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IASAS SCHEDULE 2011

Date	Time	MS Gym-Boys	Time	HS Gym-Girls
Thursday Jan 27	8:30	iskl v sas	8:30	tas v ism
	10:30	tas v isb	10:30	iskl v jis
	12:30	ism v jis	12:30	sas v isb
		MS Gym-Girls		HS Gym-Boys
	14:00	ism v iskl	14:00	sas v tas
	16:00	isb v tas	16:00	jis v iskl
	18:00	jis v sas	18:00	isb v ism
Friday Jan 28	AM	MS Gym-Boys		HS Gym-Girls
	8:00	sas v jis	8:00	isb v ism
	10:00	tas v ism	10:00	sas v iskl
	Noon	iskl v isb	Noon	tas v jis
	PM	MS Gym-Girls	PM	HS Gym-Boys
	13:30	ism v sas	13:30	jis v tas
	15:30	iskl v tas	15:30	isb v sas
	17:30	jis v isb	17:30	ism v iskl
Saturday Jan 29	AM	MS Gym-Boys		HS Gym-Girls
	8:00	jis v isb	8:00	tas v sas
	9:45	sas v ism	9:45	isb v iskl
	11:30	iskl v tas	11:30	ism v jis
	PM	MS Gym	FINALS	HS Gym-
	14:00	Boys 3rd v Boys 4th	14:00	Girls v Girls 4th 3rd
	16:00	Girls 1st v Girls 2nd		Final
	18:00	Boys 1st v Boys 2nd		Final

Games listed first are home and wear light colored uniform.

A MESSAGE FROM MR. PEKIN

It was a great pleasure for International School Manila to host this year's IASAS Basketball Championships.

We had an exciting competition, friendly interactions, and competitive rivalry between all IASAS teams.

I congratulate all team members on the hard work and dedication you have demonstrated in this competition.

I would like to give a special thanks to all our ISM families that have volunteered to house the IASAS athletes and to all those who have helped with the planning, organization and running of this IASAS event.

We hope that you have enjoyed the 29th Annual IASAS Basketball Championships in Manila 2011.

MEET YOUR BOYS CAPTAINS

By Laura Lehmann, Staff Writer



COLLIN FACK and LORENZO AYCO (ISB)
#12 and #11

Alternative mascot of choice: The Geese!

Pumping up before a game means: Hmmm... saying "Yooooon!"

Favorite basketball players: LeBron James, Orlando Metter, Dwight James, Kobe Bryant

Experience: Since I was 8 years old. I play shooting guard and small forward.



JEREMY GETZ and HENRY YONG (ISKL)
#14 and #3

Team's "it" factor: We have pinstriped jerseys. They tend to give viewers minor headaches and occasional seizures.

Team you are most apprehensive about: Singapore. Rauson.

Most attractive quality about the game of basketball: I like how you can legitimately win games with defense. In games like soccer, baseball or football, defense is only the act of keeping the other team from scoring. In basketball, defense can create incredibly easy offensive scores.

Team philosophy: Defense wins basketball games.



MIGUEL OLFATO and ALEX GILL (ISM)
#10 and #18

Team's "it" factor: speed

Pumping up before a game means: Playing music during our pre-game warm-ups.

Difficulties during the season: Throughout the season, our team has been riddled with injuries. At one point we had 7 out of 13 players injured. We've really only had a full team within the last few weeks.

Team philosophy: If we play hard and take care of the little things, then the big things will follow.



DANNY MASRIN, SAM BECKSTEAD, and JUSTIN KENNEDY (JIS)
#10, #8, and #11

Alternative mascot of choice: We wouldn't change it. We are DRAGONS for life!

Team you are most apprehensive about: SAS. They've been the defensive champions for years.

Favorite basketball team: Chicago Bulls

Favorite basketball player: Derrick Rose.

Most attractive quality about the game of basketball: You have to rely on others and not only on yourself. You never know what's going to happen; anything can happen in just a couple of seconds.



RAUSON CLOWER and DUSTIN SANDANO (SAS)
#33 and #6

Team's "it" ritual: Our hilarious emotional leader, Alex Schindele and his infamous jokes

Wacky team rituals: In our pregame warm-ups, we enjoy yelling various methods of cooking eggs (eg. Omelet).

Favorite basketball player: Bill Walton

Pumping up before a game means: Having nerf gun wars and stretching.

Alternative mascot of choice: An Asparagus.

Team philosophy: "You gottsta' want it!"



MAX HUANG and ANDREW HUANG (TAS)
#8 and #6

Wacky team rituals: "Team Shave"

Pumping up before a game means: Having a BBQ downtown, and then doing the "buff-circle".

Favorite basketball player: Allen Iverson

Alternative mascot of choice: An alternative mascot would be Robert Su, the spirit of our team.

Team philosophy: Everyone's got to make sacrifices for a team to succeed.

Shout-out to the ISM teams, coaches, and fans: It's time for our hard work to pay off.



MEET YOUR GIRLS CAPTAINS

By: Young Sun Park, Staff Writer



KAREN SORIAGA and CLAUDIO WILLNOW (ISM)
#9 Guard and #13 Forward

Favorite basketball team: Boston Celtics
Pumping up before a game means: running around the court

Meaning behind your jersey number: My birthday!

Team's "it" factor: Filipino Pride

Alternative mascot of choice: Dolphins

Team philosophy: Composure, 100% of the time.

Most attractive quality about the game of basketball: The boys

Shout-out to the ISM teams, coaches, and fans: Like an art, we're performing for all of you in the stands



SHOKO HIRATA and LAUREL SMITH (ISKL)
#6 Guard and #4 Guard

Pumping up before a game means: Listening to our playlist and dancing

Most attractive quality about the game of basketball: The game is really fast. It takes a lot of skill and speed—one mistake can cost you a significant lead.

Meaning behind your jersey number: I think I read somewhere for my birthday that four was my lucky number.

Team's "it" factor: Young but strong

Alternative mascot of choice: Cobra!

Team philosophy: "Thick skin short memory" by our lovely coach, Laurence Myers



MORA GREHL (TAS)
#10 Guard

Team's "it" factor: Well rounded. (Their coach jokes, "More Chinese speakers!")

Wacky team rituals: Meredith's gangster dance

Favorite basketball player: LeBron James

Meaning behind your jersey number: My soccer coach told me that a lot of famous midfielders have the number 10. I've kept the number consistent.

Shout-out to the TAS teams, coaches, and fans: I'm proud of our young team.

Everyone really stepped up this season and we've improved our team chemistry. Thank you to the coaches and the support.



MICHELLE BYWATER, HANNAH GOODE, and EMMA GRADY (SAS)
#8 Guard, #12 Guard, and #14 Center

Team philosophy: "Basketball is cross country with a ball." We play aggressive and have a fast-paced style.

Team's "it" factor: We're really close and we work extremely well together.

Favorite player: Jimmer Fredette

Alternative mascot of choice: Something related to food. We love food.

Shout-out to the SAS teams, coaches, and fans: I am confident that however things turn out at this tournament we will come out of it as a strong team—one that sacrifices everything for each other and leaves it all out on the court.



MONICA PRANATAJAYA and ROSIE WEBER (JIS)
#13 Post and #5 Guard

Team's "it" factor: We aren't one of the tallest teams, but we are going to be one of the quickest and most aggressive.

Wacky team rituals: Going to center court and slapping the floor

Alternative mascot of choice: Dragons, always.

Difficulties during the season: Couple injuries, stitches, surgeries...no big deal!

Most attractive quality about the game of basketball: It's not all about skill; effort plays a big role too.

Favorite basketball team: That's easy, Boston Celtics!



KAT MILAN (ISB)
#12 Forward

Team's "it" factor: We show a lot of heart

Most attractive quality about the game of basketball: Basketball is a sport that requires everything: aggressiveness, coordination, balance, speed, fitness, skills, etc. It's hard work!

Wacky team rituals: Eating my mom's amazing granola before games. It's delicious, and magical.

Favorite basketball player: Justin McKinney for sure. He's my idol.

Team philosophy: Coach Perry gave us a poem about how every possession counts. From then on that has been our philosophy—"one possession."

Too Short to Play?

By: Julia Saubier, Staff Writer



Photo by: Zaina Ahmed
5 feet 5 inches tall.

