

Legend Masters Inter-state Veteran T20 Cricket C'ship Veteran Cricket Association J&K registers second win over Vidharbh Veterans

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Veteran Cricket Association J&K registered their consecutive victory over Vidharbh Veterans whereas Board President Veterans Mumbai beat IFCR North Veterans in ongoing Legend Masters Inter-state Veteran T20 Cricket Championship being held at MA Stadium Jammu on Friday.

Akhil Mahajan a leading sports promoter and owner of AA Agencies was Chief Guest at the match.

The tournament is being organised by Veteran Cricket Association J&K under the aegis of Board for Veteran Cricket in India. The tournament is supported by Horizon Group, Emeure, Batra Group, AA Agencies and is being driven by AM Hyundai.



Chief Guest presenting Man of the Match award to a player.

In first match Rajpal Singh of IFCR North Veterans won the toss and elected to bat but they were restricted to 87 for 9 wickets in stipulated 20 overs. For Board President Veterans Mumbai Raviraj Dhuri took the first hat trick of the tournament and took four wickets. Samir Shah took three wickets whereas Subodh & Milind Mohite claimed one wicket each. For IFCR North Veterans, Jameel Rehman scored 35 runs.

Board President Veterans Mumbai chased the target in 16 overs losing three wickets. Pradeep Kshirsagar played a captain's knock of 39 runs and was supported by Ashish Redij. For IFCR North Veterans Anand Sharma

took two wickets and Suresh took one. Samir Shah of Board President Veterans Mumbai was declared Man of the Match.

In second match of the day, Veteran Cricket Association J&K beat Vidharbh Veterans in a keenly contested match by 13 runs.

Vivek Suri Captain of Veteran Cricket Association J&K win the toss and elected to bats first and his decision was backed up by the opening pair of Surinder Kachroo and Rajeshwar Slathia as they shared 56 runs partnership for the first wicket. Surinder Kachroo scored first 59 of the tournament and VCAJK scored 162 runs in stipulated 20 overs. Imran, Rajeshwar and Faheem scored 32, 24 22 respectively for the team.

For Vidharbh Veterans, Manish Gaur took three wickets whereas Vikram Batra and Prshit grabbed one wicket each.

Chasing 163 runs to win, Vidharbh Veterans started on an attacking note and Rahul Thakur led the run chase and they were 91 runs in 10 over and were cruising along for a victory. But good bowling changes by Vivek Suri paid dividends as Faheem Tak and Vicky Raina gave crucial breaks at regular intervals and VCAJK bowled out Vidharbh Veterans on 149 runs. Faheem and Vicky claimed three wickets whereas Rajesh took two and Surinder bagged one wicket. For Vidharbh Veterans, Rahul scored 55 runs and Vikram Batra scored 28 runs. Faheem Tak of VCAJK was declared Man of the Match.

BCADD to conduct coaching camp, chess tournament from today
STATE TIMES NEWS
DODA: Bhaderkashi Chess Association District Doda (BCADD) to holds two days Chess Coaching Camp followed by Chess Tournament.

As per the official handout issued by Krishan Singh, Secretary BCADD, the interested players of Dugga, Jalga and Chinchora Panchayats are requested to contact on Mob 7087234439 or 7006471020.

The information has already shared in group of Bhaderkashi Chess Association District Doda (BCADD).

The coaching will start on September 2 between 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM and on September 3 between 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM while tournament will be held from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

NCC Cadets in Nagrota attend outreach programme
STATE TIMES NEWS
NAGROTA: An outreach program for NCC Cadets in Nagrota was organised by Army Recruiting Office Jammu to encourage the youth to consider career in Indian Army.

On August 31, 2023, at the NCC Camping Ground in Nagrota, Jammu, a remarkable event unfolded as 370 NCC Cadets (boys) undergoing CATC-J5, conducted by 2 J&KBN NCC, Jammu, participated in an enlightening session. The program aimed to educate these young cadets about the benefits of joining the Indian Army as officers and Agniveers, highlighting the provisions of bonus marks available to NCC cadets.

