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#### **EDITORIAL**

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Apart from that, we have photos and articles about VisionUVCE SAMMILANA - where alumni passed out from 53,54,56,57 batches had come down along with many other seniors from 60s and 70s to interact with current students and recently passed alumni. You can read what they had to say about the event and even check the glimpses from the event. Shortly, we will upload the videos and more photos too. Special thanks to ISE2009 batch for co-sponsoring the event.

There are 2 other major updates from Team VisionUVCE -

We have made progress in improving the lab infrastructure. The first step was made in CSE department, where Microprocessors Labs was equipped with kits worth Rs.23,000/- . We are in process of taking up improvement in one more lab belonging to ECE Department shortly.

We are also glad that the current Final Year students have come forward to take up an initiative for the college improvement in terms of infrastructure at a smaller scale. VisionUVCE is committing to match the funds raised by the students and providing all the support to their initiatives. We request the alumni to come forward either individually or in group to join hands. We will be announcing more details shortly.

-TEAM SAMPADA

## SAMMILANA '15—A GLIMPSE















### ALUMNI SAYS—SAMMILANA

At the very outset, I would like to congratulate everyone on the Team of VisionUVCE for this opportunity offered for some of us old timers of UVCE to meet all the students and interact. I take this opportunity to record my appreciation of the kind of pro-active work that they have been pursuing for the benefit of the current students. It is indeed very creditable. But I feel that if the different ex-student bodies presently being run by different set of people can come together with a common programme for the benefit of the student community, a lot more can be achieved in the field.

I am sure that there are many veterans who being unable (for various reasons) to do anything on their own would be looking forward to some meaningfully working agencies. With adequate information being made available, they can certainly come forth with their individual help by way of finances or in any other manner to help the cause. Wishing all a bright future!

#### - A Abhaya Kumar ( AVM Retd), 1954 EEE

Firstly, I must thank the organizing team and all other Alumini for taking pains to invite us old folks for that touching meeting which brought back the old memories of our Alma Mater. I was very moved when I entered the college premises. Thanks a lot, all of you, for taking us back to our student days. The occasion definitely was an opportunity to re-live some wonderful moments of my college days with you youngsters.

I appreciate the gesture. Sadly, during our time there were no girl students in Engineering colleges. It was very encouraging to see so many brilliant young girl students making a mark in our college today.

#### - Brigadier C N S Murthy, 1957 Civil

I thank everyone on the Team VisionUVCE for arranging Sammilana '15 for the Alumni of UVCE. It was a wonderful opportunity to meet the old timers and the present ones together at the place we studied, UVCE. I enjoyed the visit to the campus. Keep up the good work!

#### - Dr. K S Anandaram, 1964 Mechanical

Sammilana was a great effort! I would say, keep up the motivation and keep motivating others. I am pretty sure that with such meet ups happening it will lead to the upbringing of a class of new Alumni who would join hands and make the effort to develop college an even greater success and keep the flow with much more intensity. All UVCEians should stay focused and be proud. I feel embrassed that I had not contributed much all these while but I will surely try to make up for this in the coming days. Cheers to your Vision!

- Sharath Aithal, 2007 ISE

# DID YOU KNOW?

In 1919, late Professor S Ramaswamy put up proposals for separating the sports activities. The Government was induced to allot a portion of grounds in the Cubbon park, east of the road in front of Sir K Seshadri Iyer's statue.

Later, at the time when Sir Mirza M Ismail was the Diwan, he allotted the students of the college to play in the Sampige Tank bed. But, after the end of the War, the then Government ordered the construction of the stadium. The masonry structure was pulled out and the college was unceremoniously forced out and no time or notice was given to collect the things belonging to the college. They were dumped and the cup of sorrow of the sportsmen of the college was full.

## CAMPUS SAYS—SAMMILANA

Being a part of Sammilana '15 as a volunteer was one of the great experiences I have had. Meeting Alumni from 1953, 54,57, 60s and 70s batch was exciting and amazing. Sharing their experiences with us about how UVCE was at their time left us mesmerized. It was a great honor to meet all these personalities who are really in esteemed positions in our society and this inspired me a lot and gave me a proud feeling for being an UVCEian. I am thankful to our alumnus A G Satish Sir for giving me this opportunity to be a part of this interactive meet.



#### -Merill Shwetha. 2nd Sem ISE



Sammilana, an alumni-student interaction session, was successfully conducted for the second consecutive year on 25th of April,2015. The discussions were spread over a wide range of topics; from doing something for college to "who is the oldest alumnus here". It also included one of the alumni expressing his shock that there were more number of girl students now than when in his batch. He explained the importance of educating girls for the society.

Some Alumni also felt the strong need to use the social media to connect the large network of UVCE alumni and to have a single platform to discuss the issues happening in college and their solutions.

The Alumni felt young seeing the students and the students felt inspired seeing the alumni. While they promised to help the college in whatever way they can, for the students, alumni coming back to college after so many years itself was very picturesque. Each and every student including myself had a great time networking with the Alumni, getting tips about careers to joking about the funny things of UVCE. Everyone present at the meet irrespective of their age were young at and excited at heart. To sum it all, it was a great experience that cannot be expressed in words.

-Swaroop E, 8th Sem ISE

Sammilana '15.! With a profound idea of what really is was , was great enough for me to volunteer for it.. All what I realized through my volunteering was that I am part of the same prestigious institute from where all the successful alumni I met that day graduated. It made me question myself about the thoughts I used to have earlier, 'Is UVCE all name and lost its glory today?' Maybe not! Cause we are here to make it even more beautiful and amazing, a realization that definitely dawned on me at this amazing meet. It was an inspiration to do my bit of hardwork towards the college!



- Ragini Kumari, 2nd Sem ISE

## ALUMNI ASSOCIATION GENERAL BODY MEETING

51st Annual General Body Meeting of Alumni Association was held on 7th April, Tuesday at 3:30 PM at Silver Jubilee Building (Alumni Association Building). I attended the meeting along with other very senior members. Perhaps, I was the only one to represent the alumni after 90s till present batch. There were senior alumni from 50s, 60s, 70s and 80s. This General Body meeting was being conducted after 10 years, and the Proceedings from 50th General Meeting (conducted on 2004) were confirmed by the members. Report of the Working Association was presented to the audience. Budget for 2015-16 was proposed (approx  $\sim$  10 Lakhs) by the Vice President. Here is the list of the office bearers who were present on the dias- Vasudeva Murthy - President; Venugopal B K - Vice President; Dr Rangaraj B S - Hon Secretary; Siddalinga-kumar G S - Hon Treasurer

Couple of serious queries were raised by the senior alumni - about the working committee, elections, finance, addition of new members, revised membership fees etc. The President ruled many of the proposals and assured to keep everyone updated about the proceedings of the Association. The official website was inaugurated by one alumni from 1957 Batch, who was the senior-most amongst present on that day. Here is the link to it - <a href="mailto:aauvce.org">aauvce.org</a>.

We will keep you posted on further happenings at Alumni Association, if we come to know of any.

Satish A G (VisionUVCE Team)

# SUSTAINING SPORTS IN UVCE - A CHALLENGE?

What is the ultimate high for any sportsman? In my opinion, it is being able to perform their best to a packed stadium!!! Would Chris Gayle's power hitting be a sensation if there was no crowd to egg him on? Would Stephen Kiprotich be able to finish a grueling marathon without fans to encourage and push him that extra mile? Would John Cena be so loved worldwide if there was no crowd to please? The obvious answer is NO!

In my 4 years at UVCE, I have never heard a single cheer for our Football Team, in fact I wonder if anybody is even aware of its existence. It might be a bit harsh to say this, but it is also probably true! In the past 3 years, we have played close to 100 tournaments at different colleges. At every tournament, the audacious support given to the home team would be both awe inspiring as well as terrifying at the same timeon one hand the opponent teams would be crumbled by just the sheer amount of support for the home team, on the other hand every "Oooh", "Aah" & "Goooal" for the home team could bring goosebumps to any sportsman.

So, the question is... what is the problem in the scenario? Firstly, we do not have our own ground. UVCE is a 98 year old college, with its own legacy and history. It has produced innumerable engineers as well as talented sportsmen & sportswomen- Lakshmi N (World Women Fencing Championship), Varun Shetty (Lawn Tennis), Tejasvini V (Swimming), C R Ravikiran (Baseball) to name a few! It really is a surprise and disappointment then that we do not have our own ground, the nearest being located 1.5 kms away thus making it difficult for students of UVCE to shower their support even if they want to.



Second, sports in itself is not promoted widely at UVCE! We pay an amount of Rs. 500 every year as a sports fee, then how is it that we do not have even one piece of sports equipment stocked in our sports room? For 3 consecutive years we designed and purchased our own football jerseys, participated in tournaments at our own cost, we even spent from our pockets to run ESPORTIVO!!!

Lastly, there is no support system in place to sustain interest in a certain sport over a long stretch of time. There are no intra college tournaments, there is no sports club that uniformly caters to the interest of students, and no emphasis is put on conducting & sustaining these events.

The Bangalore University and UVCE administration surely can do something about the ground, I believe. But then, the second and third arguments are largely dependent on the students of UVCE. From IEEE to Placement Office, from Inspiron to MILAGRO, everything is run by students and sustained on the interest of students! It is high time then for students to form a student body and to uplift the state of sports at UVCE. Hopefully, in a not so far away future, UVCE sports teams would be courting hundreds of viewers-all students of UVCE, cheering them and intimidating opponents, in their very own ground!

"Start by doing what's necessary; Then do what's possible; and Suddenly you are doing the impossible!"

- Abhishek Chakma, 8th Sem ECE

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

He had a total of 55 wickets in his First Class Bowling career in around 24 matches that he played, which is quite phenomenal achievement.

We will try to find more details about him and other such sports persons from UVCE in coming editions.

## IMPETUS - RECONNECT. BUILD. AUTOMATE.

IMPETUS 15.0 kick started a month before the actual day of the fest. The theme for this year was the trending topic 'Internet of Things', more commonly referred to as IoT. There were a series of workshops and talks which were being held almost every week, specifically on IoT. This helped the students gain a better insight into the subject which otherwise is less known amongst the student community.

On 10th April 2015, the first day of IMPETUS 15.0, Dr. Anil Gupta, CEO, SmartBuildings was invited as the Chief guest and Ravikiran Annaswamy, Chairman, IEEE Bangalore Section was the Guest of honor.



Dr. Anil Gupta talked not just about IoT but the various life experiences he has had till now. It was a great inspiration for students to consider several career options on IoT and other fields as well. Students should consider building a product as their career option as it helps them to learn and grow as a professional. He spoke about the hardware and the software aspects of IoT. Hardware components seem to be easily available these days. With the great growth of technology in this field, tech giants are dominating this field. As per software, there is always a new program or algorithm changing the usual things. It is im-

portant to give attention to both these fields. He also mentioned about the differences between start-ups and corporate companies and the opportunities available in both these entities. He answered few questions from the audience regarding Standards in IoT and his current ventures through his company, Smart-Buildings.

Ravikiran Annaswamy is easily recognized by UVCE for the fact of him being the Alumnus of UVCE. He walked the crowd through the contributions of IEEE towards IoT. People at IEEE are constantly trying to improve the concept and implementation of SmartBuildings. And talking about Standards, IEEE is putting a continuous effort to standardize the newly emerging field of IoT. IEEE Standards in Wifi, Bluetooth etc. are already widely known in the world. IEEE Bangalore Section has been a major contributor to this since a long time and continues to do so.

A contrast of events followed for the crowd to participate as well as witness. One of them was XCode, which tested the programming skills of the students. It witnessed a huge participation mainly because the difficulty level of the questions was moderate and everyone could take back a new learning experience at the end. The first round was to debug code and write short programs, followed by a coding challenge on the Hackerearth platform. Technotwist was a literary event modeled technically. It had three rounds namely video synthesis, SpellBee and Just-A-Minute. All the three rounds had a hint of technical side to it.

On day two, there was a keynote speech by Mr. Arvind Tiwary who is an IoT evangelist. With around twenty plus years of multi disciplinary experience in Financial Services and Information Technology, his speech was more than helpful for students to consider IoT as a career option. He mentioned different projects that could be taken up in college and offered his help as well. This was followed by a panel discussion and three more experts of the industry were called to join in that is, Dileep Parchuri, presently working as the Project Manager at Intel Technologies. Serve at Markhidei. Extraorers with Parish are at CSE Indian



ogies, Sameet Mudbidri, Entrepreneur in Residence at GSF India, Saurav Panda, Founder and CEO of Absimpl Internet Systems. The discussion was mostly regarding the scope as well as the challenges involved in IoT and gave a brief insight into their field of expertise. The same panelists were the judges for the student parliament called Summit, organized by ECell UVCE. Summit witnessed a healthy participation from not just UVCE but other colleges like PESU, BMSCE, and SKSJTI etc. as well. Students had to come up with innovative solutions on how to make a city better and build a SmartCity using IoT.

Electrosurge was an event on puzzles and technical knowledge. The final round was circuit designing based on simulation. Students were acquainted to the simulation tool via a seminar a week prior to the event. The manual robotics event, Bauen, looked for the best robots that could clear tasks like climb ascending slopes, pick up objects, traverse along twists and turns and find a course through breaks in the path. To

explain how robots are built, a hands-on workshop was carried out in advance.

There were few other technical events like Dawn of the Smart Age, where participants had to build a futuristic smart city by solving challenging problems, and XOps, which tested students' knowledge over a wide variety of field, be it technical or general.

Game of Drones was one of the unique and spectacular events of this year's IMPETUS. It was a competition among Quadcopters where the drone had to complete a specified task.

The problem statement was to burst three balloons at different heights, adding an additional piercing mechanism to the Quadcopters. It was a feast to the audience's eyes.

The Quadcopters were built by the students itself through a workshop on Micro-Quadcopters, which was organized as a curtain raiser prior to the fest. This workshop was organized by Avian Aerospace who have a reputation for conducting workshops on all sorts of unmanned vehicles. It covered all the basic concepts involved in building a Quadcopter and witnessed a good participation from both UVCE and other colleges.

An IBM Project Demo Stall was arranged at the fest where representatives from IBM's Bluemix Team came and demonstrated their product Bluemix that is related to IoT. IBM Bluemix is the latest cloud offering from IBM which enables organizations and developers to quickly and easily create, deploy and manage applications on the cloud. They started with a brief description on the new open source software. A demonstration on trending microcontroller devices like Raspberry pie was also presented.

Other events like Mock Placement, General Quiz, Auto Quiz & SHERLOCK were also conducted which saw huge turnouts with people grabbing their share of fun whilst they worked their way on technical learning. Together with the support of the energetic volunteers, IMPETUS 2015 saw efficiency & enthusiasm in all its aspects. The echoes and tempo of the fest was maintained with the well planned events and pit-stops.







IMPETUS 15.0! I am glad that I was part of it. Best of all was being an ORGANIZER. As an organizer I learned time management, coordinating different tasks in the stipulated time. Had an amazing team for my event-'Dawn of Smart Age', TEAM DOSA! Learned to interact with people more efficiently which boosted my confidence. And above all, rate of friends requests on facebook increased suddenly! THANKS IMPETUS 15.0 for all!



## **CAMPUS SAYS - ASPIRING UVCEIANS AT SPORTS**

Sports has always fascinated me every time I experience it.

Have you ever seen anyone playing a sport with no excitement in him? Well, you hardly could. I would love to share an experience of mine back in the days when I represented my school in district level football. Football is one such sport which I watched, admired and experienced it. My position was the guardian of the goal (Goalkeeper). There was this match where our team faced one of our rivals and the match was to be decided on penalties. Penalties are instances where goalkeepers fancy their chances to become heroes. This was the time when I had to win it for the team. And with two crucial saves I did the "hero" part of the game. And we did go on to win the match! This for me was the best experience I had with the beautiful game. And I'm more than glad to having shared this experience with a few people.



-Nikhilesh Gowda, 6th Sem CSE

Cricket is one of the most popular and exciting outdoor sports. Some of us get the opportunity to play cricket for our college, but there are millions who enjoy seeing it being played. It gives us moments of leisure and pleasure and fills us with a competitive spirit. Cricket is a gentleman's game. It is very popular and enjoyed all over the world. This noble game is full of excitement, thrill, discipline, team- spirit, cooperation and hard work.



UVCE Cricket Club, the team for which I play is a team registered under KSCA and we play 5<sup>th</sup> division club matches. Competing with professional level club in it gives the pride to be in UVCE cricket team. We also play BU tournament as UVCE is a college under BU, but in this we are the only engineering college out of 40+ teams participating. Competing with these teams isn't easy either, but we proved to be one among the best in BU tournament by reaching the finals. Defeating all teams that came our way. The most exciting match was quarter finals against Kristu Jayanti in which the match ended in a draw, and it moved on to a super over to decide the winner. The target was 11runs in super over. Vijay- our opener hit hat trick boundaries to win the match. The semis weren't easy too. The

match carried to the last over where we restricted the opponent to win the match by 5runs. It was time for finals where we faced players from KSCA who played for presidency, surana and st. Josephs. It was rather a lesson for us then a game, cuz we got to know our weakness and could work upon it. Recently we also launched our own sports fest ESPORTIVO, in which we invited engineering colleges across Bangalore. I thank UVCE to give us such an opportunity to play in division level and other leagues. Every match is always a great experience, and pleasure to play for UVCE.

It's not a team, it's a family. It's the greatest home-away-from-home anyone could ever have. I'm fortunate to have joined an institution which gave me so much; I certainly wouldn't get from any other.

-Shubham, 6th Sem CSE

A Journey with the College Cricket Team- It was wonderful experience playing with the new people part of the team, especially the seniors, who used to guide me in the sport, and were very supportive.

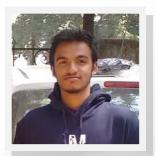
Over the time, these teammates turned to be friends who not just helped each other in training of the sport but outside that as well like in academics. Since all of us belonged to the same college, we retained a good co-ordination amongst us. But due to the poor facilities available in college towards sports, we had to practice without a professional guide or coach. After playing for around 2 years as part of the cricket team, I feel that there are many people who are passionate about playing cricket and have the talent in them but lack guidance in our college. Our team was not given any kind of support from the college which is a big drawback. Our College Cricket Team works for the college because of their own interest and passion towards cricket. With an experience of all these I think that if our college shows more



concern, encouragement and responsibility towards sports for the students, our UVCEians are bound to achieve excellence. Hope the students will continue to keep the fierce passion and love they have towards sports and bring laurels to UVCE.

- B N Shiva Prasad, 6th Sem Mech

It all started with my first win during the Fiesta chess competition when I was in my first semester. Competing with talented players and tough competition gave me the motivation to work harder. In a year, I was blessed with the opportunity to represent UVCE at the university level where me and my team secured the second place out of 108 teams who participated. I was proud to be one amongst a couple of players representing the university at the national level later. UVCE has given me this great chance of becoming the chess enthusiast I am today, and I would like my juniors to win more awards. More support to the sports field, chess tutoring, provision of books or softwares to learn can help a great deal in keeping our college's legacy in chess alive.



#### -Tanmay B, 8th Sem Mech

My friends always keep asking me 'What is the importance of sports in your life? How do you manage it with Studies along with your achievements?' To be frank it's really hard to go hand in hand in both studies and sports. Because it's very hard to manage it. Where I have to dedicate more time for my swim-



ming than I can do for studies. I hardly get any time to study but I have pretty much got used to managing it now although its still hard at times. I study when I get time after my practice or I get up early or make use of the weekends. I joined swimming at the age of 5. When I was in my 12th, I competed in the World Championship 2012 held at Perth(Australia). I have won many laurels for my state and country in both swimming and water polo.

It's really a very good feeling to be in the field of sports. The adrenaline rush, the tingling excitement you get when being part of sports are to-die for feelings. It's really an awesome feeling to enjoy the glorious moment of winning. Only a few get to be part of this prestigious moment and I have been lucky to be part of it

thanks to my Parents for their unending Support. Only because of them I could get so many medals in Nationals and could represent my Country. I am also very thankful to my coach who trains me day and night and who is responsible for me to stand in this position today.

#### - Aishwarya K Murthy, 2nd Sem ISE

I have been very interested & passionate about cricket since my childhood days. So I always dreamt of playing cricket for the state or national level. I started playing leather ball cricket in school. I joined a cricket club by the name "YOUNG STARS CRICKET CLUB". As soon as I started, I turned out to become a good batsman and I was well recognized within the club. This gave me an opportunity to play for K.S.C.A fifth division level in Bangalore zone. This made me feel so special about myself. Later I met Mr.Vivek Sharma, one of the bowling coach who trained me very well in bowling department and within a short time I became a consistent bowler as well. After 2008, I participated as an All-rounder in Bangalore zone under-13 selections & I achieved a small milestone of going till the zonals just before the state team.