This is the height at which the average girl on ISM's girls basketball team stands. Though any other girl standing at such a height would probably be deemed of average stature, female basketball players of this height will be called "short". In basketball, the philosophy seems to go: the taller you are, the better a player you'll be. However, is being tall truly a requirement or an advantage when playing basketball? Can someone ever be too short to play?

Many regard basketball as "the tall man's game." For the team's center, height is, to some extent, a necessity. 6 feet 3 inch tall co-captain and starting center of ISM's boys varsity basketball team, Alexander Gill, states, "When playing the center, height is a necessity because you are the person that is responsible for the majority of the rebounds and protecting the paint area on defense." Height is inevitably advantageous when attempting to get both defensive and offensive rebounds, an aspect of basketball that can easily lead to a win or loss. But for some, height comes second to the ability to jump. A classic example from history: Spud

Webb, who won the NBA slam dunk competition in 1986 standing at just 5'7.

For guards, however, being tall is in fact nonessential and can even sometimes prove disadvantageous. Sophomore and starting point-guard Katrina Gavino who stands at just over 5 feet points out that, "As a point guard, height does not matter as much as it would if you were a post player." A short person has a lower center of gravity resulting in augmented speed. In a sport that requires players to run back and forth, speed is essential. Hence, short players are automatically in an advantageous position due to their agility and quick speed. A small point guard, for example, can easily beat the defense of the opposing team down the court, especially after a steal.

On offense, looking to drive is one technique teams can employ to easily score points. With the quick speed and good ball handling skills of a relatively short guard or point-guard, points are expected. On the other hand, height on the defending team is both an advantage and a disadvantage. Tall players can easily block the shot of the smaller player however; there is the likelihood that the referee will call a foul – awarding one to two easy baskets to the opposing team at the foul line.

Will the short stature of ISM's team members prove to be a shortcom-

ing? Although a team may be short, they can use this to their advantage. Because ISM's teams are generally shorter than other teams at IASAS, exercises such as suicides and running drills are commonplace at basketball practice. Gill adds, "we have been learning how to run our lanes to try and beat the defense down the court so we do not have to "compete" with the opponents' big men."

Like many other sports, basketball requires mental strength, determination and the desire to win. Ultimately, basketball doesn't just build character – it reveals it. Although height may prove advantageous and even a necessity in some situations, a team, regardless of its height, can win if its players have the willpower to exert no less than 100% into the entire 40 minutes of the game. As Gavino says, "it's not how big you are, it's how big you play."



Photo by: Zaina Ahmed



ISB BOYS

By: Jacob Kobza, Staff Writer



Photo by: Mara Javier

The International School Bangkok Panthers boys' basketball team came into the IASAS tournament with only one goal in mind: Win it all. With four starters returning from a medaling season last year, the team had high expectations this year.

Opening their IASAS tournament against Taipei, Senior Justin McKinney says, "I really want to beat Taipei. I still haven't beaten them in IASAS and I really want to do that before I'm done." The Tigers took advantage of a slow ISB start, and rushed off to an early lead. In the second half, the Panthers regained their composure and clawed their way back. Playing great basketball behind the shooting of senior Lorenzo Ayco and junior Tony Rimmel, facilitated by freshman Casey ChubbFertal, the Panthers easily closed out and savored a victory over the Tigers, 79-56.

The Panthers followed up the stunning win over TAS with an anticipated matchup with the hometown ISM Bearcats. Early on, ISM's staunch defense held them in the game, and ISB led only

32-28 at the half. "I was nervous," said sophomore Joseph Kendrink. "They hung tight with us the whole first half, and our guys started to get scared." ISB's height and athleticism soon proved too much for the undersized Bearcats, as Rimmel put up 25 points and propelled the team to an 80-59 win, giving ISB an undefeated first day.

Against ISKL, midway through the third quarter, ISB started to show its first signs of fatigue and allowed ISKL to retake the lead. "We just couldn't make our shots," commented captain Lorenzo Ayco, a native to the Philippines. Fighting valiantly ISB was able to cut the deficit to three with clutch jumpers by Rimmel and Ayco. The Panthers fell just short in the end, though, and lost 49-46 in a low-scoring, hard-fought battle. Senior Collin Fack adds, "ISKL played really well, so props to them, but it was really disappointing that we couldn't pull out the victory."

Just hours after their first defeat of the tournament, ISB faced the undefeated Singapore Eagles. ISB was forced to get physical, down 12-17 early. Senior Giacomo Riboni quickly fouled out in the second quarter, and SAS gradually took control of the game. Eagles won 84-58.

For the first time in the tournament, ISB got off to a strong start against the JIS dragons, rushing to a 12-4 lead after the first quarter. JIS worked their way back into the game in the second quarter, and were within three points at the half. But in the second half, ISB proved too strong for the Dragons, and a 17-0 run to start the fourth quarter behind senior and four-year athlete Collin Fack sealed the game, to a 63-35 win.

Although they didn't end up with the gold they had come for, the ISB Panthers should hold their heads high knowing they had a very successful tournament, and come back next year hungry for more. A tournament well done, Panthers!



Photo by: Mara Javier

ISB GIRLS

By: GianCarlo Gatti, Staff Writer

The International School of Bangkok Panthers started this year's IASAS in Manila against the defending champions, the Singapore Eagles. While the point guard, Kristin Lowe, was able to dribble down the court with quickness and deft ball handling, but the other players weren't able to capitalize on her efforts. The final field goal percentage was 22%, making only 10 out of 45 attempts. In the end, ISB girls couldn't beat the odds—the end score was 28-57 in favor of Singapore.

Their second game against Taipei's Tigers, the defending silver medalists, showcased the Panther's fighting spirit. They showed no signs of nerves, or intimidation against two of the best records in IASAS, but Taipei's outside shooting dominated the game. The Bangkok girls were definitely still in the game with a score of 20-27 in the second, Taipei began to distance themselves from ISB

with jumpers from range. Panther Benya Kraus, freshman, stepped up her game with a rainbow hook and a jumper to keep her team within reach and Kat Milan put up a standout performance all over the court, but it wasn't enough to steal the win away. The final score was 53-69 in favor of TAS.

Facing our very own ISM Bearcats, the Panthers showed they truly flourish under pressure. Tight perimeter and interior defending from the whole team kept ISM at bay. In the second quarter, ISB dominated. Even better defending and two intercepted passes allowed Kat Milan to go coast to coast and lay it in. Taking a thirty-point lead in the first half, a newly awakened ISM team's comeback simply wasn't enough to erase the deficit. Overall, the Panthers' effectiveness from the field gave them their first win, 59-41.

Against the Jakarta Dragons, the Panthers faced the com-



Photo by: Isabel Francisco

bined efforts of both the opposing captains. They struggled to live up to their full offensive play, against the empowered, team-oriented offense of the Dragons. They played with heart and effort, but in the end, were disappointed.

On Saturday, the battle against ISKL began in nerve-wracking fashion as both teams struggled to grab control of the ball. But with skilled offensive tactics in their favor, the Bangkok Panthers gained an 18-8 lead by the end of the first quarter. Using strong offensive and defense rebounding, they upheld the lead throughout the game. Despite strong efforts from Blackburn, Wich and Smith of the opposing team, the ISB Panthers arrived at a well-deserved win, ending with a 47-33 victory.

Captain Kat Milan reflects on this IASAS, saying "We didn't play to our full potential, but I'm still so proud of our team, we played hard our last game, and it was a great way to end my last basketball IASAS!"



Photo by: Mara Javier



JIS BOYS

By: Gio Ugut, Staff Writer

In a gymnasium filled with a sea of green and gold supporters stood a confident team armoured in navy blue. Indeed, right from the beginning of the tournament the JIS Dragons seemed determined to breathe fire on their competition. Their first battle was against the home team, the ISM Bearcats. Watched over by ISM's cheering students, parents, and teachers, the JIS boys stood unwavering and ready to fight.

The first few minutes of the game seemed to suggest that Dragons were going to be on the wrong side of a blowout, but the outcome of the game proved that they were anything but. Going down to the final minute, the game ended in a narrow 66-62 victory for the Bearcats.

