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1970 - 2020



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



- ♦ Sunday, 23rd February
- ♦ Saturday, 7th March
- ♦ Friday 1st May - Monday 4th May
- ♦ Saturday, 20th June
- Special Anniversary Lunch
- Annual General Meeting
- Annual Camp
- 50th Golden Jubilee Anniversary Dance

The Committee makes every attempt to hold the events as advertised but there may be instances when changes are unavoidable.



ANNUAL CAMP 2020

Lake Perseverance Recreation Centre
Friday 1st May to Monday 4th May



Please contact the Camp Leader, Gerard Fernando
on 0407 453 535 for more details



TO ALL MEMBERS



Membership Fees expire on 31st January 2020. Please send your renewal for 2020/2021 without delay. A Membership Subscription / Renewal form is included in this issue.

A member who has not paid his / her current year's membership subscription is not entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting and enjoy member rates at functions.

AGM
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**PLEASE ATTEND
NOTICES INCLUDED
IN THIS EDITION**

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Can you help?

A few of our elderly members are unable to attend Club functions as they do not have transport.



If you can help, please contact a Committee Member.

Any help will be greatly appreciated.



IMPORTANT! PLEASE READ

Note from the Treasurer

Please note ruling about last minute non-attendance at our Dances and Have-a-Chat parties.

RULE: Non-attendance at Events after Tickets have been sold

1. If a member or guest having booked a place at an event and cannot attend due to unforeseen circumstances and does not notify the Club organiser, or cancels their attendance, **less than 48 hours before the function date**, the member or guest, must pay the full price of the Entrance fee (ticket fee).
2. If a member or guest having booked a place at an event and cannot attend and informs the Club event organiser at least **48 hours before the Function date**, the Club will refund the Entrance fee (Ticket fee) less the cost of the food as per the Caterer's charge.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

As you would have read in a previous Newsletter, Enoggera Bowls Club is being renovated and we have had to find new venues for our functions, one of them being the Mitchelton Senior Citizens Centre.

Unfortunately this venue can only seat comfortably, approximately 130 people and there could be times we may be at this number before the closing date for bookings.

We would strongly recommend that if you intend attending a function that you book early so as not to be disappointed.

President's Message

Dear Members

Greetings from Sri Lanka, our beautiful motherland where Lorraine and I have been fortunate to spend the last few weeks.

As I write this message, I am thinking back to 2019 and the events and functions that were held since the current Committee was elected in March. We had the annual Camp during the Easter break which was almost full house and went very well. In addition, we had the usual Have-a-Chats, 49th Anniversary dance, Christmas in July function, Videothèque Night and a Christmas Function with Carols combined event held in the evening. We tried something new and held a Food Fair in November to raise funds for the 50th Anniversary which was very successful. Lastly, we had the New Year's Eve function which had been magnificent by all accounts and am sorry I missed it.

Our 50th Anniversary Executive Committee has been working hard on the upcoming milestone Gala Event. Please mark 20th June 2020 in your calendars and purchase the tickets as soon as they are available.

Please remember the AGM will take place on Saturday, 7th March. The AGM documents are included in this Newsletter and I would urge you to make an attempt to attend and vote as this year is such an important one for the Club.

May I take this opportunity to say a BIG thank you to the hardworking Committee who work tirelessly to accomplish great results and keep the Club moving and make the members happy. I would also like to thank the loyal members who support and participate in our events. Without your attendance the Club will not be able to hold functions and give you the joy, friendship and fabulous food that is enjoyed by many.

Lorraine joins me in wishing all of you a very happy new decade and wonderful 2020.

Best regards
Herbie



Silver Fawn Club Inc.

50th Jubilee Special Anniversary Lunch



*Sunday, 23rd February, 2020
12.00 noon to 4.00 p.m.*

*Mitchelton Senior Citizens Club
30 Tel-El-Kebir Street, Mitchelton*

A chance to catch up with friends and make new ones!!



*Glass of Champagne/Fruit Juice and
Hot & Cold Savouries will be served on arrival between
12.00 & 12.30 followed by
Buffet Lunch, Desert & Afternoon Tea*

*Members: \$25.00 Guests: \$30.00
Children Under 10 years: \$10.00*



Bookings close Sunday, 16th February unless sold out earlier

Please contact:

*Gerard Fernando 0407 453 535 Davenal Flanderka 0419 024 708
Susan Fahir 3878 4782 or any other Committee Member*

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FUNCTION REPORTS & PHOTOS

CHRISTMAS FUNCTION WITH CAROLS – 14 DECEMBER 2019

Carols - This year's Christmas Carols and Dinner was well patronised, with over 110 members and guests joining in the occasion.

Rather than having yet another Christmas Carol production, we took a simple approach of having everyone singing a cross-section of our most loved Christmas carols and songs for an hour or so before dinner, led by an impromptu 'choir' at the front of the hall. A small guest choir of ex-Ladies College "girls" performed two special Christmas songs while Ray and Laurensz also sang solos. Perhaps the most poignant part was watching our most elder of stateman, Leslie Ephraims join Laurensz in heartily singing "O holy Night" with a tear in his eye, as he no doubt recalled leading the singing on occasions like these in years gone by. Thank you Leslie.

