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Main Activities

The Special General Assembly to mark the 175th Anniversary of Royal College



“*The school which began with 20 students is now a centre of primary and secondary education for more than 8,000 students drawn from all districts of the country that makes Royal College a truly national school. It is also significant that its students are drawn from all communities and all faiths in the country and thereby is a good example of communal and religious harmony among its student population. Generations of Royalists, both young and old, have served our country bringing it pride and honour. They have all carried out their tasks as citizens in keeping with the memorable lines in their college anthem - We will learn of Books and Men, and Learn to play the Game.***”**

- His Excellency President Mahinda Rajapaksa



“*Royal College with its vision of producing well-rounded men has given importance on both academic and co-curricular activities to mould the character of a child. Further strengthening this venture, Royal College has seen many achievements that the school secured in the sporting arena. While many individual sports reached the top in the inter school sports field, many Royal sportsmen carried the flag of Sri Lanka to the world; In terms of education policy and teaching mechanisms, Royal College, in the recent past has adopted and observed many of the global trends that have emerged through extensive international studies.***”**

- Upali Gunasekera, Principal Royal College



A special assembly to mark the 175th Year Anniversary of Royal College was held on the Friday, 16th of July 2010 at the Royal College Sports Complex, with the distinguish patronage of His Excellency President Mahinda Rajapaksa. Also present at this celebratory occasion were Minister of Education, Hon. Bandula Gunawardane; Leader of the Opposition, Ranil Wickremesinghe; Secretary to His Excellency the President, Lalith Weerathunga and many other government and opposition Members of Parliament. The assembly was also graced by the Army Commander Lieutenant General Jagath Jayasuriya and Navy Commander, Vice Admiral Tisara Samarasinghe, both Royalists.









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175th Anniversary Stamp Issue

The Ministry of Posts & Telecommunication with the special assistance of the Postmaster General issued a special commemorative First Day Cover and Stamp for the 175th Year Anniversary of Royal College coinciding with the hi-profile Special General Assembly held on the 16th of July 2010. The 175th Anniversary stamp issue is a historical moment in Sri Lanka as it is the first time a stamp has been designed by school students. Also launched was Collector's Item Stamp Book, which contained all Stamps issued that had Royalists on the face of it. The First Issue of the Stamp was presented to His Excellency President Mahinda Rajapaksa.



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ROYAL COLLEGE

175TH ANNIVERSARY
STAMP ISSUE

SPECIAL STAMP COLLECTORS ITEM



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COLLECTORS ITEM BOOK
DOCKET
FIRST DAY COVER

FIRST DAY COVER WITH DOCKET



FIRST DAY COVER

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Of 175-years and Shakespearean tragedies

By Nizla Naizer (Pictures by Deshan Tennekoon and Shehal Joseph)

Old dramatists of Royal College take on Othello; and leave Colombo wanting more



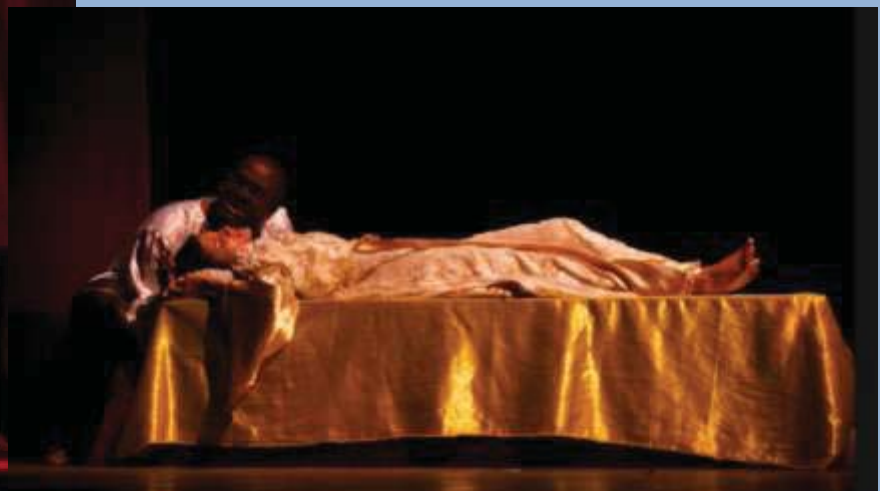
Shakespeare was never meant for the faint-hearted. As I sat there at the Lionel Wendt on the opening night of Othello, a production by the Old Royalists' Association of Dramatists and the Royal College Union, I went through the emotions of poignant sympathy, helpless despair, red anger, and bittersweet relief, all in the space of a few hours. The power of any work of art or drama is in its ability to leave you moved and disturbed at the end, and many who left the theatre that

night felt ruefully, how easy it was to ruin a life, and how easy it was to fall for a trap laid maliciously by the ones you love the most.

