

ISIPATHANA COLLEGE OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION

JOINT SECRETARIE'S ANNUAL REPORT 2008/2009

1.0 Preface

The focus of 2008/2009 term of the Old Boys Association was to continue the program implemented in 2007/2008 for the development of all areas under purview of OBA, namely infrastructure, education and sports activities. The development of sports such as Cricket, Athletics and Soccer, which were at low level couple of years ago, was quite evident due to the mission embarked by OBA last year and continued this year.

The OBA commitment for development in different areas for the year under review is evident when total expenditure incurred by the OBA amounting to Rs. 4,956,817.39 (including brought forward losses) is considered.

2.0 Executive Committee

Due to resignation of few office bearers following new appointments were made by the Executive Committee under the power vested in Clause 17 of the Constitution.

1. Mr. Naveen Gunawardene appointed as the Senior Vice President.
2. Mr. M D Ifthikar appointed as Vice President Sports.
3. Mr. Fauzul Khalid appointed as Vice President Education.

There were few changes in the Executive Committee during the period under review

1. Mr. Rasika Perera, Mr. Ajitha Kulawardena and Mr. Uthpala Kodagoda were appointed to replace Mr. Anura Serasinghe, Mr. Dilroy Fernando and Prof. Rohan Rajapaksa who resigned.
2. Mr. Chitraka Wickramarachchi was appointed to replace Mr. Chaminda Meegoda who resigned in Feb 2009.
3. Mr. M N Mohamed ceased to be a member of the Committee from September 2009.

The attendance of the elected members at the Executive Committee meeting is given in **Annex I**. Members attendance for the 17 meetings held during the period under review were highly satisfactory.

3.0 Sub Committee Reports

3.1 Infra Structure Development Sub Committee

Chairman: Naveen Gunawardena

Members: Nihal Dissanayake, Sudath Opatha, Hassan Sinhawansa, Fauzul Khalid, H R Pathmachandra.

Play Ground Rehabilitation: Even though the College ground was repaired and facilities such as sprinklers, etc., provided to maintain the ground, some areas of the ground surface were found to be hard and not suitable for playing. As appointed contractor failed to attend the required rectification work, the final payment due to him was not released. Funds allocated for final payment were utilized to pay the new contractor, who was subsequently employed for the preparation of top surface and replanting of grass. The ground has been handed over to the school and is now being used by our sportsmen for practices. A ground boy has been employed by the SDS and will be responsible for the maintenance of the ground.

College Hall: The Executive Committee approved the proposal by the Principal to convert partly completed Gymnasium to College Hall by taking into consideration lack facilities and limited space of present hall. Accordingly the design work of the project

was completed through a Consultant. The designs are ready for submission to Education Department for necessary approvals.

College Master Plan: As Committee identified the necessity of preparing a master survey plan of the college premises in order to streamline future infrastructure development, a complete survey of the premises was carried out as an initial step. The survey work was carried out by our old boy Surveyor Mr. Rupal Jayasuriya and drawings were handed over to College. Committee thanked Mr. Rupal Jayasuriya for his valuable contribution which enabled the OBA to save over Rs. 500,000.00.

School Development Committee: *This committee was formed under the guidance of educational authorities and a provisional committee has been appointed. OBA is represented in this committee by SVP, M D Ifthikar and Chitraka Wickramarachchi and Chitraka was appointed as Secretary of the Committee.*

OBA Office Improvements: Mr. Dilpahan Perera and Mr. Sumith Jayaweera sponsored the colour washing and painting of the office and Mr. Amila Hewageeganage sponsored supply and installation of the Air Conditioner.

3.2 Finance Development

Executive Committee was successful in raising funds Rs. 5,293,634.47 through small scale fund raising projects, sponsorships and donations during the session 2008/2009.

3.3 Educational Activities

Chairman: Fauzul Khalid

Members: Janaka Prabath, Chitraka Wickramarachchi

Organizing of the Prize Distribution Ceremony

Annual Prize distribution ceremony was organised and held on 12 November 2009 at the BMICH with the participation of a large and distinguished gathering. The Minister of Social service and Social Welfare Honourable Douglas Devananda was invited to be the Chief Guest and the Guest of Honour was Major General Milinda Peiris, Vice Chancellor of the Kotalawela Defense University, a distinguished Old Boy. This year too a large number of old boys donated prizes. The Old Boys Association of USA has undertaken to send a donation for the event in due course.

