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Editorial

Dear Readers - A Very Happy New Year

Commencing from where we left you last, the month of November proved to be a fruitful one for the college. The College performed exceedingly well in all fields during this period.

The college opened on the 17th of January 1994 after a vacation of 45 days thereby ushering in a new and fresh term for the cadets. The college put up a new look due to the thorough cleaning up done during the vacations under the supervision of the Administration officer & Assistant Administrative officer. The campus also had further improvement with all the residences being provided with new electrical wiring. In the academic block all the furniture was repaired providing relief to the cadets. The furniture breaking spree of the cadets has come to a sudden halt for the fear of paying ten times the cost of the furniture.

The college was deprived of the service of 3 members of its faculty of academic staff viz. Capt Srivastav (Rimcollian) Capt JPR Ismail (Rimcollian) & Miss Sunita Diwan. The cadets also will be glad to know that both Capt JPR Ismail as well as Miss Sunita Diwan have found life partners for themselves & that Miss Sunita Diwan has got a permanent job in Delhi. But the loss has been made good through the induction of 2 new members into the staff. Mr. Yashbir Singh of the Chemistry Department & Mr. Birendra Singh of the English department. The staff kitty party no longer remains an exclusively female arena with "KITTS" or male members attending it. These celebrities are Mr. S. Ali, Capt S. Nanda, Mr. Viswakarma & OFCOURSE Mr. Pawan VASHIST! The staff also proceeded on their traditional picnic to Lachhiwala. It was a very enjoyable trip according to staff sources. Each family carried food for self as well as an additional member (BACHELOR BOYS!) And there was a sea of food to choose from. MR BHATIA's organizing capabilities were clearly evident from this! A batch of 24 first termers joined this Premier Institution on 5th January 1994. The College saw Ranjit section making a clean sweep in interaction English debating competition held on 4th February 1994. The commandant has also suggested that there will also be a junior's section in Basketball which will carry equal importance as seniors. The sections are preparing hard for the forth-coming Basketball, Boxing & Quiz competitions. The Boxing coach is adding a special tinge to the Shivaji section boxing practices. The NDA results though very successful in written exams were not all that satisfactory after the SSB results. Last but not the least the college is advancing itself in the entertainment field with a video projector being purchased. Looking forward to an excellent and interesting term.

- Cdt Sourav Kumar Kar.

- Cdt Sambit Mishra.

The English Debating competition was the first event of the new term. Ranjit section reigned supreme in the debating arena by bagging the cup. Shivaji, Pratap and Chandragupt stood 2nd, 3rd and 4th respectively. The individual honours went to Cdt. Sub. NCO Saurav Gupta, Cdt. D. Nautiyal and Cdt. Siddharth Chopra who were placed first in seniors, Juniors, and Rebuttal section respectively.

To wind up, we look forward to an excellent term as far as performance in the co-curricular arena is concerned.

-Cdt. Sambit Mishra

NEWS IN BRIEF

- There has recently been a proposal to raise RIMC's strength to 600. The Chief Gen. B.C. Joshi has been showing personal interest in this regard and wants RIMC to be an international institution. (Incidentally his son Akshay Joshi is a Rincollian) From RIMC two proposals have been sent with a projected increase to 300 and 600 respectively.
- While on leave at Bombay the commandant met Vice-Admiral KASZ RAJU FOC-in-C Western Naval Fleet who gave him a lot of good suggestions pertaining to running of RIMC especially scholarships.
- Computerisation is on in a big away at RIMC. It is planned that in the near future most of the Accounting & data collection work at the RIMC will be done by computers including Cadets' dossiers, Archives, Library and Results. This has been possible with the induction of the new PC 236/SX Computer.
- A new trend which has been introduced is the interaction & involvement of class IV employees & their children. Various matches & sporting events are being organised for them in addition to various other welfare activities. The response from their side is highly encouraging. A special athletics was organised for them.
- Capt S. Srivastav & Capt J. Ismail performed exceedingly well at the Junior command course where they got BI & A.I respectively. Both have since rejoined their respective units after completion of their terms at RIMC.
- The SAI coach Mr. G.S. Thapa has been doing an excellent job so far as coaching of football team is concerned. He has also been helping boys in other disciplines. Very soon we shall be having a Basketball coach too.
- The RIMC doctor Lt. Col. V.K. Singh has been doing a commendable job. Infact he's been instrumental in getting all medical cases through in their final SSB selections.
- The staff condition in RIMC continues to be grim with a number of vacancies yet to be filled up. To aggravate this is the ban on certain categories of staff.
- The much awaited introduction of star TV has come through. But to the utter disappointment of cadets the exposure is limited to BBC news!!!
- The introduction of Discipline trophy has caused quite a flutter in the RIMC with the imminent danger that Section Masters might like to compete as to who gives maximum negative points to other section cadets.
- It's being planned this term to invite guest speakers who would lecture cadets on topics of importance.
- Capt Y.S. Meitei will be joining RIMC soon. (Ex-Shivaji)
- Ex-Air chief, Air Chief Marshal N.C. Suri (retd.) has introduced a sword of honour to be awarded to the best all round cadet of the college. The first sword of honour has gone to cadet V.J. Kurian (Ex Ranjit).
- Class IV employees have been provided with the cable TV as a welfare measure at a very highly subsidised rate of Rs 50/-per connection. The college has spent an amount of Rs 15000/-
- In the on going process of beautification of college campus about 250 rose plants and 150 bougainvillea plant have been planted at various locations in the campus including in front of the Bhagat Hall.
- In order that college records are preserved for long binding of Cadets dossiers and other records including service books has been undertaken.
- New steel racks have been brought and installed at the CSD for proper layout of items at the CSD. This has cost the college Rs. 12000/-
- New waterproof plywood boards have been installed at the Basket Ball court.
- 14 Div have very kindly agreed to undertake repair and renovation of the college gymnasium.
- About the Catchpole Rest house, the selection of site, building plan and architect have been finalized. The final sanction is however still awaited.

- New Honour boards have been fitted in the Mess, Bhagat Hall and Sections and all entries have been made upto date.
- Various New items of furniture have been provided in the Mess and Ante rooms.
- A sum of Rs 20000/- have been spent on repair of classroom furniture. This expenditure was necessitated primarily because of MES inability to take up such large scale repairs for lack of funds.
- RIMC corpus money of Rs 15/- lakhs has been invested with BEML and SBI i.e. Rs 10 lakhs with BEML and Rs 5 lakhs in SBI bonds both getting RIMC 13% interest. However the interest accruing from this shall be spent in the general upkeep and maintenance of RIMC buildings and other movable and immovable assets as MES funds earmarked for the purpose are too meagre.

RIMC offers following attractive subscription for its publications.

	Chronicle	Magazines and chronicle
a) 1 year	Rs. 50/-	Rs. 175/-
b) 3 year	Rs 100/-	Rs. 450/-
c) life	Rs 500/-	Rs 1500/-

Rimcollian are requested to give wide publicity to this. Subscriptions could be sent in the form of Bank draft to the Comdt. RIMC

SSB RESULTS -1ST TERM1994

1ST ATTEMPT.

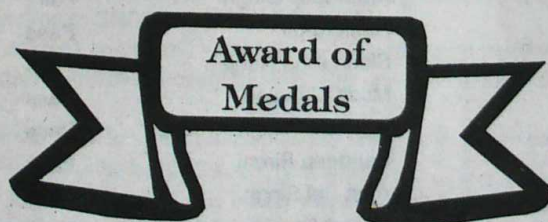
S.N	Section	Name	Status
1.	Pratap	Anuj Wadhwa	Pass
2.	Pratap	Saurabh Saxena	Pass
3.	Pratap	T.P. Sharma	Pass
4.	Pratap	Kapil Khandehwal	Pass
5.	Pratap	Mustaq Ali	Fail
6.	Ranjit	Gaurav Bhandari	Fail
7.	Ranjit	Amardeep Singh	Fail
8.	Ranjit	Rohit Kapil	Pass
9.	Ranjit	Siddhartha Ranjan	Pass
10.	Shivaji	Mudit Mahajan	Pass
11.	Shivaji	Ravinder Singh	Pass
12.	Shivaji	Sandeep Sironi	Pass
13.	Shivaji	Amit Pal Singh	Pass
14.	Shivaji	Bharat Parab	Pass
15.	Shivaji	A.B.Guosh	Pass
16.	Shivaji	M.P.Naveen	Pass
17.	Chandragupta	Gopal Shukla	Fail
18.	Chandragupta	Kartikeya Sharma	Pass
19.	Chandragupta	Rahul Pathak	Pass
20.	Chandragupta	Abishek Tiwari	Fail
21.	Chandragupta	S.F.Hussain	Pass
22.	Chandragupta	P.V.Ravindra Nath	Fail
23.	Chandragupta	Deepak Kumar	Fail

-Cdt Saurabh Saxena.

Following Cadet have joined the college this term

Sl.No	Name	Section
1	T.S.Tomar	Pratap
2.	B.Divakar	Pratap
3.	Veeraaj Parab (Brother of B Parab (Shivaji)	Pratap
4.	R.P.Gohain (Son of Ex.A.O Col RTC Gohain of Pratap Sec.)	Pratap
5.	S.K.Sahu	Pratap
6.	Gautam Sharma	Pratap
7.	Vishnu V.Reddy	Pratap
8.	S.M.Rizwan	Ranjit
9.	M.Chandola	Ranjit
10.	Rahul Anand	Ranjit
11.	Digvijay S.Parihar	Ranjit
12.	M.Kanungo	Ranjit
13.	N.Rawat	Shivaji
14.	N.D.Singh	Shivaji
15.	A.Vaish	Shivaji
16.	R.K.Anand	Shivaji
17.	Lall Chand A	Chandragupta
18.	R.K.Chakroborty	Chandragupta
19.	Swapnil Patil	Chandragupta
20.	A.Bahuguna	Chandragupta
21.	Gaurav Yadav	Chandragupta
22.	R.S. Pathania (Son of Maj HS Pathania) Ex-Chandragupta in)	Chandragupta

-Aplesh Mohan



Commandant is pleased to award the medals to the cadets as under:-

- (a) **January 92 term**
- (i) cdt. A.Dwivedi President's Gold Medal
 - (ii) cdt. J.S.Negi Col. Haughton's Silver Medal
 - (iii) cdt. K.Vijay Singh UN Jha Gold Medal
- (b) **August-92 term**
- (i) cdt. Amit Dhami President's Gold Medal
 - (ii) cdt. Shivnath Dahiya Col. Haughton's Silver Medal
 - (iii) cdt. Jitesh Bhutani UN Jha Gold Medal

(c) **January 93 term**

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| (i) | cdt. Kamaldeep Singh | President's Gold Medal |
| (ii) | cdt. Lokesh Kandpal | Col. Haughton's Silver Medal |
| (iii) | cdt. D.Ramanand | Un Jha Gold Medal |

(d) **August 93 term**

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| (i) | cdt. Anup Ranjan | President's Gold Medal |
| (ii) | cdt. P.Chowdhari | Col. Haughton's Silver Medal |
| (iii) | Cdt. Harminder Singh | Un Jha Gold Medal |

-Cdt. Sambit Mishra

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COMMANDANT'S MAIL BAG

It is indeed a great honour to have been appointed as the FOC Eastern Fleet. I look forward to doing my best and towards this end, I shall always value your advice, assistance and good wishes. I am aware that responsibilities come with appointment far outweigh the privileges of command and it shall be my endeavour to come up to the Navy's expectations.

- Rear Admiral Harinder Singh, AVSM
FOC, Eastern Fleet

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1. *Grateful thanks for your good wishes on my promotion and appointment as GOC 12 Corps. I value them immensely and it has all been possible due to blessings of almighty and affection from friends and colleagues like you.*
2. *It will be a pleasure to look after RIMC boys in my Corps. Please interact with my staff to work out the details. First week Apr 94 would be fine.*
3. *I have been getting very heartening reports about the performance of RIMCOLLIANS at NDA and IMA. Keep up the good work. With you at the steering wheel they are in good hands and I am sure they will continue to perform well.*

- Lt Gen HM Khanna, AVSM
GOC 12 Corps

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RIMC is fortunate to have most versatile and dynamic Comdt of your calibre and standing. But for your total dedication and wholehearted involvement it would not have been possible for the RIMC to attain the dizzy heights. Both of us were thoroughly impressed to meet your highly motivated team of officers and staff which under your inspiring leadership has truly transformed the Institution into an ideal model for others to emulate. I am proud of your enormous contribution being made in the service of the Nation in general and the Army in particular.

- Maj Gen N.S. Katoch, SM, VSM & Bar
GOC 6 Mh Bde.

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My apologies for this belated acknowledgement of the newsletter.

As always it was wonderful to read news of the Alma-Mater. I thoroughly enjoyed reading every line of the newsletter. It has been my desire for sometime to visit the school again but for one reason or the other the trip has not materialised so far. I hope I will be able to make it for the Mar. 94 Reunion.

- Maj Gen V. Shankar VSM
HQS Southern Command

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It has been very thoughtful of you to have sent me the latest Chronicle and your News letter. It has brought back nostalgic memories of old days as also how things are shaping up under your stewardship to cope with the changing environments. Here is wishing you God-speed in all your endeavours. I have no doubt RIMC will continue to flourish and be the best institution in the country.