A big, big thanks also to Jeremy and Rena Henderling for their contributions to a great evening as detailed by Susan in her report below.

Pulling the whole show together was Susan Fahir who left no stone unturned in planning and executing in her usual no-fuss style and amazing attention to detail.

Thank you all once again to all who helped with the preparations and those who attended; it was a lovely evening of celebrating everything Christmas.

Ray Anthonisz & Laurensz Manricks

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Christmas Dinner - The colourful red and green table décor provided by Rena Henderling, welcomed members and guests to a night of Carol singing, good food and great music for dancing.

An entrée of patties and cutlets was served during the singing of the Carols and once over guests were treated to a piece of traditional Christmas Cake made and beautifully wrapped by Rena Henderling along with a glass of Champagne .

The Christmas buffet table was so inviting with a wonderful Christmas display of lights and Silver Fawns and an extensive meal which included Ghee Rice, Beef Smore, Chicken Curry, Roast Pork, Leg Ham, Potato Vegetable, Brinjal Pahai, Mixed Salad, Seeni Sambol, Coconut Sambol, Mixed Pickle and Date & Lime Chutney. A dessert buffet which included a Fresh Tropical Fruit Salad, Ice Cream Pudding, Pavlova, Individual Chocolate Mousse and Crème Brulee as well as some favourites of Chocolate Cake, Ribbon Cake, Marshmallows, Milk Toffees, Macaroons and Stuffed Dates which had many people coming for "seconds". Thank you Jeremy for all the extra items provided.

Our DJ, Ty Fox entertained all present with a great selection of music for dancing. A big thank you to our MC for the evening, Laurensz Manricks who as always, did a great job. The raffle was a huge success which helped greatly to defray some of the costs and we must thank all those who supported this by donations of prizes and the purchase of tickets. Thank you to the ticket sellers for a great job.

I would also like to thank all who came the previous evening to help – Rena, Gerard, Thomazine, Davenal, Margot, Andy, Preethi, Ray, Winnie and also all who helped that evening. Unfortunately Fyri was recovering after recent surgery and was unable to help in any way. We received many comments on what a great time was had by all.

Finally I wish to extend my appreciation and thanks to Rena and Jeremy, who were part of my sub committee and the many others who helped to make the function a success.

Susan Fahir
Chairperson

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE - On 31st December the Silver Fawn Club held their annual dinner dance to welcome the New Year. The year 2020 is the dawn of a new decade and it was a night of joy and excitement.

The decorations in the hall were of a high calibre with a theme of red and white. The tables looked magnificent with twinkling lights on the red cones in the middle and red and silver balloons on either end held up by shimmering weights with lights. The serviettes in red and white diagonal stripes added more colour to the theme. The buffet tables too were illuminated with coloured lights and beautiful floral arrangements topped off with the backdrop of a black curtain with rays of flickering bright blue lights. The roof and walls of the hall too shimmered with sparkling coloured lights. The Hall was arranged in such a way there was plenty of room in the middle for dancing and it looked very spacious. Everybody commented on the transformation of the Hall.

By 8 pm most of the guests had arrived. The Cool Daddies and DJ DarknTall1 provided splendid music to suit everybody and people did not hesitate to take to the dance floor as soon as the music started. Cool Daddies provided enchanting and vibrating music and DJ DarknTall1 was at his best providing scintillating music which kept the dance floor crowded throughout the night.

Time was ticking away and Ruwan introduced some old favourites with a sing-a-long before the countdown to midnight. Everybody was in full swing and after the kissing and hugging for 2020, the dancers continued in circles around the hall at times hand in hand and at other times hands to shoulders. It felt as if everybody was part of a BIG family.

Thilani Catering provided a most scrumptious buffet to suit all tastebuds. There was food overflowing and delicious desserts too. Well done Thilani and team, everything was perfect including your beautiful decor. A big thank you to Ruwan, Hiranya, Ray, Tyronne, Susan, Fyri, Gerard, Thomazine, Ushi, Danushi, Kelli, Samitha and Preethi for helping with the decorating and other arrangements on the day.

Lastly thank you to all the guests who attended the function and I could see from the happy and smiling faces that everybody had a fantastic time.

Andy Weerasinghe
Vice President

FOOD FAIR – 17 NOVEMBER 2019

The concept this year was different to the Club's usual food fairs as it was to raise extra funds for the Club's 50th year celebrations, and from all accounts it was a success.

The Committee, with help from a few members made some of the food while other food items sold were either donated to the Club at "no charge" or at a "special" price. As a result, we had a wide variety of Sri Lankan and Asian food, with the most popular items being the Hoppers, String Hoppers, Kottu Rotti and the famous Lankan short eat, of course. People were issued "tokens" and no money was exchanged at the stalls.

Thank you to those who volunteered their help and support.

Andy who did all the purchasing and cooking with help from Herbie and Preethi.