Scholarships to Bright & Deserving Advanced Level Students:

The Old Boys along with the Past Teachers were instrumental in establishing the Mrs Hema Perera Wijekoon Memorial Trust in 2004 continued to award Scholarships to first year A/L students at the Prize Giving Ceremony as per list given below.

	Subject Prize	Name of sponsor
Grade 12		
	Science	Sponsorship value Rs. 2500/=
1	Combined Mathematics (applied and pure)	Mr. Mervyn Gunasekera
2	Physics	Mr. Sabry Ibrahim
3	Chemistry	Mr. Sumith Jayasekera
4	Biology (Botany & Zoology)	Prof. Rohan Rajapakshe
5	History	Mr. Harshana Nanayakkara
6	Geography	Mr. Wijaya Yapa

7	Sinhala Language	Mr. Mervyn Perera
8	Political Science	Mr. Amal Senalankadikara
	Commerce	
9	Economics	Mr Nimal Luxshman
10	Statistics	Mr. Naveen Gunawardene
11	Business Studies	Mr. Buwanake De Silva
12	Accounts	Mr. Jagath Alwis
	Tamil Medium	
13	Mathematics stream	Mr. A.J. Rummy
14	Biology stream	Mr. Pratheepan Ramanathan
15	Arts	Mr. Kishan Serasingha
16	Commerce	Mr. Nilmin Nanayakkara
17	General English - Grade 12 All sections	Mr. Fauzul Khalid
	Grade 12 A/L	Sponsorship Value Rs 5000/=
18	Best Student A/L Mathematics Section	Mr Gamini Gunasekara
19	Best Student Bio Section	Mr Jayalal Wilwaraarachchi
20	Best Student Arts Section	Maj. Gen Susil Chandrapala
21	Best Student Commerce Section	Mr Jagath Alwis
	Grade 13 A/L	Sponsorship Value Rs. 5000/=
22	Best Student A/L Mathematics Section	Mr. Kosala Dissanayake
23	Best Student A/L Biology section	Dr. Luxman Dalpadado
24	Best Student A/L Arts section	Mr. Silvatha Ekanayake
25	Best Student A/L Commerce Section	Mr. Neomal Fernando
	Grade 13	Sponsorship value Rs. 10,000/=
26	B.A. Kuruppu Memorial Award for best all round student	Mr. Anura Serasingha
		Sponsorship Value Rs 5,000/=
27	Dr Sunanda Jayaratne Award for best student Medical College entry	Dr Sunanda Jayaratne

Teachers Felicitation: The OBA jointly organized teacher's annual trip with Teacher's Guild on the request from the Principal. OBA funded the event, which was attended by more than 100 teachers, from funds received from **OBA Branch of Australia (Victoria)**. Our old boy Samitha Abeygunawardena arranged some refreshments, a DJ and Band to make the event successful.

Teachers Felicitation Program and Lunch: The OBA donated Rs. 40,000.00 to organizers of the event, Junior Old Boys Union from the funds received from the OBA Branch of Australia (Victoria) and the event was held successfully.

Donation of Text Books: OBA Italy (Firenze) donated Mathematics (English) text book worth of Rs. 28,000.00 to the College.

3.4 Sport Council

3.4.1 Athletics Sub Committee:

Chairman: Roshan Gunaratne

Members: -

Master In Charge: Capt. N P K Attanayake

Coaches: 1. Mr. P P Thanthirige (Head)

2. Mr. Ravi Jayakody

3. Mr. K K S Hettiarachchi

Expenditure: R. 191,000.00

Sponsorship: American Water (supply of drinking water bottles), Mr Shantha Gunasekara (provide medicine)

Achievements:

1. Colombo South Zonal Meet: Runners Up

U 11 – Long Jump **Gold Medal** – Naveen Bandara

U 13 – **Best Athlete** – Dilipa madushan

100m **Gold Medal** – Dilipa Madushan

200m **Gold Medal** – Dilipa Madushan

High Jump, 4x100m **Silver Medal**

U 15 - Javelin Throw **Gold Medal** - Lakmal Kottege

100m **Gold Medal** – Dilipa Madushan

Discuss Throw **Gold Medal** – Osadee Anurada

Discuss Throw **Silver Medal**

Discuss Throw, Putt shot, 100m, 200m, High jump, 4x100m **Silver Medal**

U 17 – 100m Hurdles, Long jump, 4x100m **Bronze Medal**

U 19 – **Best Athlete** – Lahini Nadeeshan

400m Hurdles **Gold Medal** – Lahini Nadeeshan

100m Hurdles **Gold Medal** – Lahini Nadeeshan

Putt Shot **Gold Medal** – Lahini Dolawatta

400m, Discuss Throw **Silver Medal**

4x400m **Bronze Medal**

U 21 – Discuss Throw **Gold Medal** – Kushan Bandara

Javlin throw **Gold Medal** – Kusal Harshana

Putt Shot **Gold Medal** – Lahini Dolawatta

800m,200m,1500m,400m Hurdles **Silver Medal**

Discuss Throw **Bronze Medal**

2. Colombo Zonal Meet:

U 13 – 100m **Silver Medal** – Dilipa Madushan

200m **Silver Medal** – Dilipa Madushan

4x100m **Bronze Medal**

U 15 – 100m,200m **Silver Medal** – Sachith Harshana

400m **Silver Medal** – Promod Madushanka

Discuss Throw, 4x100m **Bronze Medal**

U 17 – 4x100m **Bronze Medal**

U 19 – 400m Hurdles **Gold Medal** – Lahini Nadeeshan

100m Hurdles, 400m **Silver Medal** – Lahini Nadeeshan

Putt Shot **Silver Medal** – Lahiru Sandakelum

Discuss Throw **Bronze Medal**

U 21 – 200m **Bronze Medal**

3. Western Province Meet:

U 13 – 4x100m Fourth place

U 15 – 100m, 200m **Bronze Medal** – Sachin Harshana
4x100m fourth place

U 19 – 400m Hurdles **Silver Medal** – Lahini Nadeeshan
100m Hurdles **Bronze Medal** – Lahini Nadeeshan

4. All Island Meet:

U 13 – 80m Hurdles Fourth place
High Jump fifth place

U 15 – 100m fifth place
200m sixth place

U 19 – 400m Hurdles fifth place

5. John Tarbet Meet (Junior):

U 13 – 80m Hurdles, High jump fifth place
200m fifth place

U 15 – 800m **Silver Medal** – Promod Madushanka
200m sixth place
400m fourth place

U 19 – 400m Hurdles fifth place

6. John Tarbet Meet (Senior):

U 19 – 400m fourth place

3.4.2 Basket ball Sub Committee:

Chairman: M T M Faizer

Members: -

Master In Charge: Mr. D S A Dissanayake

Coaches: Mr. Gamini Sarathchandra

Expenditure: Nil

Sponsorship: Junior Old Boys Union.

Achievements:

U19 – Quarter Finalist – All Island B Division

U17 – Quarter Finalist – All Island B Division

U15 – Quarter Finalist – All Island B Division

3.4.3 Cadetting and Band Sub Committee:

Chairman: Major General Susil Chandrapala

Members: S R Dodangoda (Secretary), Isuru Bothju (Terasurer), N C Philips, M R Amarasinghe, H R Pathmachandra, Udith Amarasekara

Master In Charge: Capt Depthi De Silva (Till June), 2/Lt Roshan Kodithuwakku

Coaches: 1. Capt. Gunasekara

2. W S P Alwis (Assistant)

Expenditure: Rs. 59,715.00

Sponsorship: No.

Achievements:

Navy Platoon formed and participates for All Island Competition

Three Sargent participated for ensure camp

Cadet platoon participated for selection camp

3.4.4 Cricket Sub Committee:

Chairman: Athula Wijesundara

Members: Janaka Prabath (Secretary), Surath Perera (Treasurer), Nalin Gunathilaka, Ravi Subasinghe, Indika Kumara, Chanka Sirisena

Master In Charge: Mr. L A Sisira Kumara & Mr. Udith Kumara Ratnayake

Coaches: 1. Mr. K H Nandasena (Technical Advisor)

2. Mr. Suranga Wijenayake (U19, U17)

3. Mr. Ajith Weerasinghe, Mr. Saman Fernando (U15, U 13)

Expenditure: Rs. 2,449,475.00

Sponsorship and Fund raising:

Income from Big match Rs. 1,579,540.00

Big Match Souvenir Rs. 106,500.00

93/94 Group Sponsored commentaries Rs. 450,000.00

(Special Thanks to Mr. M Rizwan)

Souvenir printing by JF & I Printers (Thanks to Mr. Neomal Fernando)

Bahrain Branch of OBA Rs. 60,000.00

Dubai Branch of OBA sponsored white cricket clothing and Mr. Nuwan Soyza sponsored for coloured match kits

Achievements:

U19 First XI – Played 17 matches Won: 08 Lost: 06: Drawn: 03

- Big Match- Drawn and Limited Over: Lost
- 20-20 Match Big Match – Won
- Dinusha Fernando was selected for U19 youth world cup team pool

U19 Second XI – Played 09 matches Won: 07 Lost: 02: Drawn: 00

U17 – Played 07 matches Won: 04 Lost: 03: Drawn: 00

U15 – Two teams participated in Div 1 & 2

- Both teams entered to Quarter Finals

U13 – Three teams participated

- A team became group champ in first round and lost to Ananda in Semi Final. First time in the history we beat Ananda in League match
- B team entered to second round
- C team mostly consisting Academy players also perform well

OBA vision of revival of junior cricket paid rich dividends and we now have a good base of talented young cricketers to represent and develop our cricket.

We extend our special thanks to Management of Colts and BRC grounds for giving us the side wickets for practices and grounds for eight matches hosted by us.

3.4.5 Hokey Sub Committee:

Chairman: Upul Gunaratna

Members: A Zumri, Asif Bary, Shiran Massaron, Shahul Hameed

Master In Charge: Mr. P Amarasena

Coaches: Mr. Abeetha Fernando

Expenditure: Rs. 46,440.00

Sponsorship: No.

Achievements:

U13 – Colombo School tournament semi finalist

Selected for All Island tournament

Western Province –In semi Final (unbeaten)

U11- Colombo school tournament Third Place

3.4.6 Rugger Sub Committee:

Chairman: Hassan Sinhawansa

Members: Piyum Prashantha (Secretary), Kelum Rodrigo, Chaminda Gallage, L A M Hissam, Amila Hewageegana, Duminda Seneviratna, Kosala Ranaweera, Siyantha Rajakaruna, Dr. Senarupa Jayawardena, Gladstone Dias, Ramesh De Silva, Riyaz Salih, Namal Perera, Ajith Kulawardena, M Irshad, Aravinda

Master In Charge: Mr. Gamini Sarathchandra

Coaches: 1. Mr. Shamly Nawas, Mr. Daham Sampath (U20 & U18)
2. Mr. Hysinth Kumara (U16)
3. Mr. Wettasinghe (U14, Academy)
4. Mr. Bandara (U12)

Expenditure: Rs. 3,262,731.00

Sponsorship & Fund Raising:

Mr. Jagath Alwis	- Rs. 500,000.00
OBA Australia Branch (Vic)	-Rs.150,000.00
USA Old Boys	- Rs. 144,602.50
Rugby Old Boys	- Rs. 25,075.00
Janashakthi	- Rs. 100,000.00
Selling Privileged Cards	- Rs. 230,000.00
Gate Collection of match hosted	- Rs. 500,750.00

2002 Yearly Group, Mr. Rashmi Hafeel, Mr. Pull Nashotah, Mr. Migara Dissanayake, Mr. Aravinda Willawearchchi, 86/88 Yearly Group, Mr. Mohamed Irshard, Dr. S Akmeemana, Dr. Senarupa Jayawardena, Mr. Mohamed Imran provided nourishments, supplement and medicine and medical assistance

Mr. Lileka Fernando, 2002 Yearly Group, Mr. Imad Saibo, Mr. Chanaka Prasad, Mr. Ravindra Peiris, Mr. Saman Korallage, Mr. Krishan Chandran, Mr. Hrashadeva Karunaratna, SDS, Mr. Mohamed Imran provided rugby balls, boots and Gym equipments

Mr. Pahalawatte, Italian OBA, SDS, Mr. Mohamed Rizwan sponsored Lunch/Dinner during matches

