asian Games 2022, earlier in 2018 it was there as a demonstration title.

Initially scheduled for September last year, the tournament will now be held from September 23 to October 8. This multi-nation event will cement the industry mark into a mainstream sports scene, according

to media release.

Lokesh Sini, director, Esports Federation of India & vice president of the Asian Esports Federation (AETF) said, "Witnessing our Esports team receive the official endorsement from the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports is a moment that fulfills the dreams of everyone involved in the Esports movement in India. This recognition goes beyond just the 15 team members participating in the Asian Games 2022; it encompasses the entire Esports community in the country. Our community has relentlessly worked towards gaining acknowledgement for their dedication and the sport itself."

He said, "The ESFI has consistently emphasised treating Esports players as athletes, and seeing our efforts yield results brings us immeasurable joy. The boundary that once separated Esports athletes from traditional sports athletes has now disappeared, ensuring they are treated equally in terms of support and recognition."

"We want to express our deep gratitude to the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports and the Indian Olympic Association for their dedication and their open embrace of the growth of Esports as a legitimate sport. With our sights set on the Asian Games 2022, we hold

unwavering confidence that our immensely talented athletes will raise the profile of Indian Esports on the international stage, filling our nation with pride."

The 15-member Indian contingent: FIFA Online 4 - Charanjot Singh and Karman Singh Street Fighter V: Champion Edition - Mayank Prajapati and Ayan Biswas League of Legends - Akshaj Shenoy (captain), Samarth Arvind Trivedi, Mihir Ranjan, Aditya Selvaraj, Aakash Shandilya, and Sanindhya Malik DOTA 2 - Darshan Bata (captain), Krish Gupta, Abhishek Yadav, Ketan Goyal, and Shubham Goli.

8 qualify for 6-red State Ranking Snooker knockout

Chennai, Aug 27: The eight qualifiers for the knockout main draw of the Tamil Nadu Billiards and Snooker Association's six-red State Ranking Snooker tournament were identified.

J. Varun Kumar (MCC), Sasi Kumar (TNBSA), Vijay Nichani (CDBSA), K.Rakesh (SVS) from Group A & B winner bracket along with Dinesh (CDBSA), Md. Hassan (TNBSA), Syed

Sikkander (Q Ball City), Senthil Kumar (CDBSA) from Group A & B loser bracket made the grade

The quarterfinal lineup: 1. Sasi Kumar (TNBSA) vs Md.Hassan (TNBSA); 2. Vijay Nichani (CDBSA) vs Dinesh (CDBSA); 3. J.Varun Kumar (MCC) vs Syed Sikkander (QBC); and 4. K. Rakesh (SVS) vs Senthil Kumar (CDBSA).



Ethiopians dominate World Athletics women's marathon

Budapest, Aug 27: Amiane Beriso Shenkule led an Ethiopian one-two in the women's marathon at the World Athletics Championships Budapest 23, clocking 2:24:23 at the finish in Heroes' Square ahead

of defending champion Goytom Gebreselase, who took silver in 2:24:34.

An Ethiopian medal sweep had looked on for most of the race, until the hot conditions took their toll on last year's London Marathon winner Yalemzerf Yehualaw.

She was passed by Morocco's Fatima Ezzahra Gardsidi, who claimed bronze in 2:25:17, and Israel's 2022 world bronze medalist Lonah Chemtai Salpeter, who took fourth place in 2:25:38.

Yehualaw was barely able to make it over the line as she finished fifth in 2:26:13. Her teammates halted their celebrations and ran to support her, before she was taken into the care of medical staff.

Rosemary Wanjiru led the Kenyan challenge in fifth place, clocking 2:26:42, with her teammate Selly Chepyego Kapfich one place behind in 2:27:09.

A field of 70 runners from 47 countries had set off at 7:00 a.m. local time, when the temperature was 23

degrees centigrade.



Loyola College, Chennai beat Avichi College 14-11 in the finals of the 89th year of Bertram Memorial Kho Kho tournament held at Loyola College in Chennai. Final Placings : 1. Loyola College, Chennai, 2. Avichi College of Arts & Science, Chennai, 3.Velkalar Inst. of Arts & Science, Erode, 4. Guru Namak College, Chennai

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What Would You Like to Hear?

Yesterday I heard a friend of mine, appealing to others in a group to donate towards those who needed food, clothing and shelter in Manipur. Even as I heard his appeal, and saw his sincere efforts to help, I realised that many of our hearts had turned to stone when it came to giving to people in distress.

And yet in our afterlife, we hope God will take us to eternity to live with him. To those stone hearted people will I quote directly from Christ's words in Matthew 25, vs 23 of the Holy Scriptures: 'And He will put the sheep on His right, but the goats on His left. Then the King will say to those on His right, 'Come, you who are blessed by My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

For I was hungry and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty and you gave Me something to drink; I was a stranger and you

invited Me in; I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.'

'Then the righteous will answer Him, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You? Or thirsty and give You something to drink? And when did we see You a stranger and invite You in? Or naked and clothe You? When did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?' 'And answering, the King will say to them, 'Amen, I tell you, whatever you did to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.'

Then He will also say to those on the left, 'Go away from Me, you cursed ones, into the everlasting fire which has been prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave Me nothing to eat; I was thirsty and you gave Me nothing to drink; I was a stranger and you did not invite Me in; naked and you did not clothe Me; sick and in

prison and you did not visit Me.'

'Then they too will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not care for You? Then He will answer them, saying, 'Amen. I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for Me. These shall go off to everlasting punishment, but the righteous into everlasting life.'

Well, it's quite dear isn't it? Hold on to your money, and as the everlasting fires burn, you may be still holding onto that useless wallet, but loosen your purse's strings now, and you may hear those blessed words, 'Welcome my child! whatever you did to the least of these, you did for Me!'

What would you like to hear? 'Go away!' or 'Welcome'?

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UK MP Sharma bestowed Mauritius Award



Dr. Ravi Chaturvedi

Between the years 1834 and 1920, a notable influx of nearly 700,000 Indian indentured laborers transpired at Aapravasi Ghat, a prominent embankment situated in the harbor of Port-Louis. This historical occurrence rendered Mauritius the principal recipient of indentured migrants under British colonial administration. These laborers primarily originated from the Bhojpuri-speaking regions of Bihar and Uttar Pradesh. At present, the descendants of these indentured laborers constitute a substantial two-thirds of the island's existing population.

The assimilation of these Indian immigrants into the once-dodo inhabited island, which was home to the extinct flightless bird *Raphus cucullatus*, took time. Nevertheless, they preserved their cultural affinities by celebrating their native country's festivals fervently and utilizing the Bhojpuri dialect as a medium of communication. Subsequently, as educational opportunities emerged, the adoption of Hindi gained traction within schools. The profound cultural linkages prompted the Government of Mauritius to establish the Mahatma Gandhi Institute in 1970. This institution's inauguration, presided over by Seewoosagur Ramgoolam, the Prime Minister of Mauritius,



Virendra Sharma receiving Excellence in Education Award

and Indra Gandhi, the Prime Minister of India, transpired in 1976. The Institute has since navigated its trajectory with the objective of catering to the mounting educational, academic, and cultural requisites of the nation while contributing regionally. The enduring significance of Hindi within the national psyche prompted the Mauritian government to host three World Hindi Conferences (in 1976, 1993, and 2018) as a means of promoting education. Acknowledging foreign dignitaries who have been instrumental in advancing the cause of education, several accolades have been established. The third Excellence in Education Awards, conducted by the Intelligent Minds Trust (IMT) at the World Hindi Secretariat in Mauritius on August 23, featured the conferral of the "Special Guest Award" upon Virendra Sharma, the distinguished Member of Parliament for Ealing Southall, United Kingdom. This significant event was graced by the presence of the President of Mauritius, Prithvirajsing Roopun, Vice Prime Minister Leela Devi Dookun-Luchooan, and Mahen Kumar Seeruttun, Minister

of Financial Services and Good Governance of Mauritius.

In his acceptance of this prestigious award, Sharma drew inspiration from the tenets of Nelson Mandela, who pronounced, "Education is the most powerful weapon for changing the world." Sharma's resonance with this maxim is evident in his unwavering commitment towards enhancing educational infrastructure in his parliamentary constituency of Ealing Southall. He espouses the conviction that education holds the capacity to ameliorate challenges, alleviate poverty, eliminate prejudice, and facilitate equitable progress. Recalling his mother's contributions towards education in his native village of Punjab, Sharma underscored the transformative potency of education in his personal journey.

While receiving the coveted award, Sharma recalled nostalgically the contribution of his mother in furthering the cause of education in his native village in Punjab. Highlighting the significance of education in the present global scenario, Sharma said, "Education resolves

all problems, it lifts people out of poverty, destroys prejudice and empowers equality. The value of education is without question and without equal. In my own life I have seen the transformational power of education, now as a policy maker and member of the International Development Select Committee, but as a boy through the work my mother did setting up the first girl's school in my home village of Mandhalli"

On a personal note, Sharma said, "I am honoured to be recognised here today by the Intelligent Minds Trust, and grateful to the Honourable Prime Minister for his kind words and the award."

Concluding, Sharma expressed profound gratitude for being recognized by the Intelligent Minds Trust and extended appreciation for the conferred award. He eloquently invoked the words of Albert Einstein, whose statement encapsulates the paramount importance of education in moulding individuals and shaping societies, asserted that "Education is not the learning of facts, but the training of the mind to think."

Tijil Rao, Arya Singh dominate LGB Formula 4 at JK Tyre racing event

Coimbatore, Aug 27: The season's opening round of the 26th JK Tyre National Racing Championship got off to a fantastic start with Dark Don Racing boys Tijil Rao and Arya Singh winning a race apiece in the LGB Formula 4 class, the premier event, that turned out to be a thriller all the way at the Kari Motor Speedway circuit in Cheyralayam here on Saturday.

