

Sports Council organises T-20 cricket tournament for employees Hockey workshop for toddlers witnesses extraordinary turnout

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SRINAGAR: With an aim to infuse energy, by way of breaking the mundane, the J&K Sports Council is organising the T-20 Cricket Tournament in Srinagar's TRC Cricket Ground exclusively for the government employees of the J&K in which thirteen departments are taking part in the first phase.

Considered to be one of the golden opportunities for the employees to showcase their talent and passion for the game, besides earning recognition, the Secretary Sports Council remarked that the main aim of conducting this event is to emphasize the importance of sports and relieve the professionals of stress, related to their job profiles.

The first of the tournament was played between the J&K Finance Cricket Legends and Secretary Sports Council-XI which



J&K Finance Cricket Legends and Secretary Sports Council-XI teams at a cricket match.

was won by the former convincingly riding on the match winning performance of Nadeem who scored quick fire half century and claimed four wickets in his economic spell.

The second match of the fixture was played between the team of Information Department and Secretariat Titans which turned out to be a drab squib with the former after winning toss and electing to

bat first were bundled out for 77 runs only. While chasing, Secretariat Titans completed the target in just 7 overs, hitting the ball all over the park.

The tournament is being organized under the banner of "Har Din Khel Har Ek Ke Liye Khel" and shall be played on holidays only.

Meanwhile, the recent Hockey workshop for toddlers, jointly organized by the Jammu and Kashmir

Sports Council and the Badal Hockey Club, witnessed an extraordinary turnout by the young children who were also accompanied by their parents. The workshop aimed to introduce the participants to the basics of field hockey and foster a love for the sport from an early age.

The naysayers under the guidance of senior players from the Badal Hockey Club were taught the

nuances of the game, especially skills like dribbling, passing, and teamwork. The workshop emphasized the importance of physical activity, discipline, and sportsmanship.

Parents and guardians actively supported the initiative, recognizing the value of sports in holistic child development.

"The overwhelming response to this workshop underscores the growing interest in hockey among the youth of Jammu and Kashmir" said, Secretary Sports Council, Nuzhat Gul, adding that the collaboration between Sports Council and the Badal Hockey Club promises a bright future for the sport in the region.

Gul also said that, as toddlers take their first steps on the hockey field, they become part of a legacy that celebrates teamwork, resilience, and passion.

KC Gurukul Public School organizes investiture ceremony



Chief Guest Sumaina Mehta, Joint Director J&K Tourism and Chairman KCGPS, Arvind Mahajan posing with students council and faculty members.

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JAMMU: The investiture ceremony signifies the reliance and confidence that the school consigns in the newly invested council bearers.

Donning the mantle of accountability, they also pledge to bestow their duties to the best of their abilities.

The investiture ceremony for the academic year 2024-25 was held in KC Gurukul Public School, here on Monday. The Chief Guest for the event was Sumaina Mehta, Joint Director J&K Tourism and Guests of Honour was Chairman of the school, Arvind Mahajan and Academic Director Anu

Jandial. The ceremony was badge the leaders of this academic year who will be leading this year's all the curricular and co-curricular activities and work with the team efforts and bring out new and challenging events with all the success.

The ceremony started with lighting of lamp by the dignitaries followed by welcome speech by the Principal, Mamta Sharma. The student council took the pledge to hold the school motto in high esteem. The school council was conferred with badges by the Chief Guest. The Chief Guest, Sumaina Mehta shared her thoughts and experiences in life

and admonished the students as to how one's own life experience, moral values, discipline in life can help to shape the future and become a good leader.

Her inspiring example from her own life experiences were the excellent means to make students understand how to invest one's life and also be a very good leader. The ceremony was a grand success and ended with a vote of thanks.

Student Council include Shaurya Sharma Class XII as Head Boy, Bloomika Sharma Class XII as Head Girl, Ashish Singh Class XI as Vice Head Boy and Anshika Chhabber Class XI as Vice Head Girl.

Channelize their energy to physical activities: ADGP Jammu zone asks youths



ADGP Jammu Zone, Anand Jain presenting trophy to a winner team at Doda.

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DODA: Additional Director General of Police (ADGP) Jammu Zone, Anand Jain, on Monday advised the youth to channelize their energy to physical activities.

addressing at the closing ceremony of cricket tournament, here. He took part in the prize distribution function of the grand finale of Range Level Martyr Tournament organised at Doda.

The final match was played

between Victory Cricket Club Banihal and Royal Cricket Club Bhalessa (Gandoh) and the team Victory Cricket Club Banihal won the tournament by defeating Youth Cricket Club Bhalessa team in stipulated 20 overs.

BSG organizes seeds of hope & action exhibition at Tiny Tots HSS

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JAMMU: Tiny Tots Higher Secondary School, in collaboration with Bharat Soka Gakkai (BSG), organized an exhibition titled "Seeds of Hope & Action: Making the SDGs a Reality (SOHA)." The exhibition featured 25 panels depicting the "Power of One" and emphasized the importance of individual actions in creating a sustainable world. Over 200 students attended the event.

