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# 1 MAY TO 4 MAY CANCELLED

# **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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Due to the **Coronavirus** and advices from the **Chief Medical Officer** and the **Government directives**, the Management Committee of the Club has sadly decided to **CANCEL or POSTPONE all Club meetings and activities with immediate effect (March 2020) for five months.** 

All communication lines to the President, Secretary and Treasurer will be open and members can contact these officials by mail, email and phone, if more information is needed.

The Annual Camp which was planned for the 1st May to 4th May has been **cancelled** and the **50th Anniversary Dance** scheduled for 20th June will be postponed for another date this year.

The Club sincerely thanks you for your understanding and hopes that the virus ends soon.

Davenal Flanderka - President

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## **COVID-19 - FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

#### What is a Coronavirus and COVID-19?

Coronaviruses are a large family of viruses known to cause respiratory infections. These can range from the common cold to more serious diseases such as Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) and Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS). This new coronavirus originated in Hubei Province, China and the disease caused by the virus is named COVID-19.

## How is this Coronavirus spread?

COVID-19 is most likely to spread from person-toperson through:

- close contact with a person while they are infectious or in the 24 hours before their symptoms appeared
- close contact with a person with a confirmed infection who coughs or sneezes
- touching objects or surfaces (such as door handles or tables) contaminated from a cough or sneeze from a person with a confirmed infection, and then touching your mouth or face.

## What are the symptoms of COVID-19?

The symptoms of COVID-19 are similar to other colds and flus and include:

fever sore throat cough tiredness difficulty breathing.

While coronavirus is of concern, it is important to remember that most people displaying these symptoms are likely suffering with a cold or other respiratory illness - not coronavirus.

## What do I do if I develop symptoms?

If you develop symptoms within 14 days of arriving in Australia or within 14 days of last contact with a confirmed case, you should arrange to see your doctor for urgent assessment.

You should telephone the health clinic or hospital before you arrive and tell them your travel history or that you have been in contact with a confirmed case of coronavirus. You must remain isolated either in your home, hotel or a health care setting until public health authorities inform you it is safe for you to return to your usual activities.

Information from the Australian Government - Department of Health. 19 March 2020.

Queenslanders - For heath advice over the telephone please call 13 43 25 84.



#### Dear Members

I write to thank you for electing me as your President again, after a lapse of a year. I am very proud and happy to be your President in this 50<sup>th</sup> Year of your Club. Many of our activities have been postponed due to the Coronavirus, but I assure you, once the restrictions are lifted, you will be introduced to months of activities. Our committee while in this period of shutdown is, planning a new programme. I am confident you the members will be very excited and pleased.

Let me take this opportunity to introduce our very willing and efficient committee. I am sure that you know many of them. Here they are:

*My first Vice President and Chairman of the* 50<sup>th</sup> *Anniversary celebrations is* **Gerard.** *Although we have had to cancel the function booked for the* 20<sup>th</sup> *June, Gerard has started planning for a new date and an exciting function. As Camp Leader he has also decided to cancel the Camp due to the current situation. Gerard has been by my side through many years and I am positive he will produce some interesting results.* 

The next member on the Executive Committee is our **Treasurer**, **Susan** whom you all know as steady and reliable. I was very pleased to hear that she will continue as your Newsletter Co-ordinator, as she always does an excellent job. We are very thankful and lucky to have **Denis as our Secretary**. Many of you may not know that Denis' mother, Therese, was the Club's first Secretary and continued for a number of years, so I know that he has plenty of experience under his belt and an excellent work ethic.

**Thomazine** is our Assistant Treasurer. She assists Susan at the door and her pleasing nature attracts many members as she is always helpful. **Laurensz**, requested that he takes a back seat. I was a bit surprised, but very pleased when he agreed to be Assistant Secretary and assist Denis with all his know how. Laurensz is a person of great ability, he sings, comperes and is always there with his help and advice.