Tijil started the day finishing on top of the podium in the opening race. It was not easy though for the Bengahum youngster



as his teammates Arya Singh (Kolkata) and T.S. Diljith (Thrissur) gave him a run for his money. The lead kept changing hands lap after lap and, midway through, it was all about holding one's nerve. But Tijil, despite the pressure, kept his cool, waited for the right moment to strike and planned his move well in

the final lap to take the checkered flag in style.

Results (Day 1) LGB Formula 4 Race 1-- Tijil Rao, Dark Don Racing; 23:21:17 minutes; Arya Singh, Dark Don Racing; 23:21:369 minutes; Diljith TS, Dark Don Racing; 23:21:586 minutes. LGB Formula 4 Race 2-- Arya Singh, Dark Don Racing;

22:28.087 minutes; Tijil Rao, Dark Don Racing; 22:28.370 minutes; Viswax Vijayaraj Ahura Racing, 22:31.297.

JK Tyre Novice Cup 1--Arjun S Nair Momentum Motorsports; 13:23.275 minutes; Neythan McPherson, Momentum Motorsports; 13:24.517 minutes; Joel Joseph, DTS Racing; 13:27.272 minutes JK Tyre Novice Cup Race 2-- Arjun S Nair, Momentum Motorsports; 13:41.982 minutes; Saishiva Sankaran, MSport; 13:47.537 minutes; Abhay M. Msport; 13:48.318 minutes.

Rathina Sabapathy clinches the chess title

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Rathina Sabapathy of St. Joseph's Engineering College, Chennai, won the chess title with 4.5 points out of five at the 89th Bertram Memorial Tournament, organised by Loyola College on Sunday.

Shree Ganesh (RKM Vivekananda) and R. Jeyanth (Loyola College) were tied with four points and completed the podium with the former taking second place.

In basketball event for schools, St. Peter's HSS, Chennai defeated St. Mary's HSS, Salem 52-36.

The results:

Basketball: St. Peter's HSS, Chennai 52 (Asraf 10, Aryan 12) bt St. Mary's HSS, Salem 36 (Ravi Varman 7); Kamala Subramiyam School, Thanjavur 57 (Shyreash Pati 10, Vicky 10) bt Velammal Annexure School, Ayanambakkam 18 (Renant 12). Santhome HSS, Chennai 57 (Gaurav 10, Dinesh 11) bt MCC HSS, Chetpet 44 (Bala 12, Bhuvan 10); National HSS, Mannagudi 66 (Arun Raja 19, Sandhosh Raj 12) bt Don Bosco HSS, Peravalur 35 (Santhosh 9).

Antiha Methodist School, Chennai 39 (Karmugilan 8, Rishi 6, Prince 6) bt Kamachi Shanmugam School, Cuddalore 12 (Bharath 4).



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Shining bright: Loyola Whites pipped MCC in an exciting final.

Kavyashree and Ananya move into last four

B. Kavyashree (Tower Club) and M. Ananya (Chennai Achievers) entered the semifinals of the under-19 girls' section in the fifth Sairam-TNTTA State-ranking table tennis

tournament at Sri Sairam Engineering College.

The results (quarterfinals):

Girls: Under-19: A. Shriya bt N. Sharvani 11-6, 11-9, 10-12, 9-11, 11-2; V. Dharshini bt V.S. Nehal 7-11, 11-7, 11-9, 10-12, 11-9; M. Ananya bt S. Nalene Amrutha 11-6, 3-11, 7-11, 11-4, 11-9; B.

Kavyashree bt N.B. Thanuja 11-8, 11-5, 11-6.

Vasudevan-Raj Kanoi duo finishes on top

M.J.R. Vasudevan & Raj Kanoi finished first with 66.05% in the TTK-TNBA open bridge tournament.



It's IT: Income Tax (Chennai) defeated Indian Army (New Delhi) 75-71 to win the PSG Trophy basketball in Coimbatore recently.

Other results: 2. K.S. Swaminathan & Surajit Bar 62.25; 2. Hemant K. Singh & K. Sundar 61.98.

St. Joseph's victorious

St. Joseph's CoE defeated Athiyaman CoE (Hosur) 3-0 in the final of the 28th

Thiru Karumuttu Thiagarajan Chettiar memorial State-level men's hockey tournament in Madurai recently.

Loyola Whites hoopsters reign Loyola Whites clinched



Topping the charts: St. Joseph's CoE, winner of the Thiru Karumuttu Thiagarajan Chettiar memorial State-level hockey.

the basketball title with a thrilling 87-85 win over Madras Christian College in its final Super League match of the Bertram memorial tournament on Friday. Loyola went on to win the overall championship with 47

points in eight events.

The results (basketball): Super League:

Loyola Whites 87 (Abinash 20, Surya 14) bt Madras Christian College 85 (Mamundiyan 17, Jayakumar 12); D.G. Vaishnav College 85 (Ruthesh Tharun 31) bt PSG Arts & Science 81 (Ruban 22).



On a high: M.O.P. Vaishnav team members who bagged the tennis, chess, ball badminton, and volleyball titles at the WCC Trophy tournament 2023. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Bertram memorial tournament inaugurated

The 89th Bertram memorial tournament was inaugurated at Loyola College on Tuesday. Sendhil V. Thyagarajan, Trade Commissioner (Latin American Caribbean Trade Council and Treasurer, Rugby India & Tamil Nadu Olympic Association) was the chief guest. Rev. Dr. B. Jeyaraj, S.J. Secretary, Rev. Dr. A. Louis Arockiaraj, SJ, Principal, Rev. Dr. Jacob SJ, Director of Sports and Games and Dr. Vijayakumar, Physical Director, Loyola College were present on the occasion.

Pravin stars for Jerusalem College'

S.V. Pravin's unbeaten half-century helped Jerusalem College beat Aadhi Para Sakthi College by nine wickets to clinch the Amma Trophy held recently.

The scores: Aadhi Para Sakthi College 131/6 in 20 overs (Farooq 51, Durai Murugan 33, S.V. Pravin 3/16) lost to Jerusalem College 132/1 in 18.3 overs (S.V. Pravin 73 n.o., Subash 32 n.o.).

Vijayaram's valiant effort in vain

Vijayaram of CWCSF went down fighting in the deciding frame against Vinhoth D. Mohanraj (SSA) 2-3 in the second round of qualifying in the Tamil

Nadu Billiards and Snooker State Ranking Championship 2023. Meanwhile, Siddharth Rao (MCC) registered a 61 break in the third frame while thrashing Kevin Kiran Raj (Snooker Hub) 3-0.

Vineeth upsets Jadhav to advance

Vineeth Mutyala upset the second-seed Tanishq Jadhav 6-0, 6-2 in the boys' second round while qualifiers Diya Ramesh and Savitha

Bhuvaneshwaran of Tamil Nadu posted easy wins in the girls' first round of the TVS MCC National Junior under-18 clay court tennis championship on Tuesday.



Kick-off: Sendhil V. Thyagarajan at the inauguration ceremony of the Bertram Memorial Tournament. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

Due to the overnight rains, the matches were shifted to the Hard Courts at the SDAT Tennis Stadium, Nungambakkam.

Important results: Boys:

Second round: Rethin Pranav bt Panshul Uboveja 7-5, 6-1; Prabir Mukesh Chavda bt Parth Prasanna Kumar 3-6, 7-6(4), 6-4; Arjun Rathi bt Shivam Devam 6-3, 7-5; Skandha Prasanna Rao bt Jay Prakash Pawar 6,-1, 6-0.

Girls: First round: Riya Sachdeva bt Saumrita Verma 6-3, 6-1; Jeetesh Kumari bt Tamanna Panwar 6-0, 6-2; Sreemanya

Reddy Anugonda bt Samira Malik 7-6(5), 6-3.

M.O.P. wins four titles

M.O.P. Vaishnav College for Women bagged the tennis, chess, ball badminton, and volleyball titles at the WCC Trophy tournament 2023 held at the Women's Christian College (WCC).

ENGAGEMENTS

General: 89th Bertram Memorial tournaments, Loyola College, 7 a.m.

Golf: India Cements Pro Championship, Cosmo-TNGF course, Nandanam, 8 a.m.

Tennis: TVS-MCC National junior under-18 tournament, MCC Courts, 8 a.m.

LIVE TELECAST

Durand Cup: Sony Sports Ten 2 (SD & HD) & LIV, 3 & 6 p.m.

Women's World Cup: FanCode, 3.30 p.m.

INBRIEF



Kian Martin books a spot in the semifinals

Sweden's Kian Martin booked a spot in the semifinals with an impressive performance in the Tamil Nadu International Surf Open World Surf League (WSL) Qualifying Series (QS) 3,000 event at Mahabalipuram on Friday. Martin found a good rhythm with the long reeling rights, posting a solid heat total of 15.25 to overcome Joh Azuchi of Japan. He will meet another Japanese surfer, Raiha Onou, in the semifinals on Saturday. Other standouts in the quarterfinals included Tenshi Iwami (Japan), who earned a 14.50 two-wave. In the women's section, Sara Wakita and Kana Nakashio made it to the semifinals.

ENGAGEMENTS

Cricket: TNCA league, II div., Egmore RC vs Jupiter SC (SRM-Turf); Parry's vs Singam Puli (TI-Murugappa), 9 a.m.; IV-A, Sir Theagaraya vs Prithvi (Alstom B); Sounder vs Fox Trotters (Wahe Guru 'A'); CCL vs BRC (Union); Bharath Petroleum vs Social (Alstom A); V-B, C. Appaiah Chettiar Memorial vs Singam Puli (Magna College 'B'); Prasad vs National CC (Engineering College); HSBC vs Varsity Occasionals (Jones Krish turf); Grand Prix vs Gopalapuram (SMK Fomra 'B'), 9.30 a.m.

Golf: India Cements Pro Championship final day (Cosmo-TNGF course, Nandanam), 8.30 a.m.

Surfing: TN International Surf Open QS 3000 (Mahabalipuram), 6.30 a.m.

Tennis: TVS-MCC National junior under-18 (MCC Courts), 3.30 p.m.

