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"We leave something of ourselves behind when we leave a place, we stay there, even though we go away. And there are things in us that we can find again only by going back there."

DATELINE

26 Jan	Flag Hoisting and Tree Plantation
28 Jan	College Team v/s Staff Cricket Match I v/s IA Cricket Match
31 Jan	RIMC Squash Opens Finals
5 Feb	Inter Section English Debates
11 Feb	Inter Section Cricket begins
15 Feb	Inter Section English Creative Writing Competition
19 Feb	Inter Section Cricket ends
20 Feb	Inter Section Shooting begins
22 Feb	Inter Section Shooting Finals
24 Feb	Inter Section Variety Entertainment Competition
25 Feb	Inter Section Quiz Competition
26 Feb	Novices Boxing
2-3 Mar	Inter Section Spell Bee Competition
9-12 Mar	Inter Section Boxing held

EDITORIAL

"And you run and you run to catch up with the sun but..."

These beautiful lines from the famous Pink Floyd song "Time" were constantly playing at the back of my mind as I sat down staring blankly at the notebook in my lap, a soft smile on my face and sense of realization in my eyes, the realization that five years have gone behind me. The more you tighten your fist, the more the sand is going to slip out through your fingers. So I rather want to spend these last few months as wonderfully as I have spent these last four and a half years or even more. A question still perplexes me though. This is going to be my last Reunion in the College as a Cadet. So I ask myself, how can I pay back this immense debt that weighs on my shoulders, the debt that I owe to this great Institution? The answer is simple, "I can't". A young, chubby lad joins the folds of RIMC and Passes Out as a Man of Honour, Strength and Character, a Man who can take the world by storm and leave streaks of brilliance everywhere he goes, a Man who can look any challenge straight in the eye and send chills running down the spine of the worst of dangers. This is quite the synopsis of the journey of a young Cadet here at the College, a long walk to the fence and over to the other side, from being a RIMCO to

being a RIMCOLLIAN. So how exactly does a person repay his Alma Mater for all of this? The numbers and figures at this point become irrelevant indeed. As the best time of the year - the Reunion approaches fast, everyone is in a state of frenzy and there is a flurry of activities going on in the College to make this 94th Reunion too, a memorable one for the Old Boys, just like the ones before this. The air carries whiffs of poignancy too as the Commandant Colonel HS Bainsla, SM is going to get Posted Out. In all, though, it's a golden opportunity for us, the Cadets, to interact with the Old Boys, fight it out with them in Hockey and Cricket, enjoy their wonderful and inspiring stories, and most importantly, learn whatever is possible from them in these wonderful two days. Happy Birthday to the youngest of all, Chandragupta Section too as we celebrate their 50th Anniversary this year and as far as my 'Passing Out' nostalgia is concerned, it can wait for now because this is the time to enjoy. So Cheers to Life and a Toast to this great Fraternity. This goes out to the Old Boys and the Cadets alike, make every ticking second count, its Reunion after all...

Cadet Raghav Vaid
Class VA

GILDED GLORY

50 CHANDRAGUPTA

YEARS OF SECTION

With the introduction of the expansion programme mainly due to the consistent effort of the Principal and with the full support of the Army Headquarters, a new Section at the RIMC came into being in January 1965. It symbolized a new phase of progress of the College. Since its inception, the responsibility of looking after the Section with all its promise and possibilities was given to Mr SR Jaiswal as the first Section Master.

After 50 years, I, as a Section Master, look back at the manner in which the Section came into existence with the efforts of those farsighted people who toiled to increase strength of this College to contribute more Leaders to the Armed Forces and the way this Section progressed to meet its promise.

Untill 1945, the cadets were grouped in Sections known as Rawlinson, Roberts and Kitchener after the names of Commanders -in- Chief of India. These names were changed into Pratap, Ranjit and Shivaji after the real Indian heroes. In 1941, a fourth Section, Wavell had been temporarily started for the British cadets evacuated from England, whose parents were stationed in India. These cadets were put-up at Mr Berkley's house (presently P-40). This Section was gradually closed after the World War II.

In February 1959, the Government of India sanctioned the construction of one new dormitory and two classrooms at a cost of Rs 2.46 Lakhs to implement the decision taken by



the Defence Minister's Committee to increase the strength of the RIMC. A new Dorm was constructed on the ground behind the Shivaji Section and was allotted to the First Termers to form a Holding Section.

In 1965, this new Section was housed in the new wing of the building constructed in the old Football Field. Cadets of all the terms from the three pre existing Sections were drawn to constitute the new Section with a total strength of 53 to begin with. In keeping with the tradition of this Military Institution, a few names were discussed in the Annual General Body Meeting of the ROBA on 14 March 1965, and few names were recommended to the new Section. They were Ashoka, Tipu, Akbar and Chandragupta. Finally, the new Section was assigned Chandragupta

as its name after the illustrious Indian warrior - King Chandragupta Vikramaditya, before the First Term came to a close and the following cadets were assigned as the First Batch of Section Appointments.

First Term 1965, Cdt Sec Com BK Chaudhary, Cdt NCO JS Oberoi, Cdt NCO ML Bhagat, Cdt NCO RC Arora, Cdt NCO S Chadha, Cdt NCO AK Dutta, Cdt NCO AK Das and Cdt NCO V Haribabu.

Second Term 1965, Cdt Sec Com BK Chaudhary, Cdt NCO AK Das, Cdt NCO V Haribabu, Cdt NCO AK Dutta, Cdt NCO A Murgai, Cdt NCO GN Punj and Cdt NCO MR Ghanekar.

Mr SR Jaiswal took over as the Section Master and he was assisted by Mr LS Bopara, Mr IJS Anluwalia and Mr RP Dwivedi as Section Tutors. When these

gentlemen took over as Section in Charge, they had greater responsibilities on their shoulders to build a new Section to compete with Pratap, Ranjit and Shivaji Sections.

Since its inception, the Section grew in strength to show steady progress in almost all the spheres of activity. It's heartening to note that the standard of discipline and general tone of the Section is fairly high. The performance of our cadets both in Academics and Co-curriculars has been outstanding. The Section strives to fulfill the aims of our College by inculcating among the cadets the qualities of leadership, selfless service, comradeship, scholarship, discipline and esprit de corps. From the beginning, the Section has won many medals and trophies at the Inter Section level. Some of them are

1. President's Gold Medal, instituted in 1957 for the Best All Round cadets of each Term:

This Medal was awarded to Cdt BK Sinha in May 1969, Cdt TS Mahadeo in December 1973, Cdt Narendra Kumar Jha in May 1976, Cdt Pradipta Kumar Mitra in December 1980, Cdt Narbadeshwar Tiwari in January 1982, Cdt Suresh Kumar Yadava in August 1983, Cdt AV Joshi in August 1985, Cdt Sadeep Verma in August 1987, Cdt K Mukherjee in January 1989, Cdt ESVS RK Prasad in August 1991, Cdt Mandeep Singh in August 1994, Cdt Vijayant Singh in January 1995, Cdt SS Randhawa in August 1995, Cdt Ashish Kumar in January 1999, Cdt Amardeep in January 2001, Cdt AM Thakur in January 2009, Cdt S Shyam in August 2009 and Cdt JS Suman in January 2010..

2. Col Houghton's Silver Medal, instituted in 1958 for the Second Best All Round cadets of each Term introduced as a token of gratitude to Lt Col HL Houghton, the First Commandant of the College: This Medal was awarded to Cdt IB Singh in May 1970, Cdt HS Pathania in December 1974, Cdt N Biswas in August 1981, Cdt Ashok Kumar in January 1982, Cdt Suyesh Sharma in January 1983, Cdt R Bhattacharjee in January 1984, Cdt DS Bhattacharya in January 1985, Cdt Peush Pawsey in August 1987, Cdt TS Dhillon in January 1989, Cdt Ashem Mittal in August 1989, Cdt Praveen Bhal in

August 1991, Cdt Shivnath Dahia in August 1992, Cdt Lokesh Kandpal in January 1993, Cdt Ankur Kaushal in August 1999, Cdt Himanshu Awasthi in January 2001, Cdt Dharendra Jayara in August 2001, Cdt Abhishek Kumar in January 2005, Cdt Suraj Aiyappa in August 2005, Cdt SM Sharma in August 2007, Cdt N Prabhune in January 2008, Cdt Prashant Verma in January 2010 and Cdt Abhishek Das in August 2011.

3. UN Jha Memorial Gold Medal, instituted in 1964 for the cadets standing First among the RIMC cadets and joining NDA in each Term:

This medal was awarded to Cdt JS Oberai in May 1965, Cdt BK Chaudhary in May 1968, Cdt I Bsanta Singh in May 1970, Cdt MB Saxena in December 1972, Cdt S Upadhyay in May 1974, Cdt Benjamin Charles in December 1974, Cdt RIS Mehta in December 1979, Cdt N Bhaumik in January 1981, Cdt H Dharmarajan in August 1982, Cdt DS Bhattacharya in January 1985, Cdt A Mittal in August 1989, Cdt Balaraj Gurung in January 1991, Cdt S Kapoor in August 1991, Cdt Kanwar Vijay Singh in January 1992, Cdt Ashish Kumar in January 1999, Cdt Ishan Sharan in August 2003, Cdt Ravinder P Singh in August 2004, Cdt Gautam Kumar in August 2006, Cdt SM Sharma in August 2007, Cdt Praveen Mishra in August 2009, Cdt JS Suman in January 2010, Cdt S Chakraborty in August 2011, Cdt S Mohan in August 2012 and Cdt Akash Kumar Yadav in January 2013.

4. Major Girish Chandra Verma Memorial Silver Medal, instituted in 1969 and is awarded to the Cadet standing First in Class XII Examination:

This Medal was awarded to S Biswas in May 1979, Cdt Samir Shrivastava in December 1980, Cdt N Biswas in August 1981, Cdt N Tiwari in January 1982, Cdt H Dharmarajan in August 1982, Cdt Jasbir Singh in August 1983, Cdt PR Jayachandran in January 1984, Cdt Sundeep Verma in August 1987, Cdt Anil Kumar in January 1989, Cdt Vijayant Singh in January 1995, Cdt Manu Chopra in August 1997, Cdt Chandra Kant Kothari in August 2000, Cdt Ravindra Pratap Singh in August 2004, Cdt Ankush Vashishta in January 2005, Cdt Vedant Pun in August 2006, Cdt Abindu Dhar in

January 2009, Cdt S Shyam in August 2009, Cdt JS Suman in January 2010, Cdt VK Deewan in August 2011 and Cdt S Mohan in August 2012.

5. Lt Cdr Rajat Kumar Sen Memorial Silver Medal, instituted in 1972 and is awarded to the Cadet standing First in the Secondary School (Class X) Examination:

This Medal was awarded to Cdt N Tiwari in May 1981, Cdt H Dharmarajan in November 1981, Cdt Suyash Sharma in May 1982, Cdt AV Joshi in November 1984, Cdt Sandeep Verma in 1986, Cdt Nishant Ranjan in November 1992, Cdt Ajit Kumar in May 1993, Cdt Deepak Kumar Singh in November 1993, Cdt Manu Chopra in November 1995, Cdt Chandra Kant Kothari in November 1998, Cdt Vikas Sheoran in November 2000, Cdt Chintan Joshi in November 2001, Cdt Archit Gupta in November 2008, Cdt VK Deewan in November 2009 and Cdt Roshan Kumar in November 2010.

6. The Wavell Sword of Honour, instituted in 2002 by the British Rimcollians: It was awarded to Cdt Abhishek Kumar in 2005, Cdt Gautam Kumar in July 2006.

7. The Sword of Honour, instituted in the Second Term of 1993 by the then Air Chief Marshal NC Suri: It was awarded to Cdt Shailendra Singh in May 1994, Cdt Vijayant Singh in November 1995, Cdt DK Singh in August 1995, Cdt Rochak Sethi in November 1997, Cdt Ashish Kumar in May 1998, Cdt Ankur Kausal in November 1999, Cdt Amardeep in May 2001, Cdt Ravindra P Singh in May 2004, Cdt K Vinodh Vanya in May 2006, Cdt Md Sohail Islam in November 2015.

8. The Inter Section Championship Trophy, instituted by General VN Sharma was awarded in 1973, 1992 and 2005.

The Section cadets toiled to excel in all the activities of the College to bring glory to the Section. Meanwhile, the Section is being blessed on this occasion by the Old Boys who have become Brigadiers and achieved higher ranks. We feel proud of them at this juncture for being a part of the Section at the RIMC.



1	1962-67	Brig DD Kapoor, AVSM, VSM
2	1965-71	Lt Gen Sunil S Jog, PVSM, AVSM, SM, VSM
3	1966-70	Maj Gen Rajesh Singh, VSM
4	1969-73	Air Mshl BS Dhanoa, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, VM
5	1970-74	Lt Gen BS Negi, UYSM, YSM, SM, VSM**
6	1971-75	Air Mshl C Hari Kumar, PVSM, VM, VSM
7	1971-76	Brig Sanjay K Ahuja, YSM
8	1972-76	Maj Gen Balraj Singh
9	1972-77	Maj Gen ST Upasani, SM, VSM
10	1973-77	Maj Gen PP Singh
11	1973-78	Maj Gen DS Gill
12	1974-78	Maj Gen AS Bhinder
13	1974-78	Maj Gen Gajendra Prasad, YSM, VSM
14	1974-79	Brig MG Jacob
15	1975-79	Brig Santosh Kurup, SM**
16	1975-79	Brig PNA Narayanan
17	1975-79	Brig Nav K Khanduri
18	1977-82	Air Cmde N Tiwary, VM
19	1978-82	Brig H Dharmarajan, SM*
20	1980-84	Brig HS Jaggi
21	1978-82	Brig Vinay Handa

In the 50th year of its Inception, the following cadets have been the Section Appointments

First Term 2015, Cadet Captain Md Sohail Islam, Cdt Sec Com Sai Ganesh, Cdt NCO Anuj Saxena, Sr Dorm, Cdt NCO Mukul Kumar, M Dorm, Cdt NCO Niraj Nitin Ingavale, Jr East Wing, Cdt NCO Sachin Kumar, Jr West Wing

Second Term 2015, Cadet Captain Sachin Kumar, Cdt Sec Com Bawiskar OM Ajay, Cdt NCO Akash S Ghose, Sr Dorm, Cdt NCO Tomthin K, M Dorm, Cdt NCO Arpit Garg, Jr East Wing, Cdt NCO PY Sreevatsava, Jr West Wing.

In the 50th year, Mr Birjesh Chauhan - the Dean of Sports, Mr Khushi Ram, the Head of Hindi Faculty and Lt (IN) Swapnil Bathe, the Head of Info Faculty helped me as Section Tutors to fulfil my responsibility as the Section Master. A new standard is being set and the Section has reached its pinnacle. It is not very difficult to look after the Section but to maintain its standard is a herculean task. I well assure you that we shall always strive to excel in all the fields and give our best.

