

SCC Akhnoor beats Sunderbani XI, levels U-14 Cricket Series by 1-1

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AKHNOOR: Singh Cricket Club Akhnoor outplayed Sunderbani Cricket Club by 21 runs in the ongoing U-14 Cricket Series being organized by Singh Cricket Club Akhnoor at Government Higher Secondary School Akhnoor.

The U-14 Cricket Series is being organized under the overall supervision of Sham Singh Langeh, President Singh Cricket Club Akhnoor. Batting first after winning the toss, Singh Cricket Club was bunted out for 130 in 28.3 overs. Amarjeet Singh was the top scorer with 30 runs while Akash Singh and Arun Kumar contributed 23 and 21 runs respectively.

For Sunderbani Club, Ayush claimed six wickets while Piyush, Rahul, Lakshit and Ridham took one each.

In reply, Sunderbani Club failed to chase the target and was managed to score only 109 for the loss of ten wickets in 32.2 overs, Mayank with



Participating teams posing for a photograph with dignitaries.

(22), Ridham (17) and Rahul (16) runs were the main scorers. For Singh Cricket Club, Arun Kumar scalped four wickets while Mayank and Raghav took two each and Ritish and Vedant claimed one each. With this win, Singh Cricket Club leveled the series by 1-1.

Arun Kumar was judged Man of the Match while Ayush was declared as best bowler.

The match was officiated by Nikhil Jamwal and Sushil Gupta as umpires and Rahul Gupta as scorer.

In today's match, SSP

Mohan Lal Bhagat, Dy. Director (Indoor) SKPA Udhampur was the Chief Guest, who congratulated the winning and runners-up teams. He appreciated the Organizing Committee and other partner agencies for the successful conduct of the mega event. He also thanked the media fraternity for covering the event with wide publicity. He said the excitement and response shown by the players from Sunderbani XI and SCC Akhnoor in the event is appreciable.

SSP stated that drugs had

caused a huge loss to the youth of J&K. It has also resulted in the loss of life on a large scale. He further appealed to all to lure youths towards sports and to make aware to stay away from drugs. He appealed to youth to make sports part of their everyday life to remain fit. Others present were Deepak Sharma, Rajinder Sharma, Chander Kiran, Mannu, Raman Sharma, Shiv Prakash, Parveen Kumar, Shavan Mehta, Suresh Gupta, Deepak Mangotra and Binny Kesar.

Volleyball tourney held across 3 blocks

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KISHTWAR: Three blocks of District Kishtwar have enrolled for organizing the Inter Panchayat Block Level tournaments by involving 17 Panchayat teams.

The matches were held at Inderwal-A, Chingam A, Chingam-C, Lower Chatroo A, Lower Chatroo B, Upper Chatroo, Inderwal, Karool A, Karool B, Karool, Ghan, Binoon, Nami, Patnazi, Jawalapur, Tipri, Mori.

Dr. Shamus Din Ali, Sarpanch of Panchayat Jawalapur; Nisha Billoria Sarpanch of Panchayat Karool-A and Bashir Ahmed Sarpanch of Panchayat Rahalthal inaugurated the functions at HSS Binoon, HSS Mughal Maidhan and GHS Saarthal, respectively.

As per the block incharges, the matches were conducted in a well disciplined manner and as per the rules and regulations. DYSSO Kishtwar, Kharati Lal Sharma appreciated the role of sports employees for engaging the youths in this chilly weather at far-flung areas.

Samba Fencing meet concludes

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SAMBA: The 12th Samba District Fencing Championship, organised by District Fencing Association under the aegis of adhoc committee of the J&K Amateur Fencing Association, concluded at VVM Higher Secondary School, Nonath Ghagwal, here today.

In the closing function, BDC Chairman, Suresh Kumar was the chief guest, who along with other guests presented medals to the winners of different events.