Sadia Khateeb, an alumna of Tiny Tots and former Head Girl, now a budding actress, along with Veena Handa, were the Chief Guests. The exhibition was inaugurated with the lighting of the lamp, followed by a short movie on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to enhance students' understanding.



Sadia Khateeb, an alumna of Tiny Tots School along with Veena Handa and others at a programme.

The students of Tiny Tots then provided detailed descriptions of each panel. Sadia

Khateeb encouraged students to care for the environment, plant trees, and look after animals to maintain balance on the planet. She praised the students for their efforts in explaining the panels.

Dr. Vikram Handa, Principal of Tiny Tots, emphasized the importance of individual contributions towards achieving sustainable development goals. He congratulated BSG and the students for organizing such a beautiful exhibition.

HPS girls shine in inter school zonal level volleyball competition



Humanity Public School faculty felicitating winner girls team.

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SAMBA: In a flabbergasted display of skill and determination, students of Humanity Public School (HPS) Bassi Kalan, Bari Brahmana, escalated to victory in the recently concluded Inter School Volleyball Competition (zonal level) held at Smallpur Stadium. Girls have shown marvelous display of team spirit and sportsmanship in both Under 14 and Under 17 category. The school volleyball team was trained under the guidance of their coach Meenal Jamwal and Shamsher Singh.

bagged first position in this volleyball tournament. Under-14 girls team include Reya Charak (7th), Manpreet Kaur (9th), Sakshi Devi (8th), Sakshi Kumari (8th), Aakriti Charak (5th), Sonu Sandhu (8th), Prachi (8th), Mannat Sharma (8th) and Manvika Sadotra (8th). Whereas in Under 17 girls Volleyball winning team consist of Niharika Charak (10th), Neharika Bhagat (10th) Megha Charak (9th), Sheetal (9th), Pavi Devi (9th), Iqra Akhter (10th), Meenakshi Devi (10th), Meenakshi Sharma (10th), Sneha Sharma (10th) and Deepika Kumari (9th). The team's success was propelled by the exceptional skills and coordination of its talented players.

Each member contributed to the collective victory, manifesting the strength of the team's unity on the volleyball court. All the winning participants were felicitated in a special assembly by Principal, Gaurav Charak and Vice Principal Anku Charak in the presence of students and the whole fraternity of the institution. The duo congratulated the winners and lauded them for their outstanding performance. Principal, Gaurav Charak also said that the school management is paying focused attention to promote physical education in school and emphasizing the significance of promoting indigenous sports at all levels.

DYSS holds Judo, Taekwondo events at Udhampur

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UDHAMPUR: Department of Youth Services and Sports (DYSS) on Monday organised district level boys' Taekwondo and Judo competitions at Indoor Complex, Subash Stadium, here. Selection trials for Softball also conducted to raise the district team for the upcoming Divisional level competitions of the DYSS, a handout issued by the department here today informed.

Taekwondo: Winners: Under-17: 35 kg: Danish Thakur;

48-51 kg: Aniket, Zone Jib. Under-14: 18-21 kg: Atul Sharma, Zone Jib. 21-23 kg: Sourav Verma, Zone Jib; 23-25 kg: Sahil Singh, Zone Ghordi; 25-27 kg: Sahil Sharma, Zone Jib; 27-29 kg: Smarath Dogra, Zone Udhampur; 29-32 kg: Anurag Khajuria, Zone Udhampur; 32-35 kg: Arun Kumar, Zone Udhampur; 35-38 kg: Arshdeep Singh, Zone Jib. 38-41 kg: Vihan Bhardwaj, Zone Udhampur; 41kg plus: Tarun Singh, Zone Udhampur; Judo: Winners: Under-14:



A softball trials in progress.

Zone Udhampur; 35-38 kg: Pankaj Kumar, Zone Udhampur; 38-41 kg: Rinku Sharma, Zone Jib; 41-45 kg: Sarbjot Singh, Zone Jib; 45-48 kg: Mohit Antal, Zone Jib;

Arun Sharma, Zone Ghordi. Under-17: 40 kg: Vansh Sharma, 50 kg: Bablu Kumar; 55 kg: Rajinder Singh, 60 kg: Om Parkash, 73 kg: Nirmal Singh.

Naiwala Premier League Koudewala Kings beat Gigreyal Club, lifts trophy



SHO Inspector Tariq Ahmed presenting trophy to a winner team.

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AKHNOOR: The Naiwala Premier League match between Koudewala Kings and Gigreyal Cricket Club held at the Naiwala Ground Akhnoor was a thrilling display of cricketing prowess and community spirit.

Gigreyal CC won the toss and chose to field first, witnessing Koudewala Kings post a formidable total of 158/6 in their allotted 12 overs, with notable contributions from Ajay (35), Gurdayal (29), Sikander (25) and Munna and Sanjay (15) runs each. For Gigreyal CC, Udhay got three wickets while Ballu took two and Vishal grabbed one wicket.

