



Jaffna Schools Sports Association U.K.

J S S A

Established 1992

7th Annual
General
Meeting

15th February 1998

*St. Bernards Church Hall
Mandeville Road
Northolt
Middlesex*

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 1997

PRESIDENT	Dr A L Vasanthakumar
VICE PRESIDENT	Mr N Natkunan
SECRETARY	Mrs S Thambipillai
ASST SECRETARY	Mr T Inpan
TREASURER	Mr S Arnold
ASST TREASURER	Mr E Gunaratnam

PILLARS OF GROWTH

	<u>PRESIDENT</u>	<u>SECRETARY</u>	<u>TREASURER</u>
1996	Mr S Pathmanathan	Mr W Thayalan	Mr S Arnold
1995	Mr S Pathmanathan	Mr W Thayalan	Mr M Mylevaganam
1994	Mr S Pathmanathan	Mr S Sriranjani	Mr M Mylevaganam
1993	Mr Ganeshalingam	Mr S Sriranjani	Mr K Rajadevan
1992	Mr Ganeshalingam	Mr S Sriranjani	Mr Thiruketeswaran

A G E N D A

- 1.45 Refreshments and Registration
- 2.00 President's Message
- 2.15 Adoption of: 1997 AGM Minutes
 - Secretary's Report
 - Treasurer's Report
- 3.00 Forward Planning
- 3.15 Any Other Business
- 3.30 Election of Office Bearers
- 3.45 Vote of Thanks

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On behalf of the Executive Committee of the JSSA, I am delighted to welcome you all to the Seventh Annual General Meeting of the Jaffna Schools Sports Association. The Executive Committee deeply appreciate all the schools which participated in the JSSA events in 1997 with enthusiasm and spent a lot of time in preparing their teams for the tournaments.

The JSSA has over the years grown from strength to strength, especially in the last Summer Sports Festival in August which was a great success in many ways. Involvement of more women and children gave the event a homely atmosphere.

It was a great pleasure to work with the executive committee members of JSSA-1997. My sincere thanks go to two extremely talented office bearers; the secretary and the treasurer who worked hard for the growth of this association during the period of my office. Our secretary Mrs Thambipillai's regular contacts with all member schools, her reminders for closing dates and the tireless efforts helped in bringing all member schools' participation. Similarly, our treasurer worked hard to arrange sponsorships, not only from tamil businesses but also from outside the community. He has also initiated applications for funds from the local councils and other avenues. Much more work has to done towards developing these sources.

I am thankful to Mr Umachandran for organising the Badminton Tournament this year, the first to be held under the banner of JSSA, which was a great success.

JSSA gratefully acknowledge the financial sponsors of the events in 1997; namely Mr Sivasundaram of Western Jewellers for sponsoring the Cricket and Dr Raj Chandran for sponsoring the Children's Exhibition. I am pleased to announce that they are willing to extend their sponsorship of these events this year as well. I am also glad to inform that Mr Ranjith of Ranjith & Co Solicitors has agreed to sponsor the Netball Tournament. We urgently require sponsors for the Football, Badminton and Children's Games, and request members' help in this matter.

Since a considerable number of our members represent schools located outside the Jaffna peninsula, a need has arisen to have our name changed to suit the geographical expansion of our membership. In this regard a proposal to change the association's name to "*Tamil Schools Sports Association (TSSA)*" was received and discussed at the Executive Committee, and the Committee unanimously supports the proposal for change.

We have also received requests to organise a Tennis Tournament and an Athletic Meet. These goals can only materialise if there are more volunteers who are prepared to work towards these projects.

Last but not least, I wish to thank you all who are present here today at the seventh Annual General Meeting and request your continued support in all our endeavours in the future.

Dr L Vasanthakumar

SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1997

It is my pleasure to present this report on the activities of JSSA (UK) for the year 1997.

1. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The members of the Executive Committee were elected to office at the last Annual General Meeting held on Sunday, 18th November 1996, at the Red Cross Centre, New Malden.

2. MEMBERSHIP

We welcomed Mallavi College, Nadeswara College, Nelliaddy Central College and Senguntha College into the Association during 1997, and we wish them good luck in all their participation. The total membership of the Association now stands at thirty.

