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SBIOA [CC] SPORTS WING **UNITY THROUGH SPORTS**

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Dear Comrades,

ZONE III CLINCHES TENNIS CROWN

Zone-II, represented by Com. Venkatesh Barathvaj, DGM, SAMB, won the Chess Title with ease in the fourth event of this 24th edition of our sports meet held at SBOA SCHOOL & JUNIOR COLLEGE. To be successful Chess player, the basic ingredients are Passion, Patience, and Concentration, uncanny anticipation, forethought apart from mental and physical fitness to withstand the duration of the game. Many youngsters have developed interest to this mind boggling game only because of the success story of Grand Master Vishy Anand. The success story of Anand has instilled self confidence and self belief in the youth of this country. No wonder India is producing champions at junior levels and to our pride; siblings of our officer brethren are playing the game at the highest level. At this juncture, it's **worth mentioning that our association has taken the lead to conduct the chess matches for the wards of our members this year** and the enthusiasm was obviously very high.

The response to our invitation for the chess tournament was high with members participating with enthusiasm, competitive spirit and positive approach. Due to the tremendous response, the numbers of participants were more in the men's event. It was worth witnessing the matches played by Branch Managers, DGM, AGMs and Chief Managers from various branches and LHO. It was a memorable day on Sunday 12th October 2014'

There were 22 players which included DGM, AGMs, CMs, and BMs from various branches and from LHO. The game was conducted on SWISS method with 30 minutes time (each player was given fifteen minutes) and the winner was chosen, after playing the round robin which went for five rounds. Finally **Zone II** represented by Com Venkatesh Barathvaj who has won all the five rounds was the winner followed by **Zone I** Representative Com. B. Velmurugan, Chief Manager, Periamet branch with 4 wins.

Com. Venkatesh Barathvaj started with an attacking game and achieved a dominating position after the opening. Com Velmmurugan CM from Periamet branch stayed active, but every time he threatened to take control, com. Venkatesh Barathvaj had the answer. Playing with a cool head, com. Venkatesh Barathvaj defended and was so fast in moving the coins which was very interesting to witness . After a series of exchanges of pieces the game was interesting poised. An error in judgement by Com. Velmurugan, which proved costly, gave advantage to the opponent and. Com Venkatesh Barathvaj pounced on the opportunity, played an attacking game with solid de-

fense. Finally Com. Venkatesh Barathvaj, DGM, SAMB won the finals by demolishing the defense of Com. Velmurugan and won checkmating the opponent.



(Finalists of Chess Tournament)



(Finalists of Tennis tournament)

In the **women finals** Smt. A.S. Rani from LIBM, won the finals after beating Smt. Usha Ashok of SMECC, Chennai.

In the **boy's** event, since there was more number of participation, it was grouped as under 15 years of age and above 15 years of age. In the finals for above 15 years it was Master M. Ranjith, s/o Com T. Mohan, AU, Chennai 2, who won the finals after beating Master Jeshwin.M, S/o Com. Mohan Selvaraj, SAMB, Chennai. In the boys, under 15 years of age Master V. Vivekanantha, S/o of Com. K Velappan, SBLC Perambur, won beating Master K. Nishanth, S/o Com M.Kumaravel, Cheyyar branch in the finals.

In the **Girls** finals Selvi S. Priyanka, D/o of Smt. M. Sumathi, Walajah Road branch, beats Selvi. S. Perna, D/o V. Senthilkumar of CAG, Chennai.

In the **Tennis doubles** finals, held at SDAT Court, Mogappair, Com. Aravinth Hrishikesh, RACPC, Egmore, partnering Com. Dakhinamurthy, LHO, beat Com. Mohan Selvaraj, SAMB, Chennai partnering Com. Cedric D Cruz of T Nagar branch and won the finals.

Comrades the much awaited Tennikoit tournament for Men, Women and Children will be held at our SBOA School & Junior College grounds on the 19th October 2014 (Sunday) at 7.00 a.m. Members are requested to participate in large numbers and are requested to give their names in advance to their respective Zonal Secretaries. We appeal to all our members to come and participate on time in these tournaments and make the event a grand and unparalleled success.

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Yours in SBIOA service,

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