Basil and Julie for making Lamprais, Biriyanis, Kottu Rotti and some short eats

Shirley and Ramona for manning the Hopper stall

Fyri, Aloma, Sharyn, Debbie, Carlton, Lorraine & Thomazine for manning the food stalls

Susan for the support and help at the front desk

I must thank Jeremy and Rena Henderling, Cherrie Schokman, Jerome & Christina de Silva and Sam Fernando for their most generous donations. I wish to also thank Brian Pereira, Sumudu and Nicola Seneviratne for giving us various food items at discounted prices and members who made monetary donations. I must not fail to mention Ray, Laurensz and the Loos family for all their help. We did miss Davenal at this event as he was away.

Last but not least I must thank my wife Thomazine for her support. If I have failed to mention anyone, please forgive me. We hope to have this event annually and your ongoing support is much appreciated. After all, our Club is all about its members having "good times" for the past 50 years.

Gerard Fernando - Chairperson

CHRISTMAS FUNCTION AND CAROLS - 14 DECEMBER 2019



NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER DANCE - 31 DECEMBER 2019



Letters to the Committee



Dear Andy and team,

It is with real pleasure that I write to thank you for a most enjoyable evening of dancing, dining and welcoming the new year in.

We thought the dimly lit hall showed off to advantage the jets that illuminated the buffet tables decked with gorgeous flower arrangements. The table décor of coloured jets added their sparkle to the colour scheme of red and white. The Cool Daddies and DJ Ruwan gave us a great selection of music for non-stop dancing, in a volume that permitted conversations to flow smoothly. We noted that dancers took to the floor almost immediately the music began and the large space for dancing was consistently occupied.

Thilani and her helpers served up a most delicious mixed buffet, our thanks to her. Ruwan and Andy kept announcements to a minimum and the programme moving as scheduled. The countdown to midnight at 11.45pm was a novel way of introducing the old favourites with a sing-a-long as we danced.

We had a great night. Thank you for the many hours of planning and the physical effort to bring it all together, to yourself, Susan and your many helpers.

Warm regards,
Karol and Deanna.

Hi Andy

This is to give you the feedback from the 14 people at my table. The Decor was excellent and they loved the atmosphere, the food was the best they have had, my brother (from Melbourne) claims the food was even better and tastier than he has had at the dances in Melbourne.

The band and DJ played great Music for all type of dancing. All said it was a wonderful evening looking forward to the next one.

Cheers
Anthony Vethacan



*Our Deepest
Sympathy*

OBITUARY NOTICE

DE SILVA - GRETAL AUGUSTA called to Jesus on 13th January 2020. Loving wife of late Stanley De Silva, mother of Anton Swan, Shiro, Romain, Rossana, late Tyrone and Patric, mother-in-law of Bronwen, Percy, late Samuel, grandmother and great grandmother of their children passed away in Sri Lanka.

Newsletter

POSITION OF EDITOR

The Club is looking for someone to take over this position. There are 6 issues for the year.

If you are interested please call Susan on 3878 4782 for more information.

**Would you like to receive your
Newsletter by email?
Enjoy reading it in colour?
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At present it costs the Club over \$2.00 per Newsletter to print and post to each member. Newsletters are printed six times a year.

If you have a computer and are happy to receive your Newsletter by email, please let Susan know by emailing her:
susanfahir@bigpond.com.



A friend is like a shady tree
beside a summer way...
A friend is like sunshine
that makes a perfect day-
A friend is like a flower
that's worn close to the heart...
A friend is like treasure
with which one will never part.



SILVER FAWN CLUB INC. NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-Ninth Annual General Meeting of the Silver Fawn Club Inc. will be held on Saturday 7th March, 2020 at 6.00pm at Newmarket Bowls Club, 212 Ashgrove Avenue, Newmarket.

Nominations for the following positions are called for:

PRESIDENT

HONORARY SECRETARY

HONORARY TREASURER

CLUB CAPTAIN

VICE PRESIDENTS (2)

ASSISTANT SECRETARY

ASSISTANT TREASURER

GENERAL COMMITTEE

Formal Nominations close at 4.00pm on Friday 21st February, 2020.

However nominations can be called for from the floor at the meeting for positions unfilled.

There will be a Social Function following the AGM with a meal which must be pre-ordered.
Cost: Members: \$10.00. (Subsidised by the Club). Guests: \$20.00

To order please contact: Herbie Tucker 0402 115 871, Gerard Fernando 0407 453 535, Andy Weerasinghe 0448 880 608, Davenal Flanderka 0419 024 708 or Susan Fahir 3878 4782 or any other Committee Member.

Bookings close Monday, 2nd March



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SATURDAY, 7 MARCH, 2020 AGENDA

- ♦ Welcome by President
- ♦ Apologies
- ♦ One Minute Silence for Members who have departed this life during the last 12 months viz: Sidney Shedden, Vilma Ghouse, Dorothy Baines and Alan Conderlag.
- ♦ Confirmation of the Minutes of the 48th Annual General Meeting held on 9th March, 2019.
- ♦ Receiving the Management Committee Report for the year 2019/20
- ♦ Presentation of the Accounting Statements for the year 2019/20
- ♦ 50th Anniversary Celebrations
- ♦ Appoint Pro-tem Chairperson
- ♦ Election of Office Bearers
- ♦ Appointment of Auditors
- ♦ Appointment of Solicitor
- ♦ Any other business duly notified prior to the meeting

IT IS VITALLY IMPORTANT THAT YOU ATTEND SO PLEASE COME ALONG

SPECIAL NOTES

This edition includes all the formal notices relating to the AGM. Please read the following carefully. To ensure the smooth running of the meeting please observe the following notes.

