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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Success Story of LibraryInfo
- Kargil Vijay Diwas
- Doctor's Day
- Results of Essay
 Competition

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Library Info

Principal's Message

It gives me immense pleasure to know that e-newsletter **"Library Info"** of our college Library has successfully completed one year.

Library and Information Centre at Dnyanprassarak Mandal's College and Research Centre has always come up with innovative ideas in order to serve

its user community. Providing best services to the students and faculty members is the top most priority of our college library. The Covid-19 outbreak has had a major impact on the academic institutions including Libraries. In order to provide the necessary and timely information services to our students and faculty members and enable them to stay connected with the latest information / resources in this difficult times, our Library and Information Centre came up with "Library Info", an e-newsletter initiative in the month of July 2020 which received overwhelming response from the students and the faculty members.

It is a very exemplary effort made by our college library to bridge the gap between information seekers and information producer in this unprecedented time. I congratulate the Librarian and his team for their tireless efforts and dedication in bringing out this monthly e-newsletter and wish "Library Info" lives a long-lasting impression on the users of our college.

Prof. Dilip B. Arolkar Professor & Principal



Library Committee Convenor's Message

Greetings!

It gives me immense pleasure to inform you that the e-newsletter "Library Info" of our Library and Information Centre has successfully

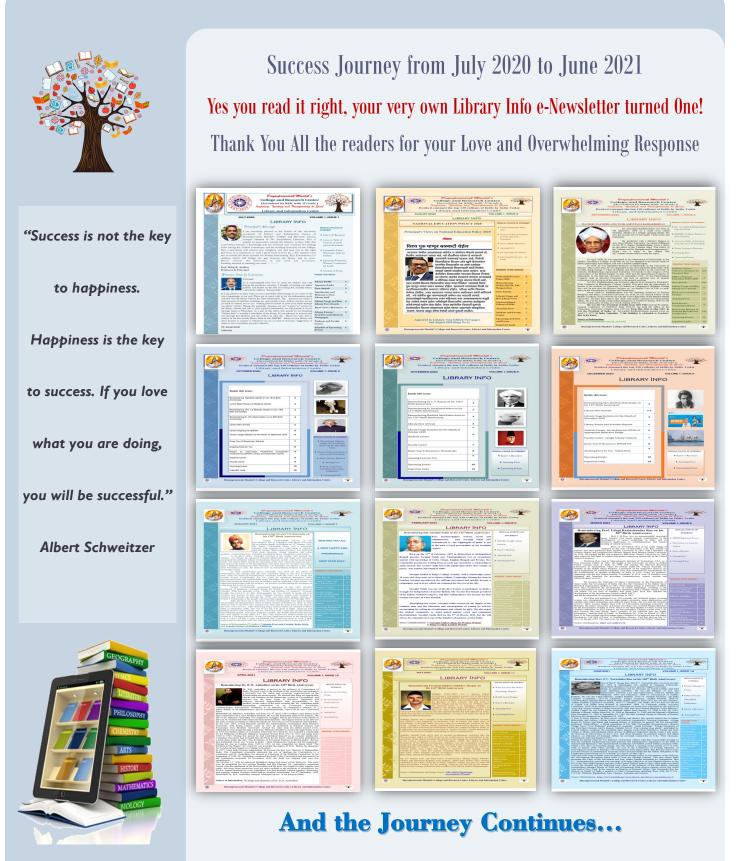
completed one year since its inception. On this occasion I would like to congratulate our Librarian and the library team for successfully publishing twelve issues of quality e-newsletters.

The e-newsletter was envisioned with an aim to reach out to our students and faculty members with the latest resources and the happenings at the library. The e-newsletter is evolving in its quality and contents over a period of time. I am sure that with the dedicated efforts of the library team and of course valuable suggestions from time to time by teaching fraternity increased the value of this e-newsletter. It will become one of the best resources not only for handy information about the library resources but also a knowledge hub of facts and happenings.

Mr. Sunoj Raicar Convenor, Library Committee







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"Optimism is the faith

that leads to

achievement. Nothing

can be done without

hope and confidence."