R Thamilselvan
Section Master (Chandragupta)

WITH APLOMB

The stage gives us that confidence for self expression which is very essential for the holistic development of an Officer to be. So to imbibe stage confidence and to inculcate the love for art and aesthetics, Variety Entertainment Cup has been instituted. This time the Cup was won by Pratap Section with their exceptional Drama theme conveying to us the gender equality. Their energetic dance

performance and their melodious songs floored everyone. Pratap was followed by Ranjit, Shivaji and Chandragupta. The individual prizes were awarded to the following cadets for their exceptional performances.

Best Singer (Hindi) - Cdt Suyash Tiwari
Best Singer (English) - Cdt Dhruv Dhaliya
Best Actor - Cdt Somay Badola

Commandant's Special Prize went to Cdt Bharat Kadian
Cadet Abhimanyu Ghorpade
Class IIA

FROM THE SEC COM'S PEN



THE WAY OF THE GALLANT

As said by the British author Samuel Smiles, "It is not ease, but effort, not facility but difficulty that makes a 'man' and that's what a RIMCOLLIAN is".

RIMCOLLIANS breaking out of their comfort zones, challenging themselves to discover their true potential and strength as they live

TO FULFILL
TO RECHARGE
TO INSPIRE PEOPLE
And TO GROW.

I am a Rimcollian's wife. I have been married for the last twelve years to Lt Col Kartikeya Sharma, a spirited RIMCOLLIAN, a Boxing Blue from Chandragupta Section (1989-1994). I have seen the Fraternity with him and have imbibed the spirit of RIMC which arises from its motto 'STRENGTH AND WISDOM' 'BAL - VIVEK'. The College Motto truly defines the power to resist being moved by any exigency, sensing the right and wrong to act morally.

The colour Blue of the RIMC, signifies the sense of trust, loyalty, cleanliness and understanding which I see evident in each

I am Passing Out, Adieu 179th Avant Gardes. I stepped into the 'hallowed portals' of this great Institution in 2011. The lucky thing which occurred then was that I joined Chandragupta Section. The most memorable journey of my life began here. This 'Cheetah Family' has given me so much. Throughout these five years, everything that I have achieved, everything which shaped my personality bit by bit, is all because of this great Institution - RIMC. Quotes like "Never shall my ambitions soar below the sky, Cheetah was I born, Cheetah shall I die", "Jeeta Bhai Kaun Jeeta, Cheetah!! Cheetah!! Cheetah!!" will never cease to fill my heart with

'josh' and enthusiasm. Let me narrate a short incident which became the turning point of my life at RIMC. In my First Term, when the Soccer Team for the Third String was being selected, I was a part of the team initially. Just before the Match though, one of my Seniors was given my place because he was better than me. I felt so bad that I started crying. A Class VA Cadet saw me and came to me. After hearing the whole story, he said, "Work so hard that people call you themselves, that you don't have to give your name." That line echoes in my mind till date. I am proud of the fact that I became able enough to lead the Section from the front as the Section Commander, that

too during the 50th Year of Chandragupta Section. What I have learnt in these five years is that if a Cadet puts his heart and soul into everything he does and follows the College routine religiously, there is no force in this world strong enough to stop him from achieving what he wants. These five years are priceless, so make the best possible use of them and live life to the fullest. After all, someone has rightly said, "Add days to life, not life to days"....

Cadet Sec Com Akash Ghose
CLASS VA



RIMCOLLIAN and these have always been the hallmark of every budding RIMC Cadet. Each of these qualities which the College Motto and Colour represent brings out the true perspective of what a person should have and I feel truly blessed to be a part of such an elite Fraternity and someone with these inherent values.

Being a RIMCOLLIAN's wife, these values have influenced even my own personal life and catapulted my energy and spirits to bring in a profound sense of

achievement. Now I thrive on challenges, which helps me in raising the bar for myself.

From being a Corporate woman, a practising Company Secretary and a nutritionist to a mother of two children and then taking up the challenge of being the May Queen Secunderabad 2015, competing with girls half my age and then standing amongst the Top Ten in the Mrs India Worldwide 2015 to becoming a Model, life has been quite a journey. It has taught me never to give up on our dreams, irrespective of our age, going with the true spirit of the RIMC. These achievements were the result of self determination to pursue my goals against all odds which I saw during one of the Inter Section Boxing Matches held at the RIMC.

You all are at the threshold of facing a very challenging world waiting to test your beliefs and determination. From a RIMCOLLIAN's wife's perspective, my advice to all young RIMCOs is to

- Be ready to face any type of challenge, never give up.
- Be courageous and never eschew taking any calculative risk.
- Always be physically and mentally fit, as it will help you withstand any kind of stress. Increase the flow of physical energy and deep breathe to overcome fear.
- Take good care of your family as well as your Team.
- Always give your 100% in whatever you do. Focus on happiness, optimism and positivity and your lives will overflow with it.
- Self belief and faith gives us more confidence, remove any sort of

negativity from whatever you do.

- Walk unencumbered in life, leave the baggage of hate, animosity, vengefulness and anger behind. Be a cheerful and lively person who is admired by all.
- Take initiatives, be a Leader, develop the power of taking responsibility and emerge victorious.
- Persevere even if you fail once, twice, thrice and so on as every great improvement has come after repeated failures.
- Forget your complaints, look for all the things in your life that you are happy and grateful for and then focus on them. It will make you happier than you are.

Extend your love to humanity as a whole, not just your family and friends because we are all interconnected. Love is the substratum of existence, it is life itself.

You are a born Leader, you have the potential in you to bring prosperity, happiness and joy to this world
.....JUST MAKE THIS HAPPEN

BE BOLD AND BE SURE OF YOUR STUPENDOUS SUCCESS.....

WISHING YOU ALLALL THE BEST GO KISS THE WORLD

Renuka Sharma
W/o Lt Col Kartikeya Sharma
Chandragupta Section
College No 1568/C



LEGACY OF EXCELLENCE



Air Marshal BS Dhanoo, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, VM, ADC

Interviews are a mirror into the soul of a person, even more so when the person being interviewed is someone from your own Fraternity. So one thing is for sure that no matter what, we will always have the legacy and the age old wisdom of the Old Boys bequeathed upon us.

On the completion of 50 years of Chandragupta Section, we requested these Officers to take a peek into the mirror of memories and of course they could not escape this one. Here are the excerpts from the 'Q n A' sessions the Ed Board had with the 'crème de la crème'.

RIMCOLLIANS have always strived hard and proved their mettle in every walk of life. The very fact that we have so many RIMCOLLIAN Officers holding most important and coveted posts in all three Defence Forces proves this. Here are a few excerpts from the interview of a highly distinguished former 'Chandraguptian' (1969-73), Air Marshal BS Dhanoo, PVSM, AVSM, YSM, VM, ADC, Vice Chief of Air Staff.

Question 1: Having risen in the Service to the level of the Vice Chief and at the helm of affairs of the IAF Operations, is there anything that you miss from your times as a young Pilot Officer?

Answer: After about 39 years in the IAF, I am flooded with fond memories of my days as a young Officer. Like they say, one must work hard and party hard. At this juncture of my career, whenever I address young upcoming Officers, I ask them to be a good professional in whatever they have been tasked for and be a good 'Leader of Men & Machine'.

Question 2: What are the qualities

that you carried forward from your times as a Cadet at the RIMC that helped you in tough situations?

Answer: It would not have been possible to climb the ladder and reach this position in the IAF had it not been for the way I was groomed by my Alma Mater. Our Distinguished Teachers held our hands, opened our minds and found a way into our hearts. The wall is as strong as its foundation and I thank the College and the Teachers for being that strength.

Question 3: What thoughts would you like to share with the 'Chandraguptians' on the completion of 50 Years of the Chandragupta Section?

Answer: It is heartening to note that presently, three out of four AOCs-in-C are from the Chandragupta Section. I hope that the Section continues to maintain the same vigour, passion and the high traditions. Notwithstanding the fact that there are many 'Chandraguptians' in all stages of the ladder in the Armed Forces, I wish equally well to all the Sections.

We can form a clear perspective about



Air Marshal C Hari Kumar, PVSM, VSM, VM

anything only by looking at it through varied angles and different time periods. We were fortunate enough to have an interactive session with another senior Former 'Chandraguptian' (1971-75), Air Marshal C Hari Kumar, PVSM, VSM, VM, who was one of the earliest Cadets admitted into Chandragupta Section after its inception.

Question 1: From your times at the RIMC, how did Chandragupta Section stand out from the others?

Answer: Chandragupta Section always

stood out from the others because we always worked together as a strong Team. The Seniors never just shouted orders but worked hard as well and the Juniors too put in their heart and soul into everything their Seniors made them do. We didn't have a rich past to boast of, we started from scratch and still proved our might in every field.

Question 2: With advancements in the field of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles, the job of a Pilot shall soon become less exhilarating. What are your views on this?

Answer: If you remember the iconic 1986 movie 'TOPGUN', you may recall Tom Cruise and the dog fights that take place. This cannot be replicated by any UAV. UAVs can carry out ground strikes but cannot undertake Air Defence duties as of now. Maybe with advancement in technology, this may change but the job of an Air Defence pilot cannot be done by a UAV.

Question 3: Chandragupta Section has completed 50 Years. What would you wish to convey to the 'Chandraguptians' far and wide?

Answer: I would like to urge the young 'Chandraguptians' to not only bask in the glow of their rich past but keep working hard instead and build upon the legacy left behind by their predecessors. They should not only strive hard to become good Defence Personnel but they should also inculcate the values of compassion and empathy to become good human beings.

Life on the other side of the fence is always different. One can truly understand the differences only by experiencing the flipside as well. Journalism Club got the wonderful opportunity to interview Brigadier H Dharmarajan, SM* (1978-82 CHA), who walked the RIMC premises as the Commandant from 2008 to 2010.



Brigadier H Dharmarajan, SM*

Here's how it went....

Question 1: What changes did you observe in the College first as a Cadet and then as the Commandant?

Answer: Chandragupta Section occupied a special place in the College as it was the youngest Section. We were not in any of the old buildings which had the typical attire of RIMC. We started getting RIMCOLLIAN Commandants from 1989, and they took a whole lot of interest in the activities of the cadets. When I came in as the Commandant in 2008, I saw a complete change in terms of activities and the routine.

Question 2: What is your most treasured lesson as a Cadet and then as the Commandant at the RIMC?

Answer: As a Cadet, you learn every single day from your own multi-cultural classroom which consists of members from all over the country bonded by camaraderie. We should be proud of this. No other school can boast of being a melting pot of varied cultures from all parts of the Country.

Question 3: What do you think is the strongest point of Chandragupta Section?

Answer: Chandragupta Section, unlike any other Section, didn't have a past in its initial years of formation. They didn't have a legacy to follow. They took inspiration from themselves and blazed a trail for others to follow, which was quite appreciated.

Words of wisdom are precious than pearls, that too when they come from such 'Men of Substance'. Interviewing these highly decorated Officers was indeed an enlightening experience. The Journalism Club once again wishes our dearest Chandragupta Section a Very Happy Golden Jubilee and thanks all the three Officers profusely for sparing their valuable time to enrich us.



Cadet Akhilesh Naik (Class II) who sketched the three portraits of the distinguished Officers

COMMANDANT'S COMMUNIQUE



Commandant in conversation with Cadets Abhimanyu Ghorpade and Vaishal Krishna of Journalism Club

Colonel HS Bainsla, SM, Commandant RIMC, is an alumnus of the RIMC, Dehradun, National Defence Academy, Pune and Indian Military Academy, Dehradun. He was commissioned into the 9 GORKHA RIFLES in 1989.

He joined RIMC as the Commandant on 20 Jan 2013, and has been at the helm of affairs. Col Bainsla, during his tenure, has led to inspire and motivate and not to intimidate and manipulate. His mantle of Leadership gleams with vibrant qualities of discernment, astute planning, understanding and a keen sense of responsibility. Today, as he is on the threshold of being Posted Out in April 2016, Cadet Vaishal Krishna and I, Cadet Abhimanyu Ghorpade, decided to take this opportunity of having a cozy, heart to heart conversation with him.

VK – How did you feel after receiving the news of being both Posted Out and Promoted?

COM – I felt happy and a trifle sad too because, with my Promotion, I'm Posted Out. So, that was a happy piece of news that I'm being Promoted which is every Officers' dream but at the same time, I'll be leaving my Alma Mater which causes a little sadness.

AG – Sir, what difference have you observed in the College from your very first day as the Commandant

and now being close to the end of your tenure at the RIMC?

COM – The soft skill classes that were organized, brought about a distinct improvement in the communication skills. I saw that there were fewer cases of bullying, which we are able to eradicate from the College with the help of the Faculty of the College.

VK – Sir, you consider Academics, 'A key to Success'. Does it relate to any of your personal experience, as we see, in order to be a good Officer, we need to imbibe and inculcate multiple skills?

COM – Yes, it is true that we need to imbibe multiple skills, but I think that to be a good Officer, one requires knowledge about the world, as one is at the front safeguarding the Country, and in this modern era, knowledge plays a vital role, for which Academics is most important.

VK – Our Reunion Special Chronicle is being dedicated to Chandragupta Section on account of their Golden Jubilee. Do you have any special message for them?

COM – Since Chandragupta Section is the youngest, it should strive holistically to tread on the Path of Excellence. This time, the Section has started with a clean sweep. So a great 'Shabaash' for them.

Cadet Abhimanyu Ghorpade
Cadet VS Vaishal Krishna
Class IIA



BOAST, DROP, GAME!

The XII Uttarakhand State Squash Opens were held on 13 and 14 Feb 2016. 9 cadets of RIMC under the able guidance of Squash Coach, LAC Chetan Singh Rathore and RIMCOLLIAN Major Vinayak Gupta, participated in the Competition in two Categories- Individual Opens and Inter School Team Event.

In Individual Category, 128 players participated, in which two Cadets of RIMC, Cadet Kunal Singh and Cadet PY Sreevatsava could make it to the Quarters, Cadet Animesh Chug reached the Semi Finals and RIMC Squash Coach, LAC Chetan won the Individual Title. Other members of the team were Cadet Anirudh Sudan, Cadet Ardaman Singh Lamba and Cadet Suyash Utkarsh.

In Inter School Team Event, two Teams from the RIMC took part, RIMC Team A consisted of Cadet PY Sreevatsava, Cadet Ajay Singh and Cadet Vaibhav Chauhan and RIMC Team B consisted of Cadet Kunal Singh, Cadet Animesh Chug and Cadet Adhiraj Rawat. In this Category, RIMC Team B came Third whereas, RIMC Team A stood First, defeating The Doon School in the Finals.