- **Registration** Registrations will commence at 5.30pm so that the formal part of the meeting can commence promptly at 6.00pm. Members are urged to arrive early to register.
- **Subscriptions** In order to avoid queues at the door we urge members to pay their renewal fees prior to the meeting. A membership renewal form is included in this Newsletter. Members whose subscriptions have not been paid prior to the start of the meeting will be unable to pay their subscriptions until after the meeting and will not be entitled to vote at the meeting
- **Minutes** The Minutes of the 48th AGM and the Management Committee Report for 2019/2020 are included in this edition. In order to save time at the meeting, please read these carefully and direct any questions you may have to the Secretary prior to the meeting.
- **Financials** Copies of the Accounting Statements for the year ended 31st January 2020 will be available at the meeting.
- **Catering** A social evening will follow after the formalities of the AGM. A meal at a cost of \$10.00 to members will be available to those wishing to have one. Pre-booking is essential. See "Notice of Annual General Meeting" for how to book a meal. NB. If you order a meal but then are unable to attend please advise one of the contacts as soon as possible as you would be liable to pay for the meal.
- **Drinks** BYO

Only financial members are eligible to cast their vote and participate at the AGM. Members wishing to attend are therefore requested to pay their annual subscription prior to the meeting.

AWARD WINNING SRI LANKAN WRITER, POET CARL MULLER PASSES AWAY

Extract from an article written by his son

Award winning Sri Lankan writer and poet Carl Muller passed away on 2nd December 2019.

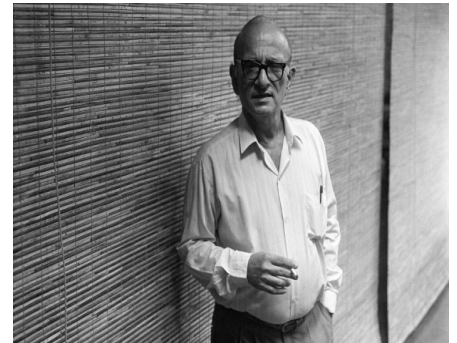
The Gratiaen Award winning writer is best known for his trilogy about Burghers in Sri Lanka: The Jam Fruit Tree, Yakada Yaka and Once Upon A Tender Time.

His family said he had been suffering from dementia that was getting progressively worse during his last years, and he was cared for up until the very end by family.

Carl Muller accomplished much in his life. He was a seaman, then a military man. He married young and when that marriage ended, he did not marry again until he turned 35.

He was also a musician; played the piano by ear and had a gift for being able to play anything that he heard. He had a wicked sense of humour and a rare gift of writing satire and comedy. He was prolific in his writing, words were always his friends, and he could string them together to tell stories or expound facts as he saw fit.

His writing eventually got him recognition as a veteran journalist, first Sri Lankan author to be internationally published with his book 'The Jam Fruit Tree' and this same publication winning him the Gratien Award. He was honoured by the State, being bestowed with the title 'Kala Keerthi'. He also won numerous State Literary Awards which still hang proudly on the walls of our home today. It was a simple ceremony where he was finally laid to rest at the Mahaiyawa Cemetery on the 2nd of December 2019.





SILVER FAWN CLUB INC.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
SATURDAY 7TH MARCH, 2020

NOMINATION FORM

We, the undersigned members, hereby nominate

MR/MRS/MISS/MS.....

To the Office of *.....

Proposer:
NAME SIGNATURE

Seconder:
NAME SIGNATURE

- President, Vice President (2 positions), Hon. Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Club Captain, General Committee (4 positions.)

Declaration by Nominee

I,, hereby accept the nomination for the office stated above and agree to serve in that capacity if elected.

.....
Signature of Nominee Date

PLEASE NOTE

Completed Nomination forms must be received by the Secretary on or before 4:00pm, Friday 21st February, 2020.

The Secretary, Silver Fawn Club Inc, 8 Shuttle Place, Bridgeman Downs 4035

Mark top left hand corner of your envelope "NOMINATIONS - AGM".

NOTE: Nominee, Proposer and Seconder must be financial at the time of the AGM.

(Please photocopy this form if you require further copies)



**MINUTES OF THE 48TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SILVER FAWN CLUB INC.
HELD ON 9TH MARCH 2019 AT THE MITCHELTON COMMUNITY HALL,
30 TEL EL KEBIR STREET, MITCHELTON**

ATTENDANCE: As recorded in the Attendance Register – 127 members signed in and were issued ballot papers at the entrance by Dennis Arnolda and Susan Fahir.

