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REFLECTIONS

"Employ your time in improving yourself by other men's writings so that you shall come easily by what others have labored hard for."

Socrates

Editorial

As the dark cold winter spread its blanket over the valley, everything except the high spirits of the cadets seemed to be inert. The term ended for the winter break with a jubilant show put up by the cadets for the Passing Out course on their Graduation Day. Sure, they would remember their Alma Mater and will continue to do well as they did in their Board Exams and NDA merit list. Adieu 172!!!

2013 knocked at the door of RIMC with a bang. Firstly, the hundred percent UPSC NDA written results by 173rd Spartans and then an excellent Xth and XIIth Board results set the spirits roaring. Heavy rain and hail welcomed the 255 warriors back to their home.

"If winter comes, can spring be far behind?" 25 young boys with high spirits left their comfortable beds at home, to join the RIMC fraternity. With Col H.S. Bainsla, SM, taking over as the new Commandant in the fresh term, everyone at RIMC is hoping to achieve greater heights in the forth coming years.

Every morning I gaze out of the window of my room. My vision is blurred by the dense fog and my cozy bed allures me. But then the image of 65 young people churns me and I am left with a question. "Is that what my seniors did when I was sitting among those 65 people?"

I get my answer and I move on as I recall these lines.....

"Miles to go before I Sleep"

Cadet Section Commander
Ravi Pathak

CONGRATULATIONS! 173rd COURSE



Kudos the 173rd ! You inspire, motivate and lead the way for the courses to come.

DATE LINE

- | | |
|--------|---|
| 17 Jan | - Wreath Laying Ceremony Commandant's Special assembly Tabbing Ceremony |
| 18 Jan | - Chess Open Commences |
| 19 Jan | - Col HS Bainsla, SM (1980-1984, Ranjit) takes over as Commandant |
| 24 Jan | - Squash Open Commences |
| 26 Jan | - Republic Day Celebration |
| 28 Jan | - Cadets vs Staff Cricket Match Class I vs Class IA Cricket Match |
| 31 Jan | - Visit to Institutions & Military Formation |

RANJIT SECTION



LALRIUAWWA SAILO

This boy is from Aizawal, Mizoram. He is an accomplished musician. He loves to play the guitar and is also good in sports particularly soccer. Get going Sailo!



HARSH RANA

This comrade from Roorkee, Uttarakhand is a great sport enthusiast. He is an all rounder who enjoys and takes pleasure in whatever he does. Miles to go... Harsh.



SHASHANK SAUMYA

This ever-smiling face from Patna, Bihar is a voracious reader. He is an aspiring Sachin Tendulkar. Best of luck Shashank!



ADITYA SHARMA

This boy from Assam is an avid Bird Watcher. He aspires to be a rider, he loves to play chess and badminton. All the best Aditya....



RAJDEEP PAUL

This lad from Agartala, Tripura is a great academican. He loves playing basketball and chess. He aspires to scale great heights. He loves reading novels as well. Way to go... Rajdeep!



VIVEK YADAV

This young boy from Haryana is an ace shooter. He aims to become a great sportsperson at RIMC. Go ahead, Vivek!



HRIDYN SH RAVI SHARMA

This lad from Jammu is a great enthusiast. He loves to listen songs and read books. He wants to hone his skills in hockey and basketball. Godspeed Ravi!

PRATAP SECTION



PURU SARASWAT

This Rajasthani boy is an epitome of "Height Kam and Josh Zyada". His keen interest in hockey is sure to take him a long way. God speed Puru!



ANIRUDH SINGH

This lad from Jammu-Kashmir is a state level shooter. His talent in shooting is sure to take him a long way. Best of luck, Anirudh



RISHABH GUPTA

This Pratapan is a keen academican. He is interested in hockey. With this talent he is sure to earn a place in college hockey team. Good going, Rishabh



PARTH NIMBALKAR

This small boy hailing from Maharashtra is a keen academican. He is interested in Badminton. Good Going! Parth



AKASH RATHAUR

This Partapan is a classical singer. He is interested in football and chess. We wish him best of luck for his stay here.



KAUSTABH RAO

This little boy from Andhra is a state level quizzer. He is sure to make his mark in cricket as well. Long way Kaustabh!



ARYAN AHLUWALIA

This boy hailing from Chandigarh is a good cricketer and a budding bowler. We wish him best of luck for his stay here. Godspeed, Aryan!

CHANGE OF COMMAND : RIMC

Col HS Bainsla, SM (1980-1984, Ranjit)
took over as Commandant, RIMC on 19 Jan 2013.

Col Pankaj K Kumaria (1975-80, Shivaji)
has been posted as Col GS (IS) HQ 33 Corps.



SHOOTING REPORT

Four cadets of RIMC namely, Cadet Akash Yadav , Cdt Sec Com Ravi Pathak, Cadet NCO Prathemesh Kohale and Cdt Atul Tiwari participated in the 56th National Shooting Competition held in Delhi from 20 December to 30 December. They were accompanied by Hav Kapil Tomar and Hon Capt Ashok Shahi. Cadet Sec Com Akash Yadav took part in 10m Air Rifle men and 50m 22 Rifle men event where as Cdt Sec Com Ravi Pathak, Cadet NCO Prathemesh Kohale and Cdt Atul Tiwari took part in the 10m Air Pistol men event. It was an exhilarating experience as Cadets did exceedingly well in the Youth category. Cadet Atul Tiwari Ranked 20 with the Score of 550/600. The College team also got a hands on experience of operating imported Air Rifle. During the competition they stayed at Vayusenabad Air Force Station. Overall, it was a wonderful experience as the Cadets got a chance to meet the epitome of Shooting including Abhinav Bindra, Col RS Rathore, Sub Maj Vijay Kumar and Gagan Narang all cadets qualified for the upcoming Nationals with their qualifying scores. It was a good chance for the cadets to compare themselves with other national shooters.

Cadet Atul Tiwari
Class IV

I AM A BOOK

Available in different types and looks

Is a good pass time for all.

Always beside him as a companion

I never have any demand

Yet ready to help on a man's command

Never did I ever complain

Be it a novel or a holy book of a saint.

I'm a store house of knowledge

Be for school ,institute or a college.

Sometimes I'm filled with laughter,

Though most of the times, giving a message thereafter

From a child to an old man who is illiterate

I never make them irritate

Some people think I am erratic and disapproving,

For my help is useful for those

Who want to do a good thinking..... !!

Cadet Amul Rawal

Class III

NIM REPORT

The College organized the NIM Adventure Course for the cadets from 1 Dec to 15 Dec 2012. This time, a total of 20 cadets opted for this tough and adventurous course. They left for NIM on the morning of 30 November and reached Uttarkashi at around four in the evening. AT NIM, they spent most of the time in places like Oyali and Tekhia. Various techniques like rock craft, bush craft and water craft were taught to them. A number of competitions were also organized like OT, X-Country, Spot Climbing etc. RIMC cadets did extremely well with Cdt Salman bagging the Gold in OT and in X-Country, Cdt Prasad bagging the Silver in Spot Climbing and Bronze in OT. It was an extremely satisfying and enriching experience. They are indebted to the College administration for having given them this opportunity.

Cadet Raghav Vaid

Class II A

THIS CRUEL WORLD

In this world you will see,

Some people are rough and others are might,

No chance for you to claim you are right.

You will be crushed under their toes,

Don't mind any of their woes,

For them you are like a rose.

Fresh and useful till they want you to be

They are actually in search of a bigger tree.

That too will be cut down soon you see,

None is entertained here you will see,

An adventure is left alone to be....

A well wisher if you are,

Then higher and tougher,

Will be your bar,

These are the facts my friend,

One can't deny but only see if not followed

You will be laughed at, in a glee.

Cadet Karan Bainsla

Class III

MOTHER MINE

She fed me when I was a baby,

She changed my diapers,

She worked day and night just for me,

She scolded me when I was wrong,

She taught me the right path,

She donated all her time,

She's always there beside me to support me,

She's my everything and the best thing of my life,

This one's for you, dear mom of mine

Cadet C Lalliansanga

Class II

NEW THEORY OF THE WORLD BEING ROUND

There are many theories given by various explorers and scientists about the world being round or sphere. But as a personal experience, it is very hard to assimilate all those theories, and to make it easy for the new generation coming up as a new theory which is like this:

Water is in a pot
Pot is in kitchen
The kitchen is in a house
The house is in the town
The town is in the city
The city is in the state
The state is in the country
The country is in the continent
The continent is in the land
The land is on water
So from equation (i)
Water is in a pot
I.e. everything is in a pot
And pot is round as well as a sphere,
So world is round and sphere



Cadet Ishaan Sharma
Class IIA

MORNING PT

Get up for PT,
Brush and change, all in whites,
Fall in, in the PT field,
Filled with josh and thrill.

After the break off,
Awaiting the order to form up,
To run up, a 400m round,
And warm up our soul.

For chest touch, moving to beams,
And fall in, there in threes.
Pulling the beams with all our might,
Taking the advantage of being light.

To keep our body warmed up,
Touching the end and back,
And running on the 100 m track,
Moving to hang on the chin-up bars,
To show others the capacity of ours.

Coming on to the Ropes,
Trying our best,
To live up to our seniors' hopes,
At the end, the whistle blows,
And this is how the Morning PT goes.

Cadet Chinmay Goyal
Class II

WHILST YOU WERE AWAY**CADETS' RELATED NEWS**● **Board Results**

- (a) Class X. 22 Cadets appeared and have passed in First Division. Cadet Mohd Salman stood 1st with an aggregate of 94%. All cadets secured more than 74%.
- (b) Class XII. 23 Cadets appeared in the examination and all have passed in first division. Cadet Shantanu Mohan stood 1st with 89% marks.

● **UPSC Merit List**

In the NDA Merit list, the cadets secured six positions in the first ten. The individual rankings are as under: -

| Name | UPSC MERIT LIST |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| AKSHAY CHUGH | 1 |
| SHANTANU MOHAN | 4 |
| PRATYUSH KUMAR MOHANTY | 5 |
| NISHANT KUMAR RANA | 6 |
| ABHISHEK KUNDLIA | 10 |

● **UPSC NDA Results**

UPSC NDA written exam result was declared on 28 Dec 2012.

- 20 cadets attended the 187 Adventure Course at NIM, Uttarkashi from 01 Dec to 15 Dec 2012.
- 17 cadets attended the 187 Adventure Course at HMI, in Darejeeling from 20 Dec to 03 Jan 2013.

● **Admission.**

23 New Cadets joined on 14 Jan 2013. We wish them all the success.

● **COLLEGE RELATED NEWS**

Workshop for Masters.

Workshop on Life skills was conducted on 11 Jan and 12 Jan 2013 for all the Masters of RIMC.

GOOD TIDINGS CONTINUED :

RIMCOLLIANS' RELATED NEWS

- The awards bagged by Rimcollians of the 120 NDA Course are as under :-



BCC Bhojpal Sakya.

President's Gold Medal

- Best Army Cadet
- Best in Overall Academics
- Best in Social Science Stream

Cdt V Dani

- Best in Tactics
- Bayonet Pin

Cdt Praveen Mishra

- Best Army Spl Service

INDIAN MILITARY ACADEMY - POP (June-2012)

BUO Sandeep Kumar Yadav • President's Silver Medal

PROMOTIONS

**APPROVED FOR
AVM to Air Mshl**

AVM C Hari Kumar, VM, VSM (1971-75, CHA)

Col to Brig

Col H Dharmarajan, SM (1978-82, CHA)

Lt Col to Col

Lt Col Mandeep Grewal, VSM (1984-90, CHA)

Lt Col Anshuman Narang (1987-93, RAN)

Lt Col Dhiraj Ramanand (1987-93, RAN)

Lt Col Sanjay Kannooh (1987-93, RAN)

AWARDS TO RIMCOLLIAN

Shaurya Chakra (SC)

Maj Himanshu Panwar (1991-95, RAN)

YSM

Brig Shivender Singh, YSM (1974-79, PRA)

Bar to VSM

Maj Gen B S Negi, YSM, SM, VSM* (1970-74, CHA)

VSM

Maj Gen KM Balsara, SM, VSM (1968-73, SHI)

Maj Gen Rajiv Mishra, VSM (1972-76, RAN)

Col Vivek Singh, VSM (1983-89, RAN)

COURSES

NDC

Brig NK Khanduri (1975-79, CHA)

Brig AS Bhinder

MAY YOU ACHIEVE GREATER HEIGHTS IN THE FUTURE !

A PANDEMONIUM

Incidents like beheading of the two soldiers on the LOC and the gruesome manner in which a girl is sexually assaulted has shocked and anguished all Indians. But despite everything that has happened and all the responses that have come; there is a strange omission.

While the Common call it corruption, our leaders are adamant on proving it to be a slow strategic move for justice and what is even more sad is that Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh, who has been a determined votary of better ties with Pakistan and who once spoke about breakfast in Lahore and lunch in Kabul has now started competing with BJP leader Sushma Swaraj in playing to the gallery. His statement that "it cannot be business as usual with Pakistan " is word for word a total contradiction of his own self.

Presently what India is facing is a condition of utter chaos and turmoil where there is no evading the fact that despite all sorts of upliftment programs and schemes, the only sufferer of the constant hike in fuel and food prices is the lower middle class Indian.

Ours is an ironically diverse country where we have a generation that condemns corruption and another that think it to be its responsibility and honour to indulge in it. On the one hand we talk about eradicating social evils and on the other we are the sole representatives of Khap Panchayats, ready to fall to any limits in case something is said against the will of our sect. People are unable to admit that they are now living in a brutalized society where their children are growing up to become amoral machines of violence. Just to borrow a term from the medical profession, we are in the middle of what doctors call the golden hour, the first hour after a road accident, in which there is a possibility of setting things right for the victim. Get it wrong now and it can only get worse from here.

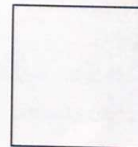
Cadet Abdul Malik
Class III A

OBITUARY

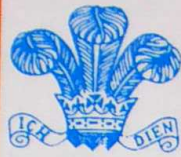
Wg Cdr SK Mehra (1945-50 Shivaji)
We offer our profound condolence to the bereaved family.
May God give them the strength to bear the irreparable loss.

Book Post

To : _____



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“Nostalgia is like a grammar lesson: you find the present tense, but the past perfect! Things that were hard to bear are sweet to remember.”