RIMCOLLIAN Major Vinayak Gupta got the UTTARAKHAND EXCELLENCE AWARD IN SQUASH. This is the first Excellence Award in 12 years since the beginning of Uttarakhand Squash Tour.

Cadet Suyash Utkarsh, Class III A
Cadet Ardaman S Lamba, Class III
Cadet Anirudh Sudan, Class II A

THE PUGILISTS DELIVER

The RIMCOs yet again, proved that they 'Rule the Ring' at the recently concluded Districts Amateur Boxing Competition held at Parade Ground, Dehradun from 24th to 26th of February 2016. The College Team had 13 cadets, who braced themselves for the 'D-Day'. Soon after their weights were taken, the boxers had their Quarter Final and Semi Final bouts. Out of the ten total Boxers, eight qualified for the Finals.

The team won a total of 9 Medals out of which 5 were Gold Medals, 3 Silver Medals and 1 Bronze Medal.

Gold Medals

1. Cdt Abhimanyu Ghorpade
2. Cdt Jacob
3. Cdt Raghvendra Bhagel
4. Cdt Ashish Singh Yadav
5. Cdt Anirudh Sudan

Silver Medals

1. Cdt Shashwat
2. Cdt Adhija
3. Cdt Aman Vishwakarma

Though it was a neck to neck Bout in the Semi Finals, Cdt Rahul Singh lost by a hair's breadth and ultimately had to be contented with a Bronze Medal.

Cadet Aaryan Dhama, Class III

ENIGMATIC SUCCESS

What does success mean to me
Is a question

Which has much to be answered,
Something got to be done alone,
Without being sponsored.

What does success mean to me
Is a question

Which has an unaccountable depth
Forget about it being measured,
Something it is, into which I get swept.

Because to me, success is not achieving the aim.

It's a journey,
Not just to win, but to play the game.

The keyboard does have the keys,
White and black,
Music of them is sweet.
Which ever you tap.

The path is long,
Broken and torn
Will surely fall,
Over stones big and small.

And it's not the hilltop,
Which determines your success.
It's the climb, where you didn't stop,
'Cause success is not just answers but even a guess.

So, what does success mean to me?
Isn't it what everyone expects me to
achieve?

To me,
It's what I believe.

Cadet Hridynsh Ravi Sharma
Class IV

The Triumphant RIMC Squash Team



OBITUARY

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21 Jan 2016

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TO IMPROVE IS TO CHANGE; TO BE PERFECT IS
TO CHANGE OFTEN.

DATELINE

March 17	: Class III Mid Term Exams commence
March 19	: College Mid Term Exams begin
March 24	: Holi celebrations
	: Class III leaves for Mid Term Hikes
March 28	: Class IIA leaves for Mid Term Hikes
April 2	: College Mid Term Hikes end
April 3	: Class IIA and Class III Mid Term Hikes end
April 9	: Inter Section Basketball Competition begins
April 11	: Inter Section Basketball Competition ends
April 22	: Hugh Catchpole English Debates

ACCOLADES

Major AK Singh, KC, SM, NAA (Retd)
(1966-69 CHA) received the Yash Bharti
Award in March 2016.

EDITORIAL

It was the fourth month of the Term and life at the RIMC seemed as if it had just bloomed into existence. The fervour was such that even if you were taken to the last soul of this College, you would salute everyone's never ending spirit associated to this prestigious Institution. The sun scorched mercilessly but that did not let the morale among the cadets die down. Instead, we retaliated with more enthusiasm as the Term spelt new competitions, new challenges, and moreover, new experiences.

Charged with energy and going full throttle, the cadets came back afresh from their Mid Term Hikes. Breaking the silence and keeping the regular cheer back in College, the RIMCOs were all set to rock the next half of the Term. The heart beats went up and the excitement amplified with every dribble of the ball as the boys flagged off their practices for one of the most awaited Cups—the Basketball Competition. Presenting splendid skills and an enthralling Section 'josh', the budding 'Jordans' put up a mesmerizing display on the Basketball Courts as Chandragupta Section went on to win the overall Trophy.

Class V boys burnt the last dregs of the proverbial 'midnight oil' of the past six months as they gave their NDA Written Examinations on 17 April. The campus was abuzz with eloquent debaters from all over the Nation as all were eager to walk away with the XI Hugh Catchpole Trophy.

Moving towards the last event of the Term but with the same fire in their bellies, the boys exhibited their 'never-say-die' attitude as the hockey fever pervaded over the College.

Finally, as I pen down my memories of the Term, a tinge of nostalgia crosses my mind as we come to the end of this beautiful lane of memories mingled with myriad passions of every new experience and challenge that we dealt with. It is this spirit which makes us what we are - the RIMCOs in true letter and spirit!!

VIVA LA RIMC

Cadet Vedant Mehta
Class IV

WINDS ON THE WINGS OF CHANGE

Colonel HS Bainsla, SM, is an alumnus of the RIMC, Dehradun, National Defence Academy, Pune and Indian Military Academy, Dehradun. He was commissioned into the 9 GORKHA RIFLES in 1989.

During his tenure, he commanded 1 Assam Rifles and was conferred with Gallantry Award SENA MEDAL by the President of India. He was deputed as ADC to the General Officer Commanding and GSO – 1; an Instructor at the Infantry School, Belgaum and 39 Gorkha Training Centre, Varanasi. He served with the United Nations Peace Keeping Force in Lebanon and Israel and has been the Colonel GS at the Area Headquarters, Chennai.

He has attended various Army Courses like Young Officers, Commando, and Senior Command during his career. He is a Post Graduate from Defence Services Staff College, Wellington.

As an Officer, he has served in all parts of the country with vast experience in Infantry and Mountain Division. He has been a keen Pugilist, Hockey Player, Basketball, and Rifle Shooter.

He joined RIMC as the Commandant on 20 Jan 2013, and was at the helm of affairs till 5 April, 2016. "He that controls others may be powerful, but he who has mastered himself is mightier still." Col Bainsla, during his tenure, led to inspire and motivate and not to intimidate and manipulate. His mantle of leadership gleams with vibrant qualities of discernment, astute planning, understanding and a keen sense of responsibility.

In the Special Assembly after Wreath Laying, he began his Address by thanking the Indian Government, the Indian Army, the senior Rimcollian Fraternity, the Masters and the Cadets for having stood by him at every juncture in order to make his tenure a fruitful one. He reiterated that Academics took precedence over all other activities in the College and therefore, urged all the Cadets not to shift their focus from Academics. Col Vivek Sharma presented a token of appreciation to Col HS Bainsla. This was followed by Handing/Taking Over Ceremony in the presence of the Adm Offr, the Asst Adm and Trg Offr, the Project Offr, the VP and the Section Masters.

Col Vivek Sharma, Commandant RIMC, is also an alumnus of the prestigious RIMC, Dehradun, National Defence Academy, and the Indian Military Academy, Dehradun. He was commissioned into the Brigade of The Guards on June 10 1995.

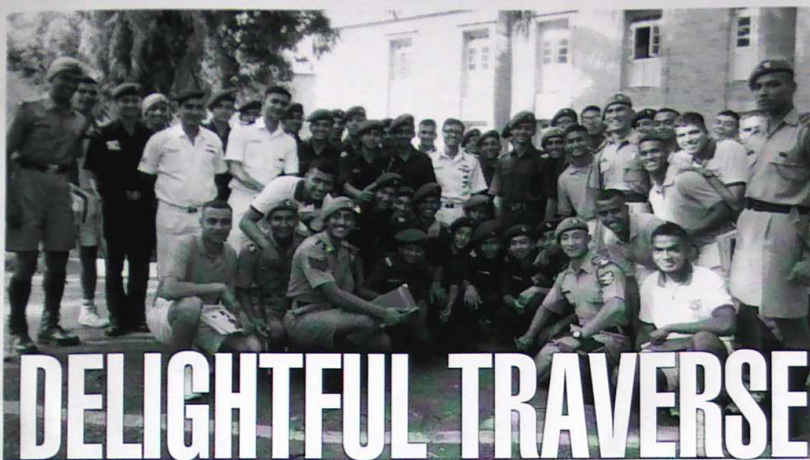
During his career, prior to being Posted to his Alma Mater, he served with his Unit across the entire Western Frontier in various appointments, in the North East with HQs, IGAR at Nagaland, a Coy Cdr with Rashtriya Rifles in North Kashmir, CO 12 Guards at Jaisalmer, GSO1 at MT Dte, Staff Officer with Staff Counselling and Welfare Section of United Nations Mission at Sudan and Col GS at HQs, Army Training Command (ARTRAC). He has successfully attended various Army Courses like YO's (Inf & Mech), Ghatak, DIMC, JC, DSSC, UNSOC and Senior Command. He is M Sc (Defence Studies) from Madras University and is currently pursuing M Phil in Psychology from HP University.

He took over as the Commandant, RIMC, on April 5, 2016.

In his first ever Assembly after having taken over as the Commandant, he addressed on April 11, 2016. Col Sharma spoke to the cadets about how to do "Hard work @ fun". He talked to the cadets about how the RIMC is not just a feeder to the NDA but an Institution which sets standards. He motivated the cadets to "bounce back harder if and when you hit rock bottom". He inspired the cadets to abide by the Honour Code and asked them to keep a smile glued to their faces.

As the 'winds of change' blow, a mak oover appears to be in the offing that ushers in progress and growth.

We wish him a very fruitful and dynamic tenure as we welcome him to the RIMC Fold.



DELIGHTFUL TRAVERSE

This preamble to hikes doesn't define them as a break from the routine or a hiatus, certainly it is but there lies more in travelling and it just doesn't confine to a break. Travelling to places teaches us more than what we learn in classrooms. Meadows of Harshil, Glory of Lucknow, Temples of Joshimath, Vada Pav of Pune and a medley of experiences was learning come alive outside classrooms. Each hike leaves a mark forever and travelling is all about 'How to', 'When to', 'Where to' travel and most importantly, to be a traveller and an eternal learner.

Class I LANSLOWNE

Along with the First Termers, Sqn Ldr Bhawani Singh headed towards Lansdowne where they were welcomed by the Garhwal Rifles. The scenic beauty of Tip & Top Point and the glorious saga of Garhwal Rifles fascinated the cadets. It was a good exposure for the First Termers.

Class IA GEORGE EVEREST

The contingent of Class IA led by Mr Sanjay Kumar trekked to the summit of George Everest. The

blessings of Jwala Devi and the refreshing waters of the Kemty Falls made their hike unforgettable.

Class II AGRA

The cadets of Class II were accompanied by Mr PN Naik and Mr Pramod Sharma to the City of Taj. The legacies of the Mughals like Agra Fort, Fatehpur Sikri enthralled the cadets.

Class IIA LUCKNOW

This time Class IIA along with the OIC Mr PK Sharma and Mr DN

Thapliyal visited the so called City of Kebabs and Nawabs (Lucknow). Cadets had a great time as they walked through the maze of Bada Imambara and the sortie of the MiG 21 at Air Force Station, Bakshi Ka Talab was a great motivation for the Cadets.

Class III PUNE

The Sampark Kranti Express, transported Class III, and OIC Lt Swapnil Bathe to the City of Peshwas, the sobriquet for Pune. The water rides of Aqua Imagica recharged the cadets entirely.

Various visits to NDA, CME, Air Force Station and a get together with Rimcollians motivated them.

Class III A HARSHIL

In the valleys of Harshil, the cadets were welcomed by the Grenadiers. The hot springs of Harshil and the holy dip in Gangotri refreshed the cadets to join back, full of enthusiasm for their upcoming Board Examination.

Class IV NAINITAL

The cadets of Class IV visited the parental regiment of Rimcollian Gen KS Thimayya, the Kumaon Regiment. The cadets witnessed the daily training of recruits and also the functioning of a Regiment. Cadets also enjoyed the scenic beauty of Nainital with OIC Mr Khushi Ram.

Class IVA JOSHIMATH

This Term, the Cadets of Class IVA enjoyed the snow of Joshimath. They also visited the last Indian village, Mana, on the Indo Chinese Border. Cadets also visited the Garhwal Scouts and enjoyed their wonderful hike.

Class VA NAHAN

After emerging from the hectic schedule of SSBs and NDA Written Exams, the cadets of Class VA went full throttle for the Chandigarh, Nahan Hike.

Cadet Abhimanyu Ghorpade
Cadet VS Vaishal
Class IIA



CHANDRAGUPTA'S LEAP TO VICTORY

Charged and spirited after the Mid-Term Hikes, the Cadets were seen with immense 'josh' and enthusiasm as they flagged off their basketball practices. The courts were filled with the sound of continuous dribbles when finally the Competition began on 9th of April, 2016.

Unlike other times, this year, the Competition was categorized into two Categories – Seniors and Juniors. The boys gave their best to keep their respective Sections at the top by displaying splendid skills and a high morale.

Although all the Sections put up an excellent show throughout the Competition, it was the best one

which made its way to the top. The results of the Inter Section Basketball Competition were as follows:

- I Chandragupta Section (50 pts)
- II Ranjit Section (40 pts)
- III Shivaji Section (20 pts)
- IV Pratap Section (10 pts)

In the Juniors Category, Cdt Tanmay Malik and in the Seniors Category, Cdt Ajay Singh Bhadouriya was adjudged as the Best Players for the Competition.

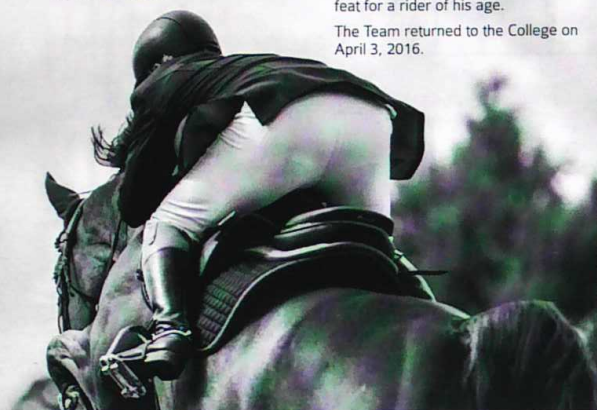
Cadet Vedant Mehta
Class IV

Straddle to Success

The Equestrian Team of the RIMC on 25 March, 2016, left the premises for the Delhi Horse Show at Army Equestrian Centre, New Delhi. The Team participated in several events including Cadets Show Jumping, Normal Show Jumping, Prelims Normal Jumping, Juniors Ball & Bucket, Children Normal Jumping, Junior Hacks, Open Hacks, Children Ball & Bucket, Juniors Top Score, Children Top Score, Prelims Top Score, Individual Tent Pegging and Open Puissance.