Vijay Targotra, BDC Chairman; Gopal Dass Sharma, BDC Chairman; Rakesh Sharma, SHO Ghagwal and Shashi Sharma, Principal VVM Higher Secondary School, Nonath were guests of honour.

The competition officiated by the technical panel comprising Akash Sharma, Vivek Sharma, Abishek Pangotra and Rahul Sharma.

Result



Medal winner Fencers posing with officials.

GIRLS U-14 Foil: Nandani Devi, gold, Aakshi Devi, silver and Nandini Devi and Bumika Sharma, joint bronze. Epee: Ridhima Jasrotia, gold, Ridhima Groach, silver and Anmol Jasrotia and Riya Sharma, joint bronze. U-19 Epee: Mehul Rajput, gold, Anisha Verma, silver and Nitika Sharma and Krishina Sharma, joint bronze.

BOYS U-14 Foil: Ayush Sambyal, gold, Aniket Khajuria, silver and Keshav Sharma and Sujal Singh, joint bronze. Sabre: Bhanu Sharma, gold, Manik Sharma, silver and

Parun Changotra and Hanish Sharma, joint bronze. U-17 Epee: Akshat Verma, gold, Sunil Singh, silver and Sharawan Singh and Gourav Singh, joint bronze. Sabre: Dharuv Chandel, gold, Pancham Sharma, silver and Surya Partap Singh and Deepak Choudhary, joint bronze. U-19 Epee: Vivek Shoetra, gold, Vansih Bhagat, silver and Akshit Sharma and Vishal Lalotra, joint bronze. Open Foil: Mangal Singh, gold, Dikshant Sharma, silver and Manjeet Singh and Ritish Sharma, joint bronze.

Young Poonch players get Hockey sticks

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POONCH: Young Hockey players belong to twin prominent clubs of Sham Lal Hockey Club and Power House Hockey Club presented hockey sticks and stick covers at Sports Stadium, here today.

Earlier, young teams of these two clubs played an exhibition match to showcase their talent and skills to the visiting guests.

The sports material, sponsored by Sham Lal Hockey Club, presented to the players by chief guest on the occasion, BJP Mahila Morcha secretary, Shaweta Sharma, who is wife of former MLC, Pardeep Sharma amidst interaction with the teams.

Speaking to the gathering,



BJP Mahila Morcha Secretary, Shaweta Sharma distributing Hockey sticks.

the chief guest, lauded the efforts of Sham Lal Sharma Hockey Club SAI Hockey for promotion the game of Hockey in the district, especially among women.

She was all praise for the Club for channelizing the energies of the youth.

Mohinder Bali, general secretary Kreeda Bharti Poonch was guest of honour.

Among others present were Nirdosh Kumar (Incharge Manager Sports Stadium Pooch), Narjeet Singh (Retd ZPEO), Mushtaq Ahmed (Boxing Coach), Ravinder Singh, Harnik Singh, Dilip Luthra, Pankaj Sharma and Amardev Singh.

Also present were Mukesh Kumar and Navjot Singh, both hockey coaches.

10th Police Martyr's Memorial T-20 Tournament SPJ Gurgaon beats GSI Srinagar by 7 wkts



Chief Guest presenting Man of the Match award.

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KATHUA: SPJ Gurgaon defeated GSI Srinagar by seven wickets in Group D in the ongoing 10th Police Martyr's memorial North Zone T-20 Cricket Championship 2021 being organized by Jammu and Kashmir Police at Sports Stadium Kathua.

Earlier, SPJ Gurgaon won the toss and elected to field first. GSI Kashmir, batting first, scored 90 runs for the loss of ten wickets in 18.5 overs. Shiv Dutt was the top scorer with 23 runs while Gourav made 22.

In reply, SPJ Gurgaon easily chased the target

making 91 runs in 13 overs for the loss of three wickets.

Ankush Nagar played a fine inning of 42 runs off 22 balls studded with four boundaries and two sixes while Shivam Singh scored 23 runs.