LIVE TELECAST

Maharaja Trophy T20: Star Sports 2 (SD & HD) & FanCode, 1 & 5.30 p.m.

Football: Women's World Cup: FanCode, 1.30 p.m.

Durand Cup: Sony Sports Ten 2 (SD & HD) & LIV, 2.30 & 4.45 p.m.

Bundesliga: Sony Sports Ten 2 (SD & HD) & LIV, 7 & 10 p.m.

UAE vs New Zealand: 2nd T20I, FanCode, 7.30 p.m.

Premier League: SS Select 1 & 2 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 7.30 & 10 p.m.

LaLiga: Sports 18-1 (SD & HD) & Jio Cinema App, 8.30, 11 p.m. & 1 a.m. (Sunday).

Serie A: Sports 18-1 (SD & HD) & Jio Cinema App, 10 p.m. & 12.15 a.m. (Sunday).

ATP Masters 1000: Western & Southern Classic, Sony Sports Ten 2 (SD & HD) & LIV, 12.30 & 3.30 a.m. (Sunday).

Esha and Shiva clinch mixed air pistol gold

The Indian pair beats Tarhan and Dikec of Turkey in the match for the yellow metal; the other mixed team of Divya and Sarabjot placed 22nd

SHOOTING

Sports Bureau

Esha Singh and Shiva Narwal won the mixed air pistol gold to put India second on the medals table in the World Championship in Baku, Azerbaijan, on Friday.

The Indian pair beat Seval Tarhan and Yusuf Dikec of Turkey 16-10 in the match for the gold medal. Earlier, Esha and Shiva had topped the qualification with 583 out of 600 in a strong field of 65 teams.

It was the second medal for Shiva, following the team bronze earlier.

China won the mixed air rifle gold defeating Iran 16-2. Overall, the Chinese were on top of the medals



All smiles: Esha and Shiva proudly display their medals. SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT

table with five gold and two bronze.

The last round of men's qualification and the final for the top-six will be held on Saturday.

The results: 10m air pistol mixed team: 1. India (Esha Singh, Shiva Narwal) 16 (583); 2. Turkey (Seval Tarhan, Yusuf

Dikec) 10 (581); 3. China (Jiang Ranxin, Zhang Bowen) 17 (580); 4. Iran (Haniyeh Rostamiyan, Sajjad Lafmejani) 7 (580); 22. India-1 (T.S. Divya, Sarabjot Singh) 574.

10m air rifle mixed team: 1. China 16 (632.7); 2. Iran 2 (632.5); 3. France 17 (631.4); 4. Israel 9 (631.4); 9. India-2 (Mehuli Ghosh, Aishwary Pratap Singh Tomar) 630.2; 17. India-1 (Ramita Jindal, Divyansh Singh Panwar) 628.3.

TNCA President's XI gets three points in drawn encounter

BUCHI BABU

Ravan Rozario
COIMBATORE

The TNCA President's XI quite deservedly collected three points for the hard work and the first-innings lead against Indian Railways in a Group-A clash that meandered to a draw in the all-India Buchi Babu invitational cricket tournament at the Sri Ramakrishna Institutions grounds here on Friday.

The visitor enjoyed the edge of taking the lead for most part, but Vimal Khumar put up a resolute batting display the other day to turn the tide in favour of the host.

Railways knew it let slip a great opportunity but did a bit of second-innings batting practice for the matches ahead.

Sahab Yuvraj, who missed out on a century in the



Taking the honour: Vimal receives the Player-of-the-Match award from CDCA secretary Shanmugham Goudhaman.

first innings, scored freely and went on to complete a fine 115 (201b, 10x4, 5x6). He also stitched a 116-run stand for the third wicket with Nishant Kushwah (53) but it did not matter much for the host.

"We are pleased to have collected three points. It was not just Vimal but the entire lower order which spent much time at the middle and did it beautifully for the team," said Vijay Shankar, the host skipper. The Railways' skipper

Mohammed Saif was obviously disappointed.

"TNCA played very well but, at one point, we thought we had them. However, we slipped a bit. We bowled a few overs short and that came into play as well but we played a good game."

The scores (final day): Indian Railways 327 & 325/5 in 103 overs (Nishant Kushwah 53, Sahab Yuvraj 115, Shubham Chaubey 69 n.o.) drew with TNCA President's XI 333/9 decl. in 124 overs.

Points: TNCA President's XI 3, Indian Railways 1.

Gokulam qualifies for quarterfinals

DURAND CUP

Sports Bureau

Defending champion Bengaluru FC was held to a 2-2 draw by a 10-man Kerala Blasters in a Group C match of the 132nd Durand Cup in Kolkata on Friday. The result helped Gokulam Kerala become the group topper (six points in two games) and qualify for the last-eight stage.

In another match of the day, Chennaiyin FC beat Delhi FC 2-1 in Guwahati.

The results: Group C (Kolkata): Kerala Blasters 2 (Justine Emmanuel 14, Mohammad Aimen 84) drew with Bengaluru FC 2 (Edmund Lalrindika 38, Ashish Jha 52).

Group E (Guwahati): Delhi FC 1 (Pape Alassane Gassama 54) lost to Chennaiyin FC 2 (Rafael Crivellaro 38, Vincy Barretto 51).

AROUND THE CITY

Bhuvaneshwaran survives a scare

D. Bhuvaneshwaran of ABC survived a scare from M.K. Manoj of MGC in the qualifying stage of the men's 6-red snooker event at the TN Billiards and Snooker State-ranking championship.

Down 0-2 at one stage, Bhuvan bounced back in the next four frames to win it 4-2.

In another match, junior player M. Prakash (TRDBSA) defeated E. Sivakumar (TNBSA) 4-2 in the best-of-seven frames.

JMC (Tiruchi) clinches ball badminton title

Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchi, defeated Loyola Whites 35-37, 35-27, 35-33 in the final of the 89th Rev. Fr. Bertram Memorial ball badminton tournament, organised by Loyola College, on Friday.



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Srinath-Subramanian combo triumphs

Srinath Rajam and R.N. Subramanian won the TNSC-P.S.Govindachari open bridge tournament held on Tuesday with 64.66 %. The pair of Chandrasekar and W.S. Mani came second with 61.66 % while I. Raghu and S. Kailasam came third with 59.07 %.

SRM IST 'B' clinches badminton title

SRM IST 'B' defeated SRM IST 'A' 2-1 to clinch the SRM IST Founders Birthday Trophy men's badminton tournament. In the women's section, SRM IST defeated Loyola ICAM 2-0.

Siddharth's knock helps TN U-19 take the lead

G. Siddharth's unbeaten 53 helped Tamil Nadu (u-19) take a healthy 108-run first-innings lead against Jharkhand (u-19)



Abhishek Yadav
(Jharkhand u-19, 5/97).

on day two of the warm-up match here on Wednesday. Overnight batter R.S. Ambrish, who resumed on 77 missed out on his century by 11 runs while Jharkhand left-arm spinner Abhishek Yadav scalped a five-for (5/97). Meanwhile, day three of the under-23 match between the two sides that is underway at the CPT-IP ground was washed out due to wet outfield from

overnight rains.

The scores: Jharkhand (u-19) 196 in 58.1 overs & 28/1 in 14 overs vs Tamil Nadu (u-19) 304 in 97.4 overs (R.K. Jayant 72, R.S. Ambrish 89, G. Siddharth 53 n.o., Abhishek Yadav 5/97).

Harish stars for SBOA

Harish's unbeaten 63 guided SBOA HSS to a six-wicket win over Muslim HSS in the semifinal of the Agarwal Vidyalaya inter-school tournament.

The scores: Muslim HSS 120/9 in 20 overs (Deepak 38, Santhosh Kumar 28, Pranav 4/24) lost to SBOA HSS 126/4 in 19 overs (Harish 63 n.o., Srinivasan 2/9). St. Mary's 127/9 in 20 overs (Nithesh Kumar 2/16, Balamurgan 2/23) bt Padmasarangapani MHSS 72 in 17.1 overs (Prajit 21, Navin 2/8, Vishal 3/13, Kamlesh 2/8).

Rethin, Maaya make the quarterfinals

Top-seed Rethin Pranav and Maaya Rajeshwaran moved into the boys' and

girls' quarterfinals respectively in the MGC ITF WTT Junior under-18 championship on Wednesday.

Important results (second round): Boys: Rethin Pranav bt Victor Mohanram 6-4, 6-2; Sehaj Singh bt Rian Sharma 6-2, 6-2; Pratyaksh bt Kevin Titus Suresh 6-1, 6-1; Kandhavel Mahalingam bt Vansh Nandal 6-3, 6-0.

Girls: Aami Adkar bt Arzan Khorakiwala 6-3, 6-0; Maaya Rajeshwaran bt Riya Sachdeva 6-4, 6-3.

MCC defeats Mercara Downs in hockey friendly

Madras Cricket Club (MCC) defeated Mercara Downs Golf Club (Coorg) 5-2 in a friendly exhibition match on Wednesday ahead of the 94th MCC-Murugappa Gold Cup All-India hockey tournament here.

The results: MCC 5 (I. K. Rohit 2, B. Vijay Kumar, Md. Riaz) bt Mercara Downs Golf Club (Coorg) 2 (K. Appanna, Bhoominathan).

Loyola Whites wins title

Loyola Whites defeated Jamal Mohamed College (Tiruchi) 3-2 to clinch the table tennis title in the 89th Bertram Memorial tournament.

The results: Table tennis (final): Loyola Whites 3 bt Jamal Mohamed 2 [S. Tharun bt Arun Kumar 11-6, 11-6, 11-8; Sri Sai lost to Livingston 11-8, 11-8, 11-5, 9-11; P. Raghuramm lost to Kishore Kumar 11-8, 11-7, 13-11; Tharun bt Livingston 11-7, 6-11, 11-5, 9-11, 11-3; Sri Sai bt Arun Kumar 11-6, 11-6, 11-4].