Helen Keller



Mr. Iranna Shettar, Deputy Librarian, National Institute of Technology Karnataka, Surathkal, Mangalore

Sir, very well organised and innovative in creating e-newsletter...

Few advises, Introduction to one online resource in detail, preferably an open access resource will be good to cover, even a new book or book review...

Guest column by a senior lecturer or teachers from out of your institution, writing something on importance of Library or reading or his most inspiring book will be another good idea to cultivate reading habit among the students

If you permit, I will cover this in my presentation on Library marketing and best practices for Libraries, which I usually deliver to the college and school Librarian.



Dr. Ramesh. R. Naik Professor Department of Library and Information Science Karnataka University, Dharwad

Dr. Jayaprakash Good effort. Layout and content of first issue of Your e- newsletter is very attractive. Try to include your teachers and students articles in next issues. All the best.





Dr. Sanjay B. University Librarian Tripura Central University, Suryamaninagar, Tripura

Very good quiet comprehensive. But, bringing every month is a challenge.



Dr. Shivkumar Hugar Professor and HOD BLDEA Pharmacy College, Vijayapur, Karnataka

Really your efforts in upgrading library & it's digitalization is appreciable & hearty congratulations for your dedication.

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KARGIL VIJAY DIWAS



July 26 is observed as Kargil Vijay Diwas in the memory of soldiers who sacrificed their life in Kargil war. It took place from May 3 to July 26, 1999 after the Pakistani troops were identified at top of the Kargil hills. As the fight came to an end on July 26, 1999, when Indian troops established victory by recapturing all the Indian posts that had been occupied by Pakistani infiltrators.

This day commemorates the success of "Operation Vijay" which was launched to take back the Indian territories captured by the Pakistani intruders in the Kargil-Drass sector in 1999.

After the Indo-Pakistani War of 1971, there had been a long period with relatively few direct armed conflicts involving the military forces

of the two neighbours - not with standing the efforts of both nations to control the Siachen Glacier by establishing military outposts on the surrounding mountains ridges and the resulting military skirmishes in the 1980s. During the 1990s, however, escalating tensions and conflict due to separatist activities in Kashmir, as well as the conducting of nuclear tests by both countries in 1998, led to an increasingly belligerent atmosphere. In an attempt to defuse the situation, both countries signed the Lahore Declaration in February 1999, promising to provide a peaceful and bilateral solution to the Kashmir conflict. During the winter of 1998–1999, some elements of the Pakistani Armed Forces were covertly training and sending Pakistani troops and paramilitary forces, into territory on the Indian side of the line of control (LOC). The infiltration was code named "Operation Badri". The aim of the Pakistani incursion was to sever the link between Kashmir and Ladakh and cause Indian forces to withdraw from the Siachen Glacier, thus forcing India to negotiate a settlement of the broader Kashmir dispute. Pakistan also believed that any tension in the region would internationalize the Kashmir issue, helping it to secure a speedy resolution. Yet another goal may have been to boost the morale of the decade-long rebellion in Indian State of Kashmir by taking a proactive role. Initially, with little knowledge of the nature or extent of the infiltration, the Indian troops in the area assumed that the infiltrators were jihadis and declared that they would evict them within a few days. Subsequent discovery of infiltration elsewhere along the LOC, along with the difference in tactics employed by the infiltrators, caused the Indian army to realize that the plan of attack was on a much bigger scale. The total area seized by the ingress is generally accepted to between 130 km² - 200 km². The Government of India responded with Operation Vijay, a mobilization of 200,000 Indian troops. The war came to an official end on July 26, 1999, thus marking it as Kargil Vijay Diwas. 527 soldiers from Indian Armed Forces lost their lives during the war.

The nation will always remember the brave soldiers who sacrificed their life fighting for the nation by showcasing exemplary courage.

Source of Information: India NCC Website India and Today Website

Image Source: India Today Website







National Doctor's Day

Medical Profession is considered as one of the noblest professions worldwide. Though effective healthcare delivery depends on collective efforts of all health professionals such as nurses and technicians, doctor is the leader of the health team. In the Indian context in spite of good health infrastructure, there is acute shortage of doctors especially in the rural areas.

