

REPORT OF SPORTS AND GAMES

We at Loyola College believe in pursuing the art of perfection, the sports department is a standing example to this fact as we have not rested on our past laurels but have grown stronger over time. At this esteemed institution, we believe in all round development of students and hence, apart from our success stories in the field of education, the college provides encouragement and support to sports in a big way. With this unconditional support, the sports department went on to bring glory to the college in all disciplines of sports. The department has evolved into a team which is committed to producing athletes of very high standards, some of whom are competing at the national and international levels.

Achievements in the international arena:

During the past year we have witnessed a surge in the number of sportsmen who have successfully carried the flag of Loyola to the world stage. Loyola is slowly but surely making a name for itself outside the country. In the field of athletics Balamurgan of 2nd BA Economics represented Junior India and won the gold medal in the 110 meters hurdles at the junior SAF games. C. Arivoli 2nd B.A. History also represented the country at the junior SAF games and won the silver medal in javelin throw. In football Pradeep Kumar of 3rd B.A. History represented junior India for the tournaments in France and Germany. In chess V.Vishnu. Prasanna of 2nd B.com won numerous accolades at the international stage, to name a few he won the International FIDE rated chess championship in Cochin and he achieved international master norm in the Asian junior chess championship. He has qualified to represent India in the upcoming world junior championship. In Cricket N.Einstein of 1st year B.A. Sociology has been selected as part of the India under - 19 squad which is currently playing the World cup in Malaysia. Thalaivan Sargunam, J.Stephen, K.Anand and I.K.Rohit represented Madras University in the tournament held in Malaysia against their national side

and emerged victorious. Kabaddi – Siva Thalil III B.Sc. mathematics Student represented Junior Indian team.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN EACH DISCIPLINE

Athletics:

They emerged winners in all the events and meets that were held at the state and national level. The athletes have always been in the forefront of Loyola's dominance in the field of sports. With the help of the respective coaches, they have managed to reach very high standards and carved a niche for themselves. The college team lifted the Shri. A. L. Mudaliar Athletic Championship shield by trouncing it's closest competitors by a huge margin. The college athletes bagged the gold in all events sparing one; clearly showcasing the standard of our athletes. It also lifted the St. Josephs College South India Championship Trophy. To add a feather to its cap, the team won the Madras University shield and 18 of our athletes represented the university for the inter university championships held at Chidambaram. The Madras University emerged triumphant at this meet, winning after a span of 15 years. This was possible largely due to the contribution of our athletes who managed to win 6 gold medals, namely

1. Vijay kumar (gold in 100 and 200 mtrs and also set a new record of 10.4sec in the 100 mtrs. he also went on to win the best individual athlete of the meet)
2. Suresh Babu
3. Gouthaman
4. Vijay kumar (were part of the 4*100 team that secured gold at the meet)
5. Premanand (bronze in 400mtrs)

Ezhil, Suresh babu, Ramdoss and Deepak Rathina were few of the star athletes for the college.

Table Tennis:

The Table tennis team has made it a habit of winning every tournament that is held in its discipline. It has made a clean sweep of all the 11 tournaments held in south India. R.Abishek represented India in the tt junior and senior international event and also clinched a silver medal for the state at the recently concluded national games

Tennis:

Tennis was another discipline in which the college team managed to win every trophy in its sight. It took home all 5 trophies that were up for grabs during the season. 3 players from the college represented the madras university team and Vijay sundar prashanth bagged the gold at the all India inter university meet.

Kabaddi:

The college kabaddi team won the prestigious madras university tourney for the first time since its inception. 4 players went on to represent the madras university. It is a team which is at a nascent stage in terms of its growth.

Cricket:

The team was triumphant in three tournaments and were the runners up in two of the tournaments. It lifted the Gurunanak trophy, university A- zone cup and the all India Dharbamba trophy. A Special mention is to be made of K.Anand who was the captain and vice captain of the Madras university and South zone Vizzy trophy teams respectively. The following students represented the state and university teams at various categories.

