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It's all over now. Jamuna have taken the Schroeter. Narmada and Cauvery were pretty close in the struggle. For Narmada, it has been a continuous tug of war with the Schroeter - they've been at it three years in a row now and will be at it for the next couple of years. What they need is luck, and plenty of it.

Coming to the Schroeter proper, Jamuna won IT, Kabaddi, gymnastics, cricket, carrom and skating hockey, and were placed second in skating and athletics and earned bronze in hockey and baddy. Our whole-hearted congratulations to Sunder, the Jamuna sports sec., for having engineered the whole show. It was a whole-hostel show, with almost everyone landing to cheer Jamuna. Their crowds were certainly not disciplined - well, which crowd is? All of Jamuna's opponents went back from the fields with a thing or two against them, but in the end what counts is winning, and Jamuna walked away worthy winners with plenty of determination, dedication, perseverance and, of course, some jugglery.

Almost all the undergraduates clamour for more and more PG participation - we had lots of it this year. Cauvery made a superb bid for the Schroeter but were hardly appreciated by their opponents or the crowds. Cries of "Old men, go home," etc. always surfaced when Cauvery was playing. For all their age, and whatever else they were labelled with, Cauvery scared the wits out of their opponents.

The SPECTATOR Man of the Year was George of Cauvery. Congrats, George! George was one guy who gathered votes from all hostels, right from Krishna to Mandak. Hope you cherish that beautiful cup, George!

After all the fervour and excitement, now come n hostel days, the n + 3 movies, the summer (it has already touched 40°C) and, of course, no water. So all those who are not regular friends of the showers have a good, convenient excuse. For the rest, it s off to the

swimming pool, for having a bath in the hostel is a tricklish problem.

Two more issues of SPECTATOR will come to you next week; and after that, it is Sayonara....

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#### CHESS GOLD FOR GODAV

Godav beat Ganga 3-1 to take the Chess gold. Tapti beat Cauvery 3-1 to win the silver. The lone win for Cauvery was a creditable win by Moses, who beat Sohan. The bronze was shared by Cauvery and Ganga. The final points tally: Godav 9 1/2, Tapti 7 1/2, Cauvery 3 1/2, Ganga 3 1/2.

#### WATER POLO

##### Narmada outmanoeuvred Saras 4-1

Narmada proved their superiority in water this year by winning both the aquatics and water polo golds. In the virtual finals, Narmada overcame Saras 4-1.

Saras dominated the first quarter and were rewarded by a goal through Mathew. Narmada then slowly came into its own. Gadi (2), Srinath (1) and Vijay (1) were the scorers for Narmada. Malcolm fought valiantly for the losers. Narmada missed many a chance. Srinath's goal and Gadi's goal almost from the half line were beauties.

#### BADMINTON

##### Tapti brushes aside Jamuna 3-0

Kaushik was in his element and played some of the crispest strokes seen in this year's inter-hostel baddy. He cake-walked over Raghu 15-4, 15-6. Chauhan was unnerved by the flat-hitting game of Doctor and lost 7-15, 15-7, 11-15. Kaushik and Doctor then engineered a 6-15, 15-8, 15-5 win over Raghu and Chauhan to clinch the tie.

##### Tapti rout Godav 3-0

Kaushik, in tremendous form this year, defeated Mahadevan 15-17, 15-11, 15-11. Doctor, apparently in discomfort due to a burst blister, lost the first game 5-15 to Ding. After being Doctored to, he came back strongly to win the next two games comfortably at 15-5, 15-5. In the doubles, Kaushik and Doc beat Mahadevan and Ding, 15-12, 5-15, 15-6.