The effective utilization of doctors is the need of our country. In appreciation of contribution of doctors to the nation many countries observe National Doctors Day every year. In India, it is celebrated on 1st July.

National Doctors' Day is celebrated to thank all the doctors for their services to the humankind and their role in country's development. In India, it is observed on 1st July to mark the birth as well as the death anniversary of Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy who was one of the most renowned physicians in India. The event was started in the year 1991 to pay tribute to him.

History of Doctor's Day in India:

India has produced a number of eminent doctors. One such person is Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy (B.C Roy) a well-known Physician and second Chief Minister of West Bengal. The National Doctor's Day is celebrated in the memory of Dr.B. C Roy whose birth day and death anniversary falls on 1st July. The event was started in the year 1991 to pay tribute to him. He started many institutions, hospitals and contributed a lot to the development of the Indian society.

Objectives of this day:

To showcase the role and importance of doctors in our lives

To thank the doctors for their self less service and their contribution to the individuals and the community

The day pays tribute to the world of medical profession and highlights the value of doctors in our life. The observance of National Doctors' Day is the best time to appreciate the role of doctors for caring and saving the lives of people.

In current pandemic, doctors have emerged as heroes who saved people from COVID-19. This day, we are saluting and thanking them to stand as a wall between people and corona virus.

Let's keep a positive attitude towards our healthcare service personnel and not discriminate against them. The ones who save us also need safety. Let us all be kind towards our medical professionals. Let's pay homage to our doctors who are waging this war against COVID-19 to keep us safe.

Source of Information: National Health Portal





Library in the Newspaper

DMC celebrates World Environment Day



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Information ibrary and Centre of Dnyanprassarak Mandal's College and Research Centre, Assagao celeb-rated World Environmental Day by planting several neem trees on campus near the Library and Information Centre of the college

This programme was organised by college librarian Jayaprakash. Present on the occasion were chairman of the college, Krishna Pokle; principal, DB Arolkar; Goa University librarian, Gopakumar; curator of the State Central Library, Carlos Fernandes and lib-rarian of the Dhempe College Surekha Katkat.

Library & Information Centre of DM's College at Assagao observes World Environment Day

PANAII: Library and Information Centre of Dnyanprassarak Mandal's College and Research Centre, Assagao, celebrated World

Environment Day on June 5 by planting several Neem trees in the campus. This programme was organized by the College Librarian Dr Javaprakash, and attended by Krishna Pokle, Chairman of the college, Principal Dr D B Arolkar, Goa University Librarian Dr Gopakumar, Dr Carlos Fernandes, Curator of the State Central Library, Surekha Katkat, Librarian of Dhempe College attended and planted the trees.



"Smile in the mirror.

Do that every

morning and you'll

start to see a big

difference in your

life."

Yoko Ono





ापसा वा जीवनात खूप प्तात. विशेष करुन पस्तकाचे जीवनात जास्त अ पुस्तकाचे पुस्तके आहे. ती जी जीवनातल्या प्रेरणा देतात मात करण्यास टींसाठी यशावर बऱ्याचदा अनेक पुस्तकातूनच शिकतो

भनतर पुस्तकांची पहाणी करताना प्राचा सवय लावली तर पुष्कळ गोष्टी शिकता येतील. बाचनाने विचारांची क्षितीजे उंचावतात आणि जास्त ज्ञान मिळवण्याची तहान भागते. याचे महत्त्व लक्षात घेऊन आसगांव येथील ज्ञाणि संशोधन केठ्राच्या वाचनालयाने पुस्तक प्रदर्शनाचा कार्यक्रम आयोजित केला होता.

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Celebrating Azadi ka Amrut Mahotsav

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rime Minister of India Naren-Prime Minister of India Varen-tion, seventy-five weeks ahead of the 75th Independence Day. In order to commemorate 75 years of India's Independence and to participate in the orderations of

participate in the celebrations of 'Azadi ka Amrut Mahotsav,' Dnyan-prassarak Mandal's College and Research Centre, Assagao, Bardez, or-ganised activities for its faculty and students.