In the Juniors Hacks Event, Cadet Hritvik Patiyal bagged the Gold Medal and Cadet Omkar Dalvi, the Copper Medal. Cadet Omkar Dalvi also bagged the Bronze Medal in the Open Hacks Event. Cadet Kapil Kishan Pandey won a Copper Medal in the Children Ball & Bucket Event. Cadet Omkar Dalvi also preformed stupendously in the Individual Tent Pegging Event and reached the Finals and stood 16th out of 81 participants, many of whom were National level riders, a remarkable feat for a rider of his age.

The Team returned to the College on April 3, 2016.



MEMORIES REDEFINED

This Reunion was different from the previous ones as this Reunion was not only full of nostalgia and memories but also frolicking in the rain. The celebration of the Reunion began from the 12th of March with the Rimco v/s Rimcollian Hockey Match and the Flagging In of the Cycle Rally being called off due to the rain. But it was not enough to move the Rimcos and the Rimcollians as they played an unofficial Match, in which both the Teams proved to be equally good. In the evening were the Inter Section Boxing Finals where every Rimco and Rimcollian was shouting at the top of his voice to cheer up the Boxers. In the end, Shivaji Section emerged victorious. It was followed by the Cadets' Dinner at the Cadet Captain's Lawn. The next day began with everyone paying tribute to the Rimcollian Martyrs. It was followed by the breath taking Dare Devil Horse Show and a 'SOCKEY' Match between the cadets and the Old Boys with the Old Boys emerging victorious. Everyone enjoyed spending their coupons to the fullest. In the evening was the Cultural Programme at the Thimayya Auditorium, where everyone was mesmerized by the cadets' performances. It was followed by a dinner for the cadets at the Pavilion where everyone set the dance floor on fire. The next day was the last day of the Reunion when every Rimcollian bade goodbye and Air Mshl BS Dhanoa announcing a two day holiday for the cadets.

Cadet Ardaman Singh Lamba
Class III

RIVETING TIT BITS

From the Archives.....

On 28 Feb 1933, by special request from then Principal Mr JGC Scott, the Masters were allowed to sit in the Cadets Mess for the first time.

In October 1933, Gramophones were introduced for Cadets in Senior Ante Rooms.

Grace was started in Cadets Mess on 27 April, 1955.

First Reunion was held from 22 to 28 March, 1928.

First Head Cadet of Class I – Cadet Bhupinder Singh (September 1930)

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THE MORE THINGS CHANGE, THE MORE THEY STAY THE SAME.

DATELINE

April 23	: Hugh Catchpole English Debates
April 25	: Inter Section Hockey Competition begins
April 27	: Inter Section Hockey Competition ends
May 3	: Inter Section Quiz Competition Finals
May 18	: College Terminal Exams commence
May 26	: College Terminal Exams end
May 30	: Commandant's Special Assembly
May 31	: Graduation Ceremony
June 1	: Vacation begins

EDITORIAL

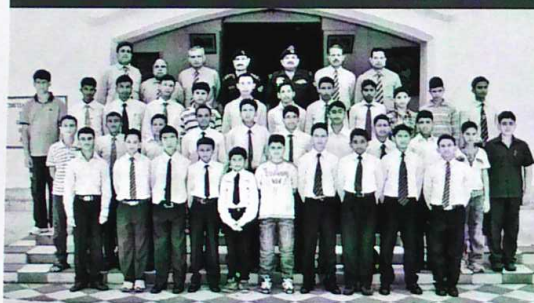
Horizons of Change

As the dusk creeps in stealthily and the twilight of the exams graces us, and our 33 'suns' are about to leave the premises like the 178 Courses before them, something dawns upon everyone – nothing has changed. These people, who came as chubby and bubbly 'kiddos' have now become Men of Integrity, Honesty and Truth, people who would never crack under pressure, people who can scale the mightiest of summits, regardless of the exigencies, people who can persevere and cruise through the most trying parts of their lives with a smile scoured on their faces and people who can easily play multiple roles in life with astounding ease and yet at the core, remain the same guileless and child-like selves.

Talking about change, 250 of us witnessed the arrival of the Commandant astride a bicycle, on the wheels of change, which was unprecedented though! Change is in the air as we bid Au revoir to the 179th Avant Gardes and brace ourselves to move towards the dawn that breaks on newer horizons...

Cadet Aaryan Dhama
Class III

The 179th Avant Gardes



WALK TO CONNECT

People have various ways of connecting to the Almighty. Mr Samir Sarkar, an accomplished painter and artist, employed as Archives Assistant at the RIMC, found his way in November 2007. With meditation, connecting to the Lord and self realisation as his aim, he set out to walk from Thano, Dehradun to Ananda Nagar, Purulia (W Bengal), a distance of 1290 km. He named this undertaking of his as the 'Divine March'. He walked through GT Road, rail tracks, forests and villages. He slept at his well

wishers' places, temples, schools and roadside eateries. He shared information and details about the RIMC with people he came across. He reached Purulia (W Bengal) on 25 December 2007, making it a walk of total 45 days. Wishing 'All The Best' to Mr Samir Sarkar for his future endeavours, as he stands as a shining example to millions waiting to discover their true selves.

Cadet Aaryan Dhama
Class III





GRAPPLING ELOQUENCE

It was from the 20th of April that the outstation schools started trickling into the RIMC campus for the 11th Hugh Catchpole English Debates. The college was abuzz with the regular eloquence as the Debate competition flagged off. A total of 16 teams from all over India took part in the Debate which was divided into the following rounds- The Prelims (Phase I), The Prelims (Phase II), The Semi-Finals and The Finals.

The Debates were conducted in the Modified Cambridge Format. The Preliminary rounds were held on 22 April from where 8 teams were shortlisted for the Semi-Finals but it were only the top four teams which made its way for the Finals. The Final Round of the Debate was held on 23 April, 2016 in the prestigious Thimayya Auditorium which was filled with the regular noise and cheer as the students displayed excellent skills on the stage.

Following were the results of the Debates-

1st RIMC

2nd The Doon School

3rd The La Martiniere Girls' College, Lucknow

The Second Best Debater in the Final Round was Cadet Raghav Vaid and the award for the Best Speaker was bagged by Cadet Watandeep Singh Sidhu.

All the schools took part in the event fervently as they went on to put up a brilliant show throughout the Competition.

Cadet Vedant Mehta
Class IV

RANJIT QUIZZES TO THE TOP

Quizzing is something that is fuelled by intellect, answered by knowledge but driven by curiosity and revealed by alacrity and a good Quizzer is one who's true to these features.

This Term, RIMCOs wouldn't hesitate in proclaiming themselves as O'Brien or Bhogle and 'Why Not?' Evidently, because of various brainstorming quizzes this Term, starting with the First Round of Inter Section Quiz, then the All India Inter School Quiz and the recently concluded Final Round of the Inter Section Quiz.

Thimayya Auditorium was abuzz with the Finals of the Inter Section Quiz Competition, Jan Term 2016. There was a Preliminary Round before the Main Round in which five Teams from each Section gave their all out. After the Preliminary Round, the top Team from each Section took its place on the stage. After some grueling rounds, Ranjit Section emerged victorious breaking Chandragupta Section's winning streak. Ranjit Section was followed by Chandragupta, Pratap and Shivaji Sections. The Quiz ended by the Commandant appreciating the Quizzers and the Masters involved in the event.

Cadet Harshvardhan Singh
Class III

Quiz Culture

On 21st of April, 2016, RIMC conducted the 16th All India Inter School Challenge Quiz wherein a total of 26 schools took part from all over the Nation. There was a Preliminary Round which took place after which the top six Teams made it to the Final Round. It also included the RIMC Team comprising Cadet NCO Pandit Vikas Bhardwaj, Cadet NCO Lalit Kumar and Cadet Ravi Kumar.

The Thimayya Auditorium was abuzz as the Quiz Masters, Mr PK Sharma and Mr T Selven threw tough questions at the students. It seemed as if the Intelligence Quotient of the campus increased by levels as the competitive teams displayed their amazing quizzing skills. RIMC boys went on give an enthralling performance as they earned the Second position. The results of the Quiz were as follows:

1st St Joseph's Academy

2nd RIMC

3rd The Doon School

It was a neck-to-neck Competition among all the schools as they tried their best to make their way to the top. The evening came to an end with the Commandant, Col Vivek Sharma, presenting the Vote of Thanks and complimenting the advanced Quizzing acumen of the modern youth.

Cadet Vedant Mehta
Class IV



THUMB RULES PERSUASIVE SPEAKING AND WRITING

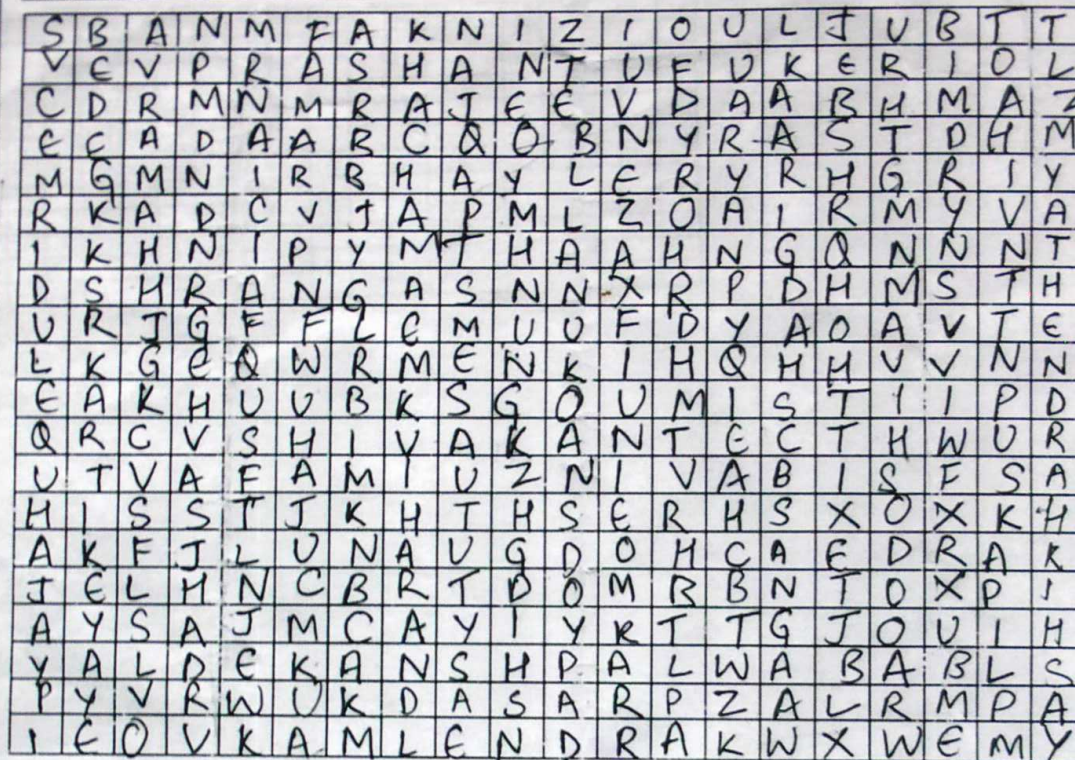
The talk by Mrs Priyanka Battacharya, the Head of English Department, The Doon School, on 13 May at Bhagat Hall, enlightened the cadets about the Persuasive Speaking and Writing Skills. Her tips on 'JAM [Just a Minute]' and following the Japanese discipline of 'KAIZEN' will really help the cadets in improving their Speaking Skills. She recommended GIGO (Garbage In, Garbage Out). It is all about how to make a wise choice in reading and being able to sift to retain what is of relevance and substance. She explained to us the difference between the American and the Japanese styles of mastering things. According to the American technique, a man requires 10,000 hours of practice to master something but in KAIZEN or the Japanese technique, a man requires only one minute focused attention to a particular thing that he has little interest in. Basically, it is a technique for imperative self improvement. Over all, it was a good experience for the young minds which would stand the cadets in good stead.

Cadet VS Vaishaal Krishna, Cadet M Adhija, Class II A

WORD SEARCH

LOOK FOR THE 179th AVANT GARDES !

Prepared by: Cadets Ardaman & Harshvardhan



Obituary

Maj Harjit Singh Sahni
(1958 to 1962, SHI)

Mr Kaushal Kumar
(1962 to 1988, at the RIMC);
Former Vice Principal (July 1984
to June 1988)

REST IN PEACE

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| 2. RAGHAV | 10. PREM | 18. PRASHANT | 26. AKASH |
| 3. DIVYAM | 11. HARSHIT | 19. KAMLENDRA | 27. SEOUL |
| 4. EKANS | 12. MRIDUL | 20. NIRBHAY | 28. TOMTHIN |
| 5. SHIKHAR | 13. PRASAD | 21. KUNAL | 29. ARPIT |
| 6. LUOIZINK | 14. AJAY | 22. ARYAN | 30. KAPIL |
| 7. SHIVAM | 15. RAJEEV | 23. SHRESHTH | 31. YATHENDRA |
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TEACHER FOR LIVING WELL.

Alexander the Great

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EDITORIAL 'Come September'

The onslaught of exams was still to wait with bated breath before it could unleash its fury on us, as a host of activities were lying in store.

The muggy August afternoons, laden with moisture, were nothing much to go by before the cadets plunged into the 'Mansarovar' to ruffle the blue of dull waters and the sky. This relief was followed by Inter Section Swimming Competition, which catered to the endurance and resilience of the cadets. Also, the First Termers turned amphibians from terrestrials, following the Swimming fever. Religious fervour also marked the month of August as the College celebrated the advent of Lord Krishna, 'Janamashtami'. Amidst loud cheering, the cadets bade goodbye to August so, 'August' with the culmination of the Inter Section Soccer Cup, which helped them improve their agility and embark energetically on what lay ahead in the upcoming Term.

'Come September' and the cadets played on music, words, beats and what not! Beginning with the Teacher's Day celebrations, where the cadets mesmerized the Teachers with rock and soft, they also expressed their gratitude and love towards them. Subsequent to this occasion, was the Kashi Naresh Hindi Debate, when the campus was abuzz with students from various schools across the country, Thimayya Auditorium resounded with a torrent of arguments. The recently concluded Inter Section Quiz Phase-1, was a real tough test, as a volley of questions propelled the cadets to put on their thinking caps.

This journey might seem too long when put into words but it all went smoothly like brisk breeze blowing past - almost on its tiptoe - and now it's time to get on with studies as the Mid Terms approach and, of course, pass by.

