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THE END OF THE YEAR IS ALMOST UPON US.

BOOK NOW TO ENSURE YOU DON'T MISS OUT
ON THE REMAINING EVENTS!



DECEMBER 16TH:
CLUB X'MAS PARTY, X'MAS CAROLS
& KIDS PARTY

DECEMBER 31ST:
NEW YEAR'S EVE MASQUERADE
GALA DINNER DANCE



FEBRUARY 11TH: AGM

FEBRUARY 24TH: HAVE-A-CHAT

Note: The committee will make every attempt to hold the events as advertised but there may be instances when changes are unavoidable.

THE SILVER FAWN CLUB HAS LOST A MUCH LOVED FOUNDING MEMBER

IT IS WITH MUCH SADNESS THAT WE ANNOUNCE THE PASSING OF ERIC FERDINANDS. ON 20TH SEPTEMBER 2017 AT AGE 96.

ERIC WAS THE PIONEER WHO ORGANISED A NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE IN REDCLIFFE IN 1960, THEREBY SOWING THE SEEDS FOR FURTHER SOCIALS AND DANCES THAT EVENTUALLY RESULTED IN THE BIRTH OF THE SILVER FAWN CLUB IN 1970. WE WILL BE FOREVER GRATEFUL FOR HIS VAULABLE CONTRIBUTION OVER THE YEARS.

MAY HE REST IN PEACE

THE TIDE OF LIFE EBBS AND FLOWS BUT THE GATES OF MEMORY NEVER CLOSE.





THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE WISHES
MEMBERS OF THE SILVER FAWN CLUB
A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS AND
A HEALTHY & PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.



THE MONSTER CHRISTMAS RAFFLE:
10 HAMPERS WORTH OVER \$100 EACH
DRAWN 18TH NOVEMBER
AT THE GOLDEN YEARS CHIRSTMAS PARTY

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE LUCKY WINNERS:

Henk Groot Zevert
Melanie Dobbs
Yolande Wendt
Queenie Murray
Rex Bowen
Chris Bulner
Billy Bartolomeu
Sean Seneviratne
Derrick Pinto
Denis Anthonisz

CANCELLATION OF THE GAMES DAY

AS A RESULT OF THE INCESSANT RAIN DURING THE WEEK LEADING UP TO THE GAMES DAY, THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE WAS FORCED TO TAKE THE DECISION TO CANCEL THIS EVENT. THE COMMITTEE REGRETS ANY INCONVEIENCE CAUSED.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Dear Members

My term as President of the club is coming to an end. I thank you all for the support that you extended to me by attending our events in large numbers. Thank you to all the new members for coming on board, to those who renewed their membership and paid their fees after many years and to those who, with confidence, paid several years fees in advance.

Thank you to all volunteers who came on board without having to be asked, who gave their precious time from the beginning to the end, helped to make improvements and to ease the pressure of the work load. Special thanks to Sandra Garth, Shirley D'Mello, Becky Misso, Nayanthi Perera, Ty Fox, Laurensz Manricks, Ruvan Dharmaratne, Preethi Weerasinghe, Marge and Joseph Weerasinghe and there were more. Thanks to Adrian Garth, one of the sponsors that we had for this year. He was kind enough to sponsor the shield for the Golf tournament. Thank you to David for bringing him on board. Thanks to Michael Obeysekere, Trevor Ebert, Carlyle Wells-Peris, Ben Simmons, Mark D'Mello, Becky Misso, Barbara Storey and a few others who helped us with raffle prizes for our functions.

The newsletter, which is the prime medium of communication and advertising, was well presented and was distributed to members on time. This would not have been possible without Niranjalie Silva, who was a volunteer who worked constantly day and night to do her very best. With our busy schedules we still found time to meet and discuss club matters to improve the club activities. On behalf of the members and the committee I thank her for the excellent job done and for being a dedicated Editor.

It is with sadness that I write of one of the Club's prime founder members, Eric Ferdinands, who passed away peacefully on the 20th of September. His contribution to the club from the very inception was enormous. Thank you to Eric's family for giving me the privilege of expressing a few words on behalf of our club members. I was honoured to place the club flag on top of the casket as a symbol of recognition.