3. FINANCE

The income and expenditure account, balance sheet, Auditor's Report and the Treasurer's Report are listed on pages 5-7.

4. FOOTBALL FESTIVAL

This event was held on Sunday, 27th April 1997, at the Morden Park Sports Centre, Hill Cross Avenue, Morden. The following OSAs emerged champions in each group:

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>NO OF TEAMS</u>	<u>WINNERS</u>
Adults	16	Kokuvil Hindu College
Under 16s	8	St Xaviers College
Under 12s	3	Mahajana College

5. CRICKET & NETBALL FESTIVAL

The Sixth Annual Cricket and Netball Festival was held on Monday, 25th August 1997, at Warren Farm Sports Centre. Again, a new group of Under 15s were introduced for the Cricket. In order to encourage our young children, a Science Exhibition and sports activities were introduced for the first time. Participation in these events were encouraging, and it is hoped that the interest in these extra events will grow steadily over the coming years. The raffle tickets were sold by all OSAs and the draw took place at the end of the festival.

The details of participation and the results of the Cricket and Netball Tournaments are as follows:

<u>CRICKET</u>	<u>NO OF TEAMS</u>	<u>WINNERS</u>
Adult	19	Jaffna Hindu College
Over 40s	12	Jaffna Hindu College
Under 15s	5	St Johns College Jaffna
<u>NETBALL</u>	12	Chundukuli Girls College

Although the day started very wet, it turned out to be pleasant later on and the turn out was very good. There were plenty of food stalls and everyone had a good time. The day ended with a fire works display which was enjoyed by all.

6. BADMINTON

In the past, this event was organised by Mr Umachandran, an old student of Skandavarothaya College. In 1997, for the first time, he organised the tournament very successfully, under the umbrella of JSSA (UK) on Sunday, 26th October. This event is likely to feature in a bigger scale in the future.

7. APPEAL

I would like to take this opportunity to lay a clear appeal to all our members to avail themselves to assist the Executive Committee during the various festivals. The success of this Association depends on full participation of all its members. That is, not just in presenting the teams, but also in organising the various events. Therefore, may I appeal to you to nominate at least two persons from each OSA to assist the Executive Committee.

8. APPRECIATION

On behalf of the Executive Committee, I acknowledge all our sponsors (as listed on page 8) and thank them sincerely for their support and encouragement. My special thanks go to the past members of the Executive Committee who have continued to assist us at all times. I would like to thank the members of the Executive Committee for their support and encouragement without which I would not have been able to perform my duties. Finally, I thank you, our members, for giving me the opportunity to serve the Association in this capacity.

S Thambipillai (Mrs)
Hon Secretary

**JAFFNA SCHOOLS SPORTS ASSOCIATION UK
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE SPORTING YEAR 1997**

	1997		1996	
	£	£	£	£
<u>Cricket and Netball</u>				
Income	11,788		9,614	
Expenses	<u>9,022</u>		<u>5,301</u>	
		2,766		4,313
<u>Football</u>				
Income	2,704		3,869	
Expenses	<u>1,789</u>		<u>2,449</u>	
		915		1,420
<u>Badminton</u>				
Income	767			
Expenses	<u>720</u>			
		47		
<u>Raffle</u>				
Income	1,046		1,773	
Expenses	<u>1,103</u>		<u>868</u>	
		(57)		905
<u>Other Income</u>				
Affiliation fee	775		625	
Interest received	<u>122</u>		<u>84</u>	
		877		709
<u>Other Expenses</u>				
Postage	150		146	
Meetings	<u>50</u>		<u>283</u>	
		(200)		(429)
Surplus of Income for the year	4,348		6,918	
Distribution to member	2,899		4,612	
Transferred to Accumulated Funds	<u>1,449</u>		<u>2,306</u>	