Tête-à-Tête

with Cadet Captain Ligang Kobing

Cadets Watandeeep Singh Sidhu and Manvendra Dubey interviewed the Cadet Captain on his iconic triumphs in various fields. We bring to you an excerpt:

- WSS:** Winning two gold medals in the recently held Dehradun District Athletic Meet was a great landmark achievement for you. So, whom do you hold responsible for making an athlete out of you?
- CC:** It were the seniors who recognized my talent. I first tried for short sprints. I was not very good at it. When in my Class II, I won a Silver Medal in X-country, one of my seniors, Lalit Thapliyal told me to try for 400m and 800m. That was the turning point in my life. And so, I attribute all my success to him.
- MD:** Who has been your role model if we talk about athletics?
- CC:** My role models have been Lalit Thapliyal and Bhojpal Sakya. They inspired me tremendously to recognize my talents and helped me throughout. They were very good at Athletics and I have always wanted to be like them.
- WSS:** What role has RIMC played in making you an athlete?
- CC:** In RIMC, seniors motivate a lot by performing on track. The Administration also gave everything that was needed. The infrastructure, the facilities were all given here only. I was never an athlete before coming to RIMC and I don't think I could have been one, if I would not have been here.
- MD:** How was your experience of being the College Athletics Team Captain in the District Athletics?

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 Final
- 11 Feb :** Inter Section Cricket Competition begins
- 19 Feb :** Inter Section Cricket Competition Finals
- 20 Feb :** Inter Section Shooting Competition begins
- 22 Feb :** Inter Section Shooting Competition Finals
- 26 Feb :** Novices Boxing Competition
- 27 Feb :** First Round of Inter Section Quiz Competition
- 08 Mar :** Semi Finals of Inter Section Boxing Competition

CC: I was very proud of myself as I felt that I had done my Alma Mater proud. There was no pressure at all on me because work was divided. Everyone co-operated with each other. In all, it was a very good experience.



WSS: To whom would you give credit for conquering the District Athletics Title?

CC: I would give all the credit to the Team for our success. They were always there for practice; they worked very hard and were never half hearted while doing it.

WSS: There must have been a time when you lost. How did you cope with loss?

CC: My biggest loss was when I lost in X-country in my Class IV. I had done a lot better during practices but on the last day, my timing fell short of my expectations. But I never took it as a setback. I never thought of it again but always thought of what was to be done next.

MD: What advice would you give to the budding athletes of the College?

CC: They should see in what field are they good at and practise hard for it. They should make the most of what is available to them. The seniors should pass their skills to their juniors and try to motivate them as much as possible.

Achievements GALORE

Rimcos and Rimcollians have never missed any chance in proving their mettle. This year, the stats were even better as they took not only Dehradun but also the State by storm. They excelled in all the four 'A's, namely, Athletics, Academics, Adventure and Arts.

JANUARY TERM 2012



- **Gen JJ Singh Shooting Competition :** Cadets went on to compete with trained soldiers, Army Commands and the Defence Academy with Cadet Mani Shankar Raj bagging a Silver Medal.
- **Welham Boys' Maths Quiz :** Cadets Gaurav Kumar, Pranjal Thakur and Purnendu bagged the Second Position.
- **Welham Girls' Hindi Debate :** Cadets Amit Rai, Saurabh Shukla and Rishav Raj proved to be the Best Debating Team of the Valley.
- **Miss Russell's Inter School Quiz :** Cadets Prakhar Kaushik, Aditya Kalsotra and Abhijit played a close buzzer round and came Second in a tie-breaker.
- **Hugh Catchpole English Debates and RIMC Challenge Quiz :** The Cadets performed exceedingly well and bagged both the Trophies.

JULY TERM 2012

- **Summer Valley English Debate** : Cadets Kumar Vikram and Rishav Raj displayed their eloquence bagging the Trophy for the College.
- **Jaspal Rana State Shooting Championship** : Cadets made a clean sweep in all the categories winning the Overall Trophy for the fifth consecutive time.
- **Scindia School Hindi Debates** : Cadets Amit Rai, Saurabh Shukla and Hemant Poonia reiterated their supremacy in the field of Hindi Debating.
- **Dehradun District Athletic Meet** : A phenomenal victory was savoured by the cadets when they won the Overall Championship hauling medals in all the categories.



- **Adventure** : The cadets underwent an all round training by under taking various adventure courses and honing their outdoor skills. They went for the Siachen Trek, Andaman Naval Trip and NIM Adventure Course.

The year 2012 has been an excellent year as far as achievements are concerned and the cadets have performed exceedingly well. From setting the track at Doon School on fire to the triumph at the Hopetown Cultural Fest, the cadets returned to the College with a number of new feathers in their cap and with new aspirations to achieve new benchmarks.

Tit Bits

Feb 2013

Inter Section English Debate: Shivaji Section began the Term on a winning note by lifting the Inter Section English Debate Trophy. It was a keenly contested debate and Ranjit, Pratap and Chandragupta Sections shared the second spot. Cadet Aman Vashisht and Cadet NCO Amit Kumar Rai were adjudged the Best Speakers in their respective categories.

Inter Section Cricket Competition: Pratap Section lifted the first Sports Cup of the Term, after a close fight with Ranjit and Shivaji Sections. Pratap clinched the Seniors Title while Ranjit demolished its opposition in Middles. Pratap Juniors were outstanding as they won all the three matches. Cadets Akshat Sharma, Dhruv Choudhary, Mayank Dhama, Devesh Rathore and Om Bawiskar deserve a special mention for their contributions to the Team.

Inter Section Shooting Competition: Pratap Section won the Second Sports Cup of the Term followed by Ranjit with Shivaji and Chandragupta sharing the third position. Cadet Captain Ligang Kobing and Cadet NCO Mani Shankar Raj won Gold Medals in their respective categories.

SPIC MACAY: On 23 Feb, SPIC MACAY organised a cultural evening at the RIMC. Students from Unison World School, Welham Girls', Cambrian Hall & Purkul Academy witnessed Mohiniattam performed by Padma Shri, Smt Bharti Shivaji.

Inter Section Variety Entertainment: Pratap Section outclassed all other sections, to lift the Inter Section Variety Entertainment Cup. They were followed by Chandragupta, Ranjit and Shivaji Sections respectively. Cadets Srestha Gupta, Tuhin Goswami and Stephen L deserve a special mention for brilliant individual performances.

First Round of Inter Section Quiz: Pratap and Chandragupta Sections lead the medals tally after the First Round of Inter Section Quiz Competition. It is held every Term in two stages. After a lot of ups and down, Ranjit was seen lagging behind with Shivaji Section trying to close the gap at the top.



Editorial



It is the darkest hour of the night. Everything is still. Nothing moves at this ungodly hour. The silence is deafening but there is something in the air. A wind of change is blowing, bringing with it fresh entrants and a truckload of new ideas. Suddenly, there is a crack on the horizon. The coldness and fog disappears instantaneously, replaced with a bright glow. The silence is shattered by the serene chirping of birds. Dawn has arrived, bringing with it a change demanded by the Nation.

Before continuing any further, I would heavily welcome the Old Boys and their families for the 91st Reunion. Having you here has always been a pleasure for us and we look forward to seeing you every year. This year we will be trying our best to make a difference and show you some things which we couldn't last year. So this time, you can sit back and revel in the memories of your College days.

23 left us last Term, ready to take up all the challenges of life, already 'tempered' at the 'Anvil of Life' as Prince Of Wales had thought of, when he inaugurated the College on this very day, 91 years ago. 21 new 'Flag Bearers' have arrived to carry on the Flag of RIMC into the next half of this decade. They are a dedicated lot and the expectations from them are very high. It has always been a tough task for the first termers, still aching for the comfort of their homes, not yet aware that this home will give them all the comforts of life, living up to the expectations of their families, friends and moreover, their respective sections, who expect them to perform, so that on 13th March, 2013, they are the ones to cheer "Who has done it? We have done it."

A lot has happened over the last year. The winds of change are certainly blowing over the College. The Command at the top has changed and with it many more things. Col HS Bainsla, SM, brought with him a determination to work upon the cadets and raise their standards to such a level that even in a crowd of thousands, a RIMCO would stand out. The College Teams have had a busy last year. From smashing records at the District Athletics Meet to outclassing the Best Debating Team in the country, they have reached a new pinnacle of success. But the best thing about them is, that they always take their achievements as a base and work harder to propel themselves to greater heights.

Cadet Vijayant Rana
Class III

Jestingly...

I learned three important things in College - to gorge on momos and scotch eggs, to cut bounds quickly and stealthily and to drop asleep at any time, given a horizontal surface and fifteen minutes.

BOOK POST

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Reflection

*Don't be afraid to stand for what you believe in,
even if that means standing alone.*



EDITORIAL

The euphoria of Reunion came to a grinding halt as the cadets plunged themselves into the rigour of study for their Mid-Term exam. With great zeal and enthusiasm, Holi was celebrated in the unique 'RIMCO' style. The Juniors immersed themselves into the true festive spirit with full zeal and zest. The cadets are back from their hikes, to take the remaining term head on. Basketball and Hockey fields were abuzz with practice sessions. Senior cadets are putting in their best for their UPSC and Board examinations. Class IIIA is also striving hard for their first-Board examinations. Spring is giving way to the scorching sun but The RIMCO's spirit outshines the sun. As I sit down on the Section stairs after a routine practice with section, I realize that there is hardly any time left to live and cherish these wonderful moments as a RIMCO. After all, time is nothing unless its a moment to remember. With nostalgia reigning supreme, I wish everyone 'All the Best' for the term ahead.

Long live RIMC!

Cadet Section Commander O Khumanlaba

DATELINE

- 12 March Hockey Match between Rimcollians XI Vs RIMC XI
Inter Section Boxing Finals
- 13 March Wreath Laying Ceremony
Cricket Match between Rimcollians XI and RIMC XI
Inter Section Riding Competition
- 16 March Mid Term Exams begin
- 23 March Mid Term Hikes commence
- 27 March Holi Celebration
- 10 April Inter Section Basketball Finals (Juniors & Middles)
- 16 April Inter Section Basketball Finals (Seniors)
- 16 April RIMC Inter School Challenge Quiz
- 17 & 18 April 8th Hugh Catchpole Inter School English Debates
- 23 April Inter Section Hockey Finals



The visit to Shimla, by 34 cadets of Class IIA accompanied by Mr Selvan and Dr Nalini will always be cherished. They visited Viceroy's Lodge, Rajput Regiment and the visit to Chandigarh proved to be an eye opener.



Mumbai-Pune Hike, the most sought after hike was an enjoyable experience for the cadets of Class III, who were accompanied by Maj Richardson. The meeting with the Old Boys at NDA shall always be remembered with joy. They also visited CME, Airforce Station and the cosmopolitan Mumbai. The ten days of the hike seemed to stretch into an unending era of enjoyment, adventure and a lot more with the beloved course mates.



Class IIIA visited Agra which holds great historical importance in India. 30 cadets in the company of Mr Shishupal and Mr Birjesh visited the Para Regiment and their visit to Taj Mahal, Agra fort and Fatehpur was indeed an adorable experience for them.



Class IV hike was an adventurous one as they got a chance to scale Nagtibba. Later the visit to Mussoorie with their Hike OIC, Mr Neeraj Negi was another wonderful experience for them.



The Pink- City, Jaipur, welcomed the cadets of Class IVA with showers of rain on the first day. In the company of Mrs. Rekha Negi and Mr UP Dalvi, the cadets visited 6 Madras Regiment and the visit to Amer Fort, Hawa Mahal, Jantar-Mantar, City Palace, Albert Hall and Jal Mahal gave a wonderful experience to the cadets. Each and every cadet misses the exhilarating experience of those beautiful five days and it will be cherished forever.



The hikes were a roaring success as they transformed us into wiser and enriched beings, equipping us for life.



Cadet Gaurav Kumar

Class IV A

BASKETBALL

Inter Section Basketball Competition was held from 6 to 16 April, 2013. It was played with full vigour and josh in three categories, namely, Juniors, Middles, and Seniors. The achievements of the cadets are as follows:



Juniors

| | |
|----------------|--------------------|
| Best Team | Shivaji |
| Highest Scorer | Cdt Devesh Rathore |
| Best Player | Cdt Devesh Rathore |

Middles

| | |
|----------------|-------------------|
| Best Team | Ranjit |
| Highest Scorer | Cdt Vijayant Rana |
| Best Player | Cdt Vijayant Rana |

Seniors

| | |
|----------------|---------------------|
| Best Team | Chandragupta |
| Highest Scorer | Cdt Aditya Kalsotra |
| Best Player | Cdt Aditya Kalsotra |

Overall Standings of the section are as under :-

- 1st - Chandragupta Section
- 2nd - Shivaji Section
- 3rd - Ranjit Section
- 4th - Pratap Section.

Cadet Yashasvee Raj
Class IV

IF YOU LEAVE ME

Time has been hard for us,
There hasn't been any more difficult
an hour,
If you leave me, I may
As well leave this world before my
soul devours.
Who will make cheer in bitter
mourns,
When I wake up alone?
If you leave me, breaking our vows,
Be it shame or disgust to be shown?
Many reasons we do have to blame,
Can I be the reason for this hurt?
As you are the only one I claim,
Amongst all other birds.
If you leave me, I'd be happiest to die.



Cadet B Liansanga
Class IIA

8TH HUGH CATCHPOLE INTER SCHOOL ENGLISH DEBATES



8th Hugh Catchpole Inter School English Debates were held at RIMC from 17 April to 18 April, 2013.

A total of 21 schools took part, namely, The Doon School, Welham Girls' School, St Joseph's Academy, Convent of Jesus and Mary, Unison World School, Summer Valley School, Mussoorie International, Wynberg Allen School, La Martiniere College for Boys (Lucknow and Kolkata), Sherwood College, Nainital, Auckland House, Bishop Cotton School, Shri Sai Vidya Bhawan, Vasant Valley, Rajmata, Jodhpur, Scindia School, Mayo College for Girls and the RIMC.

A total of 16 debates were contested over four rounds and for two consecutive days, in which the debaters exhibited prodigious maturity, adroit conviction and mellifluous articulation. The judges included prominent personalities from fields as diverse as medicine, art, academics, Defence & Social activism.

The teams that made it to the finals were La Martiniere College for Boys(Lucknow and Kolkata), Rajmata, Jodhpur, and The Scindia School. The topic for the Finals was, 'Death Penalty deserves a place in a civilised society.'

The Chief Guest for the Finals was Dr Peter McLaughlin, Head Master, The Doon School. He was impressed by the articulation of the debaters and complimented the composed and mature demeanour of the debaters. The Chief Guest appreciated the efforts of the chief organiser Mrs. Ruchi P Datta for organising a debate of national-level.

The Judges for the Final Round were Mrs Gauri Maulekhi, Mrs Reena Dangwal, Col S. K. Mehta and Mrs Sangeeta Gairola. In the Quarter Final Round, Utsav Thapliyal from St Joseph's School bagged the Best Speaker. In the Semi Final Round, Yamir Tainwala from LMB, Kolkata got the Best Speaker. In the Finals, Dheeraj Pandey and Ujjwal Krishna were adjudged the Best Speakers and Siddhant Awasthy of Scindia School got the Chief Guest's Special Prize. Overall Trophy was won by La Martiniere College for Boys, Lucknow and Runners-up were La Martiniere College for Boys, Kolkata.