APOLOGIES: David & Sandra Garth and Mark and Shirley D'Mello

WELCOME/OPENING:

- The President Davenal Flanderka opened the meeting at 6.38pm, welcoming all members and guests.
- One-Minute Silence was held for Members who have passed away in the last 12 Months - Marjorie Cannon, Mignone Weber, Glenda Misso, Lois Wijetunge, Audrey Garth, Dawn Conderlag and Patrick Hapuarachchige

PREVIOUS AGM MINUTES AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- The Minutes of the 47th Annual General Meeting held on 17th February 2018 were published in the last Silverscene Newsletter. Isidore Storey moved and Gerard Fernando seconded a motion that these Minutes be accepted. Carried.
- The 2018/2019 Management Committee Report was also published in the last Newsletter. Dennis Arnolda proposed and Isidore Storey seconded a motion that this Report be accepted by all. Carried.

PRESENTATION OF THE ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR 2018/2019

- Treasurer Dennis Arnolda presented the 2018/2019 Audited Financial Statements, making reference to the following items:
 - Storage facility hire was due to many items requiring storage, especially as Enoggera Bowls Club was under construction.
 - Website fees covered both this year and last year's development and ongoing management costs.
 - The description "Club House supplies" was a purchase of a megaphone for the Annual Camp and Storage boxes for safe storage in the shed rented and other bits and pieces
 - Newsletter subscriptions is an ongoing expense
 - A donation of \$100 was made to the FSOQ for the Drought Appeal.
- The Treasurer advised that the net surplus was not as good as last year. He said he was uncertain how Isidore made approximately \$4,000 last year but congratulated him on a job well done.
- Spencer Herft asked for clarification regarding the depreciation of Plant and Equipment, stating that he had asked a similar question at the last AGM. The value recorded for Plant and Equipment is the same in 2018/2019 as in the year 2017/2018 with no gradual reduction as one would expect. Dennis advised that the assets had now been depreciated to \$0 value. Total value of the assets depreciated and written off over the years has been \$8,553 as shown in Note 6 of the Audited Financial Report.
- Anton Swan queried why the NYE Dance profit in the Functions Summary is showing as \$1,085 and \$1,354 in the P&L. Dennis advised that payments made to caterers from the night's takings has caused the differences in amounts on the paperwork and stated this would be avoided in future with a float taken out to pay caterers rather than from the Event's takings on the night.
- Dennis provided a brief explanation of Sundry Debtors, explaining there were only 3-4 amounts to be collected and all others have been finalised. In the Accrued Expenses, Dennis advised that 4 items have already been settled, with 3 still outstanding.
- Dennis Arnolda proposed and Spencer Herft seconded a motion that the 2018/2019 Audited Financial statements be accepted. Carried. Isidore Storey congratulated the Committee on a job well done.
- Davenal Flanderka added "Our success is due to our members who continue to support our Club, so thank you to the members".

50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS UPDATE

Laurensz Manricks made a slideshow presentation on behalf of the Organising Committee of the 50th Jubilee Celebration. Pertinent points and discussion are as follows:

- The Club's 2018 Committee, appointed 4 Committee members to lead the organisation of the 50th Jubilee Celebrations - Gerard Fernando (Chairman), Davenal Flanderka (Vice Chairman), Susan Fahir (Secretary) and Deborrah Jansz-Cox (Assistant Secretary).
- The 2018 Committee also allocated \$10,000 of the Club's reserves to help fund the 50th Celebrations.
- A Special General Meeting held on 16th September 2018 established a working Committee which also included volunteers such as Andy Weerasinghe, Fyri Fahir, Alan Western, Herbert Tucker and Laurensz Manricks.
- Date has been set as 20th June 2020. The Grand Chancellor in Brisbane has been confirmed as the venue.
- As expected, the Committee is managing a variety of issues around ticket pricing, Menu, Décor, Souvenir production, Advertising, Raffles, Prizes, Band, offering transport, inviting dignitaries etc.

MINUTES OF THE 48TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (Cont'd).....

50th Anniversary Celebrations Update

- Aim is to sell around 200 tickets at approx \$60-\$80 (still to be decided). Gerard advised that we will have a fundraiser during the year to help keep ticket prices as low as possible.
- Rena Henderling suggested that we host stalls and donate all proceeds to the Event, much like we did for the 25th Anniversary when Leslie Ephraims was in charge; she personally raised over \$2,000 herself.
- Laurensz welcomed the idea and invited everyone to send in their ideas to Gerard or any others on the Organising Committee. He concluded that there is a lot to do and invited anyone interested in helping to contact Gerard and even come along to the Organising Committee meetings.