- Lt Gen R N Batra
GOC-in-C Eastern Command

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It has been a delight to go through your letter. The progress made by you and your present team in various fields is indeed commendable. My congratulations to you all. Please do let me know if I could be of any help to the school.

- Maj Gen VN Wadhwa
GOC 7 Inf. Div.

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It has made a very interesting reading and speaks volumes of the hard work being put in by you to improve the standards and functioning of the school. Please accept my deep appreciation. My best wishes are always with you.

- Brig PK Chhliber
170 Inf Bde.

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It appears that you are, perhaps, not sending the news letter to every body. This may be due to financial constraints. If this be so, may I suggest that you levy suitable charges for this, so that we can be kept informed of the developments regularly.

- Maj Gen BS Suhag
Army HQs

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Thank you for the news letter, which I read with great interest. I am pleased at the way the school is being run. My compliments to you and the staff.

- Lt Gen RK Gulati
GOC-in-C Western Command

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VISIT.

The following Officers/Parents visited the College during Nov 93 to Feb 94 :

S/No.	Date of Visit	Name of Visitors	Location/Units
1.	18 Nov. 93	Lt. Gen MM Lakhera, AVSM, VSM	AG Army HQ
2.	30 Nov 93	Maj Gen NS Katoch, SM, VSM**	GOC 6 Mtn Div
3.	30 Nov	Maj Gen RK Sawhney	GOC 14 Inf Div

NEWS ABOUT RIMCOLLIANS

- I. Out of the 1967 Commissioning 4 Rimcollians have become Brigadiers
They are :

1. Raman Sehgal
2. A K Datta
3. D Mukerjee
4. Manoranjan Singh

We congratulate these Rimcollians on their success & pray that they obtain more such laurels.

- II. The following Rimcollians were awarded the Ati Vaishista Seva Medal
1. Lt General S. Padmanabhan
 2. Lt. General H.M. Khanna
 3. Rear Admiral P.P. Nandi

- III. The following Rimcollians are commanding Divisions :
1. Maj. General S.S. Grewal
 2. Maj. General H.S. Mangat
 3. Maj General H.R.S. Mann
 4. Maj. General Dipankar Banerjee

- IV. Rear Admiral Harinder Singh has taken over as FOC Eastern Fleet.

- V. Lt. General H.M. Khanna has taken over 12 Corps

- VI. Mr. DPN Singh has since retired as the Director General of CRPF.

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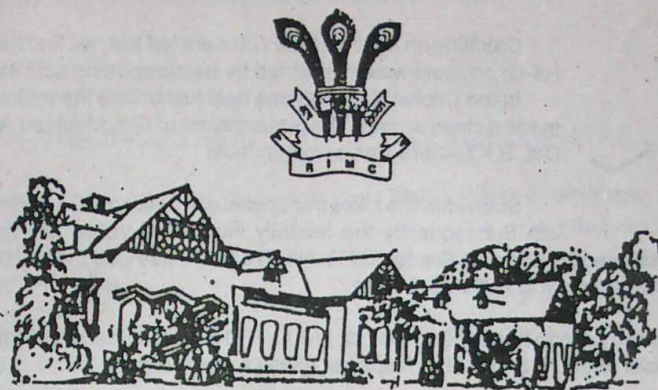
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Editorial

Dearest Readers,

Welcome to yet another edition of "The Chronicle" As usual we have for you the much awaited sports & Co-Curricular round up - the ultimate in stories of sweet victories and sad losses. The College, during this half, has witnessed several unforgettable moments. The most memorable one being the flagging off of the R.I.M.C. mountaineering expedition to Mt. Kedardome. These 11 Cadets led by Lt. Col. Yadav are a strong team set to conquer the peak against all odds. Besides this the installation of the video projector has also given to the life of the cadets a sharp U pin turn. The battle for occupying front seats or the upper class seats in anterooms to watch movies has calmed down to form a serene crowd, each cadet enjoying himself by turning himself to the 35 mm screen in the Bhagat hall. The half was also characterized by numerous activities viz the Inter School quizzing & Intersection volleyball, cricket & hockey matches.

Shivaji Section made a clean sweep of the hockey and cricket cups whereas Chandragupta and Ranjit battled hard for the volleyball cup but eventually had to share the cup. R.I.M.C. participated in Inter School quiz and came 4th. It was a good show put up by the quizzers but there is still scope for improvement.

In Basketball our College entered the tournaments at Welham boys & Doon School and put up a commendable show. The half was by and large characterized by good shows, triumphs and of course good weather. May be there were happier things that had to happen but which did not. We will wait for them and as they come our way and put them up to you in the next Chronicle.

Till then good bye. Best of luck for the exams and sweet vacations.

Sports Round Up



Catching on again, where you were left last, we find that the period after Re-union meet was highlighted by hectic sporting activities.

In the Cricket Competitions held just before the midterm break, Shivaji made a clean sweep. The performance of Cdt. Mushtaq Ali, Cdt. P. Giri and Cdt. S.K. Behera was commendable.

Soon after the hikes the Cricket div. took on S.B.I. team and had an easy win. Subsequently the recently introduced volley ball competitions were held. The cup was bagged by Chandra Gupta and Ranjit. We got to see good volley ball talents in Cdt. B. Parsad, Cdt. S.S. Randhawa and Cdt. T. Massey.

During this time the college hockey Div. took on I.M.A., N.D.A. and subsequently the Welham Boys School. The team lost to I.M.A. and N.D.A. inspite of giving a tough fight.

We triumphed over Welham Boys in seniors and juniors winning conveniently in both the matches. In the hockey div for the first term 94 the performance of Cdt. R. Singh, Cdt. T.P. Sharma, cdt M. Mahajan, Cdt. S. Kar, Cdt. P. Srivastav, Cdt. P. Mann and Cdt. Rich: Richardson requires special mention. The div won many laurels for the college by winning most of the matches played. The match against the Doon School ended in a 2-2 draw. Ravinder Singh and T.P. Sharma impressed everyone by their outstanding performance. In the hockey competitions Shivaji proved themselves better than others. The positions were:-

1ST	SHIVAJI
2ND	PRATAP
3RD	RANJIT
4TH	CHANDRAGUPTA

The College basket-ball div took part in two tournaments namely Welham Boys golden jubilee tournament in Welham Boys and the Afzal Khan tournament in Doon school. The basket-ball team did well in Welham Boys school while the results in Doon school fell short of our expectations.

Now, as we are nearing the end of the term, looking back at the term would seem a satisfactory term in sports. We look forward to brighter hopes and more triumphs in the terms to come.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Co-Curricular activities play a major role in the day-to-day life of RIMC cadets. This term was full of co-curricular activities as it was a Re-union term. Girls in R.I.M.C. I Class V very humorously depicted the result of R.I.M.C. being co-educational. This play was directed by cadet Siddhartha Chopra. Special compliments were given to Cadet P.S. Swaroop for acting very well. The applause of the evening went to the Hindi play (Gudhdha) which was directed by Mr. Vishwakarma. The dramatics club did an excellent job with special mention of cadets Saurabh Gupta, Ratnesh, Amardeep Singh and R. Richardson.

The R.I.M.C. quiz team was very busy due to the R.I.M.C. challenge round of quizzing. The hostess was Mrs. Chandra Joshi. She conducted the quiz in a very special and spectacular manner. R.I.M.C. came fourth in the quiz thanks to cadet sec. com Rahul Pathak.

The next competition was Squad Drill. The competition was very keenly contested. Ranjit Section won the cup closely followed by Chandragupta, Pratap and Shivaji.

On 26th April R.I.M.C. took part in the Welham English debate. R.I.M.C. was represented by cadet Saurabh Gupta and Satyam sahu. Cadet Satyam Sahu bagged the prize for the best rebutter.

This debate marked the end of the co-curricular activities of this term.

Highlighted by hard work the standards remained satisfactory.

P.P.S. Mann
Kannan Selvam

FIGHT THE APARTHEID

In solitude I gaze
at the star filled sky,
Baffled by the world,
Just wondering - Why ?

Why was a black,
Killed by a white cop ?
Why a black skinned,
is alienated in a mob ?

Why can't we break free
from shackles of apartheid ?
Why through our actions,
is brotherhood denied ?

Why do the killings
and riots take place ?
Why are rights denied
due to colour or race ?

When will the Earth
be a human-kingdom ?
When will all races
have equal freedom ?

Why does a brother become a master ?
Why, are advancement, heading to mutual
disaster ?

When will the blacks
discard their crutches ?
And their lives no more be
like discriminated wretches ?

Thinking of this at the sky I gaze,
My eyes misty, but heart ablaze,
Wishing if I could, like an astrologer predict,
From the patterns in dark that the
twinkling stars lit,
I would have aided, each black to fight
the monstrous evil,
in apartheid.

Deepankar Nautiyal
III

OUR BIOSPHERE LET'S SAVE IT !

Water, Water Everywhere,
Not a drop to drink,
Neither is the air we breathe, pure.
doesn't this make you think ?
Everyday some people die, of hunger and pain,
No one wants to care for another.
Everyone from helping does refrain.
No one is anyone's helper,
No one is anyone's brother,
Why can't we lead a peaceful life,
Can't we rely upon each other ?
We ought be nature's friend,
Having natural symbiosis between us,
But now we have become our own

foes,
By cutting trees countless,
Gulf war destroyed the birds,
Polluted the water and air,
Deforestation leads to flood and fam-
ines,

Ultra-violet rays penetrate
Passing through ozone layer.

Skin cancer got spread,
In Philippines last year

Tobacco, car exhaust, narcotics,
Fill the air with poison,

Making the mind unconscious,
and then zenith joins horizon.

Floods, famine, everywhere,
Pollution of air and water,

If not checked right now then,
Will perish soon all matter,

Let's curb overpopulation and stop acid rain,
since prevention is better than cure,

But if not stopped all problems now,
Then we'll be destroyed for sure.

Sudipto Das
III-A

News in brief

- A team from Doordarshan visited the College to film a documentary on R.I.M.C.
- Cadets are overjoyed seeing the projector installed at the Bhagat hall. They have already watched quite a few movies there.
- R.I.M.C. played IMA, NDA, Welham boys, & Doon School in Hockey cricket and Basket ball.
- Cricket cup was won by Shivaji followed by Pratap, Chandragupta & Ranjit.
- Classes went on hikes to Kanesar, Landsdowne, Chandigarh, Jodhpur, Alwar & Nahan.
- Chinese dinner will be served twice a month now in the Cadets mess.
- The model and blue print of the guest house being built from the grant by Mr. H. Catchpole has been designed.
- The College Basket-ball team participated in "Welham boys Golden Jubilee Tournament." and "Afzal Khan Basket-ball competition." Did well in both.
- Two guest lectures were organised by college in Bhagat hall.
 - 1) Situation in J & K - Maj. Munis Raza (Retd.)
 - 2) Brain dominance - Brig. B.M.Seth (Retd.)
- R.I.M.C. also witnessed the flagging off of the Mt. Kedardome expedition. The expedition team includes cadets between (14-16) years of age and is first of its kind in the country.
- College terminals are scheduled to be from the 16th of the May. Boards for class V A are starting from 6th of May.
- College welcomes two new faculty members both old boys. Capt. Y.S. Meitie (Ex Shivaji) and Capt. Sandeep Singh (Ex Shivaji) Both are currently on the mountaineering expedition.
- The new college P.E. has been approved with major gains to the college.
- A disposal bus has been presented to the RIMC by the Adjutant General. After necessary repairs the bus will be the private property of the RIMC and its maintenance as such the responsibility of the RIMC. It shall be a very useful addition to the RIMC fleet of vehicles.
- The Central command has sanctioned the following special works for the RIMC which incidentally constitutes 1/4 of the total works/repairs sanctioned by the command

(a) Bathrooms/Sewage	40 lakhs
(b) Kitchen	1.8 lakhs
(c) Woodwork joinery	2.5 lakhs
(d) Repair cl.IV lines	4 lakhs
- The above repairs will go a long way in bringing up RIMC infrastructure to the required standards.
- The drainage system at the college is being repaired.
- Boxing theater has been thoroughly renovated and permanent wall has been made for the purpose of screening films through the newly acquired video projector.
- The College has also bought a new Video Camera which is presently covering the mountaineering expedition. It will continue to be a useful asset to the college.
- The case for Revision of cadets fees is still under process. However, as an interim measure cadets are being charged an additional sum of Rs. 2000/- per term to meet the expenditure made by the college on various training activities and on cadets personal necessities.
- The PET of the College is under revision.
- In the first phase of computerisation of all accounting/records at the RIMC, cadets accounts have been computerised. Office records, Archives and Library will be taken up next in that order.
- Section-wise end of the term socials have been done away with. Instead, now onwards, there shall be a central dinner for the whole college where the passing-out cadets will be given mementoes.
- RIMC Staff beat Doon School Staff 4-1 in a hockey match played at RIMC ground.
- The end of term staff picnic was again organised this term by the staff secretary Mr SP Bhatia. It was great fun indeed for all the members of staff, the ladies and the children.

VISIT TO NDA

BY COL D.H.PARAB AND MRS. GITA PARAB.