During the event, the dedicated staff of the Army Recruiting Office, Jammu, delivered insightful briefings to the NCC cadets. They shared valuable information about the various avenues and modes of entry into the Indian Army. This included guidance on how to access online notifications, which can be found on the official website of the Indian Army: www.joinindianarmy.nic.in.

The outreach program not only provided these young aspirants with a glimpse into the opportunities within the Indian Army but also underlined the recognition and support offered to NCC cadets through bonus marks. This initiative serves as a testament to the Indian Army's commitment to nurturing and encouraging the talent and potential of the nation's youth.

Administrative Officer JKSC declares open 22nd Squash C'ship

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: Sheikh Riyaz, Administrative Officer, Jammu & Kashmir Sports Council declared 22nd J&K Squash Championship 2023 open, here on Friday.

Muzaffar Hussain, Divisional Sports Officer, Kashmir graced the opening ceremony as Guest of Honour while Zaffar, Technical Officer, J&K Sports Council and Hilal Ahmad, Deputy Manager Gindun Sports Centre, Srinagar were the special guests.

The 5-day long Championship is being organized by J&K Squash



Sheikh Riyaz, Administrative Officer JKSC speaking in opening ceremony.

Rackets Association in collaboration with Jammu & Kashmir Sports Council at Squash Complex, Gindun Stadium, Rajbagh, Srinagar.

Sheikh Riyaz highlighted the steps being taken for development and promotion of Squash sport by Jammu & Kashmir Sports Council and J&K Squash Rackets Association.

He said from the last few

years Squash is making inroads in every nook and corner of the Union Territory and taking great height in Jammu and Kashmir, adding that newly constructed Squash courts uplift the Sport of Squash in the Valley.

He said involvement of young players in sports and games will help youth not to fall prey to drugs and other allied social evils.

The chief guest also lauded the efforts of the Secretary Sports Council for her great support for uplifting sports and games in Jammu & Kashmir.

428 players from 11 districts of UT J&K are participating in Under-11 (boys & girls), Under-13 (boys & girls), Under-15 (boys & girls), Under-19 (boys & girls), Under-21 (boys & girls), Senior Men & Women & Men's over 35 categories.

The Championship, being sponsored by J&K Sports Council, will conclude on September 5, 2023.

Deputy Manager, Gindun Stadium and his team played a pivotal role in making the Championship a grand success.

42 matches in both sections have been played so far in U-11 and U-13 categories.

Central Sanskrit University organises Gurukul Sandarshan program at Basohli

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Central Sanskrit University, Shri Ranbir Campus, Kot Bhalwal Jammu organized various programs at Basohli Nagar under the Sanskrit Week on Friday in collaboration with Chudamani Sanskrit Institute, Basohli. A Sanskrit Shobha Yatra was taken out along with various cultural programmes in which the students of Shri Ranbir Campus and Chudamani Sanskrit Sansthan participated enthusiastically.

Sanskrit week celebrations at Ramisht B.Ed College Basohli was inaugurated by campus director Prof. Madan Mohan Jha by lighting the traditional lamp and while addressing large audience he said that Sanskrit is the mother of all languages and termed it as the most



Students during Sanskrit procession from Chudamani Sanskrit Sansthan Gurukul to Basohli Nagar.

suitable language for computers. He further commented that today Sanskrit is also considered to be the most important language for artificial intelligence.

During the function, various competitions were organized for the students in which Sanskrit speech, Sanskrit group song, Sanskrit solo song and Sanskrit poem recitation were the main highlight of the program.

Sanskrit procession was also organized from Chudamani Sanskrit Sansthan Gurukul to Basohli Nagar.

On this occasion, Principal of Gurukul Abhishek Upadhyay, and convener of Sanskrit Week, Dr. Rajkumar Mishra were present.

Tibetan Parliament delegation visits Galaxy Public School

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Tibetan Member of Parliament Dawa Tsering, Yeslu Dolma and Tenga Yarphel along with other members visited at Galaxy Public School, Sainik Colony, here on Friday.