APPOINTMENT OF PRO-TEM CHAIRPERSON

- Before handing over to the Pro-Tem Chairperson, Davenal advised that there were 32 nominations for 12 positions, and tried to explain the rules for voting eg:
 - Only financial members had been given voting papers at the door by Susan Fahir and Dennis Arnold.
 - The process for voting for anyone wanting to leave the meeting early.
 - The process for voting for the two Vice-President positions.
 - There were 6 scrutineers appointed to count the votes.
- There was some confusion about the voting with Anton Swan stating that positions must first be declared vacant and that some people seem to already be voting. Isidore also stated that it was unfair that some people don't seem to know some of the nominees, while others took it upon themselves to help others.
- Davenal replied to these questions as best as he could, and then declared all positions vacant.
- Leslie Ephraims was appointed as Pro-Tem Chairperson and began by thanking everyone for his temporary honour, and the outgoing Committee for an excellent year. He especially thanked Davenal for always putting his hand up over the last 10 years and for Margot Flanderka's ongoing support. He presented them with a small token of appreciation.
- Leslie also named and thanked a number of non-committee members who have continually supported and helped the club a great deal.

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

- After some confusion about the voting once again, Leslie exercised his right as Pro-Tem Chairperson to invite both nominees for President to make a short speech prior to voting. Both Mr Tucker and Mr Storey discussed their approach to the job and plans for the Club if elected as President.
- Voting then commenced in the following order. Once nominations were announced for each position, members completed their voting cards which were handed to the Scrutineers. Votes were counted by scrutineers and the successful candidates were announced including the total number of votes.
 - President nominations: Isidore Storey and Herbert Tucker.
Herbert Tucker was elected as President for 2019.
 - Vice-President nominations: Asela Weerasinghe, David Garth, Deborrah Jansz-Cox, Gerard Fernando, Herbert Tucker and Niranjali Silva.
Gerard Fernando and Asela Weerasinghe were elected as Vice Presidents for 2019.
 - Secretary Nominations: Deborrah Jansz-Cox who withdrew her nomination, and Laurensz Manricks.
Laurensz Manricks was announced as the Secretary for 2019.
 - Assistant Secretary nominations: Ruth Storey who withdrew her nomination, and Ray Anthonisz.
Ray Anthonisz was announced as Assistant Secretary for 2019.
 - Treasurer nominations: Basheer Omar and Susan Fahir.
Susan Fahir was elected as Treasurer for 2019.
 - Assistant Treasurer nominations: Anthony Canagasuriam and Yvonne Omar.
Anthony Canagasuriam was elected as Assistant Treasurer for 2019.
 - Club Captain Nominations: Mario Stainwall who withdrew his nomination and Denham Loos.
Denham Loos was announced as the Club Captain for 2019.
 - General Committee Nominations: Aloma De Mello, Asela Weerasinghe (already elected), Davenal Flanderka, Fyri Fahir, Herbert Tucker (already elected), Laurensz Manricks (already elected), Lorraine Tucker (withdrew nomination), Mark D'Mello, Ruvan Dharmaratne, Sandra Garth, Sharyn Paton, Thomazine Fernando.
Four Committee Members elected for 2019 were Fyri Fahir, Davenal Flanderka, Thomazine Fernando and Sharyn Paton.

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR AND SOLICITOR

- Herbert Tucker thanked Shiran Seneviratne for being a great auditor and informed the members that a new auditor Rohan Hettiarachchi will be appointed for this year.
- He also advised that we will continue with the same Solicitor as last year, Paul Patterson.

MINUTES OF THE 48TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (Cont'd).....

ANY OTHER BUSINESS DULY NOTIFIED PRIOR TO THE MEETING

- Isidore Storey's written request was not discussed.

The Meeting was closed at 9.04pm.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

- The AGM Minutes were compiled by 2018/19 Secretary, Ms Deborrah Jansz-Cox. They have been summarised and condensed by the current Secretary, Laurensz Manricks to fit into this Newsletter and minimise printing costs.
- Please email Laurensz if you would like a copy of the full AGM Minutes compiled by Ms Deborrah Jansz-Cox. A limited number of copies will also be available at the upcoming AGM.

Laurensz Manricks
Hon. Secretary

Davenal Flanderka
President 2018/2019

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SILVER FAWN CLUB INC.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 2019/2020

Annual General Meeting - The Club's 2019 Annual General Meeting was held on Saturday, 9th March 2019 at Mitchelton Community Hall, 30, Tel-El-Kebir Street, Mitchelton. Unlike previous years when nominations were scarce, there were 32 members who nominated for the 12 available Committee positions, and 127 members who registered their attendance at the door and were issued voting papers.

After many questions to clarify the voting rules, and the appointment of 6 scrutineers to oversee the process and count the votes, the following Committee for 2019/2020 was elected.

President: Herbert Tucker.

Vice-Presidents: Gerard Fernando and Asela Weerasinghe.

Secretary: Laurensz Manricks.

Assistant Secretary: Ray Anthonisz.

Treasurer: Susan Fahir.

Assistant Treasurer: Anthony Canagasuriam (resigned and Thomazine Fernando appointed June 2019)

Club Captain: Denham Loos.

General Committee: Fyri Fahir, Davenal Flanderka, Thomazine Fernando and Sharyn Paton.

An update on the preparations for the 50th Jubilee Celebrations was also presented to the AGM attendees by Laurensz Manricks on behalf of the Chairperson (Gerard Fernando) and Organising Committee of the 50th Jubilee Celebrations.