**Egerton** is our Club Captain, here again all of you know Egerton as he has held many positions in the past. Ever since I have known Egerton, he has had sports as his main interest. In fact he organised the first interstate Cricket match many years ago. With this experience and his great support for the Club, I am sure he will be an asset in the Sports arena and organise many games to the liking of the Members.

The other Committee members are Sharyn, Ray, Manuka and Fyri.

**Sharyn** has been on the committee for the last few years. She is quiet and always very willing to help in many ways. At times she has done the secretarial work to the delight of all of us.

**Ray** has been on the committee for the last few years. All of you should know him and heard him as he fulfills our Band engagements. In addition, he is a great electronic assistant as he commands a good knowledge of our electronic equipment, carrying the gear and helping the Club in hall arrangements.

*Manuka,* who has joined us for the first time. is a good friend of Gerard's and has the same enthusiasm as Gerard. Furthermore, I understand he is an expert on IT and will be able to solve and assist with any Computer issues.

*Fyri*. is a friend to everyone. He has always been a Committee member and I have enticed him on many occasions to take a leading executive position, but he has always refused. I am hoping that this year he will join the Executive Committee as many on this committee can listen to his sound advice.

With all this good news, I am sorry to advise that **Andy our Vice President** has resigned from our Committee. Andy was an excellent worker and we will miss his efficiency and knowledge. We wish him well in his future endeavours.

Well members you now have an idea of our Committee. However, as it is your Club, we need your help and comments to help us with more ideas and thoughts to run more efficiently.

Best Regards, Davenal



## SILVER FAWN CLUB INC. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Forty Ninth Annual General Meeting of the Silver Fawn Club Inc., was held on Saturday, 7th March 2020 at 6.00 p.m. at Newmarket Bowls Club, 212 Ashgrove Avenue, Newmarket.

**51** members attended the Annual General Meeting. The Club received nominations for the 12 positions for the 2020 Management Committee.

The following members were elected:

PRESIDENT:	Davenal Flanderka
VICE PRESIDENTS:	Andy Weerasinghe
	Gerard Fernando
HONORARY SECRETARY:	Denis Anthonisz
ASSISTANT SECRETARY:	Laurensz Manricks
HONORARY TREASURER:	Susan Fahir
ASSISTANT TREASURER:	Thomazine Fernando
CLUB CAPTAIN:	Egerton de Fransz
GENERAL COMMITTEE:	Ray Anthonisz
	Fyri Fahir
	Sharyn Paton
	Manuka Jayamanne

Club Treasurer, Susan Fahir presented the Financial Report for the year ended 31st January, 2020. The Club recorded a surplus of \$2,608. This figure included an amount of \$1,916 from the Food Fair, which was an event to specifically raise money to subsidise functions this year as the Club celebrates 50 years. We also received 2 donations from members totalling \$550. Without these 2 amounts the Club made a very small surplus for the year of \$142.

Laurensz Manricks also updated members on the progress to date with plans for the 50th Jubilee *Celebration*, on behalf of the Chairman, Gerard Fernando and Sub-committee organising the event.

Susan Fahir and Gerard Fernando were appointed Life Members of the Club.

Following the meeting members enjoyed a subsidised dinner catered by Brian & Sri Pereira.



## **TO ALL MEMBERS**

Membership Fees expired 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 unable to enjoy member rates at functions and will no longer receive the Newsletter. "The best thing to hold onto in life is each other" -Audrey Hepburn



## MUCH LOVED FOUNDER MEMBER LESLIE EPHRAIMS PASSES AWAY

It is with great sadness that we inform all members of the passing of Mervyn Leslie Ephraims at the age of 93 years.

In 1970 Leslie was instrumental in forming the Silver Fawn Club. It is particularly sad that he isn't here to celebrate the Club's existence 50 years on.

He was one of the Founder Members and a Life Member and served the Club as Secretary, Vice President, President and Club Captain over a period of 27 consecutive years. He enjoyed being in charge of the annual Club Camps which were well organised and he was known for the "whistle" which he used to command law and order! The Club was his passion. He attended as many functions as he could with Daphne up until the Christmas function where he enjoyed singing many of his favourite Christmas Carols.