In response, Gigreyal CC struggled to chase down the target, managing only 111/10 in 12 overs, despite commendable efforts from Mohit (34), Namu (28), and Babbal (27)

runs. For Koudewala Kings, Sikander claimed three wickets while Sanjay, Pardeep and Ajay grabbed two wickets each.

Koudewala Kings beat Gigreyal CC by 47 run and lift the trophy. The standout performances came from Sikander, who excelled with both bat and ball, earning him the title of Man of the Match. Ajay Sharma from Koudewala Kings was awarded the Man of the Tournament for his consistent performances throughout the league.

The event was graced by special guests Inspector Tariq Ahmed and Thakur Sham Singh Langah, who emphasized the importance of staying away from drugs, following traffic rules, and engaging in sports for a healthy lifestyle.

The winners, Koudewala Kings, were awarded the trophy and a cash prize of Rs. 11,000, while the runner-up received a trophy and Rs. 5,100 in cash.

This event not only showcased cricketing talent but also promoted positive values within the community, fostering a sense of sportsmanship and camaraderie among participants and spectators alike.

Awareness Programme on Libraries of World at MIER College

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JAMMU: The Library Committee of MIER College of Education organized an awareness program titled "Interesting Facts about World Libraries". Prof. Nishita Rana, HoD School of Education, Dr. Monika Bajaj, HoD School of Social Sciences and Humanities, students and faculty members, graced the occasion.

Eesha Sharma, Librarian School of Education, welcomed the audience. Sumeel Kumar Bhat, Sr. Librarian of MIER College of Education, the resource person, highlighted libraries' role as repositories of human knowledge, emphasizing their pivotal role in preserving and disseminating information.

That also discussed the origins and development of libraries, from ancient to contemporary times, and highlighted unique libraries worldwide. That also shared knowledge about floating libraries, mobile libraries, human libraries, and digital libraries. Prof. Adit Gupta, Director and Principal, commended the library committee's efforts, emphasizing the importance of such programs in raising awareness about libraries' significance in education.

The program concluded with a vote of thanks by Chitvan Turki, a student of B.A. Honors English, Semester IV.

Inter-Zone competitions of District Jammu Akhnoor, Jourian boys win Volleyball titles



Deputy Director DYSS, Jitender Mishra presenting trophy to a winner team.

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JAMMU: Boys teams from Zone Akhnoor and Jourian bagged the title trophies of under-17 and under-14 age groups respectively in the annual inter-zone competitions of district Jammu, being organised by the Department of Youth Services and Sports

(DYSS) at Khel Gaon, Nagrota, near here on Monday.

In the under-17 title clash, Akhnoor trounced their counterparts from Zone Jourian while for the under-14 title, Jourian team trounced Zone Gandhi Nagar. Finals in other three sports disciplines of Kabaddi, Chess and Kho-Kho

also took place at the same venue.

In the finals and valedictory of today's events, Deputy Director DYSS, Jitender Mishra was Chief Guest, who presented the title trophies in the presence of district (DYSS) officer Jammu, Sunil Kumar. Other (Final) Results:

KABADDI: Under-17: Zone Dansal beat Zone Khour; Under-14: Zone Miran Sahib beat Zone Khour; KHO-KHO: Under-14: Zone RS Pura beat Zone Miran Sahib; Under-17: Zone R S Pura beat Zone Khour. CHESS: Under-14: Zone Gandhi Nagar beat Zone Jammu. Under-17: Zone Bhalwal beat Zone Miran Sahib.

Meanwhile, in the inter-zone cricket tournament of under-14 boys, Satwari Zone on Monday qualified for the final. In the semifinal, decided today, Satwari defeated Zone Gandhi Nagar by six wickets at Government High School Jammu Cantt grounds.

Earlier, batting first, Gandhi Nagar ade 124 runs for five wickets, which, in reply, Satwari boys chased losing four wickets. Dhanjay played atch winning knock of 56 runs.

Pre-Rajouri Day Celebrations Asan Volleyball Club wins Volleyball Tournament



Army officer presenting trophy to a winner team.

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RAJOURI: As a prelude and run-up of Rajouri Day Celebrations, Army organised a volleyball tournament at ALG, Rajouri from May 17 to 19, 2024.

The tournament aims to connect with the youth of Rajouri and promote sports in the region. A total of eight local teams from various Tehsils of

Rajouri participated in the tournament and witnessed enthusiastic response from all the participants.

The tournament was played on a league cum knock-out basis with all teams fiercely competing against each other for the coveted trophy.

The final was played between Asan Volleyball Club and Choudhary Club Rajouri where

Asan Club emerged as winner. Mohd Irfan of Asan Club was adjudged as the Best Player. The winner and runner-up teams were given trophies and cash awards.

Participants of teams were overwhelmed to be part of this tournament and expressed their gratitude for organising the event that garnered a lot of applause for the Indian Army.