Cadet NCO Taral Chanchani

Class V

FROM RIMCO TO RIMCOLLIAN



The CRADLE OF EXCELLENCE, calls a boy of the motherland, who prepares himself for the most coveted and respectful job to serve the country's 'ARMED FORCES', sacrificing his childhood and missing his parent's love.

The smiling faces appear at the wrought iron gate at a tender age, leaving behind their loved ones in the lush green campus of India's premier and unique Institution the Rashtriya Indian Military College.

He feels delighted, cheerful, lighthearted, responsive, self-determined, eager, reassured, cooperative and robust in his first fifteen days.

As soon as he realizes the routine and acquaints himself with the College rules and traditions, he soon awaits a metamorphosis in his personality. Some find this place challenging, some struggle to be a part of it but life still goes on with vigour, dedication and determination where some may shine in academics, while others find excuses.

Time has come to change, not only the heart and head but health too, due to change in the environment. The advice of the elders must never be challenged or neglected, which is the guiding light to make you a gentleman from a whining child.

All sorts of facilities are available for a Cadet in all the fields of education to bring harmonious development and enable him to stand on his own feet uprightly, courageously and confidently in the crowd, to show his unique qualities. The College routine suits him to develop physical, emotional, aesthetic, social, spiritual segments of his personality to build his character.

Competence, conscience, compassion and commitment run through his veins to accept the challenges of today's world by undergoing multitasking activities.

As time comes to ripen his mind, he does undesirable things thus stirring the hornet's nest. He feels proud sometimes for being non conformist of the College and takes things lightly.

He takes care of his juniors as an elder brother. It is a life cycle and juniors have to live up to the expectations of their seniors as today's young ones are tomorrow's torch bearers.

It is time to prove his mettle, to celebrate his camaraderie, to show his OLC's, to show his attitude towards one thing and that is all he has achieved in these five years.

The sacred precincts reverberate with his presence. Every nook and corner of the limelight areas are engraved with the good and bad things, which have taken place for just one reason 'I am a RIMCO.

He feels sad, aloof and gloomy towards the end not ready to depart through the wrought iron gates. But it is a call of the destiny that one has to say good-bye to his Alma Mater. He carries the wonderful memories he has had to cherish throughout his life.

What is the beauty of this place that no one wants to leave? The lush green fields of Hockey, Football, the café, or shooting range, the Bhagat Hall, Thimayya Hall, Academic Block the hub of all activities which grooms an individual to fine elements are all alluring. Each of them has the feeling of oneness, this microcosm, brings about in them brotherhood, leaving behind all the facets of caste and creed. The most important place of all is the dorms. The hub of their conventional activities will always make them nostalgic, once they depart from this luring and fascinating place in the world, the RIMC.

UP DALVI

Section Master
Ranjit Section

13th RIMC Inter School Challenge Quiz

In the 13th All India RIMC Inter School Challenge Quiz, 2013, a total of 23 teams took part namely, The Doon School, Welham Girls' School, St Joseph's Academy, Convent of Jesus and Mary, Unison World School, Summer Valley School, Mussoorie International, Wynberg Allen School, La Martiniere College for Boys (Lucknow and Kolkata), Sherwood College, Nainital, Auckland House, Bishop Cotton School, Shri Sai Vidya Bhawan, Vasant Valley, Rajmata, Jodhpur, Scindia School, Mayo College for Girls, Asian School, Scholar's Home and RIMC.

The Quiz was held in two rounds, first was the Preliminary Round in which the top six teams were selected for the Final Round. There were various rounds like Do or Die, Ask or Quit, Audio, Video, Environment, Brain Teasers, Current Affairs, Science and Technology and Buzzer.

After a gruelling session La Martiniere College for Boys, Lucknow emerged victorious followed by Asian School and the Third Position was shared by RIMC, Scholar's Home and Summer Valley School. The Chief Guest for the event was Mr Shomie Ranjan Das, former Headmaster of Mayo College, The Doon School and Lawrence School. He appreciated the agile thinking and vast knowledge base and also hailed the efforts of the host school and our Coordinator, Mr PK Sharma for conducting the Quiz in a meticulous manner.



Cadet Rishav Raj
Class V

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REFLECTIONS

'Your present circumstances don't determine where you can go; they merely determine where you start.'

Nido Qubein

DATELINE

- 17 JULY College reopens. Tabbing in Ceremony
- 19 JULY Arrival of First Termers
- 26 JULY Inter-Section Squash Competition begins
- 31 JULY Educational Visits
- 03 AUGUST Creative Writing Workshop
- 04 AUGUST Inter Section X Country
- 08 AUGUST Inter Section Hindi Debate
- 14 AUGUST Unit Tests start
- 15 AUGUST Independence Day celebrated

EDITORIAL

All places have their own stories, at their different stages. And every story has a beginning...

As the 183rd step in, another of an unwavering line for legends begins. A story that would begin, as all others, with tears and with new friendships. Soon they would have their own moments—moments of common sufferings and shared joys, moments of complete desperation, that would churn out nerves of steel from a bunch of ordinary teenagers, on a journey of self discovery. Moments of glory, moments of exultation, moments of madness, moments of learning....

Until these friendships grow into bonds so strong that they would resonate long after they are gone. And the stories would go on forever....

Stories happen every day. But every story, even the most naive-prince-charming fairytale comes about through years of courtship. Chandragupta went 18 years without the Squash Cup. That silver looks so old, so revered, and the potions, I must tell you, taste sweeter through it.

Stories can inspire you, spur you to move your lazy bone and hit the scene of action. Ask the

senior cadets and they will tell you. They have been audience to some inspiring stories, courtesy the Asst Adm Officer, and so they run, and the world runs with them.

X Country.....

Another four months from now, another story would find its climax. Given the incessant rains, the languid weather, given the almost erroneous and surprising window of nothingness past X Country, and with the debates charging up the tempo towards the thick of the dark, the days appear quieter.

But let's not give into the stoic make of things. We are just staring at the fag ends of some sharp loops, leading to a season of Swimming, Soccer, Debates, and Athletics. One after the other, without even a breather! Till the fireworks go on to pull the curtain on the 174th. We have almost come to the end!

Oh! the 174th..... that's a story for another day.....
So here's wishing everyone the best for the times ahead. Go, script thy tale.....
Signing off....

Cdt Rishav Raj,
Class V A

TREADING TOWARDS TEMERITY

Seven cadets for Basic Mountaineering Course and five cadets for Advance Course left College on 28 May, 2013 for ABVIMAS (Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute Of Mountaineering and Allied Sports), Manali. The training started on 1 June with morning PT. We learnt Special Natural Rock Climbing, did river crossing in Beas River and practised Artificial Rock Climbing too. We left Manali on 12 June and reached our Base Camp.

Bakarhatch the next day. We honed our ice and snow crafting skills for the next three days followed by height gaining on the 21st. We scaled Shitidhav Peak (15700 ft) at the end of the training. We were back at College on 27th of June and headed for our vacations thereafter. It was indeed an enriching and a unique experience for all of us.

Cdt Purnendu K Singh,
Class IV

'All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy' said our wise elders and rightly so. There is a limit to what a student can study and refreshing breaks are a necessity if the optimum potential of the student is to be realized. Bearing this in mind, educational visits are organized for all cadets to give them a break from the hectic schedule and teach them about many things that fail to make their way in the textbooks.

Research and Training Institute and DEAL Laboratory. It was an exciting visit for them as they saw the latest night vision equipments for the Armed Forces and simultaneously they saw various conservation methods used by the scientists to curb soil eradication. The cadets thoroughly enjoyed the visit and learnt lots of new things.

experience for the cadets. They also met a Rimcollian posted there who motivated them to join the Navy.

Class IV had a spiritually enriching experience when they visited the Rama Krishna Ashram along with Mr CS Vishwakarma. The Institution runs a school for the under privileged children and also a free dispensary for public use. They were also shown the museum and library where important artifacts of Swami Vivekananda were kept on display.

Cadets of Class IVA had an adventurous visit to the Wildlife Institute of India where they were briefed about remote sensing of animals and they also visited the forensic lab. It was an eye opening visit for the cadets as they came to know about conservation and importance of wildlife. They also observed the functioning of G-15 cells.

Mr UP Dalvi accompanied 27 cadets of Class VA to the Graphic Era University. It was an educating visit for them and they visited the Chemistry, Computer, Physics and Bio Chemistry labs. They also learnt about Thermo dynamics.

In all, the visits were a good experience for the cadets and they learnt a lot.

Cadet Abhijeet Singh Tomar,
Class III A

TRIPS OF LEARNING...

For Class I, it was their first visit out of the campus and it really will be their most memorable one. Visiting IMA, FRI and NIVH on any occasion is a unique opportunity but to enjoy it with your termers is a privilege not given to many. They visited the War Memorial, Chetwood Hall and Somnath Stadium. They saw an inspirational movie in the Khetarpal Auditorium. Their subsequent visits to FRI and NIVH were also very enlightening.

24 cadets of Class IA, accompanied by Mr R Thamil Selven, visited the Survey General's Office. They were

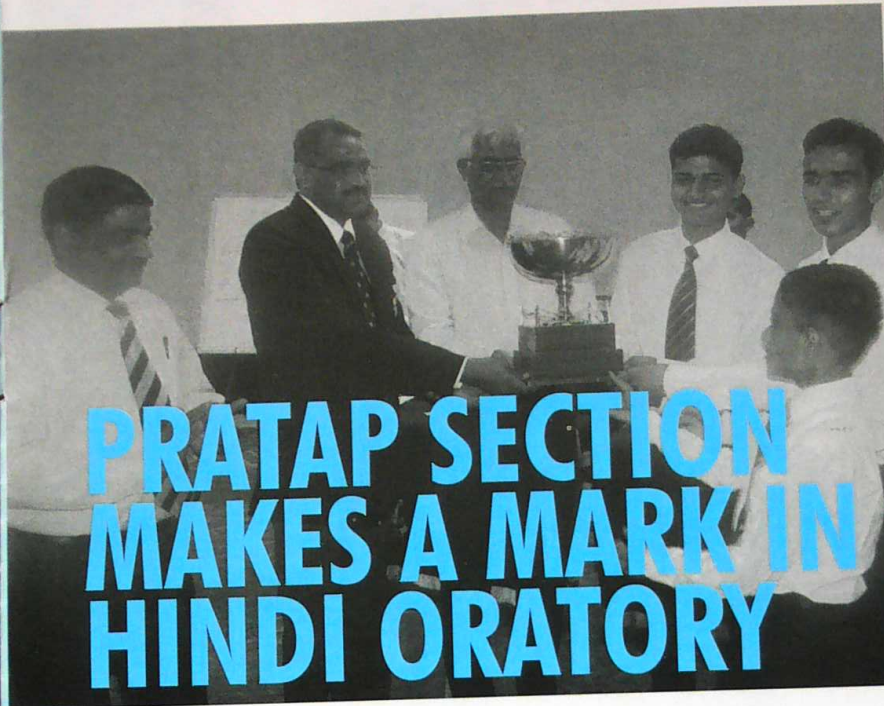
familiarized with the task of map plotting and printing. They also visited the library and the museum. It was an educating visit for them and they thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Mr Balbir Chauhan accompanied Class II on their visit to Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology. Dr SK Parcha escorted them and showed them the various research labs of the Institute. The cadets took keen interest in visiting the museums and earthquake labs.

Being the largest course in terms of strength, Class IIA was split in two groups and visited the Soil and Water Conservation

33 cadets of Class III accompanied by Mr Shishupal Singh, visited Indian Institute of Petroleum. They saw the frictional distillation process and vehicle emission lab. They also saw the Bio Ethanol Lab which works for the improvement in bio fuels. They were escorted by Mr Vijendra Dutt who showed around with great enthusiasm.

For all aspiring Naval Officers of Class IIIA, the educational visit to the National Hydrographic Office was an illuminating experience. They learnt how the Office prepares charts for commercial as well as defense use. It was an enriching



PRATAP SECTION MAKES A MARK IN HINDI ORATORY

Pratap Section continued its dominance over the Overall Championship by adding the Inter Section Hindi Debate Trophy to its kitty. The RIMC Team is a formidable team on the debating circuit and almost all its debaters are products of the Inter Section Debate Competitions. The debates are held on an annual basis, English in the Spring Term and Hindi in the Autumn Term. This Term, the competition was held in two categories - Juniors and Seniors. The topic for Juniors was 'Samaaj Mei Naitik Mulyo Ka Aabhaav Hai.' The debaters gave a good account of themselves and presented their views on the topic.

The Individual Standings were as follows:

THIRD BEST SPEAKER

Cadet Suraj Kumar Verma

SECOND BEST SPEAKER

Cadet Naman Badoni

BEST SPEAKER

Cadet Abhay Mishra

The Overall Section standings were as follows

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

The topic for the Seniors Category was 'Hame Shastro Se Nahi, Shaastro Se Jitna Hoga'. It was a keenly contested debate and saw the rise of new debaters who made a mark for themselves. The Individual Standings were as follows:

THIRD BEST SPEAKER

Cadet Lalit Kumar

SECOND BEST SPEAKER

Cadet Purnendu Kumar

BEST SPEAKER

Cadet Rahul Dwivedi

The Chief Guest for the evening was Dr Sudesh Byala, Principal, Cambrian Hall School. He was impressed by the debating standards of the cadets and motivated them further. In his Vote of Thanks, Col HS Bainsla, SM, Commandant RIMC, thanked the Chief Guest and the judges for sparing their valuable time in order to come for the event.

Cadet Pratik Dubey,
Class V A

THE MIGHTY PEN

The Inter Section English Creative Writing Competition was held on 25 May, 2013. The results were as follows:

SENIORS

| | | |
|-----|--------------|-----|
| I | Pratap | 731 |
| II | Shivaji | 675 |
| III | Ranjit | 580 |
| IV | Chandragupta | 450 |

JUNIORS

| | | |
|-----|--------------|-----|
| I | Ranjit | 623 |
| II | Shivaji | 608 |
| III | Pratap | 555 |
| IV | Chandragupta | 373 |

OVERALL POSITIONS

| | | |
|-----|--------------|------|
| I | Pratap | 1286 |
| II | Shivaji | 1283 |
| III | Ranjit | 1203 |
| IV | Chandragupta | 829 |

The individual positions are as follows:

JUNIORS

- I Cadet Devesh Mukherjee
- II Cadets K. Maalan,
Ambuj S Patra,
Kamlendra Verma
- III Cadet Vikas Bhardwaj

SENIORS

- I Cadet Siddhant Mishra
- II Cadets Rishav Saha,
Shashank Shekhar

CHANDRAGUPTA SECTION REIGNS SUPREME IN SQUASH

Cadet Abhijeet Singh Tomar, Class III A

Continuing its winning ways from the previous term, Chandragupta Section lifted the Inter Section Squash Trophy, the first major Trophy of this Term on Wednesday. It was a closely fought Competition, with Chandragupta Section edging out on Shivaji Section in the last match. RIMC has produced some of the finest players of the game at the National Level, the most prominent being Ritwik Bhattacharya and Brig Manchanda. RIMC also dominates at the State Level in the game, which was evident when the RIMC Team unanimously won the State Championship in May. The Inter Section Trophy is an annual event which aims at promoting the talent of the budding players and giving them competitive match practice.