For his match winning knock, Ankush Nagar was declared as Man of the Match. He also claimed five wickets in his three overs bowling spell by giving 19 runs.

J&K U-17 boys enter final of Roll Ball Nationals

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SAMBA: The under-17 Boys team of J&K on Thursday qualified for the finals of the Roll Ball National Championship being held in Jaipur in Rajasthan.

Earlier, in the qualifying league round of the competition, J&K defeated Chandigarh and Haryana and then trounced Maharashtra to reach final.

Samarth Gupta, Rouvin Koul and Bharat Raj scored one goal each to beat Haryana by 3-2. Goalkeepers, Taransh Gupta and Atharv Jandial with their exceptional skills performed well to help the team make it to the title contest.

Secretary of the J&K Rollball Association, Madhu Sharma appreciated the efforts of the team and coach, Suresh Kumar.

Rajouri to host New Year Volleyball Cup from Jan 3

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RAJOURI: Choudhary Volleyball Club Rajouri shall host the second edition of Open New Year Volleyball Cup 2022, under the banner of Volleyball Association of J&K, at Sports Stadium, here from January three. Those interested clubs have been advised to confirm their entries before or on January one along with an entry fee of Rs 2000.

The winner of the event shall receive Rs. 21000 and trophy while runners-up to get Rs 11000. For any query, teams can contact the organisers (9697254747, 8082714252, 9858546043, 9018324933 and 9419675061).

Students of DPS Jammu excel in TATA Building India School Essay Competition 2021



Winner students posing for a photograph with faculty members.

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JAMMU: Students of Delhi Public School (DPS) Jammu brought laurels to the school and their parents by excelling in 'Tata Building India School Essay Competition-2021' organized by Tata Group held virtually on March 29, 2021.

The result of the essay writing competition was declared recently on December 24, 2021.

The students also received E-Certificates and E-Medals. A total number of 250 students from class-

es VI to XII took part displayed their writing skills on the theme "Clean and Healthy India."

Out of 80 students in the senior category, Samridhi Singh got first position while Pranni Gupta secured second position and Mudita Gupta clinched third position. Besides in junior category, out of 170 students, Charvi Gupta secured first position while Akshay Gupta won second position and Avikshita Sharma clinched third position.

Principal DPS Jammu,

Ruchi Chhabra appreciated the students for their zeal even during pandemic and urged them to never stop learning as life never stops teaching and help to build a great India contemporaneously. She also congratulated the teachers Incharge, Anchal Gupta, Rupali Sharma and Tanzeel.

President RCT, Ajatshatru Singh, Pro Vice Chairperson, Ritu Singh and Director, S.S Sodhi extended their best wishes to the winners, participants and their parents.

Court awards two-yr RI in accidental death case

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JAMMU: Observing that 'a deterrent punishment is required in road accident cases', CJM Pulwama Sandeep Gandotra has awarded two years rigorous imprisonment to a car driver in an accidental death case.

As per the case, on October 22, 2013 at approximately 17:50 hours, information from reliable sources was received at Police Station Pulwama to the effect that an Alto car bearing registration No. DL5CC-5694, being driven by one Zakir Ashraf Bhat, son of Mohammad Ashraf Bhat, resident of Gaberpora, on way from Pulwama towards Gaberpora, when reached near Arigam, hit a pedestrian namely Mohammad Qasim, son of Abdul Aziz, resident of Arigam, Pulwama and

injured him, as the driver lost control over the vehicle. Locals picked up the injured and shifted him to Pulwama hospital for medical treatment where he succumbed. During investigation, it was proved that accident happened due to fast, rash and negligent driving.

