

Write Biography of Major Dhyan Chand ~~and~~.

Major Dhyan Chand was a famous Indian hockey player. Even today, he is considered to be the best hockey player that India has ever produced.

Major Dhyan Chand was born on August 29 1905 at Allahabad in Uttar Pradesh. His father Sameshwar Dutta Singh was a Subedar in the Indian Army and played hockey for the Indian Army.

Dhyan Chand also followed in the footsteps of his father when he joined the army at the young age of 16. He was selected to represent India in 1928 Summer Olympics.



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The Indian hockey team won 3 Olympic gold medals in the year 1928 in Amsterdam in 1932 at Los Angeles and in 1936 in Berlin under the Captainship of Major Dhyan Chand.

In 1956, he retired from the Indian Army with the rank of Major and in the same year, he was honoured with the Padma Bhushan award.

After his retirement, Major Dhyan Chand took the position of Chief Hockey Coach at the National Institute of Sports, Patiala.

Major Dhyan Chand's real name was Dhyan Singh. His first coach, Pankaj Gupta, conferred the title 'Chand' upon him in a bid to compare his praiseworthy



Skillfulness in playing hockey with the shinning moon.

Major Dhyan Chand is also known as the 'wizard of hockey'. In his career, Major Dhyan Chand scored over 1000 goals.

The city of Vienna, Austria honored him by setting up his statue. The other statues of this legendary sportsman are in New Delhi and at Medak in Andhra Pradesh.

His birthday on August 29 is celebrated as National Sports Day in India. He passed away on December 3, 1979.