After this small milestone, I got a chance to play for the Bangalore zone, fourth division level for the team by name "SOUTHERN CRICKETERS". And since then I have been playing for this team till now. I have consistently performing well every year & many a times when I have performed well my statistics

have appeared in the news papers. Because of my consistent performance as an all-rounder in the team, I got a chance to play for K.S.C.A first division level for the team by name "SAGAR SPORTS ACADEMY,SAGAR" in Shimoga zone just before the Ranaji level. As soon as I got this chance I gave some normal performances & I couldn't make it as much successful because that was my first higher level matches which made it tough to play & execute. But I learnt a lot from failures, I understood the conditions well and I prepared well for later matches. In the year 2013, I participated as an All-rounder under K.S.C.A Under-19 selections in Shimoga zone and again went till the zonals but failed to get selected for Karnataka U-19 State team.



Recently I played for our U.V.C.E Cricket team & our team participated in Bangalore University Inter-collegiate cricket tournament which consists of 84teams. I feel very proud to say that our team went up to be one of the top 4 finalists among the 84 teams. Now it has brought a great fame to U.V.C.E Cricket team around the Bangalore zone. Currently under K.S.C.A, I'm playing for two teams in two zones. I'm working hard every day in the nets & I will try until I get success. I hope for my best performance in the upcoming division matches & I wish to play for higher level like Karnataka Ranaji team or any KPL team and definitely a dream to play for Indian team or any IPL team.

## A LASTING SOJOURN

The moment I got in to this college in August 2011, the first thing I looked out for was a playground. Sounds strange for an engineering aspirant to go looking around for a playground on his first day in college wherein his other batch mates would be making friends or checking out labs and stuff.

To be honest, the footballing bug in my body never left me even as I grew up. I just wanted to somehow get into the college team. I was scared of not being able to play as I had heard stories from friends who were in other VTU colleges about how juniors or 1<sup>st</sup> years never made it to college teams. I still yearned to get in to the team. Luckily I found few football fanatics in my class and together we went on about searching and dying to know if a team existed. We finally met the captain who told us that we would have trials and told us that we shouldn't really be worried.

It all started out with a bunch of 18 year old fools & their passion for the game. We started out making a class team and then were jumping out of joy when our college football team captain spotted us in the intra college tournament & called us to play for college.

I still remember my first tournament at St.Francis De Sales, on a cold December afternoon, the day it all started for me and my bunch of football fanatics. We were pretty amused and happy just to be in the team. Our seniors were great players and have carved out a niche for themselves with their consistently brilliant performances and we knew we were under a big burden of pressure, at least



among the college football crowd to replicate their success. We started playing a lot of 5 a side tournaments and went for the 11 a side ones only when our seniors called us. It was towards the end of the first year that we, the first year boys, who had made it to the team, got our first college colors (or jerseys as u may call it). From then on we have made it our job to play for the honor of the name in front of our jerseys. We couldn't be happier or proud on that day, maybe just a tad bit sad that we have to pay for our jerseys when our friends in other colleges would have got it for free from their college.

A year passed by and most of the college team members had passed out and we were left stranded without any one to guide us. It was in the early half of my second year that we almost won the tournament at MCC but unfortunately had to forfeit the semifinals due to uncertain reasons. We also just managed to lose out by some points into the semifinals of the XLR8 tournament, the same year. Our seniors were passing out of college and they passed on the mantel to us. I started leading the team from then on along with my friends Meljin Paul and Akbar Ali. Well the only thing I remember doing that year was moving from one tournament venue to another and nothing else. It is during this time that the team expanded and my other batchmates and our juniors made it to the team. The team was definitely growing. We wanted to get good results and started doing what all good teams do- PRACTICE. We trained hard and kept moving against all odds. The team was set alright but now we didn't know how to convince the college on sending us to tournaments without our seniors. That is when I had to interact with our Physical Education Director, Dr. Lokesh Reddy and had to gain his trust on letting us go forward with attending tournaments. Trust me, it was a pain. But, the team, was ready to go through any amount of pain or sacrifice just to get an opportunity to play in "foreign" atmospheres. The players were ready to shell out money from their pockets to pay the entry fees for the tournaments. Their passion rekindled the dying spark in me. We started playing in as many tournaments as we could. The results were not in our favor, being the inexperienced and naïve bunch of guys that we were. The players were all sad and hurt and I could feel it. But as they say

#### "To embark on the journey towards your goals and Dreams requires bravery, to remain on that path requires Courage and the bridge that merges the two is commitment!"

