

Borgia House, champs at St. Bridget's Athletic Meet



The chief guest, Rear Admiral Shemal Fernando being welcomed and Mrs. Carmel Fernando presented with a bouquet of flowers



Mrs. Carmel Fernando presents Best Performance Trophy to the Games Captain



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The Annual Inter-House Athletics Meet of St. Bridget's Convent which is one of the foremost sports events in the Colombo schools was held recently at the CCC Grounds for the 130th consecutive year. The theme of this year's meet was "If you can dream it, you can do it".

Rear Admiral Shemal Fernando, Secretary General of the Athletics Association of Sri Lanka and Ms. Carmel Fernando were the Chief Guests and they were welcomed at an impressive and colourful opening ceremony. Significantly, the Western and Eastern Bands in their new costumes added

glamour to the occasion. The Athletics Meet was organised under the directions of the Principal, Rev. Sr. Shermila Jayawardene and was coordinated by the Prefect of Games, Rev. Sr. Dilrukshika Silva and the Games Mistresses, Mrs. Manick Samaratunga and Mrs. Jeevani Gunawardena.

Borgia House with 446 points emerged champions while Melizan House with 426 points were Runners-up. Coudert and Griaux Houses with 419 and 404 points respectively were 3rd and 4th. The magnificent drill display won the admiration of parents, present and past Bridgetines and well-

wishers. Navodha Perera of Melizan House won the coveted Challenge Trophy for the Best Athlete. Among the winners of the Best Performance Trophies was Amanthi Silva, School Games Captain who is a member of the National Youth Athletics Pool.

Rear Admiral Shemal Fernando made a moving speech which included great quotations and life stories of legendary athletes.

He appealed to parents to join hands with the school and encourage the children to actively take part in sports which undoubtedly helps to incul-

cate rich values and leadership qualities and helps in no small way to make them worthy citizens of the motherland.

The following emerged Champion Athletes of the Athletics Meet. Under-19 - Kushnara Herath (Coudert House), Erandathi Nugawela (Griaux House) and Oshani Singapularachchi (Borgia) Under-17 - Navodha Perera (Melizan House) and Shobita Rajendran (Melizan House) Under-15 - Thashiya Silva (Coudert House) Under-13 - Hiruki Vitharana (Melizan House) Under-11 - Chamodya Mahaliyana (Coudert House).



The House Captains being introduced to the chief guest



The chief guest declaring the Athletics Meet closed



Mrs. Carmel Fernando in the process of selecting the Best House



The chief guest lighting the Olympic Torch.