**JAFFNA SCHOOLS SPORTS ASSOCIATION UK
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 1997**

	1997		1996	
	£	£	£	£
<u>Current Assets</u>				
Debtors	4,820		3,714	
Prepayments	400		-	
Cash at bank	<u>11,620</u>		<u>9,776</u>	
		16,840		13,490
<u>Creditors</u>				
Distribution to Members	2,066		-	
Sundry Creditors	<u>-</u>		<u>165</u>	
		<u>2,066</u>		<u>165</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>14,774</u>		<u>13,325</u>
<u>Represented by:</u>				
Accumulated funds at the start of year		13,325		11,019
Excess of income for the year		<u>1,449</u>		<u>2,306</u>
Accumulated funds at the end of year		<u>14,774</u>		<u>13,325</u>

**AUDITORS REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF
JAFFNA SCHOOLS SPORTS ASSOCIATION UK
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1997**

We have prepared the accounts set out on pages 7-8 from the accounting records of the Association and explanations given to us by its Executive Officials, and confirm that they are in accordance thereto.

H SHAH & CO
Hon Auditors

89 Evelyn Avenue
London NW9

TREASURER'S REPORT

I am honoured to present my report to the association on its financial affairs during the sporting year of 1997.

This year we have evolved into wider range of activities. We introduced a Children's Exhibition at the Summer Sports Festival which has encouraged participation of our younger generation in the Association's events. For the first time we have held a Badminton Tournament under the auspicious of JSSA. These new ventures have added setting up costs in the manner of purchase of new trophies.

The Football Tournament was financially successful, but only marginally. The event was shifted to a new venue in Morden, and it has had its negative impacts. I must emphasise that all members should advise their players and supporters that the Association is fully run on a voluntary basis for the benefit of all and that total support is essential for its success.

The Summer Festival was threatened with total wash out in the morning. In spite of this we had managed to scrape through financially unaffected due to the generosity of our new sponsors and the backing from the three new commercial sponsors. I congratulate the President for his magic of obtaining these financial support.

We need to enhance the financial rewards of participation to our members, and this can only be possible with larger attendance and the backing of even more sponsors and commercial backers. I beg all the members to come forward and help in this matter.

With the tireless efforts of the officials, past and present, we have managed to endure extreme difficulties and continue to provide a healthy forum to our community to congregate and celebrate its sporting talents. The future growth is dependent upon official support, which I hope will come from local and central government sports funds.

Anandan S Arnold

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

SPONSORS

Western Jewellers
Dr Raj Chandran

COMMERCIAL SPONSORS

Sindhu Mahal Restaurant
Thamilini Restaurant
K C Land

SOUVENIR SPONSORS

CRICKET & NETBALL

KRS Enterprises
Rengan N Devarajan Solicitor
Siva Yogan & Co
M K Sri & Co
East London Computers UK Ltd
Palm Beach Restaurant
Katpakam Cash & Carry
Vetti & Co Solicitors
Sky Wings Travel
World Star Grocers
Ayngaran Enterprises
Soorii Solicitor

FOOTBALL

Mahesen & Co Solicitors
Param & Co Solicitors
Engine Tec Motors
JR Print
Mays Catering
TR TEC

FOUNDER MEMBERS

Dr J C Duraisingham
Mr P Ganeshalingam
Mr K Gengswaran
Mr S Mylevaganam
Mr S Pathmanathan
Mr D Paul

Mr P Rajasingham
Mr K Rajathevan
Mr N Srigengatharan
Mr S Srirajan
Mr A Thiruketheeswaran
Late Mr S D Balarajah

AFFILIATED MEMBERS

Batticaloa Shivananda Vidyalayam
Chithampara College
Hartley College
Hindu Ladies Jaffna
Holy Family Convent Ilavala
Holy Family Convent Jaffna
Jaffna Central College
Jaffna College
Jaffna Hindu College
Kokuvil Hindu College
Mahajana College
Mallavi College
Manipay Hindu College
Nadeswara College
Nelliyadi Central College
Ramanathan College
Senguntha College
Skandavarothaya College
St Henry's College
St John's & Chundukuli Girls College
St Michael's College
St Patrick's College
St Xavier's College
Stanley College
Trincomalee Hindu College
Union College
Urumpirai Hindu College
Vavuniya MMV
Vembadi Girls College
Victoria College
Wesley College