That, alas, was the fate of our protagonist Othello. The story of a virtuous Moor of Venice who was cleverly and assiduously manipulated by one he held near and dear; one, who using the very same love that uplifted Othello to a man admired by all, destroyed him as a man pitied by all. The story has always been a favorite among the Bard's many tragedies and seeing it enacted on stage by a cast of undeniably talented old Royalists as diverse as the characters they played, as a part of their school's illustrious 175th year celebrations, was a sure treat in a theatre-starved few months. This was evident in the 'house-full' board prominently displayed on all three nights. Clearly, Colombo was missing good renditions of Shakespeare's works, and all accolades to Royal for taking on the challenge and delivering it in style.



Shakespeare was never meant to be short. But within the space of a few hours, director Thushara Hettihamu had used clever editing and dramatic visuals to get his message across, and the entire story portrayed. Othello, played by Arjun





Wignarajah, was a man to be both admired and pitied. Perhaps if Othello had not been a Moor of Venice, and one who had to fight all his life to earn the respect he so richly deserved, his insecurities would never have got the best of him, and he would not believe the silk-tongued words of Iago (played to blood-chilling brilliance by Mohamed Adamaly) and it would not have led him to kill the one person he held most precious in his life, his wife Desdemona (played by a delightfully impervious Thanuja

Jayawardena). Yet, like that clairvoyant Shakespeare identified quite rightly, jealousy is a green-eyed monster that mocks the flesh it feeds upon. And as Iago pounced on the weaknesses of his friends and manipulated their fates, the righteous Othello fell, destroying other lives in the process.

The night started off with a promise of artistic visuals and minimal settings. With haunting music enhancing the moment, the curtains opened to Iago playing the manipulator, pulling on the invisible threads of his marionettes, Othello, Desdemona, and Othello's beloved friend and lieutenant Cassio (played by Sajith Amendra). Several moodlings in red satin cloaks and faceless silver masks add another haunting touch as they echo the moves of each victim of Iago's plan. The audience was then treated to the end-results of his action; Othello, sharing one final kiss with his bride as he battles with himself before he kills her. In spite of the proof that she had betrayed him with his friend Cassio, should he kill the one woman he loves, whom he promised to cherish and protect? But anguish at her betrayal sends him over the edge and in spite of Desdemona's heart-wrenching appeals, Othello smothers her with a pillow, in a bed covered with their wedding-night sheets.

Arjun is brilliant as a tormented husband, man, and lover. But then the audience is pulled back, to when it all started and the mischief began.

Iago and the besotted Rodrigo - who is in love with Desdemona - inform her father Brabantio (played convincingly by Suren Gnanaraj) in the middle of the night that his daughter is now married to the Moor. Rodrigo's (played by Laknath Gunatilleka) impetuosity and gullibility is evident from the start, and he too later falls as a pawn to Iago's nefarious plan. And in fact, it is Mohamed Adamaly's Iago who steals the show throughout the acts. He stands quiet and humble, next to Othello, as he is accused of stealing Brabantio's daughter in front of the senate, and he is always ready with helpful advice and friendly insights as Othello wins the senate and Desdemona's father over. But deep inside, he plots his revenge against the Moor, who has a glittering career as a general, and a beautiful wife who adores him, in spite of his origins.



Throughout the play Hettihamu keeps the props minimalist and simple, with clever background music to take you from the bustling docks of Cyprus, to the quiet intensity of a moment. He uses the lithe and graceful moodlings to cleverly emphasize a scene, such as the one where a treasured handkerchief which Othello gives Desdemona, is skillfully sent from the hands of Amelia (Iago's wife played by Shannon Misso) to the hands of Cassio in the space of a few expressive seconds.