Since we all experienced the club flourishing from the very first function this year, members were attending in large numbers. We had a variety of food and flavours due to the fact that we engaged different caterers for the various functions. The presentation of the food also became an attraction for the members. The privilege of catering, which is something the club can offer, was shared by a number of caterers. We channelled all the caterers that we knew and took on board those who were able to cater within the given budget. I set the standard of spending only up to 70% of the entry fee for food and I trust the new committee will do the same for the benefit of all members of the club.

I thank members of the former committee who attended all our functions and supported us throughout the journey. Your passion for the club made me feel that I was not alone and had a backup all the time. The number of members has reached 376 at this stage.

Thank you to all members who read the letter that was sent along with the raffle tickets and who purchased tickets to support the club. With the approval of the committee, I made a commitment to deliver Christmas hampers to some of our members who are 90 and over this year and who were unable to attend the Golden Years function. This will be carried out during the month of December. People who are not currently members will not be eligible unless they renew their membership on or before 1st of December.

There were many new benefits and initiatives that were introduced this year—Members Draws, birthday gifts, free entry for some members, free hampers to be delivered to some members, recognition of the club's founder members by presenting them with memorabilia as a personal gift from the President and presentation of plaques in memory of two of our VIP members who are no longer with us.

At the next AGM I intend to propose the appointment of an "Ambassador" to be the carer of the club. He or she will take care of the fixed deposits, insurance, bank account, nominations, assets of the club etc. In the event that there are no nominations received for positions on the committee, he or she will follow up with the members by calling for another general meeting.

Finally, I thank the committee for the tremendous amount of work carried out over the year 2017. Without your help I doubt that I would have been able to boost the club to a moderate standard. There were a few committee members who were constantly with me to help with club functions. I greatly appreciate the hard work and the sacrifice of your precious time towards the club. This great bunch of people was like one family and I will try to maintain the morale amongst all of us although I will not be undertaking any more work for the club.

New ideas or changes can be addressed at the AGM provided the Secretary is informed in time for inclusion in the agenda.

Since this is the last President's message, please feel free to write to me with your thoughts. Even if you wish to criticize my message, please do so, I will be happy to read what our members have to say.

God bless you all

Isidore Storey



We would love to hear from anyone interested in joining the choir or participating in the Manger scene.

Please contact Claude on:

3265 4791

Dress as Santa, Three Kings, The Blessed Mother, Joseph or the Shepherds. (Prizes for the best outfits!)

You can also win prizes by participating in the Christmas drama!

"DARK & TALL" RUVAN

For reservations call:

Claude 3265 4791

Mark 0450 093 165

Yvonne 3885 4548 / 0405 168 093

David 3419 0991 / 0412 262 992

or any committee member



SILVER FAWN CLUB INC

NEW YEAR'S EVE MASQUERADE GALA DINNER DANCE



31st December 2017
7pm to 1am
Mitchelton Senior Citizens Hall
30 Tel-El-Kebir Street, Mitchelton



Tickets \$55

Early Bird price for members: \$45 if purchased no later than 12th December

- Children 5 yrs & over \$25
- Children 4 yrs & under Free (subject to availability of seats)

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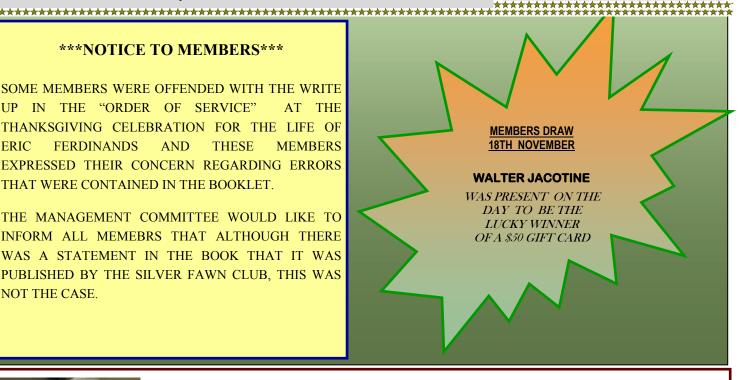
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NOTICE TO MEMBERS

SOME MEMBERS WERE OFFENDED WITH THE WRITE UP IN THE "ORDER OF SERVICE" THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION FOR THE LIFE OF ERIC **FERDINANDS** AND THESE **MEMBERS** EXPRESSED THEIR CONCERN REGARDING ERRORS THAT WERE CONTAINED IN THE BOOKLET.

THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO INFORM ALL MEMEBRS THAT ALTHOUGH THERE WAS A STATEMENT IN THE BOOK THAT IT WAS PUBLISHED BY THE SILVER FAWN CLUB, THIS WAS NOT THE CASE



TOASTING A MOMENTOUS OCASSION AT THE GOLDEN YEARS CHRISTMAS PARTY

A BIG THANK YOU TO THE DE ZILVA FAMILY FOR PROVIDING THE GLASS OF PORT FOR A

TOAST TO UNA DE ZILVA ON HER 100TH BIRTHDAY. THE LOVELY GESTURE WAS MUCH APPRECIATED BY ALL.



DELIVERY OF CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

During the month of December, Christmas hampers will be delivered to those members who are 90 years and over but who were unable to attend the Golden Years Christmas function.

LETTERS AND NOTICES contd.

Dear Isídore

When you stood for position of President, you said words to the effect that it was useless taking on the role unless you can deliver good services for the members.

Well, Saturday night was testament to you keeping your word. What a marvelous event "Golden Years" was. Congratulations to you and the team who helped in this production. Together you made this a 'gold winning performance'. I thoroughly enjoyed myself. I believe all who attended would have gone home with a smile on their face contented that 'Golden Years' had lived up to it's name.

Please thank Ranjith Thomas for providing me with transport to the function and for all the care and help he afforded me.

Thank you for taking the role of President and being a man of action.

Sincerely

Rex Bowen

The Management Committee appreciates the valuable service that Ranjith Thomas has provided to the club by assisting and transporting long standing member, Rex Bowen, to and from all lunch time functions that we have had this year.

Battle of the Schools Dinner Dance—appreciation from Rohan Jayaratne, Royal college:

Hi Niranjalie and Isidore

Many thanks for the great evening that you put up on Saturday.

Great company, great music and great food. It was very well organized and we all enjoyed it thoroughly. Please convey our appreciation to all those who contributed.

Rohan

OBITUARIES

- HAIG, LOVING BROTHER OF PATRICK MALONEY, PASSED AWAY ON 17TH SEPTEMBER.
- BERYL SIMMONS, MOTHER OF BEN SIMMONS, PASSED AWAY IN MELBOURNE ON 17TH OCTOBER AT AGE 97.

ON BEHALF OF ALL MEMEBRS OF THE CLUB, THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND ITS SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO PATRICK AND BEN & THEIR FAMILIES.



BATTLE OF THE SCHOOLS DINNER DANCE

The Schools Battle was held at the Redhill Bowls Club on 23rd September. The night was one of the best for most of those who have attended our functions. An enjoyable evening full of fun. There is no doubt that out of 8 schools, there can be only one winner but all were in the game to win the title of the best 'Old Ceylon School' 2017.

Every school leader put in a tremendous amount of work—organising school uniforms, decorations, banners and much more—to get recognition for their school. It resulted in a very colourful hall and there was a great atmosphere all around.

The Thomians and Paynters were dominating the game from the start. The two "girls" from Paynters of Nuwara Eliya and their backup team proudly went out to battle all the Colombo schools and went head-on until the last lap. Their school uniform was extraordinary and was a standout light green and white.

Thomians had their team in their school blazers and in between, had a remarkable character promoting the Thomian sports uniform although we were not sure what sport he was promoting! It was a bit of a laugh for all.

Holy Family, Dehiwela, had their school uniform made to match all the shapes and sizes of individuals on the team. They made the biggest noise of all. When they presented themselves to the judges as book worms, someone was overheard saying, "...they never studied when they were at school. They are studying only now"!

Holy Family, Bambalapitiya, had the highest number of "students" and was a big challenge to the rest of the schools. They had beautiful décor, including fresh flowers, on the tables. They too did well and were 3rd in line.

