

Celebrating International Women's Day
15th. IWD 2021 – Pakistan Open
SPORT CLIMBING COMPETITIONS
 7-8 March 2021

We take the privilege to mention that The Adventure Club - Pakistan is dedicated to promote healthy outdoor / adventure activities in Pakistan. Established in 1994, the Club has a vibrant history of diversified activities, however, Wall & Rock Climbing is the specialty of the Club.

For the year 2007, declared as Visit Pakistan Year, the Ministry of Tourism (MoT) & Pakistan Tourism Development Corporation (PTDC) made a calendar for year round activities throughout the country. It was an honour for us that The Adventure Club - Pakistan got partnership with MoT to conduct an event on International Women's Day i.e. 8th. March. Senator Nilofar Bakhtiar, the most active and dynamic minister for tourism, approved the idea of organizing a Rock Climbing Competition, which was the first ever proper rock climbing competition, only for females. The Club publicized the event among the educational institutions, clubs, and sports organizations and offered a series of training sessions and got great response as a huge number of participants got registered to participate in various age categories.

The event had superb success and the Madam Minister Ms. Nilofar Bakhtiar appreciated the efforts & performance of the Club. This event opened a new era of women's adventure sports in Pakistan and in following years, it continued on regular basis and completed 10 years of its happening in 2016. The Club organized a memorable event to celebrate its 10th. season.



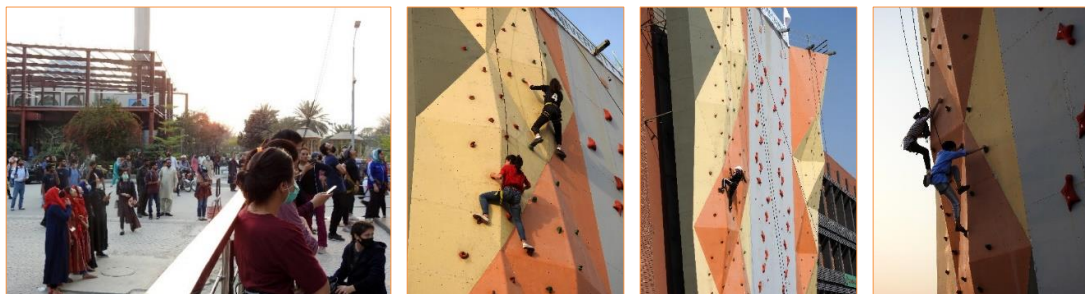
Meanwhile, the Club organized lectures and seminars for the promotion of Climbing besides conducting several training and practice sessions. The Club has searched and developed several new sites for climbing viz-a-viz organized several climbing competitions in collaboration with Ministry of Tourism, CDA, PTDC, TDCP, KPK Tourism, USEFP and Foreign Missions etc. Other than our featured competitions in last one and half decade on various days of national & international importance, we have organized 14 climbing competitions on International Women Day, since its inception in 2007. With above mentioned efforts, we have produced some of the finest climbers to win national championships as well as to represent in international events.

For the year 2021, we had our 15th. consecutive climbing competitions to mark International Women's Day following the UN assigned theme as

“ Women in Leadership: Achieving Equal Future in a Covid 19 World ”

For all previous competitions on IWD, the venue was Islamabad, where we had equal facilities to organize sport climbing on rocks or on artificial climbing walls. For the 15th. anniversary celebrations, we planned to hold climbing competitions on both wall and rocks and the event was planned to be held in Lahore and in Islamabad.

We are grateful as The University of Lahore accepted our proposal to organize Wall Climbing portion of the event on their newly constructed international grade climbing wall. We extend our gratitude to the Pro Rector Mr. Nasir Mahmood for approval of holding climbing competitions in collaboration with UoL. We further thank Mrs. Farah Mahmood and the team of UoL to conduct the event and make superb arrangements for the event and awards distribution ceremony.



During the wall climbing competitions, we got excellent talent and expect that this activity would help publicize and promote climbing, especially in Lahore and southern areas of the country. After this inaugural session of UoL Climbing Wall, its expected that there would be regular events on this wall, inviting climbers from various parts of the country. It would be a good opportunity for HEC to hold their annual championship at the wall of UoL in Lahore.



RESULT CARD – WALL CLIMBING – 8 March 2021

Position	1st.	2nd.	3rd.
Open Pro	Amani Jannat	Muniba Alam	Nilofar Amin
Open – Amateur	Muniba Alam	Niwal	Hina Ali
Above 21	Muniba Alam	Reema Tahir	Hina Ali
Under 21	Nawal	Nilofar Amir	Nilofar

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For the second part of the event, which was announced to be held in Islamabad, we had only two categories. The idea was to organize a competition for Islamabad and northern region's participants. Due to the Covid 19 situation, the institutions and minor categories were not invited. Considering the conditions and following the SoP's for the Covid, the competitions were organized in semi isolation circumstances. The working committee was limited to minimum. Mr. Ahmad Rizwan, the Event Director along with Mr. Khalid Mansoor, Mr. Murad Ali and Mr. Shehzad Butt made the necessary arrangements and conducted the competitions.