Membership – As at January 2020 there are 208 registered members of the Club. This single unit can be further categorised into 100 Families, 38 Pensioner Families, 22 Singles, 36 Single Pensioners, 5 Interstate/overseas members and 7 Life members.

Meetings – There were eight Management Committee meetings and four 50th Jubilee Celebration Committee meetings held since the AGM in March 2019. All formal meetings rules and procedures were adhered to, including the conduct of meetings based on a formal Agenda, and formal Minutes recorded of all Meetings.

50th Jubilee Celebration Update – The date for our 50th Jubilee Celebration has been fixed for Saturday 20th June 2020. Venue is the Grand Chancellor Hotel in Brisbane, and the Band "Next Generation" from Melbourne will provide the musical entertainment. Invitations to a number of dignitaries such as the Lord Mayor, Premier and Multicultural Minister have been sent, while the two remaining founder members of the club, Leslie Ephraims and Dennis Noble will be formally invited. Regarding fund-raising, the Club's Food Fair in November raised \$1,916.70 comprising of sales and donations. A mega raffle is also planned to help fund the event.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 2019/2020 (Cont'd)

Financial – Treasurer Susan Fahir will present the Club's Financial Statements and appropriate Audit Reports at the AGM. These reports will detail the club's financial performance during the year and its position as at 31st January 2020.

Newsletters - A total of 6 Issues of the Silver Fawn Newsletter were published in 2019/2020, with approximately 122 newsletters mailed out in hard copy from each issue and the balance was emailed at no cost to the club. Once again, we ask members to please consider their options for receiving the Newsletter. Posting newsletters is a huge expense to the club, while email recipients receive it much quicker and can view the Newsletter in colour.

Functions and Activities – as in previous years, the Club conducted a variety of events throughout the year, once again managing the delicate balance between keeping prices low, offering the best quality and value possible, and focussing on “breaking-even” financially per event. As you will see from the Financial reports, we have largely succeeded in this regard. Acknowledgement and thanks go not only to the organising committees and helpers for all our activities, but also to all members and friends who supported and attended the functions and ensured we continued to maintain our goal of being “The club for good times in Brisbane”.

The following is a summary of the activities held during the year.

Annual Camp - 18th- 22nd April, Lake Perseverance

Another great Camp with almost full capacity for the four days happened over the Easter weekend with the crowd being young, not so young and the young at heart.

Most of the meals for the weekend were prepared by Basil and Julie who provided a great selection of tasty cuisine, while other volunteers were up by 6.30am to help cook breakfast each day while the rest of the camp were still in bed.

Our Club Captain Denham Loos and his lovely family organised a great program of sporting activities for the weekend comprising T20 Cricket, Soccer and Tug-of-War which brought out plenty of competitive spirit from everyone who participated. The Saturday Night was a ‘Hawaiian’ theme this year and judges faced a difficult job of selecting the winners from the Fancy Dress Parade. Another great night of partying and merriment was had by all, followed by a most enjoyable Sunday Night Concert.

Such a lot of planning is needed for an event like this; to enrol attendees, collect funds, book venue, plan, purchase and transport all the provisions, set up and run the kitchen, organise and manage the rosters for cleaning over four days etc all before we even consider any sporting activities, Fancy Dress Nights and concerts. We are so fortunate to have an ‘army’ of volunteers, far too many to name, who contributed to getting all these jobs done, thereby ensuring it was another memorable experience for all who attended.

Have-a-Chat - 19th May, Mitchelton Senior Citizens' Hall

We had another ‘house-full’ of members and guests who enjoyed a sumptuous buffet lunch prepared by Rena and Jeremy Henderling. We are fortunate to have such talented members in our club. Our very own DJ Ruwan provided great music for dancing, while the bingo, called by Egerton and Gerard, was as popular as ever.

49th Anniversary Dance - 22nd June, South Sports Club, Acacia Ridge

This year, we did things a bit differently, using a lovely venue on the Southside and beautifully decorated in a red and silver theme. The 150 guests received a welcome drink of their choice at the bar and the food provided by the Club's caterers was great although not the usual Sri Lankan flavour – once again, something different.

The Sydney band ‘Fiesta’ and DJ Dennis Arnolda provided the entertainment, which started slowly, but got cranked up after dinner and had everyone on the dance floor. The raffle draw was popular as the first prize was a return air ticket to New Zealand. Thank you to all who donated the raffle prizes and also pledged money towards the Souvenir, especially Warren Loos for getting so many sponsors.

Christmas in July - 28th July, Mitchelton Senior Citizens' Hall

With the Hall decorated in traditional Christmas green and red, the 95 guests who attended were greeted by Rena Henderling with a piece of matching, beautifully wrapped Christmas cake as well as a complimentary glass of Sherry. Delicious Lamprais with other accompaniments prepared by Jeremy and Rena was enjoyed by all, followed by a wonderful spread of Christmas desserts. Great music was provided all afternoon by DJ Ty Fox. All up, a most enjoyable afternoon.

