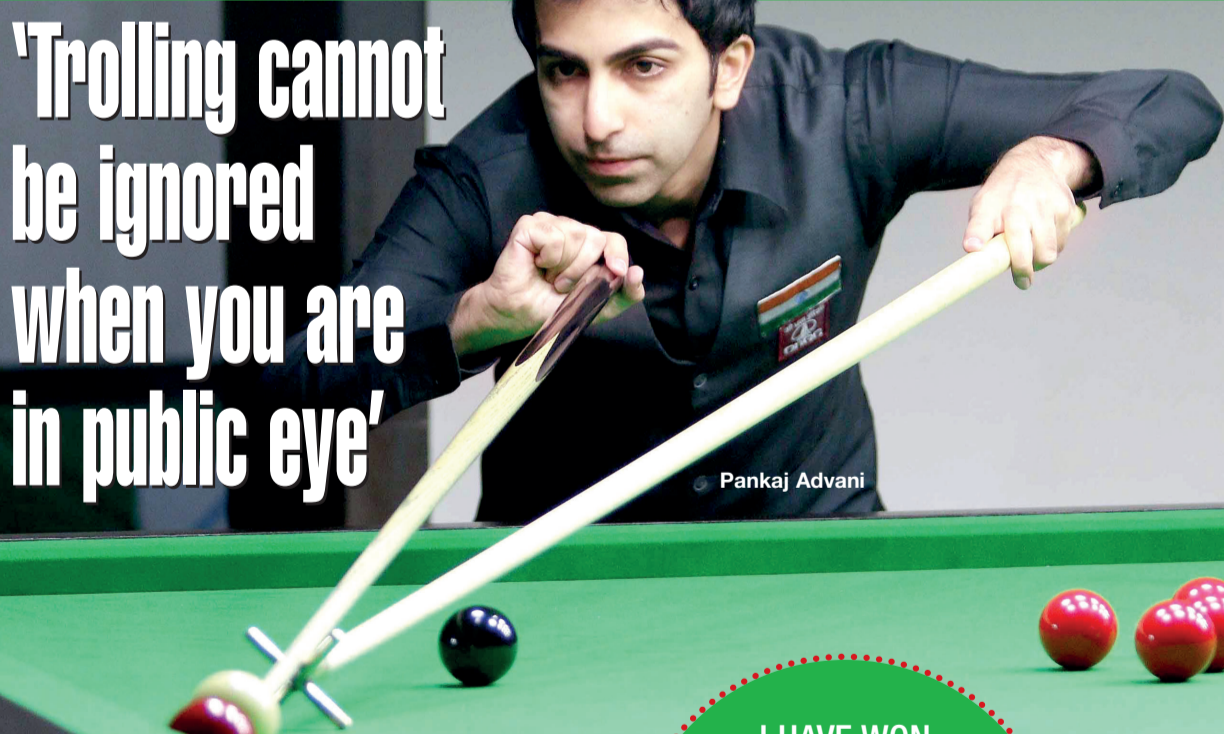


Celebrating the spirit of women drivers

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SNAPSHOTS FROM A CAR RALLY THAT WAS HELD OVER THE WEEKEND, CELEBRATING WOMEN DRIVERS AND THEIR SPIRIT. THE EVENT SAW HORDES OF VEHICLES RALLYING UP TO NANDI HILLS. IT ALSO PROMOTED ROAD SAFETY AMONG WOMEN DRIVERS. MORE THAN 250 PEOPLE TOOK PART IN THE RALLY.



'Trolling cannot be ignored when you are in public eye'

Pankaj Advani

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I was not trying to bring in any comparison. The moment I say, 'Oh we did this, and they didn't do that', then, obviously, that is kind of below the belt and I am not that kind of a person. People know me and that I am classier than that, but it was interesting to see the reactions to that. I realize that trolling has become a part of social media that one cannot ignore when you are in the public eye. But then, in a very strange way, it does help in bringing a subject into the spotlight. There are more civilized ways of doing that, but social media does not allow that. You have to be very straightforward in saying things and you need to have an opinion, and even if you are convinced about what you are saying, people are going to go against you.