CJM Pulwama Sandeep Gandotra, after hearing both sides, observed that the accused is not entitled to benefit of probation because a precious human life has been lost and a custodial sentence is required to be imposed on accused to meet ends of justice. "For aforesaid reasons, accused Zakir Ashraf, son of Mohammad Ashraf Bhat, resident of Gaberpora, Pulwama is convicted for offences under sections 279, 304-A and 426 RPC. The accused is sentenced to rigorous

imprisonment for two years and a fine of Rs 5,000 for the commission of offence under section 304-A of RPC; rigorous imprisonment for three months and a fine of Rs 1,000 for commission of offence under section 279 of RPC & rigorous imprisonment for one month and a fine of Rs 500 for commission of offence under section 426 of RPC. In default of the payment of fine, the accused shall further undergo imprisonment for 3 months and in default of payment of fine for offence under section 279 of RPC, accused shall further undergo imprisonment for 15 days. In default of payment of fine for offence under section 426 of RPC, the accused shall further undergo imprisonment for 7 days and all sentences shall run concurrently," the Court directed.

NCP to contest elections for welfare of people: Dheeraj

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JAMMU: Nationalist Congress Party (NCP) is not keen on attaining power in J&K but is always concerned with overall development in J&K besides prosperity & welfare of people and shall contest J&K elections only and only welfare of people. It was stated by NCP Youth National President Dheeraj Sharma while addressing media persons at Press Club, Jammu on Thursday. Expressing concern over high inflation, Dheeraj Sharma said that common people are living a miserable life due to huge rise in prices of essentials.

Addressing media, National Joint Secretary and Spokesperson Youth, Rishi Kilam said that time has come to empower Kashmiri Pandits with



National NCP Youth President, Dheeraj Sharma addressing a press conference.

socio-economic and political benefits.

He urged concerned authorities to resolve all genuine issues of KP community. Kamal Gupta, JKUT NCP President said that the delimitation commission should recommend reservation of Assembly and Lok Sabha seats for exiled KP community as well as Sikhs.

He further said that people are looking forward for development and employ-

ment, which is lacking in present scenario.

R S Billoheria General Secretary J&K NCP and T K Kaul Senior Vice President NCP also spoke on the occasion. Others present included Bharat Kumar Vice President Youth and S C Morecha Incharge, Mashqur Ahmed Bhat Media Incharge and Vice President Youth, Ravi Kumar, Ashok Singh, Vijay Kumar and Ranjit Singh.

GDC Kunjwani NSS unit holds water bodies' cleanliness drive



Students along with faculty members cleaning river.

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JAMMU: The NSS Unit of Government Degree College (GDC) Kunjwani, Sainik Colony Jammu on Thursday organised water bodies' cleanliness drive under the aegis of 'Clean India Programme'.

A handout issued said that during the cleanliness drive, the NSS volunteers under the guidance of NSS PO Dr Manjeet Singh and senior faculty Prof. Baljinder Kour cleaned the about 500 meters of Tawi area by picking up the plastic waste thrown in the water which are polluting the water body.

About 35 volunteers participated in the drive with a motive to spread awareness related to cleanliness and rejuvenation of the river Tawi that is one of the objectives of the Clean India program. Prof. Hans Raj, Principal of the College appreciated the efforts of NSS volunteers in keeping the surroundings neat and clean. These drives are a wonderful experience for students to motivate them to contribute their bit to society and they are major role players to raise awareness on the importance of cleanliness in one's neighbourhood.

V Sports felicitates Meenakshi



V Sports officials felicitating Meenakshi Bhagat.

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JAMMU: The V Sports organised a felicitation function in the honour of Meenakshi Bhagat, who brought laurels to the district Reasi winning medal at the National Judo Championship held at Kharar in Punjab.

Ashwani Katoch, chairperson Amba Kids School

Panthal honoured Meenakshi for her achievement.

Prominent among those present were President Judo Association of J&K, Suraj Sharma, General Secretary, Shiv Kumar; Senior Vice President, Vikas Gupta; Suraj Bhan Singh and Rameshwar Singh Jamwal.