##### Ashok shines as Ganga tames Tapti 3-2

A hard-fought win enabled Ganga to share the gold with Tapti. Ashok did it virtually single-handedly. Barring one, Ashok has won all his matches in singles and doubles in inter-hostel baddy this year. He breezed past Kaushik 15-6, 15-1. Doctor (Ta) then 'treated' Zombie with scant respect and beat him 15-7, 15-4 to make it 1-1. The crucial doubles was a thriller all the way. Tapti (Doc & Kaushik) lost the

first game 7-15 but won the second 15-10. In the decider, Ganga (Ashok & Zombie) led 14-11, but Tapti drew level and forged ahead to 16-14. The Ganga players then wrested the service and won 17-16. The tie score was then 2-1 in Ganga's favour. Kaushik beat Zombie 15-10, 15-7 to make it 2-2. Ashok then easily disposed of Doctor 15-2, 15-0.

#### BASKETBALL

Cauvery squeeze past Narmada 65-63.

Cauvery 65 (Suthakar 16, Moses 19 )  
Narmada 63 (Gadi 23, Anand 18, Shashi 16 )

Cauvery led 30-26 at half time and from then onwards it was a ding-dong battle with the lead changing hands often. Suthakar for Cauvery and Shashi for Narmada cracked. Gadi was covered well. 'Saar' controlled the game superbly and, with seconds to go, Cauvery basketed to emerge winners in a nerve-tingling finish.

Ganga are the champs yet again

Ganga won the basketball gold for the sixth year running. In a match truly worthy of a final, they overcame a fighting Cauvery 62-54. Cauvery's long-range shots clicked initially and they led 8-4. Ganga's instt. stars Ashok Natesan, Murali, Venu and Raja came into their own and Ganga led 32-28 at the breather. After half-time, Ganga increased their lead - 41-20. Cauvery fought back with determination. 'Saar' controlled the game as only he can. Suthakar and Ramprabhu basketed repeatedly and Cauvery enjoyed a slender lead 48-47. With just 3 minutes to go, Ganga was leading 52-50. Venu and Murali found the mark and Ganga pulled away slowly but steadily to win 62-54. Venu excelled in rebound collection but often lost his cool.

#### VOLLEYBALL

Cauvery beat holders Ganga and win Gold.

With Venu and Badri spiking and blocking well, last year's champs Ganga easily claimed the first game 15-8. Cauvery raced to a 10-1 lead in the second. Ganga fought back to reduce the leeway - 9-11. Cauvery won that game 15-9. In the decider, Cauvery led 5-2 at one stage but Ganga equalised 5-5. From 7-7, Cauvery surged to a 12-7 lead. All seemed lost for Ganga when Cauvery led 14-8. In a last minute effort, Ganga closed in to 12-14. A Badri smash landed out and Moses & Co. won 15-12. The match lasted a shade more than an hour and was, by far, the best inter-hostel volleyball match seen this year. Standards touched dizzy heights. The goodly crowd was treated to delectable smashes (by Moses, Badri, Venu and Sureshar.) and superb saves by Srini and "I shall" Thangaraj (Ca). R Nair of Cauvery (who always substituted J Nair) earned quite a few points for his side with his spinning round arm service. On court, lithe and graceful Venu is a good blend of brain and brawn. This resourceful spiker is easily the volleyball



FOOTBALLTapti overcome Jamuna 2-0.

The ball hardly entered the Tapti half. The match was totally one-sided. Ashish Bi was scored the first goal for Tapti. With a terrific solo, Burman scored the second Tapti goal. Tapti was attacking all the time and many an easy chance went abegging.

Ganga manage to hold Cauvery 1-1.

Cauvery was the superior side and enjoyed a lion's share of the exchanges. Capitalizing on a lapse in the defence, Srini put Cauvery ahead 1-0. Ganga was lucky to draw level. Cauvery defender R Nair handled the ball inside the prohibited zone. To Cauvery's dismay, Javed made no mistake with the spot kick.

Ganga and Tapti play 1-1 draw

Ganga lost her 4 year stranglehold on the footer gold. Tapti are the new champs. The silver was shared by Ganga and Cauvery.