LIVING OUT OF A SUITCASE

There is the World 6 Red Snooker Championship in Egypt from August 1, so I am off in a week's time. My sport has taken me to almost 40 countries in these years, some of them multiple times, but I haven't really been able to explore them as much as I would have wanted. The irony is that to be able to do that you have to lose early on in the tournament and that is not something that you would want to.

There are times, though, when I am on tour in a new place and that feeling of wanting to return to the comfort of home sets in. Then, all I want to do is sit in front of my TV, eat home-cooked food and laze around. The whole process of competing, including the preparation, living out of a suitcase, eating food you are not used to,

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I have won so many trophies and titles in my career, but I haven't been able to win a girl. So, the single status remains and will for a while. I haven't really been involved much in that direction in finding the right person, because my schedule has taken me more towards my career.

being in climates that are alien to you for most part of the year — all of that is good for a while, but then you get into that zone in which you just want to finish the tournament and come back home. Which is what I did after Krygzstan.



Pics: Shashank Sane

On a musical odyssey

Ameya Dabli and Dada JP Vaswani

Internationally acclaimed singer Ameya Dabli launched his music album *Ekam Satt — One Truth, One Humanity, World Music* at the hands of global humanitarian and spiritual leader Rev. Dada JP Vaswani as part of the latter's centenary birthday celebrations in Pune. The album is available on all digital platforms through Times Music. Inspired by respected Dada's message of selfless love and service for humanity, the album features the works of legendary poets and saints such as Kabirdas, Mirabai, Narsinh Mehta, Guru Nanak Dev, Khwaja Garib Nawaz, Buddha, Tukaram, Tulsidas, Gospels and others.

Given the continuous stress and turmoil that individuals across the globe face, there is an urgent need for each of us to pause, reflect and connect with each other, cutting across our religious, social and cultural beliefs. The album's songs focus on this precise theme that eventually it is a 'one world family' and showcases the best of sufi, folk and contemporary world music across different genres. The album has foot tapping numbers covering Indian and international musical forms to appeal to a wide audience across age groups. With an aim to spread

the message of love and unity across cultures and society globally, Ameya Dabli and his business partner Purvi Soali quit their successful corporate careers to become social entrepreneurs.

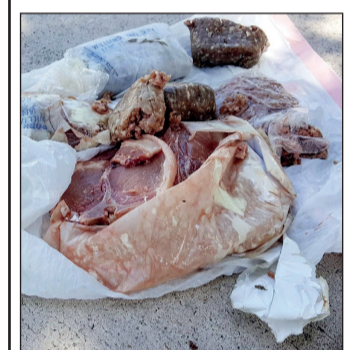
A versatile singer, Ameya has performed over 1,500 concerts across 15 countries. The music from the album is already a rage with live renditions by Ameya across 25 locations including for large corporates like Aditya Birla Group and at the Indian High Commission in London. He is currently touring India, the US and Dubai for his other musical concept 'Heart 2 Heart' covering melodious *ghazals* and folk music.

His 10 city 'Heart 2 Heart' tour covering melodious *ghazals* kicked off in Mumbai yesterday and will further move to Bengaluru, Pune, Hyderabad, Kolkata and other cities.



The launch was attended by a large number of people

BIZARRE? Frozen meat falls from sky



A Florida family was woken up at 4 am by a 6.8 kg package of frozen pork that fell on their Deerfield Beach house's roof last Saturday. Travis Adair said that his wife, Jennie, found two bundles of meat outside the house, and his son, Austin, found three on the roof. The meat was given away by its owner, Jim Williams, who lives 270 km away from the Adair family and was stumped by the mystery too. — AP

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