Cadet Harshvardhan Singh
Class IIIA



DATELINE

22-24 AUG	Inter Section Swimming Competition
25 AUG	Janmashtami Celebrations
27-31 AUG	Inter Section Soccer
5 SEP	Teacher's Day Celebrations
8-9 SEP	Kashi Naresh Hindi Debates
14 SEP	Inter Section Quiz First Round
20 SEP	RIMCOs vs 18 MAHAR Soccer Match
19-26 SEP	College Mid Term Exams



COLLEGE AT A GLANCE

JANMASHTAMI

The Temple Function was held on 25 August which was the special occasion of Krishna Janmashtami. The beautiful Temple resounded with prayers and hymns. The First Termers threw light on the celebration of Janmashtami. The Mantra chanting and singing of prayers was done by the Temple Priest and Music Hobby; the delight on the cadets' faces was unmistakable as they partook of the religious fervour.

INTER SECTION SWIMMING

Just as Michael Phelps represented his country to clinch Gold Medals at Rio Olympics, in the same manner many 'Joseph Schooling' of RIMC were

representing their Sections at the Swimming Pool. The Swimmers brought the liveliness of 'Mansarovar' back. Like every year, this time too the Swimmers set the pool on fire with their never say die spirit. Swimming Competition was held in two Phases. The First Phase comprised the Swimming Tests. Chandragupta Section stood First, followed by Pratap, Ranjit and Shivaji. The Second Phase comprised the Swimming Competition, in which all the Section Swimmers put their best foot forward to win medals for their Sections. The Swimming Competition was won by Shivaji Section, followed by Chandragupta, Pratap and Ranjit. The individual Awardees

were as follows:

Most Upcoming Swimmer:
Cadet Pratham Singh

Best Swimmer in Juniors:
Cadet Abhimanyu Ghorpade

Best Swimmer in Seniors:
Cadet Aman Kumar

The overall standings were as follows:

I Chandragupta Section

II Shivaji Section

III Pratap Section

IV Ranjit Section

TEACHER'S DAY

The birthday of our former President, S Radhakrishnan, is known as the Teachers' day. All the Rimcos did their best to make it a memorable day for all the Masters. The day started with PT, after which the Assembly was held by Class VA. The cadets organized a Cultural Programme for Teachers which was marked by melodious songs, suspenseful drama and concluded with a dance. All the Teachers were then felicitated by the cadets of Class VA. The Programme was followed by a movie for the cadets.

KAMALA JEEVAN INTER SCHOOL HINDI DEBATES

On the 10th and 11th of

September, four cadets went to The Doon School to participate in the Kamala Jeevan Inter School Hindi Debates. The Cadets, Ashish Kumar, Suraj Kumar Verma, Jitendra Verma and Shreyanshu Jha, left the College at 0700hrs on 10 September for the First Round of debates. The Debates were conducted on the lines of International Debate Format. There were two, Pools and RIMC was in the Pool consisting of The Doon School, Welham Boys, Mayo College Girls and Selaqui International School. RIMC lost its first two Debates against Welham Boys and Doon School, but they fought back against Selaqui International School in which Cadet NCO Ashish won the Best Speaker of the Round. On the next day, they debated against Mayo College Girls but lost by a narrow margin.

J.L. D'SOUZA MEMORIAL INTER SCHOOL ENGLISH DEBATES

On 27 August, two Cadets, Abdul Hanan and Tanmay Malik participated in the J.L. D'Souza Memorial Inter School English Debates held at St Joseph Academy. The First Round of the Debates was conducted in the



Oxford Pattern (Extempore) on the topic 'India In True Sense Is Becoming Intolerant', for which they were given one hour to prepare. The Second Round was the Turncoat Round in which the cadets performed well. They stood 2nd out of the 12 schools that participated, closely following Grace Academy, the Winners.

INDIAN PUBLIC SCHOOL SELAQUI, CREATIVE WRITING AND DECLAMATION

On 14th September, two Cadets, Sudhanshu Ojha and Ankur Sharma along with Mr Sanjay Kumar went for the Creative Writing and Declamation Competition held at Indian Public School, Selaqui. A total of 14 schools participated in the Creative Writing Competition, in which, Cadet Sudhanshu Ojha stood 4th, scoring 84 points out of 100, whereas Cadet Ankur Sharma stood Second in overall standings, scoring 92 points out of 100. Cadet Ankur was also awarded a cheque of Rs 25,000/-.

INTER SECTION QUIZ

Quizzing at RIMC is an integral part of the curriculum. Every Term, this Competition is held in two Phases. The spirit of Quizzing in the cadets on the stage is a treat for the soul. This time, in the First Phase, all the Sections put their best foot forward to win the First Phase. It was a neck to neck fight in which, Chandragupta section emerged victorious, followed by Ranjit, Shivaji and Pratap.

KASHI NARESH INTER SCHOOL HINDI DEBATE

Hindi is one of the official languages of India and an integral part of our culture. The

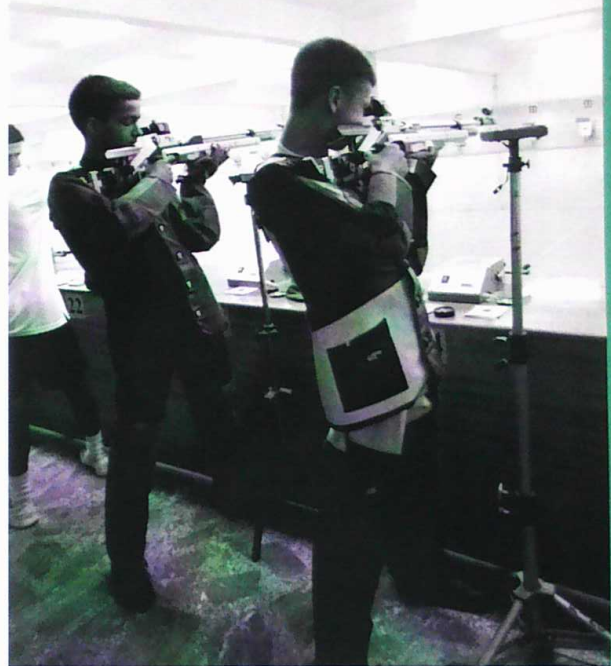
plays, speeches and not to forget, the debates are catching on globally and are attracting many people. The Calendar of RIMC is marked by a number of mega events and one of them happens to be the Kashi Nareish Debates. Like every year, this year too, RIMC hosted it with the Team of our best cadets, Cdt NCO Ashish Pandey and Cdt Suraj Kr Verma. This time, fifteen schools participated in the Competition. Both the Speakers of RIMC, successfully went through the Elimination Rounds and finally reached the podium of Thimayya Auditorium for the Final Round. Both of them did exceedingly well and took RIMC to the Second spot, bagging the Runners Up Title and the fourth Best Speaker Award. RMS, Ajmer performed well and won the overall Title for the second consecutive year.

STATE SHOOTING CHAMPIONSHIP

On 20 August, 20 cadets of RIMC went for the State Level Shooting Competition held at Jaspal Rana Shooting Range. The cadets performed exceedingly well by winning 13 Medals out of which, 5 were Gold Medals (2 Individual, 3 Team), 4 Silver (2 Individual, 2 Team) and 4 Bronze (3 Individual, 1 Team). Cadet Ravi Malik and Cadet M Lucky Singh did exceptionally well by scoring 296/400 in the Open Sight Youth Category and bagged Gold Medals. Their Team consisting of Cadets Ravi, Lucky and Aman won the Gold Medal. The Team of Open Sight Air Rifle Junior Men's Category, comprising Cadets Rishabh, Y Saksesh and Aman Vishwakarma, bagged Gold and Bronze Individual Medals and a Team Gold Medal with Cadet Rishabh Soni scoring

306/400. In the Peep Sight Youth Category, Cadets Anirudh, Sailo and Sumeet bagged the Team Silver Medals. The Air Pistol Team got the Team Gold Medal, with Cadet Pranav scoring 364/400 and getting the Bronze Medal. Cadet Sailo did remarkably well as he won the Silver Medal in 22 Prone by scoring 288/300 and their Team

consisting of Cadet Captain Devesh, Cadet Shailesh Dwiwedi bagged the Team Bronze Medal. The College marksmen did outstandingly well in the State Level Championship and are eager to participate in the Pre National Championship to bring laurels to the College.



MEASURE UP

No matter how hard it seems,
You'll have to pull the beams.
No matter how much you cry
Your 'Termers' will always stand by.
No matter what comes in the way,
You'll learn to fight it away.
No matter how much you shirk to swim
Take it in your stride if your Senior punishes you at whim.
No matter how desperately you want to sleep,
Know that you have promises to keep.
No matter if you're called a 'geek'
After becoming a Senior, take care not to become a freak.
Learn all the tricks and don't be an 'UNCO'
Be the best because you have to be a RIMCO!!!

Cadet Bharat Kadian
Class II



SOCCER FEVER

Staff vs Cadets Soccer Match

On 2 August, a Football Match between the Cadets and the Staff was held. Both the Teams had practised hard for this Match. Few minutes into the game and Mr Dalvi scored a wonderful goal. The staff bounced back with two goals from the Coach and eventually won the Match.

Inter Section Soccer

Cadets of RIMC had a spate of nail biting Soccer competitions starting from 27 August. Excitement of cadets reached the zenith on 29 August with a breathtaking Exhibition Match held between Pratap and Ranjit Seniors Team. In Juniors Category, Ranjit Section took a good lead whereas Seniors Title

was awarded to Chandragupta Section. Overall, Ranjit Section emerged victorious followed by Pratap, Chandragupta and Shivaji Section respectively. Cadet L Sailo was adjudged the Best Player in Seniors Category whereas Cadet Thanil and Cadet Ronit showed their skills in Juniors Category. Overall it was a great learning experience.

Doon U 14 Soccer Cup

The Invitational Doon U-14 Soccer Cup was held at The Doon School, Dehradun. On 30 Aug 2016, we played our first Match against St Judes and won by 3-2. Our second Match was against Cambrian Hall, who were thrashed 6-0 by our Team. With this victory, we qualified for the Quarter Finals and played against Welham Boys, beating them 1-0. The Semi Finals were

played against Summer Valley in which they lost to us by 3-2. We played well throughout but stumbled on the last hurdle - the Finals, to emerge Runners Up, as the RIMC Team went down fighting against Wynberg Allen, Mussoorie.

18 Mahar Prove Themselves

A friendly Match was organized by RIMC on 20th of September between RIMC and 18 MAHAR Regiment. The Match started at 1500 hours. Col Arun Mamgain [Retd], former RIMC Commandant and a Soccer enthusiast, shook hands with both the Teams and wished them good luck. Among the spectators watching the Match were present, the Commandant RIMC Col Vivek Sharma and Flt Lt Ankit Uniyal. The Match kicked off with great zeal and

players vied for the ball energetically. While the RIMC Team was led by Cadet Captain Devesh, the rival Team was led by Capt Rameez Raja, a spirited Rimcollian assisted by serving Soldiers. Each Half was played for 35 minutes. In the First Half, both the teams fared well but in the Second Half, '18 MAHAR' managed to score a goal. RIMC team didn't lose hope and kept fighting till the end. Col Mamgain encouraged and motivated the young cadets to keep the Sporting and Soccer spirit alive.

**Cadet Roshan Kumar
Class V**

**Cadet Maitrayan Das
Class III**

Book Post

To,

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reflections

ALL JOURNEYS HAVE SECRET
DESTINATIONS OF WHICH THE
TRAVELER IS UNAWARE.

Martin Buber



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EDITORIAL

Life is on the roll, for the Term has shifted into its fifth gear and the very spirit of every RIMCO is on a high. Embellished with a perpetual chain of events, the RIMC Campus seemed to be bustling with activities, making it livelier than ever before.

The past month has been hectic and frenzied but nevertheless, a memorable and mesmerizing one. The month buzzed off with the Inter-Section Quiz Competition and ended with the thrilling RIMC Soccer Cup. The players had put in their heart and soul in the game and went on to create history by winning the Trophy for the first time in the past thirteen years.

Meanwhile, the cadets of Class V also appeared for their NDA Writtens on 18 September. Studies were on the move as the College got over with their Mid Term Examination, but, to compensate it all, were the motivating and educational hikes to places all over Uttarakhand and beyond.

Despite the teeming schedule of events, every RIMCO stands tall and strong with his head held high, crossing every obstacle with utmost diligence and sincerity. Although the road is tough but that's what defines our strength and will.

Now, as the autumn sets in and the College is all ready to 'warmly' welcome the winters, the morale of the cadets jumps an all time high, with the 'josh' exponentially increasing with every passing second and the adrenaline flowing through the veins to rock the rest half of the Term as it continues and perpetuates for excellence.

With prayers in our heart and grit in our bones, we stand up to the never say die spirit of a RIMCO and strive to move on with the same fervour.....

VIVA LA RIMC

**Cadet Sub NCO Vedant Mehta
Class IV A**

SCHOLAR WARRIORS



DATELINE

27 September - 01 October	College Mid-Term Hikes
27 September - 03 October	RIMC Soccer Cup
2 October	Gandhi Jayanti RIMCO Cleanliness Drive
7 October	Class IIIA and Class VA Pre-Boards commence
10 October	Parents Teacher Meet
20 - 22 October	Inter-Section Athletics
26 October	Inter-Section Quiz Final Round
30 October	Deepawali
31 October	Inter-Section PT Competition



MEETING GROUNDS

With the sun rising on 10 October, cadets of the RIMC too were seen radiant, desperate to meet their parents. Their first mentors arrived at the College at 0900hrs. They were apprised about various achievements and some important issues by the Commandant after the screening of the RIMC movie. Thereafter, the parents proceeded to meet the Masters and learned more about the progress of their children. They also discussed with the Commandant, the various improvements taking place in the College, after which they were served some delectable delights of the RIMC. The parents could be seen admiring the College Campus after which they moved to the Pavilion to see the Show, put up

by the Cadets. The co-ordination to its perfection in the March Past and Aerobics and deadly Vaults performed by the PT Display Team, filled the hearts of the parents with pride. The parents were enthused with greater pride to see their capable wards receiving various scholarships from Gen and Mrs Nanavatty. After that, the happy and contented parents left the sacred portals of the RIMC with prayers and pearls of wisdom to their wards and a silent promise to work in unison for a better tomorrow.

Cadet Abhimanyu Ghorpade
Cadet Abhimanyu Singh
Class III

QUINTESSENCE A FEATHER IN OUR CAP

A Team of 3 Cadets accompanied by Mr Karthik Chadala left the College at 4 PM on 8 October 2016. They reached the Summer Valley School, where they were welcomed warmly. The Preliminary Round started after the arrival of the Chief Guest who happened to be Col Vivek Sharma, Commandant RIMC. The RIMC Quiz Team qualified for the Final Round. The Final Round consisted of 11 sub rounds, which was conducted by

Quiz Master Mr KK Sharma. They took a substantial lead in the first few rounds but had to struggle in the later rounds. It was only towards the end that they humbled their contenders. The RIMC Team emerged victorious as the Buzzer Round proved to be a boon to them. The RIMC Team comprised Cadet NCO Lalit Kumar, Cadet NCO Ravi Kumar and Cadet NCO P Vikas Bharadwaj who were awarded an i-ball Tablet each and the Winners Trophy.