The Competition was organized in a round-robin format and held in three categories: Under-13, Under-15 and Under-17. The Results are as follows:

UNDER-13

| | |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| IV-Shivaji Section | (4 points) |
| III-Ranjit Section | (4 points) |
| II- Pratap Section | (12 points) |
| I -Chandragupta Section | (16 points) |

Most Upcoming Player

Cadet Hritvick Patiyal

Best Player

Cadet Adhiraj Singh Rawat

UNDER-15

| | |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| IV-Pratap Section | (2 points) |
| III-Ranjit Section | (6 points) |
| II- Chandragupta Section | (14 points) |
| I-Shivaji Section | (14 points) |

Best Player

Cadet PY Sreevatsava

UNDER-17

| | |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| IV- Pratap Section | (2 points) |
| III-Chandragupta Section | (6 points) |
| II- Ranjit Section | (14 points) |
| I- Shivaji Section | (14 points) |

Best Player

Cadet Vivek Boora

OVERALL STANDINGS

| | |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| IV- Pratap Section | (16 points) |
| III- Ranjit Section | (24 points) |
| II- Shivaji Section | (32 points) |
| I- Chandragupta Section | (36 points) |

Cadet Vivek Boora was awarded the Best Player Title in the Tournament.

The Chief Guest of the evening was Col HS Bainsla, SM Commandant, RIMC. He was pleased by the performance of the cadets and motivated them to uphold the tradition of the game in the College. The Competition was organized by Mr Balvir Chauhan, OIC Squash.



OUT SHINING QUIZZERS

Cadet Pratik Dubey,
Class V A



The 2nd Reserve Bank of India Quiz was held on 3rd of August, 2013 in the St Peter's Auditorium of St Joseph's Academy, Dehradun. A total of 142 teams took part in the Quiz. RIMC fielded two teams consisting of Cadets Aditya and Rishav and Cadets Anirudh and Vikas Bhardwaj. On the basis of the Preliminary Round, in which 142 teams took part, top 6 teams were selected for the Stage Round. The teams which made to the Stage Round were DPS, Rishikesh; St Thomas College, Dehradun; St Joseph's Academy, Dehradun; Rishikesh Public school, Rishikesh; DPS, Dehradun and Rashtriya Indian Military College, Dehradun. A total of 30 questions were thrown at the teams in the Stage Round. The beginning of the Quiz wasn't really a jump start for the cadets but with the progress in Quiz, the scores of RIMC also progressed. After the final round, RIMC emerged victorious with 90 points followed by St Joseph's Academy. The Quiz was organized by the Reserve Bank of India and the Quiz Master was Mr Gautam Bose. RIMC won the Quiz and qualified for the zonal finals which are scheduled to be held in New Delhi on 21 August, 2013.

PRATAP SECTION LAPS UP RIMC X COUNTRY TITLE

Pratap Section continued its winning spree in field sports by lifting the Inter Section X Country Trophy for the year 2013. The X Country Trophy is a coveted title and all the sections give their best to lift this prestigious Trophy. It has been almost 40 years since the inception of this Cup in RIMC and all Old Boys have fond memories of their X Country practices. The Competition is held in two categories: Juniors and Seniors. For Juniors, the route is 3.85 km. The fastest time on this route was set in 2004 by Cadet Gaurav Hridaya, at a timing of 11min and 10 sec. This year, the individual positions were as follows:

GOLD

Cadet Ravi Kumar
(12 min 12 sec)

SILVER

Cadet Nirbhay Kumar
(12 min 16 sec)

BRONZE

Cadet Rajeev Ranjan
(12 min 17 sec)

The Seniors have a more grueling route of 9.25 km. The fastest time on this route was clocked by Cadet Vaibhav Bhardwaj, who stopped the clock at 28min 54 sec. The individual medals were as follows:

GOLD

Cadet Lalit Kumar
(31 min 06 sec)

SILVER

Cadet Atul Tiwari
(32 min 21 sec)

BRONZE

Cadet Vijay Choudhry
(32min 50 sec)

A novices run was also organized for the first termers to get them acquainted with the life at RIMC. Cadet Vinay Tiwari, Uday Kathuria and Gaurav Prakash bagged the top three positions.

The overall section standings were as follows:
IV-Ranjit Section
III-Chandragupta Section
II-Shivaji Section
I-Pratap Section

The Chief Guest of the morning was Col HS Bainsla, SM, Commandant RIMC. He praised the cadets on their determination and will power which was instrumental in their performance. He recalled his days at RIMC and how X Country provided him with the mental strength to continue going on in times of peril.

Cadet Vijayant Rana,
Class III A



RIMCOLLIANS AT THE 124th NDA PASSING OUT PARADE

The following awards and honours were won by our own Rimcollians of the 167th Course, at the 124th NDA Passing Out Parade:

1. President's Gold Medal - ACC JS Suman
2. Commandant's Silver Medal (First in Social Sc Stream) - BCC Aman Thakur
3. Commandant's Silver Medal (First in Computer Sc Stream) - ACC JS Suman
4. Best Air force Cadet - ACC JS Suman
5. Commandant's Silver Medal (First in Overall Order of Merit in Academics) - ACC JS Suman
6. Lachit Barphukan Medal for Best Cadet in OLO - BCC Aman Thakur
7. First in Foundation Course - BCC Aman Thakur
8. Replica for Maximum Contribution towards Jointmanship - ACC JS Suman
9. The Chief of Staff Trophy - ACC JS Suman
10. CNS Trophy (First in order of Merit in Academics) - ACC JS Suman
11. Admiral's Trophy (First in Computer Sc Stream) - ACC JS Suman
12. CAS Trophy (First in Social Sc Stream) - BCC Aman Thakur
13. Silver Medal for Best Cadet in Shooting - BCC Anshul Bansal
14. First in Specialist Service Subjects (Air Force) - ACC JS Suman
15. Best AF Cadet in Flying - ACC JS Suman
16. First in Air force Ground Subjects - ACC JS Suman
17. Flying Pin - ACC JS Suman
18. Bayonet Pin - BCC Aman Thakur
19. Blazer in Shooting - BCC Ashish Tiwari / BCC Anshul Bansal



67th INDEPENDENCE DAY AT RIMC

On the 67th Anniversary of Independence Day, RIMC cadets held a tree plantation drive in an effort to curb the rising threat of pollution in the environment. RIMC has a lush campus of 138 acres with more than 6000 full of grown trees. Most of them have been planted by the cadets during their stay at the college and it is a momentous occasion for the Old Boys to visit the saplings they had planted and to see them growing into tall, sturdy trees, quite in the same way that they themselves had been shaped after entering the hallowed portals of the college.

The Day began with the Flag Hoisting ceremony at the Pavilion, followed by the tree

plantation drive. Col HS Bainsla, SM, Commandant RIMC spoke about the importance of freedom and how it was influencing the world around us. He also stressed about maintaining the right balance between duties and rights, to never take your rights for granted and similarly to never neglect your duties.

A total of 514 trees were planted in the drive. They included Silver Oaks, Camphor, Indian Laburnum Tree and Bamboo. The saplings were generously provided by the 127th Battalion of the Eco Task Force.

Cadet Vijayant Rana,
Class III A

FLEDGELINGS AT THE PORTALS

"To be given the opportunity to help shape new artists' careers and mentor them to see their dreams come to fruition is a task I welcome with open arms."

Christina Aguilera

CDT ASHISH YADAV



This fresher from Haryana, being a good athlete, also won a gold medal in SOF (Science Olympiad Foundation). Apart from being a good academician, he's surely going to be a good asset to the quizzing hobby at RIMC.

CDT SUYASH UTKARSH



This artist hailing from Hyderabad, is a proficient Mathematician. Jack of all games, he wants to excel in all the other activities of the college.

CDT UDAY KATHURIA



This Punjabi, being a good basketball player, has an excellent profile in academics. He loves to play golf and is all geared up to do well here.

CDT SANGKALPA GOGOI



This Kho-Kho and volleyball player from Assam is a promising academician. He is sure to make waves at the sacred precincts.

CDT ABUZAR JAFFREY



This spirited lad from Sainik School, Nagrota is not only a long distance runner but also a zealous soccer player. God speed, Abujar!!

CDT S ADITYA



This young warrior from Maharashtra is an ardent aspirant of academics and sports. He aspires to join the Indian Navy. All the best Aditya...

CDT DEBABRATA MALIK



Hailing from a generation of Naval officers, this lad has an ever smiling face. He is determined to face an adventurous life and promises to bring laurels to his Alma Mater.

CDT ASHUTOSH MISHRA



This aspiring athlete, has a fetish for numismatics. He is ebullient enough to excel in squash and swimming. Work hard Ashutosh.....

CDT PRAKHAR TOMAR

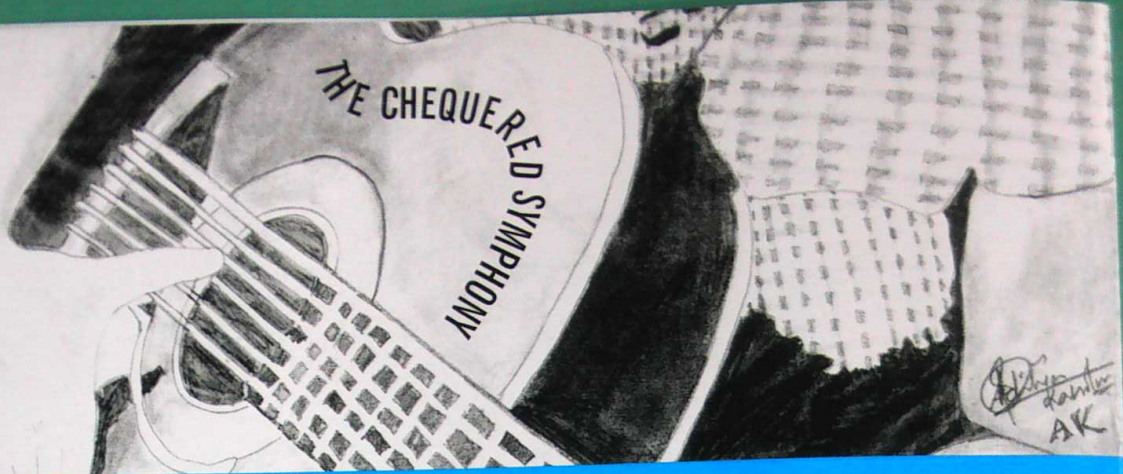


This 'Doonite' won the gold medal in Math's Olympiad. A good badminton player, he is sure to be all-rounder at the campus. Way to go, Prakhar.....

CDT HRITVICK PATIL



This outstanding academician has never scored less than an 'A' grade. He is determined to excel in calligraphy, declamation and dance. College awaits his performance.



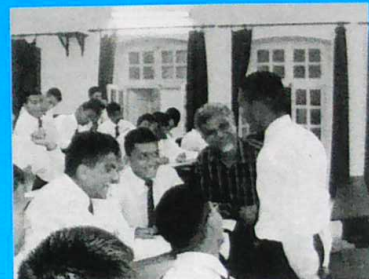
REDISCOVERING CREATIVITY

A workshop was held on 3 August, 2013 in English, Hindi Creative Writing, and Art. It was held in two sessions, in the morning and evening. The morning session was for juniors and the evening one was for the seniors. A total of 202 cadets took part in this workshop which was held for Classes VIII, IX, X and XI. The workshop was conducted by Mr Manas Ranjan Mahapatra, who has had an experience of being a creative writer since the last 39 years. He has been in the field of editing which is inclusive of 11 years of multi-lingual editing. He has

also been heading the National Centre for Children's Literature for the last 12 years. Apart from this, he is a visiting Faculty Member at the premier institutes of the country like the Benaras Hindu University. He has also held various seminars and workshops in this field in various cities, for the welfare of children, keeping in mind their literary skills. Apart from authoring eight books, he has received many awards and prizes from various literary institutions like Bal Sahitya Samiksha, Kabita Samman, Utkal Kala Sanskritika Sansad etc.

In his Vote of Thanks, Col HS Bainsla, SM, Commandant, RIMC, thanked Mr Mahapatra for enlightening the cadets on the various forms of contemporary writing and literature. He was sanguine that the cadets had learnt a lot from such an experience, which would further help them in improving their literary and creative skills.

Cadet Abhijeet S Tomar,
Class III A



OBITUARY

Maj Jai Singh Gill (1930-37 ROB), Col Jayanta Chanda (1953-57 KIT), Col AN Sinha (1956-59 PRA) and Mr Berjesh Kumar Goyal (1961-62 PRA) left for their heavenly abode during the month of June. May their souls rest in peace.

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REFLECTIONS

"Travel gives a character of experience to our knowledge & brings the figures on the tablet of memory into strong relief."

EDITORIAL

Most places change. Some do not have to.

Not very far away from the perils of modernity that hurt, yet bewitches the world around us, is a place where time flows in its pristine trajectories. Where change has been a routine. And yet, traditions and timelessness are seamlessly embroiled in the way of life.

The more you think about it, the more you are convinced - change itself perpetuates continuity, and nothing changes here at all.

For the sake of change, Welham Girls (refreshingly!) bagged our prestigious Hindi debates. And for a change, our swimmers were piped by the Doscos (when was the last time we came runners up in the pool?) and for the sake of the jinx around it, our debaters played ball at 'Chucks'. But that is how our Valley has

been for ever now- tectonic!

And of course, there is the new TT-table in the junior ante-rooms and a big new player and the basket ball courts have suddenly been buzzing with yellow shirts. And for some time now, there has been an unusual abundance of Rolling Stone (the magazine) and guavas and un-birdy chirping, more than any serious academics discourse in the senior most class.

And then, there are these 'blues-and-hues' to our otherwise black-and-white customary 4-paged chronicles. It thrives and revives, somehow.

There is that hangover from the bandwagon of the past few weeks. They are all gone for now. The collective dream called the 'Soccer Cup', the ivory shield we reverently christened 'Kashi Naresh' (minus the salutation), the cheers and the tears....

Friends, and girlfriends, the 'to-be's' and the 'could-have-been's'.

A few are still in love, love that they believe would never be over - let there be light! But most of us are past it.