1. N.Einstein (subbiah pillai inter state)

2. E.Ashwin (Tamil nadu u-25 , u-22)
3. Kaushik Gandhi (TN u-19)
4. Gary Duminel (TN u -19)
5. Prashanth Verma (TN u -19)
6. K.Anand (Madras University and south zone vizzy trophy)
7. M.Prabhu (Madras University and south zone vizzy trophy)
8. Gowjith Subash (Madras University)
9. Lakshman Narayanan (Madras University)

Hockey:

The current hockey team is an extremely young unit which exudes confidence that is at levels way past their age. It has a pool of talented players who will not go unnoticed in time to come. The team won 3 tournaments during the past year. It also won the Chennai district first division hockey shield which was the first of its kind in the history of the college. 8 players represented the madras university and were the winners at the all India event. Raja was awarded the player of the tournament and he was instrumental in helping the university claim the title.

Football:

The Footballers have also been a winning team in it's own right .The full strength side lifted 6 trophies and have managed to maintain an undefeated run in all their matches. The junior team were the runners in the 2 tournaments it participated in. 6 players were the key members of the madras university team which were the runners at the All India Tourney. Regin was adjudged the player of the tournament. 8 players were part of the state youth side.

Squash

Girish Kishore Sawlani and Arnish Oberoi are doing the college proud in the squash circuit. Girish Kishore entered the quarterfinals in the junior nationals and the semifinals in the Otters Open, Mumbai as well as the Karnataka open. Arnish entered the quarterfinals of the junior national as well.

Rowing

Rowing has begun to gain momentum with 9 of our rowers having represented the Madras University.

The sportsmen of the department have once again done the college proud and with every passing year, we aim to reach closer to sporting excellence. Their efforts have not gone in vain as the college has always recognized them as invaluable assets and an integral part of this premier institute. 30 Sportspersons were appointed in various government organizations. All this would not have been possible without the support and leadership of Rev.Fr.K.Amal, SJ, Rector, Rev.Dr.S.Peter Xavier, SJ, Secretary, Rev. Fr. A. Alber Muthumalai, SJ, Principal and Rev.Fr. Lawrence Amalraj, SJ., President, Sports & Games. We owe our success largely to the unparallel support rendered by the dynamic Prof. Vijay Kumar, our Physical Director and Mr. Senthil Kumar, the Assistant Director, along with their team of dedicated coaches and support staff. MAY THE BRIGHT SUN CONTINUE TO SHINE UPON THE SUCCESS OF OUR PRESTIGIOUS INSTITUTION. THANK YOU !

College Activities:

Sports day Shift -I (29-02-08)

Chief guest of the day **Thiru. T.Rajendran,IPS** Inspector General of Police, Training, Police Training College, Chennai.

- First Division Individual Championship won by-Mr. Srithar (Dept of Sociology).
- First Division Second Individual Championship won by Mr. Suresh (Dept of History).
- Second Division Individual Championship won by Mr.Azahagarasu (Dept of Maths).
- Second Division Individual Championship won by Mr. Sridhar (Dept of Maths).
- Annual Team Championship Rev.Fr.Gordon S.J Memorial Trophy won by ECONOMICS.
- Annual Athletic Team Championship Rev.Fr.Jerome D'Souza Trophy won by SOCOLOGY.

Sports day Shift -II (01-03-08)

Chief Guest of the day, **Thiru M.Rajendran, IAS**, Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu.

- Best Staff-Incharge Prof.J. JERALD INICO - Dept of Computer Science
- Best Department Captain Mr. Gladius Gilbert - Dept of Economics.
- March Past Trophy winners of Rev.Fr.E.Charoies S.J Memorial Trophy- Computer Science.
- Individual Championship won by DEEPAK RATHINA.
- Individual II Division Championship won by **Dominic**.
- Inter Departmental Team Championship for Rev.Fr.C.Fareau S.J. Memorial Trophy won by COMPUTER SCIENCE.

- Annual Athletic meet – 2007 Championship won by COMPUTER SCIENCE.

Rev. Fr. Murphy S.J. Memorial Football Tournament (South India level);

(Tournament Date 15-02-08 to 22-02-08).

- Loyola College won the Trophy
- Number of participant teams - 40
- Out coming teams (Andhra, Karnataka and Kerala) - 5

Rev. Fr. Francis S.J. Memorial Hockey Tournament (South India level);

(Tournament Date 07-02-08 to 12-02-08).

- Loyola College won the Trophy
- Number of participant teams - 25
- Out coming teams(Karnataka and Kerala) - 5