Volleyball: First round league: Panimalar Engg.-B bt The New College 25-14, 24-26, 25-15; D.G. Vaishnav College bt Hindustan Arts & Science College 25-18, 25-13; Panimalar Engg. College-A bt Loyola Yellows 25-12, 25-15.

Second round league: Panimalar Engg.-B bt Christ (Chennai) 24-17, 25-13; Jamal Md. bt St. Joseph Engineering 25-22, 25-13; D.B. Jain (Chennai) bt Guru Nanak 25-15, 25-19; D.G. Vaishnav bt NGP Arts & Science College (Coimbatore) 25-21, 25-17.

INBRIEF



Phalguni sends NEUFC into Durand Cup semifinals

Phalguni Singh's 51st-minute goal was enough for Northeast United FC to overcome a spirited Indian Army FC 1-0 in the first quarterfinal of the Durand Cup at Guwahati on Thursday.

Indian women's cricket team in summit clash

The Indian women's visually-challenged cricket team entered the final of the International Blind Sports Federation (IBSF) World Games. India kicked off its campaign with an eight-wkt. win over Australia before posting a 185-run win over England.

ENGAGEMENTS

General: Bertram Memorial tournament, volleyball, semifinal (7 a.m.); final (4.30 p.m.); chess, first round (10 a.m.), Loyola College.

Hockey: 94th MCC-Murugappa Gold Cup, PNB vs CAG (2.30 p.m.); Hockey Karnataka vs. Indian Railways (4.15 p.m.); Indian Air Force vs. HUTN (6 p.m.), SDAT-Mayor Radhakrishnan Stadium.

Tennis: Kauvery Hospital MGC ITF WTT junior u-18 c'ship, Madras Gymkhana Club (MGC), 9 a.m. onwards.

LIVE TELECAST

Maharaja Trophy T20: Star Sports 2 (SD & HD) & FanCode, 1 & 5.30 p.m.

BWF: World Championships: Sports 18-1 (SD & HD) & Jio Cinema App, 2.30 p.m. onwards

Durand Cup: Sony Sports Ten 2 (SD & HD) & LIV, 6 p.m.

LaLiga: Sports 18-1 (SD & HD) & Jio Cinema App, 11 p.m. & 1 a.m. (Saturday)

Premier League: SS Select 1 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 12.30 a.m. (Saturday)

Former champion Indian Railways starts with a big win over Central Secretariat

Yuvraj Walmiki on a rampage with four goals to his credit; Hockey Unit of Tamil Nadu and CAG involved in a 1-1 stalemate

HOCKEY

K. Keerthivasan
CHENNAI

Former champion Indian Railways put up a ruthless display on the opening day of the 94th MCC-Murugappa Gold Cup All-India hockey tournament here on Thursday, with a 9-1 rout of Central Secretariat in a Group-A match. Former India forward Yuvraj Walmiki, struck four goals.

Earlier, in a Group-B contest, Hockey Unit of Tamil Nadu (HUTN) and CAG played out a 1-1 draw.

Railways crushed the hopes of its opponent pretty much in the first two quarters by scoring five goals with Yuvraj scoring three of them.

Pratap Lakra opened the floodgates as early as in the fourth minute with a fierce penalty corner strike that hit the left side of the roof. Four more goals followed in a matter of 13 minutes and it looked like Se-

cretariat would have little or no chance and it stayed that way till the last minute.

In the HUTN-CAG clash, both the teams were initially wary of each other, and it took a while – till the second quarter – for the teams' to get the hang of the other's game.

TN, comprising mostly youngsters, played well within itself, and its defence appeared rock solid for the most part. CAG gradually picked up speed in the second half, with some

aggression from its mid-field and forwards.

HUTN was the first off the blocks when M. Dhanush deflected one off a penalty corner strike by Sahil in the second quarter. CAG equalised through a fine backhand by Abharan Sudev in the third quarter.

The results: HUTN 1 (M. Dhanush) drew with CAG 1 (Abharan Sudev); Indian Railways 9 (Yuvraj Walmiki 4, Pratap Lakra 2, Sheshe Gowda, Deepak, Gursahibjit Singh) bt Central Secretariat 1 (Hassan Basha).



Star player: Indian Railways' Yuvraj Walmiki, left, who had a field day, in action against Central Secretariat. R. RAGU

SNAPSHOTS

Rajeshwari wins Olympic quota place
Rajeshwari Kumari shot 120 out of 125 in qualification and stayed strong in the final to clinch one of the four Olympic quota places for Paris in women's trap in the World Championship in Baku, Azerbaijan, on Thursday.

Desai's 157 guides Chhattisgarh home
Sanjeet Desai's sensational knock (157, 216b, 20x4, 4x6) powered Chhattisgarh to a thrilling three-wicket win against Indian Railways on the final day of the second-round match of the Buchi Babu tournament in Coimbatore on Thursday.

The scores: At Coimbatore: Indian Railways 184 & 389 lost to

Chhattisgarh 194 & 398/7 for seven (including 17 penalty runs) in 92 overs (Shashank Chandrakar 44, Sanjeet Desai 157, Amandeep Khare 61, Ayan Chaudhary 6/106); **PoM:** Sanjeet; **Chhattisgarh 6 (6); Railways 0 (1).**

At Dindigul: Madhya Pradesh 204 & 236 bt Baroda 227 & 182 in 54.3 overs (Vishnu Solanki 67, Sagar Solanki 5/60, Adheer Pratap Singh 5/62); **PoM:** Adheer Pratap; **MP 6 (6); Baroda 0 (6).**

At Salem: Jammu & Kashmir 256 & 285 lost to Delhi 386 & 156/6 in 48.2 overs (Jonty Sidhu 52 n.o.); **PoM:** Sidhu; **Delhi 6 (7); J & K 0 (0).**

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St. Mary's wins inter-school cricket title

Dinesh Karthik top-scored with 78 as St. Mary's MHSS beat SBOA MHSS by three wickets in the final to become the champion of

the Agarwal Vidyalaya inter-school cricket tournament.

The scores (final): SBOA MHSS 140/6 in 20 overs (Upendhra 39, Hareesh 52) lost to St. Mary's MHSS 142/7 in 19.3 overs (Dinesh Karthik 78, Praveen 3/26)

Special awards: Best batter: Hareesh; **Best bowler:** Pranav; **Best fielder:** K. Harshan; **Best wicketkeeper:** Srinivasan; **Best all-rounder:** Thanurageshwar; **Player-of-the-series:** Dinesh Karthik.

Rethin Pranav enters semifinals

Top seed Rethin Pranav beat Samarth Sahita 6-1, 6-2 in the men's singles quarterfinal of the Kauvery Hospital MGC ITF WTT junior u-18 tennis championship at the Madras Gymkhana Club (MGC) here on Thursday.

The results (singles,

quarterfinals): Boys: Rethin Pranav bt Samarth Sahita 6-1, 6-2; Arjun Pandit bt Pratyaksh 6-4, 6-0; Venkat Rishi Batlanki (USA) bt Sehaj Singh 6-4, 5-3 (ret.); Kandhavel Mahalingam bt Samprit Sharma 6-2, 2-6, 6-0.

Girls: Kashvi Sunil bt Asmi Adkar 6-3, 2-6, 6-1; Maaya Rajeshwaran bt Laxmisiri Dandu 6-4, 3-0 (ret.); Diya Ramesh bt Nainika Reddy 6-4, 6-0; Sreenidhi Balaji bt Sree Syleswari 4-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Loyola becomes champion

Loyola College beat Nazareth College 3-0 in the final to win the Erskine Cup for tennis at the Loyola College premises here on Thursday.

The result (final): Loyola 3 bt Nazareth 0 (Aaron Paul bt Saraniyan 6-1, 6-4; Kavin bt Aadhithya 1-6, 6-2, 6-4; Aaron & Sidesh bt Saraniyan & Aadhithya 6-3, 6-2).

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Special awards: Best batter: Haresh; **Best bowler:** Pranav; **Best fielder:** K. Harshan; **Best wicketkeeper:** Srinivasan; **Best all-rounder:** Thanurageshwar; **Player-of-the-series:** Dinesh Karthik.

Rethin Pranav enters semifinals

Top seed Rethin Pranav beat Samarth Sahita 6-1, 6-2 in the men's singles quarterfinal of the Kauvery Hospital MGC ITF WTT junior u-18 tennis championship at the Madras Gymkhana Club (MGC) here on Thursday.
The results (singles,

quarterfinals): Boys: Rethin Pranav bt Samarth Sahita 6-1, 6-2; Aarjun Pandit bt Pratyaksh 6-4, 6-0; Venkat Rishi Batlanki (USA) bt Sehaj Singh 6-4, 5-3 (retd.); Kandhavel Mahalingam bt Sampriti Sharma 6-2, 2-6, 6-0.

Girls: Kashvi Sunil bt Asmi Adkar 6-3, 2-6, 6-1; Maaya Rajeshwaran bt Laxmisiri Dandu 6-4, 3-0 (retd.); Diya Ramesh bt Nainika Reddy 6-4, 6-0; Sreenidhi Balaji bt Sree Syleswari 4-6, 6-4, 6-4.

Loyola becomes champion

Loyola College beat Nazareth College 3-0 in the final to win the Erskine Cup for tennis at the Loyola College premises here on Thursday.

The result (final): Loyola 3 bt Nazareth 0 (Aaron Paul bt Saraniyan 6-1, 6-4; Kavin bt Aadhithya 1-6, 6-2, 6-4; Aaron & Sidesh bt Saraniyan & Aadhithya 6-3, 6-2).



Venkatesh, joint secretary, TNTA, Premkumar Karra, hon. secretary TNTA, Dr. Iyappan Ponnuswamy, Medical Director & Chief Radiologist, Kauvery Hospital, Rethin Pranav, Maaya Rajeshwaran, Murali Padmanabhan, Zenobia Irani, former National runner-up, and Vivek Reddy, treasurer TNTA.



Mukamadu Abdul Kathar
Jayalani Vijay CC 5/42.

