**FRIENDSHIP CUP 2017**

**AWARDS PRESENTATION**

* **WELCOME NOTE – Bala**
* Congratulate the winner & runner
* Thank all 4 captains & vice-captains
* Thank the players for their participation and registration fees
* Thank the umpires & scorers who helped conduct the matches
* Thank the committee members for all their support
* Thank the guys who participated in MV XI contest
* Thank all the sponsors who made this season more memorable
  + Chiri, Mouli, Prabhu, Ashly, Avinash, Muthu, Sirdaj, James, Chethan, Raghu, Santhosh, Sriram, Balaji (Shotguns & CSK), Rajan
  + Special thanks to Aravind and Jawahar.
  + Very special thanks to Mani G for sponsoring Veg. Briyani
* **MV XI AWARDS - Raj**
* Game 1 Winner – Raghu & Sriram
* Game 2 Winner – Rajanikant
* Game 3 Winner – Karthik Raja
* Game 4 Winner – Umesh Gaekwad
* Game 5 Winner – Karthik Raja
* Game 6 Winner – Abandoned due to technical issues
* Overall Winner – Rajanikant (KABALI) / Runner-up – Sriram
* **Present Special Awards - Bala**

**BEST SUPPORTER**

**And we want to start the presentation by recognizing the best supporter**

A lot of people helped in organizing this year’s event too.

While everyone’s contribution was invaluable, there was this one person who just showed up voluntarily for every game to drive the proceedings.

Be it sitting continuously as a 3rd umpire for hours in most of the matches and became master to handle the setup, video feeds & reviews, he just did it without complaining!

We could not have made the successful 3rd umpire system without his help.

Guys, please allow us to recognize **SIRDAJ** for his outstanding support during this season.

**Request Avinash & Mouli to give away this award**

Ask Sirdaj if he wants to say a few words

**BEST BOWLER**

**And now we have the award for the best bowler of the tournament.**

**Please note that performances in playoffs were not considered.**

**The nominees are,**

**Nilesh (Strikers)**

The newcomer Nilesh took 7 wickets for 67 runs in the league games.

He was very consistent with his length & varies his pace. He gave a good start taking early wickets for Strikers in all the league matches.

**Govind (Challengers)**

The veteran Govind also took 7 wickets for 41 runs in the league games. His spell was outstanding in all 3 league games & there was no doubt that Govind’s performance gave Challengers a smooth sailing in the league stage.

**Karthik Raja (Spartans)**

Another veteran Karthik Raja took 5 wickets for 57 runs in the league games. He was under lot of pressure to get the Spartans together. His dancing spell kept Spartans hope alive in all close games, but unfortunately end-up in the losing side.

And the winner is…….the most economical bowler (4.91) and the one who took the hat-trick in this season……**GOVIND**!

**Request Nilesh & Karthik to give away this award**

Ask the winner if he wants to say a few words

**BEST BATSMAN**

**And now we have the award for the best batsman of the tournament.**

**The nominees are**

**Vijay (Strikers)**

Vijay scored 96 runs in the league stage with the highest score of 79 not out. He didn’t get a chance to exploit his carom spin this season, but he spoiled Spartans party in a dream innings at a whooping strike rate of 208.

**Sudin (Spartans)**

Sudin finished as a top performer for Spartans this season scoring 103 runs with the highest score of 51. He was the only hope for Spartans in this season and lived up to the expectations and delivered consistently.

**Raghu (Strikers)**

Raghu was consistent personified in whatever roles he performed for strikers. He scored 108 runs with the highest score of this season 80. Unfortunately his terrific innings in the first match didn’t help the strikers, instead it made Challengers captain a hero to win the match by hitting his first six of life-time.

**Balaji Sivakumar (Warriors)**

Balaji was the top performer for warriors with his all-around performance. He scored 75 runs with the highest score of 37. He played the finisher role for warriors & never lost his wicket in all 3 league games.

**Sunil Kotin (Challengers)**

Sunil scored 62 runs with the highest score of 41 in the league games. He started off the season well for Challengers to chasing well under the pressure against strikers.

And the Best Batsman goes to……..**BALAJI** for inspiring warriors to finals or glory (If warriors win)

**Request Raghu & Vijay to give away this award**

Ask the winner if he wants to say a few words

**BEST WICKET KEEPER**

**And here is the award to recognize the best wicket keeper of this season**

**The nominees are,**

**James (Challengers)**:

James took 5 catches and 1 stumping in the league games. He also played a key role in Challengers batting and scored 45 runs in the league stages.

**Bhavadeep (Warriors)**:

Bhavadeep took 4 catches in the league games. He was a solid opener for warriors this season.

