



# New look Nasser 10 on way



## Manama

**T**he Nasser 10 Ramadan Tournament will be different in all aspects this year, by holding many events and tournaments accompanying football.

This was announced by HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Representative of His Majesty the King for Charity Works and Youth Affairs, Chairman of the Supreme Council for Youth and Sports, President of Bahrain Olympic Committee.

He said, "The Nasser Sports Tournament will complete its first decade in the holy month of Ramadan. Since its launch, we had paved a clear path for its growth and development as a

distinct national project that contributes significantly to the advancement of sports in the Kingdom, and the discovery of more sporting talent capable of joining clubs and national teams, which became evident through the outputs of this tournament."

Shaikh Nasser further added, "The Nasser Sports Tournament has reached the tenth edition and must offer something new this year. We directed the tournament's organising committee to hold early and continuous meetings in order to thoroughly study those ideas and proposals that had been presented, and to settle on a group of sports competitions that enrich

the tournament in its first decade."

The High Organising Committee of the tournament held a meeting headed by Tawfiq Al Salehi, Head of the Committee, in the presence of Hassan Ismail, Deputy Head of the Organising Committee, representative of the Bahrain Football Federation; Ali Majed, Tournament Director; Tariq Al Arabi, Managing Director of Club Affairs, Representative of the Ministry of Youth and Sports Affairs; Hisham Al Balushi, Director

of Sports Federations at the Bahrain Olympic Committee, Representative of the Committee; Fawaz Shamsan, Head of Bahrain TV sports Channel, representative of television; Hussain Alderazi, Head of Media Committee; Hamad Ali Hussein, Head of the Committee of Ceremony and Closing; Isa Thawadi, Head of Stadiums and Services Committee; Yusuf Budaheesh, Head of the Stadium Organising Committee, and Ibrahim Al Zayani, General Coordinator and Secretariat.

# Anshuman wins Under 14 title

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**I**ndian Anshuman Sonawane defeated Italian Alessandro Bellato in straight sets 6-4, 6-2 to clinch the Boys 14 years and under singles category yesterday in coolish conditions on tenth and penultimate day of the 22nd Bank of Bahrain and Kuwait (BBK) Juniors Open Tennis Championship 2017 at the Bahrain Tennis Club (BTC) premises in Juffair.

The opening set began with Anshuman winning the opening service game and this trend continued with the first five games all with serve as Anshuman led 3-2, then won a break of serve for a 4-2 lead.

Alessandro who is the son of Italian Ambassador to Bahrain, Domenico Bellato then won back a break to narrow the deficit to 3-4, but the next three games ended up with breaks of serve as Anshuman clinched the opening set.

In the second set, Anshuman raced to a 4-0 lead thanks to a couple of service breaks and also taking advantage of Alessandro conceding too many double faults and a weak second serve.

Alessandro had a brief glimpse of hope when he broke his opponent in the fifth game, but just like the first set the final games all ended in service breaks as Anshuman triumphed and claimed the

title. On the way to the final, Anshuman came from a set down to defeat Mohammed Khalid 4-6, 6-1, 10-7 in the quarter finals and then beat top seed Issa Al Esa again coming from a set down to win 3-6, 6-4, 10-8, while Alessandro progressed thanks to a 6-1, 6-1 victory over Sulaiman Al Gosaibi in the Round of 16, then advanced against top seed Ali Sharif after he retired with the score 4-0 in the quarter final and then receiving a walkover win over Mohammed Al Khan in the semi-finals.

This championship which concludes today with four finals has been held under the patronage of BBK Chief Executive Officer, Reyadh Yousif Sater featuring around 60 players in three boys and two girls age categories and two Unisex categories with 90 players in the fray.

**Today's schedule: (3.45pm):**

**Unisex 8 years and under:**

(1)Riyaan Ahmed vs (2)Joshua Jacob.

**(4pm): Unisex 10 years and under:**

(1)Tristan Manners vs (2) Rushikesh Sonawane.

**Girls 14 years and under:**

(1)Sophie De Boers vs Maya Bseisu.

**(5pm): Boys 18 years and under:**

(1)Yousef Ashraf vs (2)Hamad Abdul A'al.

# Bowling: GPIC in second place



GPIC team

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**G**PIC (34 points, 16,550 pins) stayed in second place following their 6-2 victory against Banagas (22, 16,502) in the seventh week of matches of the Bahrain Industrial Bowling League at

the Fun Land Bowling Centre in Manama.

Top scoring for GPIC was Jassim Ebrahim (234) high game and (642) high series and for Banagas it was guest player Raed Ahmed (244) game (668) series. Batelco (36,

16,554) remained top of the standings after a 6-2 victory against Tatweer (20, 15,764) with top scorer for Batelco being Ahmed Al Khaja (258) game and (688) series and for Tatweer Mazen Al Zayed (249) game and (655) series.

## Other scores (bowler, game, series):

1) Ministry of Interior team (Emerson Gotiencio, 246, Ahmed Al Maleki, 671)  
bt Pioneers (Talal Yousif, 237, Abdul Latif Hassan, 643) 6-2.

2) Gulf Air (JM Vilianueva, 269, 721)  
w/o Electricity and Water Authority 8-0.

Bye: Bapco.

## Standings (points, pins):

1)	Batelco	(36, 16,584)
2)	GPIC	(34, 16,550)
3)	Mol	(30, 16,198)
4)	Banagas	(22, 16,502)
5)	Bapco	(22, 15,863)
6)	Gulf Air	(22, 15,698)
7)	Pioneers	(20, 15,896)
8)	Tatweer	(20, 15,764)
9)	EWA	(18, 15,659)

## Tonight schedule:

Pioneers	vs	Gulf Air,
GPIC	vs	Batelco,
Mol	vs	Bapco,
Tatweer	vs	EWA
Bye: Banagas.		



Anshuman Sonawane

# BOC management course ends

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**A** course in sports management, organised by the Bahrain Olympic Committee's (BOC) Sports Training and Development Centre (STDC), came to a close on Thursday at the centre premises in Juffair.

It was attended by 24 administrators representing 11 sports federation - handball, volleyball, table tennis, gymnastics, football, mind sports, sports for disabilities, basketball, weightlifting, swimming and sports for all.

The six-day course was

run by director of the STDC Nabeel Taha, who spoke on a number of subjects including the Olympic movement, international federations, Olympic Games, Olympic principles and values.

Mahmood Al Shaikh, Ahmed Hafed, Mohammed Lori, Hasan Abdullatif, Nawaf Abdulrahman and Rami Al Murbati, were other spokesmen who brought other subjects on the course agenda.

The course was supervised by Saeed Al Aradi, the STDC specialist and veteran coach.