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THE CLUB FOR COOD TIMES

CLUB CALENDAR DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

1st August > Anniversary Gala Dance

27th September > Sports Day & Food Fair

3rd October > Have a Chat

21st November > Christmas Dance (Golden Years)

19th December > Carols & Kids Christmas Party

31st December > New Years Eve Gala Dance



COMING SOON - MONSTER RAFFLE

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WATCH OUT FOR TICKETS IN THE MAIL SOON Raffle drawn on 21st November at the Christmas Dance

<u>IMPORTANT NOTICE TO MEMBERS</u>

Membership Fees expired on 31st January 2015.

Please send your renewals for 2015/16 without delay if you have not done so. A Membership Subscription / Renewal form is on page 15.

From the President's Desk

DEAR MEMBERS,

The much anticipated 45th ANNIVERSARY celebration is upon us. I have invited all our available PAST PRESIDENTS to join us on 1st AUGUST for this Gala night. The committee has generously offered the past Presidents and their partners complimentary tickets to attend this function. It's about time we gave something back to a well deserving bunch of leaders. We are looking forward to seeing you all there.

After five long years the ANNUAL CAMP was resurrected with flying colours. For the members who couldn't make it, you missed out on another fun filled event held over the June long weekend at LAKE PERSEVERANCE. It was games, sports activities, musical dramas and comedy shows just to name a few that made this CAMP a memorable one.

Thanks to the tireless efforts of Gerard, Isidore, Basheer and Basil (just to name a few), they kept us all entertained and filled our bellies for the whole duration. Not surprising, it was the young ones who had a ball. They had a time of their lives by pushing their parents and grandparents to the limit. Yes, the young and the not too young, all had great fun. I am sure the co-ordinators will have a detailed write up of the Camp in this edition.

We have a few more events to be completed such as the Sports Day, Have A Chat, X'mas Dance, Carols, and the NYE's Dance to look forward to. We have had a good turn out to all our functions so far, so thanks for your wonderful support.

Our Treasurer, Isidore is organising a MONSTER RAFFLE to be drawn at the Xmas Dance (Golden Years) on 21 Nov. Prizes include Air Line Tickets, and other goodies. Tickets are priced at \$2.00 each. So here's your opportunity to support your Club and perhaps win your self a great prize also.

See you all on 1st AUGUST, YOUR 45th ANNIVERSARY DANCE.

CHEERS

Egerton

WELCOME TO THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS

Manik & Virginia De Silva Jacek & Shehana Sicinski Sean & Tanya Seneviratne Roshana Harrison Siritharana Dhuwarana Shanika Paramsothy Adele Nugara

RETURNING MEMBERS

David Joachim Michael & Coreen Bulner



We trust you enjoy the same fellowship all our members have experienced over the past 44 years

"HAVE YOUR SAY"

Hi Uncle Issy,

Thank you so much for such a wonderful experience. We honestly didn't know what to expect and we were overwhelmed with what a wonderful event it turned out to be. The food was abundant and delicious and every meal seemed to top the previous one. There was enough of a selection to suit the children, as well as those with the more sensitive taste buds.

Our boys loved all the games and the performances. They loved having so many young children to play with and have made some pretty special friendship from these past 3 days. It was also really lovely to see our parents have such a laugh and relax amongst their old friends. It was a heart warming sight to see families with three and possibly four generations together, and for me it was a lovely reunion with some family friends from my childhood years.

I want to take this as an opportunity to thank all the committee members who worked tirelessly throughout this weekend, and I'm sure for months beforehand, to make this camp such a huge success. All the work behind the scenes, and the cleaning up long after we all went to bed, did not go unnoticed. We feel Blessed to be part of a community who go to such lengths to provide this experience to their families and friends.

Thank you. We will definitely be back next year.

Kindest Blessings,

Shehana, Jacek, Nathaniel and Noah

Hi Isidore & Ruth

Thank you both, and to all the Camp organising committee for the great job done to make it a memorable weekend

The efforts of Basheer & Yvonne, Ian & Sandra, Gerard, Niranjalee, Egerton and above all yours and Ruth 's all round efforts was the reason for such a successful and enjoyable event.

Well done

Ash & Barbara

Feast of our lady of Madhu

The Feast day was a very bright morning, more than 350 pilgrims gathered to give glory to our blessed mother. The church was filled with people from different religions and from different parts of the world. The Service was at 11am and we had 4 Priests taking the service and the choir was lead by Francis Xavier singing hymns in all three languages.