In their second game against ISKL, despite a disheartening start, the JIS team never gave up. They persisted in tough situations, converting their resilience

into needed points. The Dragon's game was, however, disrupted by the Panther defense; the Dragons were limited to points that were earned on the line or by quick fast breaks. However, they were still able to display flashes of brilliance such as when captain Justin Kennedy stole the ball and wove through the Panther defense for an easy lay-in and when captain Sam Beckstead executed a Kobe Bryant-like turn-around fade away jump shot. The game eventually ended 78-52, in favor of the ISKL Panthers.

Later, the Dragons faced SAS. Captains Masrin and Kennedy's efficient passing were instrumental to the Dragon offense when they had possession of the ball. Although JIS showed strong determination, SAS ultimately triumphed.

In an exciting and incredibly close game, the Dragons played defending silver medalists TAS Tigers. The Dragons gained a lead in the first quarter courtesy of Danny



Photo by: Mara Javier

Masrin, who dribbled with hot hands and shot baskets beyond the arc. Meanwhile Jeff Henrickson, Joseph Jung, and Byung Woo Seo were productive in the low post area, drawing fouls and taking to the line for free throws. Despite JIS's great defense in the earlier parts of the game, several lapses caused the Tigers to even up the score to 83 all. The game was later pushed on to overtime and ended with a 86-88 score line in favor of the Tigers.

For their final game, the Dragons were pitted against ISB. The Dragons fell to a quick deficit by more than 10 points. However, James Sherpa's excellent shooting and Jung's turnaround jump shots helped propel the Dragons to three points behind the Panthers. However, the Dragons fell behind and eventually lost 63-35.

Regardless of the tough conditions that were presented against the Dragons, they demonstrated that they were a resilient team that was capable of pulling out moments of magic when they really needed to—and that's the spirit that any team should strive to achieve.



Photo by: Mara Javier

JIS GIRLS

By: Eun-Yeol Ma and Nikki Kang, Staff Writers



Photo by Isabel Francisco

Despite their commendable efforts, JIS was not able to compensate for the points that they had lost during the first quarter, and thus accepted their first and only defeat: 43 to 58. JIS then won one of the most dramatic games of IASAS Basketball 2011. The Dragons went head to head with the TAS Tigers. Both teams played impervious defensive games and the second half ended 21-24 with TAS in the lead. The real drama, however, began in the last quarter of the game. Weber was able to reduce the seven-point gap from the previous quarter through jumps shots and layups and Pranatajaya scored to take a one-point lead with only four minutes left. The Tigers regained the lead immediately, but JIS, dictating the Tigers with clean shots and dominating rebounds, emerged victorious in a 46 to 42 triumph. Confidence shone in their fourth game against ISB. From the beginning, both captains led at-

As one of the strongest contenders for this year's IASAS gold, JIS girls displayed an outstanding performance—offensively and defensively. Under the leadership of the captains Rosie Weber and Monica Pranatajaya, JIS showed passion and competence on the court. At 10:30 on the first day of IASAS, the spotlight was on two teams: JIS and ISKL. Though JIS lost their first opportunity for possession, they were not discouraged, and came back with three consecutive shots. With a strong defense system and excellent formation calls, JIS was able to conclude half time with an 11-point lead. The same fervor remained in the game throughout the second half and JIS won the game with a score of 61 to 44.

The JIS captains stated, "The closeness among the players makes us strong. Although all teams are very good, we are not scared of any of them." Indeed, they were more than prepared to dominate their future games, but not before one small stumble along the way.

The Dragons struggled in their second game against the SAS Eagles. JIS could not break through the press of the taller SAS girls. However, as the game progressed, JIS strengthened their defense and aimed closely for the basket.

tacks and enhanced the play with rebounds and steals. Despite Weber's substitution, the other players kept focused. Brooke Molinero, Maddie Burrill, and Jessica Masrin were substituted in for an effective game play. With great performances by all the Dragons, JIS reined victorious and approached one step closer to the finals. The last match against the Bearcats began with heated offensives but as the defense strengthened for both teams, the game remained at a rather intense stagnation. The intensity of the game grew even more in the second half. The Dragons allowed the Bearcats to take the lead halfway into the last quarter but shots from both Weber and Amanda Ng gave the Dragons a close win of 44-42. JIS had expressed their hopes in winning the championship this year, and have certainly proven that they are fully capable. These Dragons were ready to take down the Eagles.



Photo by: Mara Javier



ISKL BOYS

By: Jay Sy, Staff Writer



Photo by: Will VanKoughnett

The first game of the whole IASAS tournament for ISKL was a loss to SAS but many fans saw that the effort was there in most of the game. ISKL struggled throughout the first quarter, unable to match up to the height of SAS. But in the 3rd quarter, the team started to wake up and a highlight for the ISKL boys was Jeremy Getz, blocking 2 shots in a row. The crowd started roaring after that and he had 5 blocks for the game. But still, it was too late to surge a comeback as the final score is 59-27 in favor of SAS.

The second game of the ISKL boys against JIS was a much better performance from the team compared to the 1st one, displaying better ball movement, mid range shooting, and defense. The team started getting buckets in the paint as well as getting lots of 2nd chance points during the whole game. Camile Dilindi started curling off screens and hitting jumpers as well as having an amazing tip-in. Till Gruning also showed off his excellent offensive rebounds as well as hitting lay-ups in transitions. The final score was 78-52 in favor of ISKL.

The third game for the ISKL boys was a win against ISB. This match up, unlike most performances from ISKL wasn't really a good offensive performance but a superb defensive one. Like most coaches say, defense wins championships. In the 3rd and 4th quarters, the superb defense of both teams unfolded. One ISB player hit a crucial 3 pointer, cutting the lead to 49-46. But, because of perseverance and team defense, the ISKL was able to hold onto the lead for 30 seconds and stop two 3 point attempts from going in.

The fourth game of the ISKL boys was a nail-biter from beginning to the end. Going up against the host team ISM and now had to deal with the pressure of the crowd as well. The Panthers started slow offensively, relying on a solid defense to hold their lead. Close calls by the referees and technical fouls on the Manila coach angered

the crowd and captured the tense atmosphere, as Panthers were holding onto a slim lead late in the game. Opposing guard Jonathan Moran hit a clutch 3 to cut the lead to two points with 7 seconds left, but the Panthers were able to hand on by a thread and sealed the win, 71-67.

The fifth game for the ISKL boys against TAS looked like a one sided match, with TAS yet to get a win. The 1st quarter was a solid one for the ISKL boys and as usual, they had exactly the same defensive intensity they always do each game. But as the 2nd quarter came, TAS offense fired up. The frustrated ISKL boys couldn't even buy a bucket during the quarter and were outscored 23-11 and were losing 29-21 during half time. In the end, ISKL boys lost 71-50 to TAS. Nevertheless, ISKL is going to be looking ahead, hoping to be on the winning side of their next game: the finals.



Photo by: Mara Javier

ISKL GIRLS

By: David Birchenall, Staff Writer

ISKL girls were unlucky to end the tournament with five straight defeats as their spirit, endeavor and attacking style of play deserved so much more. Right from the opening whistle, they took the game to the opposition with captains Laurel Smith and Shoko Hirata and freshman Emi Morihata driving them forward at every opportunity. But an inability to convert possession into points and some inconsistent defending prevented them from progressing to the later stages of the competition.

The Panthers' opening game was a physical encounter against JIS. ISKL started brightly, suggesting a chance of avenging their recent defeat in the IASAS exchange. As the game progressed, however, JIS appeared quicker with the rebounds. Despite a late rally from ISKL with three baskets in quick succession from Wich, Blackburn and Morihata, JIS went on to win by 61-44.

The ISKL girls played home favorites ISM in the afternoon game and once again, played expansive, attractive basketball, establishing an early lead that they maintained until the fourth quarter. Despite controlling the game for long periods, the Panthers failed to put the game beyond ISM and were punished late in the final quarter when ISM took the lead for the first time in the game. With just minutes to go ISM, inspired by the crowd, clawed the game away from ISKL winning 50-45.

Day two was one to forget for the Panthers, although the morning game against SAS was closer than the 81-32 defeat suggests. Singapore started slowly but gradually increased the pressure on an ISKL team that appeared to be conserving their energy for their afternoon encounter against TAS. In this later game, ISKL again had the better of the opening exchanges but slowly saw the points slip away



Photo by: Isabel Francisco

from them as a confident TAS team ran out winners by 67 - 24.

