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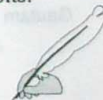
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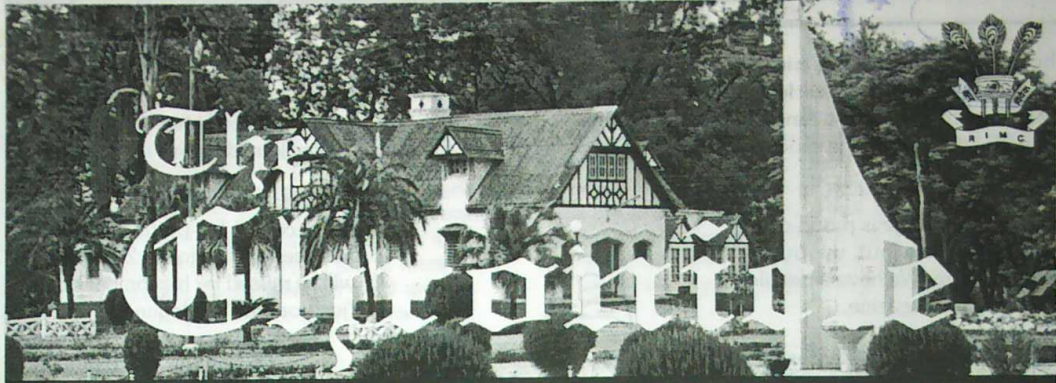


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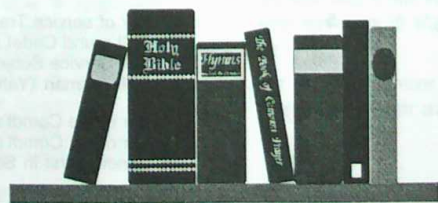
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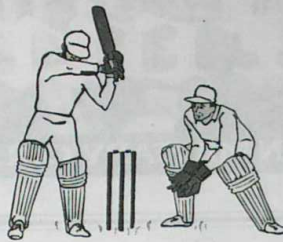
## CAMPUS NEWS

The term began with the cricket match - Staff vs Cadets. An unexpected result left the cadets shocked, the staff team won by two runs. On being asked the reason for their defeat the cadets said that they were outplayed.

The college is proud of the excellent show put up by the shooting team. We have a detailed report in our magazine.

Thirty lucky cadets went to see the Republic Day parade, Prime Minister's NCC Rally, and Beating of the Retreat. We are grateful to Brig HV Bhalla, our ex Sub Area Commander and a great friend of RIMC, who invited our cadets and arranged the visit at New Delhi. They claimed that it was an unique experience for them but the better part was that they were out of college.

Twenty six young and proud first termers



joined us so far this term. We wish them a happy tenure at the RIMC.

Lt. AJS Sandhu (ex-Shivaji), an aviator from the Indian Navy, joined us this term.

Maj Prasad after a short tenure at RIMC has received his posting order. He has been posted to the 28 EMU. He will be missed for his combat kit and "just too bad" dialogues.

Mr Sanjay as art teacher and Mr Vivek Bhardwaj in computers joined us this term. The RIMC is proud to have them on board.

On the 27<sup>th</sup> of Jan the college had the opportunity to trek to Mussorie when it had snowed there. Many of us had seen it for the first time. Snowfighting was a common game played there (never mind the sick report was double the next day).

## OLD BOYS NEWS

### EX-RIMC CADETS OF 101 COURSE IN NDA

Our Cadets of the Passing Out Course have done well during Autumn Term 2001 having won most of the awards and medals. They constitute 5% of the entire course and won 95% of the awards!

Ser	Name	Order of Merit	Remarks
1.	Vishnu Vardhan Reddy	1	Winner of the President's Gold Medal for standing first in Final Overall Order of Merit. Best all Round Naval Cadet. Winner of Medal for overall excellence in Service Subjects.
2.	Gautam Sharma	2	Winner of the Silver Medal for standing second in Final Overall order of Merit. Winner of Chiefs of Staff Trophy for maximum contribution towards furthering Inter Services Co-operation. Best All Round AF Cadet and Winner of the Comdt's Bronze Medal for standing second in Science Stream.
3.	Soumik Kumar Choudhary	4	Winner of the Comdt's Bronze Medal for Standing second in Social Science stream.
4.	B Divakar	5	Winner of service Training Trophy. Best all round Cadet in Out Door Training, Special Service Subject and CSS. Best Helmsman (Yatching).
5.	Digvijay Singh Parihar	6	Winner of the Comdt's Motivation Award. Winner of the Comdt's Silver Medal and the CAS Trophy for standing first in Social Science Stream.
6.	Rajkumar P Gohain	7	Best All Round Army Cadet.



## PEN - PALS FROM FRANCE



## A STORY OF LETTERS

Dear Sir

Thank you so much for your kind letter and the most interesting video of your college which my students and I enjoyed watching. We have not had time yet to read and explain the chronicles, we will do this when we resume school on January 10<sup>th</sup>.

We are now on holiday for a fortnight, we will start with a big dinner tonight on Christmas Eve, a big lunch will follow on Christmas day tomorrow and a week later it is the New Year which we will celebrate, these are very pleasant holidays, well deserved because the first term is very long but they are never very restful. When we resume school. I will ask my students to tell yours about their holidays.

Last Thursday was the last period I had with my group before the holidays and we made the video in Lusignan, it was very cold (minus 2 or 3) but we had a good time doing it. May I ask you and your students to be lenient, my pupils prepared rather difficult texts which they had difficulty to say, we should have worked the pronunciation longer but we did not have enough time, then when I send the video. I will send the texts as well. They have been learning English for 2 years and a half only and some of them find it a bit hard to study but they all enjoyed introducing themselves and presenting their town to you and their Indian friends.

How lucky your students are to be going for a cruise and for you to be going back to sea after 20 years. Please ask your students to tell about both their experiences of mountaineering in the Himalayas and the cruise, my pupils are looking forward to knowing about their numerous activities during these trips, it is like magic for them.

In January our exchange with Bulmershe School of Reading (UK) is starting, the English party is coming to Lusignan for 10 days and I am taking 31 to Great Britain in February and among them about 10 pupils involved in the indo-French pen friend exchange, they too will be able to tell their Indian friends about their experiences and activities shared with their English correspondents.

I do not remember if I told you but unfortunately our course is one semester only, it will come to an end on January 17<sup>th</sup> which means I will not see these pupils again except for the 3 whom I teach. During the second semester, I will work with the

pupils who are taking part in the exchange with G B, we will work on a historical project the Renaissance, the time of Henry VIII and Shakespeare.

The 17 pupils involved with the pen friend exchange with India will be able to go on writing to their friends but I will not be able to guide them any longer, I hope they will feel like continuing.

I will prepare the video and send it to you very soon. Thank you so much for your good wishes and in our turn, my students and I wish you, your family, your students and all the members of your college a very happy new year, may it be filled with numerous joys.

Yours sincerely  
**Chantal Pouant**

## HOPE

In this life of unknown depth,  
In this vision of unknown health,  
In this search by undefined doors,  
stands humanity's ladder!

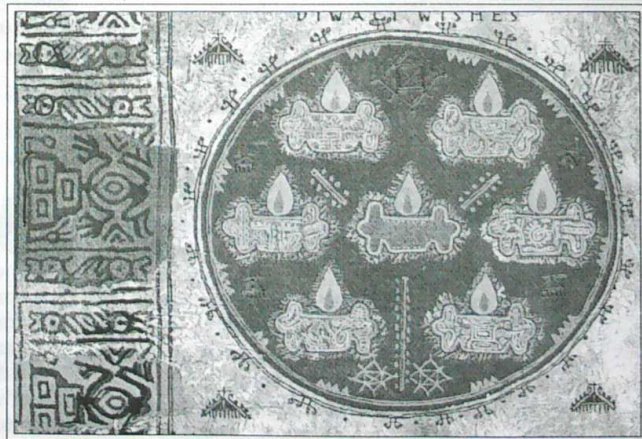
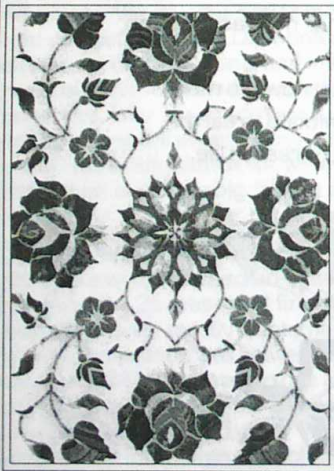
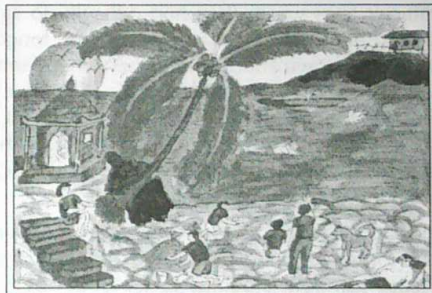
Upwards and above, men strive,  
that others may arise,  
sideways & without they stagger,  
downwards and below, they succumb.

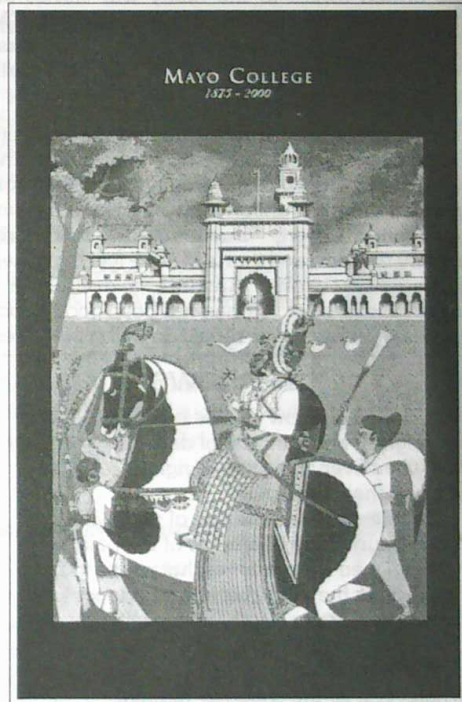
Heights, that other may last to climb,  
higher and above,  
Into the realm, unknown to man,  
Into the heart, unfound to earth,  
Into the eternity, unread in life.



**Cdt Aditya Swarup**

# THE GALLERY





*We feel gifted*

*Thankyou*

THE RIMC FAMILY

## SOLDIER OF FORTUNE

His grandfather, Major Shrinivas Kulkarni (Retd.), fought the Germans in the Second World War, and the Chinese in the Sino-India war of 1961. Twelve year old Rohan Kulkarni wants to emulate his grand dad's feats and is already on his way. As the only Pune student to get admission to get 27 boys batch of the prestigious Rashtriya Indian Military College (RIMC), Rohan has beaten back thousands across the country and at least 500 boys from Maharashtra alone.



Rohan, a class VII student of the Loyola high school, will be joining the Dehra Dun – based RIMC on January 25, 2002. Rohan attributes his interest in the armed forces to the many war stories and incidents recounted by his grandfather. "My grandfather's action stories still ring in my ears. I feel it is a very exciting life and I want to be a part of it," says the energetic lad.

Interestingly, Rohan is Rajendra and Rashmi's only child and though the couple are entrepreneurs, they have been extremely encouraging about their son's fascination for the uniform. Says Rajendra, a water purification expert, "Our family has had a rich military tradition and that is why we feel happy with Rohan's decision." Rashmi, a doctorate in microbiology, says, "Rohan has been good at both sport and studies and he should do well in the forces."

The RIMC is arguably the most notable feeder institution to the National Defence Academy (NDA) in Pune and receives a batch of 27 students every six months for admissions to class VIII. The residential programme runs along military lines and educates the boys till class XII and prepares them for the NDA entrance examination. Many of the celebrated soldiers of the Indian Armed forces have been graduates of the RIMC.

Rohan, an ace swimmer, has set his sights on a career in the Indian Navy and says, "I love water and a fighting career in the navy should be very interesting." Rohan's immediate role model is another Pune boy Tejas Deshpande, who joined the RIMC six months back.

Tejas, who is in Pune on holiday told Pune Times, "The RIMC is a lot of fun. We have one student from every single state in the country and it is this cosmopolitan nature of RIMC that I like the most. Of course, as much as the lovely puddings and the cold coffee that our chefs serve us everyday."

Rohan's parents attribute his success to the guidance of senior citizens S G Ranade and his wife Mangala, who coached the boy for the RIMC examination. When contacted Mangala Ranade who says, "We are very happy about the success of both Tejas, and now Rohan. We are praying for a hatrnick now!"

*(An extract from Pune Times)*

## SHADOWS

Why does a shadow always eclipse,  
the brightest and sunniest of days ?  
Just when everything seems right,  
another shadow appears.  
And so here we are, the two of us,  
deach haunted by phantoms of the past,  
each plagued by memories that refuse to fade.  
Each loving the other, yet to proud to let  
the other know the depth of love felt,  
Or too scared perhaps of not being  
loved enough in return.  
Whatever it is, the shadows remain,  
dimming the light of today  
Funny how dark and brooding shapes,  
that have no definite features,  
have such control over us,  
And how we let ourselves be ruled by them

- Cdt Amihe &  
CdtManas Kala

## LIL' RIMCOS

RIMC the home for 5 yrs for these little Rimcos is where my husband got his posting in Jan '97. We were leading a quiet and complacent life admist the serene hills of Shillong. The news was overwhelming for my husband but at that period I was going through the pangs of handling a teenager male in my house. Which means I was a confused and a puzzled mother. The boy who is a gentleman till he enters his teens, becomes a total rebel and a bully - God! Where have I gone wrong? Was it in my upbringing? A thousand questions enter my mind and leave me feeling defeated. That, was the moment we were given the news of our posting to RIMC. Handling one boy was a nightmare and there I would have 250 of them on my hands. I almost screamed, for how do I handle these devils (thats what I always think of boys since I have two of my own). The most unpredictable creatures. One was always scared of even shaking hands with them for one was never sure what was behind the friendly shake - a dead insect, a sticky snail or the foul smell of a dead rat and our deadly reactions to their prank always gives them thrills.

With all these fears and ideas, we reached Dehra one fine morning. To greet us, there stood four innocent looking Rimcos. I had no choice but to put forward my hand with a broad smile. Trying to convey the message - 'please spare me' I wont harm you and you don't harm me. But at that moment there couldn't have been more gentle creatures. Being constantly on my guard I doubted their sober exterior. But then they looked so smart and confident that I had no choice but to fall for them.

The first six months I kept myself free to mix around and know them better. This was not enough. Being an Eng teacher (of only girls school) I opted to teach the 1st & 2nd termers. Having been with them ever since I realised that the root of rimcollian lies in these two classes. And let me say it with pride that the strength & bond begins here and will carry on I suppose till the end of time. Settling down, going for rounds together and leading a tough life binds close.

Teaching these young ones turned out to be such fun. In their innocence they get into a lot of pranks & mischief and I too play up with them. Behind me lies the experience bringing up of 2 boys of my own. With time I realised that boys who were shy or were not fluent in English tried to interact with me, thus learning to speak the language better. Their pranks I accept graciously and vice-versa. One night after a tiring party when we drove into our porch, we saw a huge snake '6 footer' lying there. Something about the snake gave me a feeling that it was dead. Nevertheless we stopped at a distance and cautiously went near it with a stick and to our relief it was a dead one. I knew it was nothing but the pranks of these boys and surely they would be watching us from somewhere at this late hour of the night. Early next morning I got it placed in front of class I & IA. There was no reaction from these boys the next morning and I wondered, why? The snake had already made it rounds of the dormitories before it finally reached our house last night! And the next day it found its way to most of the classes primarily to scare the staff perhaps.

Interacting with these boys I have understood what actually binds them. From the moment they step into the college the seniors become their guides and mentors and they try and follow their footsteps. When the seniors do something seriously wrong, the authorities have to take drastic measures, so that the youngsters do not follow. They are all children and the elders have to guide them. Its only those who come to live in this vast campus for a few years who will understand life at RIMC. One has to be tough and gentle at the same time. And to be tough is the most difficult task one has to face here.

I am sure these boys will realise it when they grow up to be a father.

These are the little Rimcos who pass out from here as gentle youngmen to begin a new life with such a

bond that no one dares to question it. I always thought that girls were better than boys but now I know better. Nevertheless if one wants to contact the Rimcos on e-mail, then the add will always be - monkey.com.

**Ms. Shakuntla Mamgain**

#### FIRST TERMERS PROFILE

##### **Harmit Singh**

Joining us from the DAV Public School, Chandigarh, Harmit is the son of Rimcollian Lt Col Gurbinder Singh (Ranjit, 1972-76). Fond of reading, cycling and computer games, he plays basketball, cricket and badminton.



##### **Ankur Tiwari**

From Shital Man Montessori, Pratapgarh (U.P.), Ankur is fond of music and art. He plays cricket, football and hockey, and is also keen on boxing.



##### **Rudrashish Muzumdar**

Rudrashish come from Lycee School, Kolkata. A fiery cricketeer, he is already in the College team. A bull in the novices boxing ring, he lost his bout but had his opponent on the run.! Forever laughing and chattering, RIMC's a fun place for him.



##### **Sameer Vishwakarma**

From our own campus, Sameer is the son of senior Master Mr CS Vishwakarma. He last attended Seven Oaks School, Dehradun. He plays cricket and basketball and loves reading.



##### **Aditya Shahi**

From Dehradun, where he studied at St Thomas College, Aditya loves reading and plays cricket, football and hockey.





**Vikas Singh**

Vikas last attended St Xavier's School, Durgapur (W.B.). Fond of gardening, he likes playing cricket, football and basketball, and is also keen on boxing.

**Bhabatosh Jena**

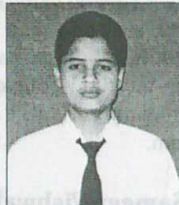
Joining us from Orissa where he studied at the Sainik School, Bhubaneswar, Bhabatosh plays cricket and football and is fond of painting and writing.

**Shashank Bhargava**

Shashank studied at the Mother Teresa Public School, Delhi and his hobbies include stamp and coin collecting and net-surfing. He plays hockey and cricket and is keen on boxing.

**Sudhir Kumar Tomar**

Sudhir joins us from Shillong, where he attended the Rose Bud School. Fond of reading, he plays football.

**Kumar Gaurav**

From Binodpur, Begusarai (Bihar) where he attended the Shri Sarayu Prasad Singh High School, Gaurav plays cricket and is an avid quizzard.

**Manjeet Kataria**

An outstanding sportsman from the Motilal Nehru School of Sports, Rai, Sonapat (Haryana), Manjeet is a national-level boxer in the bantamweight category. He also plays football and is fond of reading.

**Vedant Pun**

A Gurkhali lad from Dehradun, Vedant joins us from the Cambrian Hall School. He plays table tennis, cricket and chess and his hobbies are reading, painting and net-surfing.

**Neikhotso Secii Angami**

Neikhotso from Dimapur, Nagaland, attended the St Francis de Sales Higher Secondary School. He loved the novices boxing experience and is a natural in the ring and soccer field. Loves reading storybooks.

**T Rishikanta Singh**

Joining us from Manipur is Rishikanta, who last attended the Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya in Umathel, Thoubal. He loves football and cricket and is also keen on hockey and boxing. Fond of reading.

**Siddharth Rawat**

Siddharth comes from Dehradun where he studied at the Doon International School. He plays cricket, football and hockey and his hobby is gardening.



**B Ranjit Kumar**

From Andhra Pradesh, where he last attended the Vasu High School in Bodhan, Ranjit likes all games and is keen on aeromodelling and photography.

**K Vinoth Vanya**

From Tamil Nadu comes Vinoth, where he studied at the DAV Senior Secondary School in Mogappair, Annanagar. He likes cricket and hockey and his hobbies are electronics, aeromodelling and alchemy. A promising debater.

**Aditya Pal Randhava**

Joining us from Kashmir, Aditya attended the Army Public School in Udhampur. He plays cricket and hockey and is keen on boxing and judo. His hobbies are painting and reading.

**Lalit Kumar Pradhan**

Another Bhaichung Bhutia in the making, Lalit joins us from the Tashi Namgyal Academy in Gangtok, Sikkim. A keen sportsman, he likes football, boxing, hockey, basketball and squash. He is fond of reading and playing computer games.

**Vikas Madan**

Vikas hails from Mamdot, Punjab, just 3 kms from the Indo-Pak border. He is wiser than most about the destruction caused by war because he has seen peace-time actions. Loves painting, chess and cricket.

**Robin Kumar**

From Binodpur, Beguserai (Bihar) comes Robin, where he attended the Shri Sarayu Prasad Singh High School. An avid mathematics and general knowledge buff, he plays cricket and hockey and his hobbies include gardening, telecom and karate.

**Rohan R Kulkarni**

Pune-ite Rohan studied at the Loyola High School. He plays cricket, football and hockey and is fond of swimming and music.

**Vivek Sharma**

Joining us from the Nosegay Public School in Sriganganagar (H.P.), Vivek is admired by all for his quiet and calm nature. He is fond of music and swimming and plays cricket and football.

**Jayapratap Naidu**

An Andhra-ite from Maharashtra, Jayapratap studied at the St Xavier's Conossa Convent High School in Dhule. A billiards and snooker player, he also likes cricket and chess. A promising debater.

**Alex Lalmuanpuia**

Hailing from Mizoram, Alex last attended the Army School in Fazilka. He likes playing cricket, football and basketball, is keen on boxing and is fond of riding and net-surfing.



**45th NATIONAL SHOOTING CHAMPIONSHIP COMPETITION  
B.S.F CSWT INDORE M.P. -2002 AND  
KUMAR SURENDRA SINGH MEMORIAL AIR WEAPON NATIONAL**

It was for the first time in the history of RIMC that cadets qualified for the Nationals in shooting. This year it was BSF CSWT Indore who hosted the event. BSF ranges are international level ranges, which are located in Malwa known as Reoti ranges. We got our accommodation in the Bravo hostel of Central School of Weapons and Tactics, which is 16 kms from the shooting range. This competition was scheduled from 7 - 19 Jan.

Four cadets who qualified in the pre nationals held at Asansol took part in the 10 mtrs. air pistol event. The team comprised of five cadets namely cadet Anurag Shukla, Cadet Amul Saha, Cadet Maan Pratap, Cadet Ajit Singh and Cadet Abhishek Tiwari accompanied by the Shooting OIC Mr Khushi Ram.

We started off from college on 9th morning at 6 a.m. by Ujain Express and reached Ujjain the next day by 11 a.m. From Ujjain we boarded another train which took us to Indore on the station B.S.F. Jawans received us, they loaded our luggage on to a bus in which some shooters from other places were sitting. The bus took us straight to bravo hostel of CSWT. We kept our luggage in our block and after a refereshing lunch a B.S.F. Bus took us to the Reoti ranges. We all were very excited to see our A.M.U. Shooters again. They took us all around the range . We also went around in the tents that B.S.F. had put for different teams from all over the country. the full area was known as Nishanebaaj village most of the teams had opted to stay in the Alpha and Bravo hostels of CSWT.

On the first day we spent most of the time in the 10 mtrs range. We saw the senior men air rifle peep sight competition. A.M.U. shooters helped us to know some of the national and international level medal winners. We also interacted with them. This range was fully air conditioned. Next we went around seeing the events going around in 25 mtrs and 50 mtrs. After lunch we went to see the 300 mtrs range in which big boring events were in progress.

On the second day we were generally engaged in getting our weapons checked as another attracting event was the 25 mtrs rapid fire competition. The competitors were mostly of international standard. A tough competition was between Jaspal Rana and two other A.M.U shooters. No one amongst us faced any problem regarding the weapons . After that we were accompanied by Mr. V. Ganesh who is a shooter from the infantry school to famous temples in the outskirts of Indore; By 5' O Clock we were

back and joined for the practice session with other pistol shooters on the 10 mtrs. range.

On the 13th it was very important day for us as two of our shooters had the detailment in the afternoon. Commandant arrived in the forenoon and went around seeing the matches of various events. Today cadet Anurag Shukla and cadet Ajit Singh Negi tried out their fate with their 'CO-2' models. Commandant dropped us back to the C.S.W.T. hostel where we enjoyed the festival of 'Lohri' with the girls and boys of Punjab.

On 14th of Jan Cadet Amul Kumar Saha and Cadet Maan Pratap Singh Godara brought us very good news that all the cadets had made it for the 46th NSCC.

It was now known that witha small practice of 5 months the cadets of RIMC even made it for the next years nationals. The commandant RIMC was very pleased by the show and hence took us all for a grand treat to 'Nakhrali Dhani' a Rajasthan resort in Indore.

The last phase of shooting from Uttaranchal state side when two cadets of RIMC fired. They were cadet Amul Kumar Saha and Cadet Maan Pratap Singh Godara. The scores were out in the afternoon They were as follows :-

**Match No. 04**

**10 Mtr Air Pistol Men Jr. (ISSF)**

Cadet Anurag Shukla	526	25th
Cadet Maan Pratap Singh	522	26th
Cadet Amul Kumar Saha	517	27th
Cadet Ajit Singh Negi	494	34th

On the last day of our trip we had to pack up for returning back to the college. Mr. Khushi Ram went early in the morning to get the new pistol from MHOW. A B.S.F. bus took us to the station. At 1300hrs we boarded our train to DDun.

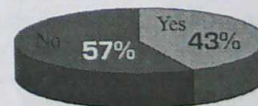
**Cdt. Ajit Singh**  
Class III

**Opinion Poll**

The results of the first RIMC opinion poll are here.

**SHOULD RIMC BE MADE OPEN TO GIRLS ?**

• A total of 213 cadets voted.



**SHOULD MOVIES BE SHOWN IN THE OPEN AIR AUDITORIUM ?**

## THE HINDI SECTION

### आर.आइ.एम.सी में निशानेबाजी

जब आर.आइ.एम.सी में खेलों की बात आती है तो निशानेबाजी का नाम सब लोगों की जुबानों पर होता है। क्योंकि इसकी टीम सदस्यों ने अत्यंत कम क्षणों में ही बहुत-सी उपलब्धियाँ प्राप्त की हैं। एक वर्ष से भी कम समय पहले प्रचलित हुआ यह खेल आज सबको 'जसपाल' या 'अभिनव बिन्द्रा' जैसे पेशेवर निशानेबाजी बनाने के सपने दिखाने लगा है। छात्रों के उत्साह को देखते हुए अधिकारियों ने एक टीम बनाकर इस खेल में आगे बढ़ने का फैसला लिया। उसके लिए सभी की प्रतिभा को परखना जरूरी था। हर किसी को अपने पराक्रम प्रदर्शन का अवसर प्राप्त हुआ। इस परीक्षण में कुछ अच्छे निशानेबाजों को चुना गया। उन चुनिंदा निशानेबाजों के साथ कॉलेज ने आगे का सफर तय करने का निश्चय किया।

सर्वप्रथम उनका लक्ष्य राज्यस्तर पर आयोजित प्रतियोगिता में सिरताज बनना था। जिसको प्राप्त करने हेतु उन्होंने अत्यंत कठिन परिश्रम किया। रात्रिभोज, प्रातः का नाश्ता तथा प्रातः का नाश्ता, रात्रिभोज बन गया था। अर्थात् निशानेबाजी ने उनकी भूख-प्यास का ही निशाना लगा दिया।

इन वीर सूत्रधारों की कठिन तथा अथक परिश्रम की बदौलत किसी दूजे को पदकों की झलक भी न देखने दी और सारे पदकों का वरन् किया। इसमें कप्तान विवेक, स्व० श्री माखा, व साहब कनवर का अभूतपूर्व योगदान रहा। तत्पश्चात् अन्तर्विद्यालय प्रतियोगिता उनकी नयी केन्द्र बिन्दु बनी। इसकी जिम्मेदारी श्री खुशी राम को सौंपी गयी। इस प्रतियोगिता की तैयारी हेतु सेना की ईकाई से दो उच्च स्तर के निशानेबाजों को बुलाया गया। हमें आशा थी कि बाजी इस बार फिर हमारे हाथों में आएगी परन्तु

कुछ खामियों और दुर्भाग्य ने हमारी आशाओं की नाव को नदी में डुबोया तो नहीं पर क्षत-विक्षत कर दिया। हम चार रजत पदकों और नौ कांस्य पदकों के साथ हम कॉलेज वापस पधारें और फिर अगली प्रतियोगिता जो कि आसनसोल में लग गए। चूंकि ये उच्च स्तर की प्रतियोगिता थी इसीलिए हम कुछ खास नहीं कर सके। समुद्र में गोता खाने से तो अच्छा होता मगर कुछ किसी कारणवश नहीं कर सके उन्होंने पुनः कोशिश करने की सोची और अहमदाबाद में स्वर्णजयंती के अवसर



पर आयोजित की जानेवाली प्रतियोगिता में भाग लेने का फैसला किया। पाँच सदस्यों की टीम वहाँ गयी और उनमें से एक के सफलता हाथ लगी बाकी किसी कारणवश चूक गये। अब मात्र चार प्रतियोगियों के साथ गाड़ी आगे बढ़नी थी अर्थात् इन्दौर प्रस्थान करना था। चूंकि ये और भी उच्च स्तरीय प्रतियोगिता थी अतः इनका लक्ष्य बस अगली राष्ट्रीय प्रतियोगिता में भाग लेने की योग्यता प्राप्त करना था। मिलाकर निशानेबाजों का प्रदर्शन अभी तक बहुत ही सराहनीय रहा है।

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### वसुधैव कुटुम्बकम्

ये लेख वर्तमान परिस्थिति पर लिखा गया है, इसमें समाज के समक्ष एक आइना प्रस्तुत करने की कोशिश की गई है। १३ दिसम्बर को घटित घटना भारतीय नागरिकों के मन बारूदी ढेर को सुलगा दिया था। एक तरह की क्रान्ति आ गई थी और युद्ध का तूफान सागर तट पर आने ही वाला था कि तभी बसंत आ गया और मित्रता के नकली सुमन खिल उठे। ब्रिटेन के प्रधानमंत्री के वक्तव्य से सभी यह समझते हैं कि वे भारत के पक्ष में हैं, पर जहाँ तक मैं समझता हूँ यह एक तीखा व्यंग्य था। वो वक्तव्य था - 'मैं भारत की सन्न की प्रशंसा करता हूँ।

यदि देखा जाए तो यह घटना भारत के गौरव को खाक में मिलाने के लिए काफी थी। लेकिन भरत को इस बात की उतनी चिन्ता नहीं थी जितनी उसे अपनी राजनीतिक स्थिति की थी। यदि तुलना की जाए तो ११ सितम्बर को अमेरिका में घटित घटना भी कुछ-कुछ इसी तरह का थी, लेकिन उस घटना ने तालिबान का आतंकवाद खत्म किया था जबकि इस घटना ने पाकिस्तानी आतंकवाद का खौफ और भी बढ़ाया है। अब यदि अभी तक की, की गई कार्यवाहियों पर ध्यान दें तो शायद निष्कर्ष यही निकलेगा कि भारत ने अपना वही पुराना फटा डोल बजाया है। आश्चर्य तो इस बात का था कि जो भारत तीसरे पक्ष के खिलाफ था खुद ही अमेरिका के पास पाकिस्तान की बेवफाई का देता ही रहा है। इसके पीछे भारत की दलील हमेशा से विश्व समर्थन जुटाने की

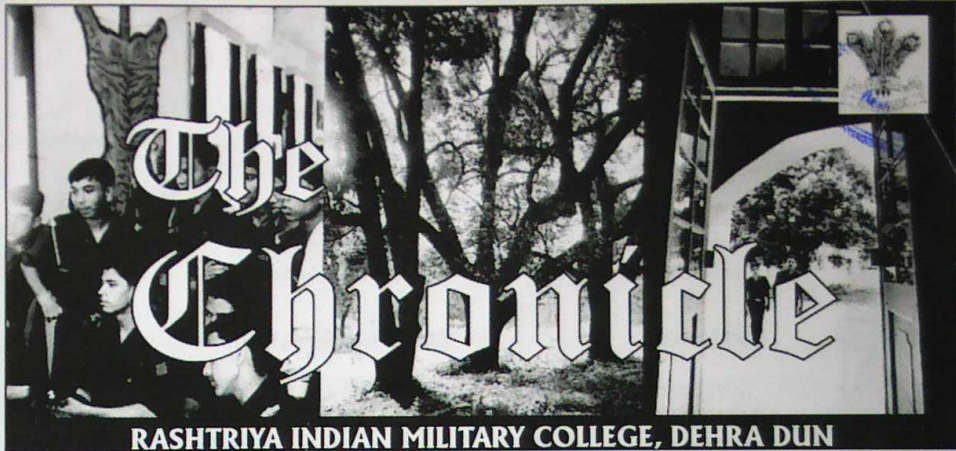
रही है। लेकिन यदि सभी घटनाओं को देखा जाए तो अमेरिका का झुकाव पाकिस्तान की तरफ ज्यादा रहा है। हाल ही में अमेरिका ने भारत को इजराइल से मिलने वाली सैनिक सहायता भी भारत के लिए समस्या बन गई है। अब उपर्युक्त घटना भी ठंडी पड़ गई है। यदि भारतीय पक्ष को देखा जाए तो लगता है जैसे इसे नजरअंदाज कर दिया गया है। कुछ लोगों का मत यह भी है कि अब यह एक राजनीतिक मुद्दा भर बन के रह गया है। सही ही है घटना के पाँच दिन बाद समाचार पत्र में ऊपर के पृष्ठ पर यह निकला था कि मंत्री न बनाए जाने के कारण कुछ विद्येण्यक पार्टी से अलग होकर अपना असंतोष जाहिर कर रहे हैं। उधर इस घटना पर विचार विमर्श के लिए बुलायी गयी बैठक में कांग्रेस ने आने से मना कर दिया।

एक तरह से लगता है कि अब यह घटना एक बीता इतिहास बन चुकी है। जिस तरफ भूकंप कुछ पलों के लिए सबकुछ डार्वॉडोल कर चला जाता है और सरकार सांत्वना देती रहती है उसी प्रकार भारत सरकार अब भी कोई भी सफल कदम उठाने में असफल रही है।

और एक बार फिर भारत व भारत का सिद्धांत अपने पुराने 'वसुधैव कुटुम्बकम्' का रांग अलापता हुआ विश्व-भ्रमण को निकला है।

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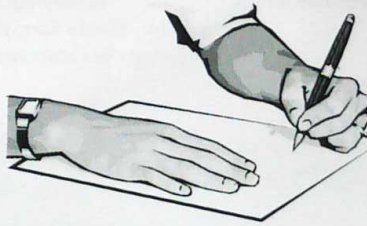
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## Editorial

Hello Readers,

Its been a month and more since we last brought the chronicle to you and rushing and gushing was all that was happening. A hectic month that it was (thanks largely to the Re-union), there was a loud 'ZAP' and suddenly we were back from our Mid Term hikes.

