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GRADUATION CEREMONY '04

TMI proudly announced the convocation ceremony of its 3rd B.S. Marine Engineering batch on the 21st of August. Mr. G.S. Sahni, Director General of shipping in India was the guest of honour for the ceremony, which also saw other eminent personalities and dignitaries from the maritime fraternity.

Mr. Sahni in his address expressed the need for improving the quality of maritime training in the country and appreciated the initiative that TMI had taken and the infrastructure it provided which, to quote him, is "truly world class". He also requested

the veterans of the Indian marine fraternity to take similar initiative. Dr. (Prof.) Maheshwari,

Director of BITS-Pilani addressed the cadets and motivated them to work hard in life, following which he presented degrees to the 102 passing out cadets which included 3 girl cadets.

The meritorious cadets who were awarded medals by Mr. Sahni were:

Cdt. Tyrone.T.Vaz (chairman's gold medal for best all round performance)

Cdt. S.Saurabh Shrikant (chairman's silver medal for best all round performance)

Cdt. Saurabh Rawat (first in Marine Engineering, Applied Sciences, Naval Architecture and Mechanical Engineering)

Cdt. Vikas Verma (first in Internship program, Thermal Energy and Drawing and Design)

Cdt. Akash Chandra Roy (first in Electronics and Electrical Engineering).

Anglo Eastern cash awards were also given away to the following:

Cdt. Shival Sapre, Cdt. Ankita Srivastava and Cdt. Sanketh Koka

The cadets were full of excitement, enthusiasm and determination for the new life that awaited them, and had only one thing to say

"We are the class of 2004, we are going to rise and no one will ever bring us down. Watch us"



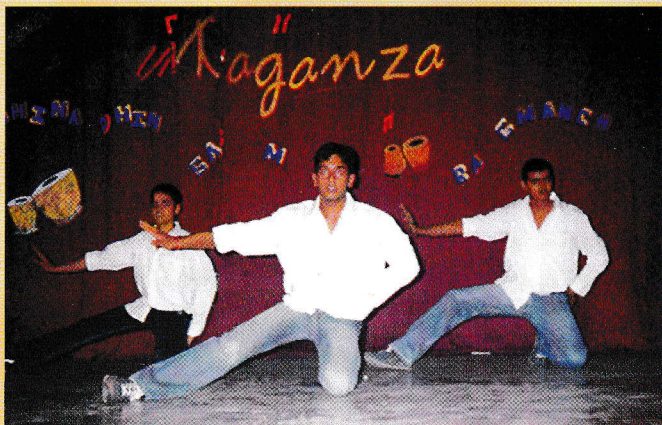
Welcome to New Batch

The TMI family extends a warm welcome to the new Marine Engineering and Nautical Technology cadets. The strength of the Marine Engineering batch having been increased to 200 cadets, the total number of newcomers stands at 240. The Investiture Ceremony for the new batch was held on Sept. 23, 2004. Capt. Bansal was the chief guest on the occasion.





EXTRAVAGANZA '04



TMI, an institution that conveys sheer strength and balance. This time we're talking extra-curricular to the core. It is when TMI hosts its intra-college cultural fests that the participating strength seems like an army of anxious and ready to explode talent bombs.



A lot was spectacularly up for grabs as TMI witnessed its annual Cultural event "EXTRAVAGANZA" with the four houses namely Morarjee, Master, Mudaliar and Tolani house battling their way to the top. The events covered within "EXTRAVAGANZA" included Skits, Dance and Singing performances, both Indian and Western. Audience cheering and support was on a high while the participants indulged in cut throat competition. Then again, there can be only one Number one spot, which eventually fell into the kitty of Morarjee house. So far, all pertaining to inter house competitions has been healthy and energy filled and TMI hopes to see a steady growth in both, quality and quantity!

INQUIZZITION '04

Two teams, comprising of two members each, represented the college in the prestigious annual quiz competition, 'INQUIZZITION', held at Fergusson College, Pune, in September. The quiz, open to corporate as well as college contestants, saw the two teams performing very well, but losing a shot at the finals to teams from corporate heavyweights Infosys and Pentasoft.

NEW HOSTEL

The new students hostel is progressing rapidly towards completion in order to accommodate the TMI's increased cadet intake. The hostel scheduled to be completed before August'05 boasts of 330 rooms, two glass-back squash courts, two badminton courts, a separate officers mess, a library and computer facility hall, a 300 meters long running track with amphitheatre like seating arrangement as well as class rooms with all modern teaching aids.

TMI at KALEIDOSCOPE

A contingent from TMI went to participate in Kaleidoscope '04, the annual cultural festival at Sophia College, Mumbai. The event, which sprawled over seven days, saw thirty of our cadets flaunting their talent out in the open, and bagging a lot of goodies. They excelled in events like the street play, carpentry and shoe making, bagging the first place in all of them, and a fourth place for the group dance. Besides this, TMI broke a record of sorts by qualifying for all the event's finals! We were ranked fifth out of the fifty-one odd participating colleges.