On Saturday, the girls went into their final game knowing that victory against ISB would be enough to give them fifth place. The battle of the panthers began nervously as both teams struggled to get the ball under control. Despite appearing evenly matched in terms of skill and possession, ISKL conceded the ten point deficit that had characterized their IASAS and were 18 - 8 down at the end of the first quarter. Undeterred, they began the second quarter in determined style. Early in the fourth quarter, a basket from Qureshi narrowed the deficit to eight points but, ultimately, their efforts weren't enough and ISB went on to win the game 47 - 33.

ISKL finished the game with their four departing seniors on the court, symbolizing a new era that will begin next year. No doubt they will miss Hirata, Smith, Broussard and Iseli but with four talented freshmen on the team, particularly the outstanding Emi Morihata, it can only be a matter of time before they begin to get the results their attractive style of play deserves.



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ISM BOYS

By: Jacob Birchenall, Staff Writer

There wasn't an empty seat to be found in the middle school gym as the ISM boys stepped onto the court to kick off their IASAS campaign against JIS. The atmosphere was electric and bearcat pride could be heard all over campus as Daniel Cho scored the first basket with only twenty seconds on the clock. The second half produced some of the most exciting basketball ever seen at ISM as the Bearcats cheered on by a passionate, capacity crowd emerged victorious with Gio Panlilio and Jonathan Moran the two outstanding performers in what was a great team effort. The game finished 66 – 62, to Manila, sparking huge celebrations on the bleachers and the court.

Despite a hard fought second match, ISM weren't able to record back-to-back wins and suffered a defeat to ISB. Three baskets in quick succession from Rafa Squillantini early in the second quarter narrowed the gap to four

points but, as the game progressed, ISM struggled to deal with the height and power of McKinney and Rimmel who dominated the boards. The game finished 80–59, but the score does not represent the heart the Bearcats showed.

On Friday morning, ISM was scheduled to take on TAS. Once again rows of students filled all areas of the gym. The students rallied around the team, and the team shone with Amado Caro and Gio Panlilio's impressive performances. Caro thanked the crowd, "[I'm] grateful for the support and that it gave the team a huge psychological boost." With 11 seconds to play TAS took the lead by one point and the crowd was momentarily silenced. Just when all hope was lost the ball found its way to Gio, who beat two players before scoring the winning layup with just four seconds left. The game ended and hundreds of people stormed the court embracing the players



Photo by : Will VanKoughnet

and celebrating in masses. A more exciting finish to a match is impossible to imagine.

ISM was competitive throughout the tournament. Despite being smaller than other teams, they used quick passing and pushed the pace to their advantage. With two extremely close wins already achieved, the home crowd was hoping that they could get the one more over ISKL. With a fluid and well-practiced Bearcat team denied countless times by Getz at the heart of KL's defence, the game finished 71 – 67 in ISKL's favour.

On Saturday morning, the Bearcats were up against the undefeated SAS, but refused to be intimidated. Alex Gill was on fire with both rebounds and baskets. The score at half time was 24 – 17, reflecting how evenly matched the two teams were. In the third quarter, Singapore stamped their authority on the game, taking a ten-point lead and closing the game out 59 – 39. ISM never gave up, fighting for every ball until the end and Bearcat spirit was undeniable. ISM's performance in the round robin was terrific, and assuredly made the entire school proud of our Bearcats.



Photo by: Mara Javier

ISM GIRLS

By: Ines Diaz, Staff Writer



Photo by Isabel Francisco

Our very own Lady Bearcats put on a great show in front of the home crowd, finishing the tournament at 5th place with one win and four losses. Their record, however, doesn't do justice to the heart these girls showed during each game. They embodied the term underdogs; they were a mix of small cross-season athletes who had to come together to play basketball.

They started off the tournament against returning silver medalists, the Taipei Tigers. It was a physical game with girls from both teams diving for the ball. Bearcat Katrina Gavino caught what fans would call "benga fever," dropping 28 points. Though the Bearcats had two great runs at the end of the second and fourth quarters to put them within striking distance, they couldn't find those final two baskets to match Taipei. Ultimately, it was the Tigers' offensive style of play that spelled the loss. "They were monsters," admitted Claudia Willnow of the Taipei post players. "What we needed to do was box out to eliminate that factor."

For the second game of the day, the Bearcats garnered their first win over the ISKL Panthers in a very dramatic fashion. They started

the game slow and trailed by as many as ten points in the first half. ISM center Julia Saubier's intensity kept the Bearcats in the game with her 8 rebounds. Coach Joni Mertz praised the junior's efforts. "She's aggressive and commits to every rebound." ISM went on to win 50-45 and the girls began to believe that size isn't everything.

With an even record, hopes were high as they entered the HS gym for their third game against the ISB Panthers. Unfortunately, they were shocked into a 30-point deficit at the half as the Panthers, lead by Kat Milan, shut down the paint offensively and defensively. Saubier explained, "Whoever has control of the rebounds has control of the game. ISB never let go of that control." Karen Soriaga and Katrina Gavino scored 20 points, but it wasn't enough to overcome the Panthers in a 41-59 loss.

The girls were obviously shaken by their second loss in three

games when they faced the defending champion, the SAS Eagles, who dealt them a 28-59 loss. By constantly using "fresh fives," as Gavino calls them, our girls practically faced two different lines throughout the course of the game. "It was a huge advantage for them. I'm assuming they practiced like that all season to develop their chemistry."

As the Bearcats stepped onto the court for the final time, one thing was clear: they were not going to accept defeat. The JIS Dragons were the only things standing in their way. Captain Rosie Weber lead the offense with her three-point shooting until Julia Saubier stepped up in the 2nd half. Gavino put on another show, scoring 18 points. Soriaga then lead her team of underclassmen in an almost-comeback. The girls kept it close all game and even took control with 6 minutes left. They played the fourth quarter as a team; for ten glorious minutes, they played like champions.



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SAS BOYS

By: Kaye Kagaoan, Staff Writer



Photo by: Will VanKoughnett

As consistent gold medalists in most IASAS events, the SAS Eagles have always been the ones to beat. The SAS Boys' Basketball team, this year's defending champions, is no exception. Led by co-captains Dustin Sodano and Raeson Clower, these Eagles soared high above the competition, sweeping all their round-robin games in a 5-0 winning streak.

In their first game against ISKL, the Eagles were quick to establish themselves as the stronger team, with senior Andrew Farrell scoring a three-point play in the first thirty seconds of the game. There were smooth free throws and layups from Jack McCabe, as well as rebounds from Raeson Clower that not only kept SAS in the lead but also prevented the ISKL Panthers from scoring, ending the game with 59-27.

The Eagles' first game also established an apparent advantage that SAS had over the other boys' teams: their size. The SAS Boys' team has some of the tallest players in this year's tournament, including Alex Schindele, who at 6'7", towers over everyone else on the

court. Seniority also came to their advantage. "There are seven seniors in our team," shares four-year participant Andrew Farrell.

In their game against TAS, the Eagles continued their winning play from the very first possession. Matt Crema gave the team its first two points through a lay-up shot, and SAS remained in a solid lead until the end of the game. SAS dominated with score of 70-59, going two for two in their first two games.

The first four minutes of the game against JIS saw the SAS co-captains in action. After winning the tipoff, Sodano scored the first two points of the game, followed by two three pointers, one by him and the other by Clower. With two more points from Sodano as well as a free throw, SAS had an 11-0 run against JIS in the first quarter. SAS went on to beat JIS 61-32.

The Eagles' fourth game, against the ISB, was expected to be a close match. ISB lead in the first

few minutes of the first quarter, but SAS caught up quickly, with particularly strong defense by Clower and two points from the free throw line for both Schindele and Sodano. In the second half, Sodano was totally open as he went for a jump shot for two points. In a game wherein SAS scored during nearly every possession, SAS beat ISB 84-58.

Finally, SAS played against ISM Bearcats. The first quarter and a half showed a close power struggle between the two teams in one of the lowest scoring quarters of the tournament. However, from the middle of the second quarter until the end of the game, despite a strong effort from the ISM Bearcats, the SAS Eagles came up strong and took game with a score of 59-39.