Mukamadu Abdul sizzles in Vijay's win

Mukamadu Abdul Kathar Jayalani produced an all-round performance scalping a five-for and chipping in with an unbeaten 35 to help his side Vijay CC post an easy eight-wicket win against SSS CC in the Kancheepuram DCA Zone-C league match played recently.

The scores: Zone- C: SSS CC 109 in 20.1 overs (Harish 31, Mukamadu Abdul Kathar Jayalani 5/42, S. Dinesh Kumar 3/26) lost to Vijay CC 110/2 in 11.2 overs (Mukamadu Abdul Kathar Jayalani 35 n.o., Janaki Raman 37).

Darshan leads open event

Darshan Veeraraghavan leads the open event with a gross score of 74 in the *MGC-Sportstar* Open golf tournament.

He is followed by Pranav Nandakumar (77), C.V. Yudhvir (78), Ishwar Achanta (78) and Abinav Suresh (79). The course is lush and green after the recent rains and played long on the first day. The field saw the best amateur golfers in Chennai competing for the prestigious trophy. The second round will be played on Sunday morning.

Loyola College triumphs

Loyola College, Chennai defeated Avichi College 14-11 in the final match of the 89th Bertram Memorial Kho-kho tournament at Loyola College on Saturday. Avichi College, Chennai won the toss and chose to defend. Loyola College started the match well and looked in a commanding position with an 8-5 lead at the end of the first innings. Avichi College scored five points in the second innings but Loyola College did enough to keep the slender advantage and clinch the title.

Maaya secures a double

Rethin Pranav took his second boys' under-18 title in two weeks while Maaya Rajeshwari scored a double adding the girls' singles title to her doubles win on Friday on the final day of the Kauvery Hospital MGC ITF WTT junior under-18 tennis championship played at Madras Gymkhana Club on Saturday.

The top-seed Rethin Pranav Senthil Kumar defeated Kandhavel Mahalingam 6-4, 6-1 while Maaya Revathi Rajeshwaran breezed past Diya Ramesh 6-1, 6-4 to



On top: Loyola College, the kho-kho champion.

clinch their respective singles titles.

Ananya and Shriya advance to semifinals

Ananya and Shriya advances to the girls' under-17 semifinals of the fourth State-ranking Table Tennis tournament conducted by Ram Table

Tennis club at Meston College of Education Royapettah.

The results (quarterfinals):

Girls: U-17: N. Sharvani bt K.G. Aradhana 13-11, 11-6, 11-4; B.R. Nandhini bt Jiyah Bhandari 11-5, 11-9, 12-10; M. Ananya bt N. Kaviya 11-8, 11-6, 9-11, 11-3; A. Shriya bt M. Yogasri 9-11, 11-3, 11-4, 11-9.

ENGAGEMENTS

Cricket: TNCA league, IV-B, Bharathi SC vs Sir Ashley Biggs (S.Rly.); Twentieth Century vs Gandhi Nagar Starlets (Pbel City); CUC vs Venkateswara (Smk Fomra College 'B'); Comrades vs PUC (Wahe Guru 'B'); V 'B', Triplicane RC vs Singam Puli (Magna College 'B'); Varsity Occasionals vs C. Appaiah Chettiar Memorial (Jones Krish, turf); V-D, NUC vs Egmore Excelsiors (St. Bede's 'A'); Gandhi vs Shivaji (St. Bede's 'B'), 9.30 a.m.

General: 89th Bertram Memorial tournaments, Loyola College, 7 a.m.

Golf: MGC-Sportstar Open, final day, 6.30 a.m., followed by prize distribution 1 p.m., chief guest L.V. Navaneeth, CEO, *The Hindu* Group of Publications, Madras Gymkhana Club-Golf Annexe, Guindy.

Hockey: 94th MCC-Murugappa Gold Cup, CAG vs IAF (2.30 p.m.); Indian Navy vs Indian Railways (4.15 p.m.); HUTN vs Indian Army (6 p.m.), SDAT-Mayor Radhakrishnan Stadium.

IN BRIEF



Bagan bests Mumbai City, to meet Goa in semifinals

Mohun Bagan Super Giant defeated Mumbai City FC 3-1 in the last quarterfinal match of the 132nd Durand Cup in Kolkata on Sunday...

The result: Mohun Bagan SG 3 (Cummings 9-pen (in pic.), Manvir 30, Anwar 63) bt Mumbai City 1 (Diaz 28).

LIVE TELECAST

- Maharaja Trophy T20: Star Sports 2 & FanCode, 1 & 5.30 p.m.
US Open: Sony Sports Ten 2, 5 & LIV, 8.30 p.m. onwards
Serie A: Sports 18-1 & Jio Cinema App, 10 p.m. & 12.15 a.m.
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CAG prevails over IAF, continues unbeaten streak

Skipper Chandan Singh's goal seals victory in a tight contest; HUTN loses again to Indian Army; Indian Railways registers commanding win over Indian Navy

HOCKEY K. Keerthivasan CHENNAI

Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) continued its unbeaten run in a Group-B tie of the 94th MCC-Murugappa Gold Cup All-India hockey tournament here on Sunday...

Later, Hockey Unit of Tamil Nadu (HUTN) suffered its second defeat in three matches, losing to Indian Army 3-0 in another Group-B match while Indian Railways posted a 4-1 win over Indian Navy in a Group-A contest.

Of the lot, CAG has been a consistent side with a de-



Hero: Indian Railways' Darshan Gawkar scored a brace against Indian Navy. M. VEDHAN

finite structure and better understanding between its defence, midfield and forward. On the day IAF was equal to the task as it showed its mettle by not allowing CAG any leeway. After Parvinder Singh opened the account on a

counter-attack for CAG in the second quarter, IAF hit back quickly with a near-perfect penalty corner strike by Lovedeep Singh that hit left side of the roof. CAG and IAF fought tooth and nail in the third quarter without conceding

an inch. Skipper Chandan Singh scored what turned out to be winner off a penalty corner in the fourth. Indian Army prevailed over HUTN in a match that was scrappy for most part. Both teams failed to cash in on the numerous opportunities that presented themselves...

The results: CAG 2 (Parvinder Singh, Chandan Singh) bt IAF 1 (Lovedeep Singh); Indian Railways 4 (Yuvraj Walmiki, Darshan Gawkar 2, Pratap Lakra) bt Indian Navy 1 (Sushil Dhanwar); Indian Army 3 (Pratap Shinde, Harman Singh) bt HUTN 0.

TNCA XI steady after restricting Bengal to 193



Shubham Sharma (MPCA, 141 batting)



Ajith Ram (TNCA President's XI, 7/96).

BUCHI BABU S. Prasanna Venkatesan TIRUNELVELI

Leg-spinner Jhathavedh Subramanyan picked up three for 12 in five overs, and pacer Ajay K. Krishnan, left-arm spinner M. Siddharth, and off-spinner Shahruckh Khan claimed two wickets each as TNCA XI bowled out Bengal for 193 on day one of the Group D match in the Buchi Babu All India invitational cricket tournament at the India Cement Company ground here on Sunday.

TNCA claimed four wickets, while Bengal's 19-year-old Shashank Singh brought up his fifty in the first session.

After resumption, skipper Shahruckh chose to bowl himself to try and break the fifth-wicket partnership (69, 111b) between Shashank and left-hander

Deepak Kumar Mahato. And he did break the stand, when Shashank (68, 115b, 4x4, 4x6) gave him the charge and holed out to long-on. Shahruckh had Sukhmeet Singh caught at mid-wicket off a full toss in his next over. Jhathavedh, who came into the attack only in the 49th over, helped TNCA wrap up Bengal's innings.

The scores (day one): At Tirunelveli: Bengal 193 in 57.2 overs (Shashank Singh 68, Deepak Kumar Mahato 47) vs TNCA XI 108/2 in 32 overs. At Dindigul: Madhya Pradesh 301/3 in 90 overs (Arham Aqueel 49, Shubham Sharma 141 batting, Aniket Verma 94) vs Haryana. At Salem: J&K 241/6 in 90 overs (Qamran Iqbal 58, Abdul Samad 40) vs Mumbai. At Coimbatore: Chhattisgarh 270 in 85.3 overs (Shashank Singh 56, Ajith Ram 7/96) vs TNCA President's XI 4/0 in 2 overs.

Darshan Veeraraghavan wins the MGC Sportstar Open golf tournament again

Sports Bureau CHENNAI

Darshan Veeraraghavan won the open event for the ninth time at the 33rd MGC Sportstar Open golf tournament with a score of 152 Gross here at the Madras Gymkhana Club - Golf Annex on Sunday.

The two-day event saw close competition in all categories with about 100 golfers from across south India participating in the prestigious event.

Lush greens

The course presented one of its best faces with lush fairways and greens.

The wind factor, which is the special challenge at the Guindy course was also at work.

The results: Open Category:



On a roll: Darshan receives the winner's trophy from L.V. Navaneeth, CEO, The Hindu group. B. JOTHI RAMALINGAM

Winner: Darshan Veeraraghavan (152 Gross); Runner-up: Pranav Nandakumar (155 Gross); 2nd Runner-up: Abinav Suresh (160

Gross). Handicap Category: Winner: Runner-up: Aditya Mohan

Bhargav (144 Nett); 2nd Runner-up: Badrinath Kidambi (144 Nett). Senior Category: Winner: Peter Paul (146 Nett); Runner-up: Hemant Kumar Sinha (152 Nett). Ladies Category: Winner: S. Lakshmi (149 Nett); Runner-up: Prema Latha Ramraj Rao (160 Nett). Closest to Pin: Venkat Reddy; Longest Drive: Shiram Vijayaraghavan. Stableford scoring on Day 1: Winner: Capt N. Shyamsundar (37 points); Runner-up: C.V. Yudhvir (36 points); Against Bogey scoring on Day 2: Winner: P. Ramaswamy (0 points); Runner-up: Nandakumar Natarajan (0 points). Team Prizes: Winner: D. Nagaraj, Yogesh Kumar Luthra, A. Ramakrishnan, Aditya Mohan Bhargav; Runner-up: Dhananjaya Das, T. Thevaperan, R. Muthusamy, Venkat Reddy; 2nd Runner-up: Ishwar Achanta, Panish Hangal, Vivek Narendran, D. Venkatachalam.