OBITUARY

With profound sorrow we inform you of the sad demise of Mr. Harindera Singh Bhagat (1941-47, RAW) who passed away on 05 Oct 2016 in Pune.

May his soul rest in peace...



REDEFINING TRAVEL

CLASS IA & VA

Known for its seven lakes, Classes VA and IA visited Nainital, one of the beautiful hill stations of Uttarakhand. Visit to the Zoo at high altitude was one of the thrilling experiences which they had. The vast stretch of the Mal Road laid its red carpet for the RIMCOs, and its beauty under the street light alongside the beautiful Naini Lake rejuvenated them.

CLASS I

Class 1 of 29, went to Lansdowne with, OIC Hike, Mr. Sanjay Kumar. They visited the Museum of GRRC, War Memorial and Garhwali Mess and had the time of their lives.

CLASS II

The cadets of 187th Course visited the so called 'City of

Shah Jahan'. All the cadets were fascinated by the visit to the glorious 6 PARA Regiment and their stay at AATS. The beauty of Shah Jahan's masterpieces like Taj Mahal, Agra Fort was savoured by the cadets. All of them were left agape by the magnificent structure of Fatehpur Sikri too.

CLASS IIA

The cadets of Class IIA got a wonderful opportunity to visit the city of 'Kebabs and Nawabs'. Their presence added to the beauty of Lucknow during their visit to the local areas. The sorties of Mig-29 left all of them enthralled at the Air Force Station. Their Class got to see the 11 GRRC and AMC centre which filled their cache of knowledge.

CLASS III

The 185th Falcons kept their RIMCO spirit high and enjoyed their hike to Joshimath. They visited Badrinath and the devotion in them took them all a 45 kms trek to Hemkund Sahib. They visited the Valley of Flowers to relish the bounteous natural abode. The visit to Auli gave them mesmerizing scenic views. Class III got to learn a lot at the Jaypee Hydel Power Station and enjoyed their hike thoroughly.

CLASS IIIA

26 cadets of Class IIIA marched up to Goumukh with their morale sky rocketing. They were welcomed in by 12 Grenadiers and visited the Daraya Bhugyal. The sweet apples from the Apple Orchards refreshed all of

them, bracing them well to face their Board Exams.

CLASS IV

This time 'Lady Luck' smiled at Class IV as they were the first Class to resume with the Shimla Hike. The 183rd Course did not leave any chance to make their hike a memorable one. They went rafting, go-carting, paintball fighting et al. The cadets enjoyed visiting the local places and enriched themselves.

CLASS IVA

As the cadets of Class IVA were about to start their NDA preparation, they had a short trek to Mussoorie. All of them cycled to the top and had a wonderful one day stay. The hike proved to be a good head start for their NDA preparation.



THE CUP AT LAST

The XIII RIMC Soccer Cup culminated on 3 October, with the RIMC doing a stupendous job and lifting the Trophy for the first time.

After a gap of two years, the XIII RIMC Soccer Cup 2016 was inaugurated on 27 September 2016, with RIMC clinching the Cup, breaking the jinx of being Runners Up Finalist, four times.

The RIMC Soccer Team, ingeniously and tirelessly guided by a dedicated team of Flt Lt Ankit Uniyal, Mr Birjesh Chauhan, Dean of Sports, Mr Rajesh Mangain, Technical Advisor; trained on ground by Coaches, Naveen, Deepak and Churchill, all under the Argus eyed supervision of the Commandant, AO and AAO, was ultimately able to savour the taste of victory for the first time, ever since the commencement of the Tournament in 2000.

Taking a peek into the history of the Tournament, we will note that, an outstanding feature of the RIMC Sporting Calendar, the RIMC Soccer Cup attracts the best Teams, not only from Uttarakhand but also from all over India. This Event has been conducted consecutively from the year 2000 to 2002. It then resumed from 2004 to 2011. In 2013, Vasant Valley School, Delhi, walked away with the Trophy. It is said that history repeats itself and what is noteworthy is Flt Lt Ankit Uniyal, the Coordinator of the XIII RIMC Soccer Cup, 2016 played in the debut Tournaments of 2000 and 2001 as a Cadet and Mr Rajesh Mangain, the Technical Advisor

of the Organising Committee, mentored and coached the RIMC Team in 2000. The Championship Trophy has been presented by Mr RC Chaturvedi, who was also present for the momentous occasion. The erstwhile, Hon'ble Governor of Uttarakhand, Sh Sudarshan Aggarwal, presented two rolling Silver Trophies for the RIMC Soccer Cup in 2003.

In the XIII RIMC Soccer Cup 2016, 12 teams participated. The Teams were divided into four Pools, each containing a total of three Teams. The Group Stage matches began right from the morning of 27 September and had everybody gripped to the very end, finally coming to a spectacular Finale on 3 October. Four Teams, namely RIMC, The Asian School, Dehradun, Oak Grove School, Mussoorie and Army Public School, Clement Town, qualified for the Semi Finals after the breathtaking Quarter Finals on 30 September.

The Semi Finals were held on 1 October and RIMC and Army Public School Team, displaying an indomitable spirit, qualified for the Finals.

The Finals were held at the RIMC Pavilion Grounds on 3 October, with the occasion being graced by the Chief Guest, His Excellency, Dr KK Paul, Governor, Uttarakhand.

The Finals took off with the energetic Teams, fighting it out



to score goals and showing absolutely immaculate coordination and team spirit. The First Half concluded with the Score Board still showing nil on part of both the Teams. It was in the 55th minute that Cadet Ravi Maitrey scored a goal for the RIMC, which resulted in euphoria among the audience. The opponents, showing perseverance and grit, equalled the Score in the 63rd minute, with Lokesh scoring a wonderful goal.

The Teams continued to give each other a tough competition till the very end and the Second Half ended with the Score being 1-1. The result of the Match was then decided by an interesting Penalty Shootout, which saw amazing efforts being put in by both the Teams. The Penalty Shootout held the audience and players in utter awe till the very last minute, with the hosts finally emerging victorious after the ultimate Penalty Kick. The excitement was on an all time high, both on and off the field.

The Match was followed by the Award Presentation Ceremony. The Highest Scorer of the Tournament was Aman Thapa of

Army Public School, Cadet L Sailo was adjudged the Best Goalkeeper of the Tournament and the Best Player of the Tournament was Cadet Section Commander Vickrant Raj. The Chief Guest then awarded the Runners Up Trophy to Army Public School and the RIMC Soccer Cup Trophy to RIMC.

Following that, His Excellency Dr KK Paul addressed the gathering and shared his childhood memories of seeing the Indian Football Team at its pinnacle in the fifties and ending up 4th in the Olympics. Then he went on to congratulate the RIMC Team for having put up such an amazing show of skill, strength and stamina.

After the Address by the Chief Guest, Col Vivek Sharma, Commandant, RIMC, gave the Vote of Thanks, thanking the Chief Guest, all the Teams, the Staff, the Referees and the District Football Association for having done their bit towards the smooth and superb conduct of the Tournament.

Cadet Ardaman S Lamba
Class IIIA

Cadet Abhimanyu Ghorpade
Cadet Abhimanyu Singh
Class III



LIGHTNING BOLTS

'The King of all Sports' propels every athlete to strive to be the best. Deeply motivated, representing their respective colours, the Cadet athletes threw the gauntlet towards their opponents. The Sprinters set the track on fire, the Chuckers pitched their colours in the pits; not to forget, the Jumpers cleared greater heights, to stand tall on the Victory Stand.

On 20 October, the Inter Section Athletics Meet 2016 started with a marvelous March Past with profound perfection of the cadets giving Guard of Honour to the Commandant Col Vivek Sharma, the Chief Guest of the Opening Ceremony. They were followed by the Band of 4 Kumaon Regiment. After the Oath Taking Ceremony, the events started, both on the tracks and the fields.

The three day extravaganza saw several records being broken, equalled and set. Every Cadet gave his heart out to get the coveted Trophy to his Section.

At the end of a neck to neck competition, it was Shivaji Section that emerged victorious. The score tally was: Shivaji 233, Pratap 223, Chandragupta 200 and Ranjit 174. The Best Athlete Trophy was awarded to Cadet Ronit Mishra in Under 14; Cadet Abuzar Jaffrey in Under 16 and Cadet Akash Rathore in Above 16 Categories. The existing record for 4x100 Metres Relay

(Under 14 Category) was bettered by the Team of Ranjit Section comprising Cadets Lucky, Abhay, Ayush Agnihotri and Abhishek. Cadets VL Zuala, L Sailo, and Ajay Bhadouria also bettered the existing record (Above 16 Category) in Discus Throw, Shot Put and High Jump events, respectively.

The Chief Guest, Maj Gen Mandip Singh VSM, Deputy Commandant, IMA, in his Closing Ceremony Address, spoke about the importance of sports in the life of a 'Scholar Warrior', and told everyone about how sports can bring out the best in a soldier. He lauded the efforts and performance of the cadets and motivated them to continue shining the same way.

The Vote of Thanks was given by the Commandant who thanked the Chief Guest, the dignitaries and the students and teachers from Unison World School for having graced the occasion and also congratulated the cadets on having put up a splendid show. He also applauded the efforts of Mr Birjesh Chauhan, Dean of Sports and Flt Lt Ankit Uniyal, Project Officer, for making the Meet a splendid success.

Cadet Harshvardhan Singh
Class III A

Cadet Vaishaal Krishna
Class III

MAKING OF BRAVEHEARTS

"Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember, involve me and I learn".

25 Cadets of Class III and 21 Cadets of Class IV visited the Indian Military Academy to witness a Demonstration on 'Jungle Warfare' by a Team headed by Col DB Rana. The Demonstration was segmented in 6 different parts. These were: Section and its formation, Movement in the Jungle and Patrolling, Food in Jungle, Enrollment of Dogs in Army, Introduction to Snakes and A Glance over IEDs. In the First Phase of the Demonstration, the cadets were informed about a Section, constituents of a Section and its formation. A Section is the smallest unit of a Battalion which consists of 9 Soldiers and 1 Commander. They were also informed about the different formations of a Section like diamond, arrow, spearhead, etc. In the Second Phase, they were taught how to walk on different terrains like stony surface, sandy surface and surface covered with dry leaves and vegetation. They witnessed a Black Demonstration of patrolling about what not to be done and a White Demonstration about should be done. They also

understood the importance of patrolling and role of scouts and guards in a Section during an operation. As food is one of the most important criteria to survive in a jungle, they were taught how to find food in such circumstances. They were also taught different ways of finding water in a jungle. Dogs are the best friends of man. In the same way dogs also play a crucial part in the Indian Army. Dogs are also trained for different purposes in the Army like, detecting mines and explosives, guarding, etc. The cadets enjoyed the Demonstration by different dogs performing their line of work very successfully. No matter how much a snake sheds its skin, it's still a snake!! In this Phase, they learned how to catch a snake and how to differentiate between a poisonous and a non-poisonous one. Introduction of IEDs were not new to the cadets but learning about its function and the mechanism was very innovative. At the end of the day, The cadets became the next Bear Grylls of the Indian Armed Forces.

Cadet VS Vaishaal Krishna
Class III

Book Post

To, _____

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EDITORIAL

Nothing moves at this ghostly hour, not even the leaves seem to move a whisker and yet I can hear a sound reverberating all around, so loudly that it's almost deafening. "There'll come a time when you'll give anything to stay in this place for a few more days. And that time is not far!"

These lines strike the walls of my skull again and again and suddenly, I realize that it is not my head but the heart, the reason for all this. Why? Because it is afraid, scared to leave these 'hallowed portals' and more prominently, fearful to leave the side of 30 others.

On the follow up come lots of other feelings - anxiety, ecstasy and nostalgia. Memories rewinding, how we came in as cute kids and turned to 'swaggers' in I A; to CG in II; IIA and NDA Pune of Class III; those late nights Maggies in IIIA and then the huge turnover of IV, IVA. Stay back, NDA Writtens, SSBs, and a lot more things. These moments will never come back but these memories shall always be cherished for it is not just the times that were special but the people in these memories who were so, people who were responsible for what we are today and what we will be tomorrow.

Today, when I sit on these stairs, looking at the vista around me, it seems more beautiful than ever. Thoughts about my days in this place engulf me. There are moments and there are regrets but I just made sure that my cup of memories is heavier than my cup of regrets because I had the company of 30 other most amazing people and together we formed a Course that is a role model for our Juniors and a paradigm of pride for our Seniors and we hope, in doing so, we tried our best to live true to our name, 'THE INVINCIBLES'.

Yes, I'm afraid and my heart races for I don't want to leave this place, but with it I'm confident, and ready to face the world, bold and brave, just like a RIMCO.

Thanks to RIMC for making us what we are today, for all the qualities that are enthused in us to make us better and at last, thank you for entrusting us to carry your name with our own throughout our lives, being a RIMCOLLIAN.

Au revoir

CADET ANIMESH CHUG
CLASS V A

reflections

SOMETIMES IT IS BETTER TO BUNK A CLASS & ENJOY WITH YOUR FRIENDS, COZ TODAY WHEN I LOOK BACK, MARKS NEVER MAKE ME LAUGH BUT MEMORIES DO...

Martin Buber



Crossing The Threshold As Gentlemen

DATELINE

26 October	Inter Section Quiz Phase II
27 October	Inter Section Drill Competition
30 October	Deepawali Celebrations
05-06 November	70 th District Athletics Meet 2016
11-25 November	Class IIIA & VA Board Exams
15-24 November	College Terminal Exams
25 November	Section Socials
26 November	ROBA Dinner
28 November	Commandant's Special Assembly
29 November	Graduation of 180 th Course
01 December	Departure of Cadets

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CADET SECTION COMMANDER VICKRANT RAJ

This 'OG' lad from HP is an all rounder. Blessed with extraordinary Debating skills and passion for Academics, he is also an epitome of excellence in sports. A Half Blue in Riding, he has represented College in many tournaments of Basketball, Hockey and Soccer. Also a good Sprinter and Chucker, he is very good at Drill and OT. Known for his motivational MLs, he is very friendly and approachable and a Section Commander in the true sense of the word.

Godspeed, Vickrant...

CADET NCO ASHISH PANDEY

This 'Pratapgarhi Pinocchio' always set the Stage on fire, be it in the College or outside. No power could stop him in the PT Fields, though it was funny to see him adjusting his nose while pulling chin-ups. His mood swings often proved fatal to his juniors. Pratap Section will always remember its very own loudspeaker.

All the Best, Ashish...

CADET NCO LALIT KUMAR

This cricketer from Jharkhand looked as if he could be blown away by the wind any moment. As good at Academics as he was in Quizzing, he also proved himself on the Soccer Field. His

impossibly thin limbs often made people wonder how he managed to score goals. He'll be remembered for the 'live and let live' attitude he took to in his final year.