Leslie devoted many, many hours of his life promoting all Social and sporting activities of the Club enabling members to have countless hours of Fellowship and Comradeship which led to many lasting friendships.

Leslie was a family man, who loved his wife, Daphne of 66 years. He was a real party man, any excuse was enough to have a party and it made him so happy to see others enjoying themselves and having a good time. He was well known for his "Potato toffee and fudge" while Daphne was known for her Breudher and Butter Cake!

Leslie was a very sincere, honest and caring person, He was popular and well loved by all who knew him.

They say Rugby is the game played in heaven and Leslie must be there with his whistle!

He will be sadly missed.

## <u>Memories from Maurice de Silva on Leslie's Sporting Days in Sri Lanka.....</u>

Leslie was a great sportsman and a great team man. He represented St Peter's College in Cricket and Rugby. He then joined the Havelocks Rugby Club where he had a remarkable career. He was the Rugby Secretary, General Secretary, Rugby Captain, Club President and finally was made Life Member.

He maintained a very high standard in everything he was involved in. It was a pleasure to watch him tackle his opponents. He was a Police Officer and when The Police were affiliated into the Clifford Cup Tournament he was compelled to represent the Police team.

*The British Isle rugby team toured Ceylon in the 1950's and Leslie was one of the 3 Ceylonese to play against the British team, what a honour that was and he deserved it. Leslie was an "Officer and a Gentleman".* 

"Letcho" as he was fondly known and Daphne were married during the Haratal in 1953 (this was when the communal riots began and since Letcho and his bestman Michael Schokman were both Police officers they were not given leave, and they had to report for work the next day and as a result Letcho had no honeymoon!

May He Rest In Peace.

When someone you love becomes a memory. the memory becomes a treasure

# FUNCTION REPORT & PHOTOS

# SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY LVNCHEON

To commence celebrations in the Club's Golden Anniversary year, a special luncheon was organised which was held on Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2020. The Committee thought it would be nice to extend an invitation to families of the many Founder Members no longer with us and were delighted that many of these invitees and others were able to attend. The function was a huge success with 117 attendees.

The following Founder Members were represented by family:
Stanley Anthonisz was represented by Denis, Suzie and Chris
Leslie Ephraims, sadly Leslie had just passed away but we were honoured that his wife, Daphne attended
Eustace Fernando was represented by Vilette & Ralph , Keith & Linda, Steven & Fiona
Eric Ferndinands was represented by Errol & Valerie
Fred Foenander was represented by Roderick & Alma
Frank Vander Straaten was represented by his grandson, Marc Sims
Ivor Ephraims' wife, Stella and our last surviving Founder Member, Dennis Noble were unable to attend due to ill health.

The hall looked very inviting with black chair covers and orange sashes (the Club colours). Rena complemented this with large Champagne glasses, black net and beautifully finished with hand made orange tissue flowers which looked very elegant. Thank you Rena for a great job.

On arrival members were served a welcome drink of champagne or fruit juice followed by platters of hot and cold savouries served to the table. Members then participated in a "Q & A" organised by Laurensz Manricks as we reflected on 50 years of the history of the Club.

A wonderful buffet lunch of Biriyani, Chicken Curry, Malay Beef, Cashew and Pea and all the trimmings followed by Watalappan was enjoyed by all. A plate of afternoon tea with a delicious glass of Iced Coffee made by Chris Anthonisz completed the day.

As the chairperson for the event, I must mention a few names who helped me for this event. Firstly, Susan Fahir for organising most of the event. Thank you Jeremy and Rena for a great lunch and afternoon tea. Thank you to Basheer and Yvonne Omar and Lorraine Tucker for selling the raffle tickets. Tyronne Allon for helping us on Saturday afternoon and Dennis Arnolda, who now lives in Melbourne extended his stay and was of great help.

Thank you to Ty Fox for providing the music and the others on the Committee for their help, without them it would have been a difficult task.

We had the popular Bingo conducted by Egerton de Fransz with some help from Becky Misso. Lots of fun while the numbers were being called.

