SPOORTHI 2022 INDOOR

TABLE TENNIS

Forehand and backhand hit, pushes, flicks, loops, spins, serves; agility, speed – Table Tennis conducted as part of Spoorthi 2022 witnessed all the mentioned skills and more! Table Tennis is an indoor sport that involves hitting a lightweight ball with wood rackets across a net and is played on a table.

The sports event was held on March 2, 2022, at the S.P.I.T. Gymkhana. The event began at 11 AM and ended at 6 PM.

The competition was held separately for girls and boys. The stages of the competition were (boys):

- 1. Round of 16 Two of these were held at different times. This round thus saw the participation of 32 players.
- 2. Quarter-finals: Four from each of the round of 16 qualified for the quarter-finals.
- 3. Semi-final: A total of four players were part of the semi-finals.
- 4. Final: The winners of the semi-final round played the finals.



After the tough competition in each match and the toughest competition in the final match, Table Tennis 2022 found its winners in Devam (boys) and Harshey (girls). Navneet Nair (boys) and Esha Khot (girls) were the runner-ups.

-Covered by Krushi

BADMINTON

The annual sports fest "Spoothi" started with the inter-college badminton tournament on 24th February 2022. The event was held at Andheri Sports Complex. All the participants assembled at the venue at around 8:30 am and the matches started at 9:30 am sharp. A lot of participants, as well as spectators, were seen at the venue. Matches occurred in full swing and the crowd was seen cheering.

The badminton categories included men's singles and doubles as well as women's singles and doubles. Each participant had to reach 21 points to win the match. The average time of the matches was 7 to 15 minutes. Fouls like 'contact fault', 'serve fault', and 'double hits' gained the opponents a point. This made the game gripping and unpredictable. As time passed, matches started getting more competitive and interesting.



Towards the end, men's singles were won by Pratik Kamble followed by Varun Nagdev as the runner whereas the winners for men's doubles were Chirag Yogi and Sagar. In the women's category, singles were won by Vidhi Vaidya followed by Devika as the runner up and doubles were won by Swarni Shah and Devika.

-Covered by Tisha and Nikita

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DODGEBALL

At 9 a.m. sharp on the 3rd of March 2022, the participants gathered for the Intra-college Dodgeball competition at the grounds of Sardar Patel Institute of Technology. Overall, 16 teams participated from all the branches. Each team was represented by a captain selected by that particular team. As per the rules of the game, every team needed at least 2 girl players in the team.

The players were asked to follow certain rules for the game such as the defender would be eliminated only if the ball touches below the waist with a maximum 1 bounce on the ground, defenders are not allowed to bend, crouch, or kneel and the most important – the decision is given by the referee will be considered as the final decision.



The tournament received a great response not only from the players but also from the crowd. With every ball hit, loud cheers were heard from the audience. After a tough competition, two deserving teams – SE Comps and FE Comps were selected for the finals wherein SE Comps were declared the winners followed by FE Comps as the runner-up team.



-Covered by Tisha and Dhruvi

THROWBALL

March 2, 2022, witnessed intense battles between teams competing for the top place in Throwball organized by SPoorthi. Throwball 2022 took place on the SPCE volleyball court and saw the participation of 8 teams of six members each. The competition required that the teams consist of students from the same branch and also included two females as a must. Students right from FE to all the way to BE took part. Organizers divided the teams into three groups A, B, and C. Each team had to contest three matches within its group.

The event began at 9 AM and continued till the evening. Teams played each match for the best of 3 sets (25 points each) with a tally score. The top 4 teams qualified for the semi-final.



After a tough competition, BE COMPS and SE ETRX reached the finals. Due to time constraints, the final consisted of three sets of 15 points each. The match witnessed some great serves and throws with excellent teamwork by both teams. BE COMPS emerged as the winner of SPoorthi's Throwball 2022.

Throwball kept the spectators entertained and hooked while the players seemed to have thoroughly enjoyed their time in the court!

-Covered by Rupali and Krushi

KHO-KHO

Kho-Kho is a traditional Indian sports game, being one of the oldest sports which is played between two teams in which nine players enter the field (Chasing Team), and three extra players (Defending Team) try to avoid being touched by members of the opposing team. The game consists of traits such as cooperation, devotion, keenness, self-esteem, speed, and quick thinking but is a highly enjoyable game. This year's SPoorthi was a colossal success as this event was finally held after two years of the stressful pandemic. We got to see some incredible bouts and fierce competitions. A good amount of participation was seen in this event by the students of S.P.I.T.



It was day 4 of SPoorthi 2022, and all the teams were warmed up and waiting for their respective match. There were a total of 8 teams divided into 2 groups. Group A and group B contained 4 teams each. Each team had to play 3 games with their respective groupmates and the semi-finals were played between the top 2 teams from both groups. The first match was between FE(mixed) and SE (ETRX) in the presence of Tanisha Kalathil (Vice Sports Secretary), Atharva (Co-Ordinator), and Palash (Co-Ordinator). FE (mixed) won the first match with complete domination over SE(ETRX). They came as underdogs and managed to defeat one of the best kho kho teams in the college. The other matches of group B were held subsequently. Each team was all pumped up for the day; to display their skills. The matches got more and more interesting and the audience seemed more enthusiastic to cheer their teams as they approached the finals. The crowd cheered for all the brilliant players who gave their best that day, irrespective of whether they won or lost. Kudos to the two well-deserving teams of FE and SE IT who qualified for the finals and showcased a truly captivating match. The passes the team members gave were extremely well coordinated and impressive. The first two sets of the finals were cut-throat, and SE IT and FE(mixed) won the match and now own the tag of kho-kho SPoorthi winners this year.