Chairman of the School, Arun Kumar Sharma welcomed all the members.



Tibetan Parliament delegation during visit at Galaxy Public School, Sainik Colony, Jammu.

The members of Bharat Tibet Sahyog Manch (Retired IGP), Jagjit Kumar, Rajesh Dutta (Editor-in-Chief Dharti Times), Sanjeev Mamotra, Rajinder Sharma, Dr. Chhering Tandup and other prominent society members were also present.

This interaction will provide students with a unique chance to learn about the workings of the government and the importance of active citizenship.

Lastly, it believes that this visit will have a lasting impact on the students, broadening their horizons and encouraging them to actively contribute to society.

GCOPE acquires two finals in University/College Level Sports Festival 2023

STATE TIMES NEWS
GANDERBAL: Fourth day perceived 33 matches with moral game spirit and enthusiasm during the University/College Level Sports Festival 2023 (Edition-2nd) where GCOPE won Kho-Kho (women) and Handball (men) finals.

In Football (men), GDC Pattan defeated GCOPE by 4-2 goals, A S College defeated CUK Ganderbal by 1-0 goal, GDC Baramulla defeated GDC Bemina by 4-0 goals.

In Volleyball (men), GCOPE Ganderbal defeated S P College Srinagar by 2-0, GDC Tangmarg defeated GDC Anantnag by 2-1, GDC Bijbhara defeated A S College by 2-1, GDC Ganderbal defeated GMC Srinagar by 2-1, GDC Tangmarg defeated GDC Sopore by 2-1, GCOPE Ganderbal defeated GDC Pulwama by 2-1. In Handball (men), hardliner match was played where GDC Pulwama defeated



Girls volleyball teams posing with dignitaries at Ganderbal.

GDC Sumbal by 10-4.

In Basketball (men), hardliner match was played where GDC Ganderbal defeated GCET Safapora by 36-18. In Tug-of-War (men), GCET Safapora defeated GDC Tral by 2-0 and GDC Bemina defeated GDC Kupwara by 2-0, GDC Ganderbal defeated College of Education Srinagar by 2-0, 1st semi-final was played between GCOPE and GDC Bemina where formal won by 2-0, 2nd Semi-final was played between GDC Ganderbal and GDC Tral where lateral were defeated by 2-0.

In Volleyball (women), GCOPE defeated GDC Anantnag by 2-0, Women's College Srinagar defeated GDC Ganderbal by 2-0, A S College Srinagar defeated University of Kashmir by 2-0. In Table-Tennis (women), GDC Pulwama defeated GDC Beerwah by 2-0, 1st semi-final match was played between GCET Safapora and GDC Tangmarg where lateral lost by 2-0 and in 2nd semi-final

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defeated GDC Kupwara by 2-0 and the 1st semi-final match was played between GCOPE and GDC Women's Zakura where lateral was defeated by 2-0 and a hardliner match was played between GDC Zakura and GDC Bemina where lateral was defeated by 2-0.

GDC Pattan and GDC Ganderbal clinched their position in football (men) finals. GDC Ganderbal have clinched their position in the volleyball (men) finals by defeating GDC Tangmarg by 3-2, GCOPE Ganderbal have reached volleyball (women) finals by defeating A S College Srinagar by 3-2. GCOPE Ganderbal brought laurels to the college by winning the kho-kho (women) final match with Women's College MA Road Srinagar by 01 inning & 7 points and in Handball (men) by defeating GDC Baramulla by 29-15.

Sarmad Hafeez kick starts 52nd Senior National Men's Handball Championship at Srinagar

STATE TIMES NEWS
SRINAGAR: Secretary, Youth Services and Sports (YSS), Sarmad Hafeez on Friday kick started 52nd Senior National Men's Handball championship, organised by J&K Handball Association in collaboration with Jammu and Kashmir Sports Council (JKSC) at Bhakshi stadium here.

Secretary, JKSC, Secretary General, South Asian handball federation, Executive Director Handball association of India, officers of YSS department and JKSC, office bearers of Handball association of India and other concerned were also present on the occasion.