Sacred Heart, Galle, had beautiful decor in their school colours with a school team all dressed up in red and black. They presented themselves to the judges in a march past. That was clever thinking and well presented to the call of "left, right, left"!

The Josephians had an excellent presentation with banners and flags with their surrounding all lit up in blue and white. The table decorations caught the eye of one of the judges and received 8 out of 10.

Bishops College had put in lots of hard work with the intention of being on top. They even had lunch packs from the good old school days "delivered" with the name tags. Unfortunately the scores awarded by the judges did not qualify them for high points.

Royal College played a gentleman's game, smartly dressed to impress the judges, enjoying every bit of the evening. They too scored a fair number of points.

There was one group that did not belong to any particular school and that was the Shockman family. They were kind enough to donate the 10 points that they won to the Thomians.

As the night was coming to an end, the battle was Thomians vs Paynters. Finally, the marathon came to an end when the Thomians scored the last 10 points. The 'School of the Year' for 2017, St Thomas' College, received a voucher to the value of \$500.00 and the Albert Shockman memorial shield. The shield was presented to the captain of the winning school, Nimal Perera, by the late Albert's daughter, Melissa Edney, and son, Graeme Schokman. Melissa's short speech had deep meaning and conveyed their gratitude to the Silver Fawn Club.

Everyone enjoyed the "kadala gotu" remembering our good old school days, The dinner was a mouth-watering meal by Fire and Spice Restaurant. To add more to the fire we had Fire and Rain, the rock and roll band, with a good selection of music for the evening.

The best was left for last. Our well-known Basheer Omar was dressed as a sweep ticket seller and sold the raffle tickets with an outfit to match. His singlet declared he had "NO SCHOOL". What a character!

Laurenz Manricks, who was the Master of Ceremonies, rocked the whole show with his god-given talent. He ensured everyone remained vigilant to score points. He conducted the proceedings without any gaps and with loads of fun. The 7 schools that were not winners, did not feel the defeat as it was full of fun thanks to Laurenz. If I am to organise another schools night, my priority will be to ensure that Laurenz is available, not the venue or the date.

Isídore Storey





























Silver Fawn Club Annual Golf Challenge 2017

The Annual Golf Challenge took place on the 29th of October at the Virginia Golf Club in Banyo. It was lead by Ashley Storey and David Garth on behalf of the Silver Fawn Club.

The format was a Two Ball Ambrose. There were 24 members and guests who paired for the event. This was one of the highest number of participants that the club has experienced in many years. The participants paired up to 12 groups, played some serious Golf and enjoyed each other's company.

Highlights for the day featured:

Nearest to the pins
Longest drive
The best approach
Best pairs with the lowest score

Winners:

Sudath Wijeratne & Sanath Sirimana with a score of 68.

Runners up:

Denis & Simon Anthonisz, with a score of 69 As for the third place, three with equal scores of 80's

Nearest to the pin

4 winners were chosen Sudath Wijeratne, Sanath Sirimana, Ashley Storey, and Trevor Baines.

Longest drive and best approach.

Simon Anthonisz

All trophies were sponsored by the Silver Fawn Club and the Eric Ferdinands Memorial Shield in memory of one of our late Founder Members was sponsored by Adrian Garth for Harcourts Connections.

Ashley Storey













GOLDEN YEARS CHRISTMAS PARTY

If there was one place to be present for an enjoyable morning on the 18th of November, it was the Enoggera Bowls Club. A grand Christmas celebration was organised by the Silver Fawn Club. This has been a tradition of the club since its inception and the event takes many forms in keeping with the Christmas spirit. This year too, the club excelled with its performance in the organising of such a signature event. Right from the word go about 130 members and guests were entertained with live and recorded music plus a Christmas lunch with a specially selected menu which was enjoyed with great delight. Christmas carols & songs set the order of the day. Gifts for all and prizes galore kept all amazed. It was akin to Christmas in wonderland! Among the many highlights was a 100th birthday celebration of one of its members.

Claude









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The razor blade is sharp but can't cut a tree; the axe is strong but can't cut the hair.

Everyone is important according to his/ her own unique purpose....

Never look down on anyone unless you are admiring their shoes....