The Library and Information Centre of Dnyanprassarak Mandal's Col-lege and Research Centre, organ-ised a week-long exhibition of books on 'India's Freedom Struggle.' The books on India's Freedom struggle available in the library's collection were displayed at the exhibition. The department of history or-ganised a talk on the topic India's



Freedom Struggle. The talk was Freedom Struggle. The talk was delivered by heritage activist and environmentalist, Prajal Sakhard-ande who is also an associate professor, department of history, Dhempe College of Arts and Sci-ence, Miramar. The talk was organ-ised via Google Meet and attended by 72 perticipents by 73 participants.

During this talk, Sakhardande high-lighted the various phases of India's Freedom Struggle from the revolt of 1857 till the Independence of India. He emphasised on the importance of the Gandhian Movement, the contribution of revolutionaries, the role of women and also the significance of the Indian National Army.





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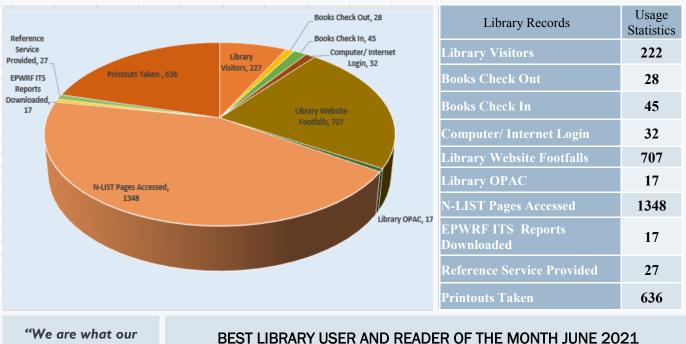


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LIBRARY USAGE STATISTICS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2021

- thoughts have made us;
 - so take care about
- what you think. Words

are secondary.

Thoughts live; they

travel far."

Swami Vivekananda

- FACULTY: TOP 5 N-LIST USERS 1. Mr. Shivdatt Shirodkar
- 2. Ms. Rashmi Redkar
- 3. Mr. Shripad Merchant

4. Dr. Prabhat Desai

5. Mr. Yogeshwar Bhosle

BEST FACULTY READER 1. Ms. Pooja Bidye 2. Ms. Jaya Prabhu Parrikar 3. Mr. Mangesh Varerkar 4. Mr. Sunoj Raicar 5. Dr. M.R. Patil

EPWRF ITS Module Usage Report for the month of June 2021



Module Name	Report Pulled Count
Combined Government Statistics	3
Educational Statistics	12
External Sector	2





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"Do not dwell in the past, do not dream of the future, concentrate the mind on the present moment."

Buddha



LIBRARY ACTIVITIES

The Library and Information Centre in collaboration with Value Education Cell of our college had organized an Inter-class Online Essay Writing Competition 26th April to 12th June 2021. The topics for the essay competition were: i) Need for Education in Values and ii) Value Education for Sustainable Future.

Totally 6 students participated in this competition.

Following students were declared winners of the competition:

Place Secured	Name of the Student	Class
1st Place	Ms. Mokshada Chandrakant Kudav	M.Sc. Part I
2nd Place	Mr. Shivam Pramod Kamat	F.Y. BBA
3rd Place	Ms. Shambhavi Shantibhushan Naik	S.Y. B.Sc.

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Note: IndianJournals.com is accessible through our college's N-LIST Membership.

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STUDENTS CORNER

What Does a Graphic Designer Do? (and How Do I Become One?) Written by Coursera

The graphic designer profession combines art with technology. Graphic designers create visuals and layouts for individuals and companies using design elements such as typeface and images to convey information to a reader or viewer. A graphic designer can work in print or digital media, and designs can be accomplished by hand or using computer software.

What is graphic design?

Graphic design is a form of communication that uses color, shapes, images, and words to create visual content. This content surrounds us in many forms, both in print and digital media. Effective designs can communicate information in a way that inspires and informs consumers, making it a critical element in business success across many industries.

What does a graphic designer do?

A graphic designer creates useful, meaningful, and functional visuals using various means of technology. The world of graphic design is expansive, and many new and evolving technologies continually push the limits of what a designer can create. Staying on top of cutting-edge technology and design trends make working in this evolving industry and exciting and challenging career choice.