A scene that lingered in my mind long after it ended was Iago and the dice. Through a simple game of rolling the dice, he feeds the happy Othello seeds of his downfall. With every shake of the dice in a wooden cup there is darkness, and then Iago spews more of his poison to an increasingly distressed Othello, and at the end of the scene, a once-confident general is a suspicious and heart-broken man.



While the audience watches, helpless, Cassio is portrayed as Desdemona's lover and Othello's wrath is a scary thing to behold. The hapless Rodrigo is also ensnared into Iago's plans but letters found in his body in the end redeems Desdemona and forces Iago's confession, much to the relief of those caught up in the play. But by then, the damage is done and Othello, who cannot bear his life once he realizes that his murdered wife was never unfaithful, takes his own life.



The female roles played by Thanuja, Shannon, and Ashini Fernando (who steals her scene as Cassio's light-o'-love Bianca) add a refreshing touch to the powerful male star-cast. And brief they maybe, appearances by 2003's original Othello Nanda Abeysekara as the

noble Lodovico and up-and-coming actors such as Feroze Ahamed as the just Montano, leave their presence on stage. The excellent backstage crew also ensured that the play proceeded smoothly without any embarrassing hitches. Kudos to Azim Rali, Milinda Tilekeratne and their entire production team. It was, in the end, a highly-satisfying night of good theatre. Congratulations to Royal, old boys and new, for keeping the tradition of drama alive 175 years on and here's wishing for many more well-thought-of and well-produced plays to come our way.



RCU Activities

Royal College Union – Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Royal College Union was held on the 17th of July 2010 at the Navaranghala. The following office bearers were elected for the year 2010/11

Secretary	Mr	Manju	Ariyaratne
Asst. Secretary	Mr	Chandhana	Aluthgama
Treasurer	Mr	N.A. Lalith	Cooray
Assistant Treasurer	Mr	Mahesh	Nanayakkara
Bulletin Editor	Mr	Ravi	Widyalankara
Recorder	Mr	M.L.	Fernando

Blue and Gold Dance

The annual Royal College Union 'Blue and Gold 2010' Dinner Dance will be held on the 15th of October 2010 at the Grand Ballroom of the Hilton Hotel. Tickets are priced at Rs.7000 and will be available at the RCU Office from 3rd week of September.

Royal Raffle – “A raffle like no other” Launches at Raja Bojun

As Royal College celebrates 175 proud years of existence, the Royal College Union which is the alumni of the College is celebrating this momentous occasion with a series of grand events. One of the most important and glamorous of these events is the Royal Raffle. The Royal Raffle – “raffle like no other” was successfully launched on 16th July 2010, coinciding with the Member’s Night at Raja Bojun. The Principal of Royal College Mr Upali Gunasekara launched the raffle by purchasing the first ticket, followed by many senior dignitaries.



With some scintillating prizes on offer including a Brand Suzuki Zen Estilo Car as the 1st Prize, there is no doubt that this event will be one of the most sought after events in the 175 year calendar. All proceeds of the draw will be in aid of constructing the Indoor Stadium.

All Royalists are encouraged to support this worthy cause by purchasing multiple raffle tickets. Further, anyone interested in joining the marketing team of the Raffle Committee may contact the following.

Sudheera : 0772-001876

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Floreat !!!!!

Raffle Committee 2010, Royal College Union

Royal College Union opens a Audio, Video, Print Studio

Spotlight falls on Royal enterprise and innovation



The Royalists have done it again in terms of innovation, with yet another ‘first’. The first ever Audio, Video and Print Studio at school level was declared open on July 16th 2010, at the Royal College Skills Centre.

The Studio named ‘RCU Studio’ consists of state-of-the-art facilities on par with the best in the industry. An Audio Studio consisting of a control room and auditorium, (usually referred to as a Sound Booth) can undertake voice recordings, instrument recordings, and will be open to commercial undertakings in the near future. The Video editing studio can undertake desk-top publishing. Print facilities are also available for both studios. The strategic location of the RCU Studio in the heart of Colombo will be a factor of convenience for those in need of the facilities on offer.