Undoubtedly the lime-light was bagged by the 80th Reunion. The Old boys started arriving on the 11th and 12th. The first event was hockey match between the past and present followed by Boxing and PT display.



Boxing saw vociferous support coming in from old boys for their respective sections. The following day saw a spirited display by our young horseriders which was preceded by the wreathlaying ceremony where the wreath was laid by Gen. S. Padmanabhan.

The horse riding show was a first in the history of RIMC and the young riders impressed one and all by their performance.

The Editors



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"Ideally a good residential school, Flowers away from the maddening crowd"



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### COMMANDANT'S ADDRESS (Extracts)



The Commandant welcomed General & Mrs. Padmanabhan, and all the Old Boys and families to the 80th Re-union.

#### Staff Notes

In June last, we bid farewell to Mr. R.C. Chaturvedi, our Crafts Master, who retired after 32 years of outstanding service. We have Lt. Amarjot Singh Sandhu posted in as the third Old Boy naval officer. Mr. Balvir Chauhan has joined us as the Physics Master and Mr. Sanjay Kumar as a very versatile Crafts Teacher.

#### Results

The motivation to join NDA is perhaps at an all time high, at an average 80 per cent of the batch strength are present in NDA.

In the Secondary School Examination held in Nov 2001, our 24 Cadets passed of which 23 passed with 1st division and one in second division. Besides an impressive all round result, we had a rich haul of 39 distinctions in various subjects, notably English.

In the Board Exams for IT the cadets have done very well, out of 19 cadets, 16 scored distinctions in the last exam. We have a handsome IT budget and the work for two new labs and a library for Rs 1 Cr is sanctioned. Masters are also eagerly following up an e-learning course for personality development and leadership for which we have teamed up with "Personalitytree", a leading company in this field. The Chief was most generous in approving our request for Rs 2 L as a grant for this course.

#### Awards

Staff. Shri C S Vishwakarma has been awarded

COAS Commendation card. Hon'y Lt. Dhunni Chand was granted Hon'y Rank of Capt. and has also been awarded COAS Commendation Card.

Cadets Vikas Sharma and Amardeep have been awarded the COAS Commendation Card for scaling Mt Black Peak in Garhwal Himalayas.

#### Precision Shooting Club

There is a tremendous interest in this sport. The college gymnasium has been converted into an Indoor Air Weapons Precision Shooting Range. We got going in Sep last. Our team is the Uttaranchal State Champion. They are runners up in the National Inter School. Four cadets represented Uttaranchal in the Nationals open and all 4 have qualified for the next Nationals. All this with borrowed weapons and limited coaching !

In the most recent North Zone Tournament Mr. Khushi Ram, the Master-in-Charge, stood fifth. And our cadets were placed from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>.

Shooting is an expensive sport and we are most grateful to the AG who gave a grant of Rs 5 L to promote this sport.

#### Equestrian Training

With 18 horses in campus, cadets are showing keen interest in Hack rides. Here again, I would like to thank the Chief for having made this possible.

#### Adventure Activities

Mountaineering has become a passion with the boys. One third of the student population are qualified on courses and proudly wear their ice axes. HMI and NIM have become vacation schools for many. This winter, two Masters and 34 Cadets did the basic course, many of them incl the Master qualified with a recommendation to do the advanced course.

#### Skiing

25 Cadets of Class II-A along with Sqn. Ldr.



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Pundir attend a Skiing Course from 06 Mar to 10 March at Auli.

### Sadbhavana Bhuj

Immediately after the last reunion, 29 Cadets of Class II A went to Gujarat for the relief operations. We co-ordinated this with the help of Lt. Gen MA Gurbaxani, the experience was an unforgettable one. It has helped in sensitizing our lads to the people who are in need of assistance.

### Trip to Lakshadweep

The college is very grateful to Vice Admiral Harinder Singh for arranging a cruise to Lakshadweep islands and a holiday in Goa in January this year. Four Masters and 34 cadets went on the Cruise.

### Old Boys

- (a) Results NDA - 95% awards won by Rimcollians constituting 5% of the course.
- (b) NDC Course
- (i) Brig Gautam Dutt
  - (ii) Brig Omit Sarkar
  - (iii) Brig DD Kapoor
  - (iv) Brig Soli Pavri, YSM
  - (v) Brig Abhay Gupta
  - (vi) Air Cmde RS Das
  - (vii) Brig P Shiva Shankar, VSM (at Beijing)

### Infrastructure Development

In 50 years since independence, we almost doubled our strength with only a 10% increase in buildings. This resulted in overcrowding in dorms and in classrooms, one master's bungalow began to be shared by two and so on. It is a happier state that we now have, for the existing capacity of 250 Cadets, the following :-

- (a) A new dorm for 44 Cadets and Four Gp C Qtrs completed in Feb.
- (b) A Learning Resource Centre with facilities of two Computer Labs and a new Library. The project of Rs 1 Cr was sanctioned in Mar 2002.

(c) An Olympic size Swimming Pool, sanctioned in Mar 2002.

(d) Construction of MT Garages and additional office accommodation ought to be completed by next Re-union.

(e) We expect to receive sanction for our revised plans for the Multi Purpose Hall by mid this year.

Urgent Special Repairs to most buildings have been completed. Rs 101 L has been spent on this. You might notice that leakage evidence in dorms and classrooms is reduced. We are now beginning to address five buildings for comprehensive repairs this year at a cost of Rs 64 L.

### Thanks

The Commandant ended his address by conveying his thanks to everyone who had contributed to the success of the RIMC.

### A REPORT

13<sup>th</sup> of March commemorated the 80<sup>th</sup> Reunion of RIMC with much fanfare and gaiety. This is the time for confluence of the old and the new, the past and the present and the merging of the gold with the excitement. It is the moment when time comes to a standstill and the aura of nostalgia prevails. The staff and the cadets of RIMC pitched in their zest to please their distinguished guests. The celebration began with the traditional hockey match between the Old boys and College XI on 12<sup>th</sup> March. The Old boys led by Lt. Gen. J. S. Verma won a solitary goal.

The spotlight of the day was the Inter-section Boxing Competition where the cadets in a do or die spirit and grappled with skill and strength inside the ring. Patriarch, Col Juyal of yore, gave away the prizes to the pugilists. Pursuing the pugilists was PT display that marked the amalgamation of synchrony and rhythm. The spectacular PT display unfolded a

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remarkable performance given by cadets in the ring of fire. Air Marshal T. J. Master presented the awards. The entire RIMC was adorned in its traditional splendour and the programme of the day culminated with gourmets delight.

13<sup>th</sup> of March was indeed a memorable day for it envisaged the wreath laying ceremony at the war memorial to honour the heroes who sacrificed their today for our tomorrow. They were honoured in the most befitting way with Gen Padmanabhan, COAS laying the wreath on behalf of all the old boys to the plaintive notes of the bugle at the War Memorial.

The celebrations continued with a photo session with the old boys and their visit to various hobbies in the Academic Block. This was followed by an impressive performance of horsemanship that stole the hearts of all spectators. This was the first ever horse show by cadets, riding was introduced in mid 2001. The awe inspiring display that manifested perfect control of the horse by the cadets while performing tent pegging and show jumping. The subsequent event was the spectacular sky diving by the para troopers of the Indian Army. After this was the traditional Cricket match between the Old boys and the College XI which was won by the later. Lt. Gen. T. S. Shergill, Commandant IMA, presented the awards to the cadets.

This day was very special because it also marked the inauguration of the new dormitory edifice by Lt Gen SS Grewal, Adjt General. The evening commenced with the Commandant presenting the annual report of the college. The outstanding achievements of the cadets which earned them gold and silver medals and dazzling silver trophies were given to the cadets by the COAS.

Addressing the august audience, the Chief said, "All of us think about our schools and I have a funny habit of comparing other schools with my school and on no account found anyone stand near it." The cadets put up an impressive programme of music and a wonderful play in Hindi.

The curtain fell with the parting of old boys who went back with a sense of pride, belongingness and cherished memories of their alma mater. They were highly impressed with the performance of cadets and the hospitality extended to them and felt rejuvenated. Expressing their gratitude they said, "we go back refreshed and relaxed and much younger, may God be with you in all that you do."

"Look backwards with gratitude; Look upwards with confidence; Look forward with hope."

**Mr. Deepak Bahuguna**





## SKIING IN BEAUTIFUL AULI

Our college sends its cadets very regularly for various adventure courses and Skiing at Auli was one such occasion. This was the first time any class was going for a snow skiing course and it was all due to the interest of the cadets and the efforts of Commander A P Bhattacharya (Ex- navy). Seeing our interest he planned the trip for us and fortunately it got the Commandant's approval.

All of us supervised by Sqn. Ldr. V S Pundir, with minds full of pleasure and excitement left the college for Auli on the 9th of February, early in the morning. The journey seemed to be joyous in the beginning with every one coming together and singing beautiful songs. The excitement didn't last for long as the boys could be heard snoring at their loudest. In the evening we reached Joshimath, where we spent our night with the Garhwal scouts. There we watched TV and chatted with the recruits there till late night.

Next morning we started for our destination by the cable car. The scene of the land below from the cable car looked brilliant and in no time we reached Auli. On reaching there we were amazed to see the amount of snow all around, being bright and sunny it was sparkling like diamonds. In no time everyone had their sunglasses on. After having our lunch, we were issued the skiing equipments and in the evening we attended a lecture/demonstration and did a few exercises. The next morning we found a total contrast in the weather. The sky was overcast and there was heavy snowfall. This didn't result in the calling off of the course for the day as most of us wanted, but we had to go out in that chilling weather and do our training. Things got worse as we started falling a lot and the biting cold gave us more problems. Most of us soon started controlling our falls & movements in a better way

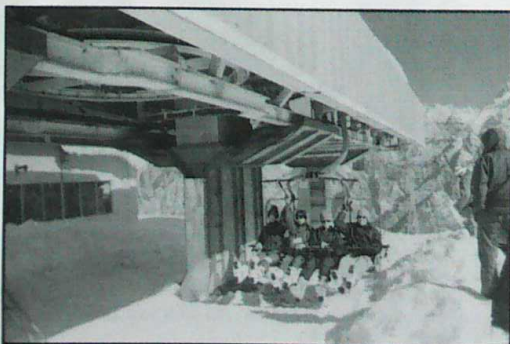
but still, few were rolling down the slope like a ball. The next day was the same considering the weather but our performance had improved considerably. Now we could not only ski down and stop ourselves but also turn the direction, which took a lot of time to learn and saw many more falls.

In days to come, we all were much happier as we didn't have to face the biting cold any more as the sun had come to our rescue. We went to higher slopes and continued with our training. We were also allowed to use the ski lift by which we went up to slope No. 8, the highest, which normally guys coming from advance courses do. We skied right down from the slope turning and twisting our body, showing off our skills and competing with each other.

On 15th, which was the last day of our training we all showed full *josh* and tried to learn many things and tried various stunts. In the afternoon we had deposited our equipments back with heavy hearts. The thing all of us liked the most was the food, which was delicious. We put up a very good show and all the instructors were full of praise for us. We received badges on the final day.

We had our early breakfast and were off for Joshimath by the cable car. There, the bus was waiting and we boarded it for our return journey. After loading our luggage, on the way, the faces, which were full of brightness and excitement while going, had gone dull. The only shine that came up to our face was on remembering the memories of the beautiful scenes and the wonderful times that we had spent with the other trainers & foreigners who had come there and of course with the instructors who were very caring and helpful.

Cadet Tuhin Mukherjee  
Class II A

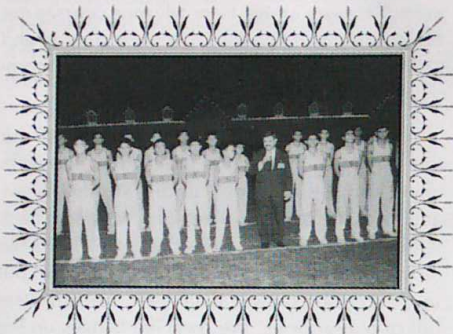


### WHAT CADETS HAD TO SAY....

- " A great experience " – Siddarth
- " It was cool " – Abhishek
- " I felt I was in Switzerland " – Prashant
- " It was a life time experience " – Roshni
- " It was our first ever exposure to snow skiing " – Maninder
- " It was the most larking experience with the reaction of being in dreamland " – Saurabh

# The Gallery

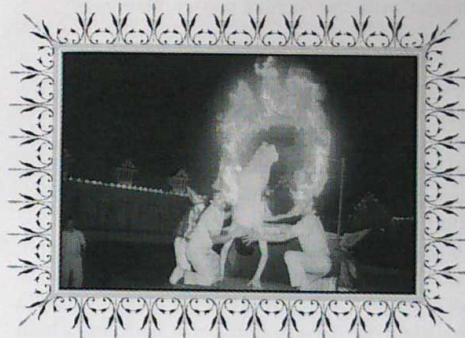
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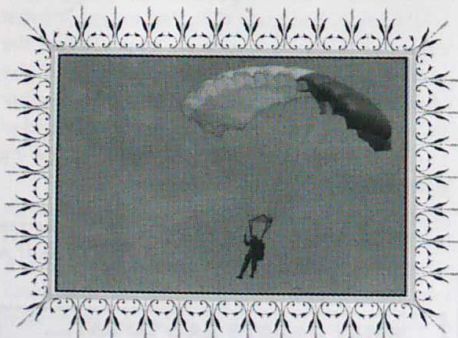
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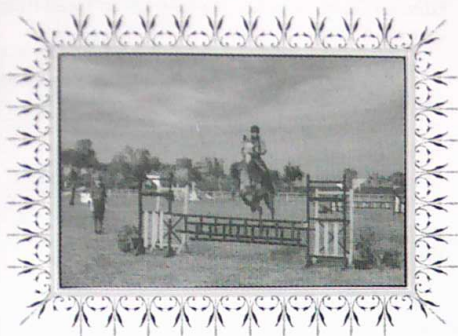
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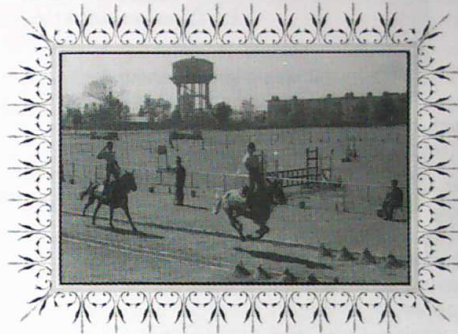
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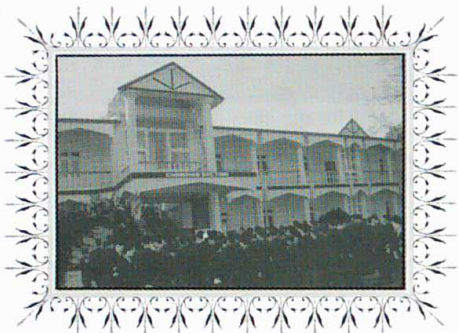
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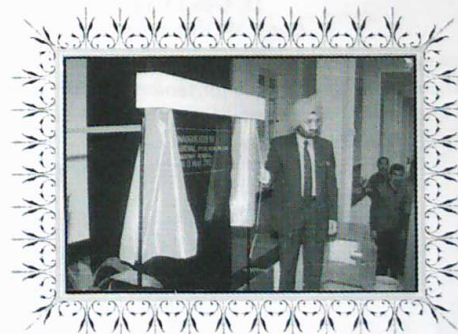
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CADETS GALLOPING PAST



NEW DORMITORY ADORNING OUR BEAUTIFUL  
CAMPUS



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THE NEW DORMITORY



THE VICTORIOUS OLD BOYS TEAM AFTER THE  
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## THE RIMC FAMILY



## COMMANDANT'S MAIL BAG



"May God Bless all the students for all the pleasures and prospects in their level including yourself."

Sh. L. N. Thakur

"Please convey our belated good wishes for the 80<sup>th</sup> Re - Union."

Col. D.H. Parab  
Ex. Commandant RIMC

"It was a great honour for me to witness the 80<sup>th</sup> REUNION and feel in my own way – what it is like to be a RIMCOLLIAN."

Lt. Col. Ashok Abbey  
Principal, NIM

"I wish to express my sincere thanks to you for having sent such a beautiful collection of the copies of college chronicle and a college magazine. I was glad to know that our ALMA - MATER is doing so well."

Lt. Surjeet Singh Tanwar  
2 Mech. Infantry

"I write to thank you for the hospitality extended to me during my stay, which was most comfortable. The get together was excellent and I compliment you and your staff for the wonderful show."

Lt. Gen J S Varma, AVSM  
General Officer Commanding

"Thanking you very much for sending me a copy of the School Magazine RIMC 2001-2002. An excellent presentation indeed."

Maj Gen Rajendra Singh, AVSM, VSM

"Please convey my thanks to all your staff for their cordiality of welcome and the cadets, who put up an extravaganza which everyone was thrilled to see."

Col. H. N. Handa

"On the occasion of the 80th Founders Day of RIMC, I would like to take this opportunity of putting on record the love and affection showered on me by the RIMCOLLIAN paternity during the worst days of my life. It has been the grace of God Almighty and RIMCOLLIANS that I am alive and fighting today."

Maj. Y. S. Meitei

"I wish to congratulate and compliment the Editorial Team. In many years we haven't read such a lovely & readable magazine."

Col. Prem Prakash, SM  
2nd Bn, The Mahar Regiment

## IN THE WORLD

*Isn't it a pity,  
Isn't it a shame,  
To fell a nation with fear  
Just to earn land and a big name?*

*Be you a Colonel.  
Or even a Major,  
Is it right,  
To put countless lives in wager?*

*Innocent people,  
Are bombarded in the night,  
Why should they suffer?  
Is it neighty right?*

*In one place people cry,  
For the death of a noble man,  
People in other places,  
Sing for the glory of their homeland,*

*Why this hunger for power,  
Why this lust for land?  
Is it not inhuman to kill,  
To shoot with a gun in your hand?*

*So lets put aside our quarrels,  
Lets forgive and forget,  
Lets try to make a better world,  
And not to do anything we'll regret*

K. Vinoth Vanya  
1<sup>st</sup> Termer

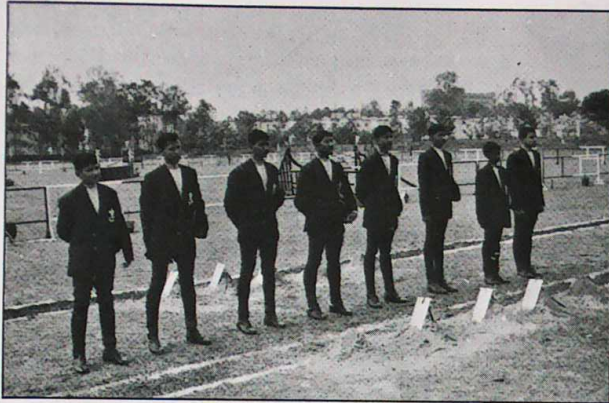
*Mohit is our cobbler's son whose entire family was wiped out in a flash flood in Septemebr 2000.*

The whereabouts of Mohit at Delhi were not known. On the 12<sup>th</sup> Feb. Cdr. Bhattacharya went incognito, located him and observed that the boy was being looked after well by his aunt. Also his school was visited and the Principal confirmed that Mohit is a good child and deserves the scholarship which we are instituting for him. A sum of Rs. 62,000 has been collected by contributions from the ROBA trust, by our cadets, masters & staff of RIMC. This money would be invested to pay for his education.

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## THE EQUESTRIAN SHOW

The beat of hooves used to be heard in every alcove of RIMC at its inception. But they fled away as time passed by. A year ago it all began again to incorporate horse riding in the curriculum as a hobby as well as a sport. Even though the jerky shocks in the spinal chord, bruised hands dilated the initiative, it was not far



when even cadets as tall as the leg of the horse controlled it as if they were firm on the saddle.

For the first time ever, RIMCOS had taken up the challenge to put up a show jump and a tent-pegging display to RIMCOLLIANS on the 80<sup>th</sup> Reunion. People didn't believe when they read it in their pamphlets and at every blabbering, this was one of the topics along with – "in our times .....". It all started off on 13<sup>th</sup> March soon after the hobby display in the ground and the audience were in the pavilion awaiting to see what they had never seen in the green fields of alma mater. Their expectations were high and so was the moral of the cadets on the saddle. I felt as if it's credit goes to all the people from Garhwal rifles, who donated the horses to us and the "Saabs", who trained us all the way. The bars were awaited to be pierced through and the javelins hungry to pierce into the horses warmed up.

The first horse galloped and the intense concentration of cadet

H K Singh was on the cardboard. The horse was troubling but it was all gone well as the sharp edge of the javelin tore apart the cardboard, letting the RIMC flag fly like a pigeon.

Then came the OIC Mr. P K Jain saluting on a galloping horse followed by three more cadets. The competition had started. The best of riders missed the cardboard, but the younger lot compensated for all of it. The RIMC had been famous for only a four lettered word "JOSH" which was at its acme on that day. Cadets who couldn't pick up even in many attempts the day before, did come out with a 100% score. That what made cadet Aditya Swaroop win the silver salvor presented to RIMC. The show jump was splendid, as none had a score of less than 90% in it. The massive horses rose into the air like parrots of no weight. All to be successfully done by the cadets. The equestrian skill was once again back on the fields of RIMC. The day isn't far when the person whom we watch today sitting in the pavilion might be watched on TV getting an Olympic medal back home. Lets hope, as that's what we can all do.

Best of luck to all these riders.

Cadet C. Srikanth Verma  
Class V A



*"Brush your teeth, twice a day  
Obviously the dentist will stay away!"*

My last visit to the dentist was about five years back. I can still remember the clinic behind his old drug store, and I certainly can never forget the scary face of the dentist. There were two conditions I had to face then. One, was bearing the tooth ache for life or visiting the dentist and being done with it once and for all. So I can call myself a dentophobic-fear of dentist, and a syringe-ephobia fear of injections and syringes. The worst thing is when both of one's fears come together at once. My cavity in the molar was not such a big deal. I was brave enough to face it all day, but in the evenings it was unbearable. So the only way to sort out the problem was to visit the dentist and be done with it. So my experiences start off –



I'm uneasily lying on my back slightly inclined on some sort of experimental chair and then the dentist appears, with a flattened instrument of his. The dentist then checked my teeth and he learned my problem at once. He brought one of his long syringes which went straight into the gums – they were numb and swollen. It all happened at once, the doctor takes one of his large pincers and with a cotton forces my molar out. I'm suddenly in an agony of pain and suffering, what a way of getting rid of the slight pain!

Well, after the whole thing, I saw my molar on a steel tray, it had a black hole in between and looked like it had been pierced by a needle. It was one – once in a life time experience.

I'm glad that all those days are now over. So happy to realize, these mental tortures of the past. Its better to brush twice and waste your time, rather than waste your memory of an awful and frightening experience of visit to a dentist.



**Cadet Marcus Pradhan**  
Class III

As I open a story, I cannot stifle a lot of feelings within me. The peace in our minds and the calm of our nature make me blush for the disorder and turmoil of my soul.

I cost my mother her life as I come into this world and my father gave his blessings to my brother because he saw in him his elder son.

I was spirited in temper and erratic by nature. As I alternated turbulence and joy with silence and sadness, I would gather my young friends around me, then leave them suddenly and go off to sit by myself watching the swift clouds or listening to the rain falling among the leaves.

I was timid and inhibited in my father's presence, and found freedom and contentment only with my brother. We were closely bound together by our tender affinities in mood and taste. O illusions of childhood and homeland can your sweetness ever fade away.

All is embraced in that Magical revery which engulfs us at the sound of – faith, family, homes, the cradle and the grave, the past and the future.

Meanwhile my father was attacked by disease which brought him to his grave in a short time. He passed away in my arms, and I learned to know death from the lips of the very person who had given me life. The impression was profound; it is vivid still. It was the first time that the immortality of the soul was clearly present before my eyes. I accompanied my father to his last abode, and the earth closed over his remains.

Then I had to leave the family shelter which my brother had inherited. I went to live with some aged relatives, pausing before the deceptive paths of life, I considered them one by one, but dared not set out along any one of them. My brother would often speak of the joy of the religious life, adding that I was the only bond still holding him to outside world and his eyes would fix themselves upon me sadly. With my heart stirred by these devout talks, I would often make my way towards a temple close by my dwelling.

And yet with all my effort what had I learned until then? I had discovered nothing stable among the ancients and nothing beautiful among the moderns. The past and present are imperfect statues – one, quite disfigured, drawn from the ruins of the

ages and the other still devoid of its future perfection.

Nevertheless, I thought I had succeeded in concealing my secrets but my brother was accustomed to reading the recesses of my heart, and he guessed things at once. He always said a husband and children would take up your days. And which man would not try to make you happy! The order of your soul, the beauty of your thought, everything would assure you of his love and loyalty.

After all, little joys and little sorrows, a little sooner or a little later, would we not have had to part? Now, I know, what it meant to shed tears for grief which was far from imaginary.

Ms. Monica Chandel

### HUSBAND'S PLEA

*The only thing that I wish in my life  
Is to get divorced from wife*

*I curse that day when I brought her in carriage  
And was tied to this life long bond of marriage*

*She is like a bomb exploding throughout  
Neighbour's window panes break, by the pitch of  
her shout*

*Her mouth is like a tape recorder, just open to buck  
Which tempts the other guy, who just listen and  
keep shut.*

*Her hands are like heavy hammers of steel  
Which made me think, can she feed me any meal?*

*When she tries to give a powerful blow  
Within my body currents begins to flow*

*Whenever she tries to test her power on me  
I have no other option, than just to flee*

*O god, please get me out of the jaws of this  
creature*

*So that I can be saved from lying every time on  
stretcher*

*And let me out of this hard times of my life  
Please.....please.....please,*

*get me divorced from my wife!!!*

**Cadet Fizi & Dikshant  
Class II**

### A NOTE ON QUALITATIVE INDICATORS OF PERFORMANCE FOR PERMANENT RIMC TEACHERS

RIMC is a premier educational institution in the country. For almost eighty years, the college has been preparing Indians for leadership in the armed forces. It has fulfilled this task with outstanding success. It has continuously produced officers who have displayed awesome courage and valour in the call of duty and the nation's service.

This has been primarily because of the unique, intensive life and ethos of the college. For five years, the cadets are subjected to academic work, physical exertion, sports, strict discipline, and dormitory living. They are from every part of the country and from diverse social, economic, ethnic and religious backgrounds. They live amidst a vast, serene natural setting. All combines to instil powerful and enduring qualities, capabilities and strengths to the cadets.

It is this context that must inform and inspire the work of new permanent teaching entrants to the RIMC community. And it is this larger process of self – development guide the work of the most critical part of this institution, i.e. the permanent teachers. They are the cement holding the institution together.

Ideally, evaluation would mean a process of critical self-assessment, towards self-improvement within the institution's value framework.

No one else (who interacts closely with the cadets everyday) remains in the institution for long periods, thus ensuring continuity of the mission. Each new entrant is thus charged with the responsibility of rapidly identifying with and imbibing the values of the institution, and becoming an effective means for their inculcation in the cadets.

Working in RIMC has of necessity almost therefore to be an inspired process. The teacher must see the place as sacred, and working here must therefore be like prayer and devout service.

There has to be a sense of reverence for the institution (in its abstract, invisible, ongoing sense), accompanied by a self-annihilating / celebratory sense of gratitude for the opportunity to be in RIMC. This serves as the foundation of an all-out immersion, exertion and perseverance. The person



is called upon to rise, in his own sense of self first, and thus be an invaluable source of inspiration for young minds and hearts. A sense of commitment and deep maturity ensure that it is the underlying and abiding values rather than day-to-day difficulties, events and circumstances that dominate the consciousness.

With the institution aiming at the all-round development of the cadets, and the all-round development of their personalities, it is essential that the staff are also well-rounded – in terms of faculties, capabilities, activities. This means that coming to RIMC can act as a trigger for this development in the staff member, which he in turn becomes a means to transmit.

There must be objective assessment of the teacher's grasp over the subject taught; his skills of communication, especially in English; the quality of the teaching; his effectiveness in following and completing the curriculum; the soundness of students' learning and comprehension. The teacher has to take responsibility for the comprehension of each student, and especially the so-called weak ones.

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While this forms the core of the teacher's role he is also called upon to play an extra – curricular role. Here the focus is on the extent of his involvement, his motivation, attitude and specific tasks and activities undertaken. Again, the relationship to cadets is important – not simply in terms of so – called popularity, but effective guidance. A person may be unpopular because he does not allow anyone to shirk his responsibility. That may therefore suggest the teacher's success rather than failure.

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The embracing by the teacher of a sense of responsibility and ownership (of the institution and its values, of its routine, of specific) is perhaps the most vital factor.



Other necessary qualities are: judiciousness in speech, behavior and conduct, and thus setting correct examples; displaying maturity and responsibility; diligence, patience, and above all integrity. Willingness to learn, improve and grow. Sensitive, perceptive, discerning and self-correction. Meticulous and particular, as opposed to sloppy and callous. Smart and clean in attire, turn-out, as opposed to slovenly, shabby, untidy. Broad-minded, tolerance and respect for others. Appropriate behavior and attitude to seniors, peers, and juniors. Team-manship is vital, since the institution functions as one large team.

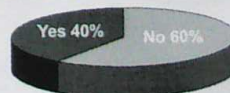
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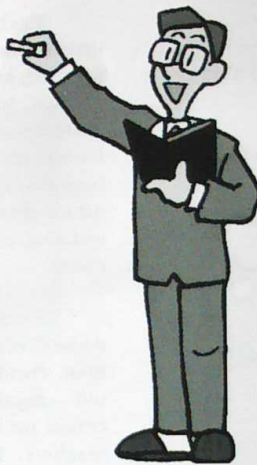
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## MAKE ME SCREAM

AAAAAA.....

Spooky booky



Once I got up from my bed;  
At 12 night from a deep sleep;  
Heard a sound calling me outside  
Outside I went to reply the way  
A sudden flash, made me scream  
AAAAAAAAAAAAA.....  
Inside my body a brave, came;  
To see the things; happening outside.  
The brave said way side you go  
And see the spark from brave side body  
A sudden jerk, make me scream AAAAA.....  
For a second time of fear  
Shot a pain in the body of mine,  
Had to make a path to find  
The courage side of the body  
Had a push  
A push that made my body stand  
Saw a sudden, figure on the way  
Loudly I screamed for third time AAAAA.....  
Realized the figure, the figure of fear  
Mummy came through the path of fear  
Asked my mom where had she gone  
And told my mom  
Why she didn't take me  
For a walk to the path of creepy land,  
Came my dog with big teeth  
And had a bite with a scream from  
My mouth AAAAA.....

Cadet Leopold  
Class I

### "I DIDN'T KNOW MY FEARS WERE OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUCCESS"

"Success always doesn't go to the faster or stronger man; But sooner or later, the man who wins; Is the one who thinks he can."

"I knew I could but I did not  
coz all my fears tied me in a knot,  
then a time came where I did  
coz I overcame my fears and believed in what I did!"

I was a sort of a too under confident kid, an introvert and a boy shut all into himself, too afraid to speak – all because... my fears had overcome me. I didn't have the courage to speak out anything which I wanted to, just because I thought that something, someone, somewhere would find 'wrong' in me.

By now, you could have well imagined what kind of boy I was. A kid shut all into himself : just like the insects in Pandora's box - There! I knew what I had to do. Open up myself, get charged and get-set-go for a new lifestyle. But how? I had my fears over me which wouldn't let me go anywhere.

I started thinking a lot about myself. If every other child of my age could excel, why not me? Doesn't God answer my prayers or am I too unfaithful in doing them? Don't I try and put in my best? Who knows what I should do? I was very confused and abashed about myself.

My father had always been my motivator. At times of distress, he was my saviour. I always shared my joys and sorrows with him. He called me and asked me what was the problem. I just couldn't tell him that I had such a problem. But nevertheless, he was my dad. So, I gathered all my courage and told him what I wanted to.

