

ABI & Jorel Supporting Sport In the Community, working for All

Qassim Afzal, a keen supporter of Martial Art and one of the many sponsors to the first nationally mixed community martial arts competition, held in Birmingham, with guest from around the UK including dignitaries from the USA, alongside the Cities Lord Mayor.

Qassim took great please in presenting the trophies to the winners, he said "every one here is a winner".

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Fun and Sports in aid of the Needy

The Games day-out proved successful even though Muhammed Ali, the star guest, could not make it

PEOPLE gathered in their thousands, where sports fanatics had the opportunity to participate in a number of sporting activities and other entertainment. And at the same time they helped the needy throughout the world.

The sixth National Islamic Relief Games, on Sunday 13th November 1994 at the NEC Birmingham (Hall 5), attracted over 5,000 people raising over £20,000.

The Games were complimented with family attractions, offering not

only a high standard of sports competition of Five-a-Side football and karate but also a wide variety of activities for the families such as childrens rides, clothes sale, jewellery stalls, food stalls and one of the UK's biggest Islamic bookfairs, and also creche facilities.

The chief guest was Sir Richard Knowles, Lord Mayor of Birmingham. An invitation had been sent to Muhammad Ali, the ex-championship boxer who had intended to attend the Games but due to some urgent commit-

ments in America he sent an apologetic letter to us as follows:-

"I sincerely appreciate the invitation you have extended to me to attend the Sixth National Islamic Relief Games.

Needless to say the results of your efforts and others involved has truly been a blessing to those who are suffering throughout the world. I have dedicated my life to help those who are in need, there is no greater service that we can perform toward mankind than to help those who are in need and are suffering. With the will of Allah, this

years' Games will be a bigger success than last years'.

This years' programme was generously supported by:- Muslim News, Q-News, Asian Times, Eastern Eye, Trends Magazine, West Point Printing Company, All Trade Printers, Birmingham City Council, Birmingham Sports Council and many more.

All the funds raised will go towards Islamic Relief projects which operate in over 30 countries to help alleviate the suffering of the needy people.

Special Guest



Imam Siraj Wahaj of Masjid al-Taqwa Brooklyn, New York, was recently visiting Birmingham to talk to young muslims about Islam. He was later invited to Islamic Relief headquarters in Birmingham to look around and meet some of the staff. Siraj Wahaj, above, is seen with Dr Hani El Barma (left), Managing Director of Islamic Relief and some of the staff



Fighting for a just cause! Two senior karate competitors in action



Islamic Relief Womens Games 94

THE women's and girls games which took place on 21st August in London at the Kelmscott Leisure Centre attracted over 300 sisters.

The games were opened by the Lord Mayor of Walthamstow Mrs Meher



Karate winners and runners up with their trophies presented by Qassim Hussain Afzal, director of Jorel, (on extreme right), one of the sponsors of the Games



Fadi Itani, Islamic Relief UK Manager, presenting the Man of The Match Award to Mohammed Najeeb Chuhan from Clapton, London



A young spectator at the Games



Special guests view the proceedings from their seating. From left to right, Mushtaq Mohammed, former Pakistani Test Cricketer, Tariq Rashid, an Islamic Relief volunteer, Mrs Knowles, Sir Richard Knowles, Lord Mayor of Birmingham and Fadi Itani



A variety of fun fare was made available on the day for the families. A father and daughter enjoy a ride on the bumper cars!

Khan. Over £3,000 was raised for the orphans scheme. By organising this event the Muslim community in this country benefited as Muslims from different nationalities were brought together and all for one purpose - to raise money for the orphans project.

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THE 2ND SCOTTISH GAMES

OVER 300 people attended the Scottish Games held in Clackmannan District Council on 17th and 18th September 1994.

The chief guest was the Governor of Clackmannan District Council James Watson who presented the prizes to all the winners.

The sports centre which was sponsored by Clackmannan District Council catered for the participants of football, netball, badminton, etc. This year a special programme was arranged for the Sisters who had their own activities. The Games were successful raising over £1,000 for the Islamic Relief projects around the world.



Clackmannan District Council Convenor James Watson, above left, presenting prizes to the winning Football (Open) team Manis. Junaid Rahman, manager of Islamic Relief Glasgow office, with the Convenor, above right. The Libya Football Team prepare to take a penalty kick against the Trespass All Stars team (right)



Five-a-Side Football competition under way