



Members of Team Simula posing for a photograph along with Hilal Rather, Managing Director, Simula Group during flag off ceremony in Jammu. -Excelsior/Rakesh

Hilal flags off 'Team Simula' for Mughal Rally

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JAMMU, June 25: Hilal Rather, Managing Director of Simula on Tuesday flagged off Team Simula to participate in the fourth edition of the Mughal Rally which will be held on June 27, 2013.

Message Paradise Avenue partner Daljit Wadhara, Rizwan Dar and G M Bhat were also present on the occasion.

Speaking on the occasion, Amit Gandotra, spokesman Simula, said this is the first time in the history of J & K that a Jammu

No traffic on Dubjan-Pir, Daksum-Sinthan road

SRINAGAR, June 25:

For smooth movement of vehicles participating in 4th Mughal Road Rally-2013, the authorities have imposed a ban on movement of all vehicles, including Army convoy and live stock on the Dubjan-Pir Ki Gali Bufliaz and Daksum-Sinthan roads on June 28 and 29.

A spokesman said here that it was to inform the general public and transporters that for the rally, all types of vehicles including passenger vehicles, load carriers and Army convoy would not ply on Dubjan-Pir ki Gali-Bufliaz road on June 28 between 0700 hrs and 1700 hrs and Daksum-Sinthan pass road on June 29 between 0800 hrs and 1600 hrs. (UNI)

15-days Summer Camp concludes

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JAMMU, June 25: 15-days Summer Camp organized by

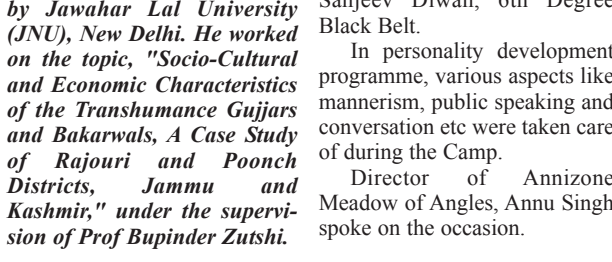


Children along with officials and trainers posing for a photograph during the closing function of the Summer Camp.

Annzone Meadow of Angles, Rehari concluded, here today.

A large number of children between the age group of 2 to 10 years utilized the opportunity of

Tufail Jarul, who has been declared qualified for the award of the degree of the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph D) in Geography by Jawahar Lal University (JNU), New Delhi. He worked on the topic, "Socio-Cultural and Economic Characteristics of the Transhumance Gujjars and Bakarwals, A Case Study of Rajouri and Poonch Districts, Jammu and Kashmir," under the supervision of Prof Bupinder Zutshi.



Children posing for a group photograph during the concluding ceremony of the 20-days long Summer Camp organized by Narulas The First Step in Jammu. The children were trained in various activities including dance, singing, karate, audio-visual, abacus, handwriting development and Vedic Maths. The Camp was held under the supervision of School Principal, Tanvi Narula, Dance Instructor, Romit Sawhney, Karate Instructor Umesh Rehki and Singing Instructor Rajesh Gaiind.



Winners of various events posing for a photograph during valedictory function of the Summer Camp organized by Diamond Institute.

Silk Route Festival concludes

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LEH, June 25: 2-days Silk Route Festival 2013 concluded at Sand Dune Leisure Park Summur, Nobra today.

The festival was organized by Samstan Otzer Tsogspa in collaboration with Himalayan Culture Heritage Foundation.

CEC LAHDC Rigzin Spalbar was the chief guest and Dr Sonam Wangchok, EC Helmer, EC Agriculture Sonam

main reason behind the growing tourist in Ladakh is its rich cultural heritage and urged upon the people to promote the rich cultural heritage.

While speaking on the occasion, the CEC said that this festival should be promoted to attract more tourists to Nobra valley which in turn will result in the economic development of the region.

He also suggested the



Archers aiming at target during Silk Route Festival in Leh on Tuesday.

Dorje, EC Tourism Gurmet Dorje, MLA Nobra Tsetan Namgyal and P Namgyal Former Union Minister were the guests of honour on the occasion.

The main attraction of the festival was archery, camel riding and colourful cultural programme.

Gurmet Dorje said that the

Samstan Otzer Tsogspa to prepare a policy project for necessary financial assistance from Centre as well as State Government to execute developmental works in the area as per the need of the people.

MLA, Nobra Tsetan Namgyal and Councilor Tigar Rigzin Wangdus also spoke on the occasion.

Singh CC scripts narrow win over Baba Jitto Club

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JAMMU, June 25: Singh Cricket Club Akhnoor registered a narrow win by 4 runs over Baba Jitto Cricket Club to advance into the next round of the ongoing 5th Pawan Memorial T20 Cricket Tournament, being organized by the Singh Cricket Club at Government Higher Secondary School Ground, here.

Earlier, batting first, Singh Club scored a decent total of 160 runs in the stipulated 20 overs. Sunny Kumar played a brilliant innings of 71 runs off just 42 balls, while Gourav contributed valuable 32 runs to the total. Rahul Mani and Asif chipped in with 14 runs each.

For Baba Jitto Club, Lavlu and Happy bagged 2 wickets each, while Narrotam claimed one wicket.

In reply, Baba Jitto Club fell just short of 4 runs as they managed to score 156 runs in the stipulated 20 overs by losing 9 wickets to lose the match by 4 runs. Deepak was the top scorer with 47 runs, while Happy contributed 26 runs to the total. For Singh Club, Dilawar Singh and Asif claimed 2 wickets each, while skipper Sham Singh Langeh, Umesh, Sunny Kumar and Firdous took one wicket apiece. Sunny Kumar was adjudged man of the match for his fabulous knock.