As you all are aware, every year, Gita and I visit the NDA Khadakwasla to meet our old boys at the NDA. It is a visit where apart from meeting the boys, we interact with the staff, try and assess the requirements at NDA and stay abreast with the progress and changes there. Most important is ofcourse the interaction Gita has with the boys and from which she truly does come to know the many problems they tell her quite frankly.

This year the trip seemed to be jinxed. I kept on post poning the trip due to various reasons till I finally visited the NDA on 24th April 1994; which incidentally was a Sunday. We had driven down from Bombay and had been lodged quite comfortably in the Officers Mess under the able supervision of butler Samuel, who was a waiter and a bearer when I was an instructor at NDA in 1971. After a wash and change of clothes, Gita insisted that we see the boys, and off we went to the Fox Sqn to try and locate any old boy. We did meet some and took them to the cafeteria which is being very well run by Col. Amar Chaterjee, (Ex.Ranjit) Col. Adm. at the NDA. There we met the ACC Dinender Singh.

We do not know how, but the news travelled very fast, Very soon a large number of old boys gathered around me. Shakeel Ahmed who was writing a letter in his cabin; after hearing the news that there was some lady at the cafe and that all Rimcollians had surrounded her and were talking to her, was sure that she could be no one but 'Mom' and he rushed to cafe. All the old boys were treated by Gita to ice creams (which incidentally are quite cheap there!)

Next day we went around and met the Comdt. of NDA. He was already prepared for this visit. He spoke of the high performance of the boys from R.I.M.C.. He gave various appointments that he had noted down. I also met Rear Admiral MS Bedi; Deputy Comdt and Chief Instructor at NDA. He spoke very highly of our boys. I also had a chance to meet the Battalion Commanders, Sqn. Cdrs and head of the training team, Col.Devraj Singh. All were happy with the performance of the boys from R.I.M.C. at NDA. I also met Offg. Principal and head of the Physics Dept. Prof. S.R.L.Rao. He reported that the boys were doing quite well.

A few pieces of advice he gave are worth mentioning here:-

- a) NDA syllabus is structured. It is easy to score high marks even if you study during class hours only.
- b) When ever you study, you must concentrate and study.
- c) To quote him, ' Low aim is a crime, so work hard'.
- d) In NDA one must opt for the science stream and a foreign language if he wishes to do well.
- e) The change of stream (science, arts, etc.) can be done only till the mid term exams of 1st term. or subsequently it can be effective only after relegation.

During these meetings I learnt that a new system, quite similar to that at R.I.M.C. has been adopted at the NDA, concerning games. The aim is to ensure that all boys play all games. There were also problem cases that I came to know of. In some cases I did the counselling. These cases are generally due to adjustment problems.

In the evening an excellent talk was given by Nani Palkiwala on the Indian Constitution, to which Gita and I were invited. After the Academy broke off, I met all the Rimcollians together. It was for the first time that we got to meet all the boys who passed out after we came to the college. It was good to see the Cadet Captain becoming the Battalion Cadet Captain. It was also heart warming to know of the excellent performance of BCA Ashish Kshyap who is also in the run for a medal. I was sad to know that Pratap Batra had to leave and of Shakeel Ahmed's father's death and that his mother was not well. Gita did console him and offered all help.

During my talk with the boys I highlighted the following points :

- i) Concentrate on studies
- ii) There is no difficulty in doing well if you follow a set routine.
- iii) Ensure that you are good in cross country and PT. The standards expected of Rimcolians are quite high, therefore we require to do that much better.
- iv) Do not have many Rimcollian gatherings because it leads to anti R.I.M.C. attitude which is not good for us.

After the lecture, the boys asked some searching questions about the increase of strength at R.I.M.C., standards of PT, games etc. The boys told me to convey this message to the cadets at R.I.M.C.- "Concentrate on studies and be good at PT."

Finally the boys had a delicious feast which Gita had arranged for them, from the Kayanis Bakery at Pune. The boys seemed to enjoy the feast very much and it reminded them of the time at school.

After that everyone got sentimental and we bid everyone good bye. The next day we drove off from NDA, Khadakwasla.

The R.I.M.C. Platinum Jubilee Mountaineering Expedition

1. RIMC is sending a 30 member Mountaineering Expedition to Mt. Kedarnath Dome (6840 m) as a part of its Platinum Jubilee Celebrations from 30 April to 20 May 94.
2. As a part of the Platinum Jubilee celebration the RIMC is engaged in a multitude of adventure activities. The cadets took part in the Alak Nanda Gangas White Water Rafting Expedition in 1993 as the first of its adventure activities. Traversing the Ganges from Rudaprayag to Rishikesh, the cadets braved successfully one of the most treacherous rapids found in the country. Following the Mountaineering Expedition, the cadets would be undertaking another Rafting Expedition on the river Indus and a ballooning expedition. In addition the boys are engaged in a number of co-curricular activities, such as Para-sailing etc. on a regular basis.
3. The RIMC Platinum Jubilee Mountaineering Expedition was flagged off by Lt. Gen J.C.Pant, PVSM, Commandant IMA at a ceremony held at Bhagat Hall RIMC on 30 April 94. Speaking on the occasion Lt. Col. MP Yadav, VSM, the leader of the expedition highlighted the salient aspects of the Expedition and the peak in particular. Lt. Col MP Yadav, Principal of Nehru Institute of Mountaineering, Uttarkashi is a distinguished mountaineer who has led a number of Expeditions including Nanda Devi, Namostong, Kangri, Sigri Parbat and Mukul to name a few.

Lt. Col. M P Yadav brought out that the climb would be in four stages. The team attempting the peak from the North West Ridge would move from the Base Camp at Upper Tapoban to the advance Base Camp at Kirti Bamak signaling the actual ascent to the peak. Thereafter moving through Camp I, the final ascent on the peak would be attempted from Camp II. At this time of the year, the snowline is in an area around Gangotri (3200m). The peak Kedar Dome being attempted by the cadets, mythologically speaking is the seat of Lord Shiva. The Ganges starts in this area which has the glaciers of Gangotri and Bhagirathi. The climb is both dangerous and treacherous after Advance Base Camp. Numerous crevices would be encountered after Camp II. This would be one of the youngest teams attempting such a peak. The highlights are:-

- (a) Average age 14-16 years

- (b) All climbing members are students and old boys of RIMC.
 (c) It is the first school boy level expedition with very little experienced help.
4. The cadets have undergone a rigorous one month pre-expedition conditioning programme which has included mountain treks, specific mountaineering strengthening exercise and training in specific snow and ice craft as required for this expedition. The expedition has largely been made possible with help from the Army Adventure Cell in the form of specialized equipment and monetary assistance for the same.

With the latest information received the peak has been scaled by the following
 Lt Col MP Yadav, Capt Y S Meitei, Capt Sandeep Singh, Cdt Saurabh Batta, Cdt G Harnal, Cdt S Nayak
 and Cdt G K Saini



Heartiest greetings on Founder's Day and Re-union Celebrations and best wishes for success in all your endeavours.

Lt Gen YN Sharma, PVSM, AVSM, VSM GOC-in-C-Central Command

I thank you for your kind invitation to attend the 72nd Founder's Day and Re-union of the Rashtriya Indian Military College on 12 and 13 Mar 94 but regret my inability to do so owing to other commitments.

Lt. Gen Ashok Joshi, PVSM, AVSM, DGMT

We were greatly impressed by all that we saw at the RIMC and by the efficient manner in which all the Founder's Day functions had been organised.

Maj. Gen SC Sinha, PVSM (Retd.)

I write this to convey to you, your Administrative Officer and staff my warmest congratulations on the excellent arrangements made for the RIM College Old Boys Re-union. I am sure that I voice the views of every Rimcollian who attended the Re-union that it was a fine show and everyone enjoyed the stay at the Alma Mater.

I was not able to attend the Re-union last year and this time I found that there was a vast improvement in the maintenance of the buildings, the grounds, the garden, the Dining Hall and the ante rooms.

All the meals served were of a high quality and breakfast (Scotch eggs) is something that everyone looks forward to.

You gave an excellent speech at the Founder's Day function and the Variety Show was very good.

Maj Gen Virendra Singh (Retd.)

On this historic meet I and my wife send our best wishes to all Rimcollians and their families for their prosperity and well-being.

Brig. AR Sinha
 Cdr HQ 58 Inf Bde

Thank you very much for your kind invitation for 72nd Founder's Day and Re-union on 12 and 13 Mar 94. Unfortunately, I am moving on 12 Mar 94 to Fatehgarh to attend Centre Comdt's Conf. The loss will be entirely ours.

I wish the function a grand success.

Brig KK Bugga Commandant, BEG & Centre Roorkee

I thank you for the opportunity that came to me to meet you and others and to see the RIMC flourishing under your command.

Lt Col SC Sharma, AVSM (Retd.) Ex-Adm Offr of RIMC

On the occasion of the 72nd Founder's Day and Re-union of our alma mater and the annual Rimcollian Re-union I extend my warmest greetings and good wishes to all Old Boys, members of staff and cadets of the RIMC. May I request you to convey my felicitations to all.

Col N S Brar H C Wing, College of Combat Mhow.

The College under your stewardship is doing wonders as is evident from the performance of your cadets in all shperes. Do accept my felicitations for the 72nd Founder's Day celebrations. I'm confident that in future too the RIMC will continue to set new standards of excellence.

**Col K A Uthaiah
Co 1 Para**

Please accept my felicitations on the Founder's Day of the institution. Contributions of the institution to defence forces is well known. I wish all the success to the institution in the years to come.

Lt. Col HS Jassar AQMG HQ Dehra Dun Sub Area

Thank the Commandant, Staff and Cadets of Rashtriya Indian Military College for their kind invitation at the Founder's Day celebrations on 12 and 13 Mar 94 and wish the functions and the College success and prosperity.

Col HKL Johar Principal Siddhartha Adarsh Residential Public School

Thank you very much for making such an excellent arrangement for the Re-union and looking after all of us. Indeed it was an excellent show, each event was meticulously planned and above all we enjoyed every moment of our stay in the RIMC. I do realise the amount of hard work that you and your staff, most particularly Mrs. Parab and the ladies had put in. I wish to convey our deep appreciation for all you have done.

Col. RTC Gohain Dy Comdt 14 GTC

I was extremely keen to make it this time, particularly since it would be the first get-together, after my superannuation on 30-11-93. However, due to some health problems in the family and some other insurmountable obstacles, I have had to stay behind and to forego the extremely enjoyable experience of meeting my contemporaries and being transported almost half a century back in the memory lane.

Shri DPN Singh Ex-DG CRPF

Thanks the Commandant, Staff and Cadets of Rashtriya Indian Military College for their kind invitation and wishes the Founder's Day function all success.

Shri Din Dayal (Ex-Principal)

Thanks to the Commandant, Staff and Cadets of R.I.M.C. for their kind invitation to Founder's Day celebrations.

It is with the greatest regret that they will be unable to come.

They are quite certain that the Re-union will be, as always, a great success and hope that it will be well

attended. Mr. Watson also takes this opportunity to be remembered to any of his period who may be present at the function.

Mr.EJ Watson (U.K.)

I take this opportunity to wish you, the staff and all the cadets a very happy Re-union 1994. May glory always bestow our great institution.

Capt RS Kohli 619 EME Bn

RE-UNION 94

The following Rimcollians attended the 72nd Founder's Day and Re-union 94 celebrations:-

Gen VN Sharma, PVSM, AVSM, (Retd)	Lt Col Malvinder Singh (Retd)
Lt. Gen MM Lakhera, AVSM.VSM	Lt Col M L Bhagat
Maj Gen MPS Mann (Retd)	Lt Col A K Sethi
Rear Admiral PD Sharma, AVSM,NM, (Retd.)	Maj S K Juneja
Maj Gen Ashok Mehta, AVSM NM (Retd)	Maj D S Gill
Maj Gen C Narain	Maj J S Gill
Maj Gen MR Rajwade, PVSM, AVSM, MC (Retd)	Maj Arnab Baneerji
Maj Gen B P Wadhera, AVSM (Retd)	Maj Gurkirat Singh
Maj Gen V B Batra	Maj Samir Srivastava
Maj Gen B Neogy, VSM (Retd)	Maj H S Pathania
Maj Gen B Chowdhuri	Cdr Ajay Sood
Brig, S K Dey, AVSM (Retd)	Col R T C Gohain
Cmde B K Mohanty	Maj K C Anand (Retd)
Brig, S K Gupta	Maj Rajesh Tewary
Brig, A R Kumar, VSM	Sqn Ldr Rakesh Rai (Retd)
Brig, J S Verma, AC	Maj D P Das
Brig, D K Khuller, AVSM, FRGS	Maj D V Choudhary
Brig, Gurbux Singh (Retd)	Maj Tarun Kanti Guha
Cdr P B Chowdhuri	Col Deepak Das
Col K K Mowar	Maj M Vardaraj
Col Raman Seghal	Maj A J S Virk
Col Rajender Singh	Maj R S Verma
Col B M Baweja	Maj Shekhar Upadhyay
Col Harjot Singh Seghal	Maj Gurbinder Singh
Col Rajinder Kapoor. (Retd)	Maj Mahendra Bahadur Saxena
Col P P Aggarwal	Maj R S N Singh
Col D C Anand (Retd)	Capt Sanjay Bhardwaj
Col S V P Singh	Capt Ajay Kumar Kochhar
Col N P Choudhary	Capt R K Paul (Retd)
Col Padamjit Singh	Capt Sandeep Singh
Col Ranjit Singh (Retd)	Capt S K Yadav
Col R N Balagopal	Capt S K Kochhar
Lt Cdr A Satyanarayan (Retd)	Ldr P K Khosla (Retd)
Lt Col D D Jayal (Retd)	Capt Ali Ahmed
Lt Col Ranjan Dutta (Retd)	Capt Yogendra Singh Nehra
Lt Col R C Virmani (Retd)	Capt Rohit Chaudhary
Cdr S D Singh	2/Lt Vishwajeet Kumar
Lt Col Jasbir Singh Khurana (Retd)	Lt Pradeep Singh, IN
Lt Col S K Dhar (Retd)	Sub Lt Peush Pawsey
Lt Col R S Khurana (Retd)	Lt Sanjeev Kumar
Wg Cdr S C Wadhwa	Capt Vivek Pandit
Lt Col B K Laroia (Retd)	FIG Offr B Bhadra
Lt Col Kashmir Chand (Retd)	FIG Offr Ravi Sharma

