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## THE CLUB FOR GOOD TIMES

**NOT TO BE MISSED  
NEW YEARS EVE GALA DINNER  
DANCE**



**GREAT NEW VENUE  
GREAT BAND  
GREAT COMPANY  
SAVE THE DATE**

### \*\*\*DATES FOR YOUR DIARY\*\*\*

6<sup>th</sup> December > Golden Years Christmas Party

20<sup>th</sup> December > An Evening of Carols & Social

31<sup>st</sup> December > New Year's Eve  
Gala Dinner Dance.



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**Paul Pattison  
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## From the Editor's Desk

Dear Members,

Where has the year gone? As I write this we are just five weeks away from Christmas. It feels like the beginning of the year is a long way back and just a blur. However we have had a fun and challenging time bringing to you, our members and your guests, some great entertainment. We thank you for your support and your smiling countenances at all of our functions.

I have also had a busy time these past few months—travelling to Melbourne in June for my Mum's 93rd birthday and also to visit some of our many friends there. Then there was our second son Robert's wedding in September (he's 39, a late starter) and most recently a trip to Cairns followed by another visit to Melbourne for a work reunion—colleagues I had not seen for over 30 years. These were people I virtually grew up with working at NCR from the age of 18. They were more like family—some of the best years of my life. It was there that I met my beautiful wife.

Earlier this year Gaye and I walked the Milford Track in the south island of New Zealand. What an adventure that was. Stunning scenery and a challenging terrain. Some people thought we were insane, but truly, if you like trekking you must do this.

Between these times there was some casual work and of course grand children duties. Hence you may have noticed our absence from some of our functions—my apologies. (but we were having fun)

Now to focus on our coming events - our Golden Years Christmas Party, the Evening of Carols and the New Year's Eve Gala Dinner Dance. Plans are well under way for these and all the information is within this newsletter.

On a sadder note, Clive de Fransz, the younger brother of our vice-president Egerton, passed away suddenly in Sri Lanka a few weeks ago. Our deepest sympathies and thoughts are with Egerton and his family.

Finally from Gaye and myself, Best Wishes to you and yours for the coming Festive Season and good health and prosperity in the New Year. Hope you have enjoyed the Silver Scenes !!

Till next time—Cheers

Dennis

***Secret formula for married couples...***

**"Love One Another"**

**And if it doesn't work, bring the last word to the middle!**





**THE SILVER FAWN CLUB**

# **GOLDEN YEARS CHRISTMAS PARTY**



**SATURDAY 6TH December 6.30pm to 11.30 pm**

Enoggera Bowls Club, 72 Pickering Street, Enoggera

Sherries & Savouries served between 6.45 & 7.15

Buffet Dinner by Jeremy Henderling

Music by the "COOL DADDIES" & DJ

Raffles & Prizes Traditional Christmas Cake

Drinks at Club Prices—Strictly no BYO

Members \$30.00 Guests \$40.00

**COME ALONG AND ENJOY A FUN EVENING**

**NUMBERS ARE LIMITED To Book Tickets contact:-**

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**NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 28TH NOVEMBER**





**DON'T MISS THIS GALA EVENT**



**THE SILVER FAWN CLUB**

**31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2014**

**NEW YEAR'S EVE  
GALA DINNER DANCE**

**BAND : COOL CHANGE - 4 PIECE BAND**

**DINNER : WESTERN BUFFET - WITH A TOUCH OF SRI LANKAN  
KIRIBATH AT MIDNIGHT BY THE CURRYCABIN**

**TIME : 7:00 PM TO 1:00 AM**

**WHERE : SOUTH'S SPORTS CLUB,  
MORTIMER RD, ACACIA RIDGE,  
BRISBANE.**

**\$55 MEMBERS  
\$65 GUESTS**

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**NUMBERS ARE LIMITED—TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT  
RESERVE YOUR TICKETS NOW FOR A FAB NIGHT**





## A TRIBUTE TO IVAN WIJETUNGE

08-10-1924 -- 04-09-2014

BY ANDREW BUULTJENS



It is with deep regret, yet with gratitude that we place on record the loss of Ivan Samuel de Cabraal Wijetunge, an ardent member of the Silver Fawn Club.

Since the very inception of our club Ivan was very a conspicuous member who always brought his family along and heartily participated in all the events. He was always accompanied by his brother Jerry and wife and close friends.

We are most grateful for the many donations that Ivan and family constantly provided to keep the club running. He was always instrumental in advising or bringing to notice any shortcomings and recommending improvements. Ivan was a versatile and vastly experienced person in the community he lived in.