Having beaten every team by a margin of at least ten points the round robin games, the SAS Eagles have sealed their reputation as the ultimate team to beat in IASAS Boys' Basketball for years to come.



Photo by: Mara Javier

SAS GIRLS

By: Diego Deveras, Staff Writer



Photo by: Isabel Francisco

If there was a word to describe the ladies division of the SAS Eagles it would be: dominant, powerful, and destructive. Yes, those are three words but to give them one word would be an injustice. Led by head coach Jim Goode and Captains Michelle Bywater, Hannah Goode, and Emma Graddy, SAS have gone undefeated in their run to the finals. In that run they have shown to be a dominant team, a powerful competitor and a destructive force to all that oppose them.

In their first game against ISB, the SAS girls put on a fight. Trailing after the first quarter 7-13, the SAS girls rallied in the second quarter outscoring ISB by 11 points. Led by the efforts of Emma Grady (6 points, 2 rebounds and a steal all in a run), SAS was able to catch up and overtake ISB. The major factor contributing to their 57-28 victory was their impressive rebounding.

SAS's second game went

similar to their first. Using their height to punish JIS, SAS won 58-43. SAS endured when JIS looked like they were going to make a run, counterattacking with ferocity. When asked about what went well the first day, Coach Goode said that they had "great energy" in the games, but also cautioned about the consistency the team showed especially in the first quarter of the ISB game and the last quarter of the JIS game.

Professional basketball teams always stress the need to have a deep bench, which the Eagles proved to have in their game against the ISKL Panthers. The SAS bench scored 13 out of the 20 points in the first quarter. Led by determined players Emily Moran and Talya Marsh, who combined to have 26 rebounds, SAS outhustled and overpowered the ISKL defenders leading to their third victory. SAS continued their fine form when playing against the ISM

Bearcats. After a shaky start, the Eagles were able to get a rhythm going and hound the basketball. The Eagles scored over 20 points in each of the first two quarters by utilizing their solid perimeter defence. Before the game, when asked about elements needed to keep up their pace, the girls said that they just needed to keep their energy up and they would be fine.

The team's last game was against the TAS Tigers. Trailing behind slightly in the beginning, SAS retook the lead halfway through the first quarter. They ended the quarter with a 9 point lead. There were moments in the third when the Eagles seemed to be losing their almost composure, but they held their act together culminating in a 65-44 victory.

After their last game, the coach was asked to describe their IASAS experience; he said "The facilities are great, one of the best, if not the best for basketball. I think my girls have enjoyed the experience as much as the basketball." With five wins under their belt, the SAS Girls team must feel good.



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TAS BOYS

By: Sofia Benares, Staff Writer

TAS' IASAS Basketball team started their first game— against ISB—with a bang. They immediately went on the offensive with Max Huang scoring only a minute into the game. The first quarter proved the TAS players to be amazing shooters, who made the majority of their baskets—many of which were 3 pointers—with free throws. They immediately gained the advantage. Halfway through one, however, ISB caught up. The game went down for TAS from there. As ISB made more shots, TAS players started missing more of their own and the offensive strategy flipped to a defensive one. TAS lost by 23 points.

The second game, again, started with a bang. Andrew Huang made a 3-pointer within the first minute of the game, and would continue to dominate the TAS effort alongside number Max Huang; Andrew Huang alone would score five 3-pointers throughout the game. One thing's for sure: TAS players are

daring with their shots. Like with Game 1 though, the fall came after the bang. TAS quickly lost their advantage, losing again by 11 points. Game 3 placed a lot of pressure on the TAS team, who were pressured to play amidst fervent ISM supporters. They started the game, once again, with a shot within the first minute. Learning from their mistakes in the previous games, the team stepped up their defense and quickly gained the advantage. They kept the lead until the middle of the second quarter. The teams' scores remained neck in neck after that and it was only until the last few minutes—no, the last few seconds—when the game was decided. TAS was leading by two when TAS lost by a painful single point. Raw from their almost-triumph, TAS started their fourth game weakly. JIS scored the first points of the game. But towards the end of the fourth quarter, TAS



Photo by: Will VanKoughnett

was behind: 81 points to 84. In the last few seconds, however, a miraculous 3-pointer came out of the TAS ranks, tying the teams and forcing the referee to call an overtime play. Motivated by this second chance, TAS quickly went on the offensive, scoring points within the first few minutes of overtime. Once they gained the advantage, they switched to heavy defense and ultimately triumphed.

TAS's fifth and last game before finals was against ISKL. They started with the advantage and by the middle of second quarter led by 5 points: 15 to 20. Still dominating the TAS efforts were 6 – who was barely ever benched— Max Huang, and Kevin Liou who dominated the free throws. The constant signaling and screaming of instructions by Coach Shawn Jeffrey definitely paid off, with TAS winning at 71-50.

TAS' first few games followed this pattern: a bang then a fall. However, their IASAS campaign went in the opposite direction, with them starting weakly and then progressing into a magnificent 21 point win. One thing's for sure though: the TAS team gave IASAS all they had.



Photo by: Mara Javier

TAS GIRLS

By: Matt Borja, Editor



Photo by: Isabel Francisco

The Taipei girls team, under Coach Lagerquist and captained by Mora Grehl, is a relatively young team, but one that refuses to let age stand in the way of a medal. When asked what she loved most about her team, Captain Mora Grehl replied, "We've really grown as a team over the season, we've really bonded." This team's commitment to both the sport and to each other is evident.

This year the Tigers started IASAS Basketball against ISM amid an immense, spirited crowd. "I only remember it being really loud," mentioned freshman Fiona Fay offhand. Yet, the Tigers put on a remarkable performance.

TAS began with a 10-point lead, spreading the floor and forcing the Manila defense to move and rotate. With sole senior Mora Grehl leading the offense, the Tigers showed no sign of the typical away-game nerves. Shelley Wu and Joanne Jiang made shots from distance while "keeping composure"—their team's effective philosophy. Anne Roffler and Meredith Banks established their post presences and covered the boards with gutsy first impressions.

On defense, the Tigers constantly looked for the steal and contested every shot. Taipei won that match 64-57, and a happy Coach Lagerquist

encapsulated the Tigers' composure, saying, "I loved the atmosphere and the enthusiasm of the crowd." "We didn't play at the level we wanted to during the first quarter, but we really stepped it up in the second," said TAS had plenty of cheering and their own enthusiastic captain Mora Grehl. The Tigers truly squad of both parents and fellow Tigers. Loosely translated as "LET'S GO!" the cries of "jia you" have become a staple of IASAS events, echoed the spirit of Taipei basketball.

The girls kept their momentum going and quickly won their second game against Bangkok, taking advantage of solid team defense, individual hustle, Shelley Wu's sharp shooting, and offensive rebounding by the center players. Tigers won, 69-53. Against JIS, Taipei had a shaky start, with rough and tumble loose balls all over the Jakarta half. In their lowest scoring game yet, the Taipei shooters had trouble finding the net, but nevertheless were able to hold their lead until the fourth quarter. Jakarta scored 18 points in the fourth quarter to give Taipei their first loss, 42-46. Next game, TAS played some rewards of success." Jia you, Taipei!

Against the unbeaten SAS squad, the second-ranked Tigers held the Eagles to a tie through most of the 1st quarter. The Eagles, however, soared for the rebounds, and broke out to a 14-point lead at the half. TAS played hard, but SAS had length in the paint and stifling pressure in the backcourt to keep the lead until the final whistle. Coach Lagerquist is undoubtedly proud of his senior captain and the force of his young team. As they look towards their final game for the bronze medal, Meredith Banks says, "Bad teams imagine the penalties of failure. We think about the rewards of success." Jia you, Taipei!



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Girls Consolations: ISB vs. TAS

By: Diego Deveras, Staff Writer

In the girl's consolation game, the ISB Panthers faced off against the TAS Tigers. In one of the most contested games in this year's IASAS, the Panthers finally defeated the Tigers in overtime. ISB started the first quarter with an 11-4 run. However, TAS responded and used their off ball wizardry to pull the deficit down to three. The quarter ended 11 - 8.