Fg Offr Prabhat Kumar
 Fg Lt V Mohinder
 Fg Zia-ul-Hassain
 Mr P N Talwar
 Mr Deepak Batta
 Mr Harcharan Singh Butalla
 Mr Dharendra Singh
 Mr S Tandon
 FLT Lt M K Singh
 FLT Lt Vikram Sabharwal
 Mr S S Chopra
 Dr K S Puri, IAS (Retd)
 Mr S S Butalla
 Mr Ravi Jain
 Mr J S Kadyan
 Mr Ajit Singh

Mr Abhay Deep Singh Virk
 Mr Saujanya Sinha
 AUO Anuj Kalia
 GC Rohit Teotia
 GC Pankaj Sinha
 GC Sumit Bathia
 GC Sanjeev Kumar
 GC N Chaturvedi
 GC P P Kishore
 GC R Kumar
 SUO T M Reddy
 Mr A K Barman
 GC Ashish Ranjan
 GC Mandeep Grewal

Visits

The following Officers visited the College during 01 Dec 93 to 30 Apr 94 :-

S/No	Date of visit	Name of Visitors	Location/Unit
1.	26 Feb 94	Brig B M Verma, VSM	Cdr Dehradun Sub Area
2.	05 Mar 94	Lt Gen R N Batra, VSM	GOC-in- CEastern Command
3.	12 Mar 94	Mr H Catchpole, MA, CBE, SI	Abbottabad Public School (PAK)
4.	12 Apr 94	Maj Gen PR Bose	GOC UP Area
5.	12 Apr 94	Brig B M Verma, VSM	Cdr Dehradun Sub Area
6.	22 Apr 94	Col H S Mamik (Retd)	Bangalore
7.	30 Apr 94	Lt Gen J C Pant, PVSM	Commandant IMA

NDA RESULTS

Following Cadets will be joining the NDA next Term :

1. Anuj Wadhwa	Pratap
2. Saurabh Chandra Saxena	Pratap
3. T P Sharma	Pratap
4. Kapil Khandalwal	Pratap
5. Sidhartha Ranjan	Ranjit
6. Rohit Kapil	Ranjit
7. Vikram Kadian	Ranjit
8. Ravinder Singh	Shivaji
9. M P Narin	Shivaji
10. M Mahajan	Shivaji
11. S Sirohi	Shivaji
12. Bharat Parab	Shivaji
13. Amit Pal Singh	Shivaji
14. R Pathak	Chandragupta
15. Kartikeya Sharma	Chandragupta
16. Feeroze Hussain	Chandragupta
17. L K Muni	Chandragupta
18. V J Kurian	Ranjit
19. Chetan Singla	Ranjit

One day a Teacher brought two jugs filled with water. One jug contained Sea-Water while the other had well water in it.

The teacher asked a student, "How can you distinguish between them?"

An oversmart boy answered, "The well water will be still while the seawater will have waves in it."

Two friends were watching the sky. Suddenly they saw a plane in the horizon. As it came nearer and nearer, one asked the other, "An aeroplane is so big; I wonder, how they manage to paint it?"

The other friend answered, "When the plane flies, it becomes small. that is when they paint it."

Two youngsters studying at I.I.T. Kanpur were walking in a park. They were arguing over the space programmes of today. One said, "See, nowadays America is sending man to the moon quite often. How advanced they are! Look at us Indians. Not a single spacecraft of our country has gone to the moon".

The Other answered, "Never mind, for the timebeing. When I become the space minister of India, we will send man to the Sun."

"But, how is that possible, we will be reduced to ashes even when we are 1000 miles away from it," the first friend asked.

"You must learn to use your brains. We will go there at night".

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Editorial

Dear Readers,

There have been a lot of changes in and around the RIMC since we met last. We take this opportunity to welcome the new AO, Lt Col VY Gidh.

We bid a very sad farewell to the previous AO, Lt Col Manvendra Singh, who had worked hard and had helped improve the College. He has opted like a true soldier for a field posting with his unit in Siachen.

We also welcome Mr. Sanyam Bhardwaj who has joined our Physics department.

This term, due to an outbreak of conjunctivitis, the swimming competitions were called off at the eleventh hour. However, the Inter-section Football Competitions went off without any hitch. The skill and spirit displayed in these matches were remarkable.

In academics, the Mid-term examinations showed the high standard and calibre of the cadets.

After the exams, the Mid-term break, better known as hikes, was set into motion. The hikes were conducted at a perilous stage when Doon Valley was terrorized by the Uttarakhand problem and the outbreak of plague. But excellent administrative back up made the impossible possible. It is worth mentioning that during the times of curfew, the RIMC did a lot to help the retired officers, especially in transport.

Currently, the entire College has been practicing hard for the PT and the Athletic Competitions.

The College has undertaken many adventure activities like ballooning, white-water rafting and parasailing. Our rafters have done us proud in the Four Square Challenge.

The College is presently facing acute water shortage due to the breakdown of the water pump. Also, the cadets had been placed under 'house-arrest' due to a string of problems. However, the situation is improving and they have been permitted a couple of out-passes.

We take leave of our readers by wishing them a very Happy Festive Season and Prosperous New Year.

OUR NEW AO

Lt Col VY Gidh has taken charge as the new Adm Officer of the RIMC. Vijay Yeshwant Gidh is ex-Shivaji (1967-72). During his stay at the RIMC, he was very good in studies and equally good in sports, particularly in Boxing, Swimming and Squash. He was a member of the camera club and a keen photographer. In the words of his section master, Mr R C Sharma, "Vijay is a sincere, hard working and an intelligent Cadet. He is quiet, smart and well-behaved." After doing his Senior Cambridge, he passed out after the Golden Jubilee in May 72, winning the Col Haughton's Silver Medal.

In NDA, he was in Lima Sqn and concentrated in sports and excelled in Boxing and X-country. Col DH Parab was then DO in Foxtrot Sqn and he remembers Col Parab having referred his boxing bouts in 1st term.

He passed out from IMA in Jun 76 and was commissioned into the 13 Punjab (Jind) which is one of the oldest battalions of the Indian Army, having being raised in 1772.

Lt Col Gidh has had an excellent career so far, having got good gradings on his courses, held several important assignments and served in difficult and far flung areas of the Eastern Sector. A graduate of Defence Services Staff College at Wellington, he has served as Brigade Major of a Mountain Brigade in high altitude in Sikkim. He has also attended the Junior Staff Course, Senior Command Course and NBC Warfare Staff Officers Course apart from the normal courses. He was one of the founding officers of NSG Training Centre at Manesar in 1985 and served as an Instructor there till he joined the Staff College in 1988. In addition to doing two tenures in Sikkim, he had two postings in remote Arunachal Pradesh at Manigong and Kibithoo. Both these posts were air maintained, the former being seven days walk from the road head and the latter being on the Eastern most tip of India, a journey of five days over Lohit River by ferry, by road on elephant and finally on foot. These two have been his most enjoyable tenures where, if one is lucky, the Air Force friends can bring back an Army person in only two hours time.

He is returning to Dehradun after over 15 yrs. He was fortunate to have his first peace posting with his unit after commissioning in Dehradun from 1977-79, before moving out to Sikkim. He remembers the hurried trip he made to RIMC for the Reunion in Mar 90, when he was LO to the Pakistani retired officers.

He is grateful to his alma mater for his initial grooming to whom he owes his success; to all his old Masters, particularly Mr R C Singhal and Mr R C Sharma. In his own words, "It feels nice to be back in the RIMC after so many years, to see the tremendous changes and improvements which have taken place, and the achievements of our cadets in all spheres. I hope I am able to do my bit for the College."

Lt Col Gidh has two children, Varun aged 12yrs and Mukta aged 10yrs. We wish him and his family a very happy and prosperous stay at the RIMC.

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CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

The August 94 term was a very eventful term even though the conditions of the town ie bandh and curfew caused a setback to the cultural activities . This term began with Hindi debate in which all the sections sent expert debators and rebutters to represent their sections. Mr. Vishwakarma trained his section team very well and the results spoke for the amount of effort he had put in. In Hindi debate Ranjit came first followed by Chandragupta, Pratap and Shivaji.

In the juniors section Divyendu Sharma (R) and N Naithani (P) came first whereas Ritesh Singh (C) landed up second. The topic of juniors was, "Army should not be employed for the internal security of the country" and for the seniors the topic was, "After signing the GATT agreement India has signed on the freedom of its economy". In the seniors section A Pathak (R) earned the 1st place for himself followed by Amit Kumar (R) in the 2nd position. The title of the best rebutter went to B K Chaitanya (R). Syamantak Roy & Anurag Kadian got the Comdt's special praise. Thus we see that the debate was dominated by Ranjit section.

The RIMC also took part in an All-India English debate held in BPS Pilani. The topic of the debate was, "Faith is a candle light which removes our darkness". Our team consisting of two debators and one manager left for Pilani on 28th August. Ashish Pathak, Akshey Sher and Abhijeet Tembe were the three debators. The debate was held on 31st August and although our debators spoke very well they could not get good positions. Ashish Pathak came seventh whereas Akshay Sher landed eighth. Overall RIMC came 5th. The 1st position was bagged by Springdale College.

The First Round of Intersection Quiz competition was held on 4th September. Ranjit section dominated the quiz and bagged the first position in the first round of quizzing followed by Pratap, Shivaji and Chandragupta. The quiz was conducted by Mrs Chandra Joshi and Mrs Sujata Deengar.

RIMC also participated in the IRS quiz and debate. Dipankar Nautiyal and Nitin Rakheja represented RIMC in debating. Our quizzing team consisted of Sambit Mishra, Amit Tomar, Abhilash D, Saurav Kar and Vikram Banta. We performed exceedingly well and came first in quiz.

Recently an essay writing competition was also held and the results are eagerly awaited. Akshay Sher has also earned the Third Prize of the UPV letter writing competition held in April 94.

- A. Pathak
- D. Tewari

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SSB RESULTS

The passing out 136th course had a very low strength of 13 cadets. Two of them could not clear the NDA written examination.

The consolidated results of those who cleared are as follows :-

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| 1) T.Massey | Pratap |
| 2) S.Kapila | Pratap |
| 3) K.Ranjit | Ranjit |
| 4) Saminder Mor | Ranjit |
| 5) P Shanker Swaroop | Ranjit |

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6) Shailendra Singh	Shivaji	Pass
7) M Karki	Shivaji	Pass
8) Mandeep Singh	Chandragupta	Pass
9) M Salkian	Chandragupta	Pass

The following boys have also made it to the NDA in the second attempt:-

- 1) G.Bhandari
- 2) Deepak Kumar
- 3) R Shanker
- 4) Abhishek Tiwari
- 5) Sandip Mishra

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HIKE REPORT AUG TERM' 94

Like all other terms, this term too preparations for the mid-term hikes started well in advance. But sudden outbreak of plague and due to Uttarakhand problem there was a question mark on mid term break. Fortunately, a good adm backup made the way for hikes to proceed. There was a last moment change too, like the Patiala Hike. Because of panic of plague, every hike was provided with tetracycline. This term hikes were from 1 Oct. to 9 Oct.

Class I proceeded to their traditional Kanesar Hike under Maj Mitra & Miss P Sangal, on 2 Oct. After reaching Chakrata the bus gave up and first termers had their first experience of trekking up to Kanesar about 13 km. The first job was layout of tent area and digging up of snake pits. As it was all new to them, one full day was devoted for that. The usual trekking down to the river bed was also done although the return journey was on the 3 Ton. Other highlight was the hike's special, cooking competition. Cricket was the most favourable game, played during free time. Evenings were engaged by camp fire.

Mr. Tyagi took class IA this term for the Lachiwala Hike. Main activities were limited to layout of tent, organising various competitions and visiting the nearby temples. Swimming in the stream was major source of enjoyment. Unfortunately, the trip to nearby Hardwar and Rishikesh was stopped by curfew in the region and cadets had to get the pocket money back to the college. Evenings were marked by camp-fire and all time favourite Antakshari. Inter - Section football was also organised with Mr. Tyagi as OIC Shivaji, on the top. Cadets had a nice time especially in the company of their hike master and returned to college on 9 Oct as scheduled.

Class II went to Chandigarh Biking Hike along with Mr Bhardwaj and two Rimcollians, A Tiwari & MVS Reddy. The journey took two days with the night stay at Hamidpur. In Chandigarh the accomodation was done at 352 AD Regiment. The various places visited by the cadets included Sukna Lake, Rock Garden, Pinjore Garden, Air Force station, and the famous Sector 17. Each cadet was given Rs. 300 as pocket money which seemed less in Sector-17. Cadets also went to Bhakra Dam in a bus although they were not allowed to go inside the dam. Evenings were spent watching all latest movies of Bollywood. The return journey was again on bikes with night stay at Majra. Because of Uttarakhand problem, 3 Ton was sent to get the cadets safely from Paonta Sahib.

There was last moment change for class IIA. On 2 Oct they proceeded to Patiala on Army bus with Mr. Ahlawat and Mr. Augusty as Hike masters. The accomodation was done in 63 Cavalry. Cadets were impressed by the quarter guard and mess of 63 Cavalry. They were shown the various weapons and sophisticated equipments. The main attraction was the visit to Div Battle School where cadets saw, for the first time, the various weapons like T-72 Tanks, Bofors Gun, Anti Aircraft Guns. Cadets also had a

joy ride on tanks there. Other places where the cadets went were 23rd Armoured Regt at Sangrur, NIS, Sheesh Mahal and Punjab Police Commando Training School. AC market Patiala was the main attraction of cadets in the evenings which helped the cadets to use their pocket money. Incidentally cadets also met Lt. Gen R K Gulati, GOC-in-C Western Command in Chandi Mandir, who is a Rimcollian. It was a very nice hike as cadets saw the latest equipments with our Signals Corps, Sappers, Armoured & Artillery. They also got a message from the Brigade Cdr of 48 Brigade to convey to the Rimcols that in order to become good officers they should leave all the cleverness behind and adopt all the good qualities.

Class III as scheduled from before went to Marchala with Mr V Sharma and Mr Y Singh. Unfortunately, no accommodation was done for them in the resort and so they moved on to PWD rest house, where they stayed in tents. Trekking up to unknown destination, some horse riding, lots of swimming in the river were the main highlights. Cooking competitions and Antakshari were the other attractions. Cadets could not go to Jim Corbet National Park as it was closed due to off season. But in spite of all odds the cadets enjoyed to the optimum and proved that it is the company and not the place which matters in such excursions.

The last hike which left on 4 Oct was the Class IIIA hike to Landsdowne accompanied by Capt S Singh. Because of Uttarakhand agitation cadets left early morning at 5 AM. Though they were supposed to stay in tents but fortunately for cadets the accommodation was done in Boys Hostel by Capt Noniyal, Ex Garhwal Rifles. Cadets got the opportunity to fire AK-47s & SLRs. The main highlight of the hike was sound and light show about the history of Garwal Rifles witnessed by the cadets. Cadets were really impressed by the Mess of Garwal Rifles which is quite famous in India. One day was also devoted for trekking. Pocket money given to cadets was of no use because of curfew in the town nearby.

Class IV went for their traditional hike to Nahan, 1 Para Commando. As usual nice accommodation was made for them. Cadets had the unique experience of firing Baretta pistols, MT-58 rifles and Draganov Sniper Rifles. They also had some thrilling activities like Rappelling down a building and Scuba Diving. Evenings were on the Mall Road of Nahan famous for good restaurants and beautiful girls. Special mention of Lt Bisht a Rimcollian and Hav Ram Singh who looked after the cadets very well and made their stay quite comfortable. It was a unique hike in a sense that no master went along with the cadets.

For the first time, cadets of class IV A went for river rafting, this also being the last moment change. The hike OIC was Maj S Nanda. As scheduled, cadets went up to Byasi and pitched up their tents on the beach. Mr Shaikat Sikand and Mr Kim were there on time to receive the RIMC team. Before starting the expedition cadets were introduced to the equipments and made to practice flip drills and paddlings. Unfortunately due to the Uttarakhand agitation the expedition from Chamba to Rishikesh had to be called off. Still cadets were lucky enough to raft from Byasi to Shivpuri and the next day from Shivpuri to Rishikesh. Cadets during their course of rafting had existing experience of body surfing too. Class V also joined the IV A team later but could not do any rafting. Seeing the deteriorating situation of the valley, the hike was called off early and cadets returned home on 6 Oct. At college, many activities like various Inter - class competitions between IVA & Class V was organised, to keep the cadets engaged.

Class V was sent to Nagtibba under Capt Sandeep Singh. It is a place with very less inhabitants between Chakrata & Mussoorie. Cadets did a lot of trekking there. Sometimes it was very tough as the angle of elevation of the ground was around 60. Cadets made the best of it. It was a short hike of three days after which they retired to college for their next assignment i.e. Parasailing. Unfortunately, the absence of instructors made them to postpone it. So Class V joined with the rafting expedition but again luck did not favour them. Because of the Uttarakhand agitation, no rafting was possible. They camped in the beach and had a good camp-fire in the evening. Next day, they were back to the college in very high spirits!

Last but not the least was the hike to MH, D Dun, undertaken by Cdt S Singh & Cdt M Salkhan, for purpose of getting operated for the DNS operation. The hike OIC was the nursing assistant. The hike consisted of two groups, the advance party led by Cdt S Singh and the rear and rescue party led by Cdt

M Saiklan. The advance party left the college on 28 Sept after getting good luck from various cross-sections of college. The hike had made prior arrangement for smooth conduct by giving blood test, urine test & P A checkup. On 28 Sept there was a get-together in the cadets ward, the highlight of which was a rap dance by GC Amit Sekhar of Kohima Company. The next day was the main day as the nose was operated by Col S P Malhotra. The ration was provided by M H officers ward mess. The rear and rescue party quickly followed the next day. There were regular visits with delicious eats by Mrs. Gita Parab and also by Maj Nanda, Capt Meitei, Cap Sanjay Kumar and many other people. The hike returned on 5th Oct back to the college. We acknowledge thanks to AMC 2 Corps and Sub Area HQs.

-Cdt Sumanta Roy
IVA

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When in Love

If words in your heart
Simply begin to rhyme;
If you can think of her
And pass all your time;
If hopes and thoughts
Fill your heart,
And you have mastered day dreaming
As an art;
Congrats! my friend,
You're in Love,
The best problem you've ever had
Because, it's only in love,
that you can enjoy
every going mad.

- Gaurav Batra,
IVA

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SQUASH IN RIMC

Squash game is gaining more popularity in RIMC. Moreover, Rimcollians are known for their game of squash. RIMC has produced many excellent Squash players.

In the Aug Term '94 too, many Squash Competitions were held and the cadets put up a very good show. Coming to the Inter-section Squash Competitions, all the sections performed very well and played a spirited game. In the juniors division (i.e. class I to class III), Shivaji section emerged victorious by securing 11 points. The second, third and fourth positions were obtained by Pratap, Ranjit and Chandragupta section. R Bhattacharya (R) and A Jaiswal (P) were the hot favourites among the juniors. In the seniors division (IIIA and above), Ranjit Section stood first followed by Pratap, Shivaji and Chandragupta. V. Mann (S) played a spirited game and his performance was complimented. However, Pratap scored the maximum points and stood 1st (after two decades!) followed by Shivaji, Ranjit and Chandragupta.

This term, many Inter-School Squash tournaments were conducted. Playing against the Doon School, RIMC really performed their best and showed them 'stars'. We won against them by a margin of 2-1. Ritwik Bhattacharya and Awish Jaiswal really put up a good show.

In a friendly game of five matches against the GCs of IMA, RIMC had to accept defeat. The Rimcols lost against them by a margin of 3-0. Ritwik played a good game. Under the able guidance of Capt Sandeep Singh, (ex-Shivaji, Squash Champion) a team of eight cadets went to Delhi for the All India qualifying Squash Tournament. We had two teams i) Under - 14 ii) Under-16 yrs.

In the under-14 division, we came third. But in the under-16 division, the cadets played a spirited game, winning 6 matches out of 9 matches. The Under-16 team qualified for the All India Tournaments to be held at Indore. Ritwik, Awish and Punar played a very good game.

Cadets of the College also faced a challenge from the staff and routed them 5 matches to 3 matches. Capt Shivender Singh played an excellent game for the staff team.

During our mid-term hikes, many squash matches were held between class IVA and class V. Class IVA defeated class V by winning 9 out of 15 matches.

Our College is proud of our squash players. Ritwik Bhattacharya, Awish Jaiswal and Punar Mann really sweated a lot for Squash. We do hope they will perform the same in the Indore Squash Tournament. On behalf of the whole College, we wish them all the best.

- Cdt Ritesh Singh

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CROSS-COUNTRY - 94

Soon after the term began, all the sections started practising hard for the cross-country competitions which was scheduled to be held on the 13th of August. This term, the cross-country route had been changed owing to medical problems and the former road route was changed to a grass route. The new route, though smaller, was a tough one. This route was inside the grassy greens and muddy stretches of the DSOI. The route was easy on the knees and the cadets on their part helped to even out the wild grass for DSOI authorities.

After lots of practice and hard work all the sections were fully prepared and filled with enthusiasm on the 13th morning. Many cadets failed to run on the final day due to medical problems and Shivaji topped this tally with only 16 good runners running in the juniors section.

The juniors started before the seniors section with great enthusiasm and spirit. This year's cross-country was marked by a number of mishaps and surprises. Santosh Jugran of Pratap Section who had come 3rd last year was expected to come 1st this year, but luck didn't favour him and he fainted during the route. He completed the route after refusing ambulance assistance.

Sumeet Bhat of Pratap Section sprung a surprise by coming 1st in the junior section.

The top ten positions were:-

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| 1) Sumeet Bhat | 2) Anoop Kunwar |
| 3) Shashi Bhushan Singh | 4) Sukhjeet Singh |
| 5) Praveen Agrawal | 6) V B Praveen Kumar |
| 7) Naveen Pandita | 8) Ritesh Singh |
| 9) Amit Gupta | 10) T T Zamir |

The final result of the juniors run was Shivaji coming 1st followed by Pratap, Chandragupta and Ranjit.

The seniors took off after the juniors arrived back. The seniors route was a bit longer than the juniors. Everybody was expecting Mandeep Singh, who had come 1st last year, to come first and finally he did prove his mettle. The run was a total success without any mishaps. Mandeep Singh emerged victorious closely followed by Vijayant Singh.

The top ten positions of the seniors section were:-

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| 1) Mandeep Singh | 2) Vijayant Singh |
| 3) Gaurav Hamai | 4) Sandip Singh Randhawa |
| 5) Joy Mowar | 6) Sushant Behera |
| 7) Sushil Minhas | 8) Surjeet Singh |
| 9) Ujjawal Khatiwada | 10) Avnish Mallick |

The results of the seniors run were Shivaji coming 1st followed by Chandragupta, Pratap and Ranjit.

The overall positions of the sections were:-

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| 1. Shivaji | 2. Pratap | 3. Chandragupta | 4. Ranjit |
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Thus the prestigious cross-country cup was lifted by Shivaji section.

- Neeraj Naithani

- Sumeet Bhatt

INTER-SECTION ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIP 1994

The Athletics championship was scheduled to be held on 15 Oct 1994, after hikes. As the District Athletics were cancelled due to Uttarakhand problem, these competitions were postponed to 26 Oct. This time medicals were done for the participants to ensure that they are put in their divisions correctly. The opening ceremony was highlighted by an excellent march past by the cadets. Vivek Moudgil (S) administered the oath.

On the first day we saw all athletes taking part in their respective events with lot of spirit. Some of the surprises were Kannan Selvam (R) who came first in the 110 m. hurdles (B Div) and second in (C Div) Soubhagya Nayak (R) was the highlight of B Div and Hari Narayan (S) showed similar colours in A Division.

By the second day it was clear that Shivaji Section had taken a good lead in the points tally. They were followed by Chandragupta, Pratap and Ranjit. The Shivajians continued to win in most of the events. The Ranjitians proved their monopoly over high jump. K Ranjit (R) came first in C Div and Kannan Selvam (R) and Saurav Verma (R) came 2nd & 1st in B Div respectively. The last crucial event of the day was the 4x400 m. relay. The Shivajians and the Chandraguptians took an early lead. The cheering up of the spectators was very inspiring. In the last lap Vishal Mann (S) was overtaken by S S Randhawa (C) to give the 1st position to Chandragupta.

The third and the final day it was clear that Shivaji would get the cup. The struggle was between Chandragupta and Ranjit for the 2nd position. The only field event of the day was the Javelin throw. Avnish Mallik (R) came first much ahead of the 2nd person. He was followed by Rajnish Giri (C) and Tarun Massey (P).

In the 200m, B Division, Soubhagya Nayak (R) and Ratnesh (S) came 1st and 2nd respectively. The highlight of this race was that both of them broke the previous college record which was 24.8 sec by D Singh (R) in 1968. Nayak clocked 24.1 sec. and Ratnesh 24.7 sec. Nayak also broke the previous record of 100m by 0.1 sec. The previous record was established by R S Verma, again of Ranjit section. Next were the relays. In the 4x100m A Div, Shivaji Section came 1st owing to its ace runner Hari Narayan. In the B Div, S Nayak's supreme effort gave 1st position to Ranjit section. In the C Division, 4x100m, Shivaji was again victorious. The points tally clearly showed that Shivaji was 1st followed by Ranjit, Chandragupta & Pratap.

This was followed by the 400 m race for the class IV employees. They participated with a lot of josh and the first three were given one bottle of Rum each as prize.

Then followed the old boys race. The cadets were eager to see their favourite masters on the track. The Commandant, Col D H Parab came first with an unbelievable timing of 8.5 sec! Incidentally it was less than the world record!

This time, for the first time, points were given for the March past. The Adm Officer, Lt Col V Y Gidh, Capt Y S Meitei and Capt Shivender Singh were the judges. Ranjit section came first with 10 points followed by Pratap, Chandragupta and Shivaji.

The final points at the end of all the events were :-

Pratap	50	IV
Ranjit	90	II
Shivaji	104	I
Chandragupta	78	III

The Shivaji section won the Inter Section-Athletics championship quite convincingly over other sections. Mr. R.C. Singhal (Ex-Vice Principal RIMC), Principal Cambrian Hall was the chief guest and was highly impressed and presented a running trophy for the best athlete in A Div. In his speech, he highlighted the achievements of RIMC under the able guidance of Col D H Parab. He also spoke at length about the basic foundations of RIMC i.e. "the Guru-Chela association".

It was followed by an excellent band display by the 13 Guards and 15 Grenadiers Bands and Pipe the beating of retreat which declared the Athletics Meet 94 close.

Cdt S Roy
Shivaji Sec

RIMC EXPEDITION

First and foremost I extend my heartiest congratulations to the four young cadets who made it to the top. However, the inability of the other cadets in the team who had to drop out in stages owing to the acute high altitude sickness does not take away the praise for their brave efforts. They must also be given their due in unequivocal terms. To traverse the Gangotri Glacier- one of the longest in the world- is in itself no mean achievement. They had to encounter extreme inclement weather and had to wade through knee-deep snow on their way to the top. The four young lads undaunted by extreme odds managed to climb the peak-their ultimate goal-and history was in the making. However, the moment of glory had to be followed by the equally dangerous and arduous descent and that too in the dark. This was also done successfully. It is in the fitness of things that the Chief of the Army Staff has created a precedent by bestowing an esteemed award on the young lads for their most unusual but very brave feat.

Being a Rimcollian it gives me immense pleasure that my old school along with the four brave cadets will find their names entered in the most prestigious record books- the Guinness Book of World Records. The brave young lads have done us all Rimcollians very proud. Bravo!! It is hoped that the other cadets too will bring in more honours and laurels to the school in future. Well done boys and keep up the good work. Imagine the youngest team ever anywhere in the world to have performed such a brave feat achieving the target that they had set for themselves.

Kunwar Dig Vijay Singh

Ajabpur House,
Ajabpur Kalan, Dehradun.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

1. Commandant went to visit 2/8 GR at Babina and met other Rimcollian officers such as Major J Ismail and Maj Zarken Gamblin and Capt Auresh Tewari who are all doing well there.
2. New Administrative Officer Lt Col V Y Gidh has taken over the charge and has relieved Lt Col Manvendra Singh who is going to Siachen with his unit.
3. There has been acute water shortage in college. The steps are on to get full flow of water fast.
4. Debates have been postponed due to various reasons.
5. College cricket team is eagerly waiting the Sydney youth festival in Dec 1995.
6. Aeromodelling hobby has been doing a commendable job as many planes are being seen around planning sorties. The 1st ever sortie is somehow still awaited.
7. Officiating ADGMT Brig A K Singh visited the campus on 22nd Oct.
8. Rear Admiral Harinder Singh is the new FOC of the eastern fleet and cadets of our college are waiting to go the eastern fleet i.e. Vizag.
9. Cadet S Nayak received Rs.15000 from Orissa Chief Minister for successfully conquering the Kedarnath Dome.
10. College has received a new Jonga ambulance.
11. District Athletics are likely to be held if the agitation tends to cool down.
12. P Alam, G Sudhakar, and Satyam Sahu have been withdrawn from the college.
13. Yoga is to be introduced in College very soon. Capt Sandeep, Mr. P K Sharma, and Mr Bhardwaj are taking coaching classes in yoga and will subsequently teach cadets.
14. Local schools have been closed again till Diwali due to the ongoing agitation.

REPORT OF GARDENING HOBBY TRIP TO MUSSOORIE

On 20th of October our Hobby OIC Mr Augusty decided to take us on a trip to Mussoorie. We were thrilled by this prospect. We went to our dormitories to change into our Mufti kits early during classes. Every thing was arranged and we loaded the 3 Ton at 1.30 P M. We took packed lunch along with us. It took us about 1 hr to reach the ECO TASK FORCE Battalion in Mussoorie. We were hungry and some of us were sick due to the uncomfortable ride in the 3 Ton. Our trip started with a bad omen as we went ahead of the place where we had to take our lunch and meet the person detailed to us. After turning the 3 Ton with greaty difficulty we came to that battalion and had our lunch. Tea was provided by them. After that we started for the place along with the person detailed to us where the nursery was located. There we saw different varieties of plants and coniferous trees like Pine, Chir, Oak, Cedar etc. We also saw different kinds of mountain plants. It was a beautiful view point and we could see the entire Doon Valley and the villages like Jharipani etc in the area around Mussoorie. We were stunned by the beauty of that place. We also saw the areas where ECO TASK FORCE had done afforestation by planting Pine and Chir trees. The whole landscape except some areas above Mussoorie was looking green. Those who knew the area had a feeling of gratitude towards the ECO TASK FORCE which had planted the trees and saved this region where the mountains were bare some years back due to lime stone quarrying. After that we decided to go to Mussoorie which was about 10 km from there. We reached Mussoorie by 5.00 PM which was about 1 hour on the Mall. We soon parted in groups and started roaming about seeing the various shops. On the Mall every one enjoyed fully. We had different kinds of things like patties, ice creams, cold drinks etc. Some cadets bought things from Mussoorie but most of the money was spent on food items. We also played video games. After one and a half hour of enjoyment we returned to the Library where our 3 Ton was parked. By 6.30 we had started back on our way to RIMC. We were all tired but managed to stay awake to see the dazzling and beautiful lights of the queen of hills Mussoorie. After some time every one was asleep, some on the benches taken from the college ante rooms and some on the mattress. We arrived back at college at 8.00 PM. After keeping the benches and other things we took from the college back we thanked Mr. Augusty who had organised the trip and had a cheer for gardening hobby. The seven hour excursion to Mussoorie was enjoyable as well as educative as we came to know more about the work done by the ECOLOGICAL TASK FORCE.

Report compiled by
- Cdt Dhruv Kr Pilia
Class II
Shivaji Section

RIMC Platinum Jubilee

General:

1. A conference was held at RIMC on 08 Oct 94 to carry out advance planning for the Platinum Jubilee celebrations in March 1997. The following officers attended the conference:-

- a) Col D H Parab-Commandant
- b) Lt Col Manvendra Singh-Adm Officer
- c) Lt Col V Y Gidh-Adm Officer Designate
- d) Capt Y S Meitei-Asstt Adm Officer
- e) Major Ashish Mitra

- f) Maj Shailesh Nanda
- g) Capt Shivender Singh
- h) Capt Sandeep Singh

Projected Expenditure:-

The total expenditure on the Plantinum Jubilee celebrations would be Rs. 20 lakhs approx.

Actions Intitiated/Required to be Done:

- a. Case of inviting the President already initiated with the AG's Branch.
- b. Case of presentation of colours sent to AG's Branch and MT Dte.
- c. Sanction for raising funds to be obtained from AGs Branch.
- d. Case for issue of First Day Cover and commemorative stamp to be entrusted to Col N S Brar, an Old Boy.
- e. Sound and Light show to be conducted by a professional group.
- f. Comdt OTA to be contacted for information on conduct of such celebrations.
- g. A Plantinum Jubilee cell to be established. Matter to be taken up with M S Branch for attachment of Rimcollian officers on temporary duty.
- h. A book on the history of RIMC to be written by a renowned author.
- i. Appeal for sponsorship to be advertised through the chronicle.
- j. One-time face-lift of RIMC to be taken up as part of RIMC expansion programme.
- k. Army, Navy and Air HQ to be requested for grant of leave to Rimcollian officers to attend the celebrations.
- l. Samples of brochures, mementoes and souvenirs to be decided during the next Reunion in March '95.
- m. Need for additional manpower; possibility of posting at Dehra Dun/Roorkee of Rimcollians COs, commanding Inf Bns to be explored.
- n. Request all Rimcollians, serving and retired, to give their valuable suggestions on the matter to the Adm Officer.

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COMDT'S MAIL BAG

I am sure this letter of mine finds you in sound health and best of everything at our grand School. We had a Rimcollians get-together at INS Savitri on 13 Sept in Calcutta, where a galaxy of Rimcollians were present, including Gen Guraya (Retd) (1925-32), Admiral Tandon, Gen Mann, Admiral Harinder Singh, Comde Mohanty, Col AJD Singh(Retd), Col RTC Gohain and many others.

- Lt Col P Mazumdar
HQs Eastern Command.

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NEWS FROM NAVY

1. THE TOP BRASS IN NAVY

- a. Vice Admiral KASZ Raju PVSM, AVSM, NM - Flag Officer Commanding-in-chief Western Naval Command.
- b. V Adm A R Tandon AVSM
- c. R Adm Harinder Singh, AVSM Flag Officer Commanding Eastern Fleet.

2. SPORTS

- a. Lt Akshay Joshi(121 Shivaji) represented Indian team in 7th Perrier Asian Championship, Kualalumpur in Jan 94. India were losing semi-finalists.
- b. As usual the Navy team for Services squash was dominated by Rimcollians exp. Shivajians namely Lt Akshay Joshi, Lt Pradeep Singh, SLt AJS Sandu, Lt A Vadhera, and others.
- c. Navy won the 34th Services Squash Championship predominated by Rimcollians for the first time in 34 years.
3. **INS Vinaash was commissioned in Nov 93 Lt AVJoshi (119 C.Gupta) was a member of commissioning crew.**
4. **The MCF (Marine Commanding Force) is predominated by Rimcollians today.**
5. **Outstanding achievements by some Rimcollians in the past few years:-**
 - a. Lt R K Nair, was awarded President's Gold Medal (PGM) at the NDA and Adm Katari Trophy for standing 1st in Sub course. He is (117 Shivaji).
 - b. Lt AV Joshi (119 C.Gupta)-President's Silver Medal (PSM) at the end of Midshipmen training.
 - c. Lt Akshay Joshi(121 Shivaji) - He got the PGM at NDA, Gold Medal on Cadets Training ship TIR. Bronze Medal after Midshipmen training and was awarded Adm Katari Trophy.
 - d. Lt Pradeep Singh (121 Shivaji) brother of Capt Sandeep Singh, was awarded the PGM and "Sword of Honour" at the end of Midshipmen training.
 - e. SLt A Mittal (124 C.Gupta)- Got the PSM at NDA. PSM and "Sword of Honour" at the end of Midshipment training in Nov 93.
 - f. SLt Devanshu Rastogi (125 Shivaji)- He was awarded the PSM at the NDA, PGM and Chief of Naval Staff (CNS) Trophy onboard training ship TIR, PGM and "Sword of Honour" for standing 1st in overall order of merit and highest OLQ at the end of Midshipmen training in May 94.
 - g. Lt A Vadhera (118 Shivaji)-Was awarded the Best All-round Officer at INS Shivaji Lonawala in Engg Course.

- Contributed by Lt Devanshu Rastogi
125th Shivajian

HOT AIR BALLOONING

The simplest form of aircraft is a balloon. Ballooning offers a great deal of adventure. Lately cadets of RIMC had been taking part in lot of adventure activities such as mountaineering, rafting and camel safari. Now the Army Adventure Cell plans to organise powered hand gliding and hot air ballooning for RIMC cadets. Two cadets from RIMC will go for ballooning expedition which is to go parallel to Himalayas. These two cadets will do this expedition with nodal centre 14 Infantry Div.

To give the cadets a feel of ballooning, on 23rd September morning at 6.30 AM ballooning was organised in RIMC. At 6.30 AM the cadets of RIMC along with members of staff were present in the pavillion. Major Yadav came along with his staff and the balloon was up at 6.45 AM. Capt Mukul gave a brief, informative talk about the balloon, its equipment and the basic principles involved. The most striking feature about ballooning is that one has to depend entirely on the air for the direction of balloon, so in ballooning wind plays a major role.

While the talk was on, the balloon was unfolded and the air has inflated with the help of a portable fan. They tied the ballon to a 3 Ton with the help of a 50 mt long rope. As they did not want to take the balloon much in the air. Once the air was filled they heated it with the help of the burners. Then soon the balloon was ready for the flight on the first day, that is the 23rd of September. The cadets of class V & VA along with some of the members of the staff got a chance to go up in the balloon.

The next day, that is 24th of September cadets of Class IVA got a chance to go up in the balloon. The best part of this ballooning was when they had a ful flight without the rope. Mrs. Gita Parab was one of the members present in the balloon. They went over ONGC, Ghanta Ghar and eventually after a lot of confusion and excitement landed at Col Brown's School.

This was a very nice experience and all the cadets and members of staff who got a chance were very thrilled, fascinated and scintillated and all those who did not get a chance are hoping to get one soon.

WHITE WATER RAFTING

On the 17th of October four cadets, Ashish Sunder, Abhijeet Tembe, Manish Kumar Singh and myself were told to go to Shivpuri to take part in the Four Square white water rafting challenge. We made some preliminary arrangements like collection of rations, buying of snacks etc.

On the 20th we reached a place called Byasi about 17 kms upstream from Shivpuri and settled down in our camp at Markhor, River Rafting company. There we realized that the river guide who was booked by us had gone to Delhi without informing anybody, besides that we had to face another predicament, ie of paying one thousand rupees as entire fee for the competition. The cost of hiring another guide was five hundred rupees per day.

So for competing for two days we had to arrange for two thousand rupees for two days. So we decided to pool in our money and at least pay for the first day and we were not aware what we would do after that. Fortunately the next day early in the morning our guide returned and we were exused the fee because we were students.

Our equipment had already reached the previous day. The first event was the 100 mts. We were the last team and the only other school team besides Doon School. Unfortunately the Doon School got eliminated in the first round itself by the 17 ParaFd team. We got a bye in the first round, and in the second round defeated a local guide team. Then we went on to meet the 17 Para Fd. It was the 'quarter' final round. We were all very tense during this round as 17 Para Fd was a good team. With the signal 'go' we paddled with all our might and with great difficulty and determination we defeated them. Then in the semi-final round we met the Bengal Sappers Team, which was also the National Team in Hiroshima, which had secured a bronze there. We put in all our efforts, and it was a closely contested event, but they were too good for us. So we landed up fourth. Subsequently during the buffet we met a lot of famous national and international kayakers and river guides. We could not take part in the 2000 m race after lunch since our guide had hurt his shoulder. The next day in the rafting slalom at Brahmpuri we were the last team to go in. We cleared 3 out of the 5 gates and were placed ninth. Again BEG won this event. The other events which were also there were the 10 km canal race, and the rodeo. All these events also took place for the

canoers and the kayakers. The other teams which participated among the 22 teams, were 6 Army teams, a Navy team, 3 teams from abroad and various odd teams.

The next day we went to Haridwar for the prize distribution. There a special mention was made of the RIMC team to be the youngest team to have done so well. Since it was our first exposure we did not do so well. I hope in future we will be far better prepared and will fare much better than we did now.

- Cdt Sub NCO
- Somaditya Chakraborty

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PARASAILING

Parasailing is a sport which is very famous, especially at the RIMC. Every term it is the Class V which goes for it. It is usually done at IMA. But this time 17 cadets of class V went to the Jolly Grant Aerodrome, Doiwala.

Parasailing is an adventure sport in which the parasailor is tied by a long rope to a vehicle and a parachute is tied behind him. Once the vehicle starts moving the parasailor along with the parachute goes up. The parasailor comes down once the vehicle slows down.

We all did our three jumps each as a part of pre-Basic course. As it was the beginning all of us had some problems in our landing and take-offs. But by the 3rd jump we had considerably gained confidence. The following week was to be our Basic course.

On Sunday, the 23rd of October, seven of us left for parasailing. We started in the morning and reached the Doiwala Aerodrome where the instructor told us some basic things about parasailing.

With favourable winds and good weather we started off with our jumps. We all were doing very good from the beginning. The instructor praised us a lot. By lunch break we had become used to it. While in air we found ourselves as free as a bird. We could see the houses, vehicles moving on the road etc which looked amazingly small. We waved to the people standing near the airstrip. Some of us even took photographs while in air.

After completing our jumps and passing the Basic course of parasailing we were congratulated by the instructor. While coming back we stopped at Lacchiwala where we enjoyed swimming. We reached College just before dinner in high spirits.

The seven cadets who did the Basic course were:-

1. Saurabh Batta	Class V
2. Rajat Mehta	Class V
3. Parimal Verma	Class V
4. Shantanu Mukherjee	Class V
5. Anurag Kadian	Class IIA
6. Ved Vyas	Class V
7. Kanwalbir Singh	Class II

- Cdt Saurabh Batta
Class V

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BADMINTON

Badminton is a very popular game among the staff and the cadets. It was demonstrated by a number of participants of the Badminton Opens 94. There were more than 160 participants of which 20 consisted of staff members including PTIs and the Football Coach.

There were two major changes this year. They were the introduction of mixed doubles and the policy change in doubles category. The quarter finalists in singles were paired with a lady participant each (by draw of lots) and were allowed to take part in the mixed doubles. In the Doubles Section, participants were allowed to enter in teams of two as against pre-existing rules which decided the partner by lots.

The overall standard of matches were quite high this year. Some of the outstanding players who could not qualify to the higher stages were D K Singh, Mr C S Vishwakarma, Nitin Rawat, T T Zamir, S Gairola, K R Bharatraj and Mr Yashbeer Singh.

The high standards of matches could be judged by reviewing the pre-quarter final match played by R Bhattacharjee and A Thapar. Though Ritwik was the hot favourite, Abhishek Thapar put up a very brave fight. There was a deadly battle of wits, skill and stamina for every point. Finally the match ended 15-13 in favour of Ritwik.

Of course, the main attraction of the badminton opens were the lucky-dip prizes which were numerous, about 80 in number.

Finally, the singles title was bagged for the third continuous year by Awish Jayaswal. Captain Sandip Singh finished a close second. The doubles category was won by Saurabh Chopra and A Jayaswal who defeated Col D H Parab and Lt Col Manvendra Singh in the finals. In the mixed doubles finals, Ritwik and Mrs Mitra were defeated by the Comdt & Mrs C Joshi. The 'Best Loser' Award went to A Thapar and Nitin Rawat was adjudged the 'Most Promising Player'.

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SQUASH NATIONALS AT INDORE

RIMC sent a team of 3 cadets for the Junior Nationals which had been postponed from the 1st week of October to the 17th October. We took part in the National Inter-School and in the Individual Championship under 2 categories, under-16 and under-19yrs.

We departed from RIMC on 12th evening by the Mussoorie Exp and took the connecting Malwa Exp from Delhi. We reached Indore at 5 pm and were received by Lt Col N M Shankar. We reached Mhow where we were accommodated in the College of Combat officers rooms. We had dinner at a restaurant as it was too late to go to the student officers mess where we were supposed to take our meals.

The next day i.e. Saturday, early in the morning we went to play squash where we met Capt Kairon, a Rimcollian (ex-Shivaji) who also was a Services Squash player. He gave us a good workout. Thereafter we settled down and rested after our tiring journey the previous day.

The next day we had asked for the vehicle early so that we could go to Indore and find out our draws, opponents and play a few games at Daly College who were hosting the Junior Nationals this year also. We found out that 5 teams had come for the under-16 team event, Inter-school from the best schools of Bombay, Calcutta, Madras etc. There were 34 entries in the under-16 and 68 entries in the under-19 categories. We also had a good workout there and played with some of the top seeds like Vineet Asthana. After this we came back and prepared ourselves for our first match against Daly College which was a good team.

On the next day we left early for Indore as our matches were scheduled for 11.00 AM and also we wanted to see Doon School match against Bombay Scottish which was eventually won by Doon School. Punar Mann, our 3rd seed, match was first. He was playing against Siddharth Rajopadhyaya of Daly College in the under-16 team event. The match was close but finally Punar lost 3-9, 7-9, 10-8. After this the pressure increased on us we had to win both our matches now and we were 1-0 down. Ritwik Bhattacharya played next and won convincingly 9-1, 9-1, 9-1 against Gaurav Punakar. The third and final match which was to be the decider was won easily by Awish Jayswal. He won 9-2, 9-3, 9-0 to Rohit Khetani and hence we beat Daly College 2-1 and qualified for the finals which we were to play against Doon School, the defending champions who had beaten us 3-0 in the Zonal qualifying round at Delhi held earlier this year.

The next day we had a work out in the morning at Mhow only, after which we left for Indore. The under-19 individuals were to start today. Cdt PPS Mann played first. His opponent was Dinesh who beat him after a tough fight 9-6, 9-3, 9-5. The next match was Ritwik Bhattacharya who beat Kunal Bhargav convincingly 9-0, 9-1, 9-0. Awish Jayswal played next against Doon School U-19 Second seed Siddharth Swaroop. The match was very close and Siddharth Swaroop won in 4 sets 9-3, 7-9, 6-9, 8-10.

The next day we had 5 matches in the Individual Nationals out of which Cdt Ritwik Bhattacharya had 3. The under-10 individuals were to start today and the U-10 second round.

In the under-16, Cdt PPS Mann played 1st, his opponent was A Kukreja whom Cdt Punar beat convincingly 9-3, 9-8, 9-7. The next match was of Cdt R Bhattacharya who beat Jaikaran Juneja without any problem 9-2, 9-1, 9-4. Awish Jayswal played next against Dileep Abraham whom he beat 3-0; 9-2, 9-5, 9-7. In the afternoon, Ritwik first played Shruti Dev from Mayo College whom he beat easily 9-3, 9-5, 9-4. The most promising match of the day was yet to come. It was in the U-19 where Cdt R Bhattacharya played Arif Paul, seed of India Juniors. The match was a very close, exciting and tiring. Even though Arif Paul beat him 9-5, 9-7, 9-7 he was visibly startled.

The next day was very tense for us as all of us had very tough matches and to top it all in the afternoon the Inter-School finals. First match of the day was of Awish Jayswal who lost to Shoudeep Ghosh second seed under-16 in a spirited match 9-7, 9-6, 9-6. Next Cdt R Bhattacharya played against Rajat Khanna

in a very tough match which saw a variety of shots and was eventually won by R Khanna 9-5, 10-8, 7-9, 10-9. Punar Mann played next and lost to Arjun Ahuja in a very spirited match 9-4, 9-7, 10-8. After the morning matches we were depressed as all of us had lost and it made us more determined to win our inter-school matches in the evening against our arch rivals, Doon School

Punar Mann played first and out-matched Sameer Bakshi in a close match. He won 10-8, 10-9, 10-9. This win gave us the encouragement we were looking for and brought us in the lead 1-0. The next match was very crucial and tough as the 1st seed Ritwik Bhattacharya had already lost to Rajat Khanna earlier that morning. But in the match that followed, a major upset took place as the top seeded Rajat Khanna lost 9-6, 8-10, 9-6, 9-4 and every one was surprised. This victory got the cup for us and the third match between the 2nd seed A Jayswal and Rishal Sawhney was irrelevant and after a tough match Awish lost 9-5, 9-5, 9-7. Even then we were overjoyed as we had beaten the defending champions-2-1 and won the National Inter School Championship for the year 1994.

The next two days we watched the semi-finals and finals of the other categories. The under-14 champion was Arjun Krishnan (incidentally his father is also a Rimcollian) from Madras. The under-16 champion was Deepak Abraham from Madras and in the under-19 Vineet Asthana defeated Arif Paul to win the National Junior Championship. The prize distribution followed where the chief guest Principal of Daly College - Col Kak gave away the prizes to all the winners.

We left Indore the next day. Overall the arrangement done for us were excellent and we had no problems at all. We were looked after very well and were even called for dinner to many people's houses.

Our trip was a big success though we were not happy with our individual performance and we hope to do better in the forthcoming tournaments at Bombay.

- Cdt Ritwik Bhattacharya
Class III

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REPORT ON ATHLETICS MEET

As the Uttarakhand problem was at its peak this time of the year, the District Athletics Meet was not held, but Doon School challenged RIMC for a one to one Athletics Meet. It was scheduled to be held on the sixth of November on RIMC grounds. It was well prepared and marked with lines. The victory stand flags, score board plates for high jump etc. were put. All the cadets of RIMC were present to witness the events in the meet. The events were 14 in number namely 1500 m, High jump, 200m, putting the shot, 400 m, Broad Jump, Discuss Throw, 4x100 m Relay, 800 m, Triple Jump 110 m Hurdles, 100 m Sprint, Javelin Throw and 4x400m. Relay. The meet commenced at 10-30 hours with 1500 m Run. The points were to be awarded according to the positions of the various athletes, 7 points for coming first, 5 for second, 4 for third, 3 for fourth 2 for fifth and 1 point for the last position. In every event 3 athletes had

to participate from both the schools. In the 1500 m Cdt Sub NCO Vijyant Singh of RIMC came first and Cdt Vivek Moudgil 2nd. RIMC took a lead of 3 points from the first event. In the High Jump Cdt NCO K Ranjit, H Choubey and Rajnesh Giri came 3rd, 4th and 5th respectively. After these two events RIMC and Doon School were equal. In the 200 m Run Himmat Singh of Doon School bagged the first position followed by Saurabh Gupta of RIMC. The other two participants of RIMC S Nayak and Sidhartha Chopra came 5th and 6th respectively. In Putting the shot Cdt S S Randhawa came first followed by Doon School candidates at 2nd, 3rd and 4th position. In the 400 m. Run Doon School bagged the first, fifth and sixth position Cdt SS Randhawa of RIMC came second followed by Cdt Sub NCO Saurabh Gupta and Cdt Vishal Mann at 3rd and 4th position. In the Broad Jump Cdt SS Randhawa once again came first followed by Doon School, at third and fourth position. Cdt NCO K Ranjit and Cdt Sub NCO Saurabh Gupta came fifth and sixth.