-Covered by Sakshi and Nikita

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CRICKET

Fierce and competitive, yet played within the rules of the game, Spoorthi Cricket had everything this time around. Cricket returned to the Bhavan's College ground after almost two years when 16 teams got involved in a tough fight within themselves in a Knockout Format on 27th February 2022.



This year, students were given the freedom to form a team of their own, comprising players from any branch into a single team. The teams were diversified from the energetic FEs to the experienced BEs, all wanting to give their best shot at cricketing glory. The matches were of 6 overs per innings and the entire tournament was played in a knockout format, which made the competition even close. The tournament saw some clean ball striking from the batters, some scintillating deliveries from the bowlers to rattle the furniture and some jaw-dropping fielding efforts by the fielders. Players got into verbal duals as well, making the game even more fiercely fought. Although at the end of the day, they capped off like true sportsmen by shaking hands after the game was over. The cherry on the top was the electrifying atmosphere created by the spectators, who cheered for their respective teams and celebrated every wicket or boundary with great enthusiasm.

After some close games, TE ETRX emerged victorious against a strong BE COMPS team in a closely fought final. Although TE ETRX won, cricket was the actual winner. It was played to its full potential with very handsome participation from the students despite the constraints in their schedules.



Kudos to the S.P.I.T. Sports Committee for pulling off the entire tournament of SPOORTHI without any fallacies.

-Covered by Heramb and Guruprasad

FOOTBALL

Among the plethora of sports that exist, there's just the one that pops up when you Google, 'The Beautiful Game':Football.

Playing a 11v11 football match on a full-size ground is a thrilling experience that can't be put into words. The players have the freedom to make long passes and create spaces for the attackers to run into.

The organizing team of SPOORTHI conducted this year's intra-college Football tournament at Bhavan's ground on the 26th of February.

A total of 14 teams battled it out to win the esteemed tournament, which followed a knockout system. Two teams were given a "BYE" in their first round. It resembled a professional match, with three referees and the offside rule present. In case of a draw, the outcome of the match was decided by a nail-biting penalty shootout.

The fixtures began at 8 a.m. and as time passed, it became more competitive and heated like the scorching sun on a Saturday afternoon.



The audience experienced an expansive range of emotions during the matches. From cheering until your vocal cords give in, head in hands when the opposition takes the lead, to cheering again when your team levels the score!

Two well-deserving teams played in the finals: Shubham Shetty's team of BE COMPS went on to win the tournament in an adrenaline-fueled final against Parth Bywar's SE IT+TE EXTC team.



Parth Bywar's team was leading 1–0 at halftime, thanks to a goal scored by Niranjan Bandhe and a great assist by Rahul Shukla. Shubham Shetty's team turned the tables, owing to a 9-minute hattrick scored by Shubham Shetty which included an impeccable free-kick!

-Covered by Karthik and Trisha

KABADDI

The Intra-college Kabaddi tournament was organized on the 03rd of March, 2022 at the SPIT Ground. A total of 6 teams from various branches participated in the competition. As per the League system format, the teams were further divided into 2 groups consisting of 3 teams each.

The tournament was conducted in total 6 rounds and a final match. The duration given for every match was 25 mins. Various techniques such as the "Do or Die" raid and "Super tackle" situations were observed during the game.



The spectators were astounded by looking at the great efforts put up by the players against their opponent teams. An enthusiastic chant of the words "Kabaddi, kabaddi" resonated from the crowd while cheering for the teams of their respective branches.

There was speculation on whether the finale was even going to be conducted towards the end. However, it became an intense match with SE ETRX securing first place and SE IT securing second place.



-Covered by Tisha and Dhruvi

TUG OF WAR

The ultimate test and understanding of physical strength took place at the S.P.I.T. sports ground on March 22, 2022, in the form of Tug of War conducted by Spoorthi. Tug of War is an athletic contest between 2 teams at opposite ends of a rope, each trying to drag the other across a centerline.

The highly competitive and adrenaline-inducing sports event began at 3:20 PM and saw the participation of 10 teams. The teams compulsorily needed to have two female members to encourage their participation. Some had both first and second-year students and consisted of students from different branches. Each team had to go through four tests based on which four teams qualified for the semi-finals. The semi-finals saw some gutwrenching battles between the fierce teams. Two of them reached the finals.



Despite being sweaty, tired, and having bruised hands because of the previous matches, the two finalists, SE IT and SE ETRX, battled with all their might in the finals for which the teams deserve great applause! The energetic cheers from the spectators further motivated the teams. SE IT emerged as the winner after a close competition. The highlight of the event was winning one of the first matches within merely 15 seconds!

Tug of War 2022 proved to be an exemplary show of strength and tolerance of the SPIT students!

-Covered by Rupali and Krushi