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## NAIDOC Week

NAIDOC Week is celebrated each year in the week starting on the first Sunