

# REFLECTIONS

We may not have it all together but together we have it all .....

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# **EDITORIAL**

Every year, when the 13th of March approaches, the College doesn't look the same. It looks like the College itself has come to life, every object animated and having its own tale to tell. Since 1922, thousands of little boys have walked the same path, eaten their meals in the same Mess, played in the same fields and loved with all their heart, this great institution. And so over the past 94 years, like branches of a tree, our lives may have grown in different directions, yet our roots remain as one.

RIMC has given me a gift, so

precious that even 'priceless' doesn't come close to it. This institution has taught me not 'what to think' but 'how to think' and that life is too short to be anything but happy, to love deeply and to forgive quickly and never regret anything but remember what it taught you - a lesson for life. The moments spent at RIMC are worth cherishing and when we see the RIMCOLLIANs at the Reunion and the way their eyes light up with joy when they meet their Termers we feel a slight tingle in our stomachs, and we see ourselves in their place a few

years down the line. The final months at the RIMC and I have already started missing the sweat, the joy and the place in its entirety. But as the familiar footsteps of the Old Boys walk these familiar grounds, my nostalgia transmutes into felicity. As the 94° Founder's Day draws closer and the 'heaven on earth' witnesses the erstwhile era shake hands with Gen Y, let's celebrate this brotherhood, this family beyond blood, let's REUNITE.....

Cadet NCO Abhiraj Gautam Class VA

# YOU KNOW...

13<sup>th</sup> of March isn't really the Founder's Day...no need to be surprised because, after all, the College was founded on the 22<sup>th</sup> of February, while the Reunion is celebrated on the day of its inauguration, that is the 13<sup>th</sup> of March! The Government of India with the sanctions of Secretary of State for India, established the College on 22 February 1922. Inaugurated on 13 March 1922 by the then Prince of Wales, the eldest son of King George V, the reigning sovereign of the British Empire, the institution was named Prince of Wales Royal Indian Military College.

# THE TEN COMMANDMENTS 'TO DO' LIST.....THIS REUNION



- · Visit Anteroom, kitrooms and other places of interest.
- Pose for a lot of photographs.
- Tell a lot of 'In my times' stories.
- Try to win the Hockey Match for a change.
- During the DJ, dance like there's no tomorrow.
- Yell my lungs out till hoarse during the Boxing bouts.
- Gobble down as many Scotch Eggs as possible.
- Visit the 'Chacha Momo Shop' for succulent and to-die-for dumplings.
- Visit Archives and flip through the yellowing pages of my dossier.
- Give a treat to the ones who wrote such a great 'to do' list for me.

Cadet NCO Abdul Malik Cadet NCO Abhiraj Gautam

# GOURMET'S DELIGHT

A thick and crispy cover of the thickest and crispiest ideas with juicy and succulent slices of the finest news, all handpicked by our very adept journalists from the backyards and every possible and impossible nook and corner of RIMC, with a peppery topping of the spiciest trends, filled with a thick layer of the special 'heartfelt emotion' sauce and obviously...some of

our secretive secret ingredients.....we bring to you, the hot and fresh, new and improved (improvised actually), McChronicle for the RIMCOs and RIMCOLLIANs exclusively. I'm loving it...You will too...

Cadet Krutin A Sabnis Class IIA

# **WEATHER FORECAST**

The 'portals extraordinaire' donned a silky gossamer like veil of nostalgia, as the cold breeze that sent a chill turned into a warm one of the Reunion. And suddenly the Pavilion grass turned green without the rains as the College Teams started sweating hard to turn the Cricket and Hockey wind towards their sail. The noise pollution suddenly shot up in the graphs as the Thimmaya Audi started

preparing for the Bang Bang. Overall, till now the weather has been almost fine, and as per the yearly climate report, the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of March will prove to be the best days of the year. But wait, let's see what the Exam Hurricane brings with it for the cadets just after the joyful spring!

Cadet Animesh Chug

# CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE ELOQUENT KIND

The Jan Term 2015 began with its first Inter Section Cup which was the Inter Section English Debate Competition. There was a very spirited participation from all the sections. The Juniors' Debate was conducted in the Oxford Pattern whereas, the Seniors' Debate was conducted in the Cambridge Pattern.

The Semi Finals of the Seniors'

Debate were conducted on the 11th of February wherein Pratap and Chandragupta Sections were able to make it to the finals. In the Semi Finals, Cdt NCO Rahul Dwivedi was adjudged the Best Speaker. In the finals of the Seniors' Debate, which was conducted a day after, Cadet Watandeep Singh Sidhu was adjudged the Best

Speaker followed by Cadet Animesh Chug.

The Finals of the Juniors' Debate were conducted on the 12<sup>th</sup> of February where two cadets from each Section participated, wherein one supported the motion whereas the other opposed it. In the Juniors' category, Cadet Somay Badola bagged the award for the Best

Speaker followed by Cadet Adhirai Rawat.

The overall results of the Inter Section English Debate were as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Chandragupta Section
- 2<sup>™</sup> Pratap Section
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Shivaji Section
- 4th Ranjit Section •

# **HUES OF CREATIVITY**

On the eve of 3 March, the Thimayya Auditorium resonated with music, cheers and laughter as the cadets portrayed their sensitivity in various forms. Be it singing, acting or dancing, they were meticulous in whatever they did. The evening saw a blend of action and comedy, displayed through skits, thoroughly enjoyed by the audience.

The Section standings were as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Ranjit Section
- 2<sup>rd</sup> Shivaji Section
- 3rd Pratap Section
- 4<sup>n</sup> Chandragupta Section

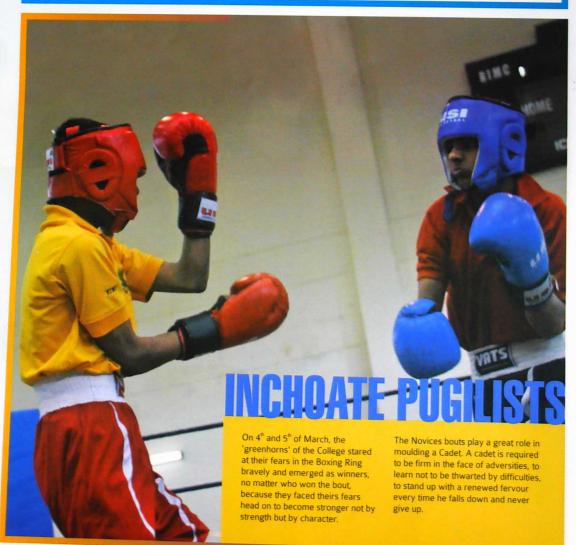


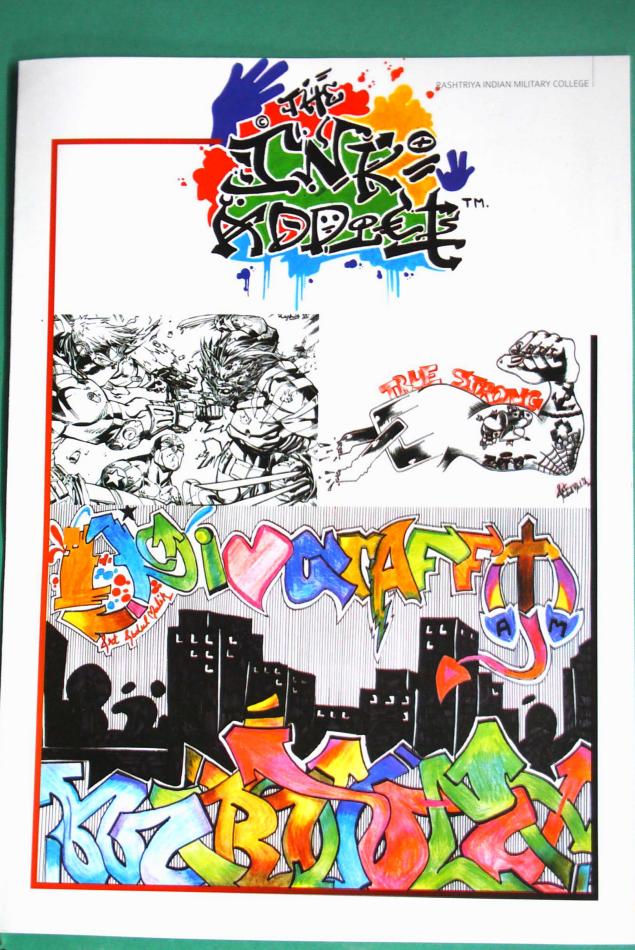
Squash is a game of reflexes and stamina which is enjoyed by Officers and Cadets alike. A very healthy competition prevails in RIMC in which the cadets give out their best.

The Squash Opens Competition was held in three categories, namely, the U-13, U-15 and the Opens from 23 January to 30 January 2015.

The Results were as follows:-

U- 13		Opens	
Winner Runner Up U- 15	Cdt Ardaman Singh Lamba Cdt Anirudh Sudan	Winner Runner Up	Cdt P Y Sreevatsava Cdt Kunal Singh
Winner Runner Up	Cdt Ajay Singh Cdt Adhiraj Singh Rawat		





# LGood Day

The morning light sets the dark, Eternal dark catches the spark. The world rises from the sleep, Dead graves are back in heap.

The misty wind, the blazing sun
The blooming flowers, the piquant ones,
All blow up the fear away
As they rise into a new day.

A good day to make a start To light a spark in every heart Everyone's ready to go To find new friends or fight the foe.

A good day to die for the beloved To find love in the midst of hatred. The guiding lights open the doors Break the walls, tear up the floors -

To overcome what's in the way And win the world on this good day.

Cadet Yashodhan Isher Class IV

# DEAR

## Dear Past!

Every second I dwell on you, I steal it from my future.

Every minute that I spend focusing on my problems, Is taken away from finding my solutions.

Thinking about all that should never have happened, I block all the things I wanted to happen.

But this doesn't mean, I am going to put you aside, For I have learned to honour you.

You taught me

That

Life's greatest setbacks, reveal life's biggest opportunities;

That

In adversities, there are the best of chances for a happy change; That

In the direst of situations, my performance would be the best; That

It is better to try and fail than never to have tried at all;
Because

My success is measured not by the position I have reached But by the obstacles I overcame while trying to succeed.

Cadet NCO Abdul Malik Class VA

## **Book Post**

To,

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# reflections



ADVANTAGES, IF THE TRAVELER VISITS BETTER COUNTRIES, HE MAY LEARN TO IMPROVE HIS OWN, AND IF FORTUNE CARRIES HIM TO WORSE, HE MAY LEARN TO ENJOY HIS





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Shakespeare said that the whole world is a stage, but I say, RIMC is an action movie- Fast And Furious 7 and as of now, we are at the climax. We were flagged off earlier this year and have now gone past many tricky turns. The competition is now tougher and the roads are full of traffic at every turn, but in our Lamborghinis and Mustangs, we continue to set the tracks on fire. The quizzers are refueling themselves with Aviation Turbine Fuel to fly across the Challenge Quiz and the quizzes that follow

but a bad patch of mud is coming our way to slow us down as the Terminals approach us, though the biggest hurdle is now

broke out that they will be the escorts for the Hugh Catchpole Debates and the Challenge Quiz, but they all know what to do...

# TAKING ON...

left way behind the racers of class V - the NDA Writtens. Also, II-IIA turned out to be very good street dancers when the news "Get low when the whistles blow." And as the last one mile nears us, looking behind you can see smouldering bits of DHS, Izhaar - e - Hunar, Basketball Comps, Hockey Comps, Preboards and obviously - the NDA Written Paper. While ahead, the checkered finish line signals the end of the track and Passing Out of our Vin Diesels - VA. But as the pendulum swings on... "This moment, we own it."

Cdt Krutin Sabnis

# ...HANDING OVER

# "HOME IS WHERE THE HEART IS."

Someone once asked me, "What is your most treasured memory in life, yet?" The first thing that came to my mind was 14" of July 2010, when 31 chubby tenderfeet were standing outside the Ante-rooms to get their first 'Course' photograph clicked - the '177" Lancers'. That day we were just 31 strangers put together through an examination, but today, five years down the line, we mean

the world to each other, because no matter what happened, we always stood together and faced it head on. We all owe this to the great institution for making us what we are today. The traditions and the way of life at the RIMC, blend to impart a magical essence which we call a 'RIMCO', and make this brotherhood even more special. Whatever we learn here, through each other and the

RIMC Family, are indeed lessons for life.

The LANCERS are not just friends or classmates; they are brothers in arms, partners in crime and a family bonded by love. They were there when I needed them the most, always there for each other. When life seemed gloomy and all odds were against us, we stood ground together and found a way out. We had our ups and

downs, but we never stopped and we never will.

LANCERS, this is for you. These five years together may have come to an end and surely it has been a bumpy ride but wherever we go 'we ride on together', the spirit of the LANCERS burns in us!! And we always have our home, the Rashtriya Indian Military College, our solid ground, our guiding beacon, so we are never lost, because we'll always find our way home.

Cdt NCO Abhiraj Gautam Class VA

# DATELINE

# 13 March

93 Reunion

# 23 March

Mid Term Examinations commence

### 28 March

Mid Term Examinations

### 29 March

Mid Term Hikes commence

### 04 April

Mid Term Hikes end

## 06 April

Inter Section Basketball Competition commences

# 18 April

Inter Section Hockey Competition commences

# 09 May

2 Round of Inter Section **Quiz Competition** 

# 11 May

Class IIIA Boards commence

13 May Class VA Boards commence

# 19 May

College Terminals commence

### 26 May

College Terminals end

## 28 May

Commandant's Special Assembly

# 30 May

Graduation Ceremony of the 177 Course

# 31 May

**Dispersal of Cadets** 

### CADET SEC COM AKSHAT RAJ

since his first term. Be it X-Country, Soccer, Athletics or Hockey, the College teams are second home for him. All

# CADET NCO

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This 'Delhiite', though never looked like one, a man of character and integrity. His selfless and helping attitude

### CADET NCO ABDUL MALIK

Be it the boxing ring or the

dedication for any activity is unmatchable. His OLQs and

# **ABHIRAJ GAUTAM**

This silent but violent boxer is one for integrity and character Hailing from the hills of Jammu, this 'kiddo' achieved great heights.

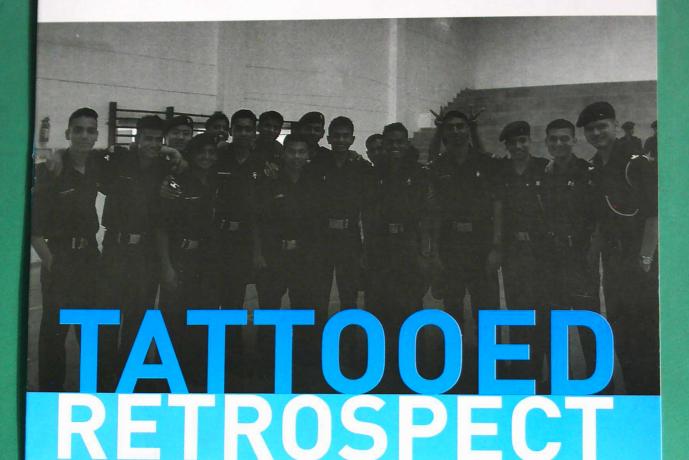
# **LULU LOUREMBAM**

aim, even if it's too high. Soccer team, Cafeteria and

# CADET NCO

This 'angry young man' of the College will not let you stand when it comes to Debating.

and folded sleeves will be missed thoroughly. Citius, Altius, Fortius, Vijay......



basketball courts as the plunges in swimming. Chandragupta Section Junior Dorm will miss his hawk eyed Kit Inspections. Sayonara, Sai.....

### CADET NCO ANUJ SAXENA

The invincible 'Mayweather' never let anyone surpass him, be it his opponent in the Ring or the hockey ball in the Field. His walking-talking style will be thoroughly missed. Godsneed, Appli

## CADET NCO MUKUL KUMAR

This OG ace shooter has often been the centre of jokes for his walking style but the OLQs this localite possesses are admired by

everyone. God Be With You, Mukul.....

### CADET SUB NCO SHANTANU SHUKLA

If you want to hear a total OC joke, just go to the Basketball courts and you'll always find one person playing in slippers and vest. 'He's your Man.' This lanky fellow from Chattisgarh-cum-MP is a pro-swimmer and liked by all his juniors for his 'jazz - O - Chill' attitude. ICH DIEN, Shantanu.

# PAVITRA OJHA

The Deadly Dancer is the Josh Machine of Chandragupta Section even though his MLs could never

be understood. Hopetown, Milestone and Spectrum stage will always miss you. Dance, Sing, Live! 'Understanding or not'??

# CADET DEVANGA

The calmest lad of VA, he was always found with a novel and gave tough competition to Akash. Academics is his forte and his specs made him look even more erudite.

# CADET NIRAJ NITIN

A perfect senior, he always aimed high, never let his juniors 'sham' in the fields. Leading by example, he always strove hard to place his Section on glorious heights. Worthy of emulation you'll always inspire us in times to come. Adios, Niraj.....

## CADET SIDDHANT SHARMA

This guy from Bangalore is an avid rider. Apart from being a good academician, he was also a keen photographer. Fare Thee Well, Siddhant..... RIME FOCKS , RIMEOS FULL , Long Live RIMC . MUZEGB ( 177 Reds )

Lawrend ROCK! (Arikul Kumar) 1 177 Reds

The sky may fall Ocean may dry A Parther was I bom A Panther shall I die. Live Life King Size!!!

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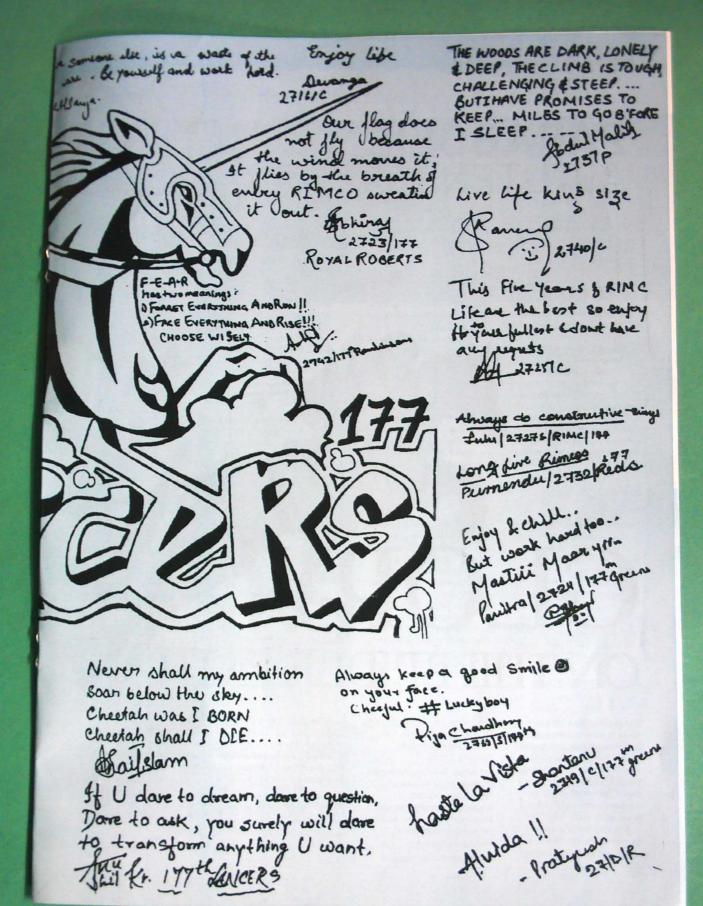
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BE LIKE A SPONGE AND LEARN EVERYTHING ONCE THE TIME COMES GIVE WHAT YOU HAVE LEARNED LANCERS ROXX 3ai (2430/c)

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you are a RIMCO & you know what to do, do that whenever required & you will stand out of the crowd, a that is what is our identity .--SMDA (2735/Shivaji)/LANCERS face the sun and the shadows shall fall behind

Mukuman (2734/C/177 Lancera)



# **PARABOLIC** ASTUTENESS

The second fastest game on Earth is one of stamina, skill and strategy. It can be played all around the year at RIMC with either a whole team of five or even single handedly. Every year the inter section

basketball is held in the month of April just after hikes and this year, as well, the basketball competitions commenced on 8 April and all the sections gave a neck to neck competition to each other from the very first day. But as, only one can be victorious, the Trophy was bagged by Chandragupta Section followed by Shivaji, Ranjit and Pratap Sections. The individual prizes were as follows:

Best Player Juniors - Cdt Aman Kumar

Middles - Cdt Ajay Singh

Seniors - Cdt Sahil Yadav

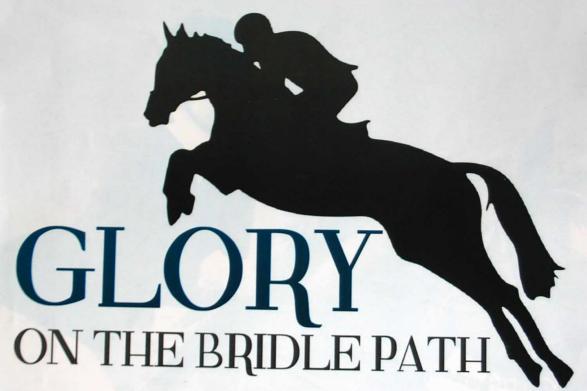
Highest Scorer Juniors - Cdt Pranav Mittal

Middles - Cdt VL Malsawmzuala

Seniors - Cdt Kushagra Mishra

Most Upcoming Player

- Cdt Jacob L



The true best friend of man is a horse. It treats you like you treat it and doesn't look upto humans merely as masters. Keeping up with its enthusiastic participation, this year too, RIMC sent eight Cadets, six horses and three instructors for the Delhi Horse Show on 27 March 2015. The Cadets participated in various categories like DHS Preliminary, Juniors Hacks, Cadet Jumping, etc.

The Cadets did exceedingly well by bagging nine medals. The awards were given to the following Cadets-

Cdt Omkar Dalvi bagged Bronze Medal in Junior Hacks and Copper Medal in DHS Preliminary Jumping and was awarded a cash prize of Rs 1500 for standing fourth in DHS Preliminary Jumping. Cdt Hritvick Patiyal bagged a Gold Medal in Children Jumping Top Score and also set a new record of 1270 points after breaking the previous record of 1250 points. He also bagged a Silver Medal in Children Hacks. Cdt Vickrant Raj won a Bronze Medal in Junior Hacks.

Cdt Yashodhan Isher was awarded a Copper Medal in Cadet Hacks.

Cdt Jagdeep Narayan won a

Copper Medal in Junior Top Score. He participated in Senior Rescue Relay Team with RVC Saharanpur and won a Team Silver Medal.

Cdt Kapil Kishan Pandey won a Bronze Medal in Cadet Hacks.

Cdt Abhimanyu Ghorpade Class IA

# TALKING TOOK IT ALL

"I would rather debate a question without settling it instead of settling a question without debating it"

Imagine a world where no one speaks.... Where no one communicates....a world where knowledge only stays within and never expands.....Even imagining such a world is far beyond the capabilities of a human brain, after all we humans are social animals and for us being able to speak is a boon. So this leaves us with no doubt as to why the Hugh Catchpole Debates have been happening at RIMC every year since 2005.

Over the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of April 2015 a number of schools from all over India participated in the 10<sup>th</sup> Hugh Catchpole Inter School English Debates. On 23<sup>th</sup> the

outstation schools arrived and on the same day in the afternoon the draw of lots for the topics, venues and opponent teams took place. On 24th morning and evening the preliminary rounds were conducted which gave out the names of the eight teams qualifying to the semis. On 25th morning the semifinals were conducted where the top four team which would be up against each other on that very evening were selected. In the evening the finals took place with Maj Gen Shammi Sabharwal being the chief guest for the occasion. The chief gust finally announced the result and St. Joseph's Academy, Dehradun was declared as the

overall Winner of the Debate followed by The Doon School who were declared the Runners Up. The Best Speaker for the Preliminary round was Kshitij Bisht of the St Joseph's Academy. The Best Speaker for the Semi Final round was Aarnav Sharma of St George's College, Mussoorie. Devansh Agarwal of The Doon School was adjudged the 2<sup>nd</sup> Best Speaker of the Final Round whereas Kanishk Kakar of St Joseph's Academy was awarded with the Best Speaker Award. The Commandant Special Prize was won by Aishwarya of La Martinere College for Girls, Lucknow

# THINK



Quizzing is an activity which is enjoyed by one and all at the RIMC. Unlike other activities, debating or recitation, for the instance audience too can participate in it wholeheartedly. It is a fun source of learning especially due to the interactive sessions and mind bending questions too. It also keeps the audience hooked on till the last moment with the points and the face of the quiz changing with every question.

On the 23<sup>rd</sup> of April, 2015, RIMC conducted the 15<sup>th</sup> All India Inter School Challenge Quiz wherein we witnessed a huge amount of participation from 27 schools. The Chief Guest of the Quiz was Mr Anuj Dayal who is currently the head of Corporate Communications for the Delhi Metro Rail Project, the largest Urban Infrastructure Project undertaking in India.

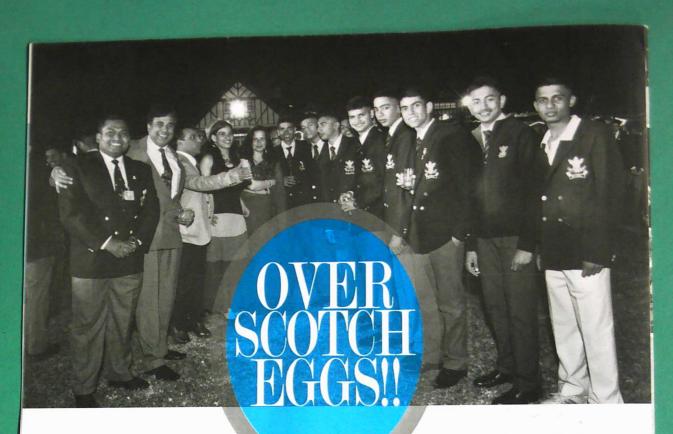
The Quiz was contested in two rounds, namely, the Preliminary

Round and the Final Round. For the final round, top six teams that scored the highest marks in the prelims, qualified. They were APS Birpur, Summer Valley School, Dehradun, Brightlands School, Dehradun, Oak Grove School, Wynberg Allen, Mussorie and the RIMC.

At the end of all the rounds, the results of the 15<sup>th</sup> All India Inter School RIMC Challenge Quiz were as follows:

- 1. Army Public School, Birpur
- Summer Valley School, Dehradun
- Brightlands School,
   Dehradun
- Oak Grove School, Mussoorie
- Wynberg Allen School, Mussoorie

Cdt Krutin Sabnis Cdt Ronit Bagaria Class IIA



Just like last year, this year's 93rd Reunion was filled with nostalgia, joy and 'scotch eggs', not to forget the Rimcollians. The celebration for the 93rd Reunion started way before 12 March though the actual party kicked off only after the arrival of the Rimcollians on that day. The Rimcollians started jubilantly by losing to the Rimcos by only a margin of two goals in the hockey match. The evening also witnessed the Finals of Inter Section Boxing Competitions which saw many uppercuts, hooks and also Rimcollians

sitting amongst their sections howling out at the boxers as if they themselves and the sections at large were in the ring. Shivaji Section emerged victorious at the end of the day and then the whole college marched towards the CC Lawn for the dinner with pride in their chests no matter who won or lost. The next day started with Wreath Laying by paying tribute to our heroes who laid down their lives as they

selflessly fought 'till the last breath'. Then was the much awaited 'Daredevil Horse Show' as well as the Rimco-Rimcollians Cricket Match, where, well... the Rimcos came Runners Up though that wasn't going to stop anyone from spending their coupons to the fullest. The evening was full of lights and sounds as the cadets put up a great show with dancing, singing and acting. Then, after a

lot of cheering and howling out by the winning section, everyone moved on for dinner at the Cadet Captain's lawn and as the sad truth of this being their last evening at their Alma Mater for some more time, they all enjoyed the lavish dinner.

On the last and final morning of the 14th the cadets bade farewell to the Old Boys and Air Marshal PP Reddy announced a two days partial holiday for the cadets.

Cdt Ronit Bagaria Cdt Krutin Sabnis Class IIA

## **Book Post**

To,

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# Chariest Showers

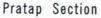
With a new spell of 'josh' and enthusiasm in the air, the College reopened on the 17th of July, 2015.

On 20 July, we witnessed the First Assembly of the Term where the cadets were applauded and given 'Feathers' for their excellent performance in Academics for the January Term '15.

The first showers engulfed the iuniors and the seniors alike. Not only the Academic front received this spray, but also the Administration was swathed in it. As the former AO. Lt Col ERN Prasad and the AAO. Lt Col R Richardson got Posted Out, new faces took their place in Lt Col LK Muni and Maj Tanmay Pant, Lt Col Muni, from INF (19 Raj Rif), joined on 23 July 2015 as Adm Offr. He was at the RIMC as a Cadet from 1989 to 1993 and belonged to Chandragupta Section. Maj Tanmay Pant from ARTY (224 Fd Regt), joined RIMC as Asst Adm & Trg Offr on 19 July 2015. He was a Cadet at the RIMC from 1994 to 1999 and belonged to Ranjit Section. They are giving out their best in each and every field and getting into the groove of things pronto. As we welcome them, we wish them a very fruitful tenure

The boys were also entruste with the responsibility of their respective sections. The Investiture Ceremony began with Cadet Sachin Kumar being appointed as the Cadet Captain for the succeeding Term.

Thereafter, the names of the Section Commanders were announced and allotted their Sections. Their resolve was fairly apparent in their countenance that seemed to say that they would uphold the virtues and traditions of the College.



Cadet Section Com Paras Singh Raniit Section Cadet Section Commander Vijayant Rana Shivaji Section

Cadet Section Commander Chetan Kumar

C/Gupta Section Cadet Section Commander

Bawiskar Om Ajay Finally, the Assembly ended with the Shivaji Section being declared the Winner of the Deen Dayal Maths Trophy. The College Administration wished the RIMO

fold all the very best as it embarked on a spirited term ahead.....

Cdt Vedant Mehta









# Year of Chandragupta Section

handragupta Section came into existence in January 1965. Cadets of all the terms from the three pre existing Sections were drawn to constitute the new Section with a total strength of 53 Cadets. During January term this Section functioned without a name but was called the 'New Section'. Army Headquarters had approved a new name for this Section called Chandragupta towards the end of the term. Mr SR Jaiswal was appointed as the new and first Section Master on 1st February 1965. Cadet BK Chaudhary was appointed as its First Section Commander. He was also appointed as Cadet Captain in the first as well as the second term. The main achievement of this Section was that it's Cadet Captain and Section Commander stood First in Rifle Shooting and Cadet JS Oberoi was awarded the UN Jha Memorial Gold medal for the first time in 1965 for topping the All India Merit List in NDA.

This year, 2015, marks the 50<sup>th</sup>year of Chandragupta Section. Within a month we managed to top in two different events, that is, Squash and X-Country Competitions. We will work hard to top all the competitions so that we would celebrate this 50 Anniversary as Champions during Reunion.

Another interesting fact which I would like to share is that it is not only the 50<sup>th</sup> year for the Section, but also our college had adopted the new Crest of Peacock Feathers replacing the Ostrich Plumes, the Ashoka Chakra replacing The Crown and the Motto 'Bal Vivek' replacing 'lch Dien' 50 years ago itself.

On 8<sup>th</sup> August 1965, the first meeting of Chandragupta Section was held with the first batch of First termers in the dormitory with the then Section Master and Section Tutor. To commemorate this occasion, we celebrate this day as the birthday of Chandragupta Section. This year we celebrated by cutting the cake in the same place where the first meeting of Chandragupta Section was held 50 years ago.















brilliant academician, this Juniors Team was seen running u nd down the fields of Doon S ool in an attempt to score for the College Juniors Team. He has all proven his mettle by do extremely well in the Tests. He is sure to go a long



# Dateline 15

16 Jul - Arrival of the Cadets

20 Jul - Wreath Laying and Special Assembly

21 Jul - Arrival of First Termers Visit by GOC Sub-Area

24 Jul - Cadets vs Staff Class I vs IA Soccer Match

28 Jul - SPIC MACAY

31 Jul - Doon Darshan

2 Aug - Inter Section X-Country Competition

6 Aug - Inter Section Creative Writing (Hindi)

14Aug - Unit Tests to commence

15 Aug-Independence Day celebrations

26Aug -Inter Section Swimming Competition

31 Aug - Inter Section Soccer Competition

> Cdt S Aditya Cdt Varun Ponkshe Class III

ahil harma This 'jockey' from Punjab is already a pro, having won a Gold Medal at Delhi Horse Show. He is also a budding boxer and aspires to become the 'Tyson' of

the College. Best of luck, Sahil...

d Elias Haque This 'Josh Machine' raised in the hills of Assam is an aspiring shooter and a seasoned swimmer. A lover of badminton, he is sure to do well at RIMC. All the best, Elias...

ay Mask This 'Mar Kho Kho player has ayed his talent at the regional vel. An avid reader and he got the sixth rank in a Math lent Examination. College awaits your performance, Jay ...

kshat Sharma A boy already familiar with the '138 Acres', this 'Day Scholar' is an upcoming Tendulkar and also pretty good at squash. Waiting to prove his mettle in swimming, he is a frequent reader of all types of books. Way to go, Akshat...













harat 'bookworm' hailing fro Rohtak,

Haryana is also a shooter. Coming from an academical back round, he would like to excel at eac, and every activity at the RIMC. Good going, Bharat...





This Cadet hailing from Fatehpur, is an aspiring rider as well as a marksman. A 'Messi' in the making, he also playing Cricket. The College awaits his performance. Way to go, Ayush ...

ranav Selven This 'shocker' from Tamil Nadu loves to play Soccer. A very talented guy as far as Quizzing is concerned, he is a very big 'josh machine'. An aspiring athlete, he wants to be a good academician too. Best of luck, Pranav...

hanil Kumar Hailing from the 'Land of Jewels' this 'Ronaldo' has been adjudged the top scorer at a District Level Soccer Tournament. He came 3rd in the X-Country and is also a good Tennis player. He even aims at doing well at Academics. An astute craftsman, he also is a fabulous cricketer and Badminton player. Best of luck, Thanil...

mrit Raj This 'Bindra' from Bihar has a taste for shoot ng. An aspiring cricketer, he also e njoys playing Badminton. Wanting to be an Air Force Officer, the College will expect a lot from

him. Best of luck, Amrit...

ndy L Khobung This 'Jordan' is also an avid footballer. Having won a Sports Competition at his previous school, we all expect him to keep up the morale high and continue with the same 'josh' as before. Way to go, Andy...

# 을phenomenon lives on...

"Look at the sky. We are not alone. The whole universe is friendly to us and conspires only to give the best to those who dream and work."

DR APJ Abdul Kalam

ut today, we are indeed alone. We have lost an ignited mind that flew across the world with his wings on fire lighting the path for us, taking us to greater heights. A scientist, a leader...THE MISSILE MAN OF INDIA...but more than anything else, the most noble person to have ever set foot on this planet. A truly noble man, he had been the oasis



On Abdul Kalam's visit to the RIMC in 2009

in the desert, the candle us with his preaching with his humility. A knowledge, he breathed lecture to the students life be more meaningful akin to that of a soldier battle field? This great Alma Mater on the 30<sup>th</sup> Graduation Ceremony of 28<sup>th</sup> of July, Dr APJ Abdul heavenly abode. He died delivering a lecture at bless his soul and may



in our cave that warmed and lighted up our hearts gatherer and giver of his last while giving a at IIM, Shillong. Could a and purposeful, almost attaining martyrdom in a soul also visited our of May 2009 for the the 165th Course. On the Kalam left for his of a heart attack while IIM, Shillong. May God he Rest In Peace.

Best Player-Cdt Siddhartha Erla

# In the U-15 category IV Shivaji Section III Ranjit Section II Pratap Section II Character Section

I Chandragupta Section

Squash is played extensively in the Defence Forces due to the stamina and agility that it enhances. Hence it is also a favourite at the RIMC. In RIMC, Squash is held under three categories, namely, U-13, U-15, U-17or Opens Category. According to the new rule introduced in the game, squash is played in the best of three or best of five set system, each set containing 11 points each. Only the opens category follows the five set system whereas the other two follow the three set system. We witnessed a cut throat competition among all the four sections. In the U-13 Category IV Chandragupta Section III Pratap Section

Best Player-**Cdt Hritvick Patiyal** 

In the U-17 Category IV Pratap Section III Raniit Section Il Shivaji Section I Chandragupta Section

> Best Player-Cdt NCO P Y Sreevatsava

Most Upcoming player-Cdt Rudraksh Chauhan

Cdt Ronit Bagaria

THAT!

**NOTES OF POTENCY** 

ne Society for the Promotion of Indian Classical Music and Culture Among Youth is a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting an awareness of Indian culture in educational institutions across India. For the past thirty eight years, SPIC MACAY has been exposing thousands of students to various forms of Indian classical music, dance, folk art, craft and folk theatre, in schools, colleges and professional institutions.



II Shivaji Section I Ranjit Section

> t the RIMC too, SPIC MACAY regularly holds concerts

every Term and promotes Indian culture among the Cadets. This Term too, it organised a performance by Professor Ritwik Sanyal, an outstanding dhrupad singer, professor, composer and writer. Professor Sanyal gave a mesmerizing performance and entertained the cadets thoroughly. After the performance, the cadets had a short question and answer session with the guru, in which the cadets learnt a lot about the ancient art of dhrupad. To sum it up, the cadets went home enlightened and informed.

Cdt Ashutosh Mishra

Appointment

# Vice Chief of the Air Force

Air Mshl BS Dhanoa, AVSM,YSM,VM

Comdt, IMA

Lt Gen BS Negi, YSM, SM, VSM

1969-74 CHA

1970-74 CHA

omotion

# Brig to Maj Gen

Brig DA Chaturvedi, SM Brig CP Mohanty, SM, VSM Brig DS Gill

Col to Brigadier

Col Atul Rawat
Col Akash Kaushik

1973-78 SHI

1973-78 SHI

1973-76 RAN

1973-83 PRA 1970-81 PRA

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Maj Gen TV Manoharan, VSM Mr Harcharan Singh Butalia, IAS Sqn Ldr Amardeep

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# **Book Post**

To, .....

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# REFLECTIONS

The world is like a great book, its every page is a journey of joy, and at least something to teach us.

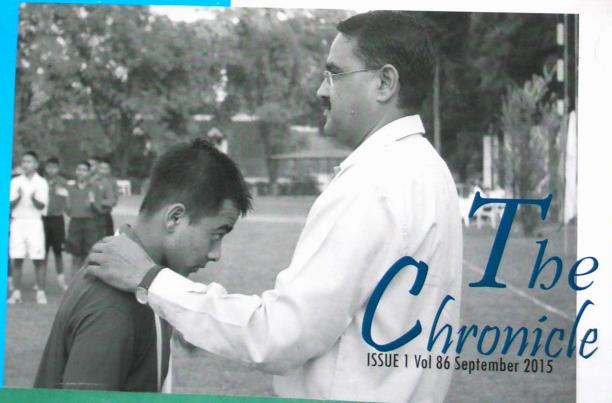
# Dateline September 2015

- 27 Aug Inter Section Swimming commences
- 29 Aug Inter Section Swimming ends
- Wynberg Allen Swimming Competition begins 03 Sep
- 04 Sep Wynberg Allen Swimming Competition ends
- 05 Sep Janmashtami Celebrations and Teachers Day
- Inter Section Soccer Competition commences
- 10 Sep Inter Section Soccer Competition ends

# EDJTORJAL The College is going through a

maelstrom of feelings and emotions due to a melange of activities. After giving out our best in the Swimming and Soccer Competitions, we have now channelized all our energy towards Academics. The peaceful nights have now gone sleepless as the Mid Terms slowly inch towards us, making the classes abuzz with cadets who are trying to assess if they have made any progress or not from what they had written in their notebooks. The upper fields have undergone their seasonal metamorphosis, this time from the Soccer fields to the Athletics Tracks. The 'troubled souls' of Class V have now found solace after their much awaited, more dreaded and much more prepared NDA Written. The 'Adamantines' were on cloud nine', when they finally could go for the much longed for and most favourite hike of RIMC, the Mumbai -Pune Hike. Class VA, on the other hand is keeping their fingers crossed as they count days to cross the final barricade before their dream comes true of joining the NDA. The athletes are running with even more vigour as their practices are redoubled. The First Termers are eagerly waiting to be reunited with their parents for the first time since they joined during the PTM. In all, the College has kept up with its normal pace of frenzied activities as we march hand in hand towards the ever promising future.

> Cdt Ronit Bagaria ClassIII





# BLAZING WATERS

The Inter Section
Swimming Competition
concluded on 29 August,
2015. This was a mega
three day event in which
the cadets displayed their
swimming skills in the best
possible manner and set the
pool afire.

The Section Standing in the Swimming Tests was as follows:

- I Ranjit Section
- Il Chandragupta Section
- III Pratap Section
- IV Shivaji Section

The Competition was held in two categories, the Swimming Test and the Competition. Cdt Akhilesh Naik and Cdt Vaibhay Dalvi were adjudged the Most Upcoming Swimmers. The Best Swimmer in Juniors Category was Cadet Krutin A Sabnis, whereas in Seniors Category, the Best Swimmer was Cadet Omkar Dalvi.The Competition saw some of the finest performances by the cadets wherein Cadet Omkar Dalvi broke the College record in 200M Freestyle event which was earlier set up by Cadet Sai Ganesh in the year 2014.

The Section Standing in the Swimming Competition was as follows:

- I Shivaji Section
- II Ranjit Section
- III Chandragupta Section
- IV Pratap Section

The overall Section Standing of the RIMC Inter Section Swimming Competition was as follows:

- I Ranjit Section
- Il Shivaji Section
- III Chandragupta Section
- IV Pratap Section



Cdt Ronit Bagaria

LET'S FOOTI

Soccer is a game that requires great skill and stamina and is

therefore a very important part of the College routine. This time, everyone at RIMC was unusually enthusiastic about the Inter Section Soccer Competition which saw many upcoming 'Ronaldos' and 'Messis'. At RIMC, Soccer is held in four categories namely the Rabbits, Juniors, Middles and Seniors. It was held from 7 to 10 September. In the Rabbits Category, Ranjit Section emerged victorious, followed by Shivaji, Chandragupta and Pratap Sections. In the Juniors Category, Cdt Vaiebhav Chettri was awarded the Best Player, leading the 'Shivajians' to victory. Also, Cdt Thanil Kumar of Ranjit Section was awarded the Most Upcoming Player. In the Middles Category, Ranjit Section put up a good show and emerged victorious, winning two out of three matches and Cdt L Sailo being awarded the Best Player. The 'Shivajian' Seniors kept up the tempo and were triumphant. It was all tied up till the end with Shivaji and Ranjit in a neckto-neck contest, but it was Ranjit that managed to get the extra edge and win the Soccer Cup.

The Section Standing was as follows -

Ranjit Section

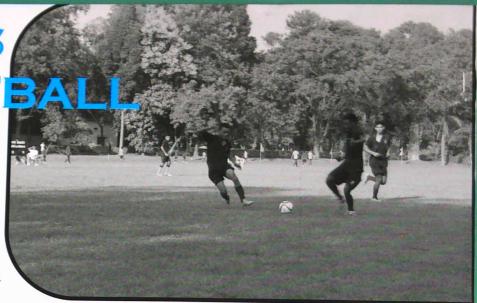
Il Shivaji Section

III Pratap Section

IV Chandragupta Section

Cdt S Aditya

Class III



# BATTLE OF MINDS

Quizzing forms an integral part of a Cadet's life at the RIMC since it is an activity which involves great concentration, memory power and global awareness. The cadets have to constantly refresh their knowledge of current affairs in order to perform better in the Quiz and win the Trophy for their respective Section.

Keeping this in mind, the First Round of Inter Section Quiz Competition 2015 was held on the I<sup>st</sup> of September. The Chief Guest for the event was Col HS Bainsla. The quizzers put up a great show, answering the Quiz Masters' questions with confidence.

After a gruelling competition, the Section Standing was as follows:

I Chandragupta Section 98.8 points

II Pratap Section 76.8 points

III Ranjit Section 74.8 points

IV Shivaji Section 59.4 point

Cdt S Aditya Class III



# Satyam Gupta

From 'Madhya Pradesh' is a 'small guy with a big attitude'

and is a keen quizzer. Aspiring to join the Indian Air Force, he wants to do something unforgettable in the Craft Hobby.



Satyam Gupta

He is working hard to be a good athlete. Just do it, Satyam..



Prashant Malik

## **Prashant** Malik

A fan of 'sci-fi' books, this well natured boy from Haryana aims to be an Air Force Officer. He has a keen interest in

running and wants to improve at his PT standards. Highly motivated and 'joshed up' for his Section, he is always trying to give out his best. The sky is the limit, Prashant...

# **Naman Sharma**

A great boy from J&K, he has done well at the 'SOF' and is interested in learning to play the Guitar. Always seen smiling, he is loving the College and is happy to play all the games. An Air Force aspirant, he is a good Horse

# Welcome 187th

# Siddharth Stephen

This philatelist from Kerala is an avid reader. Interested in swimming, cricket,



Siddharth

soccer and basketball, he has already won prizes in his previous school for quiz, essay writing, story writing and spelling. The College has high hopes from him. Best of luck, Stephen.....



Aman Vishwakarma

Aman **Vishwakarma** 'losh' is never 'out of stock' for this lanky fellow from Pratapgarh

(He has already broken his hand once while practiscing for X-Country of all things!) Another 'Army optee' he is one of the few in the College who have a knack for playing chess. As a pastime, he loves reading novels of all sorts. Go for it, Aman...



Hailing from Goa, Cadet Blythe is a riding enthusiast and loves playing football. He has already proven himself to be



an asset to his Section by showing his skills at Swimming. Wanting to learn boxing and hockey, he is sure to do well in the days to come. Godspeed, Blythe

# Himanshu

This lad from Rajasthan is a born dramatist and aspires to do well in soccer, swimming and craft. He is a keen mathematician too, having won an Inter-School Math Competition.

Fully geared up to improve at all aspects, he is really ery happy to be here. All the best. Himanshu...



Himanshu

Rider. Have a great tenure, Naman...



Naman Sharma



# Akshay Chauhar

This new comer from Uttar Prades Etah, aims at joining the Army. A Gold Medalist in Maths & NASA Olympiad, he loves playing Cricket Badminton and is a keen member of the Drama Hobby. Sky is the limit, Akshay....

# 'TARKOMEN'



Soumitra Das

This 'Bengali' is a part of the Shooting Hobby. He is a 'Mozart' in disguise as

he is a great singer and also knows how to play the Tabla, Sitar and Harmonium. A wizard in the field of Science, he won the 2<sup>rd</sup> Prize in the SOF Olympiad in his State. He is a highly motivated 'Air Force Optee'. Best wishes, Soumitra...

# Rudraksh Chauhan

This ace 'Aero Modeller' is also a brilliant Badminton player and a Cricket player and a Squash player and the list goes on. Aspiring to be an Army Officer, he is a firm believer of-'Where there is a will, there is a



Rudraksh Chauhan

way'. Very
talented and
enthusiastic,
his motivation
will carry him
a long way
ahead. Carry
on,
Rudraksh...



Aditya Dwivedi

Aditya
Dwiwedi
A well natured
boy from MP, he
is a good
academician,
endowed with a
great spirit of

sportsmanship. He wants to improve his English and handwriting, and is very motivated to join the Army. A lover of books, he is a great quizzer too. Good luck, Aditya...

# Sachin Kumar

This new comer is

very 'joshed up' for
his Section and is
seen leading his
Section in all short
sprints. Extremely good at Sports, PT and
Academics as well, he is another 'Air Force
Optee'. He wants to improve at swimming
and is sure to do well in College. Always go
all out, Sachin...



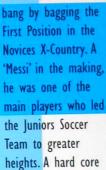


Harshvardhan

## Aman Mishra

This guy is fueled by his will power and 'josh' for his section

and he started with a



'Army Optee', he has great interest in PT as well as reading novels. Way to go, Mishra...

# Afrid Afroz

Aman Mishra

'Be Happy, Be Strong' is the mantra of this happy lad from Patiala. A philosopher, the Head Cadet of



Afrid Afroz

Class I is not only mentally strong, but also physically fit and has proven it by doing well at Academics and also bagging the Second Position in the Novices X-Country. Aiming for the top, he also aspires to be a 'big gun' in the Air Force. Keep smiling, Afrid...

# Harshvardhan Gupta

This 'Second Gen Rimco' is a 'localite' and a keen boxer.

He is a seasoned swimmer and has won laurels at

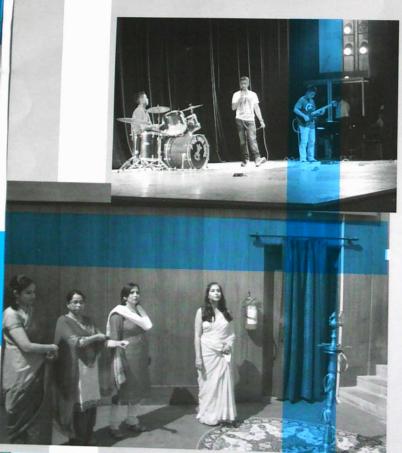
Calligraphy Competitions. A good dramatist, he also won
the First Prize in a Science Exhibition. Always wanting to
be the best, he is sure to reach great heights. Never give
up, Harshvardhan..

# SPELLER BEES

Literary activities form an integral part of the activity calendar at the RIMC. The cadets need to hone their writing skills, along with their oratory skill. To be able to spell correctly is one of the prerequisites of writing skills. For this purpose, Spell Bee Competition is conducted every Term to keep the cadets well informed about spellings in an environment where SMS lingo is fast taking over and making the authenticity of the language dwindle. Keeping this in mind, the Spell Bee Competition was conducted on 2 September for Juniors i.e. from Class I to Class III. The contest comprised exciting exercises, oral as well as written. 20 cadets from each Section participated and the competition lasted for an hour. The results for the Juniors Spell Bee Competition are as follows:

I Shivaji Section 525 Points
II Chandragupta Section 498 Points
III Pratap Section 475 Points
IV Ranjit Section 438 Points

Cadets Vinay Tiwari, Ravi Metre, Hritvick Patiyal, Ankit Yadav and Siddharth Stephen did exceedingly well and were among the top scorers.



# JN OBEJSANCE TOTHEE

Teachers play a pivotal role - that of a lynchpin in a child's physical, mental and spiritual life. They stay with them and teach them everything, in fact, they are parents incarnate. Teachers Day is celebrated in the memory of Dr S Radhakrishnan, one of India's former Presidents and mentors to thousands of students across India.

Teachers Day was celebrated in the College on 4 September 2015 with great fervour and enthusiasm with the cadets giving an enthralling performance, leaving the audience spellbound with their songs, dance moves and the drama, which was praised by all. The programme was a befitting tribute from the 'taught' to his 'teacher'.

Cdt S Aditya Class III

# RHETORIC REDEFINED

On the 12" of September, 2015, the Thimayya Auditorium was filled with spirit and enthusiasm when the eloquent debaters from all over India got together to take part in XI All India Kashi Naresh Yagvibhuti Narayan Singh Hindi Debate.

The coveted Trophy was presented to Rashtriya Military School, Ajmer. The RIMC team comprised Cdt Aman Vashisht and Cdt Abhay Mishra. The overall standing of the debate was as follows:

- 1" Rashtriya Military School, Ajmer
- 2" RIMC, Dehradun
- 3d Scholars Home, Dehradun

For individual performances, the following awards were presented to the deserving students:

- 1 Cdt Abhishek Pandey of Rashtriya Military School, Ajmer
- 2" Madhav Badhtwal of Scholars Home, Dehradun
- 3rd Cdt Aman Vashisht of RIMC, Dehradun

The distinguished judges for the debate were Mrs Neeta Kukreti, Dr Ram Vinay and Acharya Dhinanjay. The Chief Guest of the occasion was Mr Ashok Kumar, Additional Director General Intelligence, Uttarakhand who praised the students for their oratory skills and also shared the nostalgic memories of his school days.

The evening finally ended with a Vote of Thanks presented by Col HS Bainsla, SM, Commanadant, RIMC.

# PEEK-a-ROOK

Reading makes a man complete and so books play an integral part in shaping one's character. What you read shapes you. So to imbibe this quality, 21 cadets set out for World Integrity Center on 4 September 2015 along with Mrs Mamgain and Mrs Malhotra at 1300hrs for the release of the book 'Our Nana was a Nutcase' written by Mr Ranjit Lal. Mrs Preeti Singh Rathore, Principal of Vantage Hall Girls Residential School, was the moderator for the event. A number of other schools had also come to witness the event such as the Ecole Globale and Shigally Hills Girls Residential School. The release was followed by an enthusiastic book reading and question - answer session. The theme of the

book was taken from Mr Lal's personal life where his father, an Army officer, had been suffering from dementia and how his grand children exercise patience, helping him to cope well. Cdt Ashutosh J Mishra

Cdt S Aditya Class III ed

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X-Country is one of the most simple, prestigious and cost-effective sport held at the RIMC. Being a test of endurance and will power, the entire Section participates with full zeal and enthusiasm. This year, X Country Competition was held on 2rd August 2015. Held in two categories: Seniors and Juniors, there was a very close competition between the four Sections.

In the Juniors category I" Position was bagged by Cdt Anirudh Sudan followed by Cdt Aaryan Dhama and Cdt Anirudh Pratap Singh Chauhan. The Section Standing in the Juniors Category was as follows:

- Chandragupta Section
- II Shivaji Section
- III Pratap Section
- **IV** Ranjit Section

In the Seniors Category, I" Position was secured by Cdt NCO Divyam Dwivedi followed by Cdt Vaibhav Chauhan and Cdt Akash Rathore. The Section Standing in the Seniors Category was as follows:

- Shivaji Section
- II Chandragupta Section
- III Ranjit Section
- IV Pratap Section

The overall Section Standing was as follows:

- Chandragupta Section
- Il Shivaji Section
- III Pratap Section
- IV Ranjit Section

# Congratulations .... Cmde Adhir Arora (1975-80, RAN) for being promoted from

Cmde to Rear Adm

# 'Chucks' Goes A Long Way .....

From the 4 to 6 September, 2015, the Doon School, Dehradun conducted the 59th Annual Chuckerbutty Debates. Four cadets of RIMC namely, Cdt Vickrant Raj, Cdt Animesh Chug, Cdt Watandeep Singh Sidhu and Cdt Adhiraj Singh Rawat represented the College in this prestigious event. The Debate was conducted in accordance with the World School Debating Format wherein there were a total of five rounds which were conducted, out of which three were prepared rounds and two were impromptu. The cadets of RIMC performed exceedingly well and won laurels for the College: Cdt Watandeep Singh - Best Speaker (Rounds 1&5)

- Most Promising Speaker (Rounds 3&5)
- Cdt Animesh Chug - Most Promising Speaker (Round 3)

Cdt Vedant Mehta Class III A

Obituary

Mr Arun Kumar Tantry (1981-1985, RAN) Maj Dhruv Yadav (1995-2000, PRA)

Cdt Ronit Bagaria Cdt S Aditya Class III

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RASHTRIYA INDIAN MILITARY COLLEGE

# Graduation Special

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### Reflections

by good-byes. A farewell is necessary before you can meet again. And meeting again after moments or lifetimes, is certain for those who are



This being the Graduation Chronicle, most of our readers would expect a lot of clichéd stuff of the likes of how times fly and how 'five years passed in the blink of an eye'. And most of them wouldn't realize its true implications until it's their time to Pass Out. All these emotions would hit you like a rock and you wouldn't know where to go. Even the optimist in us wants to enjoy these last 30 odd days to the fullest, the realist in us reminds us of the Grade XII Board Examinations, the

pessimist reminds us if that long, how long People say they are isn't that a bit of an

# THE EDITORIAL

five years haven't taken can we last on 30 days? going to miss this place, but understatement? How can

you miss something that has been a part of you for so long that it's closer to you than home itself? When you are more comfortable in its walls than you are in any other place anywhere? For all of us who receive letters from Rimcollians would know, there is one thing common in almost all, that sense of longing to be back here. The Junior cadets would probably not realize most of all this, even not all the Seniors. You see, we humans have the habit of not realizing things until they are unto us. The same goes here. Shivaji' took revenge of the snubbing in Soccer to win the Inter Section Athletics Meet in style with that emphatic win in the 4x400m Relay. It wasn't always clear as to who would win but then 'Shivaji' proved its critics wrong and eased away with the Trophy halting the 'Ranjitian' juggernaut that had lifted Swimming and Soccer in a row.

Then it was that time of the year where the Rimcos were at their best. Proper discipline could be seen in classes and complaints of the Masters seemingly melted down. It was time for the PTM. It was fun watching those demanding Seniors turn meek in front of their parents. The two 'night outs' were an added bonus this year. Many a heart was broken when the dinner with the Chief of Air Staff was cancelled. You see, we Rimcos can never resist the temptation of good food. After innumerable dinner night practices and several toasts, to have it cancelled wasn't exactly the best thing. But in those few hours we could spend with the Chief, we realized what it took to reach to that level. Hard work, dedication and an unending sense of loyalty for your Organization. (The tea shares quite covered up for the Thousan, it's conversable in the staff of the missed dinner).

They say, it's easy reaching to the top, but staying there is the hardest because then the hunter starts getting hunted. It was evident in these two days too, as most of the competitors worked to defeat RIMC to attain victory. And in true Rimco Spirit, we've proved them wrong and brought the Cup back where it belongs. And what better way to leave for the Passing Out Course than winning the District Athletics, fifth time in a row.

And then you realize that there is hardly a month left and then that moment seems to pause!! It is when you stop, check yourself and understand the true implication of it. That in another month we would be on vacations, for the last time. We would be at our homes. But would we be? In our chosen profession, there would hardly be any place where we would stay for more than two to three years at a stretch. And we will learn to call that home too. But somewhere deep in our hearts, that longing to be back here will always stay. Nothing can ever bring these five years back. All the fun, the punishment sessions, those cutting bounds and entering marriages because we ran out of money, scaring your Juniors in the middle of the night and planning for it like it was some 'spec op mission' all of it. They say that there aren't many things you can be sure of in life. They aren't wrong. But the one thing we 22 of the 178° can be really sure of is that this place made us There is no much one can add to this Editoral Missing Place made us there are not to this Editoral Missing Place made us the place are add to this Editoral Missing Place made us the place are add to this Editoral Missing Place made us the place made us the place are add to this Editoral Missing Place made us the place are add to the place made us the place are add to this Editoral Missing Place made us the place are add to the place made us the place are add to the place made us the place made us the place are add to the place made us the place made us the place are add to the place made us the place

There is so much one can add to this Editorial. It isn't much of one. It's more of a Course realizing that there are way too many emotions building up inside and this is a way to vent it out. We all hope for that perfect signing off for which we would always be remembered. But then, maybe, the best things in life are imperfect. This is the 178" signing off. Long live RIMC.

Cadet Vijayant Rana Class VA 178<sup>th</sup> Course



# The Cadet Captain's Pen...

As I pen down my thoughts, a plethora of emotions confound me, it all seems vibrant and scintillating, ready to remind me of each and every moment spent in this pristine campus. All these memories start running down as slides and I feel a sudden inner voice, which says, 'Can you go back in time and live those days once again?'

The incidents of cold, rainy winter morning of January 2011 start echoing in my mind, when twenty two young and puerile boys, unaware of anything and everything, joined the 'Hallowed Portals' of this College as the 178<sup>th</sup> Course . I found myself in a different world, oblivious of everything around. Little did I know that I will be penning down my thoughts as the Cadet Captain of this premiere institution. My Section Commander of that time, Vivek Yadav said, "Don't worry First Termers, just five years down the line, you will fall into love with this place and will never want to leave it" Now I've to accept that, yes, he was right and these words still reverberate in my mind. From being a meek and ingenuous child, today I find myself a confident and responsible leader, ready to fight all odds. As I look back at time spent in this beautiful campus, all memories seem worth experiencing.

If I were to rewind, I would be reminded of late night studies during NDA

preparations, prep leave in III A, sessions with Officers and Seniors in PT kit, late night Maggie sessions, those

fast rounds of the Quadrangle, early morning punching sessions, sheer joy of being a Senior in Class IA, CGs in Class II, Section victories, socials, Reunion, District Athletics and this list could go on.... . All these memories have left an everlasting impression on me and transformed me into what I'm today.

When I went for my SSB to Bhopal, the Interviewing Officer asked me, "Tell me something about your classmates and friends," to whichI replied, "Sir, I'm a part of the 178" IMMORTALS and we are just not friends but brothers from different mothers who do everything together." This is the best thing which has happened to me ever. As our name goes, we are certainly, the ones who can never be forgotten. In these five years, we have done everything together, be it the naughtiest thing or the noblest !! We all feel the same nostalgia as the countdown for Passing Out has already begun. We are indeed indebted to our Seniors, Juniors, Teachers, Officers, and in fact, to everyone for these five such wonderful years in this 'HEAVEN ON THE EARTH.'

ICH DIEN Hasta la Vista Cadet Captain Sachin Kumar 2745/Chandragupta/178<sup>th</sup> Immortals

# **Dateline**

16<sup>th</sup> Sept - Class III Mid Term Exams Start 21<sup>st</sup> Sept - College Mid Term Exams Start 22<sup>sd</sup> Sept - Class III Mid Term Exams end and their Hikes begin 28<sup>th</sup> Sept - College Mid Term Exams end

29<sup>th</sup> Sept - College Mid Term Hikes Commence 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct - College returns from Hikes

13<sup>th</sup> Oct - Inter Section Athletics Commences
15<sup>th</sup> Oct - Inter Section Athletics end

20th Oct - visit of Air Chief Marshal Raha, Air Chief Marshal(retd) Suri and Air Marshal PP Reddy Wynberg Allen Athletics Competition

21<sup>st</sup> Oct - Wynberg Allen Athletics Competition 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct - Parent Teacher Meeting

Wynberg Allen Athletics Competition 25th and 26th Oct - Technical Inspection at College

26th Oct - Technical Inspection at College Second Round of Inter Section Quiz Competition 31st Oct - District Athletics

1" Nov - District Athletics
14" Nov - District Athletics
14" Nov - Diwali Celebrations
1" Dec - Vacations Commence

# BUZZING TO SUCCESS

S ince the beginning of time, the homo sapien has been in a never ending quest for knowledge, from the apple of knowledge to the internet, in modern times. Humans have wanted to enhance and increase their knowledge as much as possible. In an attempt to fuel this fire, RIMC organizes the Inter Section Quiz every Term in order to ensure the cadets are up-to-date with the happenings all around the world.

Following the calendar, this Term too, RIMC held the Inter Section Quiz in two phases, First on 1 September 2015 and The overall results of the Second Phase of the

Inter Section Quiz 2015 are as follows:

Chandragupta Section 86.4	
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59.8	
47.8	
20	
on Quiz	

I	Chandragupta Section	174.8
TT	Pratap Section	
	Tratap Section	124.6
111	Ranjit Section	123.6
IV	Shivaji Section	94.6
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Cdt S Aditya

Class III

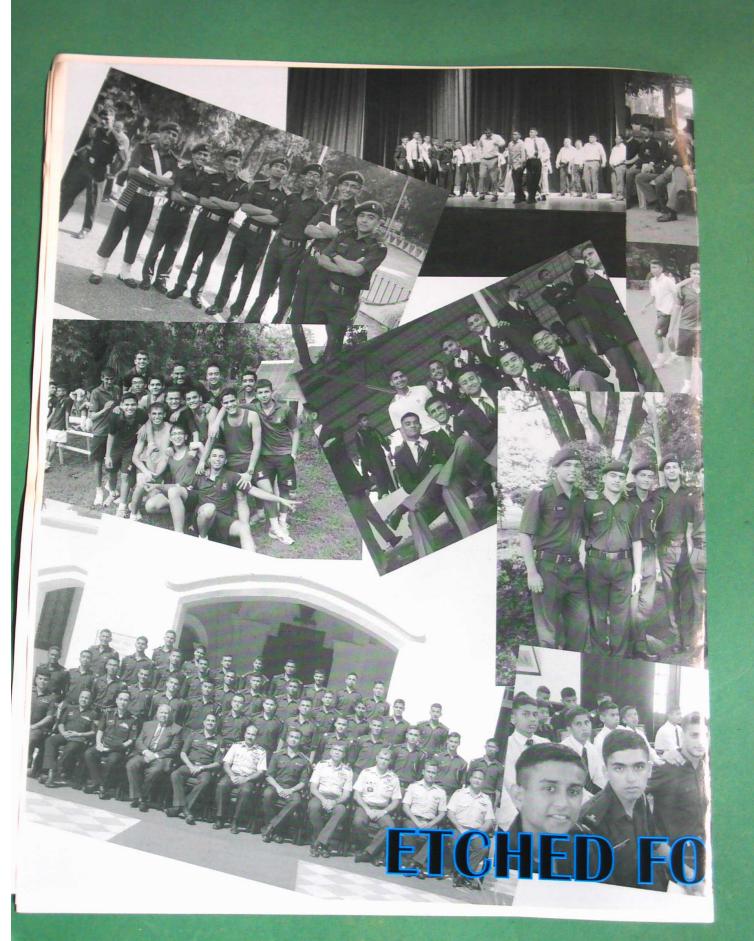


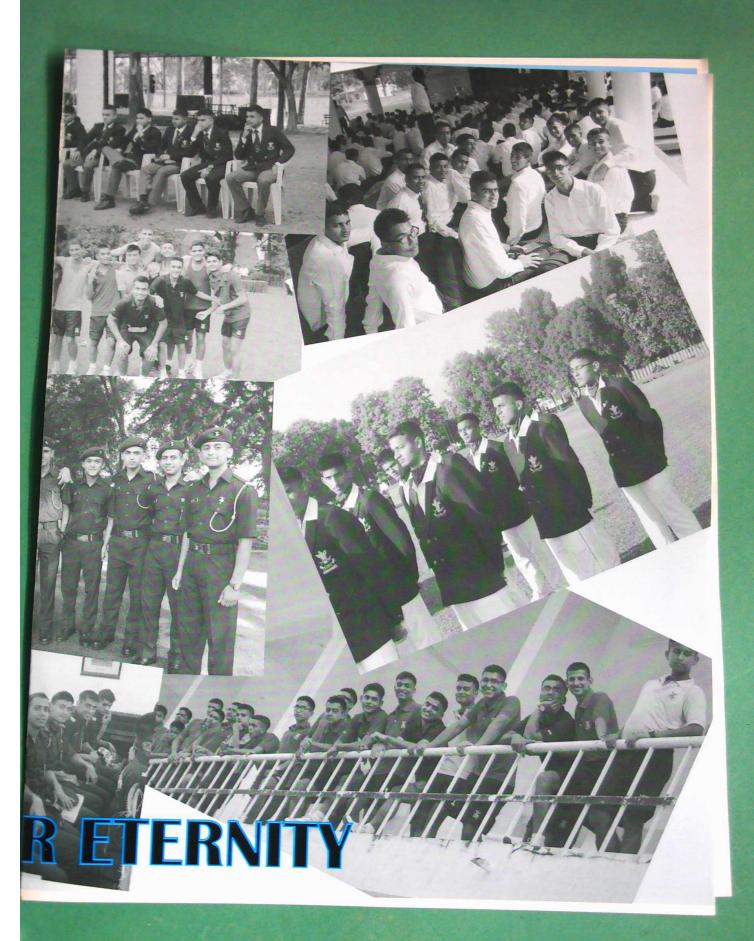


# REJUVENESCENCE

After the grueling Mid Terms, everyone was 'joshed up' to go for his respective Mid Term Hikes. The First Termers, as per the tradition, embraced the hills of Chakrata and Kanesar along with Mr Selven and Mr Dalvi. Keenly guided by Mr Sanjay and Mr Shishupal, IA spent a peaceful and joyous time on the shores of the Naini Lake. On the lines of 'A sound mind lies in a sound body', Class II trekked the Summit of George Everest accompanied by Mr Balvir. On the icy mountains of Joshimath, the cadets of Class IIA enjoyed the freezing weather under the spirited guidance of Lt Swapnil Bathe. The cadets of Class III were on cloud nine as they enjoyed the longest rike — the Mumbai-Pune Hikes. They visited the MARCO Base, the Naval Dockyard, and met RIMCOLLIANs at the NDA with Maj Tanmay Pant and Hav Sujeet. From the apple gardens of Harshil to the freezing waters of Gangotri with the 'Patriotic Inspiration' from the Grenadiers, Class III A along with Mr PK Jain, enjoyed a great hike at a very scenic location in which they got the best of what nature can offer. On the other hand, Class IV A enjoyed roaming around in the concrete jungles of Delhi. From the street food in Chandni Chowk to the grandeur of Rashtrapati Bhawan, Mr Keshav Anand played a vital role in making their hike a successful one. Whereas, after a grueling time preparing for the NDA Writtens, Class V got to visit that very town where Shah Jahan built one of the wonders of the world- Agra. Accompanied by Mr Negi and Sqn Ldr Bhawani Singh, Class V really had the time of their lives. Class IV and V A did something that no one has done yet and probably no one ever will... cheered up for Team India, Live at Dharamshala Stadium during the match against South Africa. The rest of the hike too was just as good as they went visiting the Governor's House at Chandigarh and going to many halcyonic sites in Yol with Flt Lt Uniyal, Mr Thapliyal and Mr PK Sharma

> Cadet Abhimanyu Ghorpade Cadet Varun Ponkshe Cadet Krutin Sabnis Class III





# Pentathletes

## Cadet Captain Sachin Kumar

The 'Hulk' of the College, an aero - modeler, soccer player, hockey player, swimmer, academician and what not. he led the College to greater heights. ICH DIEN, Sachin

# Cadet Section Commander Paras Singh

This soft spoken but highly spirited guy was an amazing basketball player. The College would miss his 'Ocs'. Sky is the limit, Paras.

# Cadet Section Commander Rohan Basnett

This 'Sikkimi' was never seen without a soccer ball or his guitar. An excellent athlete, soccer player and hockey player, he led Ranjit Section to victory everywhere. Sayonara, Rohan.

# Cadet Section Commander Chetan Kumar

This 'Bindra' of the College also set the swimming pool ablaze. Under his command, 'Shivaji' clinched the Shooting and Athletics Cup. All the best, Chetan.

# Cadet Section Commander Om Bawiskar

This 'Punekar' was an all rounder. Be it the swimming pool or the cricket pitch, he stunned everyone with his skills. He led his Section to victory by winning the X - Country Cup and the Squash Cup. All Revoir,

# Cdt NCO Mrigank Shekhar

A silent killer, he is a deadly boxer and wild in the soccer field. He will be remembered by all for his helpful nature. Till we meet again, Mrigank.

# Cdt NCO Rajat Thakur

A great marksman he is also an equally great academician.He will be remembered for his 'ML's by all his juniors. Hasta la Vista,

## Cdt Amul Rawal

An athlete, soccer player, runner and much more, he was always a guy with a 'cool' temper. His dramatic skills will be adored and missed by all. Good bye, Amul.

# Cdt Aditya

He could dribble anyone and everyone present on the field with his hockey stick. This fun loving chap was always seen motivating his juniors and will be missed by them. Best of luck,

# Cdt Anil Kumar

Once he stepped into the field with his stick, every opponent trembled. A true example of 'ram rod straight', he was a firm believer of 'live and let live'. The College will miss his incredible javelin throws. Take care, Anil.

# Cdt NCO Prasenjeet Mehta

A runner, hockey player, athlete and an academician, he always had a smile on his face. His kind nature will be remembered by all. Will miss you, Prasenjeet.

# Cdt Abhijit

The soccer team was incomplete without this guy as he was the 'Great Wall' of our College Team. A fun loving chap, he will be missed by all. Wishing you the best, Abhijit.

# Cdt Abhay Singh

The stables were his favourite haunt throughout as this rider raised the name of the College high by showcasing amazing skill and coordination with his horse. He will be missed by the Riding Club. To a brave, new world, Abhay.

## Cdt Rishi

A sprinter and soccer player, he led his Section and the College Soccer and Athletics Team to greater heights. He will be remembered for his peculiar way of speaking. Besties, Rishi.

## Cdt Dhruv

He stunned everyone by his fabulous strokes in the pool. Also the Basketball Team was incomplete without his amazing coordination and skillful three - pointers. He also led his Section from the front in the Swimming Cup. God be with you,

### Cdt Vijayant Rana

This 'biggy' was not only an excellent debater but was also the 'Casillas' of the College Soccer Team. The J - Club will miss his literary skills. Onward Ahoy! Vijayant.

## Cdt NCO Arunabha

He is an academician and also an amazing alchemist. He led the College Quizzing Team to greater heights. The world is your oyster, Arunabha.

## Cdt Ujjawal Gupta

He set the athletics tracks on fire once he ran. He was the 'Mo Farah' of Shivaji Section and College Team and also set various records. He will be missed by all his juniors. Stop not till the goal is achieved, Ujjawal.

# Cdt Pratyush Nayak

Not only did he show his amazing skill with a soccer ball but also stunned everyone with his riding skills. Shivaji Section Seniors Team will miss their 'one man army'. Way to go, Pratyush.

## Cdt Mukul Ale

This 'localite' was a monster in both the Boxing Ring and the Soccer Fields. His late night 'lotteries' will be missed by all. Best of luck, Mukul.

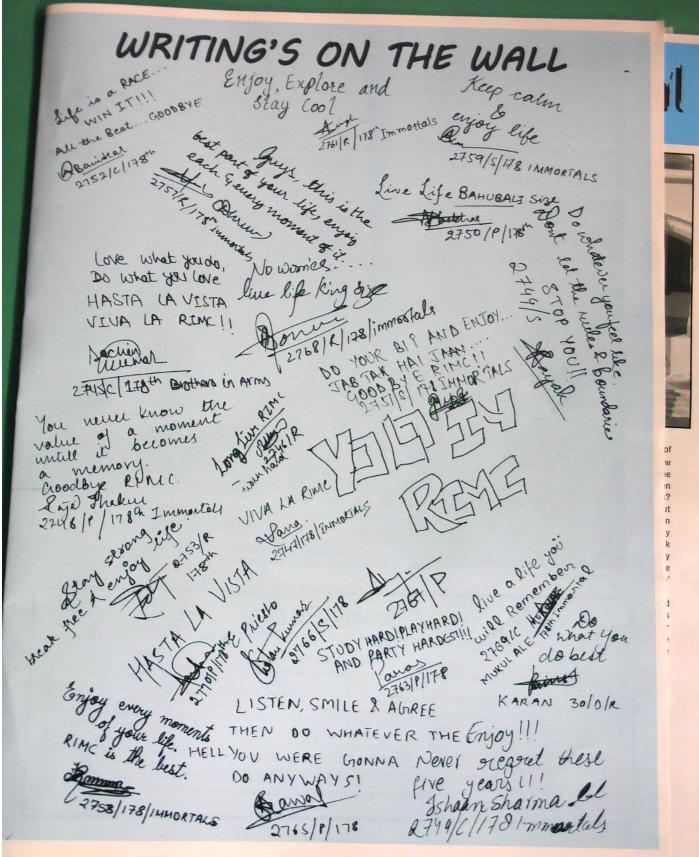
# Cdt Ishan Sharma

The silent killer of Chandragupta Section was as good on the Soccer Field as he was on the Basketball Courts. He never ran out of 'josh' especially on the Athletics Tracks. He will be missed by all his juniors for his late night chats. ICH DIEN, Ishan.

### Cdt Karan Bainsla

This quiet lad always believed that actions speak louder than words. His supple physique assisted him in setting the pools afire. Articulate and confident, he was an asset to Ranjit Section. Swimming Team will always miss his leadership. Wishing you all the success.

> Cdt Varun Ponkshe Class III



Tracks Ablaze The 69th Inter District Athletics Meet, Dehradun, was hosted by the RIMC for

the year 2015 on 31 Oct and 1 November. A total of 38 schools took part in it. The Opening Ceremony took place on the morning of 31 October. The Chief Guest of the Opening Ceremony was Col HS Bainsla, SM, Comdt RIMC, and the oath was taken by Cdt NCO Tomthin Kongkham. The overall Girls' Championship was lifted by the Welham Girls' School. Though given a tough neck to neck fight by the Welham Boys School, the RIMC managed to lift the overall Boys' Trophy for the 5th consecutive time. The RIMC Athletics Team had a total medal haul of a whooping 32 medals. Of these, 17 were Gold (14 individual and 3 relays), 10 Silver (9 individual and 1 relay) and 5 Bronze medals. Two cadets were adjudged the Best Athletes in their respective categories, namely Cdt NCO Tomthin Kongkham in the U-18 Category

Cdt Ekansh Uniyal Class V

# **BOLD IN THE** COLD

The Wynberg Allen Annual Athletics meet was held from 20 October to 23 October . A total of seven schools participated in the Competition. Even after missing some of the crucial events, our Athletics Team did exceedingly well with RIMC bagging a total of 10 Gold , 3 Silver and 2 Bronze medals, with Cdt Kushagra Mishra bagging the 'Most Promising Athlete Trophy!

Cdt Varun Ponkshe Class III



Col YK Gautam 1985-90 RAN Col Tarun Kanti Guha 1969-73 PRA

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