Speaking on the occasion, Sarmad Hafeez said that LG administration has always been at the forefront in providing platform to youth and guide them to follow their goals by organizing different events across J&K. He appreciated the participating teams and wished them luck for the tournament.

Sarmad Hafeez expressed his happiness at the overwhelming participation of 32 teams from all over the country in the championship. He remarked that sports play critical role in personality development besides shaping one's career as well if pursued seriously. He enjoined the players to play in the spirit of the game.



YSS Secretary, Sarmad Hafeez posing with teams and officials.

Secretary YSS assured that every effort shall be made to ensure that the players, as well as support staff, are comfortable during their stay in the valley.

"Such events provide the best opportunity for the youth from across the country to interact with each other and know about varied cultures," Sarmad said.

Secretary JKSC, while interacting with the participants assured them of all the support from the Sports Council and informed them that the monitoring cell for the event has been set up, headed by the Divisional Sports Officer Kashmir and other officials from the council.

She also highlighted the transformation taking place in the field of sports in J&K. Sports has been among the top priorities of the administration and the union territory has now become the powerhouse of sporting talent, she added.

Organising Secretary and Executive Member Handball Association of India, while speaking on the occasion, thanked the participating teams for encouraging the youth towards sports activities.

Pertinent to mention, around 32 teams from UT's and States of India are participating in the championship.

JTGC to host PGTI tournament in October

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Jammu Tawi Golf Course (JTGC) shall host Professional Golf Tour of India (PGTI) tournament for second consecutive year in October.

Likewise last year, top golfers of the country are expected to take part in this important which is being sponsored by the Tourism Department of Jammu.

Army's motivational talks at Heritage School inspire future soldiers

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: Heritage School Jammu recently played host to a highly successful series of motivational talks organized by the Indian Army.

The event, held on Friday, saw enthusiastic participation from students of classes 11th and 12th.

Lt. Col. Virendra Singh Nathawat, a distinguished officer with a wealth of experience, provided an in-depth understanding of what the Indian Army represents and how aspiring individuals can embark on a fulfilling journey by joining its ranks.

He also elucidated how a life in the army offers the opportunity to travel extensively, professional growth, and remarkable achievements, making it a path less ordinary.

The erudite speaker shared insights on the various paths to join the Indian Army, including after 10th and 12th through NDA for technical entry, and after graduation through CDS, Short Service Commission, NCC, and Territorial Army (TA Officer).

The talks left a lasting impression on the young minds present, encouraging them to consider a career in the Indian Army, thereby contributing to the nation's defence and growth.

KC Public School holds investiture ceremony 2023



Chief Guest Colonel Rahul Agarwal speaking at investiture ceremony of KC Public School.

STATE TIMES NEWS
JAMMU: The Investiture ceremony of KC Public School (Senior Wing) was held on Friday in KC Sports Club.

It was a ceremonial occasion when elected representatives of the School Students' Council for the academic year 2023-24 were given their badges and insignias of authority.

Being the only school in J&K to enjoy the privilege of global membership of the Round Square, KCPS gives tangible shape to the Round Square ideals of Democracy and Leadership by conducting elections and conferring leadership roles on its students in the day-to-day running of the school.

Colonel Rahul Agarwal graced the occasion as the Chief Guest and Major Raghav Khajuria as the Guest of Honour. Silvi Agarwal, wife of the Chief Guest was also present.

School Principal Amarendra Kumar Mishra administered a collective oath to all office bearers, laying particular stress on the elements of honesty, sincerity and commitment in performing their leadership roles.

The ceremonial proceedings concluded with bestowal of badges and other insignia of authority on the members of the Council by the invited special guests.

The Chief Guest lauded the school for setting up very high standards of excellence in education by integrating the educational ideology of Kurt Hahn with the comprehensive school curriculum.

He congratulated all the elected Council members and wished them success in carrying out their duties and responsibilities.

He also put in a word of appreciation for the entire school staff for their deep devotion to their duties for the cause of quality education for the children of Jammu and Kashmir.

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