PRERNA '04



Excitement saw no limits when the restless and pressurized first year cadets were given a taste of PRERNA '04, this year's fresher welcome program. It comprised of Hindi and English, song and dance performances and a hilarious comedy enacted by the senior batch for the newcomers. The event is to be reciprocated by the first year cadets in due course of time.

SHIP VISIT



In the first week of September the 3rd year cadets of the institute had the opportunity to have a peek at their future workplace when they visited M.V. Prabhu Satram held at anchorage off BPT, Mumbai. The vessel, a 49000 tonner and measuring 190 meters overall, was very well maintained for its age. Later in the same month the 2nd year Marine Engineering cadets also had a glance through their future prospects as well when they paid an educational visit to M.V. Prabhu Das at anchorage off BPT, Mumbai. The 170 meters long vessel was in the process of unloading cargo.

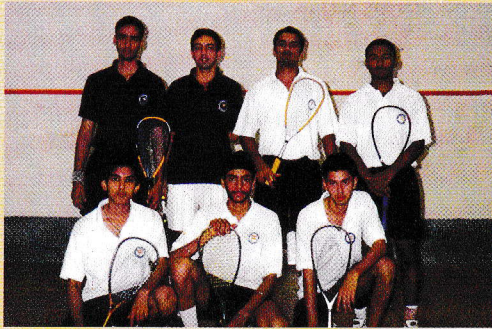
The cadets really had an eye-opening experience under the informative guidance of faculty members accompanying them and the helpful crew.



SQUASH GLORY

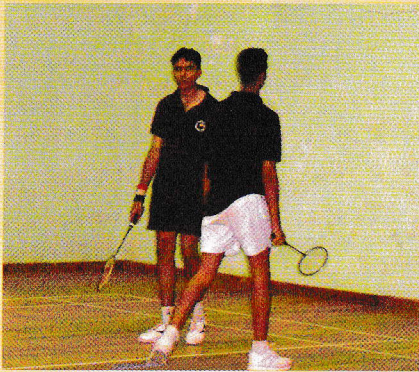
The talented TMI squash team earned another feather in its cap as an eight member team comprising of:

Cdt. Gaurav Vardhan, Cdt. Avnish Dubey, Cdt. Samir Singh, Cdt. Gaurav Deb, Cdt. Harkirat Gill, Cdt. Rochit Das, Cdt. Dev Bhargava and Cdt. Bharat Khanna emerged victorious in the squash competition held at the prestigious N . D . A .



Khadakvasla campus. Three cheers for the victors.

BADMINTON TOURNAMENT



The end of academic year 2003-04 witnessed the inter-house badminton championship-taking place. Each house forwarded a wide array of different styled players. In the end Mudaliar house emerged victors clinching the champions trophy. Tolani house followed closely behind at the runners up place.

TABLE-TENNIS

The annual inter-house table tennis competition took place in the month of may. The fast paced game play and split second reactions displayed the class of players, TMI boasts of.Tolani house started favorites but it was the underdogs Morarjee house that stole the show and won the title.

FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP '04



The month of September witnessed the kick starting of the 2004-05 inter-house football championship. Fast-paced game play and riveting footwork drew in record fan following this year as all thessss houses fielded their most competitive teams in both pool A and B.

Hours of practice and team work finally paid off as Master house emerged top dogs in pool B while Cassim house earned top honors in pool A, the championship being awarded to Master house with highest points tally followed closely by Cassim house in runners up position.

Cdt. Siddharth Bandhuni (IV Yr.) of Cassim house took home the man of the match trophy. Cdt. Andre Coloca (deck cadet) of Master house bagged the player of the series title, while Cdt. Sandeep Thandi (deck cadet) again of Cassim house earned the elite tag in pool B.

OCTOBER OPEN TOURNAMENT

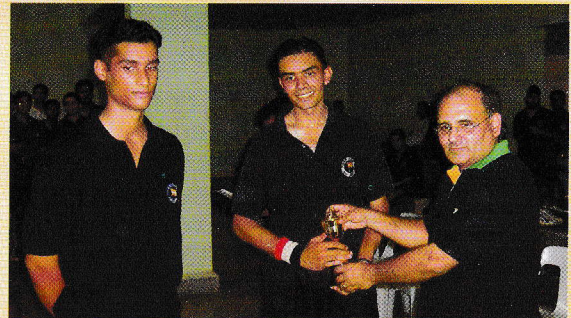
The institute recently witnessed the October Open Indoor Games Tournament for events, namely squash, table tennis and badminton.

With the increase in quantity and quality of an assortment of racquet holders, the tournament provided an opportunity for all cadets to match their skills against other contenders. The positive aspect of this event was not only the increased participation but also the complete management of the tournament by the cadets themselves.

The tournament, spread over a week, saw heated action and fast paced game play in the institute clubhouse, which played host to the tournament.