"To succeed in your	Since graphic designers can work in many settings, your tasks and responsibilities may vary. You may work in-house at a company, at an agency, or freelance. Graphic designers often work in Ad agencies,
	Web design firms, Marketing firms, Print and online publishers, Online and brick-and-mortar retailers or Non-profit organizations.
mission, you must have	
	How to become a graphic designer? Many graphic designers have a bachelor's degree in graphic design or a related field. Earning
single-minded devotion to	a degree not only helps you build foundational skills for a career, it also gives you opportunities to begin building a portfolio of work to show potential employers.
your goal."	Look for programs accredited by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design. Coursework in these programs generally includes principles of design, computerized design, printing techniques, studio art, and website design. While enrolled in a design program, there are some things you can do to make yourself more
	competitive when you're job hunting for a graphic design position.
A. P. J. Abdul Kalam	
	\Rightarrow Consider an internship that will allow you to work with more experienced designers in a real-world setting.
	\Rightarrow Volunteer your design skills to local charitable organizations.
	\Rightarrow Pursue certification in popular graphic design products like Adobe.
	⇒ Join a design organization. Membership often comes with access to networking and professional development opportunities. You can join the American Institute of Graphic Arts (AIGA) as a student.
	For More Details: <u>Click Here</u>
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KNOW YOUR E-RESOURCES

Gapminder is an independent Swedish foundation with no political, religious or economic affiliations. Gapminder fights devastating misconceptions and promotes a fact-based worldview everyone can understand.

Gapminder Resources: Teaching with Gapminder: <u>Click Here</u> Tools: <u>Click Here</u> Videos: <u>Click Here</u> Factfulness: <u>Click Here</u> Frameworks: <u>Click Here</u> Data: <u>Click Here</u> Downloads: <u>Click Here</u> Find your misconception here: <u>Click Here</u> See the reality behind the data: <u>Click Here</u>

Gapminder's main focus is to:

- Find (and fix) systematic misconceptions about global trends and proportions.
- Keep the tools (like the bubble chart and Dollar Street) up-to-date and freely available.
- Explore and develop new ways of explaining important global trends and proportions to make them easier to understand.

Gapminder does not award any grants. It is an operating foundation that provides services as defined by the board, sometimes in collaboration with universities, UN organizations, public agencies, and non-government organizations.

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Gapminder was founded in Stockholm on 25 February 2005 by Ola Rosling, Anna Rosling Rönnlund, and Hans Rosling. In 2006, Hans gave his first TED talk, called, "The best statistics you've ever seen". It became one of the most watched TED talks ever.

Since its foundation, Gapminder has developed several innovative data visualizations. The bubble chart software Trendalyzer was acquired by Google in 2007 and Gapminder's team moved to Google's headquarters in California. Whilst there, the team integrated Trendalyzer into Google's infrastructure, and also improved Google's search to show better results for global statistics from big data providers.

In 2010, Anna and Ola returned to Gapminder to develop free teaching materials. To prioritize, they decided to test what people were wrong about. They discovered that people were wrong about almost everything they were tested on and so the Ignorance Project was born, with the mission of trying to figure out what people were wrong about and why. Materials were then developed to help people improve their knowledge to become more fact-based.

In 2016, Gapminder launched Dollar Street, a photo project where homes from all over the world were systematically documented and ordered by income, where the poorest live to the left and the richest to the right.

> GAPMINDER can be accessed using following link: https://www.gapminder.org/

"Things are

beautiful if you

love them."

Jean Anouilh









AMAZING FACTS



10 Facts about the Olympics Learn all about this extraordinary international sporting event!

1. The first Olympic Games took place in 776BC: The original Olympics began as part of an <u>Ancient Greek</u> festival, which celebrated <u>Zeus</u>, the <u>Greek God</u> of sky and weather. The whole competition lasted for up to six months, and included games like wrestling, boxing, long jump, javelin, discus and chariot racing.

2. In 393 AD, the Olympic Games were cancelled and didn't start up again for over 1,500 years: Emperor Theodosius I, a Roman ruler, banned the Greek Olympics due to the religious element of the celebration. He considered the Olympics to be a pagan festival, which had no place in his Christian country. So, that was the end of the Olympics until 1894, when a man named Baron Pierre de Coubertin started a revival of the Games. He called this new event the 'modern Olympics' – and it's still going today!