So here we are, bracing ourselves for another spell - the athletes and the swimmers and the soccerroos, and VA and everyone in between.

We are just half-way through and we are past so much already.... Up's and down's, twists and turns.

And in spite of all the beginnings, and the ends, what's new?

There's this road we have taken and there's us. Re-inventing and applying ourselves freshly at every bend and trying and winning. But that's what we do all the time. It's just the same old us- our paper boats, our drill

boots, us....

If there is something drastically alien at all, it is this 20'clock syndrome, which is sizeably reducing the head-count at lunch and delaying packed drills by a quarter of the clock. And however out of place it may seem to visitors (courtesy MCGS), the story of a place called 'Tree Hill' comes almost perfectly with our soldier-green-hearts. That's us....

Nothing has changed at all...

That's it from the Editorial Board. Help yourselves with our humble delight. Devour, explore....

Be our guests!

Cadet Rishav Raj
Class V A

DATELINE

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| 16-22 AUGUST | Unit Tests |
| 26-27 AUGUST | Inter Section Swimming Competition |
| 28 AUGUST | Krishna Janmashtami celebrated |
| 31 AUG-07 SEPT | RIMC Soccer Cup |
| 09 SEPTEMBER | Kashi Naresh Hindi Debate |
| 09-13 SEPTEMBER | Inter Section Soccer Competition |
| 10 SEPTEMBER | Inter Section Quiz Competition - 1st Round |
| 16-24 SEPTEMBER | College Mid Term Examinations |
| 25-29 SEPTEMBER | College Mid Term Hikes |

IN DEFERENCE TO TEACHERS

"Those who educate children well are more to be honoured than they who produce them; for these only gave them life, those, the art of living well."

This famous quote by Aristotle shows exactly how important teachers are to us. The bond between the teacher and the student is one which is based on respect and devotion. Even in Indian mythology, the bond of a

'guru' and a 'shishya' was considered to be a very holy bond. Every year on 5th September, Teachers' Day is celebrated to honour this sacred bond and mark the Birth Anniversary of one of India's



CONFLUENCE OF ORATORY

Welham Girls Lift Inter School Kashi Naresh Trophy

Welham Girls' School lifted the All India Kashi Naresh Hindi Debate Trophy, here in RIMC on Monday. It had been a grueling day of debating for all 18 teams that had participated in the debate, especially the 11 that had come from various prestigious institutions like Mayo College Girls' School,

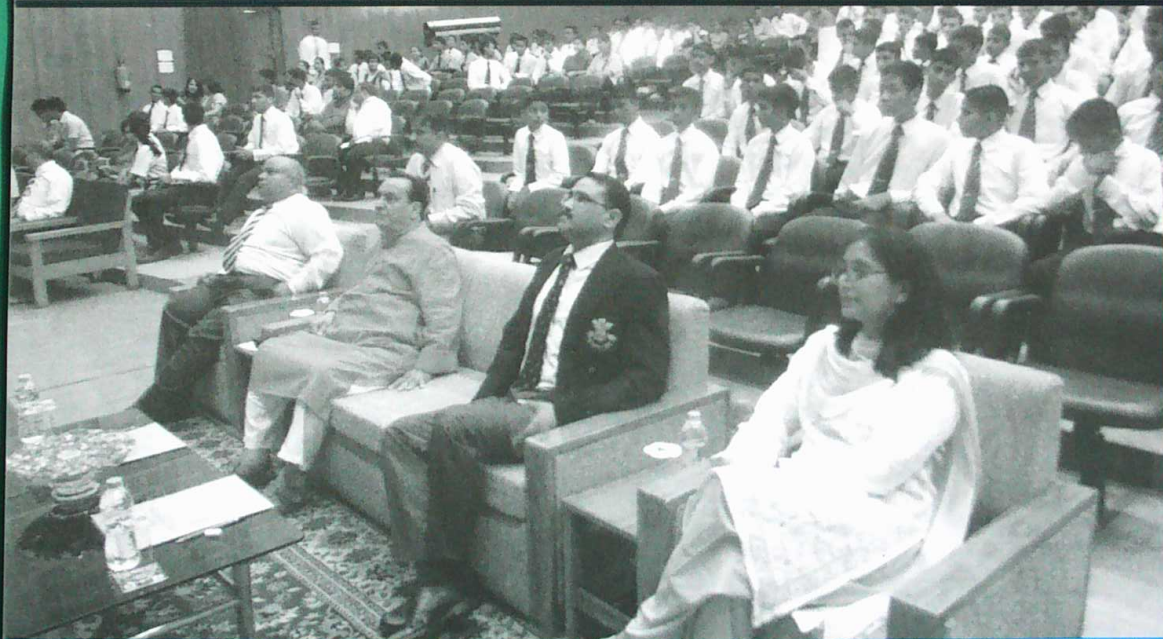
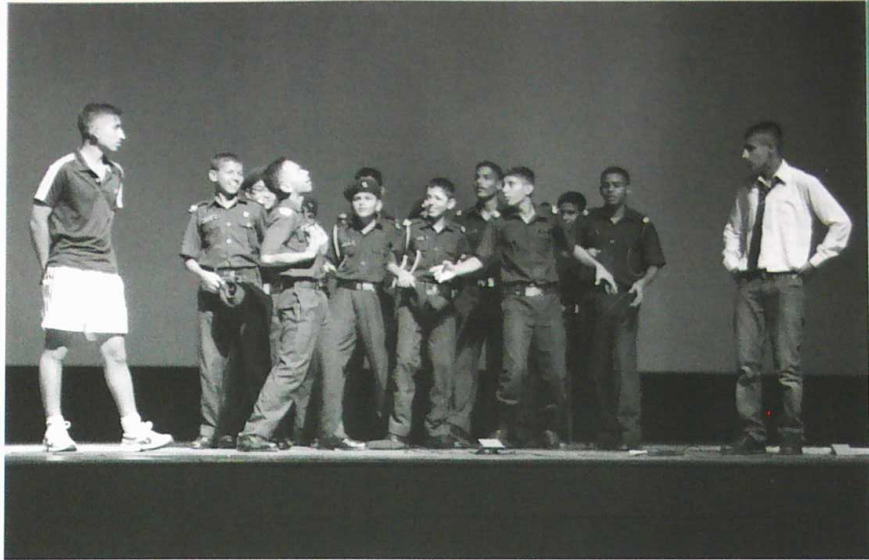
Vidya Devi Jindal School, La Martiniere Lucknow, Kolkata, Sanskar Valley, Bhopal, RKK Girls' Public School, Jodhpur, Rashtriya Military School, Ajmer and YPS, Patiala. The day began with the first round of preliminary debates in the morning. Out of the 18 teams, 12 were selected for the next

round. The biggest shock was the surprise defeat of RKK Girls' School in the first round as they had shown serious competition for the title last year. Rana Vineet of Welham Boys' was declared the Best Speaker of the first round. The second round of debates were held in the afternoon where 6

teams were selected for the Final Round. They were RIMC, Mayo College Girls' School, Rashtriya Military School, Welham Girls', Doon School and Vikas Vidyalay, Ranchi. The Best Speaker of the second round was awarded to Cadet Saurabh Shukla of RIMC. The Final Round was held in

greatest teachers, Dr S Radhakrishnan. This year, on Teachers' Day, a Cultural Evening was organized by the cadets to honour their teachers. It included English and Hindi Songs, Dance and Drama. It was received with great enthusiasm by the teachers. The Chief Guest for the evening was Col HS Bainsla, SM, Commandant, RIMC. He praised the cadets on the standard of their creative skills and inspired them to continue performing as they formed a very important part of our personality. Martin Heidegger has rightly said, 'If you can read this, thank a teacher.'

Cadet Abhijeet Tomar
Class IIIA



the evening. The topic for discussion was 'Hume Shastro se Nahi Shaaastro se Jitna Hoga'. The debate was conducted in Modified Oxford Pattern. After a grueling session of debate, Welham Girls' emerged victorious over RIMC by a 9 point margin. They were followed by Doon

School in Third Position and Mayo College Girls School in Fourth. Cadet Saurabh Shukla was declared as the overall Best Speaker while Dixita Goyal and Dhruva Shukla of Welham Girls' were declared the Second and Third Best Speakers respectively. Cadet Abhay Mishra of RIMC and

Vrindan Nagpal of Doon School were awarded Commandant's Special Prize for excellent performance. The Judges for the Final Round were, Mrs Neeta Kukreti, Mrs Vindya Singh and Mr Ashok Dubey. The Chief Guest for the evening was Mr Liladhar Jagudi, a renowned author

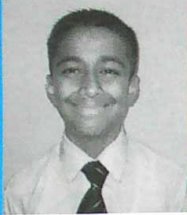
from the Valley. He was impressed by the standard of debating of the students and motivated them to continue honing their skills in future. The event was organized by Mr Khushi Ram, OIC Hindi Debating, RIMC.

Cadet Abhijeet Tomar
Class IIIA

FLEDGELINGS AT THE PORTALS

Continued

CDT MANAN BASNETT



This nimble footed lad hails from Sikkim. An excellent chess player, he now aspires to be a good athlete. A keen adventurer, he wishes to explore every place on the earth.

CDT KAUSTAV R PATIL



This 'Marathi' lad hails from Sainik School, Satara. His favourite sports include Cricket, Volleyball and Running. He wants to excel in the field of sports.

CDT NAMAN BADONI



A silver medalist in Math Olympiad, this localite is a budding academician. He likes spending his time in the company of books. He is interested in becoming a good hockey player.

CDT KRUTIN SABNIS



This gadget freak and an aspiring 'Marco', hailing from the State of Maharashtra, seems to take keen interest in cars and trekking. This adventurous chap has also tried his hands at Bungee Jumping and Scuba Diving. College awaits his performance.

CDT VL. MALSANZUALA



This cheerful and polite chap hails from the hills of Mizoram. He has won laurels in Badminton at the State level. He wishes to be a Basket ball player during his tenure at the RIMC.

CDT PRAKHAR



This excellent academician is second to none. He is an excellent Tennis player and has won many quizzing competitions at District level.

CDT U. PRAKASH



This 'josh machine' from A P never gets tired, be it long distance Running, Volley ball or any other sport. He is looking forward to learning all the games that are played at the RIMC.

CDT GAURAV PRAKASH



A fun loving person, loves watching movies. This 'Tendulkar' of the College cannot be beaten by anyone when it comes to Cricket. He aspires to join the Indian Army.

CDT VINAY TIWARI



A 'Jack of all trades', he wishes to join the Air Force. Being an avid academician, his favourite subject is Mathematics. He can solve difficult puzzles within a matter of time.

CDT RONIT BAGARIA



This State level Badminton player, hailing from Rajasthan, has a keen interest in reading books and novels. He aspires to be the future Officer in the Indian Army.

CDT VARUN PONGSHE



This Cadet from Maharashtra belongs to a Naval back ground. He likes playing Squash and Basket Ball. This fresher is also a Black Belt in Karate.

CDT ANKIT YADAV



This 'Jackson' of his section, is a good dancer and singer. Hailing from Pratapgarrh, he is a good sports person too. An aspiring academician, he wishes to learn tremendously at the RIMC.

CDT ABHISHEK MENEZES



This day scholar is a good swimmer who wishes to spend his time in the Squash courts. He is a good rider too and wants to be a keen dramatist.

CDT RAVI RANJAN



A cool and calm greenhorn, he is a good cricketer and a budding soccer player. His goal is to imbibe all possible knowledge from the RIMC.

NIMBLE FEET

Chandragupta Section Lifts Title

Chandragupta Section returned to winning ways by lifting the Inter Section Soccer Trophy 2013.

Even though they were bogged down by the tiring routine building up to the Inter Section, the cadets displayed the spirit and 'josh' that the RIMCs are famous for and participated in the competition with full enthusiasm.

Juniors

Most Upcoming Player:
Cadet Aryan Ahluwalia

Best Player:
Cadet Sameer Ansari

Best Goalkeeper:
Cadet Abhay Mishra

Middles

Best Player:
Cadet Devesh Rathore

Best Goalkeeper:
Cadet Punit Jatrana

Seniors

Best Player:
Cadet Sohail Islam

Best Goalkeeper:
Cadet Pavitra Ojha

The overall Section standings were as follows:

I- Chandragupta

II- Pratap

III- Shivaji

IV- Ranjit

The Chief Guest for the evening was Col HS Bainsla, SM, Commandant RIMC. He praised the cadets on their individual



skills and the team spirit shown by them. He also educated them about the various merits of playing team games and how it is important for a person to learn

to be a part of a team. The event was organized by Mr Keshav Anand, OIC, Soccer.

Cadet Vijayant Rana
Class III A



XII RIMC SOCCER TOURNAMENT 2013





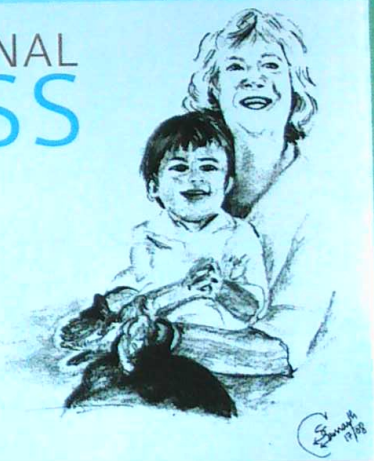
The individual awards are as follows:
Best Goalkeeper- Rohit Singh (Carmel School)
Highest Scorer- Chandra Bahadur (Doon Valley Public School)
Best Player- Gurbaz Khera (Vasant Valley School)

Cadets Abhijeet & Amul
 Class IIIA

RIMC soccer Cup is the most prestigious and awaited Cup in Northern India. This time, 24 school teams from all over India participated in this Tournament. The Tournament was contested on a pool basis. There were 8 pools consisting of 3 teams each. The finals were held between Vasant Valley, New Delhi and Assam Valley School of Asom in which Vasant Valley defeated Assam Valley by 2-0. In a keenly contested match, Assam Valley dominated the first half with

superb passes and accurate crosses. The game changed in the 34th minute when Reihan of Vasant Valley scored a goal after showing individual brilliance. Gurbaz Khera scored the winning goal in 54th minute and sealed the victory for Vasant Valley School. Assam Valley continued their attack but could not find the net due to the brilliant goalkeeping by the Vasant Vallley goalkeeper.

MATERNAL BLISS



Sketched by
Cadet Samarth Singh
 Class IV A

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"I count him braver who overcomes his desires than him who conquers his enemies; for the hardest victory is over self."

