



Mark my Words

Things are looking bright for Indian hockey. Yes, we are sad that we missed the Beijing Olympics, but we know single failure is not final. Our hockey can bounce back on the strength of national passion. We have to think afresh, re-orient priorities, policies and perception on processes and personalities so that disasters of such nature doesn't recur. Thankfully, the Indian Olympic Association is seized of the matters. With the IOA at the helm, it is expected things will move on purposefully. At Field Hockey Publications, we are coming out with our Hockey Year Book 2008 shortly. It will be totally a domestic affair. We have also completely re-designed our popular website, stick2hockey.com, with a slew of new features such as player profiles, slide shows, newspaper search and many more.

> K. Arumugam Author



Field Hockey Publications brought out Balbir Singh Sr.'s Golden Yardstick. This book was released by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Manmohan Singh on 2nd June 2008.



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International hockey year book makes global imprint



Top:The International Olympic Committee President Jacques Rogge introduces Hockey Year Book 2006 during the Monchengladbach Men's World Cup in the presence of FIH President Els van Breda Vriesman (right) and Author-publisher K. Arumugam. Right: The author presents a copy of Hockey Year Book to Chenchenko, President of Russian Hockey Federation. On right is Vineet Arora, a Moscow based hockey promoter.





What the IOC President Said on the Hockey Year Book 2006

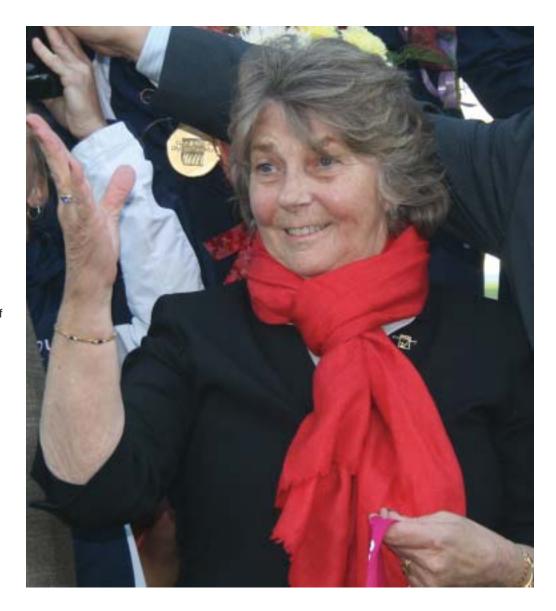


Foreword

With the publication of 'The International Hockey Year Book 2006', author K. Arumugam makes an important contribution to the promotion of sport. This valuable work retraces, through words and images, the most significant moments of the last two years of regional, continental and world hockey competitions. It also provides up-to-date informative material, and serves as an easily comprehensible reference guide. The many photographs capture for ever the exceptional feats, special emotions, and unforgettable memories, ensuring that the year 2006 of this Olympic sport will be safeguarded and will remain for generations to come. I trust that each of you will appreciate this book.

Els: an Indian hockey lover, promoter

Els van Breda Vriesman, President, Federation Internationale de Hockey (FIH) is a genuine Indian hockey lover. At her initiative, the FIH is taking firm steps to improve the lot of Indian hockey. The FIH, together with the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and the Indian Olympic Association has put 'Promoting Indian Hockey Project' apace last year. As a part of the project, legendary player-coach Richard Charlesworth is in India as Technical Advisor. It is desired Ric soon takes over the reigns of senior team coaching to give the team the much needed paradigm push. She is also known for her forthright views on men and matters. Her strong views on Indian hockey administration helped in a big way to weed out undesirable elements from the Indian Hockey Federation. In an interview to K. Arumugam, author Hockey Year Book, at Kazan she firmly said, "If Indian hockey does not come up in my tenure, I will consider it a personal failure". 2010 World Cup in India is also her proposal. India will never have a FIH president who is so committed to the welfare of our hockey.



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quickies



A Bombay Hockey Association delegation led by Dhanraj Pillay, meets Maharashtra Chief Minister, to press for extension of BHA ground lease.



India's Prabhjot Singh receives Best Player of the Tournament' award at the Santiago (Chile) 8 Olympic Qualifier.



Year Book Author K; Arumugam presenting a Chak De India DVD to Russian Hockey Federation Chief.



Hockey Year Book publisher K. Arumugam presented each Kazan team member their posters (which they show to the camera) as coach MK Kaushik looks on.





Prime Minister Manmohan Singh releases Balbir Singh Sr.'s Golden Yardstick'



India's Rani Devi gets the Most Promising Player award in the first tournament he played in her career -Kazan Women Olympic Qualifier. Rani, a find of coach Baldev Singh, hails from Shahbad, Haryana.



2008 Beijing Olympics hockey

how the 12 teams qualified this time



Men

China (Host)

Korea (Asian Games Champion)

Pakistan (Asian Games bronze medalist*)
South Africa (Champion, All African Games)

Canada (Champion, 15th Pan American Games)

Netherlands (Champion, 11th EuroHockey Nations Championship)

Spain (Silver, 11th EuroHockey Nations Championship)

Belgium (Bronze, 11th EuroHockey Nations Championship)

Australia (Champion of the 5th Oceania Cup)

New Zealand (Winner, Auckland Qualifier)

Great Britain (Winner, Chile Qualifier)

Germany (Winner, Japan Qualifier)

Pool A Pool B Germany (1) Australia (2) Spain (4) Netherlands (3) Korea (5) Pakistan (6) New Zealand (10) Belgium (12) China (17) Great Britain (8) South Africa (13) Canada (15)

Women

China (Asian Games Champion a Japan (Silver, Asian Games**)

South Africa (Champion of the All African Games)

Argentina (Champion of the 15th Pan American Games)