In the Discuss Throw Cdt SS Randhawa bagged the first position followed by Fateh Singh of Doon School. The last event before the lunch break was 4x100 m Relay. The relay was won by Doon School and it gave 12 points to them and 10 points to RIMC. After these 8 events there was a lunch break. The athletes organizers and other officials had their lunch in the Cadets Mess. After the lunch movie was arranged for the athletes in the Bhagat Hall on the Video projector. All the athletes came back to the field after the movie and the events started once again at about 3.30. A total of six events were left to decide the winners. Doon School was leading by the point. The 800 m run was the first event after Lunch break RIMC bagged the first three positions with Cdt NCO Vijyant Singh Cdt Vivek Moudgil and Cdt Vishal Mann coming 1st, 2nd and 3rd respectively. Cdt SS Randhawa of RIMC bagged the first position in the Triple jump. The second and Third positions were bagged by Doon School. In the Hurdles Doon School bagged the 1st and 2nd position. Cdt Pathem of RIMC came 3rd. In the 100m sprint Doon School came first followed by S Gupta of RIMC. Now Doon School was leading by 2 points but the Javelin Throw turned the tables. Cdt Avinash Mallik, Rajnish Giri and Cdt Sec Com Tarun Massey came 1st, 2nd and 3rd respectively. Cdt Avinash Malik broke the college record by 1.5 m after throwing it maximum of 50m. Now RIMC was leading by 2 points. In the last event which was 4x100 m Relay Doon School took the lead of the first top but it was soon covered up by Cdt Vishal Mann of RIMC. This lead was increased by Cdt Sub NCO Vijyant Singh and Cdt SS Randhawa and RIMC won the relay. Thus RIMC won and the score read 146 and 150. After the events the Athletes were invited to tea in the Pavilion and then the Doon School Athletes were dispersed.

In this meet the standard of performance was very high and there was keen competition among the Athletes.

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VISITS

The following Officers visited the College for the period from Aug 94 to Oct 94:-

S/No.	Date of Visit	Name of Visitor	Location/Unit
1.	27 Aug 94	Mrs Dayal Ray	OSD/Dir MT-7 Army HQ
2.	01 Sept 94	Sqn Ldr Sandeep Banerjee	129 HU Air Force C/O 56 APO
3.	15 Sept 94	Maj T K Guha (Ex-Pratap Section)	
4.	21 Sept 94	Col N R Mann F/o Cdt V Mann	
5.	18 Oct 94	Lt Pradeep Singh	
6.	22 Oct 94	Brig A K Singh	Offg ADGMT Army HQ

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OBITUARIES

With deep shock and grief we inform the death of the following:-

- 1 Mr S P Sharma (Ex-Principal, also Shivaji Section Master before taking over as Principal.
- 2 Mr H D Puri, Master (1956-62)
- 3 Capt Tanmay Kashyap, 12 ASSAM (Ex-Pratap 1981-86).
- 4 Wg Cdr P S Rao (Ex-Roberts, 41-44).
- 5 Wg Cdr Thomas Mathew (Ex-Pratap 1957-61).

On behalf of everyone at the RIMC, we express our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families and pray for eternal peace of the departed souls.

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विद्यालय की हिन्दी गतिविधियाँ

हिन्दी हमारी राष्ट्रभाषा है। हमारे विद्यालय; राष्ट्रीय भारतीय सैन्य कालेज के लिए उसकी हिन्दी गतिविधियाँ सदा गौरव का विषय रही हैं। हमारे यहाँ हिन्दी में सांस्कृतिक तथा अनेक ज्ञानवर्धक कार्यक्रमों का आयोजन होता रहता है। इसके अतिरिक्त हमारे विद्यालय में हिन्दी को बढ़ावा देने के लिए भी आयोजन होते हैं।

हमारे विद्यालय की हिन्दी गतिविधियों में प्रमुख योगदान नाटकों तथा वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिताओं का रहा है। इसके अतिरिक्त सांस्कृतिक कार्यक्रमों में भी हिन्दी गान महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका अदा करते हैं। विद्यालय में हिन्दी दिवस एवं हिन्दी सप्ताह के भी कार्यक्रम होते हैं।

हमारा विद्यालय सदा से अनेक हिन्दी नाटकों का सफलतापूर्वक मंचन करता आ रहा है पिछले दो वर्षों में हमारे हिन्दी नाट्य समूह स्पंदन ने 'मूर्ति की चोरी' 'स्वर्ग का पासपोर्ट' जैसे हास्य नाटकों तथा "गड़ढ़ा" और "इन्सान" जैसे गम्भीर एवं प्रसिद्ध नाटकों का सफलतापूर्वक मंचन किया है। यही नहीं मूर्ति की चोरी जैसे नाटकों का सृजन भी विद्यालय के प्रांगण में हुआ। हमारे नाटककारों एवं अभिनेताओं की सभी ने प्रशंसा की है।

नाटकों के बाद वाद विवाद प्रतियोगिताओं का स्थान है हमारे विद्यालय के वार्षिक कार्यक्रम का एक अभिन्न अंग हमारी अन्तर्कक्षीय हिन्दी वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिता है। इन प्रतियोगिताओं से हमारे विद्यालय में हिन्दी का स्तर बहुत उँचा उख है। इसके अतिरिक्त पिछले चार वर्षों से वाग्विभूतिनायक सिंह हिन्दी वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिता का भी आयोजन कराया जाता रहा है। केवल यही नहीं हमारा विद्यालय पिछले तीन वर्षों से लगातार इस प्रतियोगिता में प्रथम भी आता रहा है। इस प्रकार विद्यालय में सौरभ गुप्ता एवं अमित कुमार जैसे राष्ट्रीय स्तर के वक्ताओं का उदय हुआ है।

हमारे विद्यालय में हिन्दी दिवस भी मनाया जाता है। इस दिन हमारे विद्यालय में सारी साधारण बातचीत हिन्दी में होती है। इसके अतिरिक्त हिन्दी सप्ताह के दौरान अनेक निबन्ध लेखन आदि प्रतियोगिताएं आयोजित की जाती हैं।

इस प्रकार विद्यालय सदा हिन्दी आयोजन करता रहा है और आशा है आगे के आयोजन और भी रंगारंग, उत्साहपूर्ण एवं स्तरीय होंगे।

- दिव्येन्दु शर्मा
कक्षा III

अन्तर्कक्षीय वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिता

हर साल की तरह इस वर्ष भी आर० आई० एम० सी० में अन्तर्कक्षीय वाद विवाद प्रतियोगिता का आयोजन किया गया। कनिष्ठ वर्ग का विषय था कि सेना का नागरिक जीवन में हस्तक्षेप देश के लिए हानिकारक है और

वरिष्ठ वर्ग का विषय था कि गेट पर हस्ताक्षर करके हमने अपने आर्थिक समप्रभुता के साथ समझौता किया है। प्रत्येक कक्ष से पाँच प्रतियोगियों ने भाग लिया। निर्णायक गण श्री आर पी वर्मा जी केन्द्रीय विद्यालय हायीबडकला में हिन्दी विभाग के प्रमुख हैं, श्री जय भगवान दास जी दून के माने हुए कवि हैं और श्री अकबर अब्बास जी केन्द्रीय विद्यालय एफ आर आई में हिन्दी के प्रमुख हैं। मुख्य अतिथि के तौर पर श्रीमती गीता परब थी। वाद-विवाद का स्तर बहुत उँचा था रणजीत कक्ष के प्रतियोगियों ने औरों से अच्छा प्रदर्शन किया। श्री जय. भगवान दास ने अपनी कविता से दर्शकों की तालियां प्राप्त की।

कमान्डान्ट ने अपने अंतिम भाषण में इस बात की आशा व्यक्त की कि अगले वर्ष शायद कोई रणजीत को इस प्रतियोगिता में हर सके। रणजीत की यह तीसरी विजय थी।

विद्यालय की वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिताएं एवं नाटक

कालेज ने गत साल एवं इस साल नाटकों तथा वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिताओं में बहुत ही शानदार प्रदर्शन किया है। दिसम्बर ९३ में आयोजित नाटक 'स्वर्ग का पासपोर्ट' बहुत ही अच्छा गया। फिर मार्च ९४ में आयोजित गड्ढा नाटक में भी कालेज ने अपने सामर्थ्य दिखाया। दोबारा मई, ९४ में कालेज में अपनी कलाओं का प्रदर्शन करते हुए किया 'इन्सान' ये सब नाटक कालेज के वार्षिक समारोह एवं हर सत्र के अंत में किए गए एवं सभी लोगों द्वारा सराहे गए। दून घाटी में आयोजित हुई तीनों प्रतियोगिताएं को कालेज ने जीत लिया। इसमें वैल्हम गर्ल्स, आर० आई० एम० सी० ऑल इन्डिया, और स्कूल की प्रतियोगिताएं शामिल हैं।

इन सब में सफलता पाने का श्रेय अमित कुमार और सौरभ गुप्ता को जाता है। साथ ही हिन्दी अध्यक्ष श्री विश्वकर्मा जी का भी महत्वपूर्ण योगदान था।

इन सभी गतिविधियों में कालेज का नाम और रौशन हुआ और हिन्दी विभाग का महत्त्व और भी बढ़ गया।

- अमित कुमार

काशी नरेश वाग् विभूति नारायण सिंह अन्तर्विद्यालय हिन्दी वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिता - ९४

२९ अक्टूबर ९४ (शनिवार) को कालेज में अन्तर्विद्यालय हिन्दी वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिता आयोजित की गई। उसमें छः टीमों - मिलेट्री स्कूल अजमेर, सैनिक स्कूल कपूरथला, अलवर पब्लिक स्कूल राजस्थान, आर०आई०एम०सी०, कैम्ब्रियन हॉल तथा दून स्कूल ने भाग लिया। प्रतियोगिता का विषय था - 'गेट पर हस्ताक्षर करके भारत ने अपनी आर्थिक समप्रभुता के साथ समझौता किया है'। निर्णायक थे - डा० श्रीमती मंजु नारंग, डा० श्रीमती किरण सक्करवाल तथा डा० एस० के० त्रिपाठी मुख्य अतिथि थे प्रख्यात व्यंगकार, श्री रवीन्द्रनाथ

त्यागी । कार्यक्रम अत्यन्त उच्च स्तर का रहा । अतिथि टीमों को कालेज पर एक वृत्तचित्र दिखाया गया । उन्होंने कला दीर्घा, पुस्तकालय आदि का भ्रमण किया तथा सराहना की ।

प्रतियोगिता प्रारंभ होने पर अलवर स्कूल की कु० निधि गाँधी ने गैट के सकारात्मक पहलू की चर्चा की । आशीष पाठक ने गैट पर सघन दृष्टि डालते हुए इस समझौते को उपयोगी बताया । दून स्कूल के नितिन सुखीजा ने गैट के विभिन्न उपयोगी पक्षों की चर्चा की । अलवर की कु० भावना भारद्वाज ने गैट समझौते के बाद भारत पर विदेशी प्रभाव के बढ़ने की आशंका व्यक्त की । अमित कुमार ने गैट की विसंगतियों पर टिप्पणी की ।

परिणाम इस प्रकार रहे - प्रथम राष्ट्रीय भारतीय सैनिक कालेज, द्वितीय-अलवर पब्लिक स्कूल, तृतीय दून स्कूल । व्यक्तिगत परिणाम इस प्रकार रहा - प्रथम - कु० निधि गाँधी (अलवर), द्वितीय- आकाश चोपड़ा (अजमेर), तृतीय कु० भावना भारद्वाज (अलवर), चतुर्थ आशीष पाठक (आर०आई०एम०सी०) पंचम अमित कुमार (आर०आई०एम०सी०) । प्रतिवादक वर्ग के परिणाम इस प्रकार रहे - प्रथम बी.के. चैतन्य, (आर०आई०एम०सी०) द्वितीय-मुदित पैन्थूली (कैम्ब्रियन हॉल), तृतीय - दीपक मिश्रा (दून स्कूल) । दून स्कूल के नितिन सुखीजा तथा कपूरथला के अमनदीप सिंह को कमान्डान्ट के विशेष पुरस्कार दिए गए ।

प्रतियोगिता के अंत में त्रुटि वश द्वितीय स्थान के लिए अलवर पब्लिक स्कूल की जगह कैम्ब्रियन हॉल का नाम घोषित किया गया पर जल्दी ही त्रुटि सुधार कर विजयोपहार अलवर पब्लिक स्कूल को प्रदान किया गया ।

निर्णायकों ने गैट समझौते पर पाण्डित्यपूर्ण टिप्पणी की । डा० रवीन्द्रनाथ त्यागी ने एक व्यंग्य रचना का पाठ किया । इन सभी ने प्रतियोगिता के स्तर व आयोजन की भूरि-भूरि प्रशंसा की । मंच संचालन कैडेट सौरभ गुप्ता एवं सौरभ चोपड़ा ने किया । कार्यक्रम संयोजन हिन्दी प्रभारी विश्वकर्मा ने किया ।

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