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INSTITUTE DAY

The final day of the Institute activities was celebrated as Institute Day and started on time at 5.00 p.m. on 8th April, 1982.

It started with Prof. R. Srinivasan reading out his report. Like all of his speeches, it was short and sweet and to the point.

Tom George's speech on the student activities was nice and 'elegant' as recommended by one of the secretaries. We hear it was not exactly his original report.

The Diro's speech came next; and then the Institute Day suddenly to change chameleon-like to Port Trust Day as the Chief Guest, the Chairman of the Madras Port Trust, elaborated on the achievements of the MPT and forgot the Institute Day. Towards the end he offered to take one person under his wing for training in Port Technology (on the reco of the Diro) and send him abroad for training. (Any takers?)

Then came the Dy Registrar to read out the prizewinners, and was quite interesting; although it took quite a long time, most of it spent in waiting for absent prizewinners. This is a sad feature of Institute Day. It would be good if the co-ordinators informed the prizewinners in advance that they were to receive prizes.

Memento were presented to Dr. R. Rajagopalan, Dr. Surjit Singh, Dr. V. Radhakrishnan and Dr. M. R. Udupa.

So, friends, thus ends one more year in the institute - and it's all over bar the sem. exams.

(From FOYONG)

We would like to thank TT Narendran, famously known as Mama, more infamous for his PJs, for covering a good many events through the year. He literally has been our 'Staff' correspondent" (pun intended).

OPEN BADMINTON

Possibly indicative of the popularity that baddy enjoys here, the open events had record participation this year (thereby making it that much more difficult to conduct!) In the non-medallist event for men (for which there were 25 entries), Ding emerged victor, defeating B. Reghu in three hard fought games. The highlight of this event was Reghu's remarkable fight back in the semi-finals, when, after trailing 4-18, he rallied to beat Phadnis 24-22. Manish Goel upset the top seed Vijay Chauhan in the quarter finals, beating him 23-21. (All matches upto the semi-final stage consisted of only one game with 21 points.)

Most other events produced predictable results. Usha Sundaram beat Maya Srinivasan to win the women's title for the 2nd year in succession. Kamal and Sinorra beat Usha and Sridevi in the women's doubles final. Ravi and Vijay Kumar triumphed over Ashok and John Selvin to take the doubles title. In the mixed doubles event, being held for the first time, Chaya Garg and S. Mahadevan beat J. Ravi and Sharadha for the first place.

(From Mahadevan)

OPEN NON-MEDALLISTS VOLLEYBALL

An institute open volleyball tournament was conducted by the gymkhana. Institute players were barred from participation since the primary aim of the tourney was to throw light on new talent (six members of the institute team are leaving this year). About 10 teams took part. There were two Hostel Employees teams, one composed exclusively of Cauvery employees. The non-Cauvery mess staff side did well to reach the semis where they lost to Cauvery A.

Ganga A beat Cauvery A in the final. It was a ding dong battle that went all the way. Cauvery A were down 2-8 in the first game but, with improved defence, won it 15-11. With Satyapal, Bodha and Shivaram in good nick, Cauvery A looked all set to wrap up the final when they led 9-1 in the second game. As if waking from deep slumber, Ganga A came into their own and wrested the game at 15-11. Ramshankar and 'Hippo' boosted well for Ashok Natesan, Murali and Venkatnathan to spike effectively. Ganga A then breezed through the third game 15-9 to take the match.

Medals were given away (to the non-medallists!) by Mrs. Shaukat Ali. The winners and runners up received a pista and a strawberry cake respectively.

Special prizes - Most promising player: Satyapal (Cauvery A).
Best player : Ashok Natesan (Ganga A).

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Sirs,

The last issue of SPECTATOR is not far off. As one associated with it for a year and as an avid reader I would like to express a few critical thoughts on its workings.

The one thing that stands out about SPECTATOR is its regularity. The reasons for this are not far to seek. It was run by a band of highly motivated editors, the likes of which have not been seen in IIT for a long time, and probably will not be seen for a long time. It is the fervent hope of many a reader that the all-wise Publications' Committee (A body of the you-know-what) chooses a proper set of editors. Of the three magazines, this is the one which requires a proper team of editors who co-ordinate well with each other for reasons that are obvious.

Also SPECTATOR has also had this bias for recognizing only frontline achievements. It has never given credit to behind-the-scene organizers (only two were recognized). I hope next year's editors will rectify this lacuna.

Ganga

Fooyong

KRISHNA 7-A-SIDE TENNIS BALL CRICKET

The tournament was hurriedly finished off this week before Krishna hostel day. In a dull final, Orambo's seven beat Venki's seven by three wickets. Venki's seven were all out for 54 and Orambo's seven replied with 55 for three. Orambo's team cashed Rs 100 and an invite to Krishna Hostel day. Venki's team managed Rs 70 and an invite to tea.

TT OPEN TOURNAMENTS' RESULTSSingles for men

1. Vatsa 2. Vaidhy 3. Sriram 4. Nehru Isaac

Men's doubles

1. Nehru Isaac & Vaidhy 2. Sriram & Vatsa

Singles for girls

1. Kamalamma 2. Asha Unnikrishnan

Girls' doubles

1. Asha Unnikrishnan & Maya Srinivasan 2. Kamalamma & ~~Mala~~ Raghavan