The second quarter led off with the ISB girls pulling away, led by Laura Chang who became a focal point of their offense. During this stretch, TAS struggled as they were ineffective offensively; their low post game was destroyed by the ISB defense. Despite all this, the Tigers kept their heads up and pulled it all together, nailing their jumpers with suburb accuracy. The quarter ended with ISB leading comfortably, 33 to 22.



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The game started heating up in the third. During halftime, the TAS team pulled it together and opened the quarter with a bang. Starting the quarter with an aggressive press, TAS hounded the ball throughout the quarter and was rewarded with several good shots, able to pull the game back, taking back the lead for a short time. Their momentum was ended however when ISB hit a shot followed immediately with a buzzer beating layup. At the end of the quarter it was 46 to 52 in favour of ISB.

They say that the fourth quarter is where all the magic happens; and for this game that held true. Both teams were cold to start out with in the fourth, the first points scored by TAS with 6 minutes remaining. That was quickly followed up by a jumper from the wing, cutting the ISB lead down to 2. Suddenly both teams lit up, exchanging baskets rapidly. TAS would make a jumper; ISB would follow with a layup. The momentum swung into TAS's favour as they took the lead 60-58. With 13 seconds left, ISB tied the game

with 2 free throws made by Katalya Milan. ISB had the chance to ice it in regulation with 2 free throws with 0.9 seconds remaining, but unable to secure the win, the game went into overtime.

Overtime brought on the winning form of ISB. They took control early with fast break layup followed by an "and 1." With a lead going with 3 minutes remaining, ISB looked to have the game sealed, as they then followed two straight layups. TAS tried to bring themselves into the game, but their offense seemed to collapse into themselves. ISB did sealed the win in the last 35 seconds with a layup, sealing it to 72-65 victory to ISB.

In the battle for third place, ISB may have won the game but the game brought out the best of both teams. TAS was down by double digits going into the third quarter but kept at it. They showed heart, and teeth, made it known that they would not go down with a fight. Even though ISB won the game, it was a hard fought victory that should have left both teams with some sort of satisfaction.



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Boys Consolations: ISM vs. ISB

By: Jake Kobza, Staff Writer

The boys' consolation game this year pitted the perennially dangerous International School Bangkok Panthers, who entered the game in third place with a 3-2 record, against the hometown underdog International School Manila Bearcats, who entered the game in fourth place with a 2-3 record.

The first quarter set the tone for the entire game; this game was going to be tight, scrappy and physical. ISB took an early lead by as much as five at 14-9, but ISM quickly countered with clutch jumpers by Alexander Gill and Miguel Olfato, and the game was even at 21-21 after the first quarter.

ISM came out firing in the second quarter, and quickly took their first lead of the game. However, when Alex Gill left the game, the Panthers took advantage of their height and had their way down low as Collin Fack scored 10 of his 18 points in the second quarter alone. With ISB leading 37-29 late in the second quarter, the Bearcats realized the need for ur-

gency, and fought back and pulled within four at the half, 37-33.

In the third quarter, both teams came out ready to play. The teams seemingly traded baskets, with ISB continuing to use its frontcourt advantage to get to the hoop, and ISM relying on its speed and shooting. As the third quarter came to a close, neither team had gained a huge advantage going into the final period, with the Panthers leading 63-60.

The physicality and intensity of the game continued in the fourth quarter. Once again, the hometown Bearcats found themselves trailing with time running out. Feeding off the crowd's immense energy, the Bearcats clawed their way back into the game, spurred by their tough defense and multiple fast break points. With less than a minute remaining, and the teams continuing to trade baskets, ISM took the lead after clutch jumpers by Gio Panlilio and Jonathan Moran, 69-68. After ISM's tough defense forced a travelling violation, ISM's JP Campos drew a foul when he drove to the basket. After making the first free throw, JP missed the second, and left the Panthers very much in the game, only down by two points. ISB responded. Collin Fack made a clutch jumper to keep the Panthers tied with just 16 seconds remaining. ISM was unable to respond in time, and we headed to overtime in a tied game, 70-70.

ISM came out in overtime firing on all cylinders. The crowd was more energized and louder than



ever, and the Bearcats fed off this energy and played shut down defense. On top of this fantastic defense, ISM got just as much offense as it needed from Jonathan Moran, their junior guard. With tight defense swarming him, Moran made two clutch three pointers to put the Bearcats ahead 76-73 as time winded down. Forcing another stop with only fifteen seconds remaining, the Bearcats got the ball back already leading by three, and forced ISB to foul. With two free throws and a chance to win the game, the fate of the Bearcats was once again in Moran's hands. As he made the first free throw, the crowd roared, and ISM took a four point lead, which all but won the game for the Bearcats. ISB was unable to score as they retained the ball with only a few seconds remaining, and ISM celebrated a fantastic win, 77-73.

Recognition must be given to the Panthers, who continued to fight back against the home team in a hostile environment. But the story of today is the underdog tale of the ISM Bearcats, who fought against their size disadvantages and gave the home team a well-earned bronze medal. Congratulations, Bearcats!



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Girls Finals: SAS vs. JIS

By: Ines Diaz, Staff Writer



Photo by Isabel Francisco

The IASAS Girls Basketball tournament culminated in the much anticipated rematch between the undefeated SAS Eagles and the JIS Dragons. The Dragons were definitely the underdogs coming into the game, having lost in their first match up 43-58. But the ladies from Jakarta weren't going to let that get in the way. Linh Nguyen of the ISM Bearcats believed that the Dragons had a "really good shot against SAS. They have great shooters, they work as a team, and they pass really well." JIS sophomore Katrina Davis, for example, dislocated her finger on the second day and insisted on playing. She ended up starting at shooting guard. If there was a team in the tournament that could give the Eagles a run for gold, it was the Dragons.

The Dragons' interesting tactic of having Jessica Masrin, their center, come in and out of the high post to dribble past even the three-point arc began to backfire in the first few minutes of the second quarter. Singapore reconvened and began double-teaming her to force some crucial turnovers. SAS' captain Hannah Goode had the hot hand throughout most of the second

quarter and led the Eagles' aggressive plays. The Dragons couldn't find an effective solution (or the basket, for that matter) as the height deficit may have just been too much to overcome. At the end of the first half, the Eagles put up a solid 30-14 lead.

The Eagles made great use of the pick and roll to free up key players like captains Goode and Michelle Bywater. The JIS guards were not to be outdone as Amanda Ng and captain Rosie Weber hit some clutch jumpers from range to cut down the lead at the start of the 3rd quarter. JIS point guards Masrin and Olivia Murray traded baskets to keep the SAS lead at 21 points with four minutes remaining in the third quarter. However, the pressure from the SAS defense forced the Dragons into taking bad shots that turned into Eagle points.

The fourth quarter began with even more Singapore dominance as they consolidated their lead to 52-32 within the first five minutes. Jessica Masrin, a crucial rebounder and defensive giant for the Dragons, was sidelined with an excruciating ankle sprain. JIS captain Monica Pranatajaya showed some incredible hustle to try and compensate for the Panthers' lacking size in vain. But SAS's determined captain Goode kept the discouraged Dragons at bay.

Goode, a top scorer and 4-year veteran, explained her legendary performance: "I think I knew that this was my last game and I wanted to leave everything on the

court, no regrets. As a team, we knew to push the ball forward since we're a smooth transitioning team and it just really clicked tonight."

After 40 minutes of Eagle-dominated ball, the score ended in a crushing 63-39 victory. The lady Eagles successfully kept the gold medal in Singapore for yet another year and left the tournament with a perfect 6-0 record.



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Boys Finals: SAS vs. ISKL

By: Jacob Kobza, Ines Diaz and Kaye Kagaoan, Staff Writers



Photo by Young Sun Park

Meeting in the Boys' Final of this year's IASAS basketball tournament were the undefeated and heavily favored Singapore American School Eagles and the underdog 4-1 Panthers from the International School of Kuala Lumpur.

The game started out with both schools trading baskets. Rauson Clower from SAS and Jeremy Getz from ISKL led their respective offenses. After the Panthers kept a narrow lead for most of the first quarter, the Eagles stormed back to take a 18-17 lead, led by Dustin Sodano's spectacular play-making.

In the second quarter, SAS continued to carry the momentum it gained from the end of the first quarter, and expanded their lead through a quick 7-0 run to start the period, relying foremost on the shot of Andrew Farrell. Throughout the quarter, SAS continued to assert them-

selves, taking advantage of the size advantage they had over ISKL. Playing a tough defense and a quick fast-break offense, SAS expanded its lead all the way to 16 at halftime, 37-21.

