

# SilverScene

Official Newsletter of the Silver Fawn Club Inc.

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#### Club Calendar



| Event                      | Date                                  | Bookings close                 |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Christmas Dinner & Carols  | 13th December<br>2025                 | 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2025 |
| New Years Eve Dance        | 31st December<br>2025                 | 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2025 |
| Valentines Day Have a Chat | Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> February<br>2026 | Save the date                  |

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- 1. All tickets must be booked and paid for by the closing date for bookings.
- 2. There will be no paying for tickets "at the door" on the day of the event.
- 3. Once paid, tickets are not refundable after the closing date for bookings. They will be refunded before the closing date for bookings.
- 4. The Club will endeavour to on-sell tickets paid for after the closing date. However, it is up to the member to dispose of tickets if they are unable to attend.
- 5. No meals will be provided in the event that a member is unable to attend an event.
- 6. The Committee reserves the right to cancel an event if there is insufficient interest. In this case, refunds will be given to those who have booked and paid.

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### SILVER FAWN CLUB INC.

### Christmas Carols & Dinner 2025

SATURDAY, 13TH DECEMBER

6:00PM - 11:30PM

EVERTON PARK BOWLS CLUB

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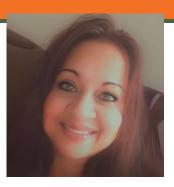
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### Hello dear Members!



As another year draws to a close, it's astonishing how quickly time has flown. Many say that the years seem to accelerate with age, and this one has been no exception. This year our club has thrived thanks to your enthusiasm and camaraderie, which have shone through at every event. Together we have created vibrant memories and strengthened community spirit. The end of each presents excellent year an opportunity to acknowledge all that has been achieved collectively.

Let's carry this positive energy into our final events for the year,

- · Christmas Dinner and Carols
- · New Years Eve Dance

Your continued engagement is what makes our club special.

Let's create even more unforgettable moments together.

To enjoy special member rates at upcoming events, our please ensure your membership fees are up to date. If you're unsure about your status, reach out to Treasurer Laurensz Manricks or Assistant Treasurer Tyrone Allon, or any committee member for assistance. As this is our final newsletter for 2025, I want to sincerely thank everyone who has shared kind words and feedback. Your support and encouragement mean a great deal.

I wish you all a joyful festive season and we hope to see many of you at our upcoming celebrations. Don't forget to save the date for our 'Valentines Day Have A Chat' event 15th Feb 26, Details coming soon.

, your thoughts and feedback are always welcome!

Sincerely,

Deforrah Janzs





Wednesday 31st December 2025
7.30pm to 1:00am
Everton Park Bowls Club
Gearside Street, Everton Park

Sri Lankan Buffet Dinner and special New Year's treats by Thilani

GREAT PRIZES
TO BE WON

MEMBERS \$55 GUESTS \$70

Drinks at Bar Rates No BVO

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### **President's Message**

#### Dear Members,

Our most successful and biggest function of the year - the 55th Anniversary Gala Ball at the Hotel Grand Chancellor was held on Saturday, 27th September 2025. The most fitting way to describe this spectacular night would be: "Oh, What a Night!" My sincere thanks go out to you and your guests for your overwhelming support, with over 120 people attending. I have no doubt you all had an enjoyable time and left with memories of a truly special evening.

Well done to Suzie Anthonisz, whose tireless efforts ensured the event's success, and to Denis and Tamara for their great support during the planning. My appreciation also goes to the rest of the Committee who helped on the night — thank you all for your teamwork and dedication. After such a high, it was disappointing to note that we had to cancel the "Have-A-Chat" with the theme "Bring a Plate, Buy a Pint", scheduled for 26th October 2025, due to very low registration numbers. To the handful of members who did register — thank you for your support.

To round off another successful calendar year, we are delighted to present two more exciting and entertaining functions:

- Christmas Dinner & Carols 13th
   December 2025 at the Everton Park
   Bowls Club
- New Year's Eve Dance 31st
   December 2025

We look forward to seeing you there! Don't miss out — numbers are limited, so please book early to avoid disappointment.

As our Newsletter is only sent out quarterly, we now use email to share important updates between issues. It is crucial that we have your current email address to ensure you receive all communications. If you are not receiving our emails, please contact any Committee member.