AROUND THE CITY

Romario scalps six for Tamil Nadu u-19 against Jharkhand

Medium-pacer K. Kevin Romario ran through the Jharkhand u-19 line-up with a fine spell of six for 21 to help Tamil Nadu restrict the visitors to just 114 on the first day of the tour game on Sunday.

The scores: U-23: Jharkhand 176 in 56.2 overs (Prabhat Kumar Yadav 54, Arvind Kumar 71) vs TN 61/2 in 22 overs. U-19: Jharkhand 114 in 40 overs (K. Kevin Romario 6/21) vs TN



Romario (TN U-19, 6/21).

134/1 in 39 overs (K. Abhinav 61 batting, Akshay R Sarangdhar 60 batting).

ENGAGEMENTS

Chess: 21st Adyar Times FIDE Rated Open Chess Tournament, Prize distribution, chief guest J.P. Janank, Managing Editor, Adyar Times, Bala Vidya Mandir Senior Secondary School, 6.30 p.m. General: 89th Bertram Memorial Tournaments, Loyola College, 7 a.m. Hockey: MCC-Murugappa Gold Cup, Hockey Karnataka vs IOC (4.15 p.m.); IAF vs PNB (6 p.m.); SDAT-Mayor Radhakrishnan Stadium.

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BERTRAM TOURNAMENT

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The results: Basketball: St. Peter's HSS, Chennai 52 (Asraf 10, Aryan 12) bt St. Mary's HSS, Salem 36 (Ravi Varman 7); Kamala Subramiyam School, Thanjavur 57 (Shyreash Pati 10, Vicky 10) bt Velammal Annexure School, Ayanambakkam 18 (Renant 12). Santhome HSS, Chennai 57 (Gaurav 10, Dinesh 11) bt MCC HSS, Chetpet 44 (Bala 12, Bhuvan 10); National HSS, Mannagudi 66 (Arun Raja 19, Sandhosh Raj 12) bt Don Bosco HSS, Peravalur 35 (Santhosh 9). Antiha Methodist School, Chennai 39 (Karmugilan 8, Rishi 6, Prince 6) bt Kamachi Shanmugam School, Cuddalore 12 (Bharath 4).

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One for the album: The winners of the State-ranking table tennis tournament with Ishwaraya, Ponneri-Tiruvallur District sub-collector and MD of SAM consulting services Sambath Kumar.

Double for Abhinandh; Harshavardhini win women's title

It was Abhinandh's day out as he clinched the men's and under-19 boys' title in the fourth State-ranking table tennis tournament conducted by Ram Table Tennis club. In the women's section, Harshavardhini claimed her maiden title trouncing Selena Deepthi in the final.

The results(finals):

Men: P.B. Abhinandh bt R. Anandhraj 11-5, 6-11, 11-3, 11-5, 14-12. **Women:** Harshavardhini bt Selena Deepthi 12-10, 11-7, 11-7, 11-9.

Boys: U-19: S. Tharun bt B.R. Balamurugan 6-11, 11-0, 11-6, 13-15, 11-8, 11-8; **U-17:** Abhinandh bt Pranav Janakiraman 12-10, 11-9, 11-9, 12-10; **U-15:** P. Siddarth bt Akash Rajavelu 11-7, 11-9, 11-5; **U-13:** Akash bt Tanmay Raghavan 12-10, 10-12, 11-7, 11-5; **U-11:** M. Ashvajit bt Krish Vinodh 11-5, 9-11, 11-9, 10-12, 12-10.

Girls: U-19: B. Kavyasree bt N. Sharvani 11-8, 11-8, 14-16, 5-11, 11-6, 8-11, 11-8; **U-17:** Shriya Anand bt N. Sharvani 11-6, 5-11, 11-5, 9-11, 11-7; **U-15:** M. Ananya bt B.R. Nandhini 11-4, 11-8, 7-11, 8-11, 11-9; **U-13:** K. Ananya bt O.P. Poojasri 11-5, 11-9, 9-11, 11-4; **U-11:** Ambati Pooja bt A. Bavithra 11-2, 9-11, 4-11, 11-3, 11-7.

Veteran: R. Rajesh bt Sharath Shankar 13-11, 11-7, 11-6;

Corporate: Prasanna Kumar bt Vigneshwaran 11-7, 6-11, 11-3, 11-7.

JMC spikers triumph

Jamal Mohamed College, Tiruchi, won the Bertram Memorial inter-collegiate volleyball tournament, organised by Loyola College, here.

Basketball results: D.G. Vaishnav College 60 (Manojkumar 17) bt Loyola College, Mettalla 55



Vijay, the 6-Red snooker winner.

(Ganapathy 19); St. Joseph's Engineering College, Chennai 63 (Sakthi 18) bt Kumaraguru College, Coimbatore 45 (Manikandan 13).

Volleyball: Final League

scores: Jamal Mohamed bt St. Joseph's College 23-25, 25-11, 25-19, 25-20; Loyola bt D.G. Vaishnav 19-25, 25-22, 25-23, 17-25, 15-11.

Final placings: 1. Jamal Mohamed College, 2. D.G. Vaishnav College, 3. St. Joseph's College, 4. Loyola College.

SRM IST triumphs

SRM IST men won the ball badminton gold in the all-India invitation inter-collegiate tournament held at Nedumangad, Trivandrum, Kerala.

Final placings: 1. SRM IST, 2. Jamal Mohammed, 3: University of Madras & Loyola College.

Maiden title for Vijay

Vijay Nichani (CDBSA) clinched his maiden title by defeating J. Varun Kumar (MCC) 6-1 in the best-of-11 frames, 6-Red snooker final of the Tamil Nadu Billiards and Snooker State-ranking championship on Monday. In the third-place playoff match, K. Rakesh (SVS) defeated SasiKumar (TNBSA) 3-2.

East Bengal edges NEUFC to make the summit clash after 19 years

Nandhakumar is hero again as his last-gasp equaliser takes the semifinals to tie-breakers where his attempt seals the deal

DURAND CUP
Amitabha Das Sharma
KOLKATA

Nandhakumar Sekar was the saviour as Emami East Bengal came back from the brink to beat 10-man NorthEast United FC 5-3, via the tie-breaker, in the first semifinal of the 132nd Durand Cup here on Tuesday.



Ecstatic! East Bengal players celebrate their come-from-behind win. DEBASISH BHADURI

Nandhakumar found the equaliser late in injury time in the second half to make it 2-2 and then scored the final goal in the tie-breaker to see his team through to

the final of the tournament after a break of 19 years. Spanish defender Michel Zabaco had put NEUFC ahead in the 22nd minute before Phalguni Singh dou-

bled the lead in the 57th minute.

East Bengal reduced the lead through Naorem Mahesh Singh after his shot was deflected by Sorais-

am Dinesh Singh into his own net in the 77th minute. Nandhakumar nodded home the equaliser in the seventh minute of added time the eight minutes added

as injury time. NorthEast United was down to 10 men in the 96th minute when Zabaco was sent off following his second booking of the match.

East Bengal used the numerical superiority to level the contest and take it to penalties.

East Bengal was on target in all its attempts (Cleiton Silva, Saul Crespo, Borja Herrera, Naorem Mahesh Singh and Nandhakumar) while Ibsen De Melo, Gani Ahmmed and Pragnay Gogoi scored for NEUFC and Parthib Gogoi missed.

AROUND THE CITY

MCC, Chennai clinches volleyball title for visually challenged
Madras Christian College, Chennai, won the inaugural volleyball event for the visually challenged in the 89th Bertram Memorial tournament. Rev. Louis Arockiaraj, principal and Rev. Jacob, director of sports and games inaugurated the tournament.



Nakul (JSCA u-19, 112 batting).



Shikhar (JSCA u-19, 113).

With TN having taken a 118-run first-innings lead, the home team will just need 101 runs on the final day to clinch the tie.

The scores: U-19: Jharkhand 114 & 281/4 in 90 overs (Nakul Yadav 112 batting, Shikhar Mohan 113) vs Tamil Nadu 426/9 decl. in 129 overs.

U-23: Jharkhand 176 & 218 in 81 overs (Pratik Bhagat 67, Himanshu Dwivedi 56, Manav Parakh 4/55) vs Tamil Nadu 294.

Cricket tournament

The DCAC-SMK Fomra Group inter-school T20 cricket tournament will be held from September 5-8 at SMK Fomra Sports Complex in Kelambakkam.

For details contact, Manimaran 80727 52064 or N.P. Balaji 94444 45999.

(Saravanan 19).

The final placings: 1. Madras Christian College, 2. Govt. Arts College, Nandanam, 3. Loyola College, Chennai, 4. Presidency College, Chennai and 5. Govt. B.Ed. College, Chennai.

reach 281 for four in its second innings at stumps against Tamil Nadu and get close to erasing the 312-run deficit here on Tuesday.

In the under-23 match, off-spinner Manav Parakh's four-wicket haul and medium-pacer C.V. Achyuth's three for 66 helped TN bowl out Jharkhand for 218 in the second innings.

Divya to replace Vaishali

Press Trust of India
KOLKATA

WGM M.R. Vaishali was on Tuesday ruled out of the upcoming Tata Steel Chess India championships, to be held in Kolkata from Thursday, due to unforeseen circumstances. She will be replaced by WGM Divya Deshmukh.

ENGAGEMENTS

General: 89th Bertram Memorial Tournaments, Loyola College, 6.30 a.m. & 4 p.m.