A big thanks to the Silver Fawn Club for their on going support also thanks to the 4 EB radio for advertising in Singhala, Tamil and English. Thanks to the people who worked hard behind the scenes, Sandra Joseph, Derrick D Fernando, Claude Gonsalves and Jeremy Obeyesekera and finally the Sisil bus service for their generous contribution. God bless you all

Isidore Storev

A little boy went up to his father and asked: 'Dad, where did my intelligence come from?'
The father replied. 'Well, son, you must have got it from your mother, cause I still have mine.'

A doctor examining a woman who had been rushed to the Emergency Room, took the husband aside, and said, 'I don't like the looks of your wife at all.'

'Me neither doc,' said the husband. 'But she's a great cook and really good with the kids.

'Mr. Clark, I have reviewed this case very carefully,' the divorce Court Judge said, 'And I've decided to give your wife \$775 a week,'

'That's very fair, your honour,' the husband said. 'And every now and then I'll try to send her a few bucks myself.'

Letters to the Editor

From Isidore Storey

The Camp at the Lake Perseverance Recreation Site June 2015

The silver Fawn club campers have captured the interest of this breath taking venue since 1983. This year the camp was better than ever. Plenty to eat and do and there were more features added to the camp site for safety and enjoyment.

The freedom and comfort is value for money. There were no restrictions when cooking our own Sri Lankan curries. We had 8 meals prepared on site by expert chefs from all cabins. There was no interference from the authorities. The adults drank whenever they wanted to. The bottles of whisky and many other varieties of drinks were stored on tables same as the previous years.

There was no time limit for our kids to eat. Breakfast cereals, jam, butter, juice, sweets, biscuits and fruits you name it they had it. For the adults there was a 24 hour fully equipped coffee/tea station. The young mums and dads were constantly with their little infants and went to bed at midnight. The teenagers played basketball and tennis under flood lights until very late night and arrived to the main hall at 2am, meanwhile another group was having a sing along and their common jokes which kept the place alive.

Friday night was a busy night for the organising team and all campers arriving early gave us a helping hand at the same time shared a meal. Gerard and Basheer started the BBQ and all had a good feed with the last sausage going on a plate at 11.30PM.

Saturday morning we had a Continental breakfast with soothing music playing in the back ground. The dance floor was turned in to a kindergarten with feeding chairs and toys. It was so good to see how the mums and dads were taking turns to enjoy and baby sit.

Time was up for the sports meet and Basheer was the man! An all-rounder he did his job as the sports captain beyond our expectations. At the end of the day he prepared the gifts and prizes for the winners. He was a very happy dad and a grand dad. A job well done Basheer!

Saturday lunch was organised by Barbara storey and her team. It was a real home cooked meal to our Sri Lankan pallet and was followed by Wattalappan for dessert. After lunch it was a bit of relaxation for some to get the food down and for others followed by bingo. As usual Egerton and a few more including children gave him a helping hand.

Saturday evening was the Country and Western night. The hall was transformed into a party/dancing atmosphere by Niranjalie with beautiful table decorations, hats and overhead lanterns. The dinner was one of our traditional meals, string hoppers all you can eat organised by Basil and his team, finishing with cheese cake and ice cream for dessert which was freely available for seconds and thirds!

Ian was coordinating the music and the dancing party continued until midnight. The parade with Cow Boy/Girl outfits were amazing and very colourful and some of them were beyond recognition. Trevor Ebert did an excellent job as the MC and we had Sandra, Patti and Marina as the judges for the night.

Sunday morning breakfast was one of a kind! To start with, Kiribath, Kata Sambal, Salmon Curry, Stringhoppers, Dhal and Jaggery and not to mention the famous POL ROTI! (Only a camera would have captured the moment to Gerard's pol roti mixing, no words can explain the scenario. Gerard in his Sheriff costume covered in flour from head to toe, windows and walls in the kitchen dripping with dough! Imagine this! OMG!

Sunday cricket for the young and the old with commentators of all kinds making fun of the players and having fun, in the meantime the little kids made it as a camping ground with tarp laid on the grass. Glen Tucker was the Captain of the winning cricket team and Alonzo Griffin was the winning team leader of the tug of war.