"Dad, I think I'm not doing well in life. I fear of doing anything freely, on my own. Am I not the right kid? I feel embraced of myself. The very word 'fear' runs through my blood. What should I do?". He thought for a moment and quoted Franklin Roosevelt, the wheelchair president of USA, "Son, all you have to fear is 'fear' itself". I didn't get exactly what he said, so I asked him what did he mean by that so – called – inspirator of his. He replied, " God never takes time to build a nobody. Be somebody! Everybody" What are you afraid of? The word "fear". Come on boy ponder into your abilities and you'll find yourself at the threshold of success."

I thought for myself. I didn't excel at sports. Why ? I felt I was a bit obese. So what about debates, quizzes, etc. ? then I felt what my mistake was (that's what I'm supposed to tell before!) :

I didn't know my fears were opportunities for success. Success ? That word sounded familiar. I was day and night aiming for it and it seems within my reach now ?

And there I was, analyzing myself. Did I fear of kicking the ball ? Did I feel afraid of going up the stage? That too is an opportunity so on, so on..... There were innumerable opportunities in my way, but success wasn't the goal. I just gave everything a try, and try I did – to my level best. Because when I compete, I want to be better than, but I do the 'best I can'. So I kept trying my hand at every opportunity that knocked.

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Success – once I did achieve it, may be in a blue moon! I was too astonished to see myself, the change in me, the new boy, the brand new Venki. Failure – also I did, but I no longer looked at it as a stumbling block. Rather, I see it as a stepping stone. The light in the tunnel of my life seemed getting brighter and brighter.

All games I did participate and since physique wasn't on my side, I tried my hand at co-curricular activities. Lo, and behold! I never knew I was good at it. My father's words did come to me at last. I practiced a lot at speaking and writing and opportunities galore came my way and I grabbed them tight. I was the best orator of my school for four years at a stretch. That sounded unbelievable! But then it was true. God indeed wanted to make somebody out of me. Even though I wasn't that good at games, I put my heart and soul into it and eventually I did seem to get good at it. I represented my school at the All – India Basketball tournament. Am I the same guy who used to run away at the sight of a ball? Great men don't say Great words. They're ordinary words. But when they appear too often in reality, they become great – just like Mr. Roosevelt; All we have to fear itself.

I know that I worked hard for whatever I have got, but I no longer am afraid of anything. If you can succeed at something, well and good. If you can't try again and harder. If still you can't, try more – may be a handful times. Never lose heart, the world isn't a small place. I no longer look at myself the way I used to, coz I know I'm a boy who can try and I'll continue to do so. The lord has sent me to add something to the world. A contribution. And I won't let him down. I will not. Never.

I think I've got to sum up. So God, give the courage to try and the will to do so. The grace to make the right decisions with dignity and to you, O almighty I leave the result.

I'll no longer be afraid 'coz then the opportunities become too much! The more you try, the more you come to know about the world. And if at all, 'fear' does stay in you, then you're a lucky man for them an opportunity (with success free!!) is there.

I indeed did not know my fears were opportunities for success.

"Success does come to everyone.  
But the parcel isn't the same"

**Cadet Venkat S. Perumal**  
Class XII

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### N. D. A. HIKE

Ahoy here we are all set to get motivated to join the forces. We are leaving for the NDA hike. Though we visited NDA only for a day we heard cries of joy from every corner of the class, as we would be seeing all the three forces. We were to visit Nazi, Aurangabad, Ahmednagar, Pune & Mumbai. As we left for Nasik we were told about the Artillery Regiment. Of there on reaching and changing into the olive green we went to have a wonderful breakfast at the Arty Mess we went to see the war memorial accompanied by our AO and family also counting Mr. and Mrs. T Selven. After that we went to do some computerized shooting and later it seemed that God granted our wishes as the lunch time with the RIMCOLLIANS was due. The Commandant was an active rimcollian Brig. S V P Singh. We also had the pleasure of meeting Col. Guha and Col. Tiwari. The same day we left for Aurangabad. There we were supposed to meet Col. D H Parab (ex-comdt) who is heading the Services Preparatory Institute. We stayed in that institute for two days which was enough time to interact with the students there. During our stay we visited the Ajanta and Ellora caves, it was introduced newly this time. Those keen, appreciated this marvel of splendid art. A temple carved out of a single rock. The residents say it was just a stroke of luck that Aurangzeb could not see it or else it would have been destroyed like the other buildings. On meeting Col. Parab, we learnt about the institution better with its aims and duties. Later we left for Ahmednagar. The significance of this place is the Mechanized Infantry. Just for elaboration the things we saw here, were the BMP's which also included a joy ride and the tank museum. This is the second biggest museum of its kind in the world which consists of forty tanks dating way back from 1920. The only problem arising was that all these tanks were dead tanks. This was one of the things we enjoyed the most.

After getting fully motivated to join armoured corps (some of us), we set off for Pune, the part everyone was looking forward to. On reaching some of us got a setback that we couldn't see the Airforce Station and had missed the Sukhoi's, but it was covered up as we spent most of our time roaming in the MG road and gazing at all the shops out there not to mention some of us even saw movies. The next day we were all set to attend a tea party and a little excited as it was in the Southern Command mess. Gen Gurbaxani COS was the guest of honour and a person who played a major role in making

this hike a successful one. The mess was a marvel in itself, which stunned many of us who saw such a mess for the first time. The next day we visited the National Defence Academy. The visit inside was organized by Col. V Y Gidh and we were glad to visit our seniors at RIMC who now are cadets in the NDA. They all were anxious to know what's happening in the college and were glad to see us. A special comment passed was about the college magazine which they really appreciated very much. After a visit to Peacock Bay later, we packed our bags and set off for Mumbai by train.

So here many of us who haven't seen the Navy before would get a first hand experience here, as we were going for a cruise aboard INS Subhadra, a patrol ship. Once in we were all looking around with a sparkle of anxiety on our faces. Some of us got frustrated and said that the Navy is unworthy also by supporting the lines;

*"Water, Water everywhere but not a drop to spare"*



During this journey we also approached INS KIRCH, which is a destroyer, and carried out a shooting practice for us with its Italian designed 90 mm gun at a target placed by us in the sea. On reaching back to Marvay we slept to prepare

ourselves for an exciting day at water kingdom. On catching a ferryboat from Marvay we left for Water Kingdom, where we had full five hours to spend, due to the efforts of Col. Chakravarti we managed to get a concession of 20% also. After an exciting day we left for the station, which again took us two hours to reach, and then we were left free to go and have our dinner. After the train journey we all got aboard the college bus which had come to take us from Saharanpur and reached the college with a twin smile, one of happiness and the other of sorrow.

In the end I would like to thank our AO and Mr. Selvan and cheerio for the Rimcollian bond for making this visit a successful one.

**Cadet Aditya Swarup**  
**Class IV**

#### **THE PEACE OF MIND**

*I have to seek one who can tell,  
to tell the straight way out of hell.*

*The confusion with age are growing now,  
And my temptations aren't going well.*

*I know some priorities of life,  
but still it is an edge of a knife.*

*The hostility of world has a bad impact,  
Where a human has to search the fact .*

*The senses are not now in owe control,  
And else than worst it doesn't attract.*

*The dirty mind can be cleaned by a sage,  
And to stop going towards the destructive rage.*

*The world is wrong but right too,  
Since the mind orders what to do.*

*Not all are able to catch up with them,  
First the consideration then the due.*

*This all talk is not simple to achieve,  
But the reconciliation can help to believe.*

*We can see, our talks are so hoarse,  
And we have to cover still a long course.*

*Nothing can stop to attain a feat,  
You are knowledgable and achievements are yours.*

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*The virtualities of their's is not easy to recognize,  
But the proper routine and discipline can make me  
wise.*

*I only hope to be good and sound,  
Since the key to success I have found.*

*Never insult someone and put it right,  
Spots in the behaviour are non-healing  
wounds.*

*So I am in search of a line,  
The greatest character to help me have the peace  
of my mind.*

**Cadet Kavi Kashyap  
Class 1 A**

### **IF YOU'RE KRUMS!**

*This is a small big tale, about a hunk male  
Krum; he was called, but was big quail.*

*He always watched girls walking around  
and thought, he was a big attitude for them.*

*But his chums always backed his professional  
tights,  
And he remained worried about girls all night.*

*DAMN! Cupid had arrowed his heart apart  
His love mail now, was in a dawdling cart*

*Those days of glory, of love, of style  
And dates and beaches and eyes' profile  
Are all averted and dumped aside  
By a love clerk who had almost closed his file.*

*His love logy classes, which yielded him the best,  
Have all now been suffering a high fever rest.*

*He still remembers those dusk walks  
And nights with Jessica in bars of clubs.  
He is sad and mad on a dark side of a room.  
Quailing to gain what he lost very soon.*

*How did this happen ? How it availed ?  
I would now tell you this very sorrow love tale.*

*He was cheated by his own big friend,  
Whom he trusted like an omelet does a pan.*

*He never knew that jack would change his trend  
And would hijack his girlfriend as was the  
Osama's plan.*

*He now always kicked and jerked around  
For a dazzling comeback to the love ground.*

*But over the top, the master sees  
Who might give him a bunch of bees!*

*Remember, there are begules and deluding  
chums.*

*Beware if you feel you are fit to KRUMS.*

*Might be this poem blow up her drums,  
So I am really sorry if you're Krrums....*

**Cadet Manoj Jindal  
Class III**

### **TRUE LOVE**

*But whatever you say, whatever you do.  
He will be there for you.*

*He is there for any one in need  
Because God loves everyone with a good  
deed.*

*The one we love are always so near,  
In our hearts, feelings and dreams.*

*They might go away is what we fear because  
People move ahead like the water of the  
stream.*

*But the sense of true love never dies;  
It cannot be forgotten for it's a heavenly  
feeling.*

*It cannot be severed for it lies deep in our hearts  
And knows no floor, no ceiling.*

*But love once lost is never found,  
For there might be million stars but only  
the moon.*

*It is not easy to find love as it may sound,  
Because true love brings enlightenments  
like the sun or moon.*

**Cadet Rana Rudra Pratap  
Class IIIA**

सैर कर दुनिया की गाफिल, जिन्दगानी फिर कहाँ।  
जिन्दगी फिर रही तो, नौजवानी फिर कहाँ।।

मध्य सत्र परीक्षा के दवाब के बाद चेहरे पर मुस्कान लाने के लिए 25 मार्च को लगभग 8 बजे हमने आर. आई. एम. सी. को अपने पीछे छोड़ा। स्क्वाड्रन लीडर पुंडीर अपनी अर्धांगनी के साथ हमें तालों के शहर की ओर ले गये।

नैनीताल अर्थात तालों का शहर, हम चले तो थे 25 मार्च को 8 बजे, परन्तु बस की कृपा से हम 26 मार्च को पहुंचे। रास्ते में बस 3 जगह खराब हुई। इस कारण हमने एक रात फॉरेस्ट हाउस में बिताई। रात को मच्छरों ने हमें गजब का सुख प्रदान किया। आरायण के बीच फॉरेस्ट हाउस में हमने अगला दिन बस ठीक करने में लगा दिया, और दोपहर तक पहुंच गये। सामने नैनीझील और पीछे चाईना पीक और बीच में आर्मी हॉलीडे होम्स पहुंच कर हम सब नैनीताल के बाजार में विहार करने चल पड़े। कुछ छात्रों की भूख शान्त नहीं हुई इसलिए उन्होंने मैस के उस्तादों से भोजन को चखा। अगले दिन सुबह-सुबह हमने रानिखेत की ओर प्रस्थान किया। रास्ते भर हमने यह अरमान लगाये रखा कि प्रदर्शनी जो प्रदर्शित की जानी थी वो कुछ हट कर होगी। परन्तु बस ने फिर साथ नहीं दिया और हम प्रदर्शनी समाप्त होने के बाद पहुंचे। सबसे पहले हम कुमाऊँ म्यूजियम की ओर गये। पुराने वीरों की करामात देख कर हमारा हृदय प्रफुल्लित हो उठा। उसने हमारे आंखों के सामने से नैनीताल की सनसनाती - मदमाती टंडी हवा को भी भुला दिया। कुमाऊँ रेजीमेन्टल सेन्टर के होस्टल में हमें दिन बिताना था। लंच आदि कर कुछ छात्र बाजार की ओर लपके। कुछ कैडेट्स ने जी. सी. के साथ बास्केट बॉल में हाथ अजमाया। लंच के बाद हम कुमाऊँ गोल्फ कोर्स देखने गये। चारों तरफ देवदार के वृक्ष देख छात्र बेसुध हो उठे। क्या देखें

और आंखों में कितने नजारे छिपायें। शायद इस कशमकश में छात्रों ने एक घंटा बिता दिया। विडियों का मदमाता शोरगुल, आशा की निलीमा का धरती की निलीमा से मात खाना, होस्टल के छात्रों से निष्कपट बातचीत आदि में रात छोटी लगने लगी।

अगले दिन हमारा लश्कर सैनिक स्कूल घोड़ाखाल की ओर चल पड़ा। सैनिक स्कूल घोड़ाखाल से जब हमने नैनीताल का नजारा लिया तो हमें पता चला कि वास्तविक सौन्दर्य क्या होता है। यह सौन्दर्य जिसे देखने के लिए राकेश रोशन ने अपनी आगामी फिल्म "कोई मिल गया" की शूटिंग सेन्ट जोसेफ में की जो घोड़ाखाल के बगल में है। सैनिक स्कूल घोड़ाखाल के डाम्स देख हमें आर. एम. आई. सी. की याद आई। घोड़ाखाल के बाद हम पहुंचे भीमलाल, लंबी सी झील और बीच में एक टापू। ऐसे मनोरम स्थान में अगर कोई साधू शायर बन जाये जो उसका दोष नहीं। उन्ही हंसी वादियों में हमने अपने पेट की पीडा को शान्त किया। हर तरह के नजारों को कैमरे में कैद कर हमने नैन विदाई दी और चले आये वापस नैनीताल।

नैनीताल जो केवल तालों के लिए प्रसिद्ध न होकर मोमबत्तियों के लिए भी प्रसिद्ध है। रात को हमने मिलकर एक दुकान पर धावा बोला जो हमारे ओ. आई. सी. जी के अनुसार दूसरी दुकानों से अच्छी थी। कई छात्रों ने 200 - 250 रू0 तक की मोमबत्ती खरीद डाली और रात को आई. एम. ए. के GC's के साथ गप्पे लड़ाई। अगले दिन थी "होली" परन्तु हम निकल गये अपने आप को रिमको साबित करने के और की 6 km ऊंची ट्रैकिंग। चाईना पीक जैसा नाम से ज्ञात होता है यह चढ़ने के लिए दुर्गम

परन्तु जब हमने स्क्वाड्रन लीडर पुंडीर को चढ़ते देखा तो हमें भी जोश आ गया। और 75% की सीधी चढ़ाई हमने की। चढ़ कर जो दृश्य हमें नजर आया वह ऐसा लगा मानों एक झील के चारों ओर सितारे अपना डेरा जमाये हुए हो। उस समय दिन था इसलिए सितारों का काम घर ने किया। सौभाग्य से चोटी पर एक दुकान थी जिसने हमारी प्यास बुझाई। चढ़ने में लगा 2 घंटा वहीं उतरने में 45 मिनट परन्तु शहर पहुंचकर हमें अपने कपड़ों की फिक्र होने लगी। शहर पहुंच कर हमने एक टोली सी बनाली। एक दो बार हम पर अभीर से हमला किया गया जिससे भीड़ तितर बितर हो उठी। उस समय तो हमारे स्क्वाड्रन लीडर ने कुछ नहीं किया परन्तु ऐ. एच. एच. पहुंचकर एक अच्छी डांट पिलाई और शारीरिक खातिरदारी की। शाम को हमें फिर बाजार में छोड़ दिया। अगले दिन हम उठना तो नहीं चाहते थे परन्तु हमें उठाना गया वह भी 5.30 क्योंकि एक लंबे सफर पर जाना था। जहां से हम चले थे अर्थात् आर. आई. एम. सी. सबसे बड़े दुख की बात है कि जाते वक्त बस 3 बार खराब हुई और आते वक्त 60 किलोमीटर की रफ्तार उसने पकडी।

6 दिन की हाईक, तालों के बीच कैसे बीत गई पता नहीं चला। गये और वापस आ गये। बच गई तो सिर्फ यादें नैनीताल की। यादें खट्टी जैसे बस ठीक नहीं थी। हमारा एक दिन बर्बाद हो गया।

प्रशासनिक महोदय, से हमारा अनुरोध है कि हाईक पर जाने से पहले बस चेक कराले या हाईक के साथ एक अच्छा मैकेनिक भेजें। अंत में मैं कमान्डर महोदय, प्रशासनिक अधिकारी महोदय व स्क्वाड्रन

लीडर पुंडीर को वर्ग द्वितीय हार्दिक धन्यवाद देता है, यह हाईक एक यादगार बनाने के लिए।

कैडेट विकास कुमार  
कक्षा 2

### मैं भी कुछ बनना चाहता हूँ

इन असंख्य सितारों की तरह चमकना चाहता हूँ,  
मैं भी कुछ बनना चाहता हूँ।

भगवान नहीं तो इनसान सही,  
और उसमें भी कुछ खास नहीं।  
बस अपनी हो एक पहचान,  
ताकि रखें लोग मुझे याद।  
बस ऐसा कुछ करना चाहता हूँ,  
मैं भी कुछ बनना चाहता हूँ।

सब के सामने न गिडगिडाऊँ,  
ना सबके सामने मैं डूँट खाऊँ।  
ना ही किसी का दिल मैं दुखाऊँ,  
ना किसी को हानि पहुचाऊँ।  
ऐसा कुछ करना चाहता हूँ,  
मैं भी कुछ बनना चाहता हूँ।

मेरी है बस एक ही माँग,  
पढ़-लिख कर मैं बनूँ महान।  
सबके हैं मुझसे यही अरमान,  
पूरा कर दो, हे भगवान।  
बस इतना ही माँगना चाहता हूँ,  
मैं भी कुछ बनना चाहता हूँ।

कैडेट गौतम कुमार  
कक्षा 1

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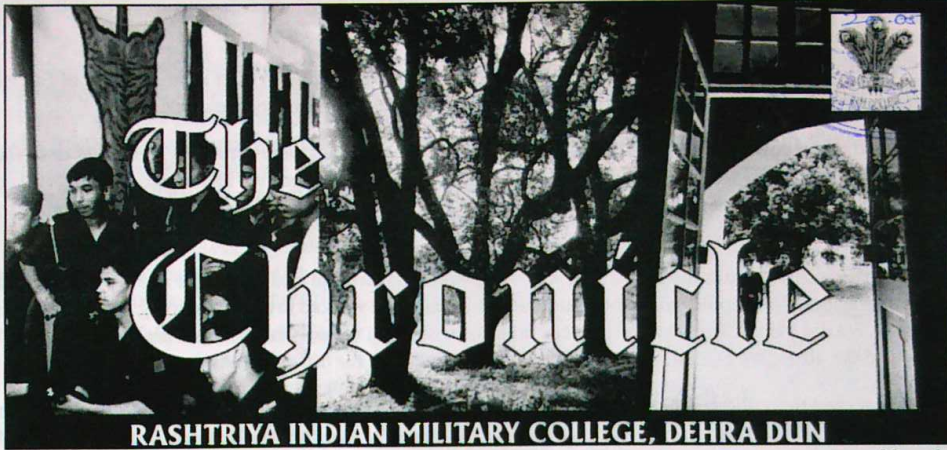
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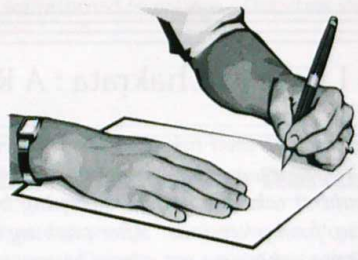


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### Editorial

Days rush past and once again we get our thoughts to our pen-presenting to you another issue of the chronicle. The last month has seen an array of activities like cricket, and hockey to more abstract ones like debates and even meditation classes.



The hikes returned after a great time in the hills and some of them even in Pune. The 152nd course walked in for their UPSC written exams on the 7th of April and will have to cross their fingers till mid-July. To chill the tension off, they went for independent hikes (Shimla and Jaipur).

There is a tremendous expansion of knowledge today but the means to unify all this knowledge has been Maharishi's Transcendental Meditation sessions every evening.

On the 11th, the college hockey and cricket teams embarked on a visit to YPS, Patiala. The hockey team was on a friendly tour and they defeated the reigning IPSC

hockey champions PPS, Nabha but lost to YPS, Patiala. The budding 'Sachins' reached the semifinals of the 'YPS Sixes' tournament and left a mark in their very first exposure of this kind.

The college debating team left for BCS, Shimla to participate in the Rev.

Samuel Slater's Memorial English Debate and gave a very spirited fight & won the trophy for the most exemplary participation.

Not to forget, in the Inter-Section arena, Hockey was the only championship played. After a week of great showings, Pratap section emerged victorious.

"Jal le plaisir de vous informe" - the accounts of the above-mentioned and other titbits (the poets & essayists in making!!) are to follow.

For the moment, it's Bye from the Editor and Hi from the reporters.

- Astalavista -  
Editor's Desk

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*"There's no such thing as free education. You have to pay attention."*





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## LENDING A HELPING HAND

On the request of a few cadets, the college administration decided to start a programme of Social Service. This programme started under the charge of Mr. P. Nayak, our history teacher.

Next to our college is a village, named Loharwala. The conditions were very unhygienic and unfit for living. So, we decided to start off with our campaign. In the initial stages we had a talk with the village authorities, discussing and planning about the works we would like to do and what they would want us to do.

Our first step towards the good cause was when we went there and told the people about pollution and its consequences. The people paid a lot of attention to it and even worked towards reducing the pollution in the area. We did a bit of work by cleaning the area and disposing the polythene bags which were scattered all around the area. We even placed a few newly made litterbins for their convenience.

Teaching the villagers was an experience cherished by the cadets. Students of different age group came to the various classes that we had set up in different places and the cadets taught them with a lot of interest.

All of us who have been a part of this campaign so far, have really enjoyed ourselves helping the villagers out of difficulties. With a lot of hope, I would like to conclude by saying that if we continue in the same manner, soon the village will show quantitative & qualitative change.

**Cadet Tuhin Mukherjee**  
Class II A

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## Class I Hike to Chakrata : A Report

*Elated 28 first termers along with their hike OIC Mr. Thapliyal left for Chakrata on 25th of March. The journey of about 100 kms was memorable especially for those in the back of the four wheel bus, many of them couldn't take the endless sweeping bends. At the small market of Chakrata, we stopped to pick up food provisions. After pitching our tents we went to the establishment of Special Frontier Force, where we got a brief history of the academy and its aims as well as achievements. It was fascinating to see the I.E.D. bombs and sophisticated weapons.*

*On 27th of March we went to the Rock Climbing School where we saw special demonstrations by the volunteers. We were briefed about the various facets of mountaineering. We enjoyed rappelling and rock climbing.*

*Our first sight of the village Kanesar was of houses built of wood and roofs made of leaves, scattered over a flat area, with men & women hunkered down by their doors and children skipping around. Many of them gathered in the centre of the village to greet us which made us feel honoured. The houses of the villagers were made of deodar and oak. The interiors were decorated with sculptures and wall paintings. In the lapse of lush green nature we had our lunch. On our way back we played with snow and had lots of fun. In the evening we all had a camp fire amusing ourselves singing and dancing till late at night.*

*Next day was Holi, we celebrated it with colours. We interacted with the locals around and finally trekked to the Tiger Falls. The sight of the waterfalls was very pleasing. We enjoyed ourselves. We returned to school the next day. The hike had been a tremendous experience.*

**Cadet Vinoth Vanya**  
Class I



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### CYCLING HIKE TO CHAMBA - Class IV A

After wracking our brains for our Terminal examinations we were glad to go on a hike to refresh ourselves. However the fact that it was a cycling hike did dampen our enthusiasm initially. The first day was a tough one as the route to Mussoorie was completely uphill. However keeping our wits around us, we managed to reach our destination by evening and camped on the outskirts of Mussoorie. The next day we moved on to Dhanolti. The ride was uphill as well as downhill. We enjoyed the last 6 Kms. with its complete downward route. We camped for the night at a site far away from Dhanolti.

The next day may be termed as the most enjoyable day as all we did was to cycle downhill. We reached Chamba where we decided to go and visit the Tehri dam. In the evening we decided to cycle another 20 Kms. and then rest, which we did beside a lovely mountain stream. The next day we had may be the toughest uphill cycling to do. After a lot of huff and puff we managed to reach Narendra Nagar from where we made our way to Rishikesh. We stayed in Rishikesh for the night. We enjoyed Holi at Lacchiwala and camped there for the night. 30th March was the last day of our hike as we returned to college. Our class shall hold many memories of this hike in the days to come.



- Cadet Pallawa Jha  
Class IV A

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### **Class III A Hike - Rafting**

*Pit your will and skill against nature as you race the rapids, Manoeuvre the bends, speed along gorges and break into sparkling surf.*

"Nervous anticipation .... Heart stopping build-ups ... meeting the challenge.... the thrill of the rapids ... the solitude of the calmness ... sight-seeing.... experiences shared.... knowledge gained .... Campfire tales.... new found friends. All of it sums up a trip of a lifetime, there for anyone with an inclination to experience, as we did, the best of white water journey on rafts- probably the only adventure sport which enabled a complete novice to attain an adrenaline rush at par with that of a professional, each and every time.

On the 24th March, 33 cadets along with OIC Mr. U. P. Dalvi and Mr. B. Chauhan reached Alaknanda. The first day was a bit adventurous as we came across small rapids only. On the second day we rafted from Devprayag to Kaudiyala which was a stretch of 42 Kms. We started rafting

at 9 am and were moving at a low speed as the water was calm. On the 27th of March charged up to our fullest, we were to face the 'Wall' rapid and 'Golf Course' rapid, which were the toughest hurdles to cross. We faced a series of huge rapids namely the Daniel's Dip, Three Blind Mice, Cross Fire, Jail Nobail, Sweet Sixteen etc. Exhausted after a day of hard and strenuous paddling we reached Shivpuri. The stretch from Shivpuri to Rishikesh had difficult rapids awaiting us, like Roller Coaster and Club House, but we successfully cleared them. On the last day of our hike with a sense of achievement we celebrated HOLI with dry colours. In the evening we visited "Shanti Kunj" in Haridwar, which was founded by Pt. Shri Ram Acharya and Ma Devi Sharma. We enjoyed and experienced a very memorable hike and the beauty of the beaches; the rapids still haunt our memories.

Cadet Digvijay Thakur  
Class III A



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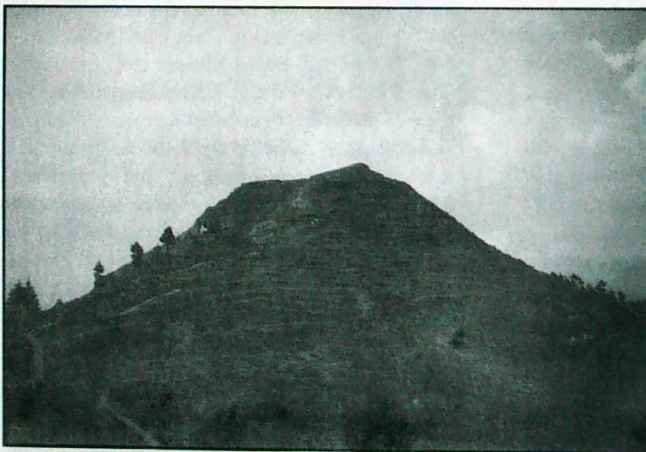
**MID-TERM HIKE TO CHAMPAWAT**  
Class IA

On 25th of March, we started for our hike to Champawat in the Kumaon Hills. It was the first hike of its kind.

In the evening, we reached Udham Singh Nagar, went to the Nanak Matta Gurudwara and had Langar and slept in the big hall. Next morning, we started for our destination. We reached Tanakpur at noon, did shopping for an hour and moved on. We reached Champawat at about seven in the evening and were welcomed there by Mr. S. Tripathi. We slept in a hall and not in tents as it was a leopard-prone area. The next day, we went to see the fisheries and learnt much

about the habitats and feeding habits of fishes like the Rainbow-trout and Snow-trout. We then went to the Baleshwar temple and everyone praised the carvings on the temple.

On 28th we went on a 4 km uphill trek to the Banasur Fort, enjoyed the scenic



**Banasur Fort**

beauty and captured it in our cameras. We enjoyed the folk dance of the natives. Next



**Cadets enjoying Holi with the natives Folk Dance**

day, we played Holi with great enthusiasm and joy and then, we went to the Mayawati Aashram, where Swami Vivekananda had stayed for fifteen days. We then trekked 3kms to the top of Mount Abbot and could see the beautiful snow-covered peaks of the Himalayas.

On the 30th of March, with a gloomy mind and heart, we headed back for RIMC. We stayed in a place known as Banbassa in luxury. The next day, after a long, tedious and tiring journey, we reached RIMC at about eleven in the night with our heart and soul still in Champawat.

Cadet Debangshu Roy  
Cadet Ravi Prakash Singh

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### Hike to Joshimath - Auli (Class III)

After the tiring Mid Term examinations, we- the cadets of Class III gladly left the campus by bus on 25th of March 2002 for Joshimath. Joshimath, a small town en route Badrinath is about 350 kms from Dehradun. We were on our way via Rishikesh and Dev Prayag - Sri Nagar, and it was past three in the evening when we crossed the latter. Aware of the steep dangerous rocky roads especially after sun-set, we decided to halt for the night. Our stop was Karna Prayag where we arrived at around seven in the evening. Fortunately, we were provided accommodation at the Govt. Inter College in Karna Prayag.



The next day, we were on our way again, now to Joshimath. We could see a few snow capped peaks at the far end of the horizon. We were in Joshimath by two in the afternoon. The Garhwal Scouts provided us accommodation at the Charlie Company Dormitories. It had also become quite cold & chilly in the evening. However, the cold could not affect us as we were busy with our game of basketball. The next day was the most exciting of all. We were on our way to the snowy slopes of Auli. We reached Auli by the Cable Car, and were

fascinated & excited by the snow all around. Many of us had a good time Skiing and then we had snow ball battles which went on for a long time. We were back at the camp by evening and then proceeded to the Joshimath market.

A tiring day laid ahead of us. The next morning, we visited a temple in Tapovan and later went on a trek to "Bhavishya Badri (The Badrinath of the Future)". We were surrounded by snow & rhododendrons once again; on our way to the temple where we observed a small idol emerging from a rock which was believed to be the Badri Devta. In the evening we were ready for another game of Basketball! The last day was the festival of colours - Holi. We enjoyed ourselves with colours in the camp itself. We then proceeded to Vishnu Prayag at around mid day for a bath under a waterfall near the place. The water was very cold and chilling, and despite this we managed to clean ourselves. The evening was spent in preparing for the next day. Many of us visited the temple of the "Narsimha Bhagwan". The myth says that the statue of the Narsimha Devta in the temple has a shrinking hand, and when the hand withers away and falls off, then the Nar and Narayan Mountains between which the route to Badrinath runs, would join blocking the road completely. And thus 'Bhavishya Badri' would attain the name of Badri Nath, surely, "Truth is stranger than fiction".



On 30th March we started our journey for Dehra Dun at around seven in the morning.

It was a bumpy and tiring ride, and as we descended towards the valley the temperature began to rise gradually. We reached Rishikesh by around nine in the evening and managed to arrive at the college at around mid-night. The hike was very enjoyable & refreshing and a break from the busy routine of the college.

**Cadet Marcus Pradhan**

Class III



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## HIKE TO HAR-KI-DUN (CLASS II A)

After the hard work we had put in our mid-term exams our class left for a well deserved hike accompanied by Mr. S.K. Mishra. On 25th of March, we made our first move and after a long & tiring bus journey in which most of us got completely exhausted, especially the one's sitting behind, we reached Sankri in the evening. There we spent the night in the GMVN rest house.

The next day we trekked to a place called Taluka. The route was an easy one and we had a comfortable trek. In the evening we pitched our tents but they had to be folded back as strong winds were blowing, strong enough to blow our tents away.

The following day we trekked to Sima, a village, where we stayed for two days. This was the toughest trek as the slopes we had to climb were very steep and by the time we reached Sima we were very tired. On the succeeding day we visited a few places nearby. First of which was a glacier, out of which a small stream was coming out, where we had a very long photo session. In the evening we visited Osla, another village, where we interacted with the locals and visited some of their temples which were very unique. In the evening we entertained ourselves playing Antakshri.

Early next morning we moved to Taluka. This was again a long trek but we accomplished it with ease. In the evening our desire of staying in tents was fulfilled and we pitched our tents and spent the night inside them. The following day we trekked back to Sankri. There we occupied the rooms we had booked in the GMVN Rest Houses and had a bath after many days. In the evening we had campfire where we had various competitions and the deserving cadets got 'tinned mangoes' as prizes for their efforts. The next day after an early breakfast we boarded the bus for our return

journey. We enjoyed as much as we could on the way by singing songs and making fun of each other. In the evening we were back in the college. It was really a memorable hike.

**Cadet Tuhin Mukherjee**



**Cadets sliding down the snow**



**The locals with the cadets**



**Houses on the hills**

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## Nainital Hike - A Report (Class II)

“The real pleasure of life lies in discovering the ageless beauty of nature mixed with human endeavour.”

Keeping this thought in mind, we set course for Nainital. On 25th March at around 8:30 a.m. We were headed by our hike OIC-Sqn Ldr V. S. Pundir and his wife. We were provided with the College Bus which was quite comfortable and spacious. With pleasant thoughts and a good mood we crossed the RIMC boundary and started enjoying the music in the bus but how could we forget eatables. All the confectionaries finished in no time and we could clearly make out the sweetness of the lush green sugarcane fields on our way.