Germany (Champion, 8th EuroHockey Nations Championship)

Netherlands (Silver, 8th EuroHockey Nations Championship) Great Britain (Bronze), EuroHockey Nations Championship)

New Zealand (Champion, 5th Oceania Cup)

Australia (Silver, 5th Oceania Cup)

Spain (Winner, Azerbaijan Qualifier)

USA (Winner, Kazan Qualifier)
Korea (Winner, Baku Qualifier)

Pool A Pool B

Netherlands (1) Argentina (2)
Australia (4) Germany (3)
China (5) Japan (6)

Spain (8) New Zealand (7) Korea (9) Great Britain (10)

South Africa (12) USA (11)

^{*} extra quota based upon the WorldHockey team rankings after BDO World Cup 2006

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silver at the Azlan Shah Cup in Ipoh, a silver lining in the indian sky







India's development team played superbly in the 17th Sultan Azlan Shah Cup in Ipoh, Malaysia. Despite losing first two mathches, it won the next four continuously before losingout to the full-pledged Argentina in the final on golden goal. India's penalty corner battery of Sandeep Singh (above, right) and Diwakarram rattled their rivals. For the first time in 17 years, India defeated Pakistan --another full team in the fray -- in the Azlan Cup. The team was trained by Ajay Kumar Bansal (left) and his deputy Rajesh Chauhan. Striker SV Sunil (top, with the ball), was at his best. The team was accorded a warm welcome when returned home.





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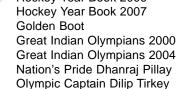
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India in 2008

Belgium Test Series, Chennai Medals

arew Beigium	4-4	Olympic Qualifier	Silver
defeat Belgium	5-0	Azlan Shah Cup	Silver
defeat Belgium	3-2		
defeat Belgium	2-1	Azlan Shah Cup	
lost to Belgium	2-3	lost to New Zealand	3-4
	16- 10	lost to Argentina	1-5
Olympic Qualifier, Chile		defeat Canada	3-1
		defeat Belgium	6-4
defeat Russia	8-0	defeat Pakistan	2-1
defeat Austria	7-3	defeat Malaysia	2-1
defeat Mexico	18-1	lost to Argentina	1-2

Australia 4-Nations

defeat Chile

lost to Great Britain 2-3

lost to Great Britain 0-2

ost to South Korea	1-4
drew Australia	2-2
defeat China	3-1
ost to China	1-2
ost to South Korea	2-5
drew China	4-4
ost to Australia	0-1
ost to South Korea	3-4
	16-23

Task on hand

India's immediate target is to qualify for the 2009 Junior World Cup. India has to finish reasonably at the 6th Junior Asia Cup (July, Hyderabad). Others in the Indian pool are Singapore, Malaysia and Japan. India is the defending champion.

18-18

4-1

39-10





junior asia cup (under-21) at hyderabad



defenders



midfielders

Cup team hyderabad jr sia

PR Sreejesh (gk) Diwarkarram Manjeet Kullu Danish Mujtaba Innocent Kullu Vivek Ranjeet Singh Mandeep Antil SV Sunil Jagwant Singh Gurwinder Chandi Vivek Sharma B. Horo Amardeep Singh Roshan Minz Pramod Kumar

Gurbaj Singh

Mrinal Chaubey (gk)

Surbaj singh captain

Chief Coach: AK Bansal

Coach: Rajesh Chauhan

Trainer:Dr. Pradeep Dutta

Physio: Srikant Iyenkar



Junior Asia Cup

in the past

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Year Host Karachi 1987 1992 1996 Singapore 2000 2004

Kuala Lumpur Kuala Lumpur Karachi

Gold Pakistan Pakistan Pakistan South Korea India

South Korea Malaysia India India Pakistan

Silver

India South Korea Japan Malaysia South Korea

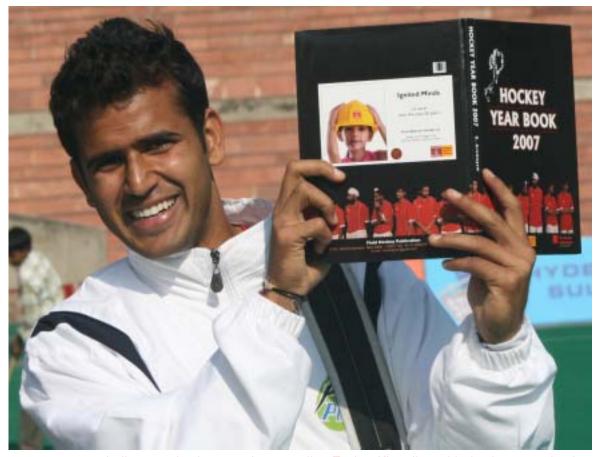
Bronze



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City Limouzines (India) has been Indian women hockey team's sponsor for last three years. For the first time in the sporting annals of India, a sponsor pays each player, coach and supporting staff directly a monthly sum as does City Limouzines. A gesture worth emulating by other corporates. Indian women hockey team is highly potential and is expected to peak during the 2010 Commonwealth Games and the World Cup. Opp: Kazan Olympic Qualifier winners USA on victory lap





Indian men hockey team's star striker Tushar Khandkar with hockey year book

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HOCKEY YEAR BOOK

Hockey Year Books are biannual compilation of data, packed in an user friendly fashion. It gives basic information, in numbers and images, of all international and national level tournaments, player profiles, interviews, analysis of events etc. The contents are so designed to help proper understanding of the present scenario, and then serve as a source of reference. History of all global tournaments such as Olympics, World Cup, Asian Games, Champions Trophy are also explained. Action images, aesthetic design, sleek production make the book lovable as much as it is indispensable for the aficinados.