

Sports

Today sports brings communities, states, countries together. Every emerging country believes that sports can contribute a lot in building friendship, harmony, peace and understanding among nations. This is truer of Goa, for sports runs in every Goan's blood. People around the globe acknowledge Goans as fun loving and peaceful people and that comes from their natural love for sports.

Even though Goa is a small state, it is held in high esteem with regard to football, hockey, swimming, athletics, and windsurfing. Especially football. Any discussion on Indian football cannot leave out the Goan equation. With four Goan clubs – Dempo SC, Churchill Bros SC, Clube De Sporting and Vasco SC featuring in the 12 team Indian league, the success of Goan clubs on the national scene bears testimony to the love and passion Goans have for this game in particular. Mr Brahmanand SK Shankwalker is Goa's first recipient of the Arjuna Award, which is India's most prestigious sports award. Mr Brahmanand rose to be one of finest goalkeepers in Indian football.

We the Sports Sub-committee have committed ourselves to giving the Goan sports talent in Oman a platform to perform, exhibit and share sporting events amongst fellow Goans and others.

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The Sub-committee has proposed the following activities for 2014-15:

The annual Goan Football tournament will be held in November at Gubra Desalination plant. During this game some fun activities are proposed like face painting for kids, ladies tie-breaker, canvas painting, etc.

Since Goa is famous for its beautiful beaches, the Sports Sub-committee has proposed to have a Goan Sports Day, which will be a day long program inclusive of different beach games such as: beach volleyball, beach football, kabbadi. On the side lines of this activity, during the following weekend a Dolphin Watch” for the Goan wing members will be held.

To keep the momentum going during Summer Season, the following indoor activities will be held: badminton, table tennis, chess, carom.

The Sports Sub-committee has also decided to check on probability of organizing a friendly cricket game with the help of some the cricket enthusiasts of the Goan community.

Apart from the regular sports activities, the Sub-committee has decided to have a full day trekking / wadi walking as an adventure sports, for which Goa is famous.