Our ecstasy didn't last long as around 3 o'clock our bus came to a sudden halt due to some mechanical problems. The problem which seemed small to us in the beginning kept us waiting for three boring hours. We started off again and had to spend our night in the Tanda Forest House, where mosquitoes kept us company all night. Next day we reached our destination at 2 o'clock.

That day we went out to see the beauty of Nainital, settling down in Army Holiday Home and familiarizing ourselves with the various places worth seeing in Nainital. Later, we visited the famous 'Hanuman Temple' situated on a hill top and saw the exotic beauty of the sun set. We could see Nainital from there. It looked simply marvellous with the lake in the centre bounded by mountains on all sides.

Next day early in the morning, we set course for Ranikhet to see the famous '*Kumaon Regimental Centre*'. As we were late, we missed the drills that were supposed to be shown but we could catch up with the Kumaon Museum. It was a very well maintained hall with portraits of various officers, arms captured during wars and other monuments.

We had our supper later in the market and went off to sleep after an exciting basketball match with IMA's gentlemen Cadets. Next day, our aim was to visit Sainik School, Ghorakhal and Bhimtal. The school was quite good with discipline as its key aim. The best thing was its location on the hill top; it gave a clear view of Bhimtal where heart throbs Hritik Roshan and Priety Zinta were shooting for their film 'Koi Mil Gaya'. We came back to Nainital and enjoyed the Pizzas and Burgers in the market. We were also surprised to see beautiful candles with various shapes, designs and motifs. We couldn't resist ourselves and hence bought them. Roaming along the mall, enjoying video games, admiring the beauty till night in a calm environment; what else can a person desire for at a time. We scaled China Peak the next morning. The trek was tough but the cadets made it look easy. From the top Nainital was visible in its entirety and various other peaks were also visible like those of Annapurna, Trishul and Nanda Devi.

When we descended down to Nainital, we found the whole city full of colours and sweetness of Holi. After refreshing ourselves, we went out that evening. It was the last day of hike so we decided to enjoy to the fullest. The amount of happiness we experienced there shall always be cherished by us.

Next day we all with our gloomy faces started off towards RIMC, stopping once to visit Corbett Falls on the way. It was a beautiful fall and we took a refreshing bath in it. Though we never wanted to come out but due to the fear of doing push-ups, we obeyed Sqn Ldr Pundir and started off our journey, with full hopes that the bus would stop again due to some fault, we

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travelled back but such a thing never happened.

We reached college at 8:30 p.m. and offloaded our luggage. We had our dinner and went away to our different dorms.

Thus, all the enjoyment and anxiety came to an end. Though the journey was not enjoyable but the place offered such a good environment that we forgot all the problems we faced and whenever we think of Nainital we end up in dreams of fantasy.

It was a very memorable experience to visit Nainital and we are happy that we've experienced it. Our class would like to thank the administration for making it happen so well-Thank you all.

Cadet Atish Negi  
Cadet Fizi Yadav

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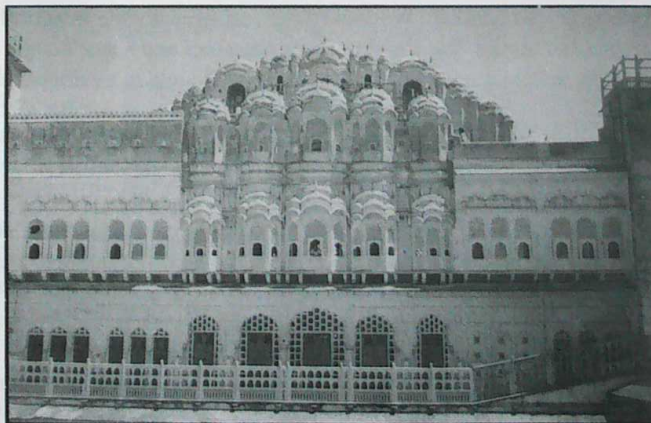
## Independent hike to Jaipur

"Discoveries aren't made by following our ancestors but by trying the untried". Free as a bird-off we set for an independent hike to Jaipur on the 9th of April. There were seven of us sharing equal likes: a forte to travel, adventure & *masti*. Even though the hike was only for five days, it will throughout our lives strike a chord in our grey cells whenever we think of an outing. Starting with Raj Mandir Cinema, Hawa Mahal, Jantar Mantar, Museum, Amer Fort; the list goes on till Vijaygarh and Nargarh. The ability & excellence of our forefathers has really been great. We went sightseeing around the 'Pink City' for 2 days and there aren't words enough to express our enjoyment; in short it was just marvelous. 'Pink Pearl'- a fun park in Jaipur was also visited during the hike as we had to chill out the scorching heat. Unlike other hikes, markets & shopping were just there as a supplement to the hike and not vice versa. Our heartfelt

thanks to Col Francis Mathai [Col 'Q' Jaipur] and Lt Col T. K. Chakravarthy [A.O., RIMC] - without whom this hike was impossible.

Summing up;  
*When you are out on your own;*  
*Full of energy, muscle & bone,*  
*Out in the world we find;*  
*There's lot in Adventure & excitement to bind.*

Cadet V. S. Perumal  
Class V



Hawa Mahal - Jaipur

## Hockey Tournament

After a weeks practice following our Mid Term hikes the college hockey and cricket teams set forth to the Yadavindra Public School, Patiala on the 11th of April. After a long and arduous journey in the college bus we reached Patiala in the evening. After resting a while and also enjoying the refreshments we set forth to explore the school.

The next day, our hockey and cricket team practiced for the matches. We met Mr. R. P. Devgan, Principal YPS, and presented him the College magazine and an apple plant (*Pyres makes*).

In the evening the college hockey team played a friendly match against the YPS team which they lost 5-2 in spite of a tough fight back in the second half.

The following day was marked by the commencement of the Sixe's tournament. This tournament was a first of its kind in which eight teams took part and they were divided in two-groups.

Group 'A' contained RIMC; BCS, Shimla; Vasant Valley, New Delhi and PPS, Nabha. While in other group YPS Patiala; YPS Mohali; The Lawrence School, Sanawar and Woodstock School competed.

The tournament opener was between RIMC and Bishop Cotton School, Shimla, which RIMC won with ease. However we tasted defeat against the Punjab Public School, Nabha notwithstanding the fight to the finish. In the last league match RIMC played Vasant Valley and were heading for another win but were deprived of it by a stupendous six of the last ball by their star batsman Dhananjay (eventually the best batsman of the tournament).

In the evening the college hockey team left for Nabha to play the Punjab Public School. With the previous days defeat still lingering in the ears, they played the best hockey of the term and defeated the reigning IPSC champions, 1-0.

The following day we got the welcome news that we had got through to the semis on basis of a far superior run rate. But we didn't have much to rejoice later as again we lost to YPS Mohali in the last over.



In the finals, YPS Mohali defeated Vasant Valley to lift the trophy. All in all it was with contented hearts that we returned with the hockey team notching the required self confidence and the cricketers getting a glint of exposure.

In the end all there is to say is that such tournaments are required to give both teams the feel of standards outside and gain confidence essential for further campaigns.

**Cadet Siddharth Bhattacharji**  
Class IVA

**STOP PRESS :** In its maiden participation in the IPSC Hockey tournament, RIMC reached the semi-finals and was placed fourth in the overall championship. 'Kudos to the future Dhyanchands'.

## OPINION POLL

The result of last RIMC opinion poll -  
Should the strength of RIMC be doubled?

- A total of 250 cadets voted.



*Next Opinion Poll*

**WHO SHOULD STAY IN THE NEW DORMITORIES?**





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## Transcendental Meditation (T.M.)

After missing a day's leave no one in the college was interested in what Maharishi Shailendraji had to talk about.

But then, there he came! Surrounded by the enlightened followers who satisfied themselves by drinking a sip of water out of the flowing river of intellect and intelligence. The glow on his face made the cadets turn their heads to steal a look of the living legend. He left us gaping at the screen after an hour of introductory lecture. The next day we learnt the basic technique of going into and coming out of the state of Transcendental consciousness and also visited the official website. There was a question and answer round where he answered all our queries. The following three days were spent in reasoning our distant experiences in the Transcendental consciousness.

The T.M. session gave clear empirical significance to the concepts of consciousness and intelligence; second, it demonstrated that basic intelligence can increase and higher states of consciousness can be attained through the practice of T.M.

The primary value of Maharishi's programme was not in the display of the specific ability; but in developing the state of enlightenment - self realization. We were blessed by his presence and were relieved from many of our tensions by practising Transcendental Meditation which helped us recover from the busy schedule at the college. We hope the college carries on practising this to help us build our concentration, which would no doubt in turn help us in all spheres.

Cadet Vishal Sharma  
Class IV

### *Adieu Toofan*

*The pride of our stables, the King of the horses and literal to his name in every aspect 'Toofan' made the supreme sacrifice while saving his rider Mr. Pramod Jain, Master and OIC, Bhula Riding Club on 25th April 2002 at 0745 hours at the gates of Santla Devi Mandir during a hack ride.*

*Toofan was indeed a leading horse and there was a great amount of pride in his standing in the stables at our school. Toofan was a legend whose name will be permanently etched in the Equitation annuals of our school.*



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### *Things of Life*

*The things of every day are all so sweet.  
The morning meadows set with dew  
The dance of daisies in the moon, the blue  
Of far-off hills where twilight shadows lie.  
The night with its all tender mystery of sound  
And silence, and God's starry sky  
Oh! Life - the whole of life - is far too fleet.  
The things of everyday are all so sweet.*

*The common things of life are all so dear:  
The waking in the warm half - gloom  
To find again the old familiar room  
The scents and sights and sounds that never fire.  
The homely work, the plans, the lilt of baby's laugh  
The crackle of open fire  
The waiting, then the footsteps coming near  
The opening door, the hand-clasp and the kiss.  
Is heaven not, after all, the now and here.  
The common things of life are all so dear.*

Cadet Himanshu  
Class IV

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## HEART FELT GRATITUDE

*It is with great pleasure and gratitude that RPMC has received the first-ever grant from the AWWA. We thank Mrs. Roopa Padmanabhan most sincerely for the generosity & kindness.*

We acknowledge with gratitude and deep appreciation the support and encouragement of the following officers

*For presenting beautiful silver trophies*

**Air Marshal T J Master** ..... Obstacle Training

**Maj Gen S D Mahanti, GOC UP Area** ..... Creative Writing  
..... Horse Riding

**Col P P Singh** ..... Trophy for Horse Riding

**Maj Gen S D Mahanti and Wg Cdr B P Prusty** for financing and reaching 16 stone statues from Bhubaneshwar to Dehra Dun

**Lt Gen N S Malik (Retd.)** for a new Golf set of 13 clubs. We now have 9 sets for a hobby of 11 cadets.

**Mr. Chiranjet Banerji** for going our of his way in looking after the batch of cadets who went to Bangalore for their SSB.

Also, for help and advise in buying Silver Trophies from Bestows in Bangalore.



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### **COMMANDANT'S MAIL BAG**



*"The photographs will be a reminder of the excellent Re-union organised under your stewardship."*

**Lt Gen J S Varma, AVSM**  
GOC, HQ 4 Corps

## गरीब की मजबूरी

खाने को मिलता दूध - भात,  
भूखे बच्चे अकुलाते हैं।  
माँ की हड्डी से चिपक-चिपक,  
जाड़े की रात बिताते हैं।

“वक्त का यह परिन्दा रूका है कहाँ?”  
समय बदलता गया और बदलता गया सब कुछ।  
झोपड़ी मकान में बदली, मकान महल में। पृथ्वी  
पर दौड़ते हुए मानव मंगल ग्रह की ऊँचाइयों को  
छूने लगा। “हम सभ्य हैं” के नारे आसमान तक  
पहुँच गये, पर और भी कुछ बदला, वह था मानव  
का दिल।

मानव दो भागों में बंट गया - अमीर और  
गरीब। दोनों के बीच की खाई और भी गहरी हो  
गई। अमीर की अमीरी बढ़ती गई, गरीब और  
गरीब होता गया। पैसा पैसे को खींचता है।

गरीब मजबूर हो गया।

सबसे सहायक सबल कै, कोऊ न निर्बल सहाय।  
पवन जगावत आग को, दीपहि देत बुझाय।।

एक मजबूर गरीब - तन ढकने को वस्त्र  
नहीं, पैरों में जूते नहीं, बातों में दीनता, चेहरे पर  
निराशा, हर तरफ से घोर अन्धकार।

दो जून की रोटी मयस्सर करने के लिए  
वह खून - पसीना एक कर देता है, पर नतीजा  
वही ढाक के तीन पात। वह गरीबी में जन्मता है,  
घुल-घुल कर जीता है और गरीबी में ही मृत्यु को  
प्राप्त हो जाता है।

ऊपर से आदमी की सभ्यता - “एक तो  
करेला, दूजे नीम चढ़ा”। जले पर नमक छिड़क  
दिया। सभ्यता की आड़ में गरीब का खून चूसा,  
फिर पानी पिला कर वाह-वाही लूटी। सूरज  
अपना परमार्थ न भूला, चाँद अपने परोपकार की  
राह पर है, पर मानव तो अमानुषिकता की हद  
पार कर गया, सभ्यता की पराकाष्ठा होने के  
बावजूद। वाह रे अमीर -

ना बदला सूरज, ना बदला चंदा,  
ना बदला रे आसमाँ,  
कितना बदल गया इन्सान?

गरीब की सुनने के लिए कोई खड़ा नहीं। हाँ,  
अपनी अट्टालिकाओं पर चढ़कर कहकहे लगाने  
को कई अमीर हैं। अमीर है सभ्यता का पुतला,  
चाहे वह खून की नदियों में डुबकी लगा ले।  
गरीब है, गंदी नाली का कीड़ा, चाहे वह गंगा जल  
सा पवित्र क्यों न हो? कैसी विडम्बना है? पर  
अमीर कब समझेंगे? गरीब की कौन सुनेगा?

पर तुम नगरों के लाल, अमीरी के पुतले,  
क्यों व्यथा भाग्यहीनों की मन में लाओगे।  
जलता हो सारा देश, क्यों होकर अधीर,  
तुम दौड़-दौड़कर क्यों यह आग बुझाओगे।।

कैडेट रॉबिन कुमार  
कक्षा १ प्रताप कक्ष

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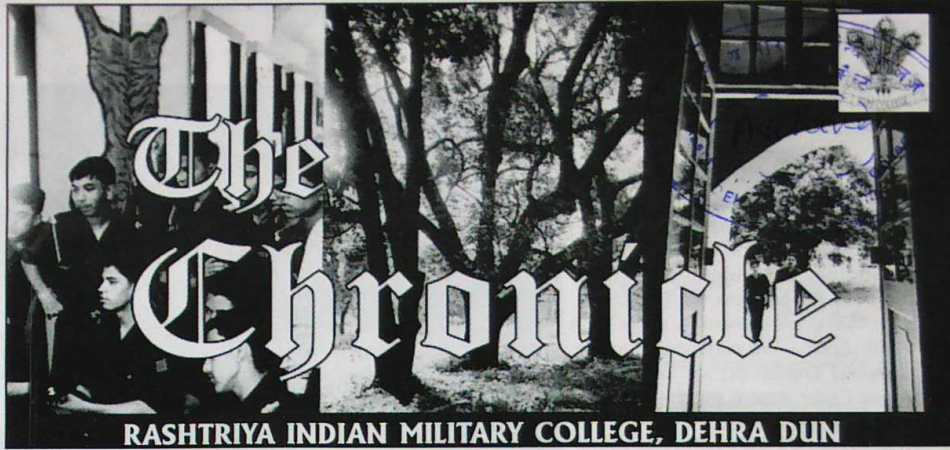
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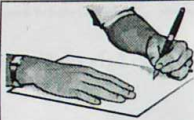
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## Editorial

Hello Readers!

It's time again for us to bring to you the college chronicle after a short hiatus. Events have taken place in plenty since we last made our endeavour to enlighten you about the going-ons in RIMC.

There have been a host of important personalities to have visited us which includes the Director Military Training-6, Col H S Ahuja. We were also visited by Dr (Prof) M R Chilana who had been the advisor to the Ministry of HRD & professor NCERT. He educated the cadets as well as the teachers about the importance of value based education. We are also glad that the new Sub-Area Commander Brig B P Patnaik, an old boy, paid a formal visit to his alma mater. We hope that he has a successful tenure. The icing on the cake was the short presentation delivered by Mr Tony Hyde, a representative of the Round Square organization of which RIMC is an associate member.

The Inter Section Quiz was held on the

1st of May with Shivaji managing to outquiz Ranjit. On the 4th of May the RIMC Inter School Challenge Quiz was organized with Brightland School lifting the trophy followed by the Doon School and the Convent of Jesus and Mary. Unfortunately for us the hosts, our team took off late and managed to land sixth.

Intersection PT competitions were held on 2nd and 3rd of May with Chandragupta winning without much ado. Brig R K Manchanda an old boy who was the National Champion in Squash and an Arjuna Awardee graced the Occasion as the Chief Guest.

We are glad to inform you that our first Old Boy Commandant Maj Gen S D Mahanti has kindly consented to be the Chief Guest for the graduation ceremony of the 151st course on the 27th of May. He will be retiring on 31st July. The RIMC family express their heartfelt gratitude for all that he has done for us and wishes him & Mrs Bharati Mahanti a happy and peaceful retired life.

Evidently a lot has taken place & hopefully enough for our keen readers to browse through the pages.

Happy reading

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*Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire.*

-William Butler Yeats



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## HAPPENINGS

- 8th April : -Workshop for English teachers was held in the Doon School on using Aids for teaching English grammar and drama.
- 8th to 12th April: -Transcendental Meditation classes were held for the entire college by Brahmachari Shailendraji.
- 12th April: -Section masters and the Vice Principal attended a School Development Programme in The Doon School.
- 15th April: - We participated in the Saroj Srivastav English debate in Welham Girls where Cadet Asoom got the prize for the Most Promising Speaker.
- 18th April: -SCHOOLNET programme on the intermediate course was held for the Members of Staff.
- 25th April: -Second Cadets Council Meeting was held for the Jan term.
- 25th - 29th April : - Our Debating Team took part in the Slaters Debate at Bishop Cotton School, Shimla and bagged the trophy for "Exemplary Participation".
- 1st May: -Mr Tony Hyde gave a presentation on the Round Square Organisation.
- Inter Section Quiz Competition was held in which Shivaji section emerged victorious.
- 2nd & 3rd May: -P.T.Competition was held where Chandragupta Section lifted the cup followed by Ranjit, Pratap and Shivaji.
- 4th May: -Inter School Quiz Competition was held where 14 teams participated and the college witnessed BRIGHTLANDS winning the cup followed by Doon School and Convent of Jesus and Mary.
- 16th May: - A team of Architects from INTACH (Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage) visited RIMC while conducting a listing exercise on important heritage buildings of Dehra Dun.



**Brig B P Patnaik, Cdr Dehradun Sub Area**

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## PERSONALITREE

Personalitree is a learning programme for enhancing personality traits of individuals, with extensive use of IT enabled aids and the power of multimedia. It breaks the convention of resistance to technology in the older generation of professionals with its unique style of presentation which gives the illusion to the user of working actually on the internet. The younger ones feel quite comfortable in such a format which has a lot of audio visual sections. The programme has got modules on various aspects of the human personality ranging from leadership skills to effective written communication and from time management to enhancing memory power. These modules have been prepared by people like Shiv Khera , the great management guru.

The Personalitree programme was introduced in RIMC in February and since then the masters have gained a lot from the programme. In spite of a busy routine a time slot in the evening has been kept exclusively for this programme so that masters may interact with the modules which they feel will help them overcome any weakness or improve upon their personality. Computer Lab II has the privilege of being the Personalitree Lab. A workshop is being organized by people from the Personalitree firm to polish up the skills learnt by the masters from this programme.

The credibility of the programme cannot be doubted as it has promoters in the likes of the Godrej Industries and Shri S.K. Birla. Moreover, for us the best part was that the Chief of Army himself made sure that this programme is implemented.

**Mr. Vivek Bhardwaj**

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## ROUND SQUARE

The college was very pleased to become an Associate Member of the Round Square on the 1st of May 2002. Round Square is a world wide association of 53 member & associate member schools on five continents sharing unique & ambitious goals. Students attending Round Square Conference are asked to make a strong commitment beyond academic excellence to personal development and responsibility. Students are empowered through community service, work projects, exchange programmes and adventure which can take them half-way around the globe. Round Square is based on Dr Hahn's philosophy that schools should have a greater purpose beyond classroom teaching that would demand courage, generosity, imagination, principle and resolution. Round Square schools are built on six pillars that can be summed by the acronym 'IDEALS'- international understanding, democracy, environment, adventure, leadership and service.

Swarnima Thapliyal  
Class III



Commandant presenting the college calendar to Mr. Tony Hyde,  
Round Square representative

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### Books. My Best Friends

Books are my best friends.  
They teach me many trends.  
Where there is time,  
I become like a mime.  
I start reading books.  
Even if someone cooks.

Books are like magic, they take me to new places.  
And introduce me to people with wonderful faces.  
In books I find fun from beginning to end.  
I never get bored, with a book for a friend.

Gaurav Rawat  
Class I



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## QUALITY EDUCATION

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"Professional growth of a teacher for providing quality education", was the theme of the two day workshop conducted on 29th and 30th April at RIMC by Dr (Prof) M R Chilana, a highly versatile, ever cheerful and die hard educationist.

The workshop aimed at providing guidelines for professional growth of teachers to equip them to meet the future needs of education whose prime goal would be to blossom the personality of every child.

While delivering his thoughts on the topic, Dr Chilana emphatically stressed on need for the In Service Education of teachers in implementing value oriented teaching. He said that the, In Service Education and Training (INSAT) will play a strategic role in providing quality education. The areas specified by him for professional growth of teachers were as follows:-

1. Quality Education
2. Value Education
3. Technology Education
4. Modern Management Techniques
5. Teacher as Counsellor
6. Parents Education
7. Planning
8. Action Research
9. Comprehensive and Continuous growth.

His talk also highlighted the school based methods and self motivated approaches like independent reading, original writing, self evaluation and action research for regeneration of teacher's knowledge and growth.

His most cherished point of action was "Life Long Education" and he focussed on assisting teachers in their "Consciousness Raising".

According to him:-

"The '**WORLD**' is a great important book, and '**LIFE**' is a great teacher" (as you learn from life). So read the world, accept it, and change it where you can.

This workshop was attended by all the members of 'Teaching Faculty'. During the workshop, teachers asked questions, reported what they read and actively participated in group discussions, while expressing their conviction about 'Once a teacher, always a student'. They unanimously demanded that such programmes should be held regularly.

Dr. Chilana has been a distinguished Professor of Education in the NCERT and Deputy Education Advisor in the Ministry of HRD, Govt of India, besides many feathers to his cap. He is at present Professor and Head of 'Teacher Growth Point'.

**Deepak Bahuguna**



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### STOP PRESS :

*College has purchased three weapons in continuation with the expansion of the shooting facilities. The weapons are two Anschrtz Air Rifle and One FWP 70 Air Rifle.*

*A 14 member team was flagged off to scale Mt Jogin III (6116 mts) in the Garhwal Himalayas.*

*Maj Gen S D Mahanti and Brig B P Patnaik visit on 3rd May 2002*



*Chinu to Baroda, "take good care of the school."*

*An alumnus of the RIMC, he was in the college from 1955-60. A graduate of the DSSC, he has held very important and challenging assignments in the last more than three decades in the Army.*

*He was the first old boy commandant of the RIMC from 1989-90. He then went on to command two Brigades one of which was in insurgency affected area. He has also commanded an Infantry Division before he went to become the chief of staff of a corps. He takes keen interest in matters relating to the education of young children, particularly in the field of leadership qualities. He is presently GOC UB area.*

#### **COMMANDANT'S MAIL BAG**

*"Thanks for making my short stay at RIMC enjoyable. Delighted to know that RIMC boys are keen to get into squash more seriously".*

*Brig R K Manchanda*





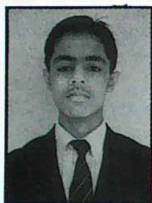
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**Manitabh Saran (Chandragupta)**



*Good at studies, he set the standards for his section in debating and all other activities. He was the happiest person on earth on the Valentines Day and was usually found talking about his girlfriends. He could be seen in all the section activities and was also a debater of exceptional calibre. Overall this boy from Kashipur did well here and we hope he zooms out of NDA with flying colours!*

**Aditya Sood (Chandragupta)**



*A quiet boy from the verdant hills of Shimla who did well in every field especially the co-curricular. He always represented his section in English debate and quiz. Many a times, he represented the college in debate and quiz. He was a good cricketer too. His activities in the college assure us that he will do well in NDA as well as his future endeavours.*

**C S K Verma (Chandragupta)**



*A very talented cadet from Andhra Pradesh who was seen most of the time in computer lab doing programming. A mathematical wizard and genius in Physics. He could convince everyone with his logics. He is a keen learner and everybody hopes he will do well with 'victory' sign which he always shows to others.*

**Gaurav Singh (Chandragupta)**



*A jovial boy who took a lot of interest in section activities and excelled in them. Always in the top lot of his class, he was a genius in computers and informatics practices. We will surely miss him and*

*are sure that he will do well in his future endeavours.*

**Bhawani Singh (Ranjit)**



*Captain Bhawani Singh was one of the outstanding Cadet Captains who helped in building a healthy relationship between juniors and seniors. He contributed towards the upcoming of the section in each and every field. Let it be hockey, cricket or football field or academics. A perfect gentleman!*

**Vikram Sharma (Ranjit)**



*This smart and sturdy lad from the paradise on earth i.e. Jammu & Kashmir, has always been amongst the toppers of his class. He has always set examples for his juniors. He was a college debater, quizzier and had brought many laurels to the college. He was a very approachable senior.*

**Ankur Aggarwal (Ranjit)**



*This boy has been a great source of inspiration for his juniors. From the Boxing ring to the Basketball courts, his active participation was an example for one and all. Always in the good books of his teachers, he was throughout among the toppers of his class. Indeed, a bright future awaits this young lad.*

**Ateesh Kropha (Ranjit)**



*This bright lad from Himachal Pradesh has always been leading his juniors in every field, esp. in Hockey, Football and Basketball. He passes out*

with a well-built personality. He was good in studies as well. He indeed has a bright future in the Indian Army.

#### **Krishna Kabir (Ranjit)**



*Kabir was a happy blend of playfulness and responsibility. He led his section to victory in all spheres & was an all rounder. He gave a helping hand to his juniors for their problems. His officer like qualities shall take him to great heights in NDA and in the near future.*

#### **Anurag Shahi (Ranjit)**



*The Dhanraj Pillai of his section, he had been a spirited and kind hearted lad who hailed from the City of Nawabs, i.e. Lucknow in U.P. An average in studies and conservative in nature, he took interest in all the activities of the section and always helped his juniors. We hope that he has done well in his second attempt of NDA writtens. Our best wishes are always with him for his bright future.*

#### **Rahul Choudhary (Shivaji)**



*A strong academician, Rahul was a man of character and went about his work with dignity. Debating and Quizzing were the spheres in which he possessed out-standing skills and brought many laurels for both college and sectic.i. He was equally good in all games and showed a lot of section spirit. As a section commander he was very responsible and cooperative.*

#### **Ramkesh Singh (Shivaji)**



*A good sportsman, he took part in all the activities and excelled throughout his stay in the RIMC. PT was one of the spheres in which he*

*earned name and fame. He was always a great source of inspiration for his juniors.*

#### **Ashish Kumar (Shivaji)**



*As a cadet in the RIMC, he has always been a keen observer and learner, due to which he learn't a lot of skills. Both in the field of sports and academics, he excelled equally well. Always helpful to his juniors, he earned a lot of respect among them.*

#### **Om Kelkar (Shivaji)**



*A soft-spoken, spirited cadet, who was the epitome of cheerfulness and good humour. A skilful sportsman, he played all games and performed well. Excellent in PT, he had a lot to teach his juniors and had a brotherly relationship with them.*

#### **Souvik Mukherjee (Shivaji)**



*A well-behaved and humorous boy from Bengal, he was always seen in the riding club. Despite the fact, that he picked up horse-riding towards the end of his stay in the RIMC, rode hard to become an excellent rider. He was very good in PT and very kind and open hearted towards everyone.*

#### **G Vijayrajan (Pratap)**

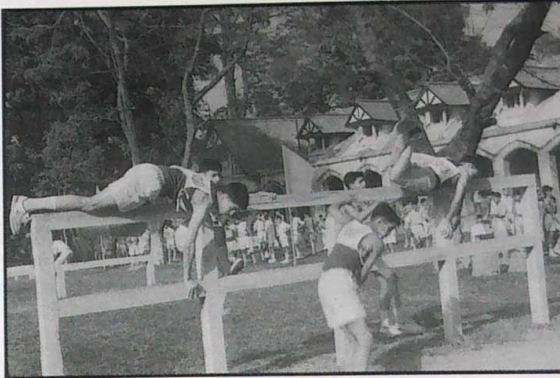


*An extremely enthusiastic and emotional lad, from the far-off province of Andaman and Nicobar Islands. Son of a wild life officer his love for nature and the environment almost equalled his passion for his section. He struck a healthy balance between academics & sports and made a significant mark in both fields. His greatest attribute was his willingness to learn from the mistakes and to secure a future for himself.*



## INTER-SECTION PT COMPETITION

PT is a physical technique which moulds young cadets at RIMC into mentally tough and robust personalities. It distinguishes them from the rest during their training at the N.D.A. This year the PT competition was conducted on 2nd and 3rd of May 2002. There were two groups consisting of juniors from class I to class III and seniors from class III-A to V-A. The junior and senior contingents from each section were to



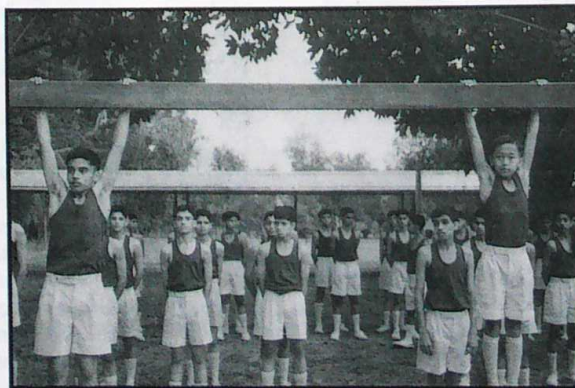
do common mass PT which consisted of six common exercises.

The juniors were to inhibit their skill, stamina and endurance on 3rd class while seniors on 2nd class. The contest was completed in the ultimate sense of game and sports- man spirit. Brig R K Manchanda, an old boy and a national champion in squash who is an Arjuna Awardee, graced the occasion. The PT tests which were conducted during the course of the term were also added to the points tally to give Chandragupta the winning edge.

The final positions were as follows-

Chandragupta	-	1st
Ranjeet	-	2nd
Pratap	-	3rd
Shivaji	-	4th

Cadet Aditya Swarup  
Class IV



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## **A TRIBUTE TO AN ILLUSTRIOUS RIMCOLLIAN**

*The crown of achievements that RIMC wears is engraved with three scintillating gems who have been the Chiefs of Army Staff. Amongst them is one of the most ardent Rimcollians and illustrious Generals \_ Late Gen G G Bewoor. No RIMC publication can ever be completed without a tribute to his now departed soul.*

*The son of an Indian Civil Servant - Gen Bewoor joined RIMC in 1928 in the Kitchner Section following the footsteps of his elder brother \_ MG Bewoor (who later laid down his life in the Arakan battle in Burma in 1944 as a Major). An excellent cricketer and a hockey player - he passed out of the College as the Cadet Captain in 1934.*

*He was commissioned into the Baluch Regiment and after partition, he joined the Dogras. He was the Colonel Commandant of the Dogra Regiment. Prominent amongst the various assignments he held before becoming the COAS were Director General of Military Trainign (DGMT); Deputy Chief of Army Staff from 15 Jan 1973-31 May 1975. During his glorious career he was awarded the PVSM and later the Padma Shri.*

*He was an ardent Rimcollian and the first Hony Secretary of the Old Boys Association. His family has been deeply involved with RIMC. His two sons and a nephew joined RIMC. His sons passed out as Cadet Captains and joined the Air Force. All of them were in the Kitchner Section.*

*Gen Bewoor visited RIMC in the Re-union of 1989 - hale, hearty and steady. He was a source of inspiration for all cadets with his achievements - greater than anybody else's. His sudden demise on 23 Oct 89 shocked and grieved all of us at RIMC. May the new generation of cadets attain similar heights in success in all fields.*

*-- Reporters --*

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## **CHERISHED MEMORIES - THE LAST STAND**

**(Parting Note from Cadet Captain Bhawani Singh)**

The 5 years of schooling that I have had here have been memories to cherish. I can proudly say that I have been taught by the best of teachers, who have given me the encouragement and support I needed.

This school has given me the firm foundation that will enable me to face the challenges as I step into the world outside. Our Commandant Col A Mamgain and Mrs Mamgain have been more than parents to all of us. The varied opportunities given to us by the college authorities have helped us to grow into good human beings.

Thank you RIMC.