The 15th. year's celebrations were kept limited due to Covid 19, however we had great response from our friends and partners to make this event, most memorable. In this regard, we extend our special thanks to Mr. Umair Hassan (Ascender – Outdoor Gear) and Ms. Anum Akram (Frash Mountaineering & Rescue Gear) to present climbing equipment items for position holders. We further thank Ms. Humaira Khan Shami (Canada), Mr. Abdul Hayee (USA), Mirza Siddique Ahmed (USA), Syed Mohammad Tayyab (Karavan Leaders) and Mr. Tariq Rashid (Tahtan Pvt Ltd) for their generous contribution to make the event successful & memorable.



Our thanks would remain incomplete without mention of Mr. Esam Khattak (Ibex Club) for his consistent cooperation and support in our all competitions and events. We are also grateful for the moral support of Maj. Baasir Hanif (Gear Up, Adventure,

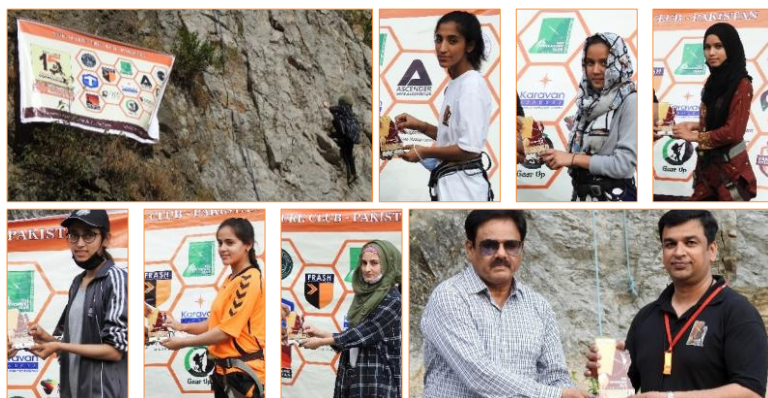
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Rescue & Safety Solutions), Mr. Haider Daud Khan (Strawberry Sports Management), Mr. Wajahat Malik (Eyebox Films) and Mr. Murtaza Ahmed Khan (Panoramic Cricket Club) for their collaboration.

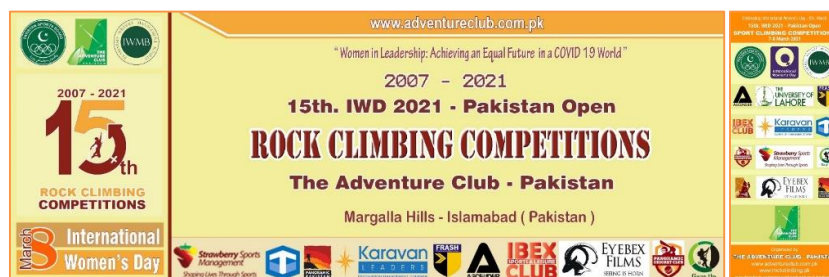
We had special approval from Islamabad Wildlife Management Board and thank them for their permission and also thank Mr. Nasrullah Rana (Director – Pakistan Sports Board) for the patronage. We are indebted for the patronage of Lt. Col. Dr. Abdul Jabbar Bhatti (Sitara-e-Imtiaz, Tamgha-e-Basalat, Pride of Performance) as the Club is progressing under his guidance and mentorship.



In the continuity of 15th. IWD 2021 climbing competitions and after completing the contest at climbing wall in University of Lahore, we selected a rock climbing site in Islamabad, known as Hang Loose at Beetle's Nest in Margalla Hills. At the selected site, the event started and the competitions were held in good atmosphere and following the SoP's strictly.



Mirza Siddique Ahmed, the Club's Chief Organizer and incharge of all climbing competitions in last 15 year's came from USA to attend the ceremony and distributed awards among the position holders and the committee members.





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No.	Name	From	Time	Position
Open				
1.	Sabira	TAC	03:06:29	1
2.	Kiran Murad	TAC	03:09:56	2
3.	Sabeen Murad	TAC	03:11.38	3
Open Challenge				
1.	Saba Zahra	Open	Lead	1
2.	Ayesha Niazi	Open	Top Rope	2
3.	Zahra Kazmee	TAC	Top Rope	3

In the recognition of patronage and active participation in the Club's activities, the Club acknowledged and presented souvenirs to the following guests, Mrs. Farzana Yasmeem, Mrs. Parveen Aslam, Dr. Shahreen Zahid Khan, Mrs. Saba Esam Khattak, Mrs. Farah Naz Naveed Ashraf and Mrs. Munawwara Mirza.



The Club also acknowledged the volunteer services of its following members, Dr. Aleeza Sana, Ms. Iqra Jilani, Ms. Esha Rehman, Ms. Hibba Ali, Ms. Khaula Rizwan, Ms. Durr-e-Sameen Toor. Our male support team included, Dr. Haroon Ahmad Khan, Mr. Mehfooz Ahmed, Mira Manzar Elahi and Syed Muzaffar Ahmed.



In both competitions (on wall & rock) all registered climbers were presented with participation certificates, while position holders were awarded with shields. Mr. Tahir Imran Khan, Founder President of The Adventure Club – Pakistan said thanks to all participants and their guardians for their active participation to make the event successful and memorable. He announced,

- One year's membership of The Adventure Club – Pakistan
- 3 day's Sport Climbing Training Course – Islamabad
- Complimentary weekend practice sessions in Margallas for all position holders

He also announced the future program for International Training and participation in overseas climbing events, which would be subjected to the availability of the sponsorship as well as contribution by the participants.