Mr. Amila Hewageegana provided team transport to Kandy

Mr. Gamini Gunawardena (MD, Hotel Thilanka) provided special rates for team stay in Kandy for matches

Achievements:

U20 A Division League: Won: 05 Lost: 04

Big Match: Won

Knock Out: Runners Up

7a side: All Island: Semi Finalist

Western Province: Champion

Zahira 7's : Champion Second Successive year

U18 10 a side: Western Province: Champion

All Island: Champion

U16 12 a side: Western Province: Joint Champion

All Island: Runners Up

U14 : Western Province: Semi Finalist

All Island : Joint Champion

U12: All Island: Champion

Super 12 Tournament: Champion of all three tournaments

U10: Super 12 Tournament: Champion of all three tournaments

National Representations:

Dinusha Chaturanga, Srinath Suriyabadara and Niroshan Fernando represented 2008 U 20 youth team that toured Korea for Asian Schools Rugby tournament. **Dinusha Chaturanga** was appointed as captain of Sri Lanka U20 youth team.

This year captain **Niroshan Fernando** captained the 2009 U20 youth team that toured Hong Kong for Asian School Rugby Tournament and led the team to achieve the 3rd Place. In this tournament Sri Lanka obtained a historical win against South Korea.

It is with much appreciation we record that Havelocks Sports Club gave us the grounds four days a week free of charge for practices of all our senior and junior teams We extend our heartfelt thanks to the President, Committee and the membership of Havelocks who have been supporting college rugby since 1960 by proving the grounds.

3.4.7 Scouting Sub Committee:

Chairman: D U C De Alwis

Members: Nalinda

Master In Charge: Mr. Palitha Abeywardena

Coaches: No

Expenditure: Rs. 29,000.00

Sponsorship: No

Achievements:

Participated in Ferguson College, Ratnapura, St. Josephs college, Kegalle, Mahamaya College, Kandy expedition events

Participated in Scout Camparee held in Vihara Devi Park

Participated in Kurunagala Training camp

Participated in Anula Vidyalaya camp fire

3.4.8 Soccer Sub Committee:

Chairman: M D Iffthikar

Members: Tilakasiri Perera, M N Vajira, W P Wasantha

Master In Charge: Mr. N Densil

Coaches: Mr. Nanayakkara (Senior), Mr. Sumith (Junior)

Expenditure: Rs. Nil

Sponsorship: M D Iffthikar.

Achievements:

U13- All Island Quarter Finalist

U15- All Island Quarter Finalist

U17- Ananda 7's tournament Semi Finalist

U19- Divisional Tournament Champion

Regional Tournament Runners Up

Provincial Tournament Semi Finalist

Milo Tournament currently being played Won 04 out of 05

Footsal Tournament quarter Finalist

Old Bens Invitation Tournament Runners Up

3.4.9 Swimming Sub Committee:

Chairman: Rajeeve Rodrigo

Members: Lalith Gamage, Amila Hewageeganage, Lional Jayalath

Master In Charge: Mr. Duminda Dissanayake

Coaches: Mr. Janaka Periapperuma

Expenditure: Rs. Nil

Sponsorship: No.

Achievements:

Novices Meet- Champion 50m Breast stroke – Manoj Eranga

3.4.10 Table Tennis Sub Committee:

Chairman: Lal Soysa
Members: L A M Hissam
Master In Charge: Mr. Asantha Karunaratna
Coaches: Mr. Indika Prasad
Expenditure: Rs 52,000.00
Sponsorship: No.

Colours Awards 2008

The OBA sponsored the Colours Awards for the year 2008 which was held as a part of prize giving ceremony to reduce cost of hosting a separate event. Two distinguished Old Boys DIG Nihal Samarakoon and Group Captain Nalin De Silva graced the occasion as Guests of Honour.