Lastly I must thank my wife Thomazine for all her help.

Gerard Fernando <u>Chairperson and Vice President</u>





# **OBITUARIES**

**EPHRAIMS, Mervyn Leslie**. Late of Stafford. Passed away peacefully on the 11th February 2020. Aged 93 Years. Much loved Husband of Daphne. Loved Brother and Brother-in-law of Rica and Gladwyn (both dec'd), Douglas and Pearl (both dec'd), Carlisle and Jeanne (both dec'd), Margie and Dave (dec'd), Conrad (dec'd) and Julia, Desmond (dec'd) and Aileen.

Daphne and the family wish to thank everyone who has supported them at this difficult time and also who attended the funeral.

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**de ROZAIRO, Maurice Sylvester.** Peacefully passed away at Wesley Hospital on 19th February 2020. Husband of Carylle and loving father of Michelle and Rodney. Father-in-Law of Malcolm and Marilyn. Grand dad of Cassandra, Nicholas, Laetitia, Charlotte and Lachlan. So dearly loved, so sadly missed.

Thank you to everyone for your support since Maurice's passing. We have been overwhelmed by the support from those near and far and are extremely appreciative of the many cards, flowers and messages of support we have been receiving. Celebration of his life on 28 February, was a day that we are sure he would have been proud of. We are humbled by the number of people that attended from near and far which is a true testament to the person Maurice was.

We want to express our sincere appreciation to you all. On behalf of myself, Michelle and Rodney we are truly blessed to have called him husband and dad. We pass on our thanks to each and everyone who came along, made some food or just sent us messages we are truly grateful to all of you. The hole he has left can never be filled but we hope that with time it becomes easier to bear. Carylle, Michelle and Mal and Rodney and Melo.

*Maurice was a member of the General Committee from 1988 to 1990 and Assistant Treasurer from 1991 to 1995.* 

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**KRONEMBERG, Annacleto Carl** passed away unexpectedly on Monday 9th March and was 81 years old. Father of Kirk & Andreanna.

From his son Kirk - Carl loved attending the annual Camp, Golden Years get togethers and looked forward to Christmas Carols where he was part of the choir. He was an active member in the Mt. Gravatt community and spent 25 years volunteering at several local charities. Carl was a good man who loved to joke and worked hard for his family. A memorial service will be held.

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**MISSO, Clifford Owen** now in God's loving arms. Passed away on 13th March, 2020. Loving husband of Rebecca (Becky), father of Peter and Suzanne. Grandfather of Oliver and Maeve Misso. Brother of Joyce de Jong, Rev. Geoff (Perth), Karol, Hortense Duce and Ralston.

Rebecca and all the family would like to thank all who attended the funeral.

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The Management Committee wishes to extend their sincere sympathies to Daphne and family, Carylle and family, Kirk & Andreanna, Becky and family.

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## Letter to the Committee



## Dear Herbie

Re: 50th Jubilee Special Anniversary Lunch

Marina joins me in expressing our "thanks" to you and that wonderful bunch of persons who make up the committee - and those members of the family and friends of the committee who chipped in and helped.

The welcome, décor, food and all round amiability and 'bonhomie' set the tone for a "Anniversary Do" which was enjoyed by all.

Hats off to Laurensz who set the tone for a celebration that moved along at a 'crack pace', he exuded joviality and bonhomie!

Marina and Trevor Ebert

# **NEW MEMBERS**

The Management Committee extends a warm welcome to the New Members. following new members:

- Stephanie Berenger
- Andrew & Sacharissa Coulston
- Vivian & Lynette Culpeper
- Ross Douglas
- Ralph & Vilette de Zilva
- Melanie de Jong
- Ross & Jeannie Gamble
- Reeves & Melanie Schokman
- Shane & Angelina Omar

We look forward to your support and patronage at our functions and hope you will have a long association with the Club and that you receive the same enjoyment and pleasure it has been able to provide to many of our members.







# The Silver Fawn Club Inc.

MEMBERSHIP — APPLICATION / RENEWAL PLEASE CIRCLE ONE

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