Ganga went into the lead in the 9th minute of the second half when Anilesh's corner kick was headed into the goal by Javed...one of the best goals of the year. In the very next minute, following a goalmouth melee, a number of players, including Ganga custodian Pathak, came down in a heap. A while later, the ball trickled into the untenanted goal. The Tapti fans went wild with ecstasy and invaded the field, some of them on their bicycles.

TABLE TENNISMandak beat Jamuna 5-3.

Vaidhy won all his three matches for Mandak. Narayanan beat Sriram but lost to Vatsa. Anuraag was beaten by both Vatsa and Sriram. For Mandak : Vaidhy-3, Narayanan-2.

For Jamuna ; Vatsa-2, Sriram-1.

Thus Mandak, Jamuna and Narmada were locked in a triangular tie with eight for and eight against each. On the basis of game ratio, Jamuna won the gold, Mandak the silver and Narmada the bronze.

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SPORTS DAY

In the blistering heat of Saturday afternoon, the remaining athletics events were completed, prizes handed over, the Schroeter awarded and the whole sports show of the year officially came to an end.

100 m for girls: 1. Malathi, 2. Meera, 3. Miss I, 4. Usha.

100 m for boys: In a photo inish, Sridhar (Sa) edged out Akbar Ali (Ga), who had beaten him in the 200s last week.

Javelin throw: Bodha (Ca) took the gold with a throw of 46.10 m. Burman (Ta) took the silver with 45.95 m.

1500 m: Sundar didn't participate. Hari did well to beat V<sup>3</sup>.

1. George (Ca), 2. Hari (Sa), 3. V<sup>3</sup> (Sa).

High jump: Satyapal cashed his pet event to emerge individual champ.

1. Satyapal (Ca), 2. Ravikumar (Ja), 3. Moses (Ca), 4. Radha (Ja).

200 m walk for staff: 1. Dr. Thandaveshwar Rao, 2. Dr. Gopinath, 3. Dr. Kalyanaraman.

3 x 100 m relay for girls: 1. Meera, Preethi, Malathi;  
2. Chaya, Usha, Lalitha.

Cycle relay for girls: 4 teams participated; two of the four bikes got flats half way through. One bike had two falls with two different riders. Usha and Co. cashed.

4 x 400 m relay: A fantastic race At the end of the third round, Jamuna was leading; Saras was second and George had pulled Cauvery to third. V<sup>3</sup> started off behind Sundar and ran a beautiful lap for Saras to take the gold.

As usual, the march past trophy went to ... you know who. The Sarayuites deserved it - they were the only ones who marched. RS touched on SPECTATOR in his speech - and about how one particular hostel didn't like the 'adverse comments'.

Bucket's speech went on and on and he made a number of suggestions - it will be his day if and when IIT acquires a multi-trainer, a new BB court, a diving board, a new tennis court, etc. etc. V. Chandrasekhar, 3-time and present national IT champ, doled out the prizes.

#### POWER LIFTING AND MR. IIT

Krishnan(Sa) wrested the Mr. IIT title from Shekhar(Na). Krishnan had earlier been declared 'Best Lifter' with Shekhar a close second. The results of the power lifting competition :

1. Pavithran(A1)                      2. Shekar(Na)                      3. Krishnan(Sa)

#### KABADDI

Narmada beat Cauvery 21-20

Cauvery was leading initially but Narmada fought back in the second half. With each side getting one lona, the match headed for a close finish. In the tense dying minutes of the game, Narmada pipped Cauvery 21-20. Ganapathy for Cauvery and Atul & Mariappan(Na) excelled. Jamuna beat Narmada 41-24.

The Narmada players were without enthu. Jamuna were leading throughout and had two lonas ag- inst Narmada's one. Ravikumar and Ramaswamy played well for Jamuna. Thus Jamuna won the gold, Narmada the silver and Cauvery the bronze.

#### TENNIS

Nar. won the doubles for the gold, Jamuna-silver & Ganga bt. Godav-bronze