



The Champion Holy Family Team with their respective trophies.



Overall champions Holy Family Convent receiving their trophy from Sports Director of Ministry of Education B.A.Abeyratne and Sri Lanka Schools Netball Association Soma Munasinghe Nestle Lanka PLC Assistant Vice President Bandula Egodage and several officials are also in the picture.



Holy Family Convent, Kurunegala, the under 16 schools netball champions with their coach Amalka Chandani Gunathilake

Holy Family Convent (HFC) Kurunegala emerged overall champions for the sixth consecutive year at the 22nd Milo All Island Schools Netball Championship concluded at the Piliyandala Central College ground in Piliyandala yesterday.

The lasses from Kurunegala bagged their first championship in 2008 when it was held at Kurunegala and continued the same momentum in 2009 (Anuradhapura), 2010

HFC overall netball champs

They justified their qualification when they repeated their last year's performances. The girls from Kalutara Balika Vidyalaya shattered the high hopes of Musaeus College which they defeated in the finals of Under 18 'A' category.

Apart from being the overall champs HFC girls bagged the most outstanding player title in the under 14 and under 16 'A' category. Amanda Vindya Tennakoon took the under 14 award while Udara Nawinna took under 16 award. Kalutara BV's Sachini Rodrigo carried away the under 18 award.

Meanwhile, in the 'B' division category Sri Sangaraja Maha Vidyalaya Keragala won the under 14 championship while Mahakeliya MV bagged under 16 championship and Ketapathwehera Vidyalaya Kurunegala became under 18 champions. The players who were adjudged as most outstanding players in the 'B' division were P.A. Ashani Sewwandi of Sri Sangaraja MV Keragala (Under 14), M.D. Dinithi Sandaken of Mahakeliya MV Kurunegala (Under 16) and R.G.Malsha Ratnayake of Ketapathwehera MV Kurunegala (Under 18).

(Matale), 2011 (Matara) and 2012 (Polonnaruwa) championships.

It was a superlative performance by the Kurunegala girls who despite having no sponsors and a proper venue for them to practice.

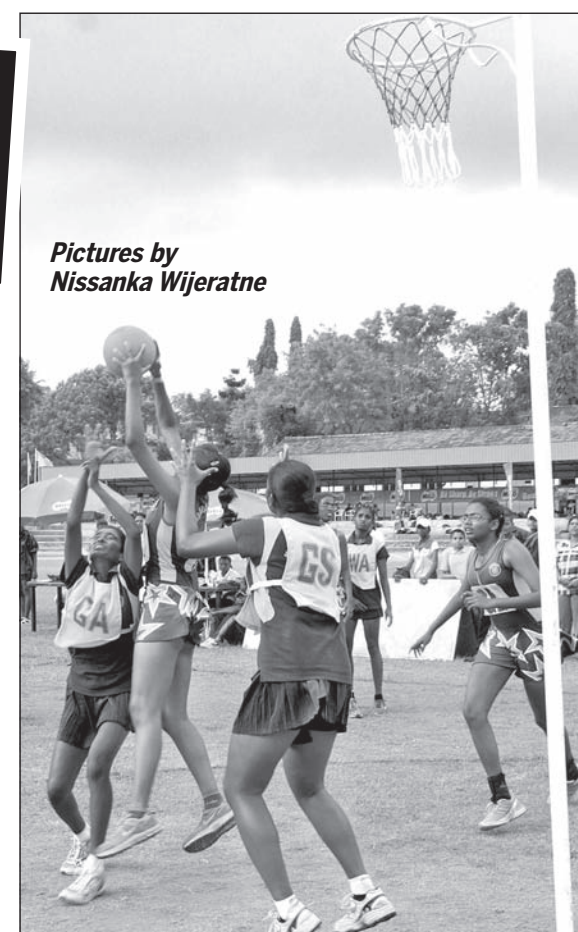
The experienced defending champions went down fighting in the 'A' category to bag under 14 and under 16 and were able to secure the third place in the under 18 which helped Familians to bag the title for the sixth successive year.



Under 18 champions Kalutara Balika Vidyalaya team



Holy Family Convent, Kurunegala who also win the under 14 championship with team officials.



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Results

Division 'A': Finals:
Under 14 – Holy Family Convent Kurunegala beat Sri Siddhartha MV Eppwala 18-06.
Under 16 – Holy Family Convent Kurunegala beat Gothami BV Borella 22-14.
Under 18 – Kalutara BV beat Musaeus Colombo 32-28.
Division 'B': Finals:
Under 14 – Sri Sangaraja MV Keragala beat Buddhist BV Gampaha 14-11.
Under 16 – Mahakeliya MV Kurunegala beat Yatihena KV 27-06.
Under 18 – Ketapathwehera MV Kurunegala beat Bandara-pola MV Matale 31-12.