**Bhawani Singh**  
Class VA



## GET RIGHT WITH YOURSELF

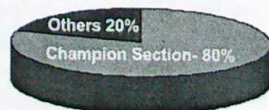
Four celestial bodies will line up in Gemini and will be visible in the evening sky this month. In a grand alignment that will not repeat itself for another century, Mercury – communication, Venus-love, Mars-raw energy and Saturn-discipline and Karma will align in the sign of twins until May 20. Two aspects of the Gemini alignment are unusual in astrological world history. First, four celestial bodies are travelling together in one sign for more than one month. Second, these celestial fireworks will be observable in the evening sky, visibility permitting for an extended period of time. Mercury will be visible until 17th May and Venus, Mars and Saturn will be visible until May 22.

Gemini is a thinking sign. This is a month to develop a right relationship, which means paying attention to your thoughts and your ensuing behaviour. Are your thoughts and actions logically connected? Are your actions a reflection of your purest, most coherent thoughts? Are the words you speak true to the feelings in your heart? Are your words and actions connected to the direction you want to go to fulfill your purpose in your life? If you can say, "Yes" to these four questions, you are on your way to higher consciousness and to mastering the most important lessons of this Gemini grand alignment.

**Cadet Yash Vardhan Singh**  
Class V

## OPINION POLL

The result of last RIMC opinion poll -  
Who should stay in the New Dormitories?  
- A total of 250 cadets voted.



**Next Opinion Poll**  
**SHOULD THE CADET CAPTAIN OF THE COLLEGE BE ELECTED?**

## INTER SECTION OBSTACLE COMPETITION

This competition for the spring term 2002 was held on 7th of May'02. Being the last event of the term, there was a lot of excitement attached with it.

It is a race which requires a lot of perseverance, stamina and above all the spirit of endurance.

This term, there were some changes in the senior's route with cycling being introduced. Other than doing the normal obstacles, the cadets also had to cycle a college round to finally end the race.

In the senior section, Cadet Ankush Kumar



of Shivaji section won the gold while the silver and bronze were won by Cadet Amiya of Chandragupta & Cadet Aditya Sharma of Shivaji respectively. Here, we must make a mention of Cadet Brijesh Mishra of Shivaji section who carried his bicycle on his shoulders throughout the course after it broke down as soon as he started. He was awarded a special prize for the exemplary courage shown by him.

In the juniors section, Cadet Manuj Jindal of Pratap won the gold while the silver and bronze were won by Cadet Abhishek Gargmukh of Ranjit & Cadet Dikshant Mahajan of Pratap respectively.

For the section positions, the proud Shivajians lifted the beautiful trophy and were closely followed by Ranjit, Chandragupta and Pratap at second, third and fourth places respectively.

**Cadet Abhishek Gargmukh**  
Class III

## MY FIVE YEARS AT RIMC



It seems only yesterday when I stood, only a teeny - weeny first termmer with eyes and mind both wide open. Half a decade, is a lot of time for anyone who has just spent a bit more than one and a half decade on mother earth. RIMC has undoubtedly taught me the most basic thing - "How to live?"

But there is surely something more than that. Something abstract and hard to explain which makes me feel thankful and proud that I came to RIMC and that now I belong to RIMCOLLIAN family. Time spent in this college, each second seemed precious and I'd gladly, if given an option, start off once again as a first termmer from a shaky child of 11 1/2 as I stand now, a confident young man of 17. I have no regrets apart from the fact that I'm leaving my alma mater, this wonderful place which I'll always miss as long as I respire and maybe even after that. I used to wonder, what binds all RIMCOLLIANS together that they are ready to do anything for a fellow RIMCOLLIAN. But now I understand it is this college and the time spent here by any RIMCOLLIAN which becomes a part and parcel of his thinking and lifestyle. I know that these 5 years would be the most important period of my life and due to which I'm able to assert "I am a RIMCOLLIAN"

LONG LIVE RIMC

**Cadet Vikram Sharma**  
Class V A

## खुशियों का कारण

हर कारण का महत्व है, जिज्ञासा का भी महत्व है,  
पूजन, प्रेम, उत्सव का सुख है यह भी एक सत्य है।  
उषा की प्रथम किरण से मानवता को जो मिली खुशहाली है।  
निशा में अंधकार को ज्ञान से प्रज्वलित करने की दीवाली है।

राम राज के क्षण का, सहनशील पुरुषोत्तम प्रतीक है,  
दुखी और अन्यायी जगत में यादगार ये सटीक है।  
चकाचौंध सितारों को चमकता देख हर चाहत बनती  
मतवाली है।  
भाई चारे और हर्षित क्षणों को विस्तृत करने की ये  
दीवाली है।

आनंद में मग्न जीवों को सुखी संसार की अभिलाषा है,  
चक्र जीवन का चले यूँ ही, ऐसे शुभ अवसर की आशा है।  
राहों को दिखाने योग्य, प्रदर्शक के चिन्हों की कतार खाली  
है।  
हर अरमान को जगाने, अंधकार के उन्मूलन को सार्थक करने,  
माता के चरणों के आशीष से परिभाषित ये दीवाली है।

कैडेट कवि कश्यप मिथिलाजी,  
कक्षा 1 अ

## संसार नश्वर है

कई दिनों के बाद मैं आज फिर उसी स्थान पर  
पहुँचा हूँ जहाँ पहले एक बार और आ चुका हूँ। मेरी  
आखों में आँसू हैं। मैं रोना नहीं चाहता पर दुःख की बात  
ही ऐसी है कि अनायास ही आखों से निकल आए हैं।

मैं पिछली बार अपने पिताजी को लेकर यहाँ आया  
था, पर उस समय मैं खुश था। मेरी हाल ही में शादी हुई  
थी। मेरे पिताजी के मरने के उपरान्त उनका सारा धन  
मेरा होना था। मैं बहुत ही खुश था। मेरे आँसू में आँसू



तब भी थे। दिल से तब भी आँसू बह रहे थे, पर इसका दावा मैं नहीं कर सकता कि वे असली थे या बनावटी।

पर आज मैं दावा कर सकता हूँ कि मैं बहुत दुःखी हूँ क्योंकि मैं यहाँ अपने पुत्र के साथ आया हूँ। वह मेरा पहला पुत्र था और बहुत ही प्यारा था मुझे। अब तक तो लगता था कि मैं उसके बिना जी नहीं पाऊँगा, पर यह मेरा भ्रम था क्योंकि उसके मरने के बाद भी मैं जीवित हूँ। मेरा कुछ भी नहीं गया सिवाय आँसुओं की कुछ बूंदों के।

पर अब मेरा दिल कहता है – 'तुम क्यों रो रहे हो? तेरे साथ भी वह वैसे ही करता जैसे तूने अपने पिता के मरने पर किया था। संसार चलता रहेगा। कोई तुम्हारा नहीं है। इस सत्य को कैसे तुम अपने पिता की मृत्यु पर भी नहीं समझ पाए?' मेरी आँखों से अनायास ही कुछ बूंदें टपक पड़ी और कुछ धूल में विलिन हो गई।

रवि प्रकाश सिंह  
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## किसकी गलती

"मेरे गांव में बाढ़ आ गई है। घर में कुछ खाने को नहीं। बीबी – बच्चे, माँ-बाप सभी भूखे हैं। मर जायेंगे बेचारे। मुझे नौकरी दे दो। चार पैसे की ही सही। मैं कुछ भी करने को तैयार हूँ।" कंपनी के मैनेजर ने सर उठा कर देखा, तो सामने एक गरीब व्यक्ति फटे कपड़ों में, हाथ जोड़कर विनती कर रहा था। वह फिर भी अपने काम में लग गया। किसान ने फिर कहा "मैं आठ के बदले दस घंटे भी काम करने को तैयार हूँ। मुझ पर दया करो मालिक।" मैनेजर उठा और बोला "जाता है या अपने आदमियों को बुलाऊँ?" किसान की आँखों में अब भी यह आशा थी कि मैनेजर उसकी दशा को देखकर कुछ

दया दिखायेगा। पर ऐसा कुछ भी नहीं हुआ। मैनेजर ने दो आदमियों को बुलवाया और गरीब किसान को उठाकर बाहर फिकवा दिया।

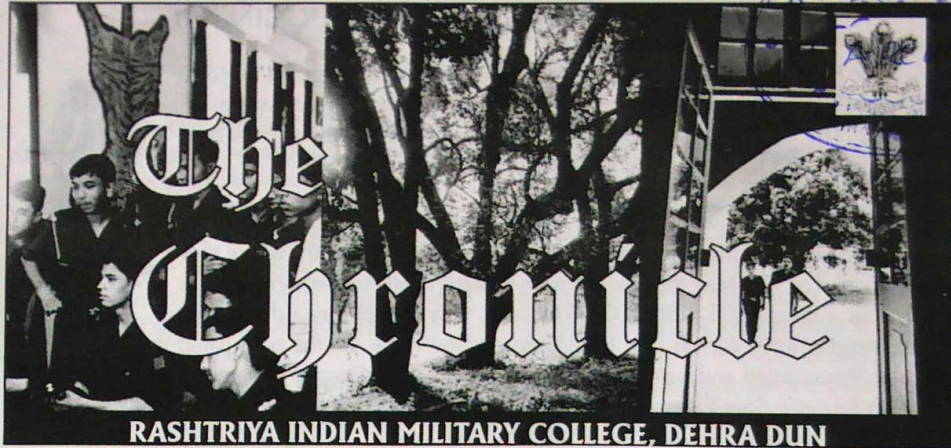
वह बगल के एक घर में जाता है और घर के मालिक से कहता है "मैं सब कुछ कर सकता हूँ, खाना बना सकता हूँ, कपड़े धो सकता हूँ, बच्चों को स्कूल पहुँचा सकता हूँ। मुझे पैसे भी बहुत कम चाहिए। मुझे कुछ दिनों के लिए घर में रख लो।" मालिक ने कुछ न कहकर दरवाजा बंद कर लिया।

कुछ दिनों बाद मैने उस किसान को स्टेशन पर देखा। एक व्यक्ति के पास जाकर बोला "बाबा कुछ पैसे दे दो। दो दिन से कुछ नहीं खाया। घर में सभी भूखे हैं। भगवान के नाम पर कुछ दे दो।" उस व्यक्ति ने ऊँचे स्वर में कहा "पता नहीं कहां कहां से आ जाते हैं भीख मांगने। जाकर कहीं काम क्यों नहीं करते" और मेरी तरफ देखा जैसे पूछ रहा हो "क्यों मैने ठीक कहा न?" मैं निस्तब्ध था।

कई दिन बीत गए। मैं भी इस घटना को भूल गया। एक दिन मैं अपने पिताजी से मिलने पुलिस स्टेशन गया। वहां मैंने उसी किसान को बंधा पाया। उसकी तरफ देखा, तो वह रोने लगा। शायद वह मुझे पहचान गया था। रोते हुए स्वर में बोला "मैं बेगुनाह हूँ। कहीं भी कोई काम नहीं देता। भीख मांगता हूँ तो ठोकरें मिलती हैं। अंत में एक रास्ता बचा था, पर वह भी मेरे बस की बात नहीं थी। पर मजबूरी थी। अंत में, मैंने उसी रास्ते को अपनाया और रंगे हाथों पकड़ा गया। आप तो पढ़े-लिखे बाबू हो। आप तो समझ सकते हो कि इसमें मेरी कोई गलती नहीं है।" मैं कुछ बोलना चाहता था, पर गला रुंध गया था।

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## Editorial

Hello Readers,

We greet you into a new term after a hiatus of two months during which a lot has transpired. As we begin a new term we hope that it will be even more fruitful and eventful than the last.

The RIMC expedition to Mt. JOGIN III (6116 m) has been translated into an enormous success with 10 of the 11 cadets taking part, reaching the summit.

The results of NDA written exams are out, with 10 Cadets clearing the exam.

On 14th July, a workshop was conducted by Mr S P Kamat on Interpersonal relation & Communication skills.

Hav Ramlal Kumetee has joined us as the new

Rifle Shooting Coach. Mr Vijay Dharampal joined us as the new Squash coach.

Hav Gurdeep received his Commission on 15th July and has been posted to 5th Battalion, the 8th Gorkha Regt.

Mrs Mamta has joined us as a member of the English faculty. We welcome her and wish her all the best for her tenure here. Dr Rakesh Bharti, our Ex-RMO is now practising in Garhi. The manpower and equipment was reviewed by the PET team, who visited us from Delhi.

The monsoons have arrived and so have various events. We shall soon see the Squash and football competitions take off.

The first termers are scheduled to arrive on the 28th of this month.

We look forward to another successful term and wish all the readers happy reading.

Education is the ability to listen to almost anything without losing your temper or your self-confidence.

- Robert Frost





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### RIMC EXPEDITION CONQUERS MT JOGIN - III

The Rashtriya Indian Military College expedition to Mt Jogin - III (6116M/20387 ft) in Garhwal Himalayas was flagged off by Commandant, RIMC on 26 May 2002. The team comprised of 22 members, which included two officers, one doctor, one JCO, one NCO, one Master, 11 cadets and others.



The team left Dehradun on 26th May and reached NIM Uttarkashi by bus the same evening. On the following day the party reached Gangotri, where they acclimatized. On 30th May they moved from Gangotri and reached Bhuj Kharak which is at a height of 12000 ft. On 31st May, they staged forward to Kedar Kharak (height 14000 ft). On 01st June, they reached Kedar Tal the base camp (height 16000 ft) where acclimatization and training continued for four days. Despite inclement weather, the team moved to Advance Base Camp - I (height 17000 ft) on 06th June.

On the following day the weather turned more hostile but the leader Capt SP Consul of NDA, Khadakwasla and the Deputy Leader Capt Vivek Singh took the bold decision to carry on regardless of the weather. The team ultimately established Camp II on 07th June. At Camp II preparation for final assault was carried out in great detail. On 08th June, the final assault on the peak started at 0300hrs. On 09th June, with the increase in height, the climb became more arduous. The final leg was toughest of all wherein, the team had to move for almost two hours before reaching the summit. A total of two officers, one NCO, 10 cadets and two guides reached the top on 09th June at 0615hrs. The youngest member of the team was Cadet Gaurav Hridaya (thirteen plus) who also achieved the distinction of having set foot on the summit. On their return journey the team was given a warm reception by NIM, Uttarkashi on 12th June 2002.

The expedition was flagged in by His Excellency Sardar Surjit Singh Barnala at the Raj Bhavan on 14th June. The Governor also hosted a high tea for the young cadets and congratulated the members of the expedition for their courage in taking up the challenge of mountaineering so early in life.



At the Summit JOGIN III Peak



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## Inter Section Hockey (1923)

(K S Thimayya)

"We shall show you spots old boy" or "you shall feel the weight of my stick on your shins", were among the many remarks that might have been heard when the inter-section hockey matches were approaching, sometime in November last term. Everywhere boys in batches were to be seen discussing the probable results or a section master with his section commander was to be seen gravely discussing their teams.

One morning, there was quite a crowd of cadets round the games Notice Board. The results of the draw were out: Rawlinson's V Robert's, Kitchener's V Robert's and Rawlinson's V Kitchener's.

At last, the day arrived, Rawlinson's were to play Robert's. The Supporters of the two teams were ranged upon opposite sides of the field with their respective section masters, strutting about ready to burst their lungs with lusty cheers. Rawlinson's was probably the stronger of the two teams.

The game was interesting throughout, with a good combination in the forward line on the part of Robert's and a strong defense on the part of Rawlinson's. Now and again Rawlinson's would make determined rushes at their opponents goal but they usually proved abortive. Robert's on the other hand were chiefly on the offensive and frequently made some fine shots at goal, but Rawlinson's goal keeper seemed to have been in

form that day. After the interval Rawlinson having been encouraged by their section master, began to keep the ball in the other half most of the time and after a few minutes they made a good run up the field and scored the winning goal. No more scoring was done and the match came to an end with a win for Rawlinson's who celebrated the evening with much consumption of cakes and sweet drinks, while their opponents accepted their fate with the proper sporting spirit.



The second match was between Kitchener's and Robert's. Kitchener's had a team similar to that of Rawlinson's having a strong defence and a poor forward line. The game was faster than the previous one and confined more to midfield and thus it progressed with occasional attacks from both sides,

but more determined were those delivered by Kitchener's. Robert's had a good centre forward who showed a great deal of skill with his stick, but Kitchener's back proved too much for him and he was being constantly stopped though he tried some fine shots. Robert's were fated to suffer yet another defeat when Kitchener's forwards went in and got a goal, which as in the previous match was the winning goal. The winners celebrated the victory in the usual way with extra consumption of cakes and sweet drinks.

*From the Archives*

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### RESULTS RESULTS RESULTS RESULTS

21 cadets from Class V A of the RIMC appeared for the NDA Exam conducted by the UPSC, out of which 10 cadets i.e. half the class passed in the written exam. Although the result is poor by past standards, nevertheless, their sincere efforts are worth acknowledgement despite the fact that they were pitted against a competition, where the entire class XII syllabus was included with no extra time.

In the Class X Board Exam conducted

by the RIMC, 30 cadets appeared and all of them passed. Brajendu Bhaskar topped the class with 77.4% marks, securing a distinction in English, Maths & Science.

The result of the class XII Boards was not as heartening. 18 cadets appeared, out of which 15 passed. Three cadets failed to secure the required pass marks. Rahul Choudhary got a distinction in English, Maths, Information Practices and Chemistry and topped the class with 80.2% marks.

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## Roop Kund Trek A Report

A group of 38 Cadets accompanied by three masters embarked upon the Roopkund Trek on 29th May, 2002.

We left RIMC at 0700 hrs and reached Rudraprayag at 1430 hrs. At Rudraprayag we made an overnight halt at the Hotel Monaal, where the food and stay was excellent. In the evening we visited Koteshwar Mahadev and the Temple at Sangam (Alaknanda and Mandakini) where we enjoyed the turbulent joining of both the rivers.

The next day we left Rudraprayag at 0730 hrs and after a monotonous uphill journey reached the base camp at Lohanjung at 1630 hrs, situated at a height of 7800 ft. Lohanjung is a pass separating Kumaon Himalayas from the Garhwal Himalayas. There we were welcomed by Mr Tej Bir Singh, camp leader who briefed us about camp rules and the trekking programme. At 1750 hrs we went for a 6 km acclimatization walk to Ajung Top (8500 ft). After dinner, Cadets joined the Camp-fire and impressed all the other groups/campers with their songs and jokes.

Next day, we left the base camp at 0730hrs for the first day's trek of 9 Km. descending down to the bridge at the river Neel-Ganga and then rising steadily to village Didana. We arrived at Camp I (9500 ft) a little away from village Didana at 1300 hrs and were

welcomed by Mr Amit, the camp leader, who briefed us about the day's programme.

On 1st June 2002 (Saturday), we left camp at 0730 hrs and after trekking the steady ascent through the dense rain forest of Tolpani for 8 kms reached Camp II at Ali Bugyals (12500 ft). There Mr Dinesh Thakur, welcomed us and briefed us about further programme.



*"Tramping through the rainforest"*

Ali Bugyals are breath-taking Alpine grass lands which offer stunning and everchanging landscapes between the snow and vegetation lines from where one can get a clear and fascinating view of the major Garhwal and Kumaon peaks such as Mt Trishul, Mt Mektol, Mt Mrigtheni, Mt Chaukhamba, Mt Nanda Ghunti, Mt Neelkanth, Mt Bandar Poonch, Mt Jogin I, Mt Jovelin and Mt Dunagiri. The weather was inclement at Camp II due to incessant hail and sleet storms coupled with strong winds and temperature dropping to subzero at night.

Next day was Sunday. We left for BedniKund at 0830 hrs and reached there at 0930 hrs. After offering prayer at Bednikund which is also a source of River Neel Ganga, we took the Roopkund trail and trekked steadily along the inclined stretch of 11 kms up to Ghora Rock, 2 kms short of the uninhabited village of Bagua Bassa (14,300 ft) [Roopkund is just 4 kms away from Bagua Bassa]. The group had to return from Ghola Rock due to



*"The Roopkund Trekking Team"*



hostile terrain and the visibility being very poor due to dense fog.

Next day we left the Camp II at 0800hrs and traversed 9 kms downhill through the forest of Ghairoli Patal descending steeply to the river Neel Ganga and then rising steeply again to Ranki Dhar (9000 ft), the venue of Camp III. We arrived at Camp III at 1300 hrs and were taken care of by Bunty, the camp leader who briefed us about the day's programme.

Perched on the ridge overlooking the village Wan, Camp III unfolded the panoramic view of the village below, spread over an area of 8 sq kms amidst verdant splendour. We visited the Temple of Latto (village deity) late in the evening.

Next day we trekked 13kms back to the base camp at Lohanjung. The last 2kms being uphill from the river Neel Ganga. The group came back to the base camp at 1330 hrs and made an overnight halt.

On 5th June 2002(Wednesday) at 0730 hrs, the group departed from the base camp to the onward destination and after the lunch, enroute at the Hotel Monaal (Rudraprayag),

arrived at the college campus at 2230 hrs, tired, but exhilarated with cherishable memories of a wonderful experience.

The trekking route (distance wise) and lodging /boarding was perfectly planned by the organisers. i.e. Holiday Moods Adventure India Ltd. The Cadets enjoyed Chinese, South Indian and Continental delicacies which were catered to them at the camps. Our group was adjudged by the organisers as the most disciplined and punctual group which covered distances in record time and as a complete group and reached the highest spot. Throughout the expedition, trekking was carried out amidst lush green dense vegetation - flora and fauna, rich and diverse. We were in the lap of nature! Rainforests comprising of species such as Rhododendrons, Silver Oak, Deodar, Pine, etc. We were followed by breathtaking alpine grasslands called Buggyals. Camp fires, PT and games for keeping fit in adverse and hostile climate and interaction with local inhabitants were good fun. In the final analysis, worth one week of vacation time.

Cadet Atish Negi

## **Soccer Report**

Almost a fortnight has passed with mixed results at the soccer ground. RIMC played two matches with Himantika Club, which is a well known club in the soccer friendly town. In the first encounter, our cadets took time to settle down on the ground but it was too late and at the final whistle the result was in favour of the visitors by 6-3.

Two days later it was the same team of RIMC and Himantika Club facing each other but young cadets of RIMC had not left any room for the visitors in this match and did not allow the opponents to move freely. Taking advantage of the mid fielders and strikers, our team made some good moves and scored three goals against the visitors. At the end it was 3-1 in favour of RIMC, we tasted the first victory of the term. The scorers were Cadets Sandeep Karwasara, Kaushik Kanungo and Ankush.

The traditional match between RIMC XI & Staff XI will be remembered for a number of years due to the wonderful spirit of the game from both sides. The result was in favour of RIMC XI, scorers were Laldinpuia - 1, Binoy - 1 and Ankush - 2, in the final score 4-1

24th July, in a very exciting match RIMC won Cambrian Hall by 2-0. Both the goals were scored by Cadet Ankush Kumar.

Now as the Intersection and Interschool tournaments are coming closer, the Ronaldos' & Rivaldos' are getting ready to take the Soccer challenge.

Brijesh Chauhan  
Dean of Sports



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## PROFILE OF THE FIRST TERMERS

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### Gautam Swarup



The third Rimcollian from his family, son of Rimcollian Wg Cdr Swarup and brother of Aditya Swarup of 1V A, Gautam studied at Kendriya Vidyalaya, Mysore. A keen philatelist, he is also fond of reading and playing outdoor games.

### Sanjeev Timsina



Sanjeev studied at the Tashi Namgyal Academy at Sikkim. Fond of playing the guitar and computer games, he also loves to read.

### Raghav Swaroop Gupta



Joining us from Dayanand Public School, Shimla, this son of a civil servant shows quiet intelligence. Raghav is fond of reading and playing games on the computer.

### Samrat Achra



A product of the Army Public School, Dhaula Kuan, New Delhi. Samrat cleared his RIMC Entrance from Andaman and Nicobar Islands. He is fond of reading and collecting stamps.

### Amitabh Sinha



After studying from Gyan Bhaskar Vidyalaya at Kolkata, the 'City of Joy' that he belongs to, Amitabh developed a variety of interests ranging from Philately to reading to computers.

### Aditya Kumar



An enthusiastic badminton player from Hemsheela Model School in the steel city of Durgapur, West Bengal, Aditya is also fond of playing Computer games.

### Yogesh Kumar Singh



Yogesh from Ghaziabad in Uttar Pradesh, attended the Sainik School at Ghorakhan. This budding cricketer is also fond of reading books.

### Raman Dixit



Son of a Lt Col serving at Meerut, Raman attended the Dewan Public School. Blessed with exceptional musical abilities, he not only sings like a nightingale, but also plays the guitar. Raman is a keen swimmer.

### Pratik Joshi



This talented youngster from the Boy's Military School at Pune in Maharashtra is a linguist. He speaks and writes German, English, Hindi and Marathi fluently. His multifaceted interests range from the simple reading and hiking to the creative painting and Aeromodelling.

### Varun Agarwal



Joining us from Welham Boy's School, Dehradun, Varun who belongs to Jabalpur, M.P. has an interest in Philately and Numismatics. He is also fond of playing the Congo.

### L Robotson Singh



From Manipur where he attended the Standard English High School at Thoubat, Robotson is an enthusiastic cricketer, who is also fond of reading.

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# WELCOME

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**Rohit Shekhar**

A bathroom singer by his own admission, Rohit, from the St. Francis School at Deoghar in Jharkhand has a terrific sense of humour. His interests range from Stamp collection to reading mystery books. He is a fond of cycling and playing football.

**Alok Bhaskar**

Hailing from Muzzafarpur in Bihar, Alok went to the Govt. Middle School, Narauli. A candidate for the Young Newtons, he is fond of creating new instruments and reading suspense books.

**Vasu Banathia**

A product of the Army School, Kaluchak, this young lad has seen the ugly face of terrorism when there was an attack near his school. That has not diminished the spark of verve. Vasu is keen on Aeromodelling, reading books and playing cricket.

**G. Satish Kumar**

This brilliant young product of the Sainik School, Amarawati, belongs to Coimbatore in Tamil Nadu. His hobby is Stamp collection.

**P Ashok Varma**

After Studying from the Kendriya Vidyalaya, Malkapuram at Vishakhapatnam in A. P., Ashok developed an interest in reading & swimming. He is also enthralled by Aeromodelling and shooting.

**Yougank Panwar**

Son of an Air Force person, Yougank did his schooling from Kendriya Vidyalaya, Nal, Bikaner, though he hails from U.P. Fond of reading G. K. books, playing games and

working on the computer, Yougank is highly competitive and seeks competition from someone who is better than himself.

**Aditya Awale**

A multi-faceted youngster from Pune, Maharashtra. Aditya studied at the Jnana Prabodhini Prashala. Not only is he keen on playing football, cycling and swimming, but he is also fond of horse riding and playing games on computer.

**Zulfquar Hassan**

Hailing from Samastipur in Bihar, Zulfquar went to Sri Saryu Prasad Singh High School in Begusarai. Very fond of Photography and Journalism, his interests also include horse riding and playing cricket and badminton.

**Mohit Khatri**

Belonging to Kaulagarh in Uttaranchal, Mohit studied round the bend at Cambrian Hall in Dehra Dun. Fond of reading and Video games, he also plays Football and Badminton.

**Humesh Tuteja**

Son of a serving personnel of the defence forces, Humesh, who belongs to Haryana, did his schooling from the Kendriya Vidyalaya, Punjab Lines, Meerut. Good at G.K., he plays Table Tennis, Swims and is fond of Riding. He has one strange hobby though, he likes to climb on trees and read books sitting on the branches!

**Vijay Prakash Singh**

Another young cadet to join us from Pratapgarh in U.P. Vijay studied at Sheetalmau Montessorie School and loves to play Football. Watch out, Ronaldo!

## HI(S) - STORY Making

His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales said during his inaugural address, "from my own experience, I may say that it is the first few blows on the anvil of life that give the human weapon the set and temper which carries it through life's battles". Those who are responsible for the administration of this school have been paying special attention to see that the spirit of the public Schools of England to foster the fine old Indian Quintessance of "Mutual reverence which bind together the guru and the chela."

The Victoria cross was instituted in January 1856, and until March, 1942, was struck from the metal of guns captured by the British at Sebastopot during the Crimean war. In 1911 the right to receive the Victoria Cross was extended to Indian Soldiers, the simple bronze medal is worn before all the other decorations.

When laying the foundation stone of the National Defence Academy at Khadakvasla, Prime Minister Nehru said "We want to make India A-1 and a first rate Country in every kind of Activity. For this we must aim at the highest and best in everything and specially in the 'Army, Navy and Airforce'. The best in the Armed forces can be achieved only with a good and sound foundation at the pre-cadet stage, and the Sainik School (Old Name of RIMC) at Dehradun endeavours to do so."

These lines are extracted from our old college magazines. I can give you these kind of historical words, thousands of articles from our old Chronicles, famous visitors and their inspiring speeches from old records. Day-to-day happenings of our college, activity from our college diary since its inception, great thoughts, poems, extracts, essays, reviews, jokes, personal information about all old boys of our college, their achievements in academics, games and adventure etc. Photographs of important events, memorable occasions, innovative ideas, creative writing and so on from the Archives.

This historical centre sometimes suffers from lack of information. I request you on the behalf of our college to kindly extend your support to us to provide information and enhance the renovation of our college Archives.

The following items are required for our college Archives

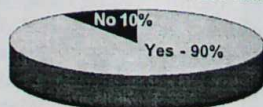
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2. Chronicles : 1972 to 1977, 1986 to 1996 and 1999.
3. Any other valuable information which could find place in Archives.
4. Anything of the Imperial Cadet Corps era.

The above mentioned items may be lying in some corner of your house or office. You may think that it is merely a paper like others, but for the college it can be a Historical Record. If you find or retain any information of this kind about the college, please write or mail it to me. I will be grateful to you for your favour and it will also help me in the process of compiling the History of our institution.

R.Thamil Selven  
Master in Charge of Archives

### OPINION POLL

The result of last RIMC opinion poll -  
Should the Cadet Captain of the college be  
elected?  
- A total of 250 cadets voted.



**Next Opinion Poll**  
SHOULD FOREIGN LANGUAGES BE INTRODUCED  
IN THE COLLEGE AS AN OPTIONAL SUBJECT?

### OBITUARY

We regret to inform the sad demise of **Shri Bikram Singh**, a staunch Rimcollian who was editor of the Statesman and had never missed a get together or a visit to RIMC each year. Our heartfelt condolences go out to his family. May his soul rest in peace for he had been suffering for a long time.



## COMMANDANT'S MAIL BAG

"Heartiest Congrats to the Leader and Cadets for a successful expedition to Mt JOGIN - III."

Principal and Staff,  
NIM, Uttarkashi

"Congratulations to you, to RIMC, and to the team that successfully summited Mt Jogin III. Congratulations to Vikas Sharma and all the other Cadets. May they all climb every mountain in life, and most of all the mountain of victory over self!

I shall be there in spirit with you all today, on the happy and proud occasion of Governor S S Barnala's felicitation.

Long live RIMC!

May the Almighty continue to guide and protect our dear Alma Mater."

V. Ramaswamy

"Heartiest congratulation to the Commandant and all participants for the great achievement of capturing Mt JOGIN - III. One day we must see the RIMC flag on the Mt Everest."

Kripal Kohli

"Just to say how touched my wife Vinnie and I are to receive a get well card from you all. This can happen only when the husband is a Rimcollian! I wish to thank you, all masters, staff masters and cadets for this kind and thoughtful gesture."

Kripal Kohli

▶ *The Indian Army and RNA are sending a joint expedition to Mt Everest in mid 2003. We have several young officers who have an experience in mountaineering and it would be great to see a Rimcollian atop the Everest.*

▶ *Col Prem Prakash has agreed to head the RIMC expedition to Bhagirathi II in June next. Would any other experienced mountaineer like to team up?*

"GOC Compliments all officers and staff for the RIMC expedition to Mt JOGIN - III."

Personal from GOC UP Area

"It is exhilarating to hear of the success story of the Mt JOGIN - III expedition. Congratulations to you Sir and all the members."

Col. Prem Prakash, SM  
2nd Bn The Mahar Regiment

"Please accept our heartiest congratulations on the success of the RIMC JOGIN - III expedition team. The achievement by the young cadets is commendable. I wish you and the RIMC many more successes in adventure activities in future."

Maj Gen Ashok Vasudev, VSM

"COAS, GOC in C and all ranks of Central Command felicitate RIMC expedition team for successful scaling of JOGIN-III peak on June 09 and also send special congratulations to the youngest summiteer Cadet Gaurav Hridaya."

"We are five RIMCOLLIANS posted in NDA, Col Gidh, Lt Cdr Manish Sain, Capt Pallav Mishra, Capt Ashish Ravjan and Capt Raman Gupta. Lt (IN) Salkalan is expected to join shortly."

## STOP PRESS

### CONGRATULATIONS



The RIMC congratulates Hav Clerk Gurdeep on the occasion of his joining the O.T.A. for Permanent Commission (Special List) PC (SL) 2001 Quota. The College would also like to thank him for his untiring efforts in helping the Administration.

Mr. Siraj Ansari has been absorbed in BCS Shimla. Our heartiest congratulations to him too.





## Workshop on Communication, Mentoring and Activities

by Mr & Mrs Kabir Mustafi on 19-20 July 2002

A workshop was conducted in a friendly and an informal style. It was concluded as an extremely interesting, innovative and thought provoking experience for the teaching faculty. The selection of topics was related to academics and was important for self-development of Teachers.

It was a very stimulating experience for all the MOS and we all hope to see more of Mr & Mrs Mustafi and such fruitful interaction in the future.