3. The Olympic torch is a reminder of the Games' Greek origins: In ancient times, a flame burned throughout the Games as a tribute to the goddess, Hestia. Since 1928, this tradition has continued in the modern Games, but instead of an altar, the flame burns in a special torch. The torch flame is always lit by the sun in Olympia, Greece, as this is where the first Greek Games was held. Then, it's passed from torch to torch in a massive international relay that ends in the host city – wow! New torches are designed for each Olympics, and several thousand copies are made. It's a great honour to become a torchbearer, and lots of inspiring people get a turn each time.

4. The first Summer Olympic Games had just 14 participating countries: Teams from 11 European countries originally joined those of Australia, Chile, and the USA at the first host city, Athens. Now, more than 200 countries compete in the Olympics each year!

5. The Olympic symbol was designed to include everyone: The Olympic rings were first produced in 1913, from a design created by the Games' modern founder – Baron Pierre de Coubertin! Their five colours (along with the white backdrop) reflect colours found on the flags of all participating nations, so everyone is represented. The overlaps also represent international cooperation, and the coming together of athletes from all over the world – cute!

6. Motor boat sailing, hot air ballooning, and tug of war all used to be Olympic sports: Over time, different sports and events are voted into (or out of) the Olympic Games. Some disappear, then return (like golf, or rugby), while others (like running deer shooting, or duelling pistols) go out of fashion forever – thankfully!

7. The first Winter Olympic Games were held in 1924, in a different city to the Summer Olympics: At first, the Winter Olympics took place in the same year as the Summer ones, but organisers soon realised that it made more sense to hold them in different years! As a result, the Winter Olympics now occur two years after the Summer Olympics. Nice!

8. From 1921-1948, artists participated in the Olympics too: In these games, painters, sculptors, architects, writers, and musicians all took part! They competed for medals by creating works of art, that often celebrated the sporting successes going on at the same time. While artists stopped officially competing in 1948, many still design posters and other merchandise for the Games today!

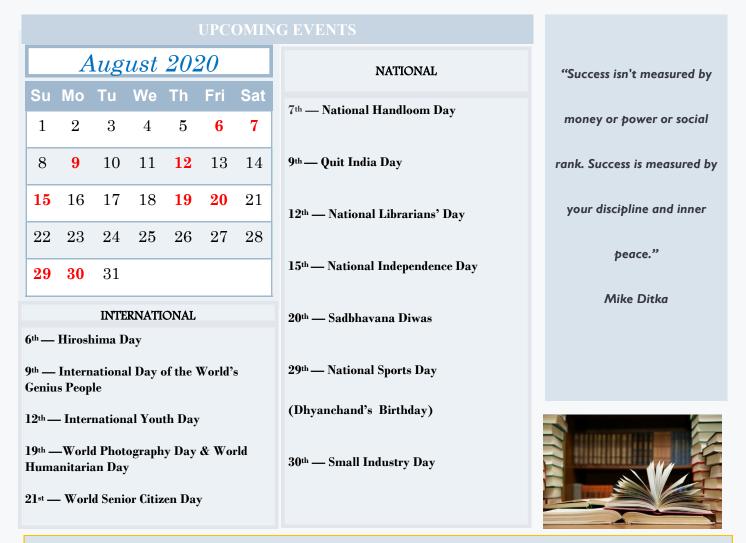
9. Until 1912, first-place Olympic medals were made of solid gold: Possibly one of our favour ite facts about the Olympics! Sadly though, it's no longer the case. Recent Games have given out around 5,000 bronze, silver, and gold medals in total – that's a lot of metal! So instead of being created from solid gold, the heavy first-place medals are now covered in 6 grams of it.

10. The modern Olympic Games aren't just about sporting glory – they're about making friends, too: While competitive spirit is important, the Games are also about international cooperation. They're a great chance for people from countries around the world to meet up and get to know each other! For the 16 days of competition, athletes from all sports, religions, nationalities and cultures live and work together – and they often leave as good friends. Aww!

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IMPORTANT LINKS