ISKL came out rolling in the second half, picking up the tempo and catching SAS off guard, going on a 5-0 run and thus reducing SAS's lead to eleven. But SAS responded, and quickly regained the huge lead they had possessed at halftime with another strong offensive streak led by Clower. Although the Panthers closed the third quarter with a small run to slightly decrease the deficit, they trailed at the end of the third quarter, 49-40.

ISKL began the fourth quarter with the sense of urgency; they needed any shot at a comeback. Quickly reducing the lead to five points with jumpers by Dilindi and Till Grunning, the Panthers looked

as if they were clawing their way back into this one. But, as they have the entire tournament, the Eagles responded. With their shot at a third straight gold medal being threatened, the Eagles picked up the tempo of the game behind Farrell's points in transition and big jumpers by Robert Barber and Dustin Sodano. As time wound down, and it became all more evident that SAS would win the IASAS boys basketball tournament for the third straight season, the Panthers never gave up, and continued to fight to the end. After a hard-fought fourth quarter and a well-earned win, the SAS Eagles retained the IASAS boys basketball championship, 69-60.

A great deal of recognition should be given to the ISKL Panthers, who continued to fight against a team which retained big leads on them for multiple times throughout the game. However, the biggest winners of the night were the SAS Eagles, who finished undefeated and completed their third straight gold medal run in IASAS boys basketball. Great tournament, boys!