Hailing from a notable family it was not difficult to understand his great sense of discipline and propriety around which he built his life and that of his loving and devoted family. He was always a no-nonsense man greatly experienced having served in responsible positions in the Ceylon Fire Brigade, the Ceylon Government Railway and lastly in the Royal Ceylon Navy where he retired as a lieutenant prior to migrating to Australia in the 70's.

Once In Australia he worked very hard in the very first years and then branched off to set up his own business which kept him close to the community.

During his time in active service he excelled in sports. His personal best was being runner -up as Mr Ceylon in two consecutive years during the '50s. He also excelled in the martial arts, boxing, hockey, soccer and swimming having participated at the highest levels in the country.

Ivan took an active part in politics supporting Mr Peter Beatty during his term in office. During this time he was a great asset to the Sri Lankan community as he spotlighted several areas of improvement for community life among Asians.

Finally, most fittingly, there was a very distinguished gathering of family and friends to farewell him. The Last Post signalled the final tribute to a brave, adventurous and gifted man.

To his family we extend our sincere appreciation for what he has been to the Silver Fawn Club.

*Andrew Buultjens*

Editors Note,  
Thank you Andrew for a fitting tribute



**A bookseller conducting a market survey asked a woman: "Which book has helped you most in your life?"**

**The woman replied: "My husband's cheque book!"**



# THE SILVER FAWN CLUB

## CAROLS NIGHT

**To Celebrate the Spirit of Christmas come join us for an evening of Christmas Carols followed by a Social with Music & Dancing.**

**When? Saturday 20th December from 6.30pm**

**Where? Enoggera Bowls Club,  
72 Pickering Street  
Enoggera.**



**Keep the date Free**

**More information in the  
next newsletter**

**There will be a Children's Christmas Party from  
5.30pm**

**Please register your intent with any committee  
member as soon as possible**

## Postscript to Heather's story in the last issue

May 2012 saw us once again in Sri Lanka and high on our list of priorities was another opportunity to meet our Sponsored child, Piriyaatharani and her family, courtesy of World Vision.

I was travelling with my son Laurensz to Anuradhapura to meet our Sponsored children, his three boys and my little girl. Under the circumstances, it seemed the most convenient place to meet. We were both meeting our children for the second time and World Vision was happy to bring them to our Resort..

It was a joyful reunion, like meeting old friends. My little girl was not a little girl any more! She had grown so much in four years and her baby sister was not a baby any more either! The warmth and happiness in their smiles, in all their smiles, made me so happy. Piriyaatharani would not leave my side and although she could not communicate in English yet, she managed to tell me that she was learning to use a computer. Wow!!

She proudly showed me a well thumbed photo album in which were all the pictures from our first visit as well as pictures of my family which I send when I write to her.

This time they had brought us gifts, too! Bags and bags of home made sweets, so much. I would have had to buy another suitcase to bring it all home! Impossible of course, but how to wipe the proud smiles from their faces by being so insensitive as to refuse these gifts which must have taken days to prepare. How to explain that I just could not bring them home?

We had a happy day together. Resort staff kindly sat us all at one long table so that both groups could have lunch together. Barring the Queens English of course, there was plenty of chatter proving once more that language was no barrier when there was good food.

A wander through the manicured gardens of the Resort for my group, and a swim in the sparkling pool for the boys, it was late evening and time for farewells. Sad but happy hugs, promises to keep In touch, a few tears, and it was goodbye till the next time. God willing.

I must say here that sponsoring a child through World Vision was one of the happiest decisions we have made in our lives, not just Piriyaantharani, but for the two other kids we sponsored before her, over a period of 20 odd years.

We get regular progress reports from their schools, a picture each year so we watch them grow, and also from the Managers of The Development areas, yearly reports on all that has been done and all the on going projects like clean drinking water, sanitation, health checks etc, etc.

If that is not a pretty wonderful return for the price of one meal a month for us, I don't know what is!

***Heather Manricks Sekarajasingham***

**Editors Note**

**Thank you Heather for such a touching story**

### **" Bless the Irish "**

Murphy says to Paddy, "What ya talkin into an envelope for?"  
"I'm sending a voicemail ya fool!" Says Mick

Paddy says "Mick, I'm thinking of buying a Labrador .

"Blow that" says Mick, "have you seen how many of their owners go blind?"

19 paddies go to the cinema, the ticket lady asks "Why so many of you?"  
Mick replies, "The film said 18 or over."





