Appendix

B) News Paper Cutting

Desabhimani Dated 4th December, 2004 From Kerala
A 'Top it thru T.P. Nair' column

Lost we forget them

Mr T.P. (Padmanabhan) Nair known as Indian volleyball's Prince Charming in the fifties and sixties. Adored by sports lovers of those days for his Salmon-like rise in the air and deceptively explosive smashes, T.P., as he is popularly known, says certain things straight from his heart--P.V.R. Menon

I know, like many non-cricketer sports persons of India, I must introduce me to the readers. Believe me, I don't mind it. In a way, existence as a non-entity suits me. In Bombay where I work (for Western Railway), very few know that I am a former Indian volleyball captain. Requesting you not to think that I am bragging or blowing my trumpet, it was under my captaincy India won a silver medal in the Fourth Asian Games held in 1962 at Jakarta. This silver is incidentally the best achievement for Indian volleyball in the international arena, the next being bronze in the 1986 Tokyo Asian, where I was a member of the team, and the 1986 Seoul Asian.

At Jakarta, we should have won the gold, as the football team did thanks to the innovative dexterity of coach S.A. Rahim in pushing an injured Jamali Singh upfront from deep defence and the 'Rock of Gibraltar' suddenly becoming a 'Niagra' to flood the rival net with a couple of goals of goals to make it a victory wave for India. We lost to Japan in a cliff-hanging five-game final after we led 11-6 in the decider. How we lost is another story. I may tell you later in detail.

But would have the gold medal made any difference in my life or the lives of my colleagues in that squad? I doubt very much. We would have been still treated as the 'nobody' we are since then. I have no grouse, though better recognition would have bolstered our standing and image. We in turn would have felt encouraged to contribute our mite to enhance the volleyball might of the country. Of course, I am doing my bit in my own humble way.

LEFT HIGH AND DRY

We are, in a way, happy that we are not besieged by autograph hunters. Whenever I see starstruck fans chasing Sunil Gavaskar, Dilip Vengsarkar, Ravi Shastri, et al, often intruding into their personal lives and thus to their discomfiture, I feel sorry for the flanelled heroes, despite all the attention they get in the media and in public. I am told that these gladiators cannot go to Chowpatty and Juhu beaches to have their favourite 'Bhel-puri' or 'Chat'. Public adulation is welcome only if it remains at a respectable and tolerable level.

Never for a moment misunderstand that I am trying to compare us, oldguards of the non-cricketing world, with the charmers of the willow and red cherry, especially of the generation of cricketers since the sixties, when cricket became a craze with the Indian masses and the media. Nor it is the wailing of a hurt heart. Perhaps, we lacked the class, charisma and glamour of those modern entertainers of international cricket. As a result, we can travel in electric trains and BEST buses. Can Gavaskar, Vengsarkar and Shastri dare to do so? Forget about it. They will be lynched to pieces.

As for us, many of us battle-scarred veterans, we strive in your youth, in our working places and on the playground, and continue to, though only in working places, to eke out a living for us as well as for our families. All of us are above 50 and some 60-plus and 70-plus too.
The unforgettable pair

ANNY would not have heard of Bhavishyani and T. P. P. Nair. But they did not own a pair of Indian volleyball. The game has seen these, the last three decades, once there cannot be any comparison. The 1990 World Netball Championship in Bombay is how these two standing from one court to another, to make their presence felt. The world of volleyball had seen their presence and the skill and their dedication to the prevailing standards of the game. The standards were set. Bhavishyani and T. P. P. Nair are, if any, in their minds.

If you want to talk to me, you should talk to her, she will bring him along,” said Bhavishyani. “What makes them an unique pair? Both, in a sort of right, the two loved to play and never, in their youthful years in Kerala, was a different district. But destiny had fixed it. Bhavishyani got it when the Army, and the Services, were the only avenue to prove her skill. In 1986, they were the Services and Indian Air Force (IAF) teams, the Services team was the best from the Services, while the Services team of the Indian Air Force had given them a chance to prove their skills.

