

## BCS FOOTCOM 2018

The success of BCS FOOTCOM over the past Ten years is glowing evident in front of us. BCS Footcom would not be what it is today as it has reached a stage where it has achieved an identity of its own in the perception of the Christian Community and this enables us to enjoy the support of so many likeminded Christian sportspersons in a spirit of transparency and trust.

BCS Footcom has grown to a point where much more support is needed with a willingness to assume responsibility and to lead from the front. We need to take this movement forward and to build on its strengths. The Convener of BCS FOTCOM 2018 is once again Mr. Don Aguiar

The Inter Parish Football Tournament – FOOTCOM 2018 – organized by the BOMBAY CATHOLIC SABHA (BCS) was flagged off on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at MSSA Grounds.

17 Parish Teams participated in this tournament which was played on a knock out basis. It was played on successive Saturdays and Sundays up to the Semi Finals which was on Saturday 7 July 2018 at MSSA.

The semi - finalists were St Paul - Dadar East v/s St Andrews Bandra- St Andrews beat St Paul 1 : 0 and St John the Evangelists Marol v/s At Anthony Vakola.- St Anthony beat St John the Evangelist 2 : 0

The matches for the Finals and Third place or The Hardliners Cup was held at CoperageColaba on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2018 from 2 PM onwards where –

For the Hardliners Cup or third place - St Paul's Dadar got a walk over as St John the Evangelists Marol did not come.

For the Finals - St Andrews – Bandra BEAT St Anthony Vakola 4:2 vide penalty kicks as they were tied 1:1 till the end of the match. - Jofa D'Souza (1) and Joseph Pires (2) scored for St Anthony Vakola and Leander Dharmai (2), Ronak Killinger (1), Jonathan D'Souza (1) Roy Lewis (1) scored for St Andrews.

The tournament witnessed some marvelous save from the goalkeeper of St Anthony Vakola Shawn Gomes who was awarded the GOLDEN GLOVE AWARD and from the same team they had another striker Alviro Fernandes who not only defended well but also made some perfect passes to help his team reach the finals and was the top scorer in the tournament was awarded the GOLDEN BOOT AWARD.

The GIRLS Exhibition match was held between St Anthony – Malwani and Mount Carmel Bandra. Mount Carmels beat St Anthony Malwani 1 : 0. The Exhibition match was held for the second successive year to organizing a parallel FOOTCOM for girls in the coming years.

The entire tournament went on very smoothly. We thank the participating teams for their sportsmanship and cooperation. We also thank our sponsors – Aldel Education, Lawrence & Mayo, Citizen Credit Bank, Mr Jude Fernandes for the total prize money and the anonymous sponsors for the footballs, trophies and medals as well as the management of MSSA and Cooperage Grounds for their support.

A lot of effort was put in by the convener Mr. Don Aguiar for the successful completion of FOOTCOM 2018 inspite of adverse weather conditions resulting in many difficulties and limitations which at times all saw the tournament as washed out due to very bad weather. But with the convener Mr Don Aguiar efforts, hard work and commitment he made the impossible possible and for that was appreciated by the sponsors, the teams and the BCS community at large.