We are continuing to implement costsaving initiatives for the Newsletter by gradually moving away from printed copies. I kindly request that you consider switching to an electronic version sent via email — your support with this transition would be greatly appreciated. Please also note that the next Newsletter will likely be released in the third week of January 2026, after the conclusion of the New Year's Eve Dance. It will include photos from the event as well as information regarding the 2026 AGM.

#### President's Message (continued)

I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to all members and guests who have supported our functions throughout the year, helping to make them such great successes. This truly demonstrates that the success of our events lies in your hands. We, Management as your Committee, do our very best to organise functions that offer a good balance of venue, décor, food, music, entertainment, and price - but without your attendance and support, success would not be possible. So please continue to support your club — your presence makes all the difference!

Finally, my sincere appreciation goes to all Management Committee members for their continued hard work and dedication throughout the year.

On behalf of the Management Committee, I wish you and your families a very blessed and joyful Christmas, and happiness, good health, success, and prosperity in the New Year 2026.

Stay safe. Blessings always, Brian Dissanayake



| 2025 Committee                                |              |                             |  |  |  |
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### Messages from our members!



Dear Brian,

Just a short note to tell you that we enjoyed the "evening". Thank you for the hard-working committee and yourself for making it so!

Sincerely

Marina and Trevor Ebert

Thank you Brian and the committee. Great night and the music was fantastic.

Regards

Kumar Thambar

Good Morning, Brian.

Indeed what a beautiful night! The decorations were stunning. The food was super delicious, and the music was danceable.

Well done!

Elvira Hojbota and Dr Sababu Kaitilla (New members of Sri Lankan Club)

ttello Brian,
Quick email to say
"thank you" for a
wonderful evening. The
hard work and planning
by your committee
paid dividends and we
thoroughly enjoyed the
night. The band was a
bit slow to start off
with but later on it
soared with the crowd
and played music loved
by all.

Kindest regards, Preethi Weerasinghe Dear Brian & committee members,

A Big "Thank-You" for a wonderful evening. Good food, Great Music, Excellent venue. We caught up with a number of good friends and enjoyed ourselves very much. It was nice to attend a well-organised formal function. Silverfawn club is to be congratulated for arranging this and we look forward to similar events.

Best wishes, Ben & Marina de Zylva

Dear Brian,

Thanks for your email and Congratulations to you and the Management Committee for organizing a Great Evening. The only issue we had the next morning was we had aches and pains due to Dancing all night.

Please pass our appreciation to the organising committee

Warm regards Anton Swan



#### Member Messages (continued)

Hi Tami and Brian

Thank you so much to you and the rest of the committee for a fantastic night on Saturday. We really enjoyed ourselves!

It was refreshing to experience a quality event that the Silverfawn Club has failed to produce over several years. It's great to see that the club is now starting to move towards a new era and not be stuck in its old ways. Thanks to the new committee under your leadership.

Everything about the evening was wonderful. The venue, the decor, the food, the band and the atmosphere! We were quite amazed that the club could put on such an event for only \$75 per head.

We hope that this standard will continue, especially for special events like Anniversaries and New Years Eve. The club was founded on the basis of special venues for such events but, until last Saturday, has declined into very mediocre.

Events like these in Melbourne and Sydney charge over \$125 per head and attract over 500 people as you will know. Brisbane is no longer the backward city and we should strive to meet their standards.

We, ourselves, could fill a table with our non Sri Lankan friends at a function of this class. Unfortunately, we have been unable to do so in the past in fear of embarrassing ourselves.

Hope you guys stay on the committee next year and take the club to its next level!

Cheers John Furlong & Therese Prygiel



Got something to share?
Email Deb:
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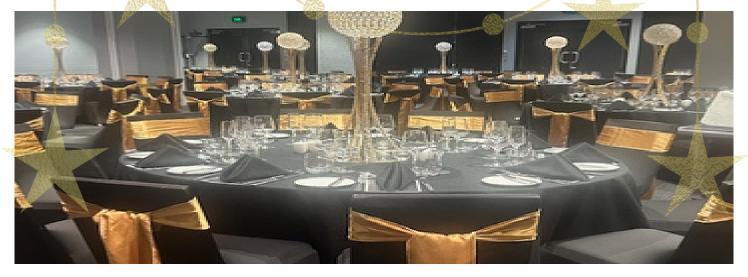
Best wishes Ben & Marina de Zylva

Thank you so much for the lift, I really had a great time, table setting was really grand, food was excellent.