That is exactly what we did as we stepped into the third year of college football ,oh sorry college .we were brave and courageous enough to take the defeats ,but our commitment wasn't anywhere close to what a champion team should or would have. And that was when we decided to step it up and push ourselves harder. The first tournament that season (season in footballing terms refers to a year of tournaments) was the Bangalore University tournament and we worked our asses off. The tournament was being held at Acharya college , Soldevanahalli. The best part about this tournament was the train trip to get to that place. We did have a good tournament but thanks to some messed up luck, we didn't make it pass the pre quarters. From then on there was no looking back. We took part in numerous tournaments at Christ College, St Joseph's, PESSE and others. The second half of the season was when we decided to host our own sports fest, a first of its kind in UVCE.

The fest was named "ESPORTIVO" and we conducted it in the grandest possible way we could. It was a real life lesson about management skills and patience. It wasn't a really good tournament in terms of how our game went about. Months passed by and when I was just sulking about how I d never be able to play football as I had entered into my final year ,I was pleasantly surprised when I got to know that I would probably get to play some more games this year as well. We started off with the university tournament, which was disastrous, then moved on to play at St.John's medical college and BMSCE where we encountered similar results despite brilliant team and individual perfor-



mances. Then came MOMENTUM 2015, RVCE's football tournament. We went there with a loads of pressure from our P.Ed and college folk. And I would not hesitate to say that we delivered, and delivered like champs, like a champion team!! We lost in the quarter finals to the home team, it would be appropriate to say that we lost to their mighty home support. I was shocked to see the love their team received. They were like warriors there. That is for the first time I realized that this could probably be one of the reasons we were not able to give our best, lack of support! But that day ,that rainy October evening was the day UVCE football announced its entry into the league ,the league which only the big teams could be a part of. We won what we deserved the most, what any footballer should play for...we won hearts!!

After that we had another memorable tournament at Battrahalli conducted by St.Lourdes Fc. We smashed through 4 teams including the home team to reach the semi finals! We unfortunately coudnt make it further.

We went on to conduct the second edition of Esportivo and again made it to the semi finals of this tournament. I was sad that we couldn't lift our own trophy, but was even sadder that I could never take in that love from the crowd...we never had the crowd that an RVCE or a Josephs team did have. We, as in most of the final years, played our last game at DSCE on the 25th of April this year. It ended on a gloomy note.

This journey has been an extraordinary one... It has been more of a love story between the kid and the ball... I would like to quote some of my teammates here- "I wouldn't miss anything more than those moments on and off the pitch, fighting for your teammate and knowing that they always had your back, the endless trips to tournaments, the bus rides back home trying to hide our disappointments and tears by poking fun at each other, analysis sessions over texts ,ESPORTIVO...the list never really ends!!..."

Though we have no trophies to speak about now, or huge cups or accolades to show off, no certificates to flaunt about, we are not ashamed to say that we played football for the college, this mighty institution whose walls have stories to tell and gates have seen thousands of geniuses pass through every day. We are proud at the end of four years to have been a part of the College Team, to have led the team to some glorious victories and some challenges and well fought losses. Never have we lost pathetically, never have we put our college's name down. We always played with the love for the crest on the hearts of our jersey. We played for the love of the game!!

#### - Siddarth Gokul, 8th Sem Mech





### **VU CHAMPS**

We were announcing few students as VU Champs regularly for every quarter. This was a recognition we felt necessary to encourage students to volunteer and work towards the betterment of the college which is helping them to build their life. In turn, they would also get benefitted by improving their soft-skills and over all personality development.

"VU Champs" - as you might have observed was not announced in the previous couple of quarters due to various reasons. We were alerted about this by few current students and alumni. We thank them for that and understand its importance better. We promise that we will not let it happen again.

For now, we are here with a list of VU Champs for the Quarter - 1 of 2015 whom we believe are working on their own interest to make UVCE a better place.



Suhas Chethan, 2nd Sem ECE



Ragini Kumari, 2nd Sem ISE



Yashaswi Nayak, 6th Sem ISE



Vishal Bhatta, 4th Sem ECE



Meril Shwetha, 2nd Sem ISE



Mounica P, 4th Sem ISE



Abhishek Chakma, 8th Sem ECE



Nishanth H 6th Sem Civil



Bharath Kumar H, 8th Sem CSE



Raghavendra H, 4th Sem CSE



Prashanth S, 8th Sem Mech



Anees Fathima, 6th Sem CSE



Akshay Kumar, 8th Sem Mech



Meghashree G, 6th Sem ISE



Shaina N, 2nd Sem ISE

We congratulate all the above students for their initiatives and hope that they continue the good work, which will help motivating others as well. By selecting these students, we are not saying that other students are not contributing. We hope that many more will continue to work without any expectations, and we will pick them as well in the coming days.