DATELINE

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| 09 | OCTOBER | Pre Board Exams start |
| 13 | OCTOBER | Dussehra celebrations held |
| 14 | OCTOBER | Book released by Tom Alter |
| 15 | OCTOBER | Lecture on Disaster Management |
| 16 | OCTOBER | Eid celebrated |
| 17 | OCTOBER | Pre Board exams finish |
| 17-19 | OCTOBER | Inter Section Athletics Meet |
| 26 | OCTOBER | Parent Teacher Meet |

EDITORIAL

There once stood a tree on the Camphor Avenue, overlooking our Mess. It is not long since it fell, for reasons unknown. The tree had lived long enough, I guess. Heavily laden with the poignant scent of Camphor, I still remember that cold October wind, on a Sunday evening. All of us must have felt at a certain loss back then, just then, for a very short while. Life, they say, must go on. But the tree was felled.....

Every October, since then, a wisp of poignance slips in through that beautiful drive leading to our Mess and drowns everything. When the ropes creak with all the rain and the cold and the grass make way for the parched tracks; when the baggage of some memorable hikes weigh us down and we relentlessly hang on to it; when a few journeys come to a destined halt.

October wasn't the same to all. Some cried till they could cry no more. Some, they saved their tears till the unknown. But, October isn't the same to all.....

For the tracks are being set on fire; records are being broken;

milestones are being achieved and lives being steered. And it's not so cold yet.....

And so I wonder, that when many winters and many summers down the line, when another structure would rise from the spot where once stood that revered tree - the tree that for years offered a soothing shade to many a harried lives-whether anyone of us would remember the tree that fell one October?

We may not..... We will not.....

The Agents of Change, of all kinds, they erode our collective memories.

That's life.....

Cadet Rishav Raj
Class V A

GALLIVANTING...

In the midst of all that goes on, the importance of Mid Term Hikes can never be underestimated. They are the most awaited moment of each term, as they provide us with 'THE RESPITE' in the true sense of the word by rejuvenating us from the inexorable schedule of RIMC. This term too, the cadets went to various destinations.

The young buds - Class I enjoyed their first hike to Chakrata-Kanesar and learnt a lot about tent pitching and life in camps, imbibing the qualities of team work and camaraderie. Class I A took on the heights of Mussoorie by scaling 'George Everest Peak' and the dreaded 'Bhadraj' and ambling on the streets of Mall Road, Mussoorie. Then it was the turn of Class II to savour the calm and serenity of Nainital and Ranikhet, and apart from undertaking treks, they also treasured their moments in Naini Jheel, Nainital. Class II A

went to Nahan - Chandigarh and saw places like Rock Garden and enjoyed in Sector 17. Class III had a wonderful time in Mumbai-Pune where they met the Old Boys at the NDA and visited sites like the Taj Hotel and Marine Drive. Class III A went to Chandigarh where they visited 5 MEC and enjoyed their sojourn in BRD Officers' Mess.

For the cadets of Class IV and Class IV A, it was an opportunity to discover their inner selves by embarking on treks like Nagtibba and

camping in Chakrata. As for the senior most classes - Classes V and V A - they were accompanied by Lt Cdr Pinku Heikham and enjoyed their last hikes by Rafting and Kayaking in the Ganges at Rishikesh.

Cadet Sub NCO Siddhant Mishra
Class V



FATHOMS OF TRIUMPH

The 28th All India IPSC Swimming Competition was held at Delhi Public School, RK Puram, New Delhi from 8 to 10 October, 2013. A total of 20 schools from all over India, including RIMC, participated in the event. RIMC participated in three categories, namely: Under 14, Under 17 & Under 19.

After a grueling competition that lasted for three days, the RIMC Team won a total of 10 medals. They are as follows:

Cdt Saurabh Thorve
2 Silver
1 Bronze

Cdt Shashank Dahiya
2 Bronze

Cdt Karan Bainsla
1 Silver
1 Bronze

Cdt Akash Ghose
1 Bronze

Cdt Omkar Dalvi
1 Bronze

Cdt Prasad Jadhav
1 Bronze

RIMC bagged 6th Position in the Competition, having performed well. The Competition proved to be a great learning experience as the budding swimmers got an opportunity to hone their skills further.

Cadet Gaurav Mhetre
Class V

ERUDITION SPEAKS....

On 1 October, 2013, 10 cadets along with Mr Kamal Gupta left for Mayo College for Girls, Ajmer to participate in Hindi Debate. The Hindi Debating team comprised Cadets Anushil Kumar, Rahul Dwivedi and Suraj Kumar Verma. This competition was held in three phases- Preliminary Round, Semi Final Round and Final Round. The Preliminary Round was conducted in Extempore and Turn Coat format in which the cadets did a commendable job and qualified for the next round. The Semi Final Round witnessed the zealous RIMC cadets speaking on different idioms and one liners that left the hall enthralled. In the Final Round,

RIMC was pitted against the following schools:

Mayo College for Girls, Ajmer
Mayo College for Boys, Ajmer
Scindia School, Gwalior

Competing against all schools, the RIMC cadets articulated with conviction and popular shlokas. In the cut throat competition, RIMC stood Second with the host school winning the Competition. Cdt Rahul Dwivedi bagged the Award for the Best Speaker in the Final Round, Semi Final Round and won the overall Best Speaker Trophy, coming back with enthused spirit and exhilaration

Cadet Sub NCO Siddhant Mishra
Class V

The World Space Week Quiz was organized at the Indian Institute of Remote Sensing on 10 October, 2013.

A total of 14 schools took part in the Quiz wherein the RIMC Team was represented by Cadets Abhijit Vaish, Anuj Saxena, Utkarsh Baru and PV Bhardwaj. The theme of the Quiz was 'Exploring Mars and Discovering Earth'. The questions were based on the World Space Programme.

In a very well contested Quiz, the RIMC Team exercised the grey cells to their optimum and finally proclaimed a resounding victory over all the schools to be declared Winners of the Quiz. The final positions were as follows:-

1st Position
Rashtriya Indian Military College, Dehradun

2nd Position
Kendriya Vidyalaya, ONGC

The opportunity that was provided by the College Administration was justified and well utilized by the budding quizzers.

Cadet Sub NCO Siddhant Mishra
Class V

BRAVO QUIZZERS!



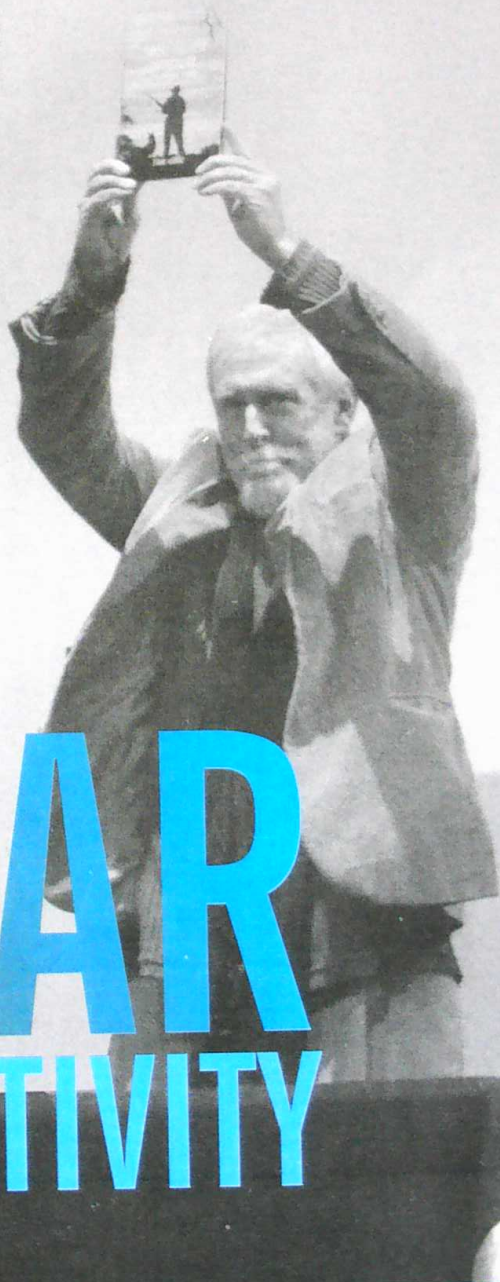
14 October 2013, was marked by the visit of a renowned actor, poet, writer, philanthropist, dramatist - Tom Alter, who came to RIMC and regaled the audience with his anecdotes and experiences. He began by releasing the Hindi version of 'Jungle Lore'- which is a popular book written by the great environmentalist, Jim Corbett.

He started by listing the various benefits of reading a book and how had Natraj Publications changed his way of thinking about reading. After narration of incidents like playing the evil henchman in 'Kranti' or meeting Dilip Kumar the very first time, he praised the Indian Cinema over Hollywood and said that he would always prefer the former over the latter, as it was abounding in cultural affluence.

He then stated his various experiences in the 'Bombay Movie Industry'. It included pacifying Amir Khan when his team lost the Triathlon Championship when a Team Member of his could not run as consistently as he wanted and the brotherly love and friendship he saw in Amitabh Bachchan's eyes when he came to know that he had visited his school in Nainital.

He finally left on a lighter note by telling us about his first girlfriend, his Hindi Teacher, when he was in Class IV. His interaction was marked by wit, jovial remarks, humour and wisdom which is only possible for a person with great intellect and profound wisdom to impart. It left the cadets spellbound and the Administration with a list of movies to show to the cadets!!!

Cadet Sub NCO Siddhant Mishra
Class V



FROM THE ALTAR OF SENSITIVITY

WHETTING INTELLECT

Five cadets accompanied by Mrs Ruchi Pradhan Datta went for the Lellyn Memorial English Debate and Quiz held at Sherwood College, Nainital from 30th Sep to 2nd Oct 2013. Cdt Rishav Raj, Cdt Karan Bainsla, Cdt Nco Taral Chanchani were a part of the Debating Team while Cdt Rishav Raj, Cdt Aditya Kalsotra, took part in Quiz .

We reached Sherwood on 30th Sep at 0700 hrs. The First Round of the Quiz was held on this day which saw 20 schools trying their best to qualify for the Final Round. Six teams qualified for the Final Round and RIMC was one of them. The Final Round was held on the same day with Mrs Benjamin Gilani as the Quiz Master who conducted it in an interesting manner. RIMC finished 3rd after Sherwood College and Oakgrove School. Cdt Rishav Raj also bagged the Keen Quizzer Trophy.

Next to come were the debates and RIMC was being represented by Cdt Rishav Raj and Cdt Watandeep Sidhu. The format was different from what we see at RIMC. Cdt Rishav Raj was the first speaker. He took part in an extempore speech, the topic of which was given one minute before. He got the topic "Boredom" and spoke extremely well. Cdt Watandeep was the second speaker and took part in the turn coat where he had to speak two minutes for the motion and two minutes against the motion. The topic given to him was "It is better to reign in hell than serve in heaven." Both the cadets spoke very well but could not make it to the quarter finals. Eight teams had to be selected for it and we were the 9th, losing to Scindia Kanya Vidyalaya only by half a mark. Overall, it was a wonderful experience, giving a healthy exposure to us where we enjoyed to our fullest and we hope to get such opportunities in the future too.

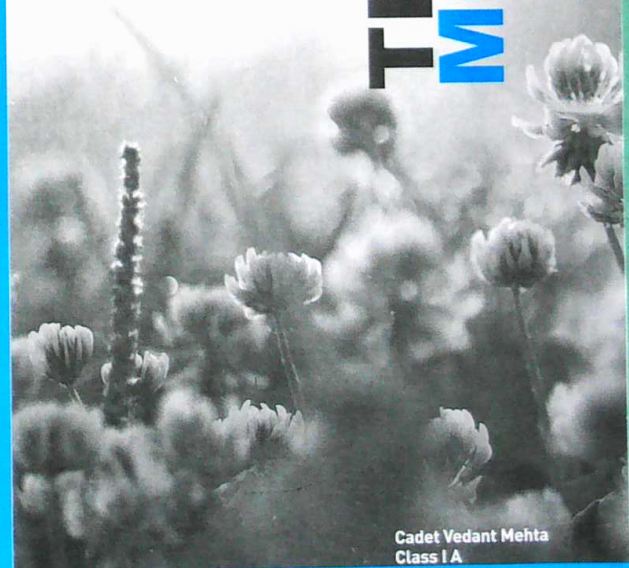
Cadet Watandeep Sidhu
Class II A

When the first bud opens
And the little bird 'coos';
The lush green grass
Wakes up tired and loose.

When the first ray gleams,
On the land it seems
The most precious times in the world.

The flowers stir slowly
Drunken with joy and glee,
The foliage is covered with dew
In the morning fresh and new.

**THE NEW
MORNING**



Cadet Vedant Mehta
Class I A

HEYDAY FOR MARKSMEN

The 12th Uttarakhand State Shooting Championship witnessed a total of 16 cadets participating in the Competition, at Jaspal Rana Shooting Range, Paundha. The Competition consisted of categories like -

1. Open Sight Youth Category
2. Open Sight Juniors Category
3. Prone Rifle Juniors Category
4. Pistol Juniors Category
5. Peep Sight Juniors Category

The cadets displayed great skill and talent as they bagged a total of 13 medals, comprising various individual as well as team medals. The final results were as follows:

Individual medals awarded to the cadets in various categories are as follows:

Open Sight Youth Category

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| 1. Cadet Shivakant | Gold |
| 2. Cadet Anirudh | Silver |
| 3. Cadet Shivam Bansal | Bronze |

Open Sight Juniors Category

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| 1. Cadet Rajat Thakur | Silver |
| 2. Cadet Salman | Bronze |

Prone Rifle Juniors Category

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|---------------------------|--------|
| 1. Cadet Mani Shankar Raj | Gold |
| 2. Cadet Shivtej Sawant | Silver |
| 3. Cadet Neeraj Maurya | Bronze |

All the cadets gave a good account of themselves by participating with great zeal and diligence. Cdt Atul Tiwari bagged the Gold Medal in Juniors Pistol Category. All the cadets have qualified for the Pre-Nationals and are now looking forward to making a mark as marksmen.

Cadet Mridul Rawat
Class III



Sketched by:
V Koustubh Rao
Class I A

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» PROLOGUE «

When the sun sets on our lives and the lights go out, we fondly recall our stories. That's how our memories become their memories. That's how we live on.

As with any other, our story has its moments, collective and individual, scandalous and clandestine, each contributing a part towards the whole.

As with most stories, ours too is a pursuit of happiness. And at a place like this, happiness wasn't hard to find. Everyone had his own special way.

Staying up at cold winter nights to see that big red moon. Piling mangoes under one's bed hoping that one day they would sweeten perfectly. Beating that pain inside with an endless dive from 10 metres. Making a living out of those songs we sang and the dreams we had on those corridors we called 'The Lounge'. Sneaking out of the CSD gate for a 'chai' at four in the morning. And that pleasant hide away from the beautiful Unison girls.