**Rajesh (Strikers)**:

Rajesh took 5 catches and 2 stumping’s in the league games. He didn’t get a chance to show his batting skills in the league games, but played a memorable innings in the semi-final against warriors.

And the Best Wicket Keeper goes to……..**JAMES** for inspiring challengers through his keeping & batting.

**Request Bhavadeep & Rajesh to give away this award**

Ask the winner if he wants to say a few words

**BEST HITTER**

**Instead of giving 1 man of the series award, we decided to recognize more guys for their specialization based on our MV XI contest.**

**And here is the award to recognize the best hitter of this season**

**The nominees are,**

**Harshvardhan (Strikers)**:

Harsh scored 46 runs & took a wicket in the league games. He was a surprise package for strikers and didn’t let his captain down whenever he gets a chance to bat or bowl.

**Nilesh (Strikers)**:

Nilesh is another surprise pick for strikers and he was one of the leading wicket takers in the league games with 7 wickets. He was very electrified in the field and took 3 important catches.

**Apaar Mishra (Spartans)**:

Another surprise million dollar pick for Spartans. He didn’t let his captain down by scoring 36 runs in the league games. He was a big hitter & also a stylist player of this season.

And the Best Hitter goes to……..**NILESH** for inspiring strikers through his consistent opening spells in the league games.

**Request Bhavadeep & Rajesh to give away this award**

Ask the winner if he wants to say a few words

**BEST SPECIALIST**

**And here is the award to recognize the best specialist of this season**

**The nominees are,**

**Mouli (Challengers)**:

The captain of Challengers who took 6 wickets, 2 catches & 10 vital runs. He gave the unexpected boost to the entire team by winning the first match with an unexpected six. He forgot his badminton skills for the last 5 weeks and started reading, talking, gossiping about cricket more. Let’s wish him to continue his fine batting & bowling form for the rest of the summer.

**Chiri (Challengers)**:

The veteran of Challengers who took 2 crucial wickets, 3 catches & 13 runs. He took the blinder catch of Raghu to turn the first match of the season into the favor of Challengers. He was invisible but flying like Jonty Rhodes in the field.

**Ashly (Warriors)**:

The stylist player of warriors who scored 58 runs & 3 catches in the league games. He played a key role in warrior’s strategic batting line-up in this season & never let his captain down whenever he got a chance to bat.

And the Best Specialist goes to……..**ASHLY** for inspiring warriors from the starting of the season to finals.

**Request Chiri & Mouli to give away this award**

Ask the winner if he wants to say a few words

**BEST IMPACTER**

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And the Best Impacter goes to……..**SUDIN** for inspiring Spartans consistently during this season.

Request Muthu & Rajan to give away this award to SUDIN.

**Special impacter award goes to Vijay to recognize his special innings against Spartans.**

Request Karthik to give away this award to VIJAY.

Ask the winner if he wants to say a few words

**BEST PERFORMER**

**And here is the big & final one to recognize the best performer of this season**

**The nominees are,**

**Balaji Sivakumar (Warriors)**:

Balaji scored 75 runs & took 4 wickets in the league games with a highest score of 37 not out. He played the finisher role for warriors and go-to bowler when his team needs a wicket or to contain the run-rate. He proved his million dollar worth for warriors.

**Raghu (Strikers)**:

Raghu scored 108 runs & 3 wickets in the league games with a highest score of 80. He was outstanding in the fielding and took an excellent running catch of the season. He also proved his million dollar worth for strikers.

**Chethan (Warriors)**:

Chethan scored 37 runs & 4 wickets in the league game with a highest score of 33. He was a good motivator & ease up the pressure through his humors during the crunch situation. He was very instrumental to gel his team together from the first game & never let the warriors down in any of the league games.

And the Best Performer goes to……..the one who wastes lot of balls but still maintains his striker rate to 200+……the one and only **RAGHU** for inspiring strikers & entertaining all of us through his raining sixes ☺

**Request Balaji & Chethan to give away this award**

Ask the winner if he wants to say a few words

**INDIVIDUAL TROPHIES FOR THE RUNNER-UP**

Request the captain of the runner to come and call the players for the individual runner-up trophies.

**Request Spartans captain Karthik to present the individual trophies**

**RUNNER-UP TROPHY**

**Request Karthik & Umesh to present the runners up Trophy**

**INDIVIDUAL TROPHIES FOR THE WINNERS**

Request the captain of the Winner to come and call the players for the individual runner-up trophies.

**Request Strikers captain Umesh to present the individual trophies**

**FRIENDSHIP CUP 2017 CHAMPIONS TROPHY to WINNERS**

**Request all the other 3 captains to present the Winners Trophy**