There was an unwanted visitor that appeared from the bush jogging on the cricket grounds with two beer cans in his or her hand in a white out fit with red undies held with straps and beyond recognition. This mystery man was one of our campers who brought the game of cricket to a halt and was tackled down by Stephany Omar! To her great surprise she said "Uncle Isidore"!!

Sunday lunch was prepared by Yvonne and her team. The food was with red hot chilli-peppers and looked very colourful. The taste blended with the colour.

Sunday afternoon was quiet as everyone was preparing for the drama night. There was a Treasure Hunt for the kids organised by Sandra & Ruth. There were campers walking in to the dining room to have a piece of cake, biscuits and even have a cup of tea or coffee.

Sunday evening show started with a prize giving organised and carried out by Basheer and presented by Egerton, Patti and Marina. This little group did a tremendous job in gift wrapping and presenting them to the winners The presentation of awards to the kids was one of the best ideas that Basheer had come up with. Every little kid received an award and he called it "The Visa to the Silver Fawn Club".

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COME ALONG AND ENJOY A DAY OUT IN THE GORGEOUS BRISBANE WEATHER Family Sports Day and Food Fair When? Sunday 27th September

10.00AM — 4.00PM

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Bob, a handsome dude, walked into a sports bar around 9:58 PM. He sat down next to a blonde at the bar and stared up at the 10:00 PM news that was coming on. The news crew was covering a story of a man on a ledge of a large building preparing to jump.

The blonde looked at Bob and said, 'Do you think he'll jump?'

Bob says, 'You know, I bet he'll jump.'

The blonde replied, 'Well, I bet he won't.'

Bob placed a \$20 bill on the bar and said, 'You're on!'

Just as the blonde placed her money on the bar, the guy on the ledge did a swan dive off the building, falling to his death.

The blonde was very upset, but willingly handed her \$20 to Bob, saying, 'Fair's fair. Here's your money.'

Bob replied, 'I can't take your money, I saw this earlier on the 5 PM news, and I knew he would jump.'

The blond replied, 'I did too; but I didn't think he'd do it again.' Bob took the money...



Silver Fawn Club Inc.

45th Anniversary mer II

SATURDAY 1ST AUGUST

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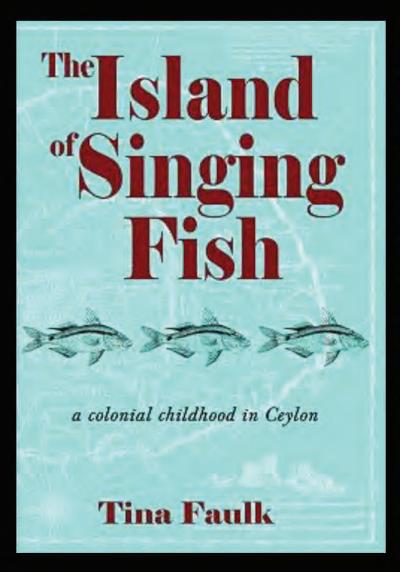


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Sri Lankan finger food available for purchase. All proceeds from her book will be donated to rural hospitals in Sri Lanka.

Letters to the Editor

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It was time for dinner Basil and his team prepared a delicious Western meal with roast chicken, roast beef, oven baked pumpkin, potatoes and too many to list it was a mouth-watering presentation.

The Grand finale was the Sunday evening concert. All in all we had 10 acts. Singing, dancing, comedy, riddles, junior basketball talent and many more. David Garth was the coordinator and did an excellent job. If I am to give my opinion about the drama night, Yvonne was the best all round actress. Coreen, Basheer, Lorrain and Ovil are all talented artists and are ready to entertain all members. To those who missed out on the camp, they have missed out on good fun and some good talent shows.

We as campers should take this opportunity to thank Sarath and Dr Judy for coming prepared to attend to any medical issues if required by campers. There were three or more patients that were seen by her and treated. They wanted me to thank Dr Judy on their behalf. Sarath and Judy are on my list for the next year camp!

There were more people behind the scenes who got involved to make things happen. Julie, Rammie, Michael, Ashley, Jerome Thamibdurai, Jerome Van Gramberg, Sarah Griffin, Chritra, Sujeeva, Sandra's (2) and Jade. Special thanks to Gerard and Ruth who planed everything 3 months in advance and finalised everything a day before the camp. Thanks to Basil & Julie for doing all the purchasing and lending the two monster eskies. Special thanks goes to Basheer and his family for all the assistance and organising a van for the camp.

