



La Salle College Old Boys' Association Newsletter

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LSCOBA Spring Dinner 2004

The LSCOBA Spring Dinner 2004 was held on Friday, 12th March 2004, at Jade Garden Restaurant, Star House, Tsim Sha Tsui. Over 400 Old Boys and guests attended this Spring Dinner with a total of 34 tables. Our honorable guests included Brother Thomas, Brother Alphonsus, Brother Hyacinth, LSPS Principal - Mrs. E. Pau and LSPS Vice-Principal - Mrs. E. Leung. We also invited some of the teachers and the athletics team members to take part.

Before the dinner, our DJ, Peter Kam (77) played lots of good music affording us an enjoyable atmosphere for chitchat. At about 8:00 p.m., after short speeches by Brother Thomas and Dr. Robert Yuen (71), the dinner was officially started with a prayer, led by Dr. Walter Wu, a retired LSC teacher.

This year we invited Clement Chan (87) and Tommy Lau (83) to act as the M.C. for the evening. They did very well and all programmes ran smoothly. Before dinner was served, we first gave away marvelous table prizes - two LSC VCDs for each table.

Came next was bingo. Bingo game cards were sold during the dinner and in total four lucky participants were treated for the dinner with a HK\$300 rebate. After the bingo game, the LSCOBA Committee 2003/4 made a toast and wished everyone a happy new year. A beer drinking competition followed. The catch was that each participant needed to drink as fast as possible, out of a STRAW, which was unprecedented in the history of Spring Dinner. Finally a team from Class of 1978 won the competition. Bravo, Men!!

The highlight of the night was a photo-taking session. Each decade of Old Boys was invited to take photos with the Christian Brothers and the OBA President. Old Boys from

the early 1940's to recent graduates enjoyed this arrangement very much. One senior old boy, George Ko (55), commented, "Seeing these people in different age groups is a short summary of not only the history of LSC, but Hong Kong."

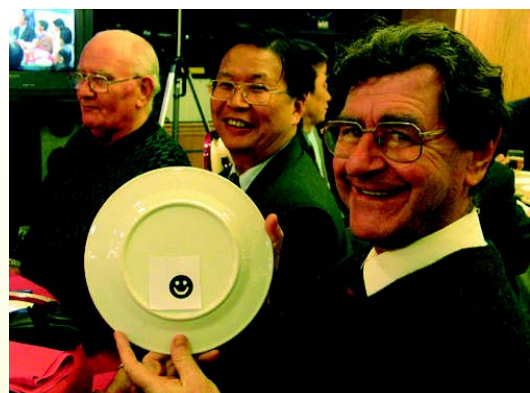


(From left to right) the Organizing Committee Chairman - Stephen Cheung (87), the M.C. Tommy Lau (83) and Clement Chan (87) wish all an enjoyable evening

The most exciting part of the night was the Grand Lucky Draw. Altogether there were 15 prizes including DVD Player, MP3 Player, Macau Holiday Package and the Grand Prize - Gold Monkey.

The dinner was concluded with the singing of our School Song.

By Stephen Cheung (87)
Spring Dinner Chairman



Bro. Thomas is delighted to get the table prize by having the token first - a 'smiling face' at the bottom of his dish.



The Spring Dinner reaches its first climax - Beer Drinking Competition with STRAWS.



(From left to right) Our President, Dr. Robert Yuen (71) congratulates one of the winners of Bingo - our teacher, Mr. Sin Man Fai.



One young member of the La Salle Family receives the Grand Prize of the evening - a Gold Monkey from Bro. Thomas.



Class of 1978 could be the 'strongest' in the Spring Dinner - See it!

We are the Champions

Remember we informed all of you in the last issue that LSC sports teams had been leading in the 2nd Bauhinia Bowl Award by a big margin? Well, La Salle sportsmen never let us down and they just keep getting better. The Boys did it. The Bowl is ours !!

Here is a recap of some of the major happenings. The most significant achievement this spring was that LSC re-

captured the Overall Championship in Football. Since 1994 and after 10 years in the wilderness, we have finally restored our pride as the Kingdom of Football. Moreover, our A



LSC wins the Table-tennis Overall Championship for the 4th time since 2000-01.

grade champion team, with a few B graders, played brilliantly in the All Hong Kong Schools Jing Ying Football Tournament. Our boys met their A grade rival West Island again for the 3rd time this season in the Final at the Hong Kong Stadium on 29th February 2004. Thanks to the coordination of the School and many Old Boys, we managed to attract over 1,000 supporters including students, parents, teachers and Old Boys cheering for our team. It was a spectacular scene and all attended sang, chanted, clapped and yelled with pride throughout the match. Despite the last two defeats, our rival dominated the whole match and our team was conceded by one goal. Nevertheless, we had to be contented taking home the 1st runner-up, Best Goalkeeper and Best Scorer Awards. It was an unforgettable Sunday, especially when the La Salle School Song was proudly sung twice and our La Salle Spirit prevailed the Hong Kong Stadium.

Every year in March, our hearts beat and ache with our



Our Handball Team is going to Div.1 next year!

brothers in Wanchai Sports Ground. This year, Lasallians wanted to wrap up a perfect season but our dream has upset by our all-time rival, DBS. Nevertheless, many team members strove for the pride of La Salle with all their strength. In A grade, our HK U-19 No.1 Triathlete, Ricco Chan (F.5) collected LSC

1st ever 5000m Gold on Day 2 and won 1500m on Day 3. He was the first Lasallian ever to win 1500m in all 3 grades. Sandro Bassetto (F.6) triumphed in

400m and 800m matchlessly. His 49.94s finish was the fastest time for a Lasallian to run in 400m and we sincerely hope he can break the Inter-school record next year. Our volleyball team captain, Jason Lam (F.7) proved himself an all-rounder by getting the Gold in javelin. Overall, A grade surpassed CGHC and got back 1st runner-up, lost since 2000. Actually, our field team overcame their usual below average performance especially in B grade this year. Ng Hin Kan (F.3) and Yeung Shun Wai (F.4) beat the rest to obtain Gold and Silver in long jump. They also got 3-4 in triple jump. High jumpers Yeung Yu Wang (F.3) and Sin



Pang Tsz Chun (F.5) is the Best Goalkeeper of the Jing Ying Football Tournament.



The Jing Ying Football Team proudly sing the School Song to the crowd after the match.



We win the Squash Championship (Open) 10th-in-a-row!

Cheuk Kin (F.3) did the same and gained another maximum 16pt. In addition, our B graders finished 2-3 in shot put and discus; 2nd and 4th in javelin. With this magnificent result, our B grade was just 3pt behind DBS before the last two events - Relay. Unfortunately we could only finish 2nd in 4x100m and 6th in 4x400m and was unable to reap the title. Our C grade suffered the bad luck this year



Over 1,000 supporters cheer overwhelmingly regardless the result.

broke the record in the heat. Finally, our juniors had to settle with the third place, lagging 2pt to CGHC. Yes, our arch-rival got the Grand Slam this year but we shall be back.



"We will be back" - the Jing Ying boys farewell to the Hong Kong Stadium.

Unlike them, we shall scout more talents among OUR OWN 1,800 students and train harder. We shall overcome, definitely.

In other events, the results were just almost perfect. Squash team did their usual job to capture Championship for the 10th consecutive year. Table-tennis team brought home with Overall Champion for the 4th consecutive year after C grade matches. Tennis boys upgraded their position to



(From left to right) Bro. Thomas, Ng Hin Kan (F.3), Yeung Shun Wai (F.4) finish Gold-Silver in B grade long jump; Henry Liu (85) is their coach.



Jason Lam (F.7) is the gold medalist in A grade javelin.



Ricco Chan (F.5) scores golds in both A grade 1500m and 5000m.

2nd overall. Volleyball team dropped down to 2nd overall and let a new DSS - Chinese Foundation have the crown. Basketball team upset DBS dream of overall champion by beating them 39-30 in the last match and got the C grade championship. The most inspiring performance was our handball team, they will be going to Division 1 next year since they finished 2nd overall. This 2-year old team left DBS in Division 2 by a superb win in C grade.



Sandro Bassetto (F.6) is the fastest 400m runner in LSC history.

Well done, boys, teachers and trainers for this marvelous season. Your hard work pay off and we are all proud of you. Bro. Thomas should be overjoyed with the 2nd Bauhinia Bowl and the return of the Overall Champion Shield of Football as his retirement gift. "Hip, hip, hurray!"

P.S. Due to incorrect information previously, we have to apologize on a wrong reporting earlier. The Grand Slam in badminton in 2003-04 is NOT the 1st in LSC history. The 1993-94 badminton team had already achieved it long ago.

Results of Inter-School Athletics Meet:

1. DBS - 528pt (Grand Slam)
2. LSC - 411pt (A grade -2nd, B grade -2nd, C grade -3rd)
3. CGHC - 290pt (A grade -3rd, B grade -3rd, C grade -2nd)

Results of 2nd Bauhinia Bowl:

- Boys' Schools Champion: LSC (289pt)
 Boys' Schools 2nd : DBS (261pt)

By Clement Chan (1987)