The Studio is the brain-child of the Royal College Union, and has an aura of sophistication with plush interior furnishings, and has been executed to precision planning. The concept and design of the studio was done by a professional in the film industry, Mr. Pravin Jayaratne, who with his team built the studio in just 60 days, which speaks volumes for the ingenuity, talent and passion of the team involved.

The Principal of Royal College, Mr. Upali Gunasekera, commended the efforts taken in giving the young Royalists yet another modern facility in which to learn and compete in a business world. The Secretary of the Royal College Union, Mr. Rizan Nazeer, was extremely enthused about the project from the outset, and commended the time-effective and cost effective efforts.

The RCU Studio was made possible by the generous contribution of Mr. Dhammika Gunasekera, and the Loyalty Pledge Management Committee, which has come forward during the 175th Anniversary year with sponsorships that champion enterprise and innovation. It is envisioned that the RCU Studio will train and equip young Royalists and champion budding talent from Sri Lanka at large to learn the ‘nitty-gritty’ of audio, video productions on a competitive multi-media platform.

By Sharlene De Chickera, Career Services Manager/LPMC

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Annual School Medical Inspection Programme

Fifty five students get spectacles free of charge



Royal College Doctors Association (RCDA) in collaboration with the School Medical Unit of the Ministry of Health successfully conducted the Annual School Medical Inspection Programme 2010 for the students of grade 1, 4 and 7.

Fifty five (55) students with visual defects needing visual correction were identified in this clinic. These students were examined by specialists with the help of the National Eye Hospital at the School Medical Unit Office. All these students were provided with spectacles free of charge.

Distribution of these spectacles was held on 4th of August 2010 at Nawarangahala with the participation of the Principal Mr. Upali Gunasekara, the Deputy Principal of middle school Mrs. Sumedha Jayaweera, President of the RCDA Dr. Ajith Tennakoon , Head of School Medical Unit Dr. Chintha Maheepala, staff of School Medical Unit, members of the RCDA, staff members of Royal College, parents and students.

The efforts put in by the RCDA for successful completion of the screening camp was very much appreciated by the Principal and Vice Principal in their speeches.



RCU Affiliate News

Wanted Old Royalist Ruggerites in US

The Royal College Old Boys Association of North America (RCOBANA) solicit talented old Royalist Rugby players to form two teams to take part in the Royal College Rugby Sevens tournament to be held in Los Angeles CA.

This invitation goes out to all Old Royalists in North America (East Coast and Canada included). The goal of RCOBANA is to field a top notch team of Talented Ruggerites (young, speed, power, fitness, skills and all the fine ingredients). The RCOBANA will have 2 teams and have room for the best and for the rest.

For details contact Imtinan Hussain on +1 408-832-4854 or email imtinanh@hotmail.com

Group of 89 donates Lecture Hall Chairs



The Group of 89' under the president ship of Dr. Ruwan AbeySirigunawardana donated 150 Lecture Hall chairs to the College's Interactive White Board Lecture Hall. A small ceremony attended by the Principal and RCU Secretary was held to mark the official handover of the chairs.

Triangular Baseball Tournament

The RCU Baseball Advisory Committee together with the college Baseball team has organized a triangular Baseball Tournament to celebrate 25 years of Baseball at Royal College. The tournament which will be held on the 17th and 18th of September 2010 will feature three of the oldest Baseball playing schools in Sri Lanka, namely Royal College, Richmond College Galle and Kingswood College Kandy. Matches will be played for both Under 16 and Under 19 Age Groups.



