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IIT(M) RETAINS CULTURAL SHIELD
AT SPRING SPREE '82
(FIFTH ALL-INDIA INTER ENGG. MEET)

Correspondents spend most of their time dashing from one place to another, sending back news as fast as they can gather it. This is exciting, even romantic. In the past six months, when SPECTATOR has been covering events outside the city, we have always had reliable correspondents. For this week's report on the fete at Warangal, we had more than reliable correspondents in the form of two of SPECTATOR's editors, who were simultaneously competing and compiling reports for SPECTATOR.

"Warangal is bubbling over with tremendous 'enthu. The hospitality is amazing (it includes bed tea!). Never before have we seen this kind of warmth and affection showered on participants. The most astonishing factor that makes SS so unique is the staff involvement. Be it Western Music night running into the wee hours of the morning or an early morning tennis match, one can find enough and more staff members in the crowd.

"The staff and students treat SS like a family affair. They may lack the finesse and polish that MG organization has, but this is more than compensated for by their outgoing nature and their spirit. There were no informal games as there was no need for informal games. Pleasing 450 budding engineers from 31 colleges all over the country is a Herculean task but to these people in Warangal it comes naturally; it's a way of life.

"The unique sports-cum-cultural meet, extending over four days, was an experience in making us better individuals.

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On Thursday there was a nice get-together. All participants, staff, volunteers and the dirn of REC(W) took part.

We owe the coverage of Saturday's events to Alexander Graham Bell's invention. Establishing contact with Warangal proved to be a close call. The news got through courtesy Shivaraman of final year mech., REC Warangal. Here we go....

SPORTS

Table tennis: IIT go down in semis.

We beat Chandigarh 5-1 after getting a walkover in the first round. Vaidy was the darling of the crowd. After beating Goa EC, we played PAUT in the -semis. Vaidy won two matches but valiantly went down fighting to V. Chandramouli, Commonwealth quarter finalist. It was a scintillating match with Vaidy leading 14-13 at one stage. Nehru Isaac won one match while Vatsa was unlucky not to win a single match.

Tennis: Hosts REC(W) halt IIT's progress.

We beat Jodhpur Engineering College 3-0. Dutta beat Praveen 8-7; Shiva beat Narpender 8-2; Shiva and Dutta beat Praveen and partner 8-1.

In the quarter-finals, REC(W) had the final say. Dutta lost to Paddy 0-9; Shiva lost to Ravi 7-9; Shiva and Dutta lost to Ravi and Paddy 7-9.

Athletics: George and Sithu excel.

George came 1st in the 5000s and 2nd in the 1500s. The 5000s saw Sunder put on a massive last minute burst to beat a B'lore Univ. athlete to the second place. Sithu was 1st in 110 hurdles, 2nd in 400 hurdles, 3rd in triple jump and 4th in long jump with a career best leap of 5.93 metres. While state athletes dominated the show in the open 10,000s, George came 5th, Harihar 6th and Bucket 7th.

CULTURAL TROPHY RETAINED

First came elocution and a surprise. It was not elocution but extempore debating.

(As far as we were concerned, it was extempore everything.)

Varadarajan came third in extempore debate. We were second in debate with Varadarajan being nominated the Best Speaker. Krishna Kumar and Arunachalam cashed the Dumb Charades, averaging barely 20 seconds per topic.

Fooyong, Shiva, Loony and Bong cashed a rather poor quiz by a wide margin after having won the prelims by more than 20 points.

In music, another extempore team consisting of Siby Pothan, Nehru Isaac, Bucket, Varadarajan and N. Sriram won the 2nd place in the Western Music Groups event. In the Western Instrumental, Siby had the crowd eating out of his hand and asking for more. He came 2nd. REC(W) cashed both these events. In Indian light, we were second while we got a first place in the vocal section of classical music.

With DDC rules applying (no repetition of words), JAM was a wash-out. Barring the moderator, no one could be heard. The only other event we didn't fare well in was TINTORETTO.

All in all, a nice festival - and loads of fun for the participants.

- Fooyong

STANLEY TOURNAMENTS

Football: AM Jain routed 4-0.

The ball barely saw our half as it hovered dangerously around the AM Jain goal most of the time. The scorers for us were Kumaran, Javed, Billy and Boudha (who scored off a long kick). Our next match is against MCC on Sunday. **FLASH: Top seeds toppled. MCC lose 3-5**

Volleyball: MIT knocked out.