Those who rose above the rest in their respective sport were:

In badminton-



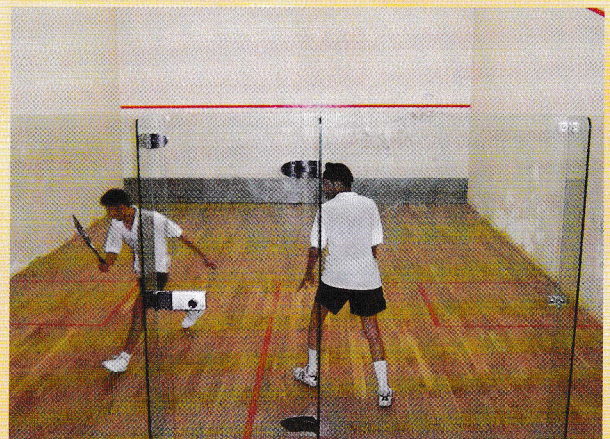
Singles:

Champion: Siddharth Mahdik
1st Runners Up: Nikhil Mahajan
2nd Runners Up: Shalabh

Doubles:

Champions: Akshat Bhargava and Akhil Jaiswal
1st Runners Up: Mannu Pandey and Tridar Gazdar
2nd Runners Up: Anirudh Adhirana and Brijesh Mongia

In squash-



Champion: Harkirat Singh Gill
1st Runner Up: Avnish Dubey
2nd Runners Up: Gaurav Vardhan

In table tennis-

Singles:

Champion: Mohit Kshatriya
1st Runners Up: Raghav Khanna
2nd Runners Up: Dabish Nair

Doubles:

Champions: Mohit Kshatriya and Mannu Pandey
1st Runners Up: Manoj Mulchandani and Vishal Sharma
2nd Runners Up: Raghav Khanna and Debashish Pandit

INTERVIEW

Capt. Shyam Jairam, Director, Searland Management Services was interviewed by the Maritimes editorial team in an effort to find out exactly what the selection committees were looking out for while choosing their prospective employees. Although he admitted that judging the true worth of a candidate was a Herculean task given the limited time frame available, yet the first impression was a very important one and more often than not this was what guided the course of the interview. He stressed the need for a very positive mindset and a good academic record coupled with extra-curricular activities. It is indeed a matter of great pride that during his third visit to the campus Capt. Jairam felt that the institute was improving with each passing year and the TMI cadets were faring well in the shipping world.



SELF-DEFENCE CLASSES



A 2-week course on basic self-defense for the girl cadets was held in July this year with Cdt. Shivasankaran, of 3rd year, instructing the girls on basic stamina building, exercises, punches, blocks and kicks. The

program was very well received by the girls as was evident by their eloquent praise.

WOMEN SEA-FARERS IN TMI

The 21st century heralds a new dawn for women, so be it walking in space or on the weather-deck women are walking shoulder to shoulder with men. Keeping in tune TMI has encouraged girl cadets to join the merchant shipping line. This was evident with the concession in fee that TMI gives to its girl cadets.

The 2004 Nautical Science batch also stands evidence for this, with one girl cadet signing up for the course. This trend is also steadying in the Marine Engineering branch, which saw 5 girl cadets join this year. The numbers are set to go up in the time to come.

VISIT BY NYK

Capt. Ishida of NYK Shipping visited the TMI campus and he too was all praises about the infrastructure provided by the institute for the all round development of its future mariners. He also showed interest in recruiting cadets from TMI in the near future.

MARTECH CONFERENCE

Mr. B.K. Saxena and Capt. R.K. Razdan attended the Martech conference at the Singapore Polytechnic from the 21-23 September (held to discuss ongoing trends and happenings in the marine field.)

NEW INCLUSIONS

The ever increasing TMI family tree warmly welcomes its latest inclusions:

- Mr. Thomas Prakash
- Mr. S. Kannan
- Mr. S. Jagadeeswaram
- Mr. Vijaykumar Boratti
- Ms. Shreelakshmi Mendu
- Mrs. Swati Bhise
- Mr. Om Singh Chavan
- Mr. Rajesh Dhauta

VISIT BY MPA (SINGAPORE)

Mr. Leong Peng Chee and Capt. I.G. Sangameswar of the Maritime And Port Authority, Singapore, visited the TMI campus in the month of October and were impressed by the high standards maintained by TMI at not just the academic level, but also in terms of the facilities provided to the cadets for there overall development.

MPA (SINGAPORE) APPROVAL

MPA (Maritime and Port Authority) Singapore, has given approval for TMI's graduates of B.S. Marine Engineering Course to appear for the MPA's Marine Engineer Officer (MEO) Class V Certificate of Competency (COC) Examination after undergoing the required two week preparatory course.

TANKER SAFETY COURSE

A tanker safety course was conducted by Sanmar Shipping in which a number of officers from Sanmar Shipping and OMCI participated. The course, which spanned over a few days, was conducted in the TMI campus and was declared to be a huge success.

VISITS

The following companies/organizations have paid observational visits to the TMI campus recently:-

- INSTITUTE OF TRANSPORT, CANADA
- NYK
- ASP
- UNIVAN

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