Adios, Lalit...

CADET NCO ANKIT KR AWWAL

This 'Bihari' always had time to take his juniors' grub. Mike Tyson in the Boxing Ring and Dhyan Chand in Hockey, he always led his Section from the front. His awkward way of walking would be remembered by his juniors.

Besties, Ankit...

CADET SURAJ KR VERMA

Hailing from Jharkhand, Cadet Suraj is a very fine Hindi Debater and a Quizzer. Being an outstanding Hockey Player, he is also very good at Academics. He is often seen talking to and advising his younger brother. He will always be remembered for his not-so-funny jokes that hardly evoked laughter.

Sky is the limit, Suraj...

CADET YASHODHAN ISHER

This lad from Jammu is one of the best Riders of the College. He is a good Rider and has also showed his mettle in other sports. This sportsman would be remembered for his awkward style of walking. His OCs would be missed by everyone.

Adieu, Yashodhan...

CADET ANMOL SHRIVASTAVA

This 'ever smiling gudda' from Madhya Pradesh is too 'cool' to care for anything. Known for his 'never say die' attitude, he has achieved extraordinary feats in PT and all games, especially Hockey. A Rider par excellence, he is sure to be missed by all Rawlinsons.

Ciao, Anmol...

CADET SECTION COMMANDER AVINASH KUMAR SINGH

This 'Epitome of Leadership' led the Section from the front in every field. Be it PT, Athletics or Hockey, he never let the morale of the Section dip. Good at Art and Craft, his mesmerizing Dramatic skills set the stage ablaze and left the audience agape.

Way to go, Avinash...

CADET NCO DEEPAK GUPTA

The 'Deepak of Ranjit' stands true to his name, enlightening the Section with his glow. He was always seen teaching Squash and Mathematics to his juniors. He can never be seen without a novel in his hand. His red Himachal apples were really an 'appy' delight for all. His banana smile will be missed by all.

Best of luck, Deepak...

CADET NCO SUMIT RAJ KANDWAL

This 'Shahrukh of Ranjit' has crossed milestones in Dance. His brilliant skills in Hockey and PT amazed all. His command at UNO, leads him to victory almost always. An excellent Academician and Music enthusiast, he is sure to do well. Middle Dorm will always remember him.

Godspeed, Sumit...

CADET ADARSH PARMAR

This 'hulk' from Bihar is the backbone of the College Soccer Team. An avid Basketball Player, he also led the Section from the front in Athletics and Dance. His weird T-Shirts and songs would be missed by the Section. Senior Dorm will miss his OCs.

Hasta la Vista, Parmar...

CADET CHINMAY GOYAL

An ace Academician and Quizzer, this 'Punjabi' lad is famous for his long lotteries. A Cadet of wit and determination, he leaves no stone unturned in teaching the Section. He readily agreed to provide the Special Chronicle with the sketch of 'The Invincibles' - truly a work of art! Always cheerful and happy, his charming personality would be missed by all.

Way to go, Chinmay...

CADET SECTION COMMANDER

WATANDEEP S SIDHU

This 'Flying Sikh of RIMC' has represented the College in all the fields - be it Soccer or Hockey, his participation is imperative. The English Debating Team will be incomplete without his Debating skills. Chandragupta Section has been lucky to have this great Orator as well as a great Leader.

ICH DIEN, Watan...

CADET NCO NISHANT

This 'treasure trove of knowledge' from Madhya Pradesh is a die-hard sailor and has never missed the Gold Feather. A tough competitor for 'Medhavi' honor, will also be remembered for his back line clear in all field games. His punctual but temperamental attitude will be unforgettable.

Godspeed, Nishant...

CADET NCO PAARTH

This 'lamp post' from Ambala has always left his mark in Pole Vault & Basketball. His juniors will remember his short tempered attitude and his peculiar breast stroke. Gold Feather and Medhavi Batches will miss him.

Besties, Paarth...

CADET RAVI RANJAN

One of the best Hockey Players of the College, the College Hockey Team is sure to miss this 'Jazzo Bihari'. A great Athlete, he is and has always been a terror for his juniors.

Keep up the spirit, Ravi...

CADET SHAILESH DWIVEDI

The 'Ronaldo' of the Section was known for playing even the team games solo. Popularly known for cutting bounds in odd ways and getting caught in even odder ways, he is rumored to have spent more time outside College than inside. Day or night, morning or evening, he is and will remain the undisputed Kit Inventory star of the Section for years to come.

Godspeed, Shailesh...

CADET SAHIL YADAV

The 'Flying Jatt' from Rajasthan is very popular among the junior cadets for his late night pranks and 'pravachans'. This 'josh machine' did not leave a stone unturned when it came to Basketball and X country, be it his own performance or his juniors'. A man with a big and benign heart, he is sure to do well in future.

Bas dil bada hona chahiye, Sahil.

CADET ANIMESH CHUG

The disciplinarian of Chandragupta Section did everything proper and organized, right from his kit and cupboard to his dance moves on the Stage. Hailing from Rajasthan, this Squash Player has been an integral part of the Squash Team since his junior terms. A 'Jack of all trades', he is also a great Soccer and Basketball Player. His ardent Debating, regularly helped RIMC lift numerous Debate Cups. Journalism Club will be missing its Chief Editor.

Au revoir, Animesh...

CADET CAPTAIN DEVESH RATHAUR

The Cadet Captain of RIMC 'Rowdy Rathaur' needs no introduction. It seems he was born to play all games and make his opponents bite the dust. Losing has never been in his scheme of things, for he has excelled at Academics as well as outdoor games alike. To put you wise on his achievements, we might have to print a separate newsletter. None can question his capabilities.

ICH DIEN, Devesh...

CADET SUMIT MISHRA

This 'Pratapgarhi' has an affinity towards juniors' grub. His ferocious looks and his mind boggling arm power are feared by all. Showing his skills in the Courts and Fields, he also does well on PT Grounds. He is sure to raise the RIMC Flag high at the NDA.

Way to go, Mishraji...

CADET KSHITIJ JAYANT

This 'cool' OC from Arunachal has always been able to leave a mark on the Academics 'Billboard'. An excellent Swimmer and a Soccer Player, he can spin it even in the Basketball Courts. Always open to suggestions and complaints from his juniors, he can talk sense into the wildest brats and make them see wisdom. He will surely be missed by the College & Section.

Keep smiling, Khsitij...

CADET NCO VIKAS BHARADWAJ

This 'Pandit' Cadet, hailing from

the State of Bihar has always displayed his outstanding talent in Quizzing. He didn't fail to bring laurels to the College even at the National level. An exceptional Hockey Player, the College Team will always miss him.

Way to go, Vikas...

CADET ABHASH KUMAR JHA

This Cadet has always made his actions speak louder than words. Be it the Soccer Field, on the Athletics Tracks or at the Basketball Courts, he's all out to prove himself. His hardworking nature and 'never say die' attitude will always be remembered by the Section.

'Shabash Abhash...'

CADET SECTION COMMANDER

KUSHAGRA MISHRA

This 'UP ka Chora' never failed to set the tracks on fire. Flaunting his Blazer at 'Socials', he also led the Section in Basketball and Swimming. This Junior Hockey Goalkeeper will always be missed by various College Teams.

Sky is the limit, Kushagra...

CADET NCO JAGDEEP NARAYAN

This 'Rubber Band of the College' never failed to give a 'demo' of any PT Activity. He has also brought laurels to the College at the Delhi Horse Show. This ruthless senior has always managed to horrify his juniors. 'Bread pakodas' and 'tea shares' will be deserted in his absence.

Hasta La Vista, Jagdeep...

ADDIO

Much before when I had actually started jotting down these lines, I asked myself as to why on earth this has to happen? Why can't we all just stay together for life and enjoy the way we do. The only answer is "Life has to move on". Every Course is unique, and so are we 'The Invincibles'. The epithet itself speaks of our spirit and 'josh' that we all have. All these five years have been a non-stop journey and this journey has made all the difference from what we were to what we are now. Only a few

fortunate lot come to this 'Heaven On Earth' and make friends who will stand by you always, who are more than brothers and will help you all your life. Just a few more days and we all will be on the other side of the fence, cherishing our memories of our beloved School, from running outside Anterooms after dinner to watching movies when rest of the world has fallen asleep, from running behind a packet of chips to charging on a birthday cake, these memories will

always remain alive and so will the brotherhood amongst us all. RIMC is great and in the heart of each one of us pervades this feeling. We are thankful for every single priceless thing that RIMC has given us. Like every other VA, I also do feel nostalgic and for the past few days, the bond has only grown thicker ... But then, as I say, life has to move on and so shall we ...

CADET ABHASH JHA 180TH COURSE



Cadet Captain Devesh Writes . . .

I happily sit to pen down my first write up. The very first one and that too 'From The Cadet Captain's Pen'. But, regrettably, it is the last one I ever can as a RIMCO now.

Five years in this place have been, the most amazing five years of my life till now.

Five years back when the innocent little boy walked in these 'hallowed portals', the glory and heritage that surrounded was quite ostensible. Maybe, he had just realized that he will have to leave the side of his parents and even that was

much too difficult for him. He was unaware of life welcoming him. Today I stand at a place, just about to go to the other side of the fence. I believe I have lived these five years to the best I can, and so should you. Yes, these five years were tough, but the company of my brothers made it much easier. Yes, these five years were fun, but my brothers made it merrier.

Two things that I want to say to each one of you. First is, give your 100% in whatever you do at the moment. Do not distract yourself with the thoughts of

tomorrow. If you do well now, the next moment will definitely bring joy to you. On the Fields, focus on your game and not on books. But as soon as you step into the Temple of Academics, no thought other than your Academics should churn in your brain. This way, you will be able to maintain a balance between Sports and Books. Secondly, whenever you achieve less than your capabilities anywhere, you must not underestimate your strength, rather, you must make yourself ready for the next event, next battle and ensure

that you are victorious. And this way, the graph of your improvement will rise higher and higher. A legacy was handed down to me by my predecessors to be safeguarded and preserved which, I think I have done to the best of my abilities and now it's time for you to take over from me.

ADIEU and ICH DIEN!

**CADET CAPTAIN
DEVESH RATHAUR
180TH COURSE**



DAWN ON DEBATING HORIZON

Four Cadets - Cadets Agam Sharma, Ripunjay Naithani, Abhimanyu Singh and Adhija, accompanied by Mrs Rekha Negi and Dr Shyamsunder, left for Doon School on 9th and 10th of November for the first ever Juniors English Debating Society (JEDs) Invitational Cup.

The Topic for the first Debate was 'This House Will not get Worked Up On Climate Change' in which RIMC stood against Welham Boys'. It was a well contested Debate in which RIMC emerged victorious by a

unanimous decision. The Second Topic was, 'This House Will Worship Money' in which RIMC was proposing the Motion and Saint Josephs' Academy was opposing the Motion. RIMC Team did their best but lost. In the Third Round, RIMC was pitted against The Doon School Team-A on the Topic, 'This House Will Caution Its Children Against Reading Fairy Tales'. In this Debate, RIMC fought tooth and nail, yet, The Doon School got the better of them, and RIMC lost again. The fourth and last

Debate of the Preliminary Round was a prepared Topic which was 'This House Will Not Extend Celebrity Status to Sportsperson'. In this Debate, RIMC put their best foot forward but again lost against The Doon School Team-B. In the Preliminary First Round, Cadet Agam was declared the Most Promising Speaker. In the Second Round, Cadet Ripunjay was given the Most Promising Speaker Award. In the Third Round, Cadet Agam was awarded the Best Speaker

Award. When all hopes were lost, The Doon School Team-B dropped out as promised and gave the Cadets a second chance by letting them into the Semi-Finals. And in this Round, RIMC again was pitted against The Doon School Team-A on the Topic, 'This House Will Not Question Its Elders', and RIMC was to oppose. When all thought it was the D-day for RIMC, the Team bounced back and did a splendid job in that Round to emerge victorious with Cadet Ripunjay bagging the Best Speaker and Cadet Agam the Most Promising Speaker Awards. The Final was against Welham Boys' once again, who defeated St Joseph's Academy. The Topic on the floor for the Final Round was, 'This House Would Ban Advertisements Aimed At Children'. The Cadets planned their strategy for they were opposing once again. They were eloquent and with their expressive rhetoric, did exceedingly well to get the JEDI Cup for the College. In the Finals, Cadet Ripunjay was awarded the Most Promising Speaker. The Juniors Team did a marvelous job and held the RIMC Flag aloft.

**CADET ADHIJA VENKATESH
CLASS III**

SPARKLES OF DELIGHT

Diwali, the Festival of Lights was celebrated by the cadets on 29th and 30th of October with the never ending 'josh' and enthusiasm. On 29th, the cadets displayed stalls, with engrossing games and music. It was

delightful to see the various and different ideas which metamorphosized into attractive games. The presence of the MOS added colours to the fun apart from getting some hard cash for the cadets. Good cheer and joy pervaded the grounds. The stalls remained 'open' for an hour after which the cadets went to change in their Muftis and then 'sweat it out' in the grand DJ night. After that, the cadets feasted over the 'royal meal' provided in the Mess. The

cadets had their fill and went to bed, excited for what lay ahead.

On 30th, the cadets went to the Temple for 'Pooja' after having a scrumptious breakfast at 0845 hours. To the cadets' delight, they were given a chance to go on 'Leave Out' with parents and local guardians. All the cadets who were unable to go spent their time with MOS. After the 'Leave Out' and 'Roll Call', the cadets left for the Pavilion to enjoy the night to the fullest. The cadets burst crackers for a long

time in the fields and enjoyed. There were lots of delicious snacks and the meal was delectable. After having their meal, not to forget the soft drinks and snacks, they retired to bed.

These two days came as a welcome break and helped all of us let our hair down.

**CADET ADITYA SINGH RANA
CLASS I**

QUIZZING IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

A Team of 3 cadets, namely Cadets Shubham Kumar, Aniket Kashyap and Ravi Kumar left for the Third Colonel Shashi Memorial Inter School Quiz along with Mr PK Sharma, OIC, Quizzing Hobby and some budding Quizzers of the College, on 5 November at 1645 hours. We reached Cambrian Hall, next

door in barely few minutes and got ourselves registered. The Quiz hosted by Dr KK Sharma, a renowned Quizzer of the Valley, at Cambrian Hall was an exciting and enriching one. The Quiz was divided into two phases. A group of 17 Teams from 16 schools had participated in the Preliminary Phase. 6 Teams

finally qualified for the Finals, namely Summer Valley, Doon International, Kendriya Vidhyalaya FRI, St Joseph's, APS Birpur, and RIMC. We were glad to know that the Chief Guest of the evening was Colonel Vivek Sharma, Commandant RIMC. There was a stiff competition between all the

Teams. RIMC was leading till the Fifth Round but by the end of the Fifth Round, RIMC landed up on Third position. The First Position was bagged by St Joseph's and Runners Up was APS, Birpur. It was a great learning experience for the entire RIMC Quiz Team.