5 Challenge Cups for the Best Performers in Rugger, Cricket, Hockey, Athletics and Cadetting were awarded this year too in the names of past outstanding sportsmen of our school, namely, **Randy Pieterz for Rugby, Jayantha Paranathala for Cricket, Mervin Preena for Hockey , Faiz Ismail for Athletics and Major General Susil Chandrapala for Cadetting.**

The **OBA also rewarded the Teachers in charge of the respective sports disciplines** for their commitment and contribution towards the development of sports. In this regard 26 dedicated Teachers received cash rewards amounting to a total Rs. 120,000.00

3.5 Old Boys Association Overseas Branches

3.5.1 Italy Branch

Kumudu Palitha	Chairman
Sanath Asanjaya	Secretary
Ishara Sooriyarachchi	Treasurer
Kingsly Dickwella	Vice Treasurer

3.5.2 Italy Branch

Mahinda Mahanama Rajapaksha	President
Kolitha Ranasinghe	Vice President
Rajeeve Weerasiri	Secretary
Janaka Saman	Asst. Secretary

3.5.3 UK Branch

Dananjaya Weerasekara	President
Janaka Amarasekara	Secretary
Vijitha Gamage	Treasurer

3.5.4 Bahrain Branch

Shantha De Soysa	President
Jagath Weerasinghe	Vice President
Rashmi Karunaratne	Secretary
Gihan Wadigasinghe	Asst. Secretary
Malik Kaleel	Treasurer
Anushka Kakmal	Asst. Treasurer

3.5.5 USA Branch

Lucky Wickramasinghe	President
Lalith Jayasundara	
Nihal Mendis	
Anura Somarathne	
Prabath Niyangoda	
Mervyn Peiris	
N. Perera	
D. Tharbo	
Leslie Karunarathne	
S. Kumararathne	
S.Ahamed	
A. Senanayake	
M.Siriwardana	
Ajith Thilakasiri	

3.6 JOBU and Yearly Groups

3.6.1 Junior Old Boys Union

Mohamed Riyaz Salih	Senior Vice President
Wickramaarachchi Darshana Chithraka	Vice President Education
Surath Priyamanjula Fernando	Vice President Sports
Faizer Mohamed Thowfeek	Joint Secretary
Harinda Rodrigo	Joint Secretary
Udaya Sampath Perera	Treasurer
Chinthaka Nirmal	Asst. Treasurer
Roshan Janamithra	Social Secretary
Abdul Azeez	Education Secretary
Anuruddha Sampath Thilakarathna	Sport Secretary
Jehan Dinesh Arthur	Editor

3.6.2 Group 86/88

M.H.M. Afzal	Senior Vice President
Rajeeve Rodrigo	Vice President
Sanjeewa Fernando	Vice President
	Vice President - Foreign Branch
Reza Latiff	Joint Secretary
Manohara De Silva	Joint Secretary
Kalum Konara	

3.6.3 Group 91

Upul Gunarathne	Vice President
Ahamed Zumri	Joint Secretary
Chandana Perera	Joint Secretary

3.6.4 Group 93/94

Nilan Gunathilake	Senior Vice President
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Chandrasiri Wickramasinghe
Lasantha Gunawardana
R. Cabraal
Bimal Arindra
Gishan Mendis

Vice President - Education
Vice President - Finance
Vice President - Sports
Joint Secretary
Joint Secretary

3.6.5 Group 2008

Amjad Yousuf
Malika Maduranga
Ishan Nalaka Warnakulasuriya
Dakshina Mudunkotuwa
Dashan Pathirana
Ashraq Siddique

Senior Vice President
Vice President - Sports
Vice President - Finance
Vice President - Education
Joint Secretary
Joint Secretary

3.7 Publicity

The OBA was able to release only one Newsletter in the month of April 2009.

4.0 Conclusion

Our Alma Mater requires a strong OBA represented by a well balanced, effective and a committed Executive Committee. The productive contribution of OBA towards our Alma Mater is mainly based on the strength of the OBA Executive Committee. This means that the right persons are elected to various posts depending on their professional back ground, past work experience, availability to sacrifice personal time towards the job undertaken, personal contacts available to bring in useful contributions financially and otherwise. This is no doubt is associated with commitment, accountability along with the transparency that needs to be infused into the system with greater participation by the yearly groups and overseas branches. Further the need for greater cooperation by the school authorities and ability to work in harmony with the fellow members of the Executive Committee and schools authorities would be important. **It is the earnest wish of the outgoing committee that emphasis are given above factors when names are proposed by its members, for various posts at the AGM, so that a strong joint working committee can be established towards a common goal for further upliftment of our Alma Mater.**

Signed
AHAMED ZUMRI
(JOINT SECRETARY)

Signed
NIHAL DISSANAYAKE
(JOINT SECRETARY)