Punjab conducted a walk-out protest after the end of the match. The Punjab team had gone into the fifth set of services was leading by 2-1. In fact, the final set was the only set to be played at the Services. There was a 2-0 lead for Punjab in the fifth set. But they could not hold it. They lost the final set by 1-2 to Punjab.

Bhavishyani was the only one who could play both the games. She played volleyball with the Services and Air Force teams. She played volleyball with the Services and Air Force teams. She played volleyball with the Services and Air Force teams. She played volleyball with the Services and Air Force teams.

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Times of India, December 1990, National Championship
Kerala Kamudi (Weekly) 13th January
 Forgotten Volleyball Champion

Padmanabhan Nair (TPP Nair), has the distinction of being the coach and captain of the Indian volleyball team that played against Japan in the IV Asian Games at Jakarta. India and won the silver medal for India in 1962. After this victory, India still holds the record for the most silver medals in Asian volleyball.

At the third Asian Games held in Japan in 1958, India won the bronze medal for volleyball and Padmanabhan Nair was part of the Indian team. In 1960 he won several tournaments and emerged as national Champion. Still though he was recommended for Arjuna Award in 1960, he did not get it, since several others had to be accommodated. He was denied the Dhyanchand Lifetime Award and a pension for silver and bronze medallists of international sports events. Earlier the award, a small amount was given only to gold medallists. It was in 2005 when KPS Gill was the Sports Minister that the pension was sanctioned. And Padmanabhan Nair received his pension from 2009, 48 years after winning the silver medal!

Hailing from Chennur in Kollam District, he was born in 1935. He completed his education in 1951 and joined the Indian Airforce as a teacher. He was a football and badminton player during his school and college days, but he started playing volleyball after he joined the Air Force where coach Joseph Varghese spotted his talent.

Since 1952 Padmanabhan Nair has played in several volleyball teams for the services. He was Vice-Captain of the Volleyball team that toured Sri Lanka in 1959, played all the test matches against Russia in 1960 and captained the last test held at Calcutta. He was captain and coach of the IV Asian games held at Jakarta which won India a silver medal.

In 1960 he won the National volleyball championship played at Delhi representing the services. The same year he left the Airforce and joined Indian Railways where he won the national championship at Chennai playing for the railways. Thus he received two national championship awards in the same year.

Padmanabhan Nair attended the first coaching camp for coaches conducted by the Russian Coach Pimenov at Patiala and qualified as a ranked coach with 90% marks and was recommended in Understudy Coach at Netaji Institute of Sports at Patiala. While he was in the Railways, Padmanabhan Nair played in several volleyball tournaments and later coached the Railways men's and women's teams for tournaments in different cities and still he retired in 1992.

Now 76, Padmanabhan Nair is interested in sports and watches the international competitions telecast on TV Channel. He lamented the fact that the team spirit and dedication among the players those days is missing in the present generation, in spite of opportunities and advance training imparted to the players. Padmanabhan Nair used to play tennis, football, billiards and snookers in his younger days.

His wife Pushpa, born in 1943, hails from Pathikad. While their son Pradeep is working with Mahindra & Mahindra and is married, his daughter Pramila is also working, married and settled. Both of them are in Mumbai. While Pradeep used to play cricket, Pramila played volleyball.
Scrap Arjuna Awards, says volleyball veteran

By Sunil Varrier
Times News Network

Mumbai: One fine morning T P Padma

Nair read the name of T

Gopal in The Times of India. Gopal was one of the short-
listed candidates for the Arjuna Award. Nair was

quite impressed. It turned to indignation when the awards

were announced and Nair learnt that not Gopal, but P

V Rama Rao is the recipient.

T P P Nair

Simultaneously, he kept abreast of an "insulted" ath-

lete Milkha Singh refusing to accept the Arjuna Award

for Life-time Achievement. His emotions

welled up, Nair found his voice and it was an

extremely upset and provoked Nair that The

Times of India spoke to.

"Scrap the Arjuna Awards," he said. "It is

nothing but a joke. It seems the government is

more keen on insulting sportspersons. Only

incompetent and the least worthy find their names on the list."

