

Riza Abdeen Elected President

Riza Abdeen was elected President of the Group of Sixties at the 4th Annual General Meeting of the Group of Sixties held on 25th October 2008 Zahira College. The other office Bearers elected for 2008/09 were :

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| 1 ST Vice President | M.S. Mazeer |
| 2 nd Vice President | Ashroff Ghany |
| Secretary | Nizam Lantra |
| Asst.Secretary | Rumy Hassen |
| Treasurer | Ifthikar Ahamed |
| Asst.Treasurer | Nafaiz Hamdoon |
| Editor | Saqqaf Muheed |

Committee Members

M.S.Macan Markar, A.C.M. Ifthie, Prof.Tuley de Silva, M.M.Saheer, Feizal Amit, S.M.Abdul Wahab, Ibrahim Hamid, Fuad Jain, Munir Rashard, Ashroff Hussain, P.A.C.Najumudeen

Immediate Past President Hon.Justice Saleem Marsoof

The Annual Dinner was held soon after the AGM at the Ghaffoor Hall amidst a gathering of Old Boys, Well Wishers and friends. The Outgoing President made a presentation of the Activities undertaken by the Group of sixties and the progress made by the College. Mr Riza Abdeen was officially inducted as the President by the outgoing President Hon.Justice Saleem Marsoof.

The new President addressed the gathering followed by Mr Fouzul Hameed, Chairman, Board of Governors and the Principal, Mr T.K.Azoor. Mr. Farook Lantra was presented with a memento for his services in the field of Media Publicity for G 60s. The Dinner Committee Chairman, Ifthikar Ahamed, proposed a Vote of Thanks.

Sub Committee Chairmen

New Chairmen of Sub Committees of Group of Sixties
For the year 2008/09

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| Sports | M.S.Mazeer |
| Education | Ibrahim Hamid |
| Membership Drive | M.S.Macan Markar |
| Fund Raising | A.C.M.Ifthie |
| Members Day | Rumy Hassen |

ANNUAL IFTHAR

The Annual Ifthar ceremony of the Group of Sixties was held on 13th September 2008 at The Miami Reception Hall, Wellawatte. Proceedings commenced with a Sermon by Moulavi Fazil Farook and addresses by the then President Hon.Justice Saleem Marsoof, Al Haj Fouzul Hameed – Chairman Board of Governors and Mr T.K.Azoor the Principal.

ISIPATHANA CLINCH GROUP 60s' RUGBY SEVENS

Isipathana College beat Royal College and clinched the Seven a side Rugby Sevens Championship organized by the Group of Sixties to celebrate 85 years of Rugby at Zahira. The tournament was held on 30th August 2008 at the CR&FC Grounds. Most of the matches were played under wet conditions due to the rainy weather. CWW Kannangara Vidyalaya created an upset and eventually won the Bowl Final. The Chief Guest at the final was Mr Nimal Lewke DIG and President of the SLRFU

Final Results

Cup Final - Trophies Donated by Zahira Group 60. Winners: Isipathana College. Runners Up : Royal College Man of the Match: Visvamithra Jayasinghe (Isipathana) . Man of the Tournament : Srinath Sooriyabandara (Isipathana).

Plate Final - Trophy Donated by son of Marhoom A.M.M.Zavahir : Winners : St.Joseph's College Runners Up Trophy Donated by Amana Investments : Nalanda College. Man of the Match : Dilan Rambukwella (St.Joseph's College)

Bowl Final : Trophies Donated by Mr Samsudeen Macan Markar Winners : C.W.W.Kannangara Vidyalaya, Runners up: Wesley College, Man of the match : Rohan Samuel (CWW Kannangara Vidyalaya)

Shield Final – Trophies Donated by Zahira Group 60 : Winners : St.John's College, Runners up : Lumbini College, Man of the Match : Hazry Amith (St.John's College).

Twin Century by Isham Ghouse & Match Bag of 9 wkts.

Isham Ghouse scored 200 not out at the Cricket Match against Devananda College, Ambalangoda in a tournament match played recently at the College grounds and Zahira Won by 17 runs Isham Ghouse also had a match bag of 9 wkts. Scores ; Zahira 1st Innings 350 for 6 wkts decl. Isham Ghouse 200 Not out, M Imran 76. Devananda 1st Innings 129 all out. Isham Ghouse 6/24, M.Irshard 3 /43. 2nd innings 204 all out, Ishar Ibunu 4/51, Isham Ghouse 3/54

SOCCER BIG MATCH VS GAMPOLA ZAHIRA

The first leg of the Inaugural Big Match was played in December at the Zahira College Grounds and lost to Gampola Zahira by 1 - 2. The second leg match was played at Gampola and Zahira Colombo emerged winners of the match as well as the Trophy for the Big Match

(This was already reported in an earlier newsletter)

INTER HOUSE Rugby Football

The Group of sixties sponsored the Inter House 10 A side and 7 a side Rugby Football Tournament in the age categories Under 12, 14, 16 & 20. It was a colourful event with 160 players from all 4 Houses participating. Cordova House emerged the Champion Team. The Special Guests for the Occasion were Ms.Rossie Barrie and Mr A.G.A. Barrie. This occasion was also used to recognize the College Soccer Team which had performed extremely well in several tournaments.

Other Cricket News from College.

Zahira beat Taxila Horana in a tournament match on 1st Innings. Taxila 1st Innings 194 all out, Ishan Ibunu 5/48. 2nd Innings 200 all out Ishan Ibunu 4/34. Zahira 1st Innings 200 all out. Isham Ghouse 71, Shabbir Shibley 37.

Zahira beat Sri Jayawardenapura on 1st innings played at Kotte. Sri Jayawardenapura 1st Innings 162 all out. M.Hayazim 3/50, Ishar Ibunu 4/47. Isham Ghose 2/27. 2nd innings 103/7 at stumps. M.Hayazim 3/27, Ishan Ibunu 2/28. Zahira 1st Innings 247/8 decl. M.Imran 100, M.Hifam 52. Zahira lost to Mahanama by innings and 80 runs played at College Grounds. Mahanama 1st innings 265 all out, M.Imran 3/23, M.Irshad 3/69. Zahira 1st innings 107 all out. Zahira 2nd innings 78 all out.

International Rugby Board Judicial Council Workshop – Hong Kong.

On 13th September 2008 Ibrahim Hamid, Chairman of the Education Welfare Committee of the Group of Sixties, a Rugby stalwart attended an International Rugby Board Judicial Workshop in Hong Kong.

Hamid was selected by the SLRFU (Sri Lanka Rugby Football Union) for his contribution as Match Commissioner at all Rugby A Division and International Matches played over the years.

He is expected to serve in the panel of Match Commissioner under the auspices of the Asian Rugby Football Union. He is presently the Chairman of the Disciplinary Committee of the Sri Lanka Rugby Football Union