The match was officiated by Joginder Mangotra, Vikas Bali and Ajay Bhagat.

Tainted Rauf, Bowden dropped from ICC Elite Panel

LONDON, June 25:

Pakistan's Asad Rauf, who is being investigated in the IPL spot-fixing scandal, and long-serving New Zealander Billy Bowden were today dropped from the ICC Elite Panel of Umpires after an annual review of their performance.

Rauf, who is being probed for allegedly taking expensive gifts from suspected bookies, and Bowden have been replaced by former Test cricketers Richard Illingworth and Paul Reiffel.

"The selection panel considered the overall performanc-

'It's unfair to compare Dhoni with former captains'

NEW DELHI, June 25:

Former skipper Sunil Gavaskar and other ex-cricketers today said in unison that one should refrain from drawing comparison between Mahendra Singh Dhoni and his predecessors, insisting instead to rejoice India's success in the ICC Champions Trophy.

Dhoni is now the only captain in the world to win all three major ICC trophies including Twenty20 World Cup, the 50-over World Cup and the Champions Trophy.

Asked if Dhoni can be called India's best-ever captain, Gavaskar said any comparison would be unfair.

"Generations cannot be compared, eras were different so it's not fair to compare. Surely he is one of the best India has had. Results speak for themselves. He took India to number one in Tests, won 2011 World Cup, T20 World Cup in 2007 and now the Champions Trophy. We should be rejoicing (instead of making comparisons)," Gavaskar said.

Former batsman Ajay Jadeja also had similar views and credited the system within the BCCI for entrusting the job of leading the side to Dhoni at a time when a lot of seniors were around.

"Demands were different... When Pataudi took over India were trying to play and do something different. When Azhar

took over... Somebody in the system thought that Dhoni was the right choice when there were a lot more experienced players.

"He has worked with different kind of players, teams which had no experience. He led all kind of men, great as well as ordinary," Jadeja said.

Former India fast bowler and bowling coach Venkatesh Prasad also felt that there should not be

any comparison. He said what sets Dhoni apart was his decision-making.

"It is absolutely tough, all captains had different set of players, different combination of selectors. Dhoni gave freedom to his bowlers, he backs his decisions, his field positions are weird but he goes by his instincts. He has given the confidence to the players," Prasad said. (PTI)

Dhoni has done wonders to Indian cricket: Ganguly

NEW DELHI, June 25:

Preferring to stay away from comparisons, former skipper Sourav Ganguly says current captain Mahendra Singh Dhoni has done "wonders to Indian cricket" and is poised to lead the country in the 2015 World Cup.

"Captain Cool" Dhoni once again lived upto the billing by leading India to ICC Champions Trophy triumph on Sunday.

"Dhoni has been an outstanding captain. His record as captain is terrific. He still has a lot of cricket left in him and he has done wonders to Indian cricket," Ganguly said.

"Dhoni backs players as well. People like (Suresh) Raina, (Ravindra) Jadeja, and Rohit Sharma have developed under him as players and has some ter-

rific qualities as a leader," he said.

For the 31-year-old Dhoni, winning the Champions Trophy completed a remarkable cycle of triumphs which started with the T20 World Cup in 2007. India also won the 2011 ODI World Cup under his leadership and the victory yesterday reaffirmed his status as India's best-ever captain. No other captain in international cricket has won three major ICC trophies.

Asked about the next 50-over World Cup, Ganguly, under whom India became a force to reckon with in international cricket by winning Test matches abroad, said, "I am sure he has got the 2015 WC at the back of his mind. He is young, a terrific ODI player and there is no reason why he won't be captain." (PTI)



Taekwondo players holding certificates in their hands while posing for a group photograph.

5th Tiger Taekwondo Championship Muskan bags below-22 kg girls gold

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JAMMU, June 25: Muskan claimed gold in below-22 kg girls, while Nandita and Shriya bagged silver and bronze respectively in the 5th Tiger Taekwondo Championship, which concluded at Shree Guru Ravidass Temple, Pacca Talab, New Plot, here.

MLA, Balwan Singh was the chief guest on the valedictory function, who later-on distributed prizes the medal winners.

In below-37 kg girls, Shilpa Kumari bagged gold and Mansi Dubey claimed silver, while below-20 kg girls gold went to Nandita Dubey and the silver to Shriya Heer.

Meanwhile, in boys section, Aakash Kumar clinched gold in below-26 kg category, while Kushager Sharma and Raman claimed silver and bronze respectively, while in

below-31 kg boys, Varun Sharma bagged gold, Saiyam Chandan got silver, while the bronze was shared by Chintan and Mohit Heer.

Below-30 kg boys gold went to Mukesh, silver to Anmol Dubey and the bronze to Rohit Heer.

In below-22 kg boys, Piyush Rattan and Govind Singh claimed gold and silver respectively, while in below-20 kg boys, Vivek and Neelaksh claimed gold and bronze respectively.

In 50 to 54 kg senior boys category, Aakash Majotra bagged gold, Manik Kumar clinched silver, while the bronze went to Pawan Kumar.

The officiating panel of experts included Rajat Bhagat, Aakash Majotra, Vashbi Chandan, Sakshi Thakyal, Sachin Chandwal and Aditya Choudhary.

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