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Canara Bank PARAMAKUDI BRANCH

SALE NOTICE-for sale of Immovable Properties

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

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Reserve Price : Rs. 81,88,200/- (Rupees Eighty One Lakhs Eighty Eight Thousand Two Hundred only)
EMD : Rs. 8,18,820/- (Rupees Eight Lakhs Eighteen Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty only)

Auction Date : 15.09.2023.
Earnest Money Deposit on or before : 14.09.2023 up to 4.00 p.m

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "WHAT'S NEW-Properties Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or may contact Manager, **Canara Bank, Paramakudi**, Ph. No: 94890 46320 or Regional Office, **Thoothukudi Ph No: 0461-2310907** during office hours on any working day.
Date : 25.08.2023
Place : Paramakudi
Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU									
INDUSTRIES DEPARTMENT									
OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL DISTRICT REVENUE OFFICER (L.A)									
SIPCOT MANELLORE (PHASE-III)									
R.C.No. 224/2023/A1/SPL DRO/Tiruvallur		FORM -B		Date : 21.08.2023					
		(See rule -4)							
THE NOTICE UNDER SUB SECTION (2) OF SECTION 3 OF THE TAMIL NADU ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES ACT, 1997 (TAMILNADU ACT 10 OF 1999)									
Under sub-section (2) of section 3 of the Tamil Nadu Acquisition of Land for Industrial purposes, Act, 1997 (Tamil Nadu Act 10 of 1999), notice is hereby given that the lands specified in the schedule below and situated in No.14, Madarpakkam village, Gummidipoondi Taluk, Tiruvallur District are required for Industrial Purposes to wit, for the Industrial Park by SIPCOT. Concern land owners/interested persons in the lands are accordingly required to lodge before the Special District Revenue Officer (L.A), SIPCOT Manellore (Phase-III), No.26, Samarapuri Nagar, Kavaraipeitai within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, a statement in writing of their objections, if any to the acquisition of the said lands.									
Any objection /statement which is received after the date or which does not clearly explain the nature of the sender's interest in the land is liable to the summarily rejected.									
Objections received within the due date, if any will be enquired into on 04.10.2023 at 11.00 A.M in Taluk office, Gummidipoondi (1st Floor) when the objectors will be at liberty to appear in person or by a person authorized by him or them in this behalf or by a pleader and to adduce any oral or documentary evidence in support of their objections.									
Unit - 08		THE SCHEDULE				Block- 08			
DISTRICT : Tiruvallur		TALUK: Gummidipoondi				VILLAGE: 14. Madarpakkam			
Sl. No.	Survey No.	Total Extent (in Hectares)	Extent to be acquired (in Hectares)	Type of Land (Wet / Dry / Natham / Manavari)	Details of Structures in the lands to be acquired	Details of Trees/ Crops in the lands to be acquired	Patta No.	Details of Land owner/Interested Person	
1	251/1A	0.81.00	0.81.00	Dry	1)EB Post-4, 2)Motor Room -1, 3)Pipe Line , 4)Round well -1, 5)Wired Fencing with Stone Post-92, 6)Electrical Connection Board -1, 7) Pump set-1.	1)Neem Tree -5 2)Coconut Tree -37	3284	1)P.Swayamprabha W/o B.J.Guruvappa	
2	251/1B	0.09.80	0.09.80	Dry	1) Wired Fencing with Stone Post -5	1)Neem Tree -2, 2)Palm Tree - 1.	3280	1)Jayaramaiah S/o Obul Reddy	
3	251/1C	0.34.40	0.34.40	Dry	-	1)Neem Tree -5, 2)Eucalyptus Tree- 2.	3281	1)Ramakrishnaiah S/o Obul Reddy	
4	251/1D	0.33.80	0.33.80	Dry	-	1)Eucalyptus Tree -1	3279	1)Krishnaiah S/o Obul Reddy	
5	251/1E	0.42.00	0.42.00	Dry	1)E.B.Post-2	1)Teak Tree -6	3283	1)Subramaniyam S/o Obul Reddy	
6	251/2A	0.08.00	0.08.00	Manavari	Vacant Land	-	3279	1)Krishnaiah S/o Obul Reddy	
7	251/2B	0.19.40	0.19.40	Manavari	Vacant Land	-	3281	1)Ramakrishnaiah S/o Obul Reddy	
8	251/2C	0.13.90	0.13.90	Manavari	-	1)Palm Tree -1	3283	1)Subramaniyam S/o Obul Reddy	
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10	251/2E	0.19.80	0.19.80	Manavari	Vacant Land	-	3282	1)Subramani S/o Govindasami 2)Murali S/o Govindasami	
11	251/3A	1.62.50	1.62.50	Dry	1) Borewell-3, 2) Electrical Connection Board - 3, 3)Round well -1 4) Over Head water tank-1, 5) Wired Fencing with Stone Post-124, 6) RCC Building (Memorial) - 1, 7)Farm House - 1, 8)Swimming Pool - 1	1) Mango Tree -120, 2) Lemon plant-5, 3) Neem Tree-28, 4) Sapota Tree-3, 5) Jackfruit Tree-4, 6)Sweet lemon Plant-2, 7) Kamala Orange Plant-2, 8) Eucalyptus Tree-4, 9) Nuna Tree-1, 10)Guava Plant-8, 11) Amla Tree -3, 12) Coconut Tree -4, 13) Arecanut Tree -3 14)Show Tree -3, 15) Kattu Tree -10.	3213	1)Vathana W/o Parnapas 2)Lakshmi W/o Darmalingam	
12	251/3B	0.02.80	0.02.80	Dry				1) Wired Fencing with Stone Post-9, 2)Wired Fencing with Cement post-9, 1)Neem Tree -3, 2)Mango Tree -2.	
13	251/3C	0.02.00	0.02.00	Dry				1) Wired Fencing with Stone Post -5, 2)Wired Fencing with Cement post-5. 1)Eucalyptus Tree -3 2)Mango Tree -5.	
14	251/3D	0.02.00	0.02.00	Dry				1) Wired Fencing with Stone Post -3, 2) Wired Fencing with Cement post-3. 1)Eucalyptus Tree -4, 2)Mango Tree -1.	
15	251/3E	0.05.20	0.05.20	Dry				1) Round well -1 2) Wired Fencing with Stone Post-13, 3) Wired Fencing with Cement post-13. 1)Eucalyptus Tree -7, 2)Mango Tree -4, 3)Neem Tree -6.	
16	251/3F	0.01.50	0.01.50	Dry				Eucalyptus Tree -2	
17	251/5A	0.09.30	0.09.30	Dry				1)Palm Tree - 1 2)Mango Tree - 1	
18	251/5B	0.09.20	0.09.20	Dry				Vacant Land	
19	252	2.51.00	2.51.00	Dry				1)Drip Irrigation Pipe-2294 m, 1)Mango Tree -864, 2)Mango Plant -755, 3)Rose Wood Tree-195, 4)Rose Wood Plant -14.	
20	253/1	0.25.00	0.25.00	Dry				1) Electrical Connection Board - 1, 2) Borewell-1, 1)Palm Tree -4, 2)Kattu Tree -5 3)Mango Tree -18 4)Coconut Tree -4	
21	253/2	2.02.50	2.02.50	Dry				1)EB Post-4, 2) Ruined motor room-1, 1)Neem Tree -23, 2)Palm Tree -2, 3)Katta Tree -4, 4)Eucalyptus Tree -13 5)Kattu Tree -10, 6)Mango Tree -145, 7)Coconut Tree -14, 8)Coconut Plant -1, 9)Jamun Tree -1.	
22	253/3A	1.19.00	1.19.00	Dry				1)Rest room-1, 2) Sami Peedam-1, 3)Roof top Restaurant -1 4) Roof Stock Room -1 5) Kitchen -1 6) G.I.Sheet House-3, 7) Swimming pool -2 8) R.O. Machine -2 9) Electrical Connection Board -4 10) Septic tank-3 11) Water tank-3, 12) Round well-1, 13) Wired fencing with Cement Post-59, 14) Compound Wall - 1, 15)EB Post-4 16) Iron Gate -1, 17) Road -992 sq.mts 18)Bulket Light -18 19) Statues -9 20) Borewell-1, 21) G.I.Sheet Office Room-1. 1)Teak Tree -43. 2) Rose Wood Tree-7 3) Rose Wood Plant-2 4)Teak Plant -6 5)Jamun Tree -5 6)Palm Tree -2 7) Cashew Tree -1, 8) Neem Tree -8, 9)Mango Tree - 160, 10) Coconut Tree -1 11)Custard Apple Plant -1 12)Jamun Plant -2 13) Eucalyptus Plant -1 14)Sapota Tree -1 15)) Neem Plant -6 16)Kattu Plant -2 17)Kattu Tree -4 18) Custard AppleTree-2 19)Show Plant -50	
23	253/3B	0.80.70	0.80.70.	Dry				1) Poultry Farm- 1, 2) Wired Fencing with Cement Post - 42 3)Compound wall - 1, 1)Kattu Tree -19 2)Jamun Tree -1 3)Neem Tree -13 4)Bamboo tree -150 5)Mango Tree -60 6)Neem Plant -16 7)Teak Plant -12 8)Teak Tree-45 9)Kattu Plant -7 10)Eucalyptus Tree-1	
24	253/3C	0.02.80	0.02.80	Dry				1) Toilet -1, 2)Septic tank-1, 1)Teak Tree -6, 2)Teak Plant -1, 3)Neem Tree -2, 4)Neem Plant -3, 5)Kattu Tree -1, 6)Jamun Tree -1, 7)Show Plant -1, 8)Fig Tree -1.	
TOTAL		11.46.00	11.46.00						
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AROUND THE CITY

MCC, Chennai clinches volleyball title for visually challenged

Madras Christian College, Chennai, won the inaugural volleyball event for the visually challenged in the 89th Bertram Memorial tournament. Rev. Louis Arockiaraj, principal and Rev. Jacob, director of sports and games inaugurated the tournament.

In the basketball event, Loyola Yellows pipped RKM Vivekananda College 64-62 in the second-round league match.

Basketball results: D.G. Vaishanav 45 (Manojkumar 10) bt Hindustan 28; St. Joseph's, Tiruchi 54 (Rajesh 17) bt Sacred Heart 32; Kumaraguru 50 (Mohit 10) bt Licet 11; Loyola Yellows, Chennai 64 (Inabaraj 18) bt Vivekanandha, Chennai 62



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(Saravanan 19).