# 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY DANCE & FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

SATURDAY 22 NOVEMBER

MASS 6PM. DANCE 7:15PM

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with names of attendees



## CLUB NIGHT – 25<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2014

The time and energy invested in organizing this event did not yield the anticipated results. The “no frills” menu and the music provoked some negative feedback, which we on the committee have taken note of. It is unfortunate that this event fell short of members’ expectations.

On the brighter side, I wish to acknowledge Susan Fahir’s tireless efforts to produce a suitable flyer and ticket; Romaine Jayakody who managed the door with her usual calm, efficiency; Niranjalie Silva, Basheer and Yvonne Omar, Basil and Julie Britto for helping set up tables and the innovative, themed décor, wonderfully executed by multi-talented Isidore Storey and Davenal who kept a watchful eye over the proceedings.

Despite the best efforts of Isidore and myself, response to ticket sales was poor but with help from Hafi Abdeen the numbers increased significantly. It was gratifying to note that the eighty six persons who attended, accepted gracefully the eleventh hour change in venue. Brian Dissanayake as MC did not disappoint. He kept the program on schedule, the company lively, and dancers on the floor.

*Deanna.*

Convener.



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This is a poem from my book,  
 “The Power of Yoga”  
 I thought I will share this with all readers

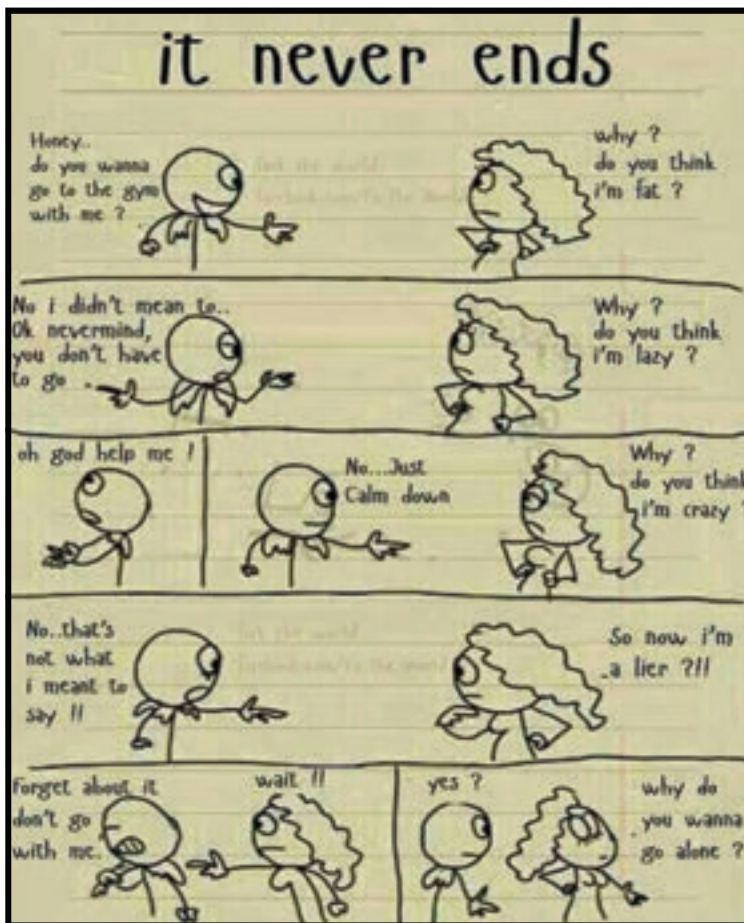
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Husband : I've lost my wife, she went shopping yesterday and has still not come home.

Sergeant : What is her height ?

Husband : Oh, 5 something . . .

Sergeant : Build?

Husband : Not slim, not really fat.

Sergeant : Colour of eyes?

Husband : Never noticed.

Sergeant : Colour of hair?

Husband : Changes according to season.

Sergeant : What was she wearing?

Husband : Dress/suit/blue jeans -- I don't remember exactly.

Sergeant : Did she go in a car?

Husband : yes.

Sergeant : What kind of car was it?

Husband : 2014 Corvette Stingray 3LT with the Z51 Performance Package, shark grey metallic paint, with the 6.2 litre V8 engine with Direct Injection generating 460 HP. 8-speed paddle-shift automatic transmission, and GT bucket seats, and has a very thin scratch on the front left door.....  
 at this point the husband started crying...

Sergeant : Don't worry sir.....We'll find your car.





# The Silver Fawn Club Inc.

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SIGNATURE: ..... DATE: .....

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(Financial Member)

SECONDED BY: ..... SIGNATURE: .....

(Financial Member)

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- Bank Transfer:- Acc Name: "Silver Fawn Club Inc." BSB: 064-131, AC#: 00902934, Ref: Your initials & Surname
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