Photo by Young sun Park



best shoes
Rafael Squillantini, ISM



IASAS Beast
Kat Milan, ISB



most improved
Katrina Davis, JIS



most talented
Rosie Weber, JIS



short height, big heart
JP Campos, ISM



tallest
Alex Schindele, SAS

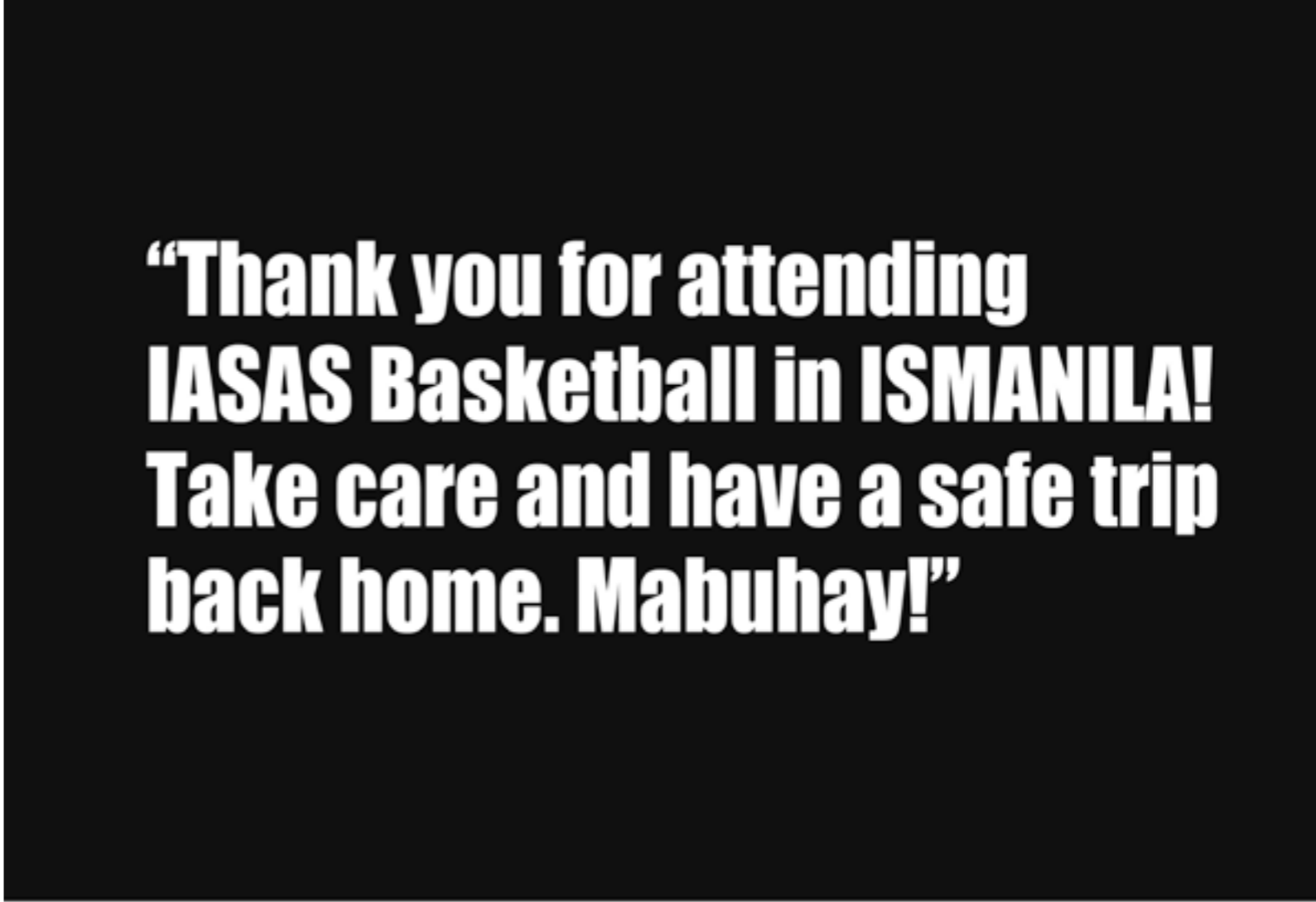


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Rauson Clower, SAS

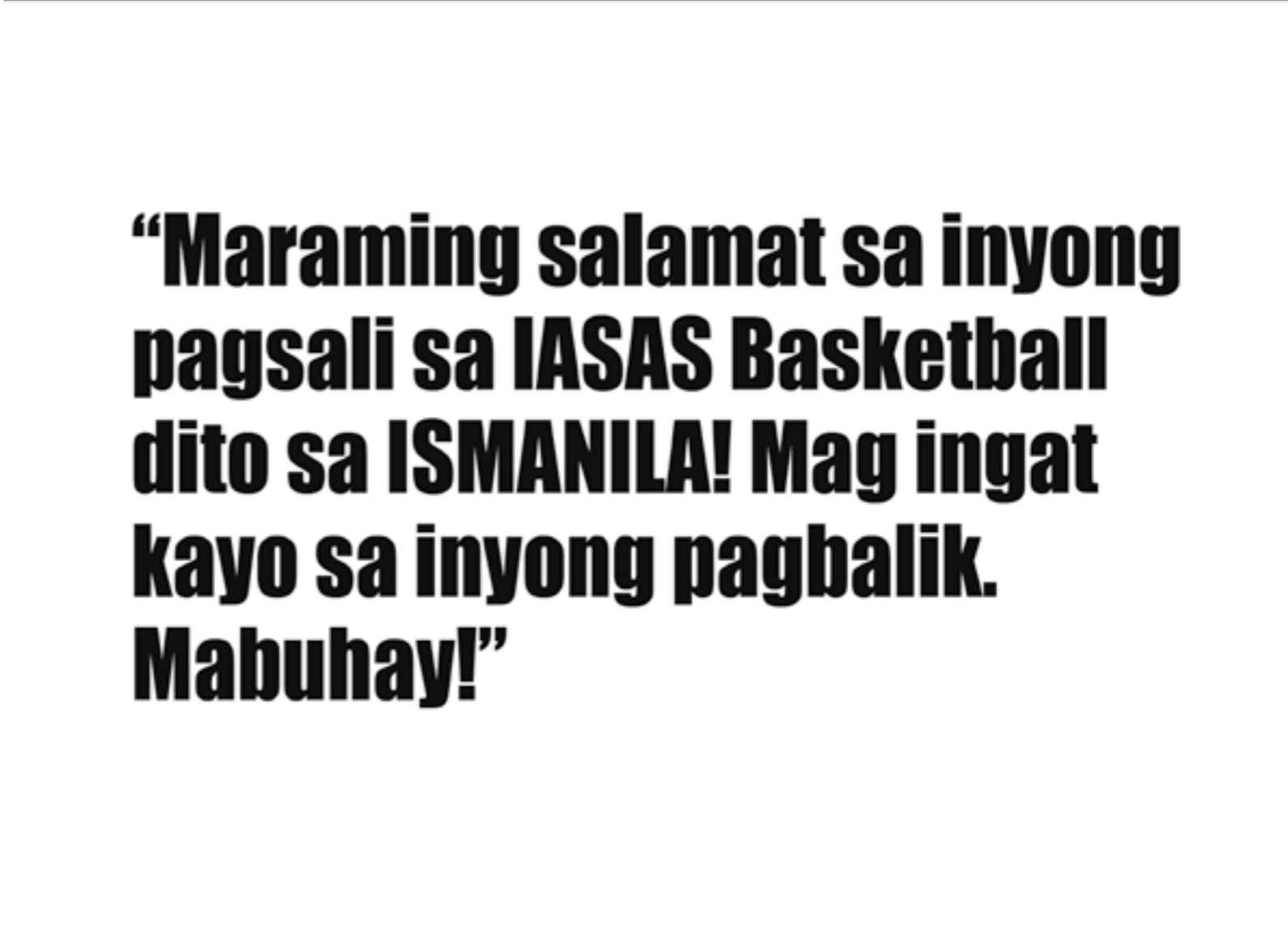


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Kenny Yong, ISKL

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“Thank you for attending IASAS Basketball in ISMANILA! Take care and have a safe trip back home. Mabuhay!”



“Maraming salamat sa inyong pagsali sa IASAS Basketball dito sa ISMANILA! Mag ingat kayo sa inyong pagbalik. Mabuhay!”



BOYS

Boys Team	First Name	Last Name	Grade	Home Country	Uniform #
1	JP	Campos	10	Philippines	13
2	Rafael	Squillantini	10	Philippines	8
3	Christian	Tantoco	10	Philippines	6
4	Daniel	Cho	11	South Korea	20
5	Gio	Panilo	11	Philippines	9
6	Alexander	Gill *	11	Australia	18
7	Johnathan	Moran	11	USA	4
8	AC	Caro	12	Philippines	7
9	Miguel	Oifato *	12	Philippines	10
10	Matt	Que	12	Philippines	15

Boys Team	First Name	Last Name	Gr.	Home Country	Uniform #
1	Rauson	Glover *#	12	USA	33
2	Matt	Crema	12	USA	2
3	Andrew	Farrell	12	USA	22
4	Philip	Lee	12	Korea	1
5	Dustin	Sodano	12	USA	6
6	Peter	Zampa	12	USA	4
7	Robert	Barber	11	USA	3
8	Jack	McCabe	11	USA	11
9	Alex	Schindela	11	Canadian	44
10	Andrew	Blackmon	10	Dutch	8

Boys Team	First Name	Last Name	Grade	Home Country	Uniform #
1	Max	Huang *	12	USA	8
2	Andy	Lee	12	USA	9
3	Andrew	Huang *	12	USA	6
4	Fred	Choi	12	KOREA	3
5	Eugene	Tai	12	USA	13
6	Conrad	Guo	12	USA	13
7	Kevin	Liou	11	USA	12
8	Ping	Chiu	10	USA	10
9	Gary	Huang	10	USA	4
10	Francis	Yu	9	USA	16

Boys Team	First Name	Last Name	Grade	Home Country	Uniform #
1	Danny	Masrin *	12	USA	10
2	Sam	Beckstead *	12	USA	8
3	Zac	Sketh	12	Canada	1
4	Duncan	Lajousky	12	USA	12
5	James	Sherpa	11	Nepal	9
6	Jeff	Henrickson	11	Canada	13
7	Alex	Piers	11	Canada	7
8	Justin	Kennedy *	11	USA	11
9	Joseph	Jung	11	Korea	14
10	Byung Woo	Seo	10	Korea	4

Boys Team	First Name	Last Name	Grade	Home Country	Uniform #
1	Lorenzo (Renzi)	Ayco *#	12	Philippines	12
2	Collin	Fack *	12	Belgium	11
3	Min (Daniel)	Kang	12	Canada	9
4	Justin	McKinley	12	USA	13
5	Giacomo	Riboni	12	Italy	8
6	Yuthana (Tony)	Remmel	11	USA	10
7	Edoardo	Riboni	11	Italy	7
8	Dexter	Simon	11	USA	15
9	Joseph	Kennick	10	USA	6
10	Casey	ChubbFertal	9	USA	14

Boys Team	First Name	Last Name	Grade	Home Country	Uniform #
1	Carnie	Dilindi	12	France	22
2	Jeremy	Getz *#	12	America	14
3	Till	Gruning	12	Germany	7
4	Ameer	Syed	12	Malaysia	8
5	Henry (Chen Tiao)	Yong *	12	China	3
6	Kenny	Yong	12	Taiwan	10
7	Colin	Rapsen	11	USA	21
8	Paul	Vernon	11	America	5
9	Andrew	Kohlrieser	10	USA	12
10	Martin (Min Je)	Sung	9	Korea	20

GIRLS

Girls Team	First Name	Last Name	Grade	Home Country	Uniform #
1	Karen	Soriaga *#	12	Philippines	9
2	Claudia	Willnow *	11	USA	13
3	Julia	Saubier	11	Philippines	12
4	Kelly	Ursem	11	Netherlands	11
5	Davina Jane	Yin	10	Philippines	14
6	Joanna	Denaux	10	USA	1
7	Katrina	Gavino	10	USA	23
8	Maya	Seneviratne	11	USA	5
9	Natalie	Guest	11	Australia	2
10	Linh	Nguyen	10	Vietnam	25

Girls Team	First Name	Last Name	Grade	Home Country	Uniform #
1	Michelle	Bywater *	12	USA	8
2	Hannah	Goode *#	12	USA	12
3	Emily	Moran	10	USA	33
4	Kerry	Remson	12	USA	11
5	Emma	Graddy	11	USA	14
6	Monica	Scieszka	11	USA	5
7	Lakshmi	Batachari	10	USA	4
8	Tayla	Marsh	10	Australian	13
9	Alex	McConaghy	10	USA	6
10	Chris	Schindele	9	Canadian	15

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1	Fiona	Fay	9	USA	1
2	Anne	Roffler	10	USA	14
3	Joanne	Jiang	10	USA	8
4	Meredith	Banks	10	USA	15
5	Shelley	Wu	10	USA	9
6	Katherine	Moon	10	USA	13
7	Laura	Chang	11	USA	12
8	Rei	Matsuo	11	JAPAN	6
9	Remmy	Chen	11	USA	7
10	Mora	Grehi *#	12	USA	10

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1	Rosie	Weber *	12	Australia	5
2	Cinta	Kiehl	12	German	9
3	Maddie	Burrill	12	Australia	15
4	Olivia	Murray	11	Irish	12
5	Jessica	Masrin	11	USA	10
6	Amanda	Ng	11	Indonesia	4
7	Monica	Pranatajaya *	11	Indonesia	13
8	Kamille	Villareal	10	Philippines	8
9	Katrina	Davis	10	Philippines	7
10	Brooke	Molinerio	9	USA	14

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1	Celine	Falcon	12	Philippines	3
2	Katalyna (Kat)	Milan* #	12	USA	12
3	Yuko	Odu	12	Japan	5
4	Pei-Chin (PC)	Wang	12	Taiwan	10
5	Carly	Besette	11	USA	15
6	Kristin	Lowe	11	USA	13
7	Coralie (Coco)	Indigne	10	Belgium	8
8	Arianna	McKinney	10	USA	11
9	Beeya	Kraus	9	Thailand	2
10	Jenjin (Jayna)	Milan	9	USA	7

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1	Shoko	Hirata *	12	Japan	6
2	Laurel	Smith *#	12	New Zealand	4
3	Casey	Broussard	12	USA	14
4	Tiffany	Iseli	12	Switzerland	13
5	Emma	Wich	10	Denmark	10
6	Aleena	Qureshi	10	Pakistan	11
7	Meagan	Smith	9	USA	22
8	Hannah	Deffenhaller	9	USA	5
9	Saskia	Blackburn	9	Holland/UK	9
10	Emi	Morihata	9	Japan	8



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