### मेरा देश महान

मेरा भारत देश महान, इसकी कितनी ऊंची शान ।  
इसके आगे सिर झुकाए, धरती और आसमान ॥  
गरीब यहाँ पर भूखा सोता, अमीरों का बोझा ढोता ।  
दिन तो क्या रात में भी रोता, पर देश हमारा बड़ा धनवान ॥  
बच्चों को परीक्षा की टेंशन, हर रोज यहाँ होते इलेक्शन ।  
नए-नए बिल होते सेंक्शन, पर निकले न कोई समाधान ॥  
हर रोज यहाँ दुर्घटनाएं होतीं, बेकारी चैन की नींद सोती ।  
हिन्दु-मुस्लिम लड़ाइयां होतीं, फिर भी पत्थर में भगवान ॥  
हर रोज यहाँ पर होते घोटाले, नेता यहाँ बड़े दिलवाले ।  
ऊपर से गोरे अन्दर से काले, ये है हमारे लोकतन्त्र की जान ॥  
बच्चे यहाँ रोते-बिलखते, जानवर यहाँ भूखे-मरते ।  
दाने-दाने को तरसते, चारा खाए यहाँ इन्सान ॥  
शहीदों के बिकते यहाँ कफन, करोड़ों का होता यहाँ गबन ।  
हजारों सैनिक होते दफन, कौन रखेगा देश की शान ॥  
हे भगवान! क्रांति लाओ, उग्रवाद को जड़ से मिटाओ ।  
देश में सुख-शांति लाओ, लोग भूल जाएँ विष्णु-पुराण ॥

ये है मेरा देश महान, मेरा भारत देश महान ॥

कैडेट सिद्धार्थ गुप्ता

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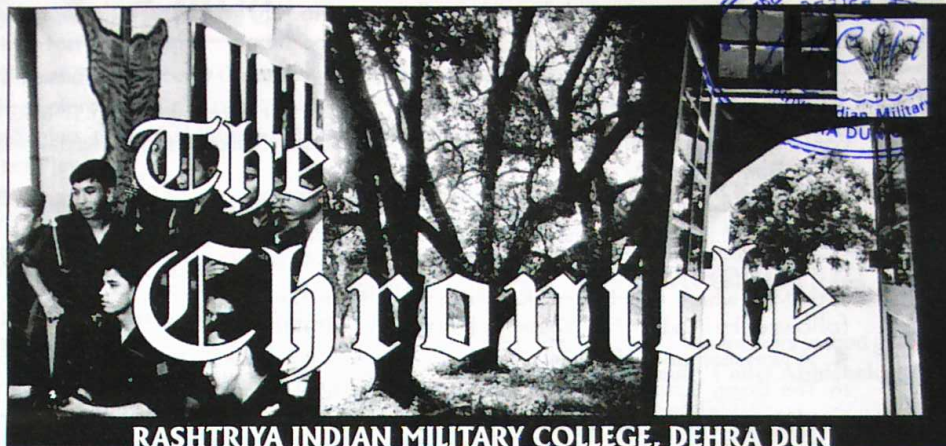
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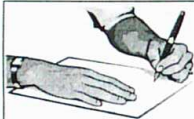
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## Editorial

*Aloha Readers,*

*Here we are with another issue of the chronicle. It has been raining cats and dogs ever since the delayed monsoons but not enough to dampen the spirits of our enthusiastic footballers. Even before the term kicked off, the soccer team was busy kicking the ball and won a match against Cambrian Hall that foreshadowed an auspicious threshold for the much awaited high staked RIMC Soccer Cup. Our sharp shooters grabbed the 1st Uttaranchal Competition by making a clean sweep under the tutelage of trained instructors and their OIC Mr Kfiushi Ram.*

- Editors

### At the Sidelines

What is the name of the highest lake in the world? **ROBA LAKE**  
(Read more in the next issue)

*If we are not a part of the solutions, then we are the problem.*

- Shiv Khera

### OLD BOYS NEWS

Cadet Shakti Singh (Rimcollian) from NDA is representing India, in the Hongkong Squash open. He is also going to play in the World Cup Junior Squash at Chennai. "Our heartiest Congratulations!" The college chipped in by sending Rs. 5000/- towards expenses.

### STOP PRESS

In the first Uttaranchal State shooting Championship 2002 held from 25th to 28th July 2002, our shooters bagged 26gold, 11 silver and 8 bronze Medals .

Twelve cadets and one master have qualified for the Pre-Nationals. The College participated in the 'Peep Sight' events for the first time and achieved a clean sweep victory.

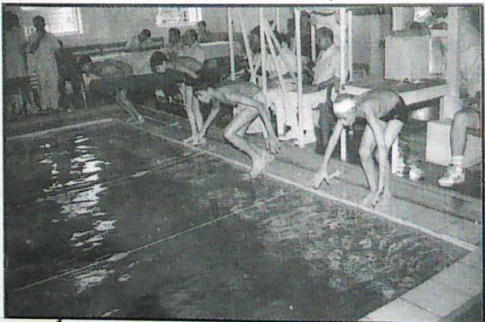
### DREAM'S DAY OUT

Class I cadets accompanied by 3 masters visited the Tibetan Home School .....  
*An exclusive report on Page 7*



## NEWS IN BRIEF

- ▶ "So, let us speak English in the college campus, let us read a little more, let us write a lot more, let us make better use of the library. Then, and not until then, will our communication skills improve" - desired the Commandant.
- ▶ We congratulate Cadet Udit Pant, Shivaji Section for winning the 'BEST SHOT' contest in the Magazine Educare. He won a K B Kodak Camera and Five Kodak Max Color Film Rolls.
- ▶ Cadet Vedant Pun was felicitated by the Commandant on having won the 'Best Computer Graphic' contest held in Indian Public School on Sunday the 11th of August.
- ▶ The college was represented by 71 cadets in the 4th National Science Olympiad held on 13th May where Cadet Vijesh Kumar ranked 1st in the State by scoring 216/300 followed by Cadets Fizi Yadav and Abhishek Tripathi.
- ▶ A workshop on Professional Growth for Teachers was held on Friday, the 16th August in The Doon School, and this was attended by Mr Dhirendra Singh and Ms Mamta Gautam.
- ▶ The first Cadet Council Meeting for the fall winter term was held on Thursday, 29th of August and was represented by cadets from each class.
- ▶ Congratulations and celebrations to Lt Commander Sandhu on his promotion.
- ▶ Cadets Amit Tiwari, Nilesh Paneri and Vikas Sheoran left for Varanasi on 16th August for their Air Force SSB.
- ▶ 14 cadets of the Precision Shooting Club accompanied by their OIC Mr Khushi Ram left for the Pre-national Shooting Championship to be held from 24th August to 1st September in Coimbatore.
- ▶ The following cadets were adjudged first in their respective classes in the assessment of their vacation assignment -
  - Vinoth Vanya (Class 1A), - Debangshu Roy (Class 2), - Atish Negi (Class 2A),
  - Abhishek Tiwari (Class 3), - Amit Kumar (Class 3A)
- ▶ Group Captain Bewoor spared his valuable time to be with us, all the way from Pune, from 18 August to 22 August to interact with the cadets of Class 1 A and help them to imbibe the art of Public Speaking.
- ▶ Cadets Anirudh, Aditya Sharma, Bharat Mangain, Vishal Sharma, Harshil Borole, Kunal Rai, Rohan Kulkarni, Arvind Raman participated in the Inter-school Swimming Championship conducted by 'The Doon School' on Sunday, the 18th of August. They were adjudged Runners-up, while Cadet Aditya Sharma broke The Doon School record in 200 M individual Medley by 1/100 of a second.
- ▶ Cadets Marcus Pradhan, Bhavya Tyagi, Vinoth Vanya, Vikas Madan, Varun Aggarwal, Sanjeev Thimsena, Gautam Swaroop, Aditya Kumar and master Sanjay Kumar left on 25th August for the first Round Square Conference to be held in Bishop Cotton School, Shimla. The theme of the conference is 'Kannya : Care for the Girl Child'



## Sports at RIMC

☞ Inter Section Soccer Competition was held from 31st July to 5th August where Pratap section bagged the trophy by scoring 21 points followed by Chandragupta, Shivaji and Ranjit. **Cadet Kaushik Kanungo** in Seniors, **Cadet Laldinpuia** in Middles and **Cadet Wabanglong Kumar** in Juniors were adjudged the Best Players.

☞ The III RIMC Soccer Cup was inaugurated on 18th August by **Lt Gen H B Kala**, PVSM, AVSM, SC. Sixteen teams are taking part in what is fast becoming 'the soccer happening' in Uttaranchal.

☞ Inter School Invitational Squash competition was held at Bishop Cotton School, Shimla from 9th to 11th Aug. We were runners up in the under 15 category in which **Cadets Abhishek Rana, Sheryf Bhonsle** and **Suraj Aiyappa** participated.

☞ Inter Section Squash competition was held from 26th to 29th August. Chandragupta section grabbed the trophy followed by Pratap, Ranjit & Shivaji. **Cadet Prateek Tomar, Cadet Abhishek Rana, Cadet Gautam Kulkarni** were adjudged best players in their respective categories.

☞ Inter-section Swimming competition was held on 11th & 12th of August where Shivaji section won the championship. *19 new events were introduced this time.* **Cadets Vishal Sharma, Anvesh Moorthy, Suheil Karkera, Siddhartha Sinha** showed RIMCO stamina in 960 yards free style competition. **Cadet Aditya Sharma** was declared the BEST swimmer and **Cadet Rohan Kulkarni** emerged as the most promising swimmer.

☞ Thanks to the Commandant IMA, horse riding is at its best with **Cadets Aditya Swarup, Ashish Kumar, Ashish Malik, R Sai Anvesh, Nayan Gildyal, Himanshu Shekar** making it a regular feature to visit IMA every Friday for Adventure Course in Horse Riding under the guidance of **Major Ahlawat**.

### PRATAP Vs SHIVAJI (SENIORS) - A REPORT

The week long soccer competition finally came to an end with the exciting exhibition match between the Pratap and Shivaji Seniors Team. It was a dull cloudy evening, yet it did not disturb the game in any way.

The move was started off by Pratap, and within the first few minutes **Cadet P Gogoi** scored the first goal of the match. Then **Cadet Karan Sharma** of Pratap scored three goals in quick succession, taking the score to 4-0. A lot of zeal and enthusiasm was displayed by players of both the teams. **Cadet Sandeep Karvasra** of Pratap managed to score the fifth goal. Even though the Pratapians played with skill and co-ordination, the Shivajians were no less, **Cadet Ankush Kumar** and **Cadet Chetan Ahlawat** always posed a threat to the Pratapians defenders. However, in the last minute of the first half, the Pratapians team scored yet again taking a lead of 6-0.

The second half was rather more exciting than the first. This time Shivaji took control of the game. There were several attacks on the goal, unfortunately they missed several chances. Pratap, once again, took over by scoring another goal.

Finally, the Shivajian team made a perfect move and **Cadet Nishant Rai** scored a goal for his team. However, **Cadet Prabir** countered taking the score to 8-1. Another goal was scored after **Cadet Karan** lobbed a ball and **Cadet Gogoi** headed it, unfortunately it was declared 'offside'. In the end, the game concluded with the final score of 9-1 in favour of Pratap.

There was a lot of excitement during the game, and the players deserve our appreciation for the excellent display of skill, stamina, determination, co-ordination and, last but not the least, team work!

## CHEERS!

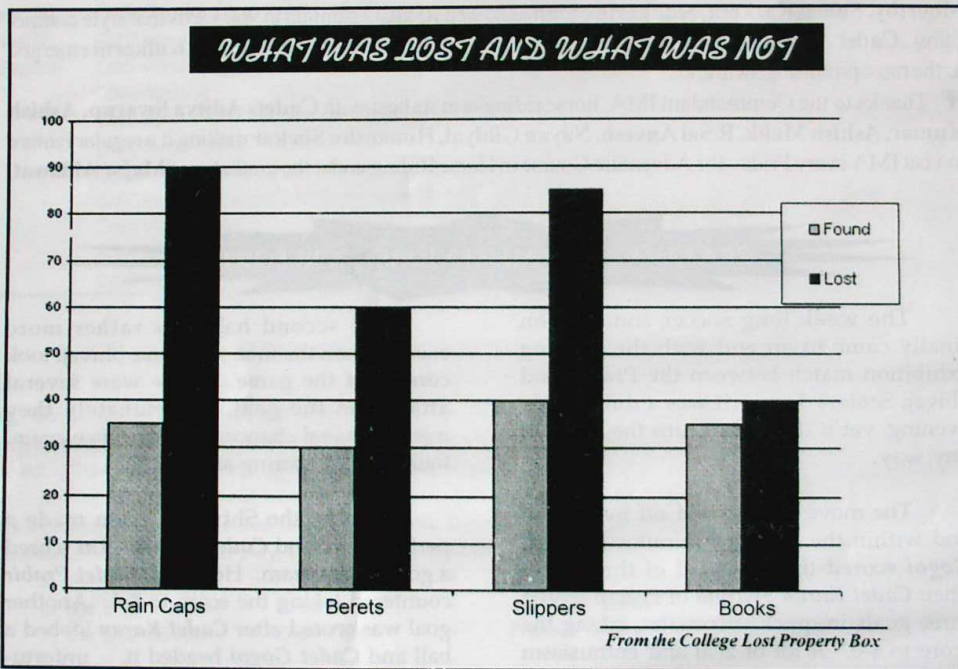


Cheering is certainly one of the oldest of all school traditions. I say old because ever since I have been here, cheering for the section has been done with much zeal and spirit, while cheering for the school has been almost non-existent. There is no specific reason for this but most sections make cheering for 'section teams' compulsory. Even if they don't, it is considered a social obligation in RIMC for a cadet to sit and cheer for his section. In other words, screaming and shouting his lungs out. Games such as Soccer, Hockey, Basketball and Swimming have had this problem from time to time.

The most important factor is the difference in the emotion we feel for our section and school. We are certainly more interested in watching our sections performing well, whereas school victories don't bring us the same feeling and pride.

Cheering for our section shows 'section spirit'. But all said and done, we could appreciate what cadets are doing outside the school in the same way, not necessarily by stretching the vocal chords to the limit but also not waiting for others to give out their best.

Cadet Marcus Pradhan



The '**Ignited Minds**' by *A P J Abdul Kalam*, Rs. 250.00 is the latest Edition in the Library with the book dedicated to **Snehal Thakkar**, who is studying in class 12. It talks of our greatest enemy, '**Poverty**', which is the root cause of our problems and should be the object of our fight.

Motivating India's people, and its youth especially, is the central theme of '**Ignited Minds**'. We wish our readership a very happy Independence Day and hope you enjoy reading the book.



## The Bellringer

One of the most important persons of this institution is the **bellringer**. The sight of him approaching the anterooms is a terror and the job he does costs dearly to cadets who get late. His work starts early in the morning and the very first thing he does is to get a volley of curses from the cadets who are suddenly woken up from their sweet dreams cursing "*There it goes again*"

The bellringer is a big help for the cadets in the academic bloc. The cadet prays from his heart for the **bell to ring** before the master asks him for his homework (which he has not done) and when he rings it, the cadet has no words to express his gratitude towards the bellringer. To sum up, the bellringer is the incharge of **RST (Rimco Standard Time)** and he forms an indispensable part of RIMC.

Cadet Umang Nautiyal



## A Day in the Second Term

**Tang! Tang! Tang! Tang! Tang!**

It's hard to believe it's 5.30 ! So fast ? But it's hardly been a few minutes since I've been to bed, the bell is a real nuisance unless you're used to it like I am !

I take a peep out of the windows, the sky is covered with black grey clouds - Oh! God! Let it start pouring, hope we have corridor P T today! Hey! Look at that first term, excited as always, up before the reveille bell he'll learn better in time just as I did! Five more minutes for me! Who invented this early morning P T? Torture, especially in the monsoons. There is only one respectable place for me at this time and that is where I am, in bed.

Heavens, its almost 6.00 already, there'll be trouble if I stay here much longer. Lets skip the wash, to be on the safer side. Oh! My God! Where are my white shorts ? Oh! here they are! Where are my white shoes> --- "You first term! Ask your friends if they have a spare pair!"

(In the Parade Ground)

"No one lag behind, I'm warning you fellas!" Shouts the NCO. Well, this is the time when these NCO's take out their grudges "Hey ! There?" "Yes.Sir?" I reply "*Stop Shamming ! Go around the War memorial, now!*"

"Push Ups, understand ME!! Push Ups -

*Start off!! Shamming again? Start rolling, Yeab You!! Who else?"*

It surely doesn't look like a lucky day for me.

(In the Mess)

"Hey, You!! Sit attentively and keep shut!!" There's the scotch eggs, but I rather keep them away. The Rajput guy in front is a Veg and he surely won't like Non-Veg Juniors.

**Tak! Tak! Tak!**

"College to leave the mess, in the next one minute!"

"Hey! You there! Didn't you get the order?? Get out, Right now!!"

"Uh, Yes Sir!!" What a mess! I never get to eat properly and that's it!

(In the Class)

"Hey! You there! What's the formula of  $(a+b)^2$  ??"

"Start haunching!"

"No one in the class has the guts to dope" shouted the Major. Classes are the worst! Especially, with drooping eyes.

(Finally in Dorm)

Aah!! Back in the dormitory at last. What a "normal" day for me!! Time to go off to bed now- "Good Night!"

"Hey You! Take a roll and then tuck in your mosquito net - How many times have I told ya?"

**Tang! Tang! Tang! Tang!Tang!**

"Oh No!!!"

Cadet Marcus Pradhan

**Result of the 4th National SCIENCE Olympiad  
2nd Round (Final), held on 13th May 2002**

Class	Name of the Student	Total Marks (Out of 300)	State Rank	All India Rank
08	Vijesh Kumar	216	1	20
08	Fizi Yadav	200	2	61
08	Abhishek Tripathi	196	3	82
08	Atish Agarwal	188	7	136
08	Atish Negi	176	9	200
08	Dikshant Mahajan	172	11	221

**Cadets whose height is above 5' 8"**

5'8" & ↑	5'9" & ↑	5'10" & ↑	5'11" & ↑	6'	6' & ↑
Pratap 07	Cdt/P Brijesh Kumar	Cdt/P M P S Godara	Cdt/P Hari Om	Cdt/R Pallava Prashar	Cdt/P Gagan Gaurav Raturi
Ranjit 06	Cdt/R Abhishek	Cdt/R Himanshu	Cdt/R Priyadarshi		Cdt/P Adil Ahmed
Shivaji 07	Cdt/R Ajay	Cdt/R Anubhav	Cdt/C Abhishek		
C.Gupta 07	Cdt/S Vibhore Singh	Cdt/R Vijesh	Cdt/P Abhishek Tyagi		
	Cdt/S Varun Lal	Cdt/S Ashish Kumar	Cdt/S P P S Bhullar		
	Cdt/S Samir	Cdt/S Aditya Swaroop	Cdt/R Fizi Yadav		
	Cdt/C Shishir Shukla	Cdt/S Kunal Rai			
	Cdt/C Anurag Shukla	Cdt/S Akshay Kumar			
	Cdt/C Kaushik Kanungo	Cdt/S Muztaba Rasool			
	Cdt/C Vipul Bhaskar				
	Cdt/P Rohan Manhas				
	Cdt/P Sandeep Karwasra				

**INTERSECTION SQUASH COMPETITION**

The term July 2002 began with 'Squash' as the first Inter section competition. All the sections started practicing day and night from the very beginning. After a lot of dedicated practice the day arrived -27th July (the First day of Inter Section Squash Competition).

"In play there are two pleasures for your choosing, the one is winning the other losing". After three days of continuous practice and play, the talents and skills came in focus.

in the U-13 section	Best Player	-	Gautam Kumar
in the U-15 Section	Best Player	-	Abhishek Rana
In the U-17 Section	Best Player	-	Prateek Tomar

The Best Player 2002 Trophy went to Cdt Prateek Tomar.

Now for the overall section positions.

4th - Shivaji  
3rd- Ranjit  
2nd Pratap

The Inter Section Squash Competition Trophy went to the Chandragupta Section. "The manner in which a man wins life's battle shows something of his character. The manner in which he loses shows all"

(Sportsmanship)



## UN-QUOTABLE QUOTE

"Gentlemen, thousands & thousands of cadets have joined and passed away out of the college and I couldn't care less."

- Overheard outside the AO office

"Sir, are you invigilating the movie?"

- Cadet Abhishek enquires of MDK

"I love eating burglars in Dominos."

- Cadet Ashoom Sharma, confused Hunger

"All para troopers are crazy, there has to be something wrong in the upper storey to jump from a flying air craft."

- Thought for the Day, during Group Captain Bewoor's presentation.

"Is 'painting' an SUPW?"

- 1st term, checking possible hobbies at RIMC

"Get the bread and slices."

- Cadet Mritunjaya Dhar demands a twin assault.

"Sir, this is 'briefing' room and not 'detailing' room".

- Mr Mishra advising Mr Prashant during a visit to IMA



College has recently procured two vehicles - One Swaraj Mazda (4 bed Ambulance with all emergency facilities) and a 3 Tonner Stallion.

## Appointments

☪ Cadet Pallav Prashar has been appointed the Cadet-in-charge of the 'CYBER CAFE' for the July term.

☪ Mr T Selven has been appointed as the DORC (Dosa Officer RIM College) and the college celebrated the spirit of Independence Day with a DOSA breakfast. We thank Mrs Selven for her efforts in making the 'DOSA MiX'.

## Our visit to Tibetan Home School

As usual, everybody was shouting and screaming in the class. The teacher had not come. Suddenly, there was pin drop silence in the class. **Mr Dhirendra Singh** came and sprang a big surprise on us. He told us that we would be visiting the *Tibetan Home School* – a Tibetan refugee School. We were going to interact and share the knowledge of their religion, culture, school, lifestyle, customs etc. We made a beeline and went to the anterooms from where we boarded the bus and were off. It took us sometime to reach the school. Our tour was fully organized. Just as we reached, we were served coffee and biscuits. Then we started with the classes. They suggested we talk to the children of the same class as ours. On the way, we saw the computer lab which was quite good, a temple and also a games room. We had gone to Class 8. In the class there were eleven girls and ten boys. We had a great time over there.

A boy and a girl sang songs and danced. All the students were quite friendly and we enjoyed our interaction with them. We shared some biscuits and cakes. Next was the Chemistry lab of which we just had a glimpse.

Later we went to the office and thanked them for the visit. We gifted them with some books, scientific instruments like Microscope, our school history and a paper bag. We also saw the Kokola Palace of the **Dalai Lama (XIV)** who inaugurated the School. Several children of the School were orphans but were still happy. I was surprised and thought that we should help

## Cultural News

The Inter-Section Hindi Debating Society held a debate on Saturday, the 10th of August. The motion read "आतंकवादी दूसरे अर्थों में देश प्रेमी होता है/क्रांतीकारी परिवर्तन के लिए शिक्षा ही उत्तम साधन है" The Shivaji section winning team had Cadets Tuhin Mukherjee, Ruchir Khajuria, Brijesh Mishra and Shishendu Pandey. Cadets Brijesh Mishra and Shishendu Pandey were adjudged as the best speakers.





them as much as we can. After taking leave of the School, we walked about half a kilometer ahead to visit the SOS Tibetan Children's Village.

**Mr. Helmud Kutin**, the head of the School showed us around. It was quite cold and foggy. The School was for the Tibetan children who were orphans. The Children lived in families of fourteen, a mother, a co-cooker and an aunt. Everybody over there spoke in Tibetan. Each child had to be over four years of age and Rs1500/- was spent on each child monthly. The aunt also took care of the children. Over there each House had a name. There were twelve houses with kitchen, toilet, bathroom, bedroom, dining table and table-tennis-table. The children slept in the bunk beds and each child had a locker. Each house had a small beautiful temple. All of them were seen wearing the traditional dress called Bakku and eating momos and chowmein (Yummy!!) as a daily routine. There was also a village shop, dispensary, small pavilion and a nursery School. And there was also a social house where in they would contact and find sponsors for the children.

Cadet Varun Agarwal

### Inter - School Squash Tournament

With lot of excitement, enthusiasm and determination, college squash team consisting of 13 cadets left for Bishop Cotton School, Shimla, to participate in the Inter School Squash Tournament. We reached BCS at around 9 PM on 7<sup>th</sup> August.

On 8<sup>th</sup> August, the team practiced in their squash courts. The matches were to start from 9<sup>th</sup> August. Six schools participated in the tournament; Bishop Cotton School; The Lawrence School Sanawar; St. Jones School; RPS Mohali; Welham Boys' School Dehra Dun and RIMC Dehra Dun.

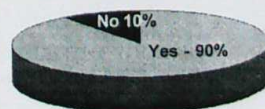
The Principal, BCS emphasized that there are always ups and downs in performances and the aim of the tournament was to establish a 'Squash Brotherhood' and to see the Indians doing well in international squash. In the **Under-13** Category we did badly but the boys showed promise. The U-13 team consisted of **Cadets Ankur Tiwari, Shashank Bhargav, Alex Josh**. The U-15 team, did better. The team consisted of **Cadets Abhishek Rana, Suraj Aiyappa, Sharyf Bhonsle and Cadet Lenin Pai**. They lost only to RPS Mohali and stood Runners-up in U-15 category. They were presented with a trophy. They were appreciated by Brig Manchanda for their excellent performance. Our U-17, team lacked perfection and this tournament made us realise our weak points. Now we know where we need to work hard. The U-17 team

consisted of **Cadets Prateek Tomar, Ishan Sharan, Ashok Garg and Ashish Negi**. Under-17 team played against two schools BCS, Shimla and The Lawrence School, Sanawar. In spite of hard work and efforts that we put in, we won only one match out of six. **Cadet Prateek Tomar** showed good sportsmanship and exhibited excellent game against **Karan Singh** (All India seeded Player U-17). **Brig Manchanda** personally appreciated his efforts. Overall it was a very good exposure for the squash team. These teams had gone out for the first time and have performed quite well. This exposure has made the squash team determined to bring back the golden squash days of the College. Squash team is practicing very hard to give their best and make RIMC the school which it was on its glorious days of squash.

Cadet Ashok Garg

### OPINION POLL

The result of last RIMC opinion poll -  
Should foreign languages be introduced in the college as an optional subject? - A



total of 250 cadets voted.

**Next Opinion Poll**  
DOES THE CHRONICLE LIVE UP TO YOUR EXPECTATIONS?

## Word Search Puzzle

Find the names of the Birds

X O S T R I C H L Y N I D E  
X P A P Z I K W P A O U B Z  
O X L G W K M X I S Q O Z Q  
O N I B O R E F H A J N V B  
D Z Q Z Y S A S K L P S N L  
P K I W I Y G T L R H J A O  
R I B K Y E L V O A O R N E  
J H G U D W E Z W R K T D V  
W K L E F O H K L U R U S O  
P A E B O T D C W Q Q A A D  
J P U G K N I O N F X X P U  
D O Q B T A H F W I D W Z V  
W H F N I U G N E P F X I U  
T L I T O U C A N T L M Y V

## Did you know ??? Football Families

✓ **Jack and Bobby Charlton** were the first brothers to play for England this century, and they also retired on the same day - 28th April, 1973.

✓ **Ray, Danny and Rod Wallace** all played for Southampton in the 1989-90 season. This was the first time in 68 years that three brothers had played together in the same league match.

✓ Four pairs of brothers have played in World Cup Finals - the **Evaristos** (Argentina 1930), the **Walters** (Germany 1954), the **Charltons** (England 1966) and the **Van der Keerkhofs** (Argentina 1978)

✓ The Greek side Olympiakos had five brothers called **Andriansopoluos** in the 1920's team. Imagine having to commentate on their matches! And what about the fans - would they have sung "Theres' only five Andrianopoluloses"?



## अंतरकक्षीय हिंदी वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिता

राष्ट्रीय भारतीय सैन्य कॉलेज देहरादून में दिनांक १० अगस्त २००२ को अंतरकक्षीय हिंदी वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिता का आयोजन किया गया, जिसमें कनिष्ठ वर्ग ने "क्रांतिकारी परिवर्तन के शिक्षा ही उत्तम साधन है" तथा वरिष्ठ वर्ग ने "आतंकवादी दूसरे अर्थों में देश प्रेमी होता है" विषय पर वाद-विवाद किया। कैडेटों ने विषय की जटिलता को नेस्तनाबूद करते हुए अपने विचार प्रस्तुत किए।

कनिष्ठ वर्ग में शिवाजी सदन के कैडेट शीषेन्दु पाण्डेय तथा कैडेट तुहीन मुखर्जी ने क्रमशः प्रथम व द्वितीय स्थान प्राप्त किया। वरिष्ठ वर्ग में शिवाजी सदन के कैडेट ब्रिजेश मिश्र ने प्रथम तथा प्रताप सदन के कैडेट करण शर्मा ने द्वितीय स्थान प्राप्त किया।

रंजीत सदन के कैडेट सिमरनदीप सिंह तथा कैडेट फिजी यादव को कमांडाण्ड महोदय द्वारा विशेष पुरस्कार के लिए चयनित किया गया। गत वर्ष के विजेता शिवाजी सदन ने इस बार भी ट्रॉफी पर अपना कब्जा बरकरार रखा।

इस अवसर पर मुख्य अतिथि के रूप में श्रीमति शकुन्तला मंगगाई तथा निर्णायकों के रूप में श्रीमति विजयलक्ष्मी जुगरान, श्री अरविंदनाभ शुक्ल तथा श्री मनोज पाण्डेय भी उपस्थित थे, जिन्होंने अपने विचार सरिता से कैडेटों का उत्साहवर्धन भी किया।

खुशी राम  
प्रभारी वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिता

## भारत के रंग

दूर दूर तक फैले खेतों में, खडा अकेला वो हलधर,  
कड़ी धूप में नंगे पांव, हो रहा पसीने से तर-बतर,  
प्रतिकूल मौसम व उसके बीच छिड़ी हुई है जंग,  
ये हैं भारत के रंग।

सावने दिख रहा गंगा घाट, बगल में हो रहा पूजा पाठ,  
सब कुछ छोड़ पश्चिम की ओर, कुछ लोग पढ़ते हुए नमाज,  
देखने वाले हुए दंग, अल्लाह, भगवान, वाहे गुरू, गॉड,  
सभी हैं संग संग,  
ये हैं भारत के रंग।

कहां पीले-पीले सरसों के खेत, तो कहीं मरस्थल के सुगंधित रेत,  
कहीं पर्वतों की घाटियां तंग, और कहीं सिन्धु के उछलते तरंग,  
ऐसी काया देखकर हुई लोक चेतना भंग,  
ये भी हैं भारत के रंग।

सावन के झूले भी, बैशाखी के मेले भी,  
ईद में सेवईयों की धमाल, होली में गालों पर लगे गुलाल,  
वसंत में आकाश छूते पंतग,  
साल भर रहते भरपूर उत्साह उमंग,  
ये भी हैं भारत के रंग।

कल जब गुजरात में हुआ भुकम्प, सारा देश हुआ था संग,  
पर क्यूं मानवीय भावना हुई दबंग, जो आज उछले वहां लहु के रंग,  
कभी सोचता हूं मैं होकर दंग, क्या हो गया भारत बदरंग।

कैडेट अभिनव गर्गमुख

## OBITUARY

We deeply regret to inform the sad demise of **Flt Lt Mahesh Trikha** S/o **Lt Col J R Trikha**. He joined us on August 1st, 1986 and graduated on May 31st, 1992. He was known for his sturdy physique and a mole on the left cheek. A well behaved, sincere and cheerful cadet, Trix laid down his life for the cause of the motherland while flying in the icy heights of Ladakh. May god give his family the strength to bear this irreparable loss.

### BOOK POST

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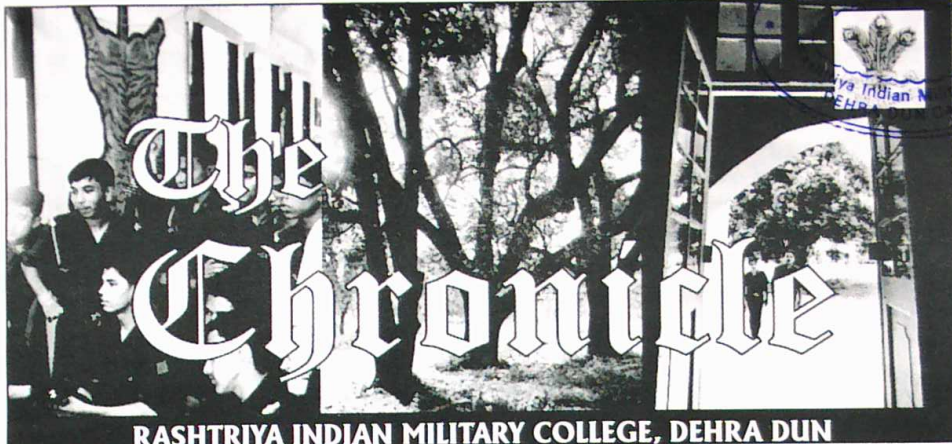
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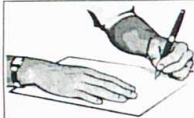
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## Editorial

Dear Readers

Welcome to the season of mists and mellow fruitfulness. As autumn approaches, the college gears up for Mid Term Exams and the much awaited fikes.

Once again our lads did us proud by bagging the 'All India Kashi Naresh Hindi Debate'. The rains managed to play spoilsport to the inter-section basketball tournament but in true Rimcollian "Never Say Die" spirit the cadets doggedly practiced for the Cross Country. We wish Class V and VA, all the very best as they leave for the NDA exams and look forward to a splendid performance from them.