Nair who, one may ask? He was the cap-

tain of the Indian volleyball team that won a sil-

ver medal at the 1962 Asian Games in Jakarta.

Nair was also a member of the team that won

the bronze at the 1958 Asian. And what did he

or the other players get—a pat on the back and

a little increment from their employers for a

few.

"If Milkha and Ramanaso deserve the Arjuna

award I should get the Bharat Ratna," Nair

explained. "Gopalan was a member of the side

when I was captain in 1962, and Rama Rao was a

member of the Railway side when I was coach

and manager in 1958. At least by dint of

being captain, I should have been given priori-

ty."

Perforce, after 1962, the next time the

Indian volleyball team stood on the victory rostrum

was in 1986 at Seoul when it won the

bronze. "At least one member of this side has
got the Arjuna award," insists Nair.

"Rama Rao too played at this Asian Games.

If Milkha has been nominated by the

Volleyball Federation of India, the entire 1962

team should be given the Arjuna Award," he

seems it is better not to be given any recogni-
tion than to retrograded.

Nair doesn't deny he worked and often dream

ted of walking into Roshan Mathew's nursery and being

honoured by the President of India. "We

wouldn't have," he asks, "isn't it the dream of

every sportsperson? But after this insult it

Milkha Singh, I wonder if the Arjuna Award

holds the same honour."

Nair never applied for the award like many in

other sports. "I strongly feel that the deserving

should get it without applying," he says. "Most

sportspersons are humble and do not like

paperwork. It is the duty of the federation to

nominate the deserving. After this year's con-

fusion, there is no pride for the awardees.

Moreover, even if the VFI does not nominate

my name, there is no way it can erase my

record. That will remain in tact."

Nair also feels slighted by the government's

decision not to include silver medallists in the

pension scheme. "This is something I have been

fighting for since the last five years," he informs

"For starters, at least the silver medallists of

Asian Games should be included in the

titles. But now I wonder if it is worth it. It

hurts."
Malayala Manorama Sports, 6 Dec. 2002
Malayalam News Sunday Plus Dated 6th Oct. 2013, Published in Saudi Arabia, Jeddah
बालिबाल के विलक्षण प्रतिष्ठा संपन्न खिलाड़ी

उनके अन्तर्गत अनेक खिलाड़ियों के लिए प्रदर्शन के लिए गुरु के रूप में काम करते थे। बालिबाल ने अपने गुरु के रूप में काम किये काफी समय और इसके कारण उनने भी अपनी लड़कियों के लिए अति सही फॉर्म और उनके विशेष हथकर्म प्रदर्शन करने में साथ दिया।

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CERTIFICATES, LETTERS & MEDALS

[Certificate image]

Awarded to Shri T.P. Nair for participating in Ninth National Volley-Ball Championship of India from Thursday 25th February to Sunday the 28th February, 1960 at New Delhi.
The Volleyball Federation of India

10th National Volleyball Championships—1960-61
Under the auspices of
The Madras State Volleyball Association

Souvenir Certificate

Awarded to Shri J. P. P. Nair (Railways) for participating in Tenth National Volleyball Championship of India, from Wednesday 28th December 1960 to Sunday the 1st January 1961 at Madras.

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THE VOLLEYBALL FEDERATION OF INDIA

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THE
Rajkumari Sports Coaching Scheme

VOLLEY BALL

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that Sr. T.F. BAIR

of I.A.F. Tumkur...

has satisfactorily completed all the

techniques in the coaching camp, organised by The Madras State Volley Ball

Association at the Y.M.C.A. (Ramaghat) Madras, from the 12th May

to the 30th May, 1955 and has qualified himself as a Volleyball coach, and

has mastered the

Technique. Very Good.

Tactics. Good.

and Methods of Coaching. Good.

We recommend him as a Promising coach.

COACH

HONY. GENERAL SECRETARY

CHAIRMAN

National Stadium,
New Delhi - 1.
Dated the 30th May, 1955.
The Volley-Ball Federation of India

Souvenir Certificate

Awarded to Shri T. P. P. Nair (S.S.C.D.)

for participating in the Eighth National Volley-Ball Championship of India, from Sunday 28th December 1958 to Thursday the 1st January 1959 at Jamshedpur.

