

Clusters of Joy Regionals – Bangalore



It was a perfect start as the PSBB team set off from the school to Bangalore for the CBSE South Zone Tennis Championship. The weather was pleasant and few spells of rain made our journey less tiresome. A sense of collective bonding was achieved as the players sang and laughed in the vehicle which made it past hilly terrains and into the city of Bangalore.

On reaching the garden city, their main aim was to hit the courts for a warm up session as the inaugural match was scheduled the next day. Both the girls and the boys team put up a good show in the following days and reached the finals which was held on 1st November 2017. The boys played Velammal, Chennai. It was a close match with both teams tied at 1-1. The doubles tie-breaker kept us at the edge of our seats. After a very tough fight, they lost by a close margin. The Girls finals was between PSBB and CS Academy, Erode. The girls played a clinical game and a clear lead of 2-0 saw them clinch the Winner's trophy.

This performance paved way for both the teams to enter the National Championship to be held at Erode between 6th -11th November 2017. The team had very little time to prepare for competing in the Nationals. The rains in Chennai also added to the woes. However, they were determined to perform at their best for the school.



The tennis team of PSBB

Boys- SV Ananth –XI A, Alagappan – XI B

Girls- Rochana G – XI B, Lavanyaa.S – X C, Charanya.S – X C

Nationals- Sathyamangalam

It was a rainy morning when the team started off for Sathyamangalam near Erode for the CBSE National Tennis Championship. The venue was Bannari Amman Institute Of Technology. The campus was spread over a serene environment of 180 acres and had well maintained synthetic tennis courts.

The matches started the following day and as per the Nationals format, the participants were classified under 4 leagues. The top two teams from each league qualified for the knock out. The girls team qualified for the knock outs and played against East Point, New Delhi in the quarter finals. It was a close match resulting in a 1-1 tie. The team won the deciding game of doubles resulting in the victory of the PSBB.



There were other events such as Mixed Doubles and the Individual Championship. The results of these events are as follows :-

Mixed Doubles Championship		Individual Championship	
Rochana G - XIB	Bronze Medal	Lavanyaa. S- XC	Bronze Medal
SV Ananth - XIA	Bronze Medal	Alagappan.K- XIB	Quarter Finalist
Charanya. S - XC	Pre Quarter Finalist		

PV Sindhu graced the occasion by attending the Valedictory Ceremony. She gave a motivational speech on the amount of dedication and passion one must have to make it big in the field of sports. She stressed on the importance of discipline and sportsmanship.

It was with a feeling of satisfaction that the team reached the station to take the train to Chennai. But at the same time, the charm of Sathyamangalam had definitely left a mark on the players who silently vowed to be back soon.



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