Happy reading

Editors

### LOOKOUT

Precision shooting team will participate in the Inter School State Championship in Doon on the 29th September

The education of a man is never complete until he dies.

-Robert E Lee

### OLD BOYS NEWS

Rimcollians commissioned from IMA on 08 June 2002. Name of the Cadets and Unit Posted

BUO R Falnikar	154 Med Regt*
GC V P Sreejith	RAJ RIF
GC Vedavyas Samal	5 Assam
GC S B Singh	ENGRS
GC Sukhjeet Singh	4 Dogra
SUO S R Sahu	50 AR
GC G K Pathak	ADA
GC Shwetabh	ADA
* Parental Claim	

### OLD BOYS NEWS

Rahul Singh Solanki (Shivaji) is pursuing his higher education from Dayal Bagh College, Agra. He is as usual right on top.

### EXCLUSIVE

Report on 'KANYA'. Cadets attend the First Round Square Conference in BCS Shimla .....

An exclusive report on Page 9



- ▶ Pestle Weed Vs RIMC Juniors Soccer match was held on Saturday, 24th August. RIMC was victorious by 3-2. Two goals were scored by Cadet Atish Negi and one goal scored by Dikshant Mahajan.
- ▶ The Chief Guest for the RIMC Soccer Cup closing ceremony on the 26th of August was Lt Gen T P S Rawat, PVSM, VSM, Minister for Tourism, Uttaranchal. The week long tournament concluded with the finals being played between St George's Mussoorie and Sports College, Raipur with St George's lifting the cup. The best Goal Keeper of the tournament was Cadet Laldinuzuala, the best player was Aayush Bikram Shah of St George's College. " We want another one, just like the other one."
- ▶ On 27th of August, Lt Gen G L Bakshi PVSM gave a motivational talk to the cadets and MOS. His talk revolved around striking a perfect balance in life between academics and out door activities.
- ▶ Vice Admiral Venkat Bharathan gave a talk on "Managing Ourselves and Beyond Black Board and Chalk", with live case studies.
- ▶ KCMET Scholarships have been awarded to - Hitender Singh, A S Pathal. Ankush Kumar, Pallav Parashar, S K Singh, Ishan Sharan, G Francis, K Sandeep, A S Negi, Rohan Manhas, Shashank Saket, Abhishek Rana, Shirshendu Pandey, Jaspal Singh, Pawan Bhardwaj, Amrit Singh Hundal. Cadet N Lalwani and Anshuman Gairola.
- ▶ First round of Inter Section Quiz Competition was held on Tuesday, the 27th of August where Chandragupta section took the lead with 133 pts followed by Ranjit 89 pts, Shivaj 77 pts and Pratap 68 pts.
- ▶ The Commandant felicitated the college gymnastics team for having stood third in the 1st Inter School Gymnastic Competition held at Indian Public School, Dehra Dun on 25 August 2002. He complimented Cadet Capt Nilesh Paneri on his outstanding performance for having won five gold medals and the best gymnast award.
- ▶ Lady Linell Memorial Extemporary Inter School Hindi Debate was organised at Welham Girls' School on 30th August, where 11 schools participated. Our college once again got laurels for the school by bagging the championship trophy. Our college was represented by Cadets Brijesh Mishra and Cadet Karan Sharma. The topic of the debate was "संवैधानिक अधिकारों के द्वारा स्त्रियों के शोषण को नहीं रोका जा सकता।"
- ▶ A lecturette on "Energy Conservations" was held in The Doon School on the 4th of September, which was attended by Col Arun Mangain and Mr Prashant Sharma.
- ▶ Mrs Mamta Gautam, Cdr A P Bhattacharya and Mr Vivek Bhardwaj attended a workshop on "Theatre Pedagogy" on 2nd and 3rd of September conducted by Prof Donald Mc Manus.
- ▶ College congratulates Cadet K Varun Prakash, Prashant Singhal and Chetan Ahlawat for clearing their Air Force SSB.
- ▶ Cadets Rana Rudra Pratap, Ronnie and Mritunjaya Dhar participated in a quiz held at Welham Girls' School on Saturday the 7th of September and were adjudged sixth.
- ▶ 11 Cadets of our college participated in the IPSC Swimming meet at YPS Patiyala from 7th - 9th September where we were adjudged fourth. 12 Boys teams and 11 Girls' teams participated in the event.
- ▶ Masters U P Dalvi and R Selven gave a presentation on "Importance of Homework in School Curriculum" on Monday 2nd of September.
- ▶ The college English Declamation team comprising of Cadets Rohit Tanwar, Suraj Gupta and

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Jay Pratap Naidu participated in the All India IPSC Declamation Competition held at Scindia Kanya Vidyalaya, Gwalior on 7th September.

◆ 50 Bamboo Saplings have been planted along the college boundary wall near RIM-TAL on Friday 29th of September.

◆ A new plant called "Travellers Palm" has been introduced in our sprawling campus. This has been planted around the war memorial and academic block.

◆ Cadets Lenin Pal and Vinayak Gupta represented the college in the IPSC Table Tennis Tournament held at Birla Vidya Niketan, Pilani between the 2nd and 3rd September. Cadet Lenin Pal reached the semi-final in U-16 category.

## QUOTE - UNQUOTE

"Chief of editors" - *Mansingh Godara, the avid reader.*

"Is the Karnal team mobile or on mobile"  
- *confused spectator watching HPS Karnal / RIMC*

"Both the teams are not too good not too bad" - *Brother Carrols' soccer bonanza*

"I have two daughters, both are girls" - *Master trying to teach Elective English*

"There is no oxygen in cyber space" - *Roban Manhas, the cybernaut*

"Cadets of classes 5 and 5A have opted for rabies vaccination at the earliest"  
- *Checking possibilities of health problems during their trip to Bareilly*

"Gentlemen, all those putting on floaters take off your shoes, correction boots oblique sandals" - *AO clearing concepts of floaters to cadets*

"Has anyone found a pair of keys?" - *Order of the term passed in the cadet mess.*

"SHOULD EUTHANASIA BE GIVEN TO THE SCOO(TIES) OF RIMC?"  
- *Hot topic among the cadets.*

## RECIPE OF THE MONTH : FOR HAPPINESS

Take a heaped cup of patience and add a big handful of generosity to the above. Then pour it in the dish of laughter and add some understanding. Sprinkle it with kindness and memories old and new according to taste. Add lots of faith and mix well to make it rich and sweet.

Enjoy a heaped portion with every one you meet.

Cadet Vinoth Vanya  
Class I A

## HORRORSCOPES

Lets first move to the Debaters nest. First we have *hamara apna* Johnny Bravo, who is Karantly debating on his chances. Not far behind him are *Aniruddh* and *Vshal* who wish to swim past the rest.

From Bravo's we move to Butter Chickens. In the *Chronicles* joint, towering above the rest is a *heart* who, besides being seen at the *Baskey* courts, is also nabbed *chaboing* at **Kumars** on every leave out. Close on his heels are two terrorists - *Asoom* and *Moortea* make their competitors tremble with fear. At the other end of the campus, the warriors are at war and leading the battle is our **Goalie** No. 1 whose kicks should **Ka(ra)non** him past the rest.

Meditating hard to dethrone *Sell Vans* is the *Jain* saint. But the true warrior spirit may rest with *Kabhi Khushi Kabhie Gam*.

Moving to their counterparts, *Shey hai!* to another *K-Shave* who has kept all competition away.

No, No, do not worry. We have not forgotten the top slot. But we shall leave that question unanswered for now. The race is still on ....

## THE STORY OF MY LIFE

I was born in a middle class family in a house as old as it looked. Each and every person of my colony, even the animals, were familiar to me by the time I was only four years old. I topped the list of the ten naughtiest children of the colony. I broke all records and crossed all bounds of naughtiness. I used to roam around everywhere in my house when everyone snored in the hot afternoons. I used to mix washing powder in tankers of drinking water. I used to throw my granny's saree into the house of pigs or a drain. I slapped my maid as if she was a goat. Everyday, my father used to shout at my mother, guess why? I wore his underwear and ran off. At last, an end to these daily happenings was put. My naughtiness, a sense of pride for myself and a headache for everyone, had to stop. I was chucked in a room full of desks and benches with children like me occupying them. Two ladies, each with a stick in hand, were revolving around my desk and talking in a language that only God knew. Later, I came to know that place was called school and those two cats were my teachers, who were talking to each other in Malayalam.

My most embarrassing moment was in my fifth class when I was made to sit beside a girl. I could hardly speak-out in my full 8- hour class and at that time, I would be the laughing stock of the class. When the teacher asked me questions, only my head nodded as the words froze in my mouth. But by the end of class sixth, I had become an expert cyclist and tall enough to talk to girls.

One day, on the day before Raksha Bandhan, two girls approached me and asked "Chimpu (as I was known in the class), can we tie Rakhi to you?" As if lightning struck me. One of the girls was so beautiful that I was thinking of an outing with her. But I had to accept as bad luck. The rakhee which had signed a life long bond with me.

Cadet Rohit Shekhar  
Class I

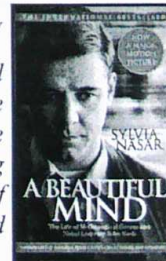


## A Beautiful Mind - Sylvia Nasar

WINNERS OF THE 1998 NATIONAL BOOK CRITICS CIRCLE AWARD FOR BIOGRAPHY



*A Biography of John Forbes Nash, Jr., Winner of the Nobel Prize in Economics, 1994. It is a story about the mystery of the human mind, in three acts : genius, madness and reawakening. At the age of thirty-one, John Nash, mathematical genius, suffered a devastating breakdown and was diagnosed with schizophrenia. Yet after decades of leading a ghost like existence, he was to reemerge to win a Nobel Prize and world acclaim.*



# PHOTO GALLERY



Gen H B Kala, Chief Guest for the Inauguration, flanked by the Commandant



Chief Guest being escorted by riders of BHULA RIDING CLUB



Cadet Swarnima Thapliyal welcoming the Chief Guest Lt Gen T P S Rawat



Cadet Laldingzuala felicitated by the Chief Guest as the Best Goal Keeper



Winners "RIMC Soccer Cup" St. George's College, Mussoorie



Prize distribution ceremony at All India Debate Competition



# RIMC Soccer Cup 2002

## Kick the Ball

It was 8th of August and every cadet of RIMC was excited to witness the opening ceremony of the 3rd RIMC Soccer Cup. It started at about 4.30 in the afternoon. The ceremony was preceeded with heavy downpour, but it was not enough to dampen the spirits of enthusiastic players. Lt Gen H S Kala was the Chief Guest. His cavalcade entered the pavilion escorted by the riders of the Bhula Riding Club, followed by the march past by all the sixteen teams. Cadet Prashant Singhal was the leading flag bearer. The RIMC contingent was led by Cadet Ankush Kumar. After the oath taking ceremony, amidst pigeons and balloons, the soccer cup was declared open.

The inaugural match was played between St George's and HPS Karnal. HPS Karnal in their orange outfits and St. George's in their red jerseys and black shorts seemed like true rivals. For about half an hour, both the teams strived hard to score a goal. The 37th minute saw Jagdeep Singh of Karnal score the first goal. But their excitement was short lived as Deepak Thapa of St. George's scored the equalizer. Later, Jagdeep Singh of HPS Karnal followed up his excellent performance and scored another goal. This increased the excitement and it became even more tough for the spectators to favour any of the sides. In the second half St. George's maintained their dominance and despite good defense by the players of HPS Karnal, they managed to take the advantage. The third goal was scored by Ayush Saha. It always seemed as if HPS Karnal was going to make a come back in the game but the defending champions of the trophy denied all attempts. Good sportsman spirit was displayed by the players but in the last five minutes Gaurav Singh struck a goal and the score card, finally read 4-2 in favour of St. George's.

Cadet Ruchir Khajuria

## RIMC Vs SGC (Semi finals)

It was the first semifinal match between St George's College (SGC), Mussoorie and the host RIMC that kept the spectators agog with awe and anxiety. Both the halves witnessed an even display of speed, stamina and skill where both the teams grappled with each other to prove their mastery over the ball. While the match carried on till the stipulated time, both the teams were struggling hard to open an account. Even the extra time could not incite the players into scoring goals for their respective teams. Consequently, the decision of tie-breaker had to be taken.

The duty of defending the goal now lay upon the two goalkeepers. Nevertheless everybody assumed that Laldingzuala the ace goalkeeper of RIMC would make the better of his antagonist. But fate had already ruled other wise four RIMC shooters were unable to convert their kicks into goal. Meanwhile Ayush Shah and Aman Khan of SGC succeeded in scoring a goal each, thus enabling their team to take a 2-0 lead which ultimately led them to triumph and earn a berth in the finals.

Cadet Marcus Pradhan

# RIMC Soccer Cup 2002

## Closing Ceremony

The culmination of the 3rd RIMC Soccer Cup was marked with enthusiasm and gaiety, tinged with sadness, that the spectacular show had come to an end. **Lt Gen T P S Rawat**, the Honourable Minister for Tourism in the Uttaranchal Cabinet, had kindly consented to be the Chief Guest and give away the prizes. The dashing riders of our Riding Club escorted him to the pavilion, where he was greeted by **Col** and **Mrs Mangain**. He was introduced to the two teams which had reached the finals. A very exciting game ensued, with both St George's and M P Sports College equally matched. At one point, the spectators were convinced that the game would end in a draw, because of the spectacular display of skill and speed shown by both sides. **Ayush Bikram Shah** of St. George's managed to score the first goal, ten minutes before half time. This was followed by a scintillating goal scored by **Sharawan Kumar** of M P Sports College. At half time both teams were poised at an equal score. In the second half **Ayush Bikram Shah** again found the chink in the M P Sports College defence and scored another goal. Despite several valiant attempts, M P Sports College was unable to equalize the score and the game ended with the defending champions St George's emerging as the champions again.

**Lt Gen Rawat** gave away the prizes. **Ayush Bikram Shah** was adjudged the best player of the tournament. **Sharwan Kumar** from M P Sports College was awarded for being the highest scorer with a total tally of 9 goals. Cadet **Laldingzuala** of RIMC emerged as the best goal keeper. Awards were also given to all members of the teams which reached the finals, and mementos were given to the referees and other officials. The Runners-up Trophy was given away to M P Sports College, Raipur and the coveted RIMC Soccer Cup was lifted by St. George's School, Mussoorie. The Chief Guest, in his address, lauded the efforts of RIMC in promoting the cause of sports in Uttaranchal State. The closing ceremony was marked by an impressive display by the IMA band.

Cadet Akshay Kumar

## RIMC vs St George's College : A Report

The atmosphere for the match couldn't have been better. The RIMCOS and the Georgan's were all charged up to face each other in an encounter which promised to be a thrilling one.

The game kicked off with a bang when the RIMC defenders were caught off guard and the first goal was scored in 3.08 minute by **Ayush (9)** with a very well judged shot on the goal post. The players of both the teams faced problems controlling the ball as there was a heavy down pour minutes before the match began so the ground was soggy. After the first goal was scored the RIMCOS got their act together and applied considerable pressure on the Georgan's for a long time creating a lot of opportunities to score but all in vain.

The RIMCO side suffered another set back when **Jaydin** managed to score yet again in the closing moments of the first half. In the second half the Georgan's made as many as 5 substitutions while RIMC made only two in order to counter their offensives. The start of the second half wasn't the way RIMC would have liked it as **Ayush (9)** the star striker, scored yet another goal. With this goal, the comeback for RIMC seemed to be very difficult. After this goal, things became worse for RIMC, trailing behind by 5-0. The Georgan's were prepared to take chances and managed to score two more goals in quick succession. This time it was **Sabin Lama** of St George's on both the occasions. The demoralised RIMC team played on, trying to score, it seemed that the match would finish off with the score 5-0 but in the ending moments of the game the Georgan's scored two more goals and at the end of the game the score read 7-0 in favour of the defending champions of the trophy.

Cadet Gautam Sharma



## SWIMMING

A team of 11 cadets had gone to Patiala to participate in the 19th IPSC aquatics meet which was organised by the Yadvindra Public School, Patiala

It gives me great pleasure and a sense of pride in letting you all know that within 2 years of our first participation in the meet, the RIMC swimming team has moved from the second but last position to the 4th position in both, the junior and senior boys' category. A total of 12 boys' teams and 11 girls' teams had taken part this year and 5 meet records were broken. Also Cadet Aditya Sharma missed the 50m back stroke record by 1/10th of a second. The points tally for the senior and junior boys were as follows -

### Seniors

- 1 DPS Mathura Road - 169 points
- 2 YPS Patiala - 109 points
- 3 Modern School, Barakhamba Road - 78 points
- 4 RIMC - 74 points
- 5 The Doon School - 57 points

### Juniors

- 1 DPS Mathura Road - 159 points
- 2 Modern School, Barakhamba Road - 137 points
- 3 YPS Patiala - 59 points
- 4 RIMC - 31 points

In comparison to the single Bronze medal which was won by Cadet Aditya Sharma last year, we have bagged 11 medals this year which include 1 Gold, 4 Silver and 6 Bronze.

Following is the list of team members along with their achievements

- 1 Cadet Aditya Sharma (Seniors)  
Gold - 50m Back Stroke  
Silver - 100m Back Stroke  
Bronze - 50m Free Style  
Bronze - 4 x 100m Free Style relay

He defeated Saurabh of Modern School who had broken the meet record in the heats.

- 2 Cadet Bharat Mangain (Seniors)  
Silver - 100m Breast Stroke  
Silver - 50m Breast Stroke  
Bronze - 4 x 100m Free Style relay

His stroke was praised by all the coaches including the Indian National Team Coach.

- 3 Cadet Vishal Sharma (Seniors)  
Bronze - 4 x 100m Free Style Relay  
4th - 200m Free Style  
5th - 100m Free Style

He missed the bronze in 200m Free Style by 0.2 of a second.

- 4 Cadet H D Borole (Seniors)  
Silver - 200m Free Style  
Bronze - 4 x 100m Free Style Relay  
4th - 100m Free Style  
4th - 200m Butterfly
- 5 Cadet Arjun Subramaniam (Juniors)  
Bronze - 50m Breast Stroke  
7th - 100m Breast Stroke
- 6 Cadet Kunal Rai (Seniors)  
4th - 100m Breast Stroke  
5th - 200m Breast Stroke
- 7 Cadet Arvind Raman (Seniors)  
5th - 200m Back Stroke  
6th - 200m Butterfly  
8th - 50m, Back Stroke
- 8 Cadet K B G Samrat (Juniors)  
5th - 100m Free Style  
7th - 200m Free Style
- 9 Cadet Anirudh (Juniors)  
4th - 800m Free Style  
4th - 400m Free Style  
4th - 200m Free Style
- 10 Cadet Siddhart Sinha (Juniors)  
8th - 50m Free Style  
8th - 100m Free Style
- 11 Cadet Rohan Kulkarni (Juniors)  
4th - 50m Butterfly  
6th - 200m Breast Stroke

He is known as the 'Baby Shark' of the team.

We are very grateful to the college administration for all the support they have given us. But there were two people without whom such success couldn't be achieved. The first one being Mr Naik, our OIC whose presence and dedicated involvement in the preparations for the meet kept our morale high every single day. The second one is undoubtedly our guru, our coach Honorary Capt Bhaduria, who took great interest in teaching us and is singularly responsible for the rising standards of swimming in RIMC. We are extremely grateful to him and we hope that our efforts under his guidance will someday get us the IPSC trophy.

Cadet Kunal Rai  
Class IV



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## 7th ROUND SQUARE CONFERENCE Bishop Cotton School (BCS), Shimla - 2002

### **“Kanya : Care for the Girl Child”**

#### 25th August (Day 1)

It was a cold morning. All were sleeping. I woke up and started to change. By 7.00 am I reached the mess. All of us were fully packed. We boarded the truck after a rushed breakfast and headed towards the Bus Stand. We were 8 cadets and 1 escort. We reached Shimla by 5.30pm, and were welcomed very warmly with tea at BCS. We rested in their Guest House and had a lavish dinner along with the boys of Welham School.

#### 26th August (Day 2)

That day we shifted to different rooms and dorms. The whole programme started by 3.30 pm. All the delegates appeared and we had an ice-breaking session. We were sorted into groups called tribes and we mixed up with other school boys and girls. It was great fun. We had tea and kept chatting with other children.

#### 27th August (Day 3)

We woke up early and changed into mufti. After a lavish breakfast we had a formal Chapel service and then an 'Inauguration Ceremony'. We all had introduced ourselves and sung the song "This land is your land". Our song was probably the best as everyone was singing it after they left the hall. After a tea break, we had a very informative presentation by **Mrs Jennifer Nandi** (actually all of us were dozing off one by one). It was about the changing landforms, Himalayas and the connection of Himalayas with Kanya, the girl child. Later, that evening we had our first formal tribal meeting. We discussed certain topics like Mrs Nandi's talk, the lack of education and the problems of the girl child. It was quite fruitful. We then had a debriefing session. Each tribe told the audience about what they had discussed. We were also briefed about the next day's trip to Nauradhar, a village near Shimla. That night we slept early.

#### 28th August (Day 4)

We got up early, changed and got into Sumos. We left by 7.00 am and reached Nauradhar by 1.30 in the afternoon. The children welcomed us by serving soft drinks and putting teekas on our fore head, which touched our heart. A 5-star camp was already set up. So we didn't have to do much hard work. After a hearty lunch we went to every child's house which was quite far away, so all the food was digested. We kept asking questions about their daily life and they surprisingly, didn't hesitate to answer. We observed that all of them loved studying. After a long trek we met a type of village headman, a 115 years old woman and a man who had done more than 10 types of jobs. We interviewed them and found that everything was normal. We also ate some local dishes called 'ashkil'. The day ended with all of us having walked a lot.

#### 29th August (Day 5)

This morning we put our minds together, a village child or two with each of us, and put our imaginations on a chart paper. As each of them drew it, I realized all had loved their school

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Our ideas were quite similar. We had a cultural programme that evening. It contained our dramas, plays, dances and some local music, followed by a debriefing session about the next day. Before sleeping the local music was sounding in my ears.

### 30th August (Day 6)

We got up in a hurry and packed up very quickly. After having breakfast in a hurry we were off. We saw many beautiful streams and water falls on the way. We reached Shimla at lunch time and had a hearty meal after which we went to the mall. This was the most disappointing part as we got only Rs 100/- as pocket money. How could we expect to have a good time with Rs. 100/- in our pocket in a mall like of Shimla. I felt very embarrassed in front of other schools. Well! after returning we prepared a drama in 5 minutes called "*Roadpati se Crorepati*". Ours was the funniest and the most comical presentation. That night we were invited to a jam session. It was fun.

### 31st August (Day 7)

This was 'the end' for some schools. We had a final presentation in which we summed up a total of the conference. After which we had a very lavish and rich lunch. We were all presented with bags and T-shirts. All the schools left by 7.00 pm except for us. We kept loitering in the school. We had dinner there itself.

### 1st September (Day 8)

Our bus was at 9.15 am. After breakfast we met Brig Gill, a Rimcollian, he was a very pleasant person. Our return journey was a bit better than the one we had gone in. We returned to the college by 7.30 pm.

I would like to conclude by saying "It was good, but it could have been better by a bit more pocket money and a more comfortable transport".

Varun Agarwal  
Class I

## CULTURAL NEWS

Teachers Day was celebrated with gaiety and fun. A cultural show was put up by the cadets which enthralled the audience. The chief guest of the evening was **Mr R C Sharma** (Ex-section Master, Shivaji). The judges for the evening were **Mr Pradeep Gildyal**, **Mr Gajendra Verma** and **Miss Shweta** Viz, renowned theatre artists from Dehra Dun. The ceremony ended with the cadet captain presenting gifts to each teacher thanking them for the valuable guidance at all times. The special invitee of the event was **Prof Donald Mc Manus**.

All India Kashi Naresh Hindi Debate was held on the 7th of September. 11 schools from all over India participated. The topic of the debate was "सहिष्णुता ही इस विशाल राष्ट्र की एकता का रहस्य है।" The chief guest of the function was **Mrs Chitra Mudgal** a renowned Hindi Novelist

## RIMCOS TRIUMPH IN SHOOTING "Our Triumphant Shooters"

10 out of 12 shooters who went for the 12th G V Mavalankar Pre-Nationals Shooting Competition organised in Coimbatore have qualified for the 46th National Shooting Championship Competition scheduled to be held in Bangalore.

Shooting was taken up in our college just last year in the July term. We practiced with borrowed and rejected weapons of the Army Marksmanship Unit, MHOW and with just four months of practice four of our shooters made it to the 2001 Nationals held in Indore.

Our commandant was kind enough to facilitate the shooting team with the latest and imported weapons. It is due to his efforts, the hard work of our coach Hav Ram Lal Kumetee, our OIC Mr Khushi Ram and, the cadets that the number of National Shooter has risen from 4 to 14. They comprises 5% of our college strength.

A view on the scores of the cadets in the Pre-Nationals

### 10m Air Rifle Peep Sight Sub Jr Men Category

Cadet Raj Prince	-	346/400	5th Position
Cadet Siddharth Rawat	-	340/400	7th Position
Cadet Swagat Das	-	335/400	8th Position
Cadet Shashank Bhargava	-	313/400	13th Position



### 10m Air Rifle Peep Sight Jr Men Category

Cadet Ishitab Vashishth	-	379/400	1st Position
Cadet Mrityunjay Dhar	-	352/400	12th Position
Cadet Manuj Jindal	-	349/400	17th Position

### Cadet Ishitab Vashishth

not only earned the Gold Medal for himself but also left his mark by breaking the GV Mavalankar record of 377/400 made in the year 2000 by Yogesh of Maharashtra.

### In 10m Air Pistol Sub Jr Men Category

Cadet Pawan Bahrdwaj	-	352/400	2nd Position
Cadet Leopold Arambam	-	345/400	4th Position
Cadet Pranay Chankdra	-	335/400	7th Position

Cadet Pawan Bhardwaj bagged the Silver Medal for the event.

### In 10m Air Pistol Jr Men Category

Abhishek Tiwari	-	356/400	8th Position
Cadet Lokesh Shukla	-	355/400	10th Position

### In 10m. Air Pistol Sr Men Category

Mr Khushi Ram	-	306/400	
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### In 10m Air Rifle Peep Sight Services Category

Hav Ram Lal Kumetee	-	361/400	
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Cadet Anurag Shukla  
Class IIIA



**Score Card**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Uttarakhand State Shooting Championship-2002**  
**(25<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> July 2002)**

S.N. Name of the participant	Score	Achievement (Individual)	Achievement (Team)
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**A. 10 Mtr Peep Sight Air Rifle (Sub Junior)**

1.	Cdt.Raj Prince	304/400	Gold *
2.	Cdt.Swagat Das	303/400	Silver*
3.	Cdt.Shashank Bhargava	293/400	Bronze*
4.	Cdt.Siddharth Rawat	292/400	4th /4

All the above cadets have qualified for the Pre-National(Qualifying score 280/400)

\*According to the NRAI rule, medals were not given because only one team was there.

**B. 10 Mtr Peep Sight Air Rifle ( Junior)**

1.	Cdt.Ishitab Vashisht	357/400	Gold	Gold
2.	Cdt.Mrityunjay Dhar	351/400	Silver	Gold
3.	Cdt.Manuj Jindal	314/400	4th /12	Gold

All the above cadets have qualified for the Pre-National(Qualifying score 280/400)

**C. 10 Mtr Peep Sight Air Rifle ( Senior)**

1.	Cdt.Ishitab Vashisht	357/400	Gold	Gold
2.	Cdt.Mritunjay Dhar	351/400	Silver	Gold
3.	Cdt.Manuj Jindal	314/400	4th /7	Gold

**D. 10 Mtr Open Sight Air Rifle (Sub Junior)**

1.	Cdt.Vedant Pun	258/400	Gold *
2.	Cdt.Chanda S. Ghosh	244/400	Silver *
3.	Cdt.Rohan Kulkarni	182/400	5th /12 *

\*According to the NRAI rule, medals were not given because only one team was there.

**E. 10 Mtr Open Sight Air Rifle (Junior)**

1.	Cdt.Binit Kumar	241/400	Gold	Gold
2.	Cdt.Saurabh Choudhary	237/400	Silver/14	Gold

**F. 10 Mtr Open Sight Air Rifle (Senior)**

1.	Cdt.Chanda S. Ghosh	244/400	Silver	Gold
1.	Cdt.Binit Kumar	241/400	Bronze	Gold
2.	Cdt.Saurabh Choudhary	237/400	4th /24	Gold

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<i>S.N.</i>	<i>Name of the participant</i>	<i>Score</i>	<i>Achievement (Individual)</i>	<i>Achievement (Team)</i>
<b>G. 10 Mtr Air Pistol (Sub Junior)</b>				
1.	Cdt.Pawan Bhardwaj	336/400	Silver	Gold
2.	Cdt.Pranay Chandra	335/400	Bronze	-
3.	Cdt.Leopold Arambam	312/400	4th	Gold
4.	Cdt.Ashish Sharma	294/400	6th	Gold
5.	Cdt.Maninder Singh	260/400	9th	-
6.	Cdt.B.Ranjith	258/400	10th	-
7.	Cdt.B.Jena	248/400	11th /17	-
Three cadets mentioned in sr.no.1-3 have qualified for the Pre-National(Qualifying score 300/400)				
<b>H. 10 Mtr Air Pistol (Junior)</b>				
1.	Cdt.Lokesh Shukla	346/400	Gold	-
2.	Cdt.Abhishek Tiwari	315/400	6th /20	-
Two cadets mentioned in sr.no.1-2 have qualified for the Pre-National (Qualifying score 300/400)				
<b>I. 10 Mtr Air Pistol (Senior)</b>				
1.	Cdt.Lokesh Shukla	346/400	Silver	Gold
2.	Cdt.Abhishek Tiwari	315/400	7th	Gold
3.	Cdt.Pranay Chandra	335/400	4th	Gold
4.	Mr.Khushi Ram	316/400	6th / 33	Silver
Mr.Khushi Ram has also qualified for the Pre-National (Qualifying score 310/400)				
<b>J. 10 Mtr Air Pistol ISSF (Junior)</b>				
1.	Cdt.Anurag Shukla	541/600	Silver	Gold
2.	Cdt.Amul Kr. Saha	531/600	Bronze	Gold
3.	Cdt.MPS Godara	515/600	4th	Gold
4.	Cdt.Ajit Singh Negi	505/600	5th 7	-
<b>K. 10 Mtr Air Pistol ISSF (Senior)</b>				
1.	Cdt.Anurag Shukla	541/600	6th	Bronze
2.	Cdt.Amul Kr. Saha	531/600	10th	Bronze
3.	Cdt.MPS Godara	515/600	11th	Bronze
4.	Cdt.Ajit Singh Negi	505/600	12th /12	-
<b>L. 50 Mtr .22 Rifle Prone (Senior)</b>				
1.	Hav.Ram Lal Kumetee	199/300	Bronze/22	-
<b>M. 50 Mtr .22 Rifle 3 Position (Senior)</b>				
1.	Hav.Ram Lal Kumetee	188/300	Silver/7	-



### A LESSON FROM A YOUNGSTER

I watched as he came up the lane,  
Little did I know, for what he came,  
Step by step, he limped along,  
Mumbling an uncanny, yet melodious song.

Into the shop entered he,  
What his eyes were fixed on, I could not see,  
Mine was a pet shop, perhaps he didn't know,  
Must've been lookin' for a toy,  
With his limp so slow.

There were a few playful puppies,  
While some of them were tame,  
Yet he picked the one I didn't want him to,  
He chose the little one which was lame.

It'll never walk, I told him, It'll never jump  
and play,  
While other pups prance,  
He won't even walk or run, Choose another,  
Its for your own good son.

With this he pulled down one of his socks,  
And showed me his metal brace,  
With clips n locks,  
And as he struggled to his feet,  
He held my hand,  
He said "I'll take the lame one,  
I need a friend, who'll understand".

Cadet Sharyf Bhonsle  
Class III A

### SATISFACTION

The chocolates there, were all for me,  
As I saw to my profound childish glee,  
Its coming to me not anyone else,  
I thought about no one, just my own  
greedy self.

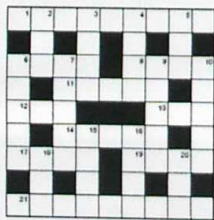
Later as I ate some of them,  
They no longer tasted like those good old  
gems,  
As I looked at them, lying beside me there,  
To satisfy my heart, I knew I had to share.

I set out to find a person feeling down,  
A person feeling hopeless, with spirits  
drowned,  
I finally found one amongst the many  
trees,  
And gave him the chocolates, to his  
surprise and glee.

Now as I had nothing to do,  
I made out with the people I knew,  
That day I lost my chocolate, but to a sad  
face brought a smile,  
In the end I'd satisfied my heart, doing  
something worthwhile.

Cadet Sharyf Bhonsle  
Class IIIA

### CROSSWORD



#### Across

- The Umbrella that helps you land.
- "Darkness at \_\_\_\_\_" by Arthur Koestler.
- To ooze gradually.
- Break; cut off.
- A vessel or duct.
- Yoko \_\_\_\_\_, John Lennon's widow.
- Homer's immortal classic.
- The California valley now known for its wines.

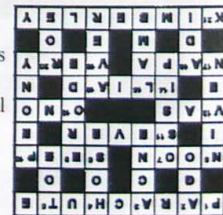
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- In a high degree; excessive.
- Diamond mining town in S. Africa.