Videothèque Night - 21st September, Mitchelton Senior Citizens' Hall

We had 110 people attend our Videothèque night. Daring to plan a different night, DJ DarknTall1 aka Ruwan did a fabulous job of providing music and matching video clips from the 60's, 70's and 80's which kept everybody dancing while singing along to the music that most of us grew up with. Well done Ruwan.

The hall was simply decorated with fairy lights and lanterns, and caterers Brian and Sri laid out a sumptuous String-Hopper meal followed by Watalappam for dessert, enjoyed by all.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 2019/2020 (Cont'd)

Have-a-Chat - 20th October, Mitchelton Senior Citizens' Hall

Another opportunity for our members to get together for an enjoyable lunch and afternoon was unfortunately attended by just a small crowd. Nonetheless, everyone was treated to a very nice lunch provided by Thilani and lovely afternoon tea provided by Jeremy.

Prior to lunch, staff from ARCARE came along and led a discussion on Aged Care, the government's benefit packages, and their various Retirement home offerings followed by an informative Question and Answer Session. We hope to invite ARCARE back in 2020.

The Bingo games called by Egerton and Becky was full of the usual banter and great fun.

Food Fair - 17th November, Newmarket Bowls Club

The concept this year was different to prior times as the aim was to raise extra funds for the Club's 50th Jubilee Celebration. So the Committee, with help from some members, cooked a lot of the food, while other food items sold were either donated to the Club at no charge or at discounted prices. As a result, we had a wide variety of Sri Lankan and Asian food, with the most popular items being the Hoppers, String Hoppers and Kottu Rotti.

The Food Fair was a really big job and special thanks and acknowledgements go to:

Basil and Julie for making Lamprais, Biriyani, Kottu Rotti and some short eats

Jeremy and Rena Henderling, Cherrie Schokman, Jerome & Christina de Silva and Sam Fernando and other members for their most generous donations of food items and money.

Brian Pereira, Sumudu and Nicola Seneviratne for giving us various items at a discount.

All Committee members, with special mention for Lorraine and Preethi.

As a result of the above efforts and contributions, the Food Fair raised \$1,916.70.

Christmas Party and Carols - 14th December, Mitchelton Senior Citizens' Hall

The colourful red and green table décor provided by Rena Henderling welcomed over 110 members and guests to a night of Carols, great food and great music for dancing. Rena also everyone to a piece of traditional Christmas Cake and a glass of Champagne. We took a simple approach of having everyone singing a cross-section of our most loved Christmas carols for an hour or so before dinner, led by an impromptu 'choir' at the front of the hall and a small guest choir of ex-Ladies College "girls". It was also great to hear Leslie Ephraims heartily singing "O holy Night" with a tear in his eye, no doubt recalling years gone by when he led the singing on many occasions. Thank you Leslie.

Jeremy's Christmas buffet table was so inviting with a wonderful Christmas display of lights and Silver Fawns, while our DJ, Ty Fox provided a superb selection of music for dancing.

Special thanks to Jeremy and Rena for their contributions to a great evening.

New Years' Eve Dance - Mitchelton Senior Citizens' Hall

The 130+ guests arrived at a Hall which had been transformed through some stunning decor of red and silver, and creative touches provided by shimmering weights, heaps of coloured twinkling lights and matching balloons, serviettes etc. With plenty of space for dancing, Cool Daddies and DJ DarknTall1 soon had the Dance floor packed throughout the night. DJ Ruvan introduced some old sing-along favourites before the midnight countdown. After the customary kissing and hugging for 2020, everyone continued dancing in circles around the hall and it felt like we were all part of one big family. Thilani Catering provided a scrumptious, plentiful buffet to suit all tastebuds followed by delicious desserts, all beautifully presented. Well done Thilani and team.

Have-a-Chat - 23rd February, Mitchelton Senior Citizens' Hall

At time of writing, another Have-a Chat is planned for Sunday 23rd February. This Newsletter has further details.

Thanks and Summary – As you can imagine, a program of activities and events outlined above does not happen without the effort and contribution of so many people.

To ensure that we don't risk inadvertently forgetting someone, we will not list the names of the many people who have helped make this a most successful year for the Club. Instead, we wish to take this opportunity to thank all the committee members and their partners/families, our many, many non-committee members who are always willing to help at every function with a plethora of activities such as setting up, cleaning and pulling down, selling tickets and raffles, serving, donating prizes etc as well as our caterers, venue managers, sponsors and advertisers. Your on-going help and support is so very much appreciated. Last but not least, a big thank you to all the members, guests and well-wishers who never fail to patronise everything that the Club has to offer. When all is said and done, this is the only reason the Club exists – to enjoy the camaraderie and friendship with our fellow members, and just have a good time.

Thanks once again and wishing everyone a most enjoyable 50th jubilee year for our beloved Club.

Laurensz Manricks

Hon. Secretary - On behalf of the President and Management Committee 2019/2020

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- Cinnamon Bey, Beruwela (5*)
- Cinnamon Lakeside, Colombo (5*)

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- 01 ARRIVAL
- 02 NEGOMBO CITY TOUR
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- 06 SIGIRIYA | HIRIWADUNA
- 07 KANDY
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