The final placings: 1. Madras Christian College, 2. Govt. Arts College, Nandanam, 3. Loyola College, Chennai, 4. Presidency College, Chennai and 5. Govt. B.Ed. College, Chennai.

Nakul, Shikhar help Jharkhand fight back
Centuries from Nakul Yadav (112 batting, 267b, 16x4) and Shikhar Mohan (113, 192b, 15x4, 1x6) helped Jharkhand (u-19)



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reach 281 for four in its second innings at stumps against Tamil Nadu and get close to erasing the 312-run deficit here on Tuesday.

In the under-23 match, off-spinner Manav Parakh's four-wicket haul and medium-pacer C.V. Achyuth's three for 66 helped TN bowl out Jharkhand for 218 in the second innings.

With TN having taken a 118-run first-innings lead, the home team will just need 101 runs on the final day to clinch the tie.

The scores: U-19: Jharkhand 114 & 281/4 in 90 overs (Nakul Yadav 112 batting, Shikhar Mohan 113) vs Tamil Nadu 426/9 decl. in 129 overs.

U-23: Jharkhand 176 & 218 in 81 overs (Pratik Bhagat 67, Himanshu Dwivedi 56, Manav Parakh 4/55) vs Tamil Nadu 294.

Cricket tournament

The DCAC-SMK Fomra Group inter-school T20 cricket tournament will be held from September 5-8 at SMK Fomra Sports Complex in Kelambakkam.

For details contact, Manimaran 80727 52064 or N.P. Balaji 94444 45999.

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Ys contest lives up to its billing

to deny the former title holder a win by scoring twice in eight minutes as Gurjinder and
semifinal berth; Hockey Karnataka prevails over Indian Navy

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Thursday to ensure that it joins PNB in the last four. CAG (seven from four) will wait and watch.

A spectacle

The tie involving Karnataka and Indian Navy was a spectacle with both playing entertaining hockey with speed being the common feature. In sharp contrast, the PNB-HUTN match was an eyesore as the teams' lacked imagination. As a host, HUTN was a huge disappointment collecting just one point from four matches.

The results: PNB 2 (Sanjay, Jenjen Singh) bt HUTN 0; Hockey Karnataka 2 (Bharath Kurtakoti, Chelsea Medappa) bt Indian Navy 1 (Sunny Malik).

IOC 4 (Ankit Pal, Talwinder Singh, Gurjinder Singh, Roshan Minz) drew with Indian Railways 4 (Pratap Lakra, Gursahibjit Singh, Yuvraj Walmiki, Atuldeep).



Saviour: Roshan Minz saved the blushes for IOC against Railways Sports Promotion Board. M. VEDHAN

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LIVE TELECAST

Asia Cup: Star Sports 1 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 3 p.m.

Diamond League: Shanghai Meeting, Sports 18-1 (SD & HD) & Jio Cinema App, 4.30 p.m.

LaLiga: Sports 18-1 (SD & HD) & Jio Cinema App, 5.30, 7.45, 10 p.m. & 12.30 a.m. (Sunday)

Formula One: Italian GP (Qualifying), F1 TV & F1 TV Pro App, 6.30 p.m.

Bundesliga: Sony Sports Ten 2 (SD & HD) & LIV, 7 & 10 p.m.

England Women vs Sri Lanka Women: 2nd T20I, Sony Sports Ten 1 (SD & HD) & LIV, 7 p.m.

Premier League: SS Select 1 (SD & HD) & Hotstar, 7.30 & 10 p.m.

US Open: Sony Sports Ten 2, 5 (SD & HD) & LIV, 8.30 p.m. & 4.30 a.m. (Sunday)

Serie A: Sports 18-1 (SD & HD) & Jio Cinema App, 10 p.m. & 12.30 a.m. (Sunday)

AROUND THE CITY



Shining bright: Loyola Whites pipped MCC in an exciting final.

Kavyashree and Ananya move into last four

B. Kavyashree (Tower Club) and M. Ananya (Chennai Achievers) entered the semifinals of the under-19 girls' section in the fifth Sairam-TNTTA State-ranking table tennis

tournament at Sri Sairam Engineering College.

The results (quarterfinals):

Girls: Under-19: A. Shriya bt N. Sharvani 11-6, 11-9, 10-12, 9-11, 11-2; V. Dharshini bt V.S. Nehal 7-11, 11-7, 11-9, 10-12, 11-9; M. Ananya bt S. Nalene Amrutha 11-6, 3-11, 7-11, 11-4, 11-9; B.

Kavyashree bt N.B. Thanuja 11-8, 11-5, 11-6.

Vasudevan-Raj Kanoi duo finishes on top

M.J.R. Vasudevan & Raj Kanoi finished first with 66.05% in the TTK-TNBA open bridge tournament.

INBRIEF



Sports Minister Thakur felicitates Pragganandhaa

Buoyed by his World Cup silver medal, GM R. Pragganandhaa is confident of Indian team's chances of winning gold at the upcoming Asian Games in Hangzhou. The 18-year-old, who became the youngest silver medallist at the FIDE World Cup last week, was felicitated by Sports Minister Anurag Thakur at his residence on Friday.

Birthday boy Sainz fastest in second Monza practice

Ferrari's Carlos Sainz celebrated his 29th birthday with the fastest lap in practice for the Italian Grand Prix on Friday. The Spaniard lapped Monza's 'Temple of Speed' with a best time of one minute 21.355 seconds with McLaren's Lando Norris second in a second session that was twice red-flagged. Red Bull's Max Verstappen was top of the first session, in 1:22.657, ahead of a weekend that could secure him a record 10th win in a row.

M. Ashwin decides to move to Chandigarh this season

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CRICKET

S. Dipak Ragav
CHENNAI

Tamil Nadu leg-spinner M. Ashwin will play for Chandigarh in the upcoming domestic season (2023-24).

The 32-year-old leg-spinner, primarily seen as a white-ball bowler, is the leading wicket-taker for Tamil Nadu in the Syed Mushtaq Ali T20 tournament with 55 scalps in 50 matches (economy rate: 6.75).

However, with TN having a quality spin attack with left-arm spinners R. Sai Kishore and M. Siddharth in its ranks, Ashwin has not been a regular in the XI in the last few seasons. He figured in only three games in last year's Mushtaq Ali tournament.

Speaking to *The Hindu*, Ashwin said, "The reason for the move is that I want



Time for a shift: Ashwin, who created a buzz at the 2016 IPL auction, will be keen to do well for Chandigarh. IPL/SPORTSPICS

to play all three formats. I want to concentrate on my white-ball game and need more matches to be in the best possible rhythm for the IPL next year."

Rajasthan Royals had picked Ashwin at his base price of ₹20 lakh last year.



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new challenge. Chandigarh has a very good white-ball team and I feel I can add value to the side as it doesn't have a leg-spinner," said Ashwin.

Buchi Babu semifinals
TNCA XI will take on MPCA in the semifinals of the Buchi Babu tournament at the NPR College grounds in Dindigul from Saturday.

R. Sai Kishore, Washington Sundar, Tushar Raheja, A. Badrinath and G. Govind have joined the TNCA squad for the last-four clash.

Delhi takes on Chhattisgarh at the Salem Cricket Foundation ground in the other semifinal.

Indian Railways will be the team to beat

HOCKEY

K. Keerthivasan
CHENNAI

Gleaning the performance from the group (A & B) matches, one might come to the conclusion that Indian Railways would be the team to beat when the semifinals of the 94th MCC-Murugappa Gold Cup All-India hockey tournament begin here on Saturday.

Yes, the former champion has played really well,

not losing a match in its group (A). Railways also has scored the most number of goals (18) of the four teams.

However, in a knockout game, anything is possible. One bad day, and the team is out like how the defending champion IOC found out the hard way.

Railways will definitely have an upper-hand against Punjab National Bank (PNB), which hasn't been impressive.

On the other hand, the Army-Karnataka semifinal promises a lot.

ENGAGEMENTS

Hockey: 94th MCC-Murugappa Gold Cup, semifinals, Indian Railways vs PNB (4 p.m.); Indian Army vs Hockey Karnataka (6 p.m.), SDAT-Mayor Radhakrishnan Stadium.

Cricket: TNCA league, III 'A', Prem vs Aruna (Jones Krish turf); KMC vs Nungambakkam CC (TI-Murugappa), 9 a.m.; IV 'A', Social vs BRC (SMK Fomra College 'B'); Prithvi vs Fox Trotters (Wahe Guru 'A'); Bharath Petroleum vs Venkat CC (University Union); Purasawalkam vs Sounder (Venkateswara College); TSR MSC vs CCL (St.

Bede's 'B'); Sir Theagaraya vs Kamyuth Club (Magna College 'A'); V 'C', Milkyway CC vs Saidapet Gymkhana (Sumangali Homes); Chennai Port Sports Council vs Magnet CC (Tagore college); Eagle CC vs Amar CC (Engineering College); Madras Emmanuel vs Lusu-radj CC (Alstom 'A'), 9.30 a.m. KCCA league, Zone A, Sun CC vs Athiyur CC (7.30 a.m.); Zone C, Vardharaja Perumal CC vs Vijay CC (12.30 p.m.), Gundu Kulam; GRYT U-14 inter-school (Kabilan cricket academy ground, Perumbakkam), 12.30 p.m.

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CELEBRATION

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Due to the overnight rains, the matches were shifted to the Hard Courts at the SDAT Tennis Stadium, Nungambakkam.

Important results: Boys:
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Reddy Anugonda bt Samira Malik 7-6(5), 6-3.

M.O.P. wins four titles

M.O.P. Vaishnav College for Women bagged the tennis, chess, ball badminton, and volleyball titles at the WCC Trophy tournament 2023 held at the Women's Christian College (WCC).

ENGAGEMENTS

General: 89th Bertram Memorial tournaments, Loyola College, 7 a.m.

Golf: India Cements Pro Championship, Cosmo-TNGF course, Nandanam, 8 a.m.

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