[Signature]
President
THE VOLLEY-BALL FEDERATION OF INDIA

[Signature]
Secretary
THE VOLLEY-BALL FEDERATION OF INDIA
VOLLEYBALL FEDERATION OF INDIA

Diploma

This is to certify that

Mr./Miss. T. P. P. Nair (Manager)

of Indian Railways

State/Unit

has participated as player in the 39th Senior National Volleyball Championships for Men/Women held at Bombay Maharashtra


The team has secured Third place.

DILIP BHATTACHARYYA

PRESIDENT

VOLLEYBALL FEDERATION OF INDIA

K. Mudhiran

SECRETARY GENERAL

VOLLEYBALL FEDERATION OF INDIA
VOLLEYBALL FEDERATION OF INDIA

SOUVENIR CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that

Mr. / Miss. T. P. P. NAI R - MANAGER

of \ Indian Railways \ State / Unit

has participated as player/official in the XXXVIII National

Volleyball Championships for Men and Women held at

Guwahati, Assam, from 22nd to 29th December, 1989.

DILIP BHATTACHARYYA
PRESIDENT
VOLLEYBALL FEDERATION OF INDIA

K. MURUGAN
SECRETARY GENERAL
VOLLEYBALL FEDERATION OF INDIA
THE
Rajkumari Sports Coaching Scheme

VOLLEYBALL

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that Shri T.F.P. Nair
of Services Air Force
at New Delhi attended the Training Course
from 25th Feb to 28th March 1959 in
the theory and practice of Volleyball and has been qualified as a Volleyball
Coach.

National Stadium
New Delhi
31st March 1959

Secretary

Coach

Chairman

M.F. Pimenov
The Volleyball Federation of India.

Souvenir Certificate

Awarded to Sri S. R. Nair (Service) for participating Vth National Championship of India, Dated Patiala on Thursday the 23rd, Friday 24th, Saturday 25th, and Sunday the 26th February 1950.

[Signature]

Hon. Secretary
THE VOLLEY BALL FEDERATION OF INDIA.

[Signature]

President
THE VOLLEY BALL FEDERATION OF INDIA.
The Volleyball Federation of India

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1960 to Sunday the 1st January 1961 at Madras.
The Volleyball Federation of India.

Souvenir Certificate

Awarded to Smt. S. P. Nair (Services)

for participating Vth National Championship of India, Dated Patiala

on Thursday the 23rd, Friday 24th, Saturday 25th, and Sunday the 26th

February 1956.

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THE VOLLEY BALL FEDERATION OF INDIA.
Indian Team Won Silver Medal At 4th Asiad At Jakarta In 1992
Indian Team Won Silver Medal At 4th Asiad Held At Jakarta In 1962
MR. T. P. P. Nair Won Bronze Medal in 3rd Asian Games Held at Japan in 1958 and Won Silver Medal in 4th Asian Games Held at Jakarta In 1962
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Shri T.P.P. Nair, ex-Captain of Indian Volleyball team at IV Asian Games, staged in Indonesia in 1962, has been a regular member of Western Railway Volleyball team from 1960.

He had represented Western Railway and played in all the Maharashtra State Volleyball Championships from 1960 to 1963, organised by Maharashtra State Volleyball Association.

He had also represented Western Railways at its Inter-Railway Volleyball Championships staged in Madras in 1960, Ponda in 1961 and 1962 and Hyderabad in 1963.

He represented Indian Railways at the National Volleyball Championships played at Madras in 1961, Jalalpur in 1962 and Hyderabad in 1967.

In the year 1960, he had represented the country against USSR team which visited India and played all the test matches.

In the year 1962, he had Captained the country at the IV Asian Games staged in Indonesia and won a 'Silver Medal'.

We wish him best of luck.

[Signature]
Asst. Sports Officer,
Western Railway,
Headquarters Office,
Churchgate, Bombay.