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## ESPORTIVO THE REVOLUTION

"An article, a poem or an essay"— I am sorry these are surely not enough to describe the roller coaster experience I had as a part of the organising committee of ESPORTIVO. It all started in the month of March, 2014 when we had seen other colleges conduct intra-college sports fest. We were questioned by various sporting friends about UVCE'S Sports Fest, we used to have a vague reply to it in the first 2 years of our college life.

#### "IT'S A GOVERMENT COLLEGE...."

When we came to the third year, we realised there was a dire need to revive this college's name in the sporting arena and this would not happen if we blame the system. This led to the invention of the idea of having a sports fest. Initially frowned upon by many, we decided to carry on with it and create a whole new "fifth" fest in our college. The first year we started off with only two sports Football and Cricket. After the enormous success from the first year we had umpteen number of requests from colleges to conduct it again the following year. We the realised that we had just opened a whole new third dimension to UVCE called "ESPORTIVO". Predominantly related with only two major cultural fests namely Milagro and Fiesta, UVCE now is known for it's sports fest ESPORTIVO too. As another year passed out and there came the time for us to take up responsibility of continuing what we had started. This year was our final year and we wanted to make it bigger and better. Pretty much like all fests in our college we had to deal with the major drawback of "FUND CRUNCH".

Since this time the plan was to increase the standards and the grandeur, we had to think of extra means to raise funds. Initially we had a couple of alumni foundations who were ready to fund us, but unfortunately that was not enough. We kept searching for sponsors but were terribly disappointed. Ten days into the project "ESPORTIVO", before even we could start publicising it we had to think wrapping it up.....

"NEVER GIVE UP" - This is one of my mottos in life and should be of any sportsmen around me. Keeping this in mind we continued our search. We soon found ourselves knocking at the doors of a very wise and beloved man, Dr. Venugopal K R- our Principal sir reaching out for help and guidance. I still remember that day when he told us that "YOU DO NOT NEED SPONSORS".

At first we were shocked to hear that. He then told us about a fee all of us pay towards the university every year. Yes the sports fee. His guidance in approaching the University for Fund was the turning point of this event. And within days of approaching them and a lot of running, we got our budget approved.

Our busy schedule got even more hectic. With a great amount of support from our college students making life so much easier, we proceeded into the thick of things. This time we had planned to have an extra sport-Volleyball. Hence came added responsibility and pressure of a bigger event. In an effort to make it bigger and keep the standards higher than any other engineering college we tried to do unique things like giving refreshments in the form of Bejoice and Mosambi's. We also had state level refree's officiating each and every match of all the three sports. But as they say

#### "TEAMWORK MAKES THE DREAMWORK"

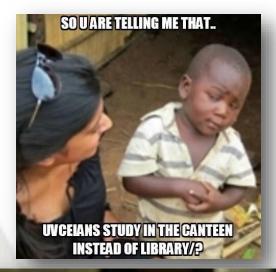
The fest was declared a hit by the various colleges itself. I would also like to take this opportunity to reflect one of the few brilliant responses from one of the teams. The runner's up in football RVCE. The captain of the team told us- "The fest was very well organised. Last time we had asked the organisers to do it again this year. The level of football here is really good and all the organisers have done a great job." "We would also like to come next year." –Harshvardhan (Capt. RVCE Football team).

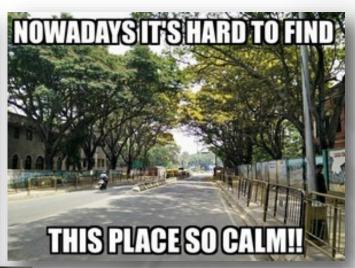
I would wrap it up by saying that, you can achieve anything in this college and if you have the willingness to go ahead with it and the right guidance required. I would also thank all the volunteer's and crew members who have been influential in making this a huge success. I would like to say thanks to my team where we had no head's, no chairman's, no secretary's etc, but **"ONLY A TEAM"**.

I would also like to thank our very own beloved principal sir who has been the guiding light in the darkest of hours and without whom this would not have been possible.

-Akshay Kumar, 8th sem Mechanical

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