#### Down

- Gone; gone by.
- Pimple like growth.
- "Catch a nigger by his \_\_\_\_\_", the song goes.
- David \_\_\_\_\_, the actor with the stiff upper lip.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Zadkine, famous sculptor.
- Destroy by slow consumption.
- Large showy flower which is also the state flower of Indiana.
- Great English essayist.
- State; affirm.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Granth, the religious book of the Sikhs.
- English ambassador at Mughal court.

Cadet Akshay Kumar  
Class 3 A



## COMMANDANT'S MAIL BAG



"In the meantime I hope you are planning to send the Squash Team for the All India Inter School Squash Tournament at Mayo College, Ajmer from 9th to 12th September. Do send the entry to the Squash Racquets Federation of India with a copy to Mayo College."

*Raj Manchanda*

"We have come away from 'RIMC' edified, enthused and refreshed. The delightful evening with tasty supper fare, the constant shepherding during our stay, the nice ties of our introduction, the chemistry of our interaction with the MOS and cadets and down to earth simplicity of the Mamgains have filled us with a warm inner glow of well being"

*Vice Admiral Venkat Bharathan AVSM VSM*

"I for one am very proud that the staff at RIMC under your guidance was able to ensure the well deserved promotion to Lt Gurdeep and the scaling of Mt Jogin III - shows that the Everest - too is a possibility by the indomitable spirit of the 'RIMCOS'. Kudos to the team for a phenomenal feat."

*Maj Vikramajeet*

"I take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt felicitations to all ranks of the school who were instrumental in making the reunion a success. It was nice to know the changes brought to the school."

*Capt Siddarth Ranjan, 66 Engr Regt*

## TERRORIST ATTACK - WTC

WTC pride of the States  
Never knew what was her fate  
11 September two planes took hei  
Who knew they were WTC's pligt



People in towers were completely unaware  
They were busy in their every day's fare  
Twin towers stood tall from the ground  
The street down was increasing her sound.

The hijackers took charge of plane  
Their ideas were totally insane  
The news when President came to know  
His heart & pulse went down and low

The plane changed its actual course  
Towards the tower it went with force  
Plane and towers soon crashed  
Life of some went in a flash

Soon the second plane came  
To add to their terror and pain  
The towers were now burning bright  
For people inside were fighting for life.

The smoke from glory of American Trade  
Made the bright sky look fade  
People jumped, some upside down  
As death was sure either up or down.

Then at last the towers fell  
The city of New York looked like hell  
The debris was now all that remained  
The voice of victims were going faint

Manhattan Skyline had lost a star  
Terrorism now had gone very far  
Many lives in few minutes were lost  
Damage occurred was millions in cost.

Terrorism has to be stopped somehow  
People said the time was now  
US replied and Kabul was captured  
No peace this time war was preferred

This was not enough for a problem  
like this  
Terrorist is not one, there is a never  
ending list  
We've to join hands together  
To fight this problem in all the  
weather

Harmony is what we have to achieve  
The problem we all have to perceive  
Then smile welcome on every face  
WTC will never, appear as a scare.

*Cadet Umang Nautiyal*

**अखिल भारतीय काशी नरेश वाग्विभूतिनारायण सिंह,  
अन्तर्विद्यालय हिन्दी वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिता  
एक झलक**

सात सितम्बर को आर. आई. एम. सी. में अखिल भारतीय काशी नरेश वाग्विभूतिनारायण सिंह अन्तर्विद्यालय वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिता आयोजित की गयी। इस प्रतियोगिता का विषय था - "सहिष्णुता ही इस विशाल राष्ट्र की एकता का रहस्य है"। यह विषय निवर्तमान राष्ट्रपति श्री के. आर. नारायणन् के भाषण से लिया गया था। इस विषय पर पक्ष और विपक्ष के वक्ताओं ने अपने ओजस्वी विचार प्रकट किये, जिनमें भारतीय संस्कृति व राष्ट्रीय एकता की गम्भीर चर्चा की गयी। इस प्रतियोगिता में कुल मिलाकर ग्यारह टीमों ने भाग लिया, जिनमें आर. आई. एम. सी., दून स्कूल, वेल्हम गर्ल्स स्कूल, सिंधिया ब्यायज स्कूल (ग्वालियर), सिंधिया गर्ल्स स्कूल (ग्वालियर), मेयो कालेज गर्ल्स स्कूल (अजमेर), अल्वर पब्लिक स्कूल (राजस्थान), मोतीलाल नेहरू स्पोर्ट्स कालेज (राई), असम राइफल्स पब्लिक स्कूल (शिलांग) व बिशप कॉटन स्कूल (शिमला) थे।

इस वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिता के नीर-क्षीर विवेकी निर्णायकगण थीं - डा० (श्रीमती) सरोज त्रिपाठी, डा० (श्रीमती) ज्ञान अरोड़ा और श्रीमती विद्या सिंह। इस प्रतियोगिता की मुख्य आकर्षण हमारी मुख्य अतिथि प्रख्यात हिन्दी लेखिका श्रीमती चित्रा मुद्गल थी। वे सेंसर बोर्ड की सदस्या रह चुकी हैं। उन्हें कई राष्ट्रीय व अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय पुरस्कारों से सम्मानित किया गया है। हाल ही में उनका "आँवा" उपन्यास प्रकाशित हुआ है, जिसके लिए वे चर्चा में हैं। इस प्रतियोगिता का परिणाम इस प्रकार है :-

आर. आई. एम. सी.	-	प्रथम
अलवर पब्लिक स्कूल (राजस्थान)	-	द्वितीय
स्कॉलर्स होम	-	तृतीय

"चल वैजयंती" अलवर पब्लिक स्कूल (राजस्थान) को दिया गया क्योंकि आर. आई. एम. सी. ने इस प्रतियोगिता का आयोजन किया था। व्यक्तिगत पुरस्कार प्राप्त करने वाले थे -

**वक्ता वर्ग**

बृजेश मिश्रा, आर.आई.एम.सी.	-	प्रथम
सौम्य तिवारी, अल्वर पब्लिक स्कूल	-	द्वितीय
रति अग्निहोत्री, स्कॉलर्स होम	-	तृतीय
राजीव कुमार, असम राइफल्स पब्लिक स्कूल	-	चतुर्थ
ऋचा पाण्डेय, सिंधिया गर्ल्स स्कूल	-	विशेष
कनुश्री, मेयो कालेज गर्ल्स स्कूल	-	विशेष
रेणु शर्मा, मोतीलाल नेहरू स्पोर्ट्स कालेज	-	विशेष

**प्रतिवादी वर्ग**

हिमांशु, आर.आई.एम.सी.	-	प्रथम
सोनल ठाकुर, वेल्हम गर्ल्स स्कूल	-	द्वितीय
ऋचा श्रीवास्तव, मेयो गर्ल्स स्कूल	-	तृतीय

सभी अतिथियों ने प्रतियोगिता के उच्च स्तर की अत्याधिक प्रशंसा की।

कैडेट अभिषेक  
कक्षा - तृतीय अ

**STOP PRESS**

**Brig Raj Manchanda** is 'Looking into' squash at his Alma Mater. He has been most generous with his time whenever he meets the boys in or out of school. More recently he has also provided us a good coach in **Mr Vijay Jangda**, as guest. He is also advising us on converting the oldest court (the third one) into a glass court. The boys are keen as never before.

**Cadets Aditya Swarup and Ashish** returned from a one week camp in Jaipur where they went hack riding with GCs of IMA.

**OPINION POLL**

The result of last RIMC opinion poll  
Does the Chronicle live up to your expectations?

- A total of 250 cadets voted.



**Next Opinion Poll**  
**DO WE HAVE TOO MANY EXAMS IN RIMC?**

## शेरों शायरी

यह शेर सेना का एक जवान अपने साथियों से कह रहा है -

"कभी खामोश बैठोगे, कभी गुनगुनाओगे।

मैं उतना याद आऊंगा, जितना मुझे भुलाओगे।।"

यह शेर उन पाकिस्तानियों के लिए है जो कश्मीर में उपद्रव मचा रहे हैं -

"क्यों सीख देते हो राईफल उठाने के लिए, अरे सीख दो खाने कमाने के लिए।

मर जाओगे भूखे प्यासे, गाँव वाले चंदा करेंगे, गंगा में बहाने के लिए।।"

यह शेर एक शांतिप्रिय व्यक्ति उपद्रव मचाने वालों को कह रहा है -

"राईफल क्यों उठा रहे हो, जरा बता दो ध्यान किसका है।

कश्मीर के लिए क्यों लड़ रहे हो, जरा बता दो, यह हिन्दुस्तान वो पाकिस्तान किसका है।।"

यह शेर आर. आई. एम. सी. अपने उन शहीद छात्रों के लिए कह रहा है, जो उग्रवादियों से लड़ते हुए शहीद हो गए हैं -

"ऐ भारत! तेरे कानून का ये कैसा दस्तूर हो गया, जिसको बनाया था सैनिक, वही दूर हो गया।

अपने को उग्रवादी से लड़ने के लिए मजबूर हो गया, खुद को शहीद कर दुनिया में मशहूर हो गया।।"

यह शेर तमाम शहीदों के लिए -

"ऐ मालिक! तेरे दरबार में हम यही फरियाद करते हैं।

शांति देना उन दिवंगत वीरों की आत्मा को यह बार बार कहते हैं।।"

उन छात्रों के लिए, जो घर की याद में हैं -

"वो फूल सर चढ़ा लो, जो चमन से निकल गए।

इज्जत उन्हें मिली, जो वतन से निकल गए।।"

भगत सिंह की बोली अंग्रेजों के विरोध में -

"शिक्षा लेने गया, तो क्रांतिकारी बन गया।

आजादी लेने गया, तो आंतकवादी बन गया।।"

शायर का परिचय -

"दाँत साफ करने वाले पाउडर को मंजन कहते हैं, शेषनाग के अवतार को लखन कहते हैं।

इस नाचीज शायर को जुल्फीकार हसन कहते हैं।।"

जुल्फीकार हसन

कक्षा - I

## अंतर्कक्षीय विविध मनोरंजन प्रतियोगिता 2002 - एक संक्षिप्त रिपोर्ट

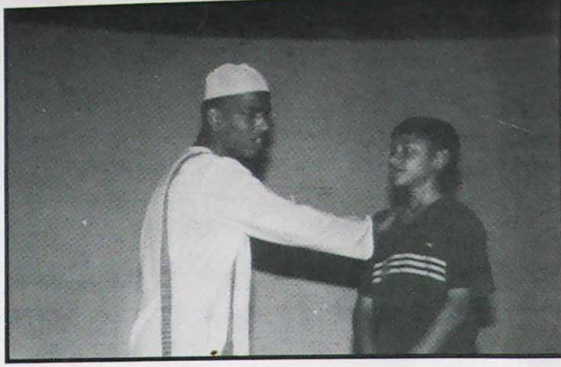
हर साल की तरह इस साल भी 5 सितम्बर को शिक्षक दिवस के उपलक्ष्य में अंतर्कक्षीय विविध मनोरंजन प्रतियोगिता आयोजित की गई। इस सुअवसर पर निर्णायकगण के रूप में नगर के प्रसिद्ध रंगकर्मी श्री प्रदीप घिल्डियाल, श्री गजेन्द्र वर्मा एवं सुश्री श्वेता बिज उपस्थित थे। मुख्य अतिथि के रूप में शिवाजी कक्ष के भूतपूर्व सेक्शन मास्टर श्री आर. सी. शर्मा जी को आमंत्रित किया गया। अनेक गणमान्य अतिथि भी इस अवसर पर उपस्थित थे। इस रंगीन शाम के आकर्षण का केन्द्र रहे - अमेरिका के प्रसिद्ध रंगकर्मी जोनाल्ड मैकमेनस।

उपरिलिखित प्रतियोगिता करीब 5:30 बजे सायं प्रारम्भ हुई। एक-एक सेक्शन ने अपने कार्यक्रम प्रदर्शित किए जो रंगारंग, मनमोहक, ज्ञानदायक, मनोरंजक साबित हुए। प्रत्येक सेक्शन का प्रयास सराहनीय रहा। अभिनेताओं का अभिनय भी काफी जोरदार रहा। प्रतियोगिता के सम्पन्न होने के पश्चात् कैडेट कैप्टन निलेश पनेरी ने शिक्षकों को सम्मानपूर्वक उपहार प्रदान किए। कक्षा पांच के कैडेटों ने श्री एस. के. त्यागी (गणित अध्यापक) को अलग से एक विशेष भेंट प्रदान की।

अभिनय की प्रखरता के लिए व्यक्तिगत पुरस्कार भी प्रदान किए गए। पुरस्कार विजेताओं में प्रथम, द्वितीय व तृतीय स्थान क्रमशः कैडेट सुहेल करकेरा, कैडेट रूचिर खजूरिया एवं कैडेट कार्तिक परशुराम को प्राप्त हुआ। कैडेट पुलिनकांत उपमन्यु, कैडेट उमेश कुमार एवं कैडेट अमृत कुमार को कमांडांट द्वारा विशेष पुरस्कार प्रदान किया गया।

प्रतियोगिता में प्रथम स्थान प्रताप का रहा। चन्द्रगुप्त, रणजीत व शिवाजी क्रमशः द्वितीय, तृतीय व चतुर्थ स्थान पर रहे।

कैडेट अमृत कुमार  
कक्षा - III ए



### आर. आई. एम. सी. में चित्रा मुद्गल की गोष्ठी

प्रसिद्ध हिन्दी उपन्यासकार श्रीमती चित्रा मुद्गल का दिनांक सात सितम्बर को आर.एम.आई.सी. में आगमन हुआ। वे काशी नरेश वाग्विभूति नारायण सिंह अखिल भारतीय हिन्दी वाद-विवाद प्रतियोगिता में, जो कि आर.एम.आई.सी. में आयोजित की जाती है, में मुख्य अतिथि के रूप में आई थीं।

आठ सितम्बर को एक गोष्ठी का आयोजन हुआ, जिसमें मुख्य वक्ता थीं "चित्रा मुद्गल"। विषय था - "समाज में स्त्री की स्थिति"। गोष्ठी में श्रीमती विद्यासिंह ने हिन्दी साहित्य में स्त्री लेखन पर विस्तार से प्रकाश डाला। डा० सरोज त्रिपाठी ने कहा कि नारी लेखन में यथार्थ चित्रण की सीमा होनी चाहिए। डा० ज्ञान अरोड़ा ने चित्रा जी की किताबों से कुछ अंश सुनाए। डा० एस. के. त्रिपाठी और श्री के. एस. अहलावत ने कहा कि समाज में पुरुषों की खराब स्थिति पर कोई ध्यान नहीं देता। श्रीमती अर्चना, कैडेट कवि कश्यप और कैडेट अनन्त रमन शर्मा ने सुंदर कविताएं पढ़ीं। श्री चन्द्रशेखर विश्वकर्मा ने नारी की भिन्न - भिन्न स्थितियों को प्रतिबिंबित करती "नदी" शीर्षक कविता पढ़ी।

श्रीमती चित्रा मुद्गल ने मुम्बई झोपड़पट्टी की महिलाओं के संघर्ष में अपने योगदान का वर्णन किया। उन्होंने नारी की स्थिति पर पूछे गये प्रश्नों के उत्तर भी दिए। कार्यक्रम का संचालन डा० किरण सूद ने किया। धन्यवाद ज्ञापन श्री चन्द्रशेखर विश्वकर्मा ने किया। मुख्य अतिथि के रूप में श्रीमती शकुन्तला ममगाईं उपस्थित थीं।

कैडेट अभिषेक कुमार  
कक्षा - III ए

<b>BOOK POST</b>		□
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## OLD BOYS NEWS

Col G K Gujjala, VSM, CO 21 Grenadiers has been posted to SSB, Bhopal.

## OBITUARY

We regret to inform the sad demise of Prof Avtaar Singh Panwar on 2nd July 2002 in Uttaranchal. He had been in Roberts (Ranjit) Section 1940-43. A spirited and ardent Rimcollian, he was a sculptor of International repute. His works adorn some of the finest museums across the world.

## COMANDANTS MAIL BAG

*"I have read the college Magazine word by word, it gives a feeling of joy and pride to hear that the Cadets are doing so well excelling in all spheres of activity."*

Maj Sumeet Bathla  
1/5 GR (FF)

## RUMOUR IN HUMOR

*"Sleep properly during meditaion"* Mr Selven scoping

AO has been advised by the RIMCO Traffic Police to also use gears 2, 3 & 4, and frequent use of brakes has been prohibited.

*"Meet me outside breakfast"* Senior instructs a confused junior.

*"Dont; the water might explode"* Abhishekh - displaying his knowledge of chemistry.

## WELCOME

We welcome to the school Ms Nilakshi Sharma who will teach English.

## News in Brief

Swami Ram Rajyam gave a spiritual talk to members of staff on Monday, 21st of October.

Scholastic India held a book fare in the Pavilion on the 17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> of October, where 1700 books were on display.

Ms Kamala Shanker, renowned guitarist gave a spectacular performance on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October in Bhagat Hall. She was accompanied by Ms Neelam Kala on Tanpura. It was organized by Spic Macay.

The college shooting team has left to participate in the All India Kr. Surinder Singh Inter School Shooting Championship 2002 being held at Godwin Public School Meerut.

The athletic meet took place from 17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> October. Cadets officiated for the events and members of staff were observers. The highlight of the event was a Martial Art display which was witnessed by 400 children from local schools.

The college conducted its maiden Parent Teacher meet on the 18<sup>th</sup> Oct.

Cadets Amrit Kumar and Manuj Jindal participated in an essay writing competition in Hindi at the Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology on the 18<sup>th</sup> of September. Cadet Amrit Kumar was adjudged 2<sup>nd</sup> among 24 participants from 12 schools. The Topic was "भारतीय संस्कृति पर पश्चिमी प्रभाव"

Cross Country run was organised for the College on Sunday, the 6<sup>th</sup> of October.

On 20<sup>th</sup> of September an Inter School Hindi Debate was organized by Wadia Institute, the topic was "इस सदन की राय में सुखी जीवन के लिए, विज्ञान नहीं आध्यात्म आवश्यक है" Cadet Abhishek was adjudged 3<sup>rd</sup> among 16 participants.

On 21<sup>st</sup> an extemporary Inter School Hindi Debate was organized in Doon School, the topic was "यूप चांदनी से बेहतर विकल्प है" We were adjudged 2<sup>nd</sup> amongst 7 schools. Cadet Karan Sharma bagged the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize.

A workshop on Class Management was attended by Mr. P. Naik and Mr. Keshav Anand in the Doon School on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct.

On Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> Oct, class III Cadets accompanied by Lt Cdr Sandhu visited BEG centre Roorkee for the "JALTARANG" demonstration.

IMA, celebrating its Diamond Jubilee, hosted an All India Polo Championship from the 6<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> Oct which was witnessed by 172 cadets.

Cadet Council Meeting was held on 21<sup>st</sup> October, chaired by officiating Cadet Captain Pallav Jha.

An essay competition was organized by the Uttaranchal Forest Department on the eve of 'Wild Life' on Sunday, the 7<sup>th</sup> of October. Cadet Marcus Pradhan was placed third in the Senior Essay Writing Competition.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Academic Block Runner Vikram Singh tied the nuptial knot on the 21<sup>st</sup> of Oct. Nikki daughter of Mr. Mourice got married to Mr Rakesh in Lucknow. College congratulates Mr. O. P. Dalvi on being blessed with a son, Vaibhav.



## RIMC SQUASH TEAM - QUATERLY COMPETITIONS

**Cadet Sharyf Bhonsle**  
Class III A

Squash has always been a part and parcel of life at RIMC and the two squash trips made by the squash team to the BCS, Shimla and the Mayo College, Ajmer prove this.

After the conclusion of the RIMC Inter Section Squash Cup, the team, selected on the basis of their performance in the competition, started practice for the tournament scheduled to start in Shimla on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August. This was an invitational tournament organized by the Bishop Cotton School. Our team participated in three categories namely U-13, U-15 and U-17. The main reason for sending the U-13 team, even though they were inexperienced was the exposure. They are the building blocks of the future Squash team and will have gained a lot from the experience. They played very well, considering that they were just beginners and even won matches against reputed players. However, a team effort was needed and the team comprised of **Alex Lalmanpiua**, **S. Bhargav** and **Ankur Tiwari** were placed sixth.

Our U-15 team however, lived up to expectations and bagged the runners-up trophy. The team comprising **Abishek Rana**, **Sharyf Bhonsle** and **Suraj Aiyappa** won three of their four matches against the Laurence School, Sanawar; Bishop Cotton School, Simla and the Welham Boys School, Dehradun. We lost only to a resistant Y.P.S., Mohali team.

In the U-17 category, the most competitive category there were only two other teams and we played BCS Shimla and the Lawrence School. The performance of **Cadet P. Tomar** against opponents seeded nationally must be given special mention. He gave both teams a run for their money before, eventually, going down. **Cadets Ashok Garg** and **I. Sharan** were the other members and the latter won a match against Lawrence Sanawar. On the whole we performed well in this tournament.

Our second tournament was the All India Inter School finals in Ajmer. This prestigious tournament was held from the 8<sup>th</sup> to the 12<sup>th</sup> of September. Our new entrants to the U-13 team were the first termers **Vinayak Gupta** and **Yogesh Kumar**. **Cadet Alex** remained the top seed. He performed well but needed support from the other two to win against a team, Even then the first termers played very well considering that they picked up the game just a month before. The team came up fourth in their pool.

The U-15 team was placed in Pool A with Mayo College 'A', Army School, Devyali, Nasik and the Welham Boys, Dehradun. We were runners-up in our group beating Welham Boys and the Army School and qualified for the semifinal against Daly College. We lost to them but not without a fight. In the third place playoff yet again with the Y.P.S. Mohali, we played well but did not win against nationally seeded players. We ended up fourth out of 8 teams. The team comprising **Cadets A. Rana**, **S. Bhonsle** and **A. Shahi**.

Our U-17 matches were in a round robin format and we won our matches, against the HR College, Bombay and La Martinere, Calcutta. Again, **Cadet Pratap Tomar** showed composure against the Mayo College, winning his match. He battled it out with his Daly College appointment but finally lost in the end. The team of **N. Ghildyal**, **S. Aiyappa** was placed third. In the end I would like to acknowledge the efforts of our OIC **Mr. S. K. Mishra**, coach **Mr. Vijay Jangla** and Capt **Vivek Singh**, our AAO for restoring the reputation of our college in the field of Squash. If we continue this way, with the support of the administration, we are sure we can bring back the glorious days of RIMC squash and better our reputation on the National Squash scene.

### RIMC Co-operative Society

Initially the employees of RIMC were in the habit of taking loans from local shops around the school for fulfilling their monetary needs owing to marriages and sundries. In the process they always shunned banks due to cumbersome procedures for taking loans coupled with their ignorance. Consequent upon this the co-operative society was started in the year 1957 by the late Lt Col Mangain, the then Adm Officer, under registration no. 563 dated 26-3-57, to facilitate quick and easy loans along with small savings and term deposits. The society closed down in 1991.

In Nov 1997 it was desired by the employees that this society should be revived for their welfare and following the initiative taken by Mr C L Pandita in pursuing the matter, the sanction of Deputy Registrar of U.P Co-operative Societies (Pauri Garhwal) was accorded on 21-9-98. A loan ceiling of Rs. 40 thousand per member was sanctioned and Sh Daya Ram Chauhan, Sh A S Ahuja and Sh C L Pandita were elected as the President, Vice-president and Secretary of the society respectively.

A sum of Rs. 15 lakh were given on loan to 43 members between Nov 98 to Feb 99. The interest rates offered are one of the best 14-16% on loans and 12% on deposits. The Strength of members has risen ever since to 135, which includes masters and officers of RIMC. Credibly not a single person has defaulted and even a widow (member) has payed all her dues. It has indeed benefitted a lot of people. The present status of share money is Rs. 4 lakh approx. which has deposits worth Rs. 16 lakhs. A dividend of 16% has been given to its members on shares for the year 2001-2002.

Mr C L Pandita  
Librarian

## POEM

Sharyf Bhonsle

If only I knew, my dearest one,  
Was to leave this world tomorrow,  
The one I loved, one I cared for,  
Who brought me only joy, not sorrow.

The hug n kiss due to him,  
Was never given in time,  
I wish I'd given it to him that day,  
And regret thinking he was forever mine.

He's in heaven now, a place far far away,  
Maybe I'll see him there sometime,  
Though I'll always regret the day,  
When he never got the love in time.

I thought I'd tell him 'I Love You',  
Then I'd always wait for another day,  
Now I'll never be able to tell him that  
And life's never going to be the same way.

Never put off onto some other time,  
What you can say right now,  
Life anytime can take your closest ones,  
So let's just take this now.

Now there's only one thing you can do,  
Never postpone the 'I Love You',  
He may be far from you, maybe taken away,  
Yet you've said you'll always love him  
dearly,

That's all you need to say.

## OPINION POLL

The result of last RIMC opinion poll -  
Do we have too many exams in RIMC?

- A total of 250 cadets voted.



Next Opinion Poll  
SHOULD CADET COUNCIL MEETING  
BE HELD EVERY MONTH?

## RAFTING TRIP (HIKE) - Class III A

"Wow! At last we are leaving for the best trip of my life". Thoughts like this popped up in our mind as we left for the Rafting trip on 25<sup>th</sup> of September morning. It was about 3:30 by the time we reached Srinagar. Here we laid down our mattress in the corridors of I.T.I. and prepared for next day.

Next day, on the 26<sup>th</sup> we inflated our rafts, wore our rafting gear and were all set to go. Our raft instructors were Lama, Shoorvir and Adwin. Getting out of rafts made us feel like getting inside a refrigerator. That day we rafted for 35 Kms to Devprayag facing many good rapids. In Devprayag we stayed in a room given to us by the Omkaranand Saraswati Degree College.

Next day, we were greeted by the confluence of Alaknanda and Bhagirathi which provided a magnificent view and also a rapid. We faced several rapids of different gradings and we rafted down 38 Kms to Kaudiyala.

29<sup>th</sup> of September, we were going to face the biggest rapid of course "The wall" and some of the best other rapids. We started off by negotiating our way through Daniel's Dip. This day we also practiced "flipping the raft". Before clearing "The wall" we got down on a beach and our instructors had a look at it in order to negotiate it with care. Then we just crashed into the rapid and when we came out, we were all wet. That day we also faced "Three Blind Mice" with three rapids at a time. After rafting for 32 kms., we stopped at Shivpuri. We pitched our tents on the beach and had a camp fire at night for which Mrs. Mamgain and the Commandant also joined us.

The last day of rafting started and the day though short was very exciting. We faced some of the best rapids like Roller Coaster, Golf Course and many more. We even swam in some of the rapids. We reached Rishikesh by 12 o'clock going under Ramjhula and Laxmanjhula, waving at people. Here we had a group photograph and said good bye to our instructors. After having lunch in Chotiwala we started back for college where we reached by 3:00 PM.

To sum up, the trip proved to be much better than we expected it to be and we hope to go on such trips again.

Umang Nautiyal  
III A

## डॉ० (श्रीमती) कमलाशंकर का गिटार वादन

१० अक्टूबर २००२ को आर.आई.एम.सी. के भगत हॉल में प्रख्यात संगीतकार डॉ० कमलाशंकर ने गिटार वादन करके खचाखच भरे श्रोता समुदाय को मूक्य कर दिया। यह कार्यक्रम 'सिंक मैके' एवं आर. आई. एम. सी. के संयुक्त तत्वावधान में प्रस्तुत किया गया।

श्रीमती कमला शंकर ने कार्यक्रम का शुभारंभ राग 'यमन' के द्वारा किया। तत्पश्चात् उन्होंने राग पीलू (मिश्र), राग पहाड़ी तथा राग तिलक सम्राट पर आधारित सुंदर प्रस्तुतियाँ से सभी को भावविभोर कर दिया।

उल्लेखनीय है कि श्रीमती शंकर ने ये धुनें शंकर गिटार पर प्रस्तुत कीं। इस गिटार का आविष्कार श्रीमती शंकर ने ही किया है तथा इसे बजाने वाली वे एकमात्र कलाकार हैं।

कार्यक्रम के पश्चात् श्रीमती कमलाशंकर ने श्रोताओं द्वारा पूछे गये प्रश्नों के उत्तर दिये। श्रीमती शंकर ने कैंडेटों की जिज्ञासा उनके अनुयायन व प्रतिभा की भृति-भृति प्रशंसा की।

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## खिड़की की आत्मकथा

मैंने जन्म एक लकड़हारे की दुकान में लिया। मैं सबसे मंहगी थी, इसलिए मुझे कोई खरीदता नहीं था, इसलिए मैं अक्सर उदास रहती थी। पर एक दिन एक युवक खरीदवार दुकान पर आया और उसने अपने घर के लिए एक अच्छी खिड़की मांगी। दुकानदार ने झट से मुझे दिखाया और उस युवक ने मुझे खरीद लिया। कुछ ही दिनों में मैं उसके घर के अहाते के बगल में शोभायमान हो गई। युवक बड़ा अच्छा था, उसने मुझे लाल और पीले रंग से रंगवाया, वह मेरा ख्याल रखता था।

परन्तु मुझे सब सुख मिला ही था कि दुख के बादल मंडराने लगे। मेरा मालिक मुकदमें में हार गया और उसे घर बेचना पड़ा। नया मालिक बड़ा क्रूर था। उसने मुझे काले रंग से रंगवाया। वह बड़ा गैरजिम्मेदार था, उसने जगह-जगह पर कील ठोक दी, मेरा कांच टूट गया।

एक दिन कोई कारपेन्टर आया और मुझे दीवार से उखाड़ फेंका। मेरी कीलें निकल गईं और मैं थोड़ी टूट गयी। मुझे उठाकर एक कमरे में फेंक दिया।

मुझमें दीमक लगने लगी। मैंने लडने की बहुत कोशिश की पर नाकामयाब हुई। पर किसी ने सत्य ही कहा है कि दुख के बाद खुशी अवश्य आती है।

मेरा मालिक फिर चला गया और पुनः पुराना मालिक आया और उसने मुझे फिर से पुराने स्थान पर पुनरस्थापित किया।

शीर्षेन्दु  
IIA

## भिक्षुक

पीकर फेंके गये मैंगो फ्रूटी के डब्बे से होंठ, किसी कबूतर के घोंसले से बने बाल, किसी पेड़ की कोटर सी धंसी आँखें, अंतिम आहुति डालने के लिए जीर्ण-शीर्ण काठ से हाथ तथा पतले-पतले लडखडाकर गिर पडने वाले पैर और काष्ठ शिल्प सी आकृति वाले किसी ने जब आवाज दी, "एक रूपया दे दो बाबूजी! देने वाले का भला करे राम! आप एक दोगे, भगवान आपको एक लाख देगा!" तो उसे देख निराला की निम्न कविता याद आ जाती है -

वह आता, दो टूक कलेजे के करता  
पछताता पथ पर आता है पेट-पीठ मिलकर दोनों एक  
चल रहा लकड़िया टेक मुट्ठी भर दाने को  
भूख मिटाने को मुंह फटी पुरानी झोली को फैलाता!

और तब मेरे मन में विचारों का सैलाब उमड़ पड़ता है, मन में कुछ प्रश्न आते हैं, उनमें से कुछ यों हैं - आखिर इन्हें इस स्थिति में लाने का जिम्मेदार कौन है? विकसित देशों में तो यह धिनौनी स्थिति नहीं है, तो यह हमारे देश में क्यों है? एक तरफ कोई छप्यन तरह के भोजन को संच कर छोड़ दे, दूसरी तरफ कोई कुत्ते की तरह जूठे को खाने दौड़ें। आज के युग में तो कुत्ते भी भिखारियों से अच्छी तरह खाते और रहते हैं। भिखारी संध्या के वक्त अपनी झोली में लाख-लाख गालियों की भीख लेकर लौटते हैं व लाखों दुर्वचनों के तीर से घायल फुटपाथ पर या रेल स्टेशन (भूमसंकट विश्रामालय) के किसी कोने में कराहा करता है। सचमुच! मानवता के दामन में यह इतना बड़ा कलंक है कि यदि हम इसे पीछते नहीं तो हम मानव कहलाने लायक नहीं है।

आज याचकवृत्ति की बड़ी निन्दा की जा रही है। हाँ, जिसके मुजाओं में शक्ति हो व हृदय में आत्मसम्मान हो, वह तो भिषाटन को पाप अवश्य समझेगा। कबीर दास ने पहले ही कहा था -

"माँगन मरन समान है, मति माँगो कोई भीख।  
माँगन से मरना भला, यह सत्गुरु की सीख।।"

किन्तु जो लाचार हैं, विवश हैं, उन्हें गरजते सावन-भादों, उबलते जेठ तथा जमा देने वाले माघ-पूस में भी गली-गली, दरवाजा-दरवाजा, एक मुट्ठी दाने के लिए विवश होना पडता है। उन अपंगों पर इस दोहे का क्या असर होगा, इनके लिए तुलसीदास ने कहा है "अगि बड़वागि तें बडी है आगि पेट की"। अतः हम इन्हें इनके माँगने पर भी कुछ नहीं देते तो रहीम ने हम जैसे के लिए भी लिखा है -

"रहिमन वे नर मर चुके, जे कहूँ माँगन जाहिं।  
उनसे पहले वे मुए, जिन मुख निकसत नाहीं।।"

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