We lost this camp site for several years, getting the camp back on was one of my missions to strengthen the club with the help and courage of Gerard and Basheer. I am happy that I was able to accomplish this mission. We have already booked for next year as well, for those who are interested!

Isidore Storey

Editor's Note: Thanks Isidore for your detailed report. It makes great reading and should generate more interest for next year's camp.

From the occupants of cabin 8A at the Family Camp - Lake Perseverance.... Sandra and David Garth, Patti and Jerome Van Gramberg, Marina and Trevor Ebert.

This camp can well be described as "The Friendly Camp", because that is exactly what it was- Fun filled, Fantastic and above all Friendly.

To the President and all the members of the Committee responsible of the day to day operations at the camp – we say thanks.. for all the effort that went into the smooth operation of all the activities.

It would be remiss on our part, not to mention the special efforts of Gerard Fernando, Ruth and Isidore Story, Yvonne and Basheer Omar.

Besides the Fancy Dress party, the many events at the Sports meet and hotly contested Cricket match which many of the campers from the youngest 7 year old, to Seniors took part in, not forgetting the Concert which provided much enjoyment..... what struck us the most were the number of children, accompanied by their young parents, and grandparents.

We make mention of this because - we believe this is the future of the Silver Fawn Club! Kind regards

Trevor

From Linda Conrad ...

Thanks so much, Dennis. Superb newsletter. Fascinated by the interest in having a Sri Lankan aged care facility serving Sri Lankan food. I know of a Dutch retirement facility with aged care as part of it in Brisbane and hope there will be a Sri Lankan facility also.

Congratulations on 45 years as a club. The planned events for the rest of the year look (as usual) really great. Will the Golden Years Christmas Dance again be catered by Rena and her son? If so, I

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think our friend from Canberra may come up for that one!

The drug therapy that Ed was on did not work, despite the fact that he suffered unpleasant side effects. Chemotherapy was then tried, and so far there has been "moderate to significant improvement". He will be on chemo until the 31st of July. Then he will have a three-month break. Hope we can attend a few functions this year! It's so good to catch up on people through the newsletter - Deanna and her cataract surgery, for example.

Thanks again for the newsletter. So appreciate all the work you and the Committee do.

Best wishes.

Linda Conrad

Editor's note to members:- Please include Ed in your intercessions for a speedy recovery.

FAMILY CAMP—LAKE PERSEVERANCE 2015

Report from the Camp Leader.

Let me in the first instance thank all the Campers for their participation.... Without your attendance there would be no camp!

The organising of this camp began 11 months before 'lift off', and we travelled over 600 km to find an alternative location, and drew a blank.... so it was Lake Perseverance.

The weather at Lake Perseverance could not have been better, and can be described as very good, with stimulating slightly chilly mornings, which increased appetites!

The food was plentiful and tasty – thanks go to Basil and Julie Britto, for the purchasing and help around the kitchen and to all the others who readily helped with the catering, cleaning and the other rostered and more importantly – the non rostered duties which popped up and were speedily attended to.

Great participation in all the events, from the youngest kids, to the Seniors in all the activities.

The Sports Meet and Twin Cricket Matches.

The Concert which provided much merriment and was a 'bundle of laughs' enjoyed by all.

The Country & Western themed Dinner Dance, and Fancy Dress Competition, in a hall that was tastefully decorated.

The Music

The Treasure Hunt

I would be failing in my duty if I do not make special mention of some members whose contributions went 'beyond the call of duty'. I refer to Isidore and Ruth Storey, and Basheer and Yvonne Omar for their enthusiasm, and the creative drive they brought to their many and varied duties, which contributed towards making this camp the success it was.

To all those who helped at the Camp and behind the scene I say Thanks.

Last - but certainly not the least, to my wife Thomazine, who – even though not in attendance, provided the 'behind the scene' help.

To all those who attended - Thank you again.

Gerard Fernando

Camp Leader

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Can you guess who this young teenager is?

He was born in 1936 and is well known as a humble and yet powerful person.

Q. What is his full name?

Answer is :-

Jorge Mario Bergoglio or Pope Francis1—head of the Catholic

Church.