[Gurbax Singh Grewal],
Assistant Sports Officer,
Western Railway,
Churchgate, Bombay.
TO whom IT MAY CONCERN

This is to certify that Sh. T.P.P.Nair is an excellent Volleyball Coach qualified by the Netaji Subhas Institute of Sports Patiala (India). His sports qualifications are as under:

1. Represented India at the IIIrd Asian Games, Tokyo 1958 where India won a bronze medal.
2. Vice-Captain of Indian Volleyball Team which toured Sri Lanka in 1959.
3. Played all test matches against Russia in 1960 and captained the last test played at Calcutta.
4. Captained Indian Volleyball team at IV Asian Games Jakarta, Indonesia in 1962 where India won a silver medal.

We wish him the best of luck.

(S.L. SHARMA)
Hony. Secretary General
Volleyball Federation of India
TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

Shri T.P.P. NAIR (T.P. PADMANABHAN NAIR) Ex-Captain of Indian Volleyball team at IV ASIAD held at Jakarta, Indonesia in 1962, had been a regular member of Western Railway volleyball team from the year 1960.

He retired from active sports from the year 1969.

In the year 1968, he got transferred to KOTA Railway Workshop from Lower Parel Western Railway Workshop, Mumbai.

In KOTA Workshop, he continued his sports activities till the year 1967 after which he got transferred to Western Railway Headquarter Office, Churchgate, Mumbai.

During his stay at KOTA, Rajasthan, as he is NIS qualified Coach, he continued his coaching activities by training the Local and Divisional Volleyball teams and acted as a Coach cum-Manager of Railway Workshop team at all the Western Railway Divisional Championship held at various centres on Western Railway till 1987.

During his 13 years stay at KOTA i.e. from 1969 to 1987, he organized and conducted Divisional Volleyball Championship 5 times at Workshop Sports ground.

At the 9th ASIAD held at New Delhi in 1982, he was deputed on duty by Railway Sports Control Board, New Delhi to assist the Asian games organization where he acted as Liaison Officer of Saudi Arabian Volleyball Team.

During the year from 1989 to 1991, he was deputed by Railway Sports Control Board to act as Manager of Indian Railway Men and Women Volleyball team which participated at the National Volleyball Championships held at Guwahati, Mumbai, Calcutta respectively.

In the year 1990 he was deputed as Manager, Indian Railway Women Volleyball Team that participated in Federation Cup held at Tiruppur, Kerala.

In the year 1990, he was deputed as Manager of Indian Railway Women Volleyball Team that played Test Matches against USSR at Calcutta and Hyderabad.

He was also associated actively with Kota District Volleyball Association and had been coaching and officiating in all the District Volleyball Championship from 1970 to 1987.

We wish him Best of Luck.

(Sports Officer)
Western Railway, H.Qrs Office,
Churchgate, Mumbai-400 020

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Appendix - D

Photos

ID CARD OF MR. T.P.P. NAIR TAKEN COACHES TRAINING CAMP THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF SPORTS IN 1962 BY RUSSIAN COACH PIMONOW
Coaching Camp by Russian Coach Golomozov in 1955 T. P. P. Nair Middle Row 4th Rom Left
T.P.P. Nair - second from right (sitting)

SERVICES VOLLEYBALL TEAM WHICH WON NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP AT 1960.

AIR FORCE VOLLEY BALL TEAM 1959/60

Sitting L to R: CPL R.B. Menon, CPL T.P.P. Nair (Capt.), SQDN LDE. Wing Commander.

Indian Volleyball Team 3rd Asia, Tokyo Japan 1958 India Got Bronze Medal T. P. P. Nair 1st from Left, Standing 2nd row

India Railway Team Won National Championship in 1961, T. T. P. Nair Second from the Right (Sitting)
Indian Volleyball Team 3rd Asiad Held At Tokyo, Japan In 1958
India Got Bronze Medal T. P. T. Naikr 1st From
Left Standing 4th Row

Family Members of T. P. T. Nair
Interview With Mr. T. P. P. Nair

Mr. T. P. P. Nair Second from Left Within India Volleyball Team That Played 1962 Asian Games in Jakarta, Indonesia and Won Silver Medal.