**CADET SHUBHAM KUMAR
CLASS V**



It just takes one hour for a Quiz to end but to make it happen entails time, resources and

energy. It has been an integral part of the RIMC Curriculum and cadets take keen interest in it.

This time, the First Round of Inter-Section Quiz Competition was conducted on 14 September in which Chandragupta Section was leading, followed by Ranjit, Pratap and Shivaji. The Second Round was conducted on 26 October. It consisted of eight rounds, filled with challenges to one's mind. It turned the table and led Ranjit Section to victory with an overall score of 134 points, Chandragupta Section stood Second, scoring 132 points, followed by Pratap and Shivaji respectively. The Team of Quiz Masters comprised Mr

Birjesh Chauhan, Mr Keshav Anand, Dr Shayamsunder, Mrs Rekha Negi and Mrs T Khatoun. Overall coordination was done by Mr PK Sharma and Mr T Selven. The questions asked in the Quiz were very enlightening and interesting too for all age groups. Overall, it was a good and motivating infotainment for the cadets.

**CADET RUTURAJ BDALE
CLASS III**

PUGILISTS PAR EXCELLENCE

"If your base is strong then the building will definitely be beautiful." Cadets are given proper training of whatever sport they play, so that their basics never fall weak in future.

This Term, the RIMCOLLIANS cum GCs at IMA rocked the Boxing Ring with their knocking performances. After all, their tenets were in place. With an exemplary Medal Tally, they

really kept the RIMC name high. The glittering Goldies were: BCA Abhishek Kundlia(Light Weight) Sgt Avinash Chetty(Bantam Weight) GC Ligang Kobing(56-60kg) GC Banathia(60-64kg). Shining like Silver GC V Lalremdika, GC Khumanlamba and with earthy Bronze, JUO Raushan Kumar also did us proud. GC Ligang Kobing bettered the tally further by

clinching the Best Boxer Trophy. Hope that they keep doing well, motivating the present RIMCO family to follow their path to excellence.

BESTIES!!!!

**CADET ABHIMANYU SINGH
CADET SUKHBIR SINGH
CLASS III**



ACHIEVEMENT REITERATED

The 70th District Athletics Meet was held on 5 and 6 of November at the RIMC. The Chief Guest for the Opening Ceremony of the Meet was Lt Gen SK Saini SM, VSM*, Commandant IMA. The inception of the Meet was marked by the marching of the contingents of various schools, further it was followed by the PT Display. After the Meet was announced OPEN, the events began. The events were categorized as Girls Section and Boys Section which further had different categories, namely, U-12 U-14, U-16, U-18, U-20 and Opens. RIMCOs kept the spirit high by winning medals at each and every event. The first Gold Medal for RIMC was

bagged by Cadet Ravi Ranjan. Something special about the present Athletics Meet was that we won the overall Trophy due to the combined effort of both Field and Track Athletes. Again the Closing Ceremony was marked by March Past in which the Rimcos manifested great improvement compared to that of the Opening Ceremony. Cadet Lucky Singh won the Best Athlete Trophy in the U-14 Category. RIMC went on to become the Overall Champions bagging the U-14 Category. We also won the Best March Past Trophy in the Men's Category. This was the sixth time when RIMC won the overall Cup. The Chief Guest for the Closing Ceremony was Mr Ashok Kumar, ADG Uttarakhand Police.

NAME	EVENT	MEDAL
Under 14		
Cdt Lucky Singh	Long Jump	Gold
	100 mtrs	Silver
Cdt Aman Mishra	600 mtrs	Gold
Cdt Abhishek Pundir	600 mtrs	Silver
Cdt Ayush Agnihotri	Shot put	Bronze
Relay Team	4X100 mtrs	Silver
Under 16		
Cdt Ajay Jadon	100 mtrs	Gold
	200 mtrs	Bronze
Cdt Abuzar Jaffery	Javelin	Silver
Cdt Dayne	800 mtrs	Silver
Cdt VL Zuala	Discus	Silver
	Shot put	Bronze
Cdt Gaurav Prakash	High Jump	Bronze
Cdt Andy	800 mtrs	Bronze
Relay Team	4X100 mtrs	Silver
Under 18		
Cdt Ajay Singh	High Jump	Gold
Cdt Aryan Ahluwalia	Long Jump	Silver
Cdt L Sailo	Shot put	Bronze
Cdt Akash Rathore	800 mtrs	Bronze
Under 20		
Cdt Koustubh Rao	High Jump	Silver
Cdt Anirudh Sudan	800 mtrs	Silver
Cdt Anurudh PS Chauhan	800 mtrs	Bronze
Cdt Anmol Chandra	Long Jump	Bronze
Relay Team	4X100 mtrs	Bronze
Men's		
Cdt L Sailo	Discus	Gold
Cdt Akash Rathore	800 mtrs	Gold
Cdt Ajay Singh	High Jump	Gold
Cdt Ravi Ranjan	200 mtrs	Gold
Cdt VL Zuala	Discus	Silver
	Shot put	Silver
Cdt Gaurav Prakash	400 mtrs	Bronze
Cdt Koustubh Rao	High Jump	Bronze
Cdt Akash Rathore	1500 mtrs	Bronze

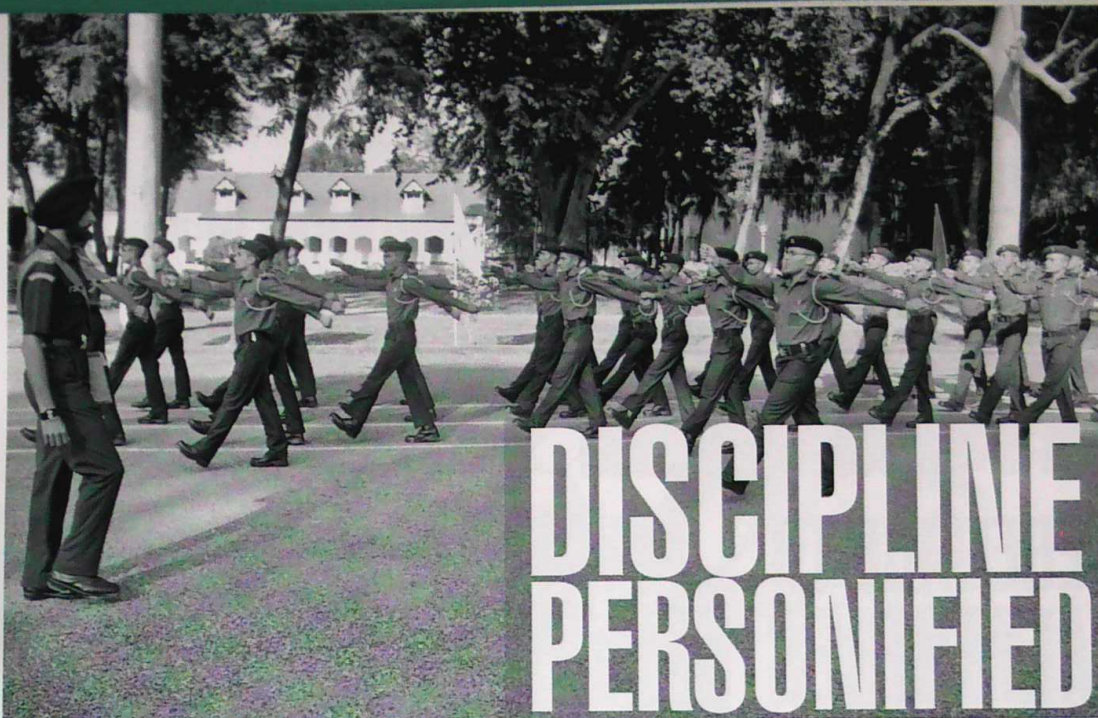
CADET AFRID AFROZ, CLASS II
CADET PRATHAM SINGH, CLASS IA

SEQUEL TO GORKHA HISTORY



On 27th of October, all the cadets of Class V and Journalism CLUB attended the Book Launch of the Book, 'GORKHA SOCIETY AND POLITICS', written by Rimcollian, Brig CS Thapa. We reached the venue which was Inderlok Hotel, where we were greeted by Brig CS Thapa who made us comfortable. The cadets were also delighted to meet Col Mangain and Ma'am, who had also come to witness the Book Launch. At 1000 hrs, the interview started with the arrival of the Chief Guest, Mr Upadhyay, the Ambassador from Nepal. After the interview, the cadets had a healthy discussion and a photography session with the Chief Guest which ended with mouth watering snacks and tea, laid out in the garden of the hotel. The cadets also interacted with Mr Ajit, the Principal, Kasiga School, who invited the cadets for the tennis matches going to be held in November. After an interesting session, the cadets reached the Campus at 1315 hrs, energetic enough to perform for their Sections in the Inter Section Drill Competition held that very evening.

CADET HARSHVARDHAN GUPTA
CLASS II



Drill is a part and parcel of the Armed Forces. The Defence Personnel can be easily distinguished from the rest by their prowess at Drill. RIMC is the training house of future Officers, where Drill is given major attention. Keeping this in mind, every year, Inter Section Drill Competition is held at the RIMC. This time, Drill Competition was held on

27th of October. From 25th October, the cadets could be seen with DMS on their feet and were found practising vigorously in the Parade Ground. After two days of intense practice, finally the day arrived when in the squad of 37, all the Sections were ready to stomp the Parade Ground with their feet. There was a Kit Inspection held in the morning in which the Instructors

of IMA checked the kit standards of the cadets. The shaped berets and shining shoes of the cadets impressed them. They were more impressed when in the afternoon, they saw the cadets marching proudly and giving in their 100% for their Sections. The cadets of RIMC displayed a great show of Drill, making everybody in the audience proud of them. The overall

standings of the Sections were:

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

CADET SUKHBIR SINGH
CLASS III

WELCOME ON BOARD



CDR GIRIRAJ JOSHI

Cdr Joshi (125 Course RIMC) Passed Out of college in Dec 90. An alumni of the NDA and the Naval College of Engineering, Cdr Giriraj Joshi joined the league of our elite Members of Staff on 16th of October 2016. He has been an Aeronautical Engineer in IL38SD and MIG29K. He has also done his MTech from IIT Madras and PGDMS from Bajaj Institute of Mgt Studies. He is currently pursuing Doctoral Program at IIM Kashipur. He will be handling Maths and Physics of senior classes. With his kind of professional and academic qualifications, the cadets are sure to do wonders.

MR SUDHIR BADONI

Mr Sudhir Badoni did his schooling from Dehradun and thereafter, completed his B.Sc in Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics from Sikkim Manipal University. He is a CTET qualified teacher and is pursuing Masters in Mathematics from Alagappa University, Tamil Nadu. He has also taught children in many academies like PYDS, Shigally Hill International and the Doon International. He has bagged many awards in his teaching career and in the field of sports too. In 2014-15, he got the Best Mentor Award at the Shigally Hill Academy and won many certificates in sports too.

We welcome both the MOS to the RIMC Fold!



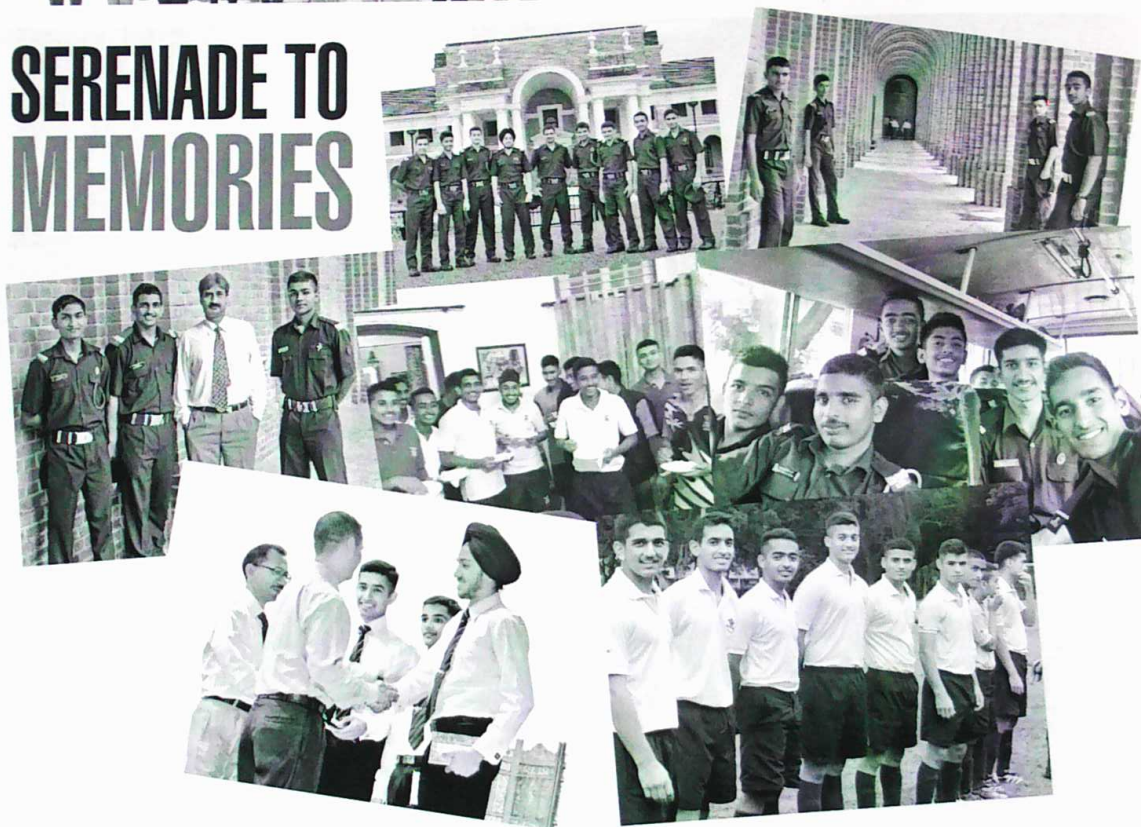


ADVOCATING KINSHIP

Operation Sadbhavana, an initiative of the Indian Army and part of an educational tour for a contingent of 25 girl students from far flung areas of Assam studying in Classes IX & X, along with two lady teachers, visited Doon from 9 to 13 November. The tour was conducted by Golden Key Division with a view

to providing the children an exposure to the rich cultural diversity of India and motivating them to join the Defence Services. This contingent was Flagged Off from Bongaigaon in Assam on 1 Nov 2016. The Group visited the RIMC on 11 Nov 2016.

SERENADE TO MEMORIES



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