But our story is not yet to be... told in to-to

Because between all these 'Home files' and 'friends forever' and other subtle understandings, it only dawned upon us lately that our stories would run the course of our entire mortal lives. It also only hit us now

that all stories do have a happy ending.

So, despite all the 'downs' and the 'let downs' of the past few months, we know that our stories are just beginning to take shape. And so as we take a final walk along this road, we try and blend ourselves normally to the rhythm of the times. We walk slow, and laugh loud, and go berserk and stay together as much as we can.

Away from school, we would learn to live on. Despite all the heartbreaks, we'd find love. Despite all the fears, we would learn to laugh and let go. Despite the odds, we should succeed.

And we would live on until years from now, when we may not at all be there, when we may not even meet, when our hair would grey and the young glow would fade.

Tearful eyed and with a lump in our throat, we would remember the hills we called home fondly. We would remember the friends we grew up with, in those exciting teenage years

And these moments would complete the story.
- Cdt. Rishav Raj (174th Course)

"GENESIS"

COURSE 14 JAN 2009

We landed. And it all started; we never knew that we would be brothers till the very end. We stood 25 that morning. Anit moved up a year later.

FIRST HITCHHIKE -

Chakrata was almost laden in snow. Panicker moved his 8-day by 5 months, thanks be to the stars. The coconut cake was nice, thanks be to Mrs. Kaushik and Mr. Sanjay.

MUSSOORIE NIGHTS

our camp area, with 4 more days to go, Mr. Jain moved us up to Mussoorie (which was a logistical fiasco). The rations lasted till the end though, but we soon ran out of canned guavas and money. A hamburger for dinner is never a good idea. Those were HARD TIMES...

WINTER BLUES '10

CRASH INTO FATHERHOOD....

GG days WELCOME ABOARD ARUNABH!!!



That was Class III



EPIDEMIC BREAKOUT - FEB '11

It was almost like a vampire movie. Most of us were identified as most vulnerable to conjunctivitis, isolated and packed in a room. It was a fun wait for bloodshot eyes, though it never happened.

Knorr

PREP LEAVE {PART-I}

We don't regret anything - Those late night maggi's, early morning c's, those bonfires, Rocketstar during our boards. Getting even with Maj. Dahu, the IPSC exploits, Volleyball sessions drenched in mud, all-star - all-night squash opens, the Delhi belly contests, counter strikes on the Shivaji corridors, the MCQ PAPER. Tapkeshwar, Boards, expecting 100% after every exam (shameless!) and finally the all-cylinders firing results. Guess we had hell of a great time to regret anything. Have a Blast Falcons... Merry Christmas!!

FALL OF 2011

SUMMER '12

THE GREAT ESCAPE -

We all knew when this happened, that this would be one story we'd never forget. A slow night, so long, a chase and a run, the surge of juvenile blood - that's all it is, nothing more.

Messi

RPL SOCCER - MAY '12

Game over - FALCONS WIN!!!

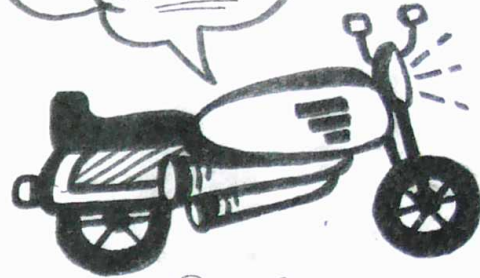


Mrs. Jayabba

Na Fe
C ! PF
May God fulfill
all your choicest
desires!!!
God Bless

This is not just another
note from the Club,
simply because you all are
unique in your own ways...
be your unique selves
always, 174th PARCOHS
HASTA LA VISTA -
Rachna Maam

the naughtiest of
all... half of you
joined nature.
Club and made it
more
COLOURFUL



Mr. P.K. Sharma

All the best
boys!!



Do well in
future.

Mr. Neeraj

Give to the world
the Best you
have
God Bless

Five keys
of success
- Honesty
- Integrity
- Hard work
- Punctuality
- Discipline
Mr. C S
Vishwakarma

Apply all price in your
life. Best of luck

PETA:
'clown', 'carloun', 'priceless
jerks are some of the
words that come to mind
as I recount my few
exasperating, yet amusing
(consecutive) terms (quite
a mean feat, eh!) as your
teacher!! You are not
a bunch I'd exchange
for another!!!
Godspeed &
glad tidings!

Mrs. Ruchi P. Dutta

RJ



Hey Vishrut, would never forget you for the unstoppable MLs and morning inspections which you never took
(Aryan Thakur)

Sir Shivam, comes the best with your laugh
(Sahil Yadav)

Sir Saurabh shukla, forget you have faced all now. Keep working hard and focus on your bright future. Hope you hit the bulls' eye soon!
(Ashwin)

Sir Citansh, we'll miss you in mess
(Divyanshu Dwivedi)

Sir Taral, go into a rehab for your excitement fits.
(Aryan Singh)

Sir Hemant, hope to get an answer to your 'WHY'.
(Gaurav Prakash)

Sir Purushottam, plz. use 'Fair and Handsome'.
(Akash Ghosh)

Sir Rushikesh, you must get up on time. And your area stinks. All the best...
(Kshitij Jayant)

Sir Anil, you're psychosis personified. Hope your 'Pratapgarhi' bluntness leaves you someday.
(B. Sanga)

Dear Chandragupta Section Senior Dorm coms, we'll never forget the inspections you never took.
(Stephen)

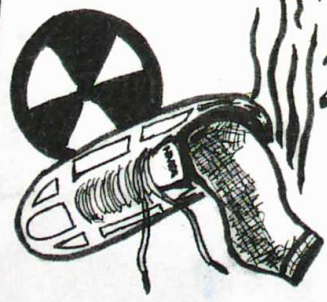
Dear Sir, it was a great adventure to be your Class-IV. We shall miss you as a course and as good individuals. May Luck always Favours you and God Speed!!
(Class IV)

Sir Lalit, enough of your selfies
(Ashutosh Mishra)

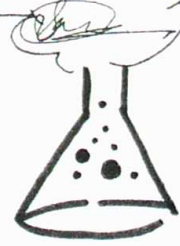
Sir Rishav, I hope you get over your OC Jokes and your spontaneous "what-ifs."
(Raghav Vaid) (Pratap)

Sir Prateek, plz. wake up on time and next time, plz. be judicious when not using your phone.
(Sawarthy)

CAUTION!



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OOPS!!




BLS

STEP UP REVOLUTION -

MP Graduation Ceremony :- 172nd COURSE

 Those were the days of Gangnam Style and so ty numbers. Two days of preparation was all we had, but it was serious dancing. With all those slow-mo dance moves and stuff, they've already come a long way. But we can always take the exclusive credit for the rebirth of dance form at college, Period.

YOU NEVER LOSE A FRIEND - EARLY 2013...

 Looking back, I think we had seen that coming. A friend went down. But for all we know, his world is now bigger; there is more love and beautiful songs. Guess everything happens for a reason.



END OF DAYS - THE BAD AND THE *Beter*...

Amidst all the gloom, and the nostalgia, there were specks of joy. There was Rishikesh, and the districts, and the love struck November air (Tomar would agree)...



And our days had come to an end...
For now.

THE END.

Epilogue

"When you're done with this world,
You know the gift is up to you" - John Mayer

Summer's over, and the cold has come. Back in Mieroran, winter connects with a folk tale. The dead leave earth and move on to another, this time of the year. When they leave their homes, the hills they once soared. Looking back at the fading light with a heavy heart, the bonfire outside their houses shines brightly as they go, they look back a thousand times; and then it all disappears. And they're on to the next world.

Gets us think... the last blissful years I've lived around here. (In 2013 I have a slightly better, but the joy, the glitter, heartbreaks and the November rain I got it, oh I've seen it all... and I met life along the way, made peace with my troubled heart, discontinue new joy and ones to call my home. I wouldn't die for home.

"Dad was, I guess, the name one summer evening in the auto room. I think I had asked a name for the PPL. I never knew the name without much thought. The one I proudly call my 'brothers'; the joy and pain we've shared together. Oh I never knew that they'd all come crashing down on me now, that it would sink in... now. And as they leave, heavy hearted; they will look back a thousand times with tears in their eyes. And I'll see them off with a false smile; a smile that it gives them hope of a better world ahead. I will cry inside but I won't show; and look on till the herd fades away.

- Cdt. B. Vannalsawma
174th Course

As I pen this down, I suddenly realize that I am on the verge of passing out from this institution. A thought that has been haunting me since last thirty days, but which I never wanted to happen. But the fact that we'll be spending five more days due to board exam schedule gives solace. Well, for sure, I'll miss my unforgettable halcyonic moments here, which gamut of drill, PT, hikes, kitroom and the list goes on. I'm leaving this institution that has transformed a young happy-go-lucky boy into a matured and focused human being.

long live RMC, Viva La 174th!
-Cadet Captain Hemant Poonia

Obituary

With profound sorrow, we inform you of the demise of Col Keshav Chand Anand (1935-41, RAW), Capt JK Sengupta (1953-57, RAN) and Lt Col Bejoy Charan Sharma (1954-58, RAN). May their souls rest in peace.

NEWSROOM

We are pleased to bring to you our latest news ~~column~~, condensing the monthly dose of news and views into a quarter of AH. Shivaji finally won their silverware - The drill Comps (Kudos to Sec Com) Kudos also to Cadets Somay, Ahaan, Shashank & Siddhant for doing good in Ramakrishna Ashram. Ranjit & Gupta won Swimming & Quiz respectively, but glory was Phatap's for winning PT & Athletics, adding it to an already packed closet. Meanwhile, we also witnessed an inspiring defense of the Distt. Athletics by the college team. We also saw a play staged by the faculty. V-VA had a ball of time at the Unison's and suddenly there's more of Gmail than FB. A chosen few also met Prince of Wales and the life at erstwhile PWRMC comes to full circle.

Dear Readers, We hope you enjoy an all new chronicle, conceived on a Sunday by the Ed. team. Credits for the amazing art go to Cdt. B. Sanga & Raghav. Apologies for the writeups that could not feature. You can reach us at: RMC.JOURNAL@GMAIL.COM

BOOK POST

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Luck,' in our former Adm Offcr, Lt Col Ambarish Tewari's words, "Gentlemen, the time has come for you to face the world. We have done our bit in shaping you, now it is your chance to prove yourself and show that you are worthy enough to be a part of the Rimcollian Fraternity."

Cadet Vijayant Rana, Class III



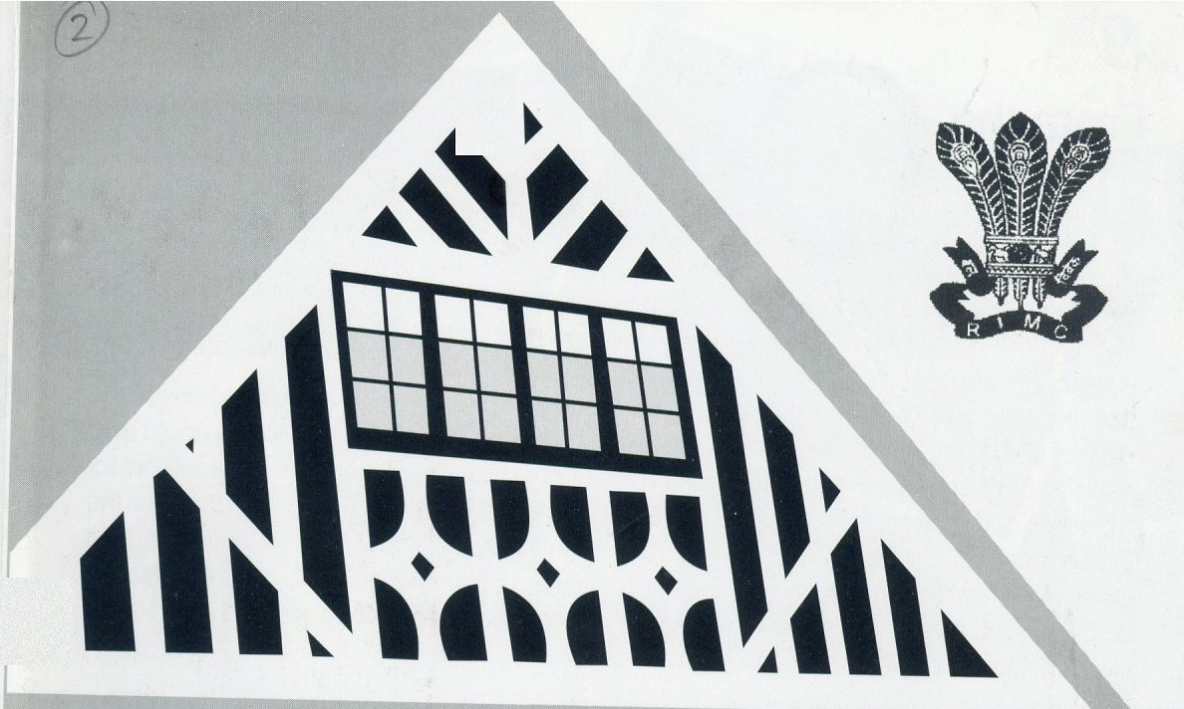
Bon Voyage, The 173rd

"O! Call back yesterday, bid time return."

-Shakespeare

Dateline

- 26 April - Cadets participate in Welham Girls' & Asian School debates
- 01 May - S Kandhari Memorial Hockey Tournament commences
- 05 May - S Kandhari finals- RIMC emerges Runners up
- 16 May - Terminal exams commence
- 21 May - Class VA Socials with Unison World School
- 24 May - Terminal exams finish
Inter Section Creative Writing
Section Socials
- 25 May - RIMC Tennis Opens
- 28 May - Play 'Dayashankar Ki Diary' staged
- 29 May - Special Assembly
Inter Section Quiz
- 30 May - Graduation Ceremony



Editorial



The six days of the 'end of term' is the time when the true meaning of fun is redefined. From playing tennis till four in the morning, to enjoying the section socials, the cadets have the time to let their hair down and relax after a grueling term that tested their mental as well as physical prowess. Hidden under this frenzy, lies the feeling of sadness that the 173rd Course feels as it leaves its Alma Mater for the final time, to embark on a timeless journey which will test them in all possible ways.

There's something with the weather too. It's become sunny all of a sudden. Maybe the Gods too want Class VA to enjoy their last few days here, sitting on the CC Stairs, remembering the days gone by and humming to the tunes of the evergreen song, 'I'll Miss My College Days.' It's been five years to the day they came here, greenhorns to this strange new world. They've had their share of memories, from going on the 'French Cuts' for the first time and getting caught too. But that's how life works at RIMC. There's a reason as to why the first thing you are taught when you come as a first termers is, and I quote my CG, "Your termers are your life here. They'll be there to cheer you up when you've just lost a Cup. But they'll also be there to admonish you when you richly deserve so, for not performing when you could." That tells you everything you need to know about the role that termers play in our life.