Teckla Walles



# 55th Anniversary Gala Ball



"()h what a night!"

These words echoed around the Ballroom at the Grand Chancellor Hotel as our members reminisced about halcyon days of the Silver Fawn Club when many of our functions were held at big city venues like Lennons, The Crest and The Mercure Hotels. Compliments flowed with comments like "A return to the Grand Times of Silver Fawn" and "You've raised the bar with this function" being conveyed to Committee members over and over again.

Good food, great music and breath-taking décor were the hallmark of our Anniversary celebrations. Former Presidents, (there were 10 present on the night), our Life Members and Committee Members past and present were honoured. They are the very fabric of our rich fifty-five-year history.

The meals, (a plated alternate drop of mains and desserts) were delicious and beautifully presented. The well-coordinated table service allowed the program to flow smoothly rather than being hamstrung by queueing up and the politics of order to table access of a buffet.







The dance floor was 'pumping' all night thanks to the beautiful music provided by Tim and Maggie's 'Baby Boomers Party Band' and the Voice, Ray Anthonisz. It was the music of our youth and really hit the spot. Not only was it appreciated by the movers and shakers on the dance floor but reciprocated by Tim, Maggie and Ray who love responding to the energy and enjoyment of their audience.

The décor was stunning! The black and gold theme was classy and the table décor spectacular.

And....it was wonderful to sidestep the hard work of 'set-up' and 'pull- down'. Thank you to Frank

Baretto for enhancing the ambience of the setting with his lighting.

A big thank you to the hard-working sub-committee of Suzie Anthonisz (chair) Brian Dissanayaka, Tami Dissanayaka and Denis Anthonisz for their organisational prowess which was the key to the evening's success and to all the Committee Members present for their support on the night. Thank you to the members and guests who responded with gusto and really brought to life our mantra of 'Silver Fawn ... the Club for the Good Times!'

## OHappy Fifty-Fifth Anniversary Silver Fawn!

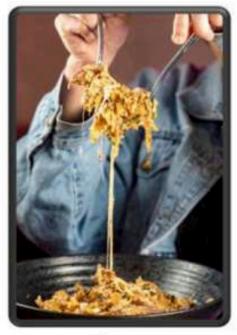
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# Sri Lankan Kale Mallung

#### Ingredients

250 grams Kale or a small bunch

• 1 teaspoon Coconut Oil

¼ teaspoon Mustard Seeds

¼ teaspoon Cumin Seeds

2 long Red Chillies or to taste

½ small Onion or ⅓ cup when sliced

6 Curry Leaves

¾ teaspoon Salt or to taste

2 tablespoon grated fresh Coconut

Prep Time 10 minutes
Cook Time 15 minutes
Total Time 20 minutes

Servings 3

Calories 84kcal

Mallung is a side dish where cooked leafy vegetables are mixed with grated coconut. Wild cabbage leaves mallung is very popular in Sri Lanka and those leaves are lot similar to kale. At least one variety of mallung is a must in a Sri Lankan meal.

#### Instructions

- 1. Wash kale and pluck the leaves. If the stem is very tender, use it as well.
- 2. Finely chop kale leaves and leave it in a colander to drain. Leave it for 1 hour or put it in a salad spinner. When pressed for time, pat dry with paper towels.
- 3. Heat oil in a pan, add cumin, mustard seeds and let the seeds splutter.
- 4. Throw in the red chilies and let brown.
- 5. Add onion, curry leaves, some salt and sauté on high flame until onions are soft.
- 6. Gradually add kale leaves and stir until leaves wilt.
- 7. Cover the pan and cook for a minute, then uncover and continue stir frying on high flame until leaves are cooked. I prefer crispy and not too soft kale.
- 8. For softer kale, cook a little longer and mind you kale is thick and takes longer to cook when compared to spinach.
- 9. Sprinkle grated coconut and give a good stir.
- 10. Taste mallung and adjust salt to taste.
- 11. Serve hot with steaming rice.

https://www.myspicykitchen.net/sri-lankan-kale-mallung-recipe/

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