Upcoming Events

Triangular Baseball Tournament

17th & 18th September 2010 – College Main Grounds

Royal Cricket Carnival

18th September 2010 - Bloomfield Grounds

Invitations School Relay Carnival

9th October 2010 - Royal College Main Grounds

Blue and Gold 2010 – Dinner Dance

15th October 2010 – Grand Ballroom, Hilton Hotel

Royalists on Stage

27th November 2010 - Navarangahala

Royal Raffle

20th December 2010 - Navarangahala

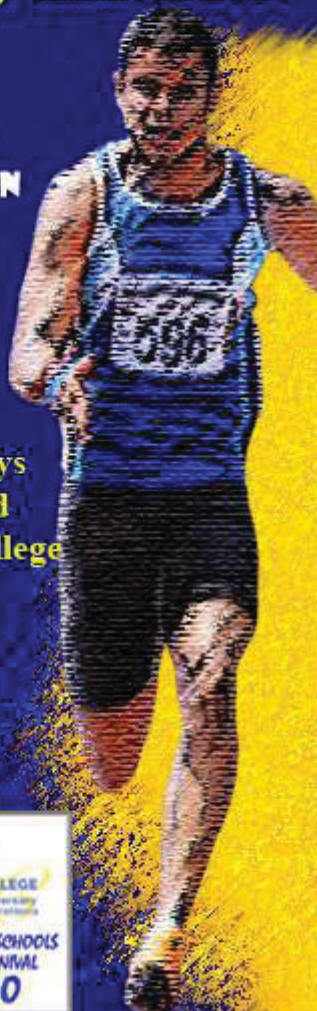
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Royal College Union Proudly Presents... Invitation Schools Relay Carnival 2010

DATE : 9TH OCTOBER 2010

**VENUE : ROYAL COLLEGE MAIN
GROUNDS**

TIME : 11AM ONWARDS



Invitee schools will include boys and girls schools that have had historical links with Royal College throughout the years.



Royal College Cricket Carnival 2010

**18th September
Bloomfield Grounds
11.00 a.m. onwards**

Royal College Groups of '87 & 2001 Jointly Presents



**Inter Batch Day & Night
Six-A-Side Tournament**

**L.D.H. Peiris
Memorial Trophy
Open Tournament**

**Viji Weerasinghe
Memorial Trophy
Over 40 Tournament**

• Live Music • Food Stalls • Beer Garden • Kiddies Play Area
• Prizes & Surprises and loads of fun for the whole family



College Sports and Other Activities

Visit www.inforoyal.com for more information on College Activities

Annual University of Moratuwa Scull and Pair Regatta

The above regatta was held on the 10th and 11th of July 2010 at the Bolgoda lake. The Distance Rowed was 2000 meters(2km) The Royal College Rowing club became overall winners of the under 13 and under 19 categories and the The names of the Royal college Oarsman who won their events are given below

Under 13

Sculls (1X)

Kaveen Rajapakse - SILVER MEDAL
Amr Sideek - BRONZE MEDAL.

Double scull (2X)

Kaveen Rajapakse & Amr Sideek - GOLD MEDAL

Under 16

Double scull (2X)

Keshan Ranasinghe & Dulaj Rajaguru - BRONZE MEDAL

Pair

Ishan Perera & Mewan Jayatilake - SILVER MEDAL

Under 19

Sculls (1X)

Shehan Muthugala - GOLD MEDAL

Double scull (2X)

Shehan Muthugala & Pradeep Maddumabandara - GOLD MEDAL

Pair (2 -)

Radika Weerasekera & Pradeep Maddumabandara - SILVER MEDAL

Under 23

Double scull (2X)

Sanjiva Jayasuriya & Sahan Warnasuriya - BRONZE MEDAL

Open

Double scull (2 X)

Chirath Karunanayake & Jehan Samarasekera - SILVER MEDAL

Pair (2-)

Sanjiva Jayasuriya & Sahan Warnasuriya - SILVER MEDAL

The Team is presently being coached by Mr.Asiri Aghayarathna.

Communication and Youth Leadership Programme

A group of pre 'O' level students participated in a 10 week programme to develop their communication and leadership skills. This programme was conducted by Toastmasters, and partly funded by Royal College UNESCO Club.

The principal Mr Upali Gunasekera is very keen to improve student capabilities in these fields. He had contacted Toastmaster Mrs Ajitha Goonewardene and requested her to conduct this programme. With the assistance of a few old Royalist Toastmasters, Sudheera Seneratne, Nuwan Gamage, Ravi Ratnapala, Thejaka Perera and a few non Royalists the programme was conducted successfully.

The students learnt many aspects of Effective Communication and Leadership. Every session was a hands on experience for them. The value of the programme was seen at the awards ceremony which was conducted entirely by the participants. Those present were pleasantly surprised at their performance, in Communication and Leadership.



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