On a lighter note, the new Mess seems to be coming up great. The bets are already on for which Course will be the senior most when the Mess is inaugurated. II-IIA seem to be the favourites. The hype of Terminals is finally over. I'm sure nobody would be missing those six and half hours of preps that could be seemingly endless torture. After all there's a limit for how long a child can study! Especially ones like us who have double the energy than normal kids do. Class IVA has taken it to the books and is studying hard for their NDA written which happens to be only 73 days away. The highlight of the month was surely Mr Vishwakarma's birthday with rumours flying high of an imminent treat. Don't worry guys, there's always next year!

The time has finally come for us to bid Adieu to the 173rd Spartans. Their memories will forever be with us, be it Kobing setting the Doon School track on fire or Khuman's and Kumaran's exploits in the ring. So wishing them 'Best of



From the **C**adet Captain's Pen



There are just a few days left for the 173rd Course to bid farewell to their Alma Mater. This five year long journey has finally come to an end. But when I sit down and look back, I realize that these five years were the fastest of my life and before we even realized, we are here on the brink of joining the Rimcollian Fraternity. College has given us more than what we could ever ask it for. It has shaped us into gentlemen to be reckoned with. For this I thank all my seniors for whatever contribution they made in developing and shaping us. The sweet smell of the Eucalyptus and Camphor Avenues will always remind me of the X-Country practices. The smell of the freshly cut grass will remind me of what am I am leaving behind, the true 'Heaven on Earth'. But most of all I'm going to miss the 256 cadets who have always been a part of my life. But it all finally comes down to these prophetic lines -

*"For men may come and men may go,
But I go on forever."*

These century old buildings have seen hundreds of young boys coming and going but it has never failed in delivering the same moral character and ethos to them. The sense of respect and pride for this place makes me feel nostalgic because these glorious days are never coming back. Apart from turning us into future leaders of men, this place has turned us into better human beings. And I can assure you that the 173rd course will surely live up to the expectations of everyone and lift the flag of RIMC to grater heights.

So bidding farewell to my Alma Mater,

Viva La RIMC
Cadet Captain Ligang Kobing
173rd Course

DLTG Sans H

Fumbling and diffident, they came from their homes and the very first power point presentation they had to put up was 'HOMEWARD BOUND'. Ironic it certainly was as the memories of their homes and parents were still afflicting them. Underlying all this was the fact that they had opted for this way of life at the quintessential RIMC. DLTGH used to stare at me from the board the moment I would enter the class. Little was I aware that this DLTGH (Days Left To Go Home) was going to be the genesis of an idea that was to regale the audience and enthuse the jittery first termers with an assurance and optimism. How everyone had learnt! Learnt that the most mundane could be transformed into the most exquisite. That is to say, the DLTG metamorphosis into 'HOMEWARD BOUND' which the 173rd as First Termers would remember their entire lives. Their uncanny ability to produce an unprecedented, slap stick and that too in the Commandant's Assembly certainly was a food for thought for me. Trust Avinash to romp on the stage with a kerchief round his neck with a swashbuckling swagger in a 'mawaali' role to be chased by Vishal, wielding a stick in a policeman's role and the entire audience trying desperately to muffle their laughter. As if that was not all, Dika coming up with an absurd and a preconditioned notion of a teacher as being someone whom he thought served tea was adequate to convey that here was a bunch of greenhorns who could be easily duped if they were all by themselves 'HOMEWARD BOUND'. Ravi, Dika, Karan, Akash, Kumaran, Vikram-all of them playing their part - not only on Bhagat Hall stage, but also in the precincts of the sacrosanct RIMC, to emerge as 18 assured and resolute gentlemen, bound for a brave, new world.....SAYONARA!!

Mrs Rachna Malhotra



Kyler
2637/P/173rd
Work hard, Play hardest
and party hard

MISS U RIME
DO well guys
no speed

Kyler
2657/P/173rd
Work hard Play hardest
and party hard

Shiva
enjoy life
be your self

work hard!!
party harder!!
party harder!!
2616/S/173rd

173rd SPARTAN



Work hard!!
David
2618/P/173

Keep em flying high

Dipank
2624/P

Dman
2653/P/173rd
ENJOY TO YOUR
FULLEST!!!!

Prakash
2638/S/173rd
Play hard & Work hard
Keep the spirit high
Good luck!!!

Enjoy these
best 5 yrs of your
life to the fullest
Work hard, Eat Harder, Enjoy Harder

Enjoy these 5 yrs to your
fullest. it's never gonna
come back.

2616/P/173



Enjoy every bit of it

Prince
2621/R/173rd
RIME RULES!!
Rincos Rockzzz!!!

2617/C
KEEP THE SPIRIT
HIGH!!!

2633/C/173

Vikram
173rd Spartans
Rockz!!!

Live life King size!



CADET CAPTAIN LIGANG KOBING *This 'Jack of all trades' and master of many was perfection personified. The everlasting smile on his face cleverly camouflaged the disciplinarian in him. He led the College well. Besties, Kobing!*

CADET SEC COM RAVI PATHAK *This lad had the spirit and discipline which every leader needs. An ace shooter, he always hit the bull's eye. A strict disciplinarian, he is sure to go way ahead. Keep it up, Ravi!*

CADET NCO B KUMARAN RAVI *This 'Mike Tyson' from Tamil Nadu was also a great swimmer. He will be remembered for his outstanding smile. Godspeed, Kumaran!*

CADET KARAN RAJ SOHI *This swimmer from Patiala was literally a motorboat. He gave the swimming relay team almost a length's edge over the opponent. The record he holds will probably never be broken. Go ahead, Karan!*

CADET NCO MAYANK DHAMA *Let it be any height, he'll cross it. This high jumper has brought many laurels to the College. His quiet and cool behaviour made him approachable to his juniors. Godspeed, Mayank.*

CADET SEC COM VIKRAM DALAL *A good long distance runner, he was a shy figure. Very helpful and soft spoken, he is sure to be remembered by his juniors. Godspeed, Vikram!*

CADET O KHUMANLABA *This 'Muhammad Ali' from Manipur always set the ring on fire. He will always be remembered for his peculiar way of speaking. Way to go Khuman!*

CADET PRINCE ROBIN *A very good shooter he would never miss his target, be it shooting or any other task. His zeal for the cyber café will be missed always. Godspeed, Prince!*

CADET SEC COM AVINASH CHHETRY *This aggressive boxer and quizzier was the perfect mixture of might and intelligence. His performance and behaviour everywhere made him a role model for his juniors. Godspeed, Avinash!*

CADET NCO SHIVAM SHARMA *This lad from Gwalior was an ace marksman. Also an aspiring 'Dhyanchand', he is sure to shoot his way to glory in life. A Shivajian, II-IIA will always miss him for his cool attitude. Nice going Shivam!*

CADET NCO PRITESH PRASAD *Art was his passion, academics his forte. He went to scale the world's highest battlefield, and proved his mettle. Long way to go, Pritesh!*

CADET NCO KAPIL BAGHEL *This Cadet from Gwalior always had a perpetual smile on his face. A thorough gentleman, he will always be remembered by junior dorm for his generous attitude. Way to go, Kapil!*

CADET NCO KAUSHAL KUMAR *This 'Michael Jordan' was the calmest among everyone. Even a tornado could not disturb his peace of mind. He is sure to rise high in life. Bravo, Kaushal!*

CADET NCO AMIT KUMAR RAI *This debater from UP set records in every field. He earned himself a Gold Badge in Debating & Journalism. He was a keen rider. His concentration and hard work always got him great results. Long way to go, Amit!*

CADET NCO MAYURAKSHA BANIK *This Cadet from Tripura always had jokes and pranks up his sleeves, something that belied his quiet exterior. All the best Mayuraksha!*

CADET SEC COM PRATHAMESH KOHALE *A shooter ultimate, he will always be remembered for his die hard spirit. A brilliant academician, he is sure to do well in his life. Way to go, Prathamesh!*

CADET V LALREMDIKA *This 'Mizo' was a terror in the boxing ring and a rockstar with his guitar. He will always be remembered for his everlasting smile. Godspeed Dika!*

CADET AKASH KUMAR YADAV *This 'Bindra' from Rajasthan can make the saddest hours laughable. He has never missed the bull's eye, be it shooting or life. Acting and jokes are his expertise and hockey his play. He makes a perfect role model for his juniors. ICHDIEN, Akash!*

The Incomplete Perfect

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I stand over a steady current of a river which is in its final stage, ready to kiss the deep, mysterious and turbulent blue waters! Standing here, my consciousness extends in all the directions trying to apprehend the length and depth of all the confounding sieves it envisages. It's the rarest phenomenon of my life wherein a river has flown over a course of five years, I am at the mouth in a strange stormy lull facing the fog spread over the approaching sea.

Amidst all this, I suddenly listen to a strange conversation. As far as I can make out it's a new fishy (pun intended) couple.

The lad says- "Hey! You Lady. You look pretty. Will you be my friend?"

It seems interesting and so I continue as a third person. The lady responds, "Oh yeah! Sure!"

The lad's eyes have a sanguine sheen and his body moves with a scintilla, unaware of the impending perplexity and the lady continues, "Only if you can prove to me that you are actually perfect."

The lad mulls over the lady's challenge and gives a ponderous nod. O! This is not what I or even the lady had expected. It seems either the lad is a very clever guy or totally dumb.

The lady wears a callous expression and says- "See, I could have expected your proposal but you look weird. You have strong fins but a strange weak tail. You aren't perfect."

I think the lad is a bit hurt by that remark and I empathize with him. Let's see, what he does now.

"Yes, my lady! You are absolutely correct. My tail lacks the virulence but then my fins make up for that and so I can do all my work with the appropriate effort."

"In case, I had the strength of both I would have had to compensate by the jealousy of my own comrades, while on the other hand, if I had both the limbs weak, I would have been looked down upon. So, you can see, I am just perfect." The lady seems outwitted- "Ok! Your answer is accepted, but then, if you are so intelligent, so strong and as you say 'PERFECT'; why do you want to befriend me?"

The lad comes quickly. "Lady, I know I am perfect and so are you and so are all the other beings on this planet but none is complete. We all are 'INCOMPLETE PERFECTS'! We just need to realize that."

The lady interrupts- And what do you mean by that 'INCOMPLETE PERFECT'? The lad continues- "The perfection is basically to enthuse us with a feeling of satisfaction and support in cases of social alienation and disapproval. At the same time, the epithet 'incomplete' prevents us from becoming complacent and reticent to the throes of life. It propels us to endeavour perpetually."

The noise has augmented and the flow is growing faster. The flow of time and the gush of rapids churn my patience but then I am ready to take them head on!!

ADIOS!

Amit Kumar Rai, Class VA

'Main Hun Jal'

The cadets of RIMC staged a Hindi play 'Main Hun Jal' in collaboration with the Centre for Folk Performing Arts and Culture, HNB Garwal University, written by Mr Anurag Verma. The play was directed by Mr TK Agarwal and performed by the College's Drama Club of the College.

The Chief Guest for the evening was Col HS Bainsla, SM, Commandant RIMC.



A Successful Failure

People say, 'If one door is closed for you
There are several other doors opened for you.'
And if you fail in searching for that door
That doesn't mean it is the end of life.
Because success and failure go hand in hand
And both are just two sides of a coin.
Success comes to those people only
Who have guts to face failure.
Because even great people failed
And then achieved greatness in life.
As there is no real fun in success
Till the time you haven't failed once.



Because there are some things in life
Which only failure can teach but success can't.
But the most important thing in life is that
You should have the courage to fight like an ant.
Which after failing thousand times in climbing a wall
Doesn't lose hope and succeeds in climbing it.
A human being is called a real man only
When he gets up and succeeds after falling...!!!!

Mayank Dhama, Class VA

The Bottle of Water

As I was sitting in the Shivaji Section Motivational Hall, preparing for the upcoming board exams with Cadets Avinash Chhetry, Vikram Dalal, B.K. Ravi, Kapil Baghel, Mayuraksha Banik and Prathamesh Kohale, I was feeling extremely thirsty. But the inertia brought about by the soft chair and the pillow on the seat didn't allow me to take a single step. I asked all of them to bring me a bottle of water but all of them refused. Completely chagrined, I got up to get myself a drink. As soon as I got up, they said in unison, "Please get a bottle of water". I was completely taken aback at this but decided to fill the bottle out of kindness. After all they were my termers- the 173rd Spartans. As I walked back to the cooler to fill the water, the memories of the yesteryear went through my mind.

Cadet Avinash Chhetry is the best nautanki you could ever see. And don't forget to notice his ears (big, aren't they). I still remember how much he helped me all those five years. Be it for the Section, Class or College.

Cadet BK Ravi, well, if he was visible to you, you couldn't help but notice his wide smile (the Happy Dent one). I remember my SSB when I had got fever and he was always there beside me.

Cadet Vikram Dalal, a completely focussed and dedicated chap. If he is doing something and you start tapping your fingers or even bring Katrina Kaif in front of him, he won't even bat an eyelid.

Cadet Kapil Baghel, a 'Dracula' like set of teeth adorns his smart face. He was the most helpful chap I have ever known.

Cadet Mayuraksha Banik, the laziest chap you would have ever seen, though both of us compete to be the last guy to get up in the dorm.

Cadet Prathamesh Kohale, this guy is small, but really strong mentally as well as physically. The best friend I could ever have, I salute him for the amount of teasing he can take without knocking the other person on the floor.

I never imagined on 14 July 2008, that after five years my termers would become such an essential part of me but I know that when on 30 May 2013, I'll leave the college, I won't miss the buildings or the lawn. What I will miss is the time I spent here with my termers. Even the thought that we won't be together after 30 May gives me shivers. Well! I guess anything that is sure to happen in life is change. I actually thank God for giving me such termers who have cried with me and laughed with me. Now the water's overflowing and I can hear Kumaran shouting for the bottle. And yes! just one last time.

Cadet NCO Kaushal Kumar, Class VA

LIGHTNING EELS

Cadet Saurabh Thorve bagged three individual Gold medals to lift the RIMC Swimming Contingent to Second Position in the recently concluded Competition held at St Georges College, Mussoorie. He also bagged the Award for the Best Swimmer in the Senior Division. He won Gold Medals in the 50m Butterfly, 100m Backstroke and 100m Freestyle. RIMC won a total of 6 Gold medals and 1 Silver medal, finishing behind Mount St Mary's.



Obituary

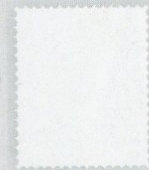
Lt Col HKL Johar, left for heavenly abode on 1 May, 2013. He was the first Indian Army Officer to be the Commandant at RIMC, from July 1968 to May 1974. May his soul rest in peace.



BOOK POST

To,

Four horizontal lines for writing an address.



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