MIT never had a chance against the wrath of our volleyball team. We coasted to an easy 15-6, 15-3 triumph.

Kabaddi: Guru Nanak emerge winners.

Fancied top seeds, Guru Nanak had difficulty in getting past our kabaddi team. We were leading 15-13 at half time, but a lona in the second half saw GN pull ahead, to eventually win 42-31. Rajendran, a university player, excelled for GN. For us, Mariappan played an exquisite game.

SARAS DAGS CITY GARDEN CHAMPIONSHIP

It was roses all the way for Saras as they won the St. Thomas Mount Rolling Cup for the best garden. The Saras garden, which specialises in palm trees and colourful beds of small flowers, is a sight for sore eyes. Ganga took the second place.

KRISHNA 7-A-SIDE CRICKET

The Krishna 7-a-side pulse has been revived. In the only match of the week, Darah Baje conceded their unfinished, previous semester's match to Drum's Seven.

OPEN 6-A-SIDE FOOTER TOURNEY

The open floodlit 6-a-side football tournament will be conducted at Sangam on 19th - 22nd of this month. A team (6 + 2) should not contain more than 2 institute players.

SWIMMING CARDS

Special cards are being issued to hostels for practising for the inter-hostel competitions to be held at the end of February. These cards will be valid only till the competition begins.

FRIENDLY MATCHES: VOLLEYBALL

Our volleyball team had sweet revenge against Guru Nanak, who had ousted them in the first round of the Bertam Volleyball Tournament. In a friendly match played at the Guru Nanak grounds, our team won 13-15, 15-9, 15-6, 15-10. While Dadri excelled for us, Murali played a good game for Guru Nanak.

In another friendly match played in our courts, we outvolleyed PAUT 15-4, 15-9, 16-14, 15-8.

IIT(M) CASHES AT VIBRATIONS '82

IIT(M) won the overall trophy, defeating even hosts Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore in a rather dull festival, VIBRATIONS. The hospitality was good to the extent that beds, blankets and so on were provided; the food was good.

IIT(M) cashed events as frequently as the events started late. Old giants Abhijit Biswas (IIM B'lore) and Pandit (IISc) clashed again in the JAM. Obo beat Pandit 1050-850, while Ding of Godav took the third place.

Harirajan won the Photography contest, Ding picked up the painting prize, Rathi and Kati bagged the first place in collage. We won both the first (Poncho & Shankar) and second (Frenchie & DJ) places in the guessword.

Kati single handedly won the Best Instrumentalist and Best Vocalist prizes in Western Music, while Patki won a consolation prize in Indian Light. IIT also cashed Skits and Essay Writing. "Tom, Dick & Harry"

(or 20 questions or Boticelli or Tintoretto or what you will) was won by Shankar and Phaniraj.

Extempore debate saw Poncho taking a second place. With 2nd and 3rd individual placings, we got the second place overall in debate. We were also second in Pantomime.

With just one event to go, IIT(M) was just a few points behind the hosts. The last event was "Ads to Add On". A common commercial ad is shown (like we see at movies) in a theatre-cum-hall and a few minutes later, the team has to take off on it on the stage. We cashed this to return home thumping winners, beating IISc themselves. Good Show!

INTER HOSTEL

Out of twelve matches scheduled for the week, eight were postponed. Three of them were due to Cauvery's refusal to participate further in inter-hostel matches till their protest about umpiring in their footer match against Tapti was considered. The dispute has been settled with Cauvery's plea for a replay having been rejected.

BALL BADMINTON

Brahms vs Krishna

Brahmaputra subdued their PG counterparts in Krishna 29-22, 29-17 to enter the ball badminton league. For the winners, Prasad stood out.

KABADDI

Tapti vs Ganga

Tapti overcame Ganga in a pre-league kabaddi match. With this, Tapti takes its place in the league. Tapti led 19-6 at half time and sustained the lead to take the match at 44-26.

TABLE TENNIS

Tapti vs Saras

Tapti edged out Saras 5-4 in a nerve-tingling encounter. Ravi and Kiran won two matches apiece, both of them losing to Velaskar. Devadutta provided the one remaining necessary win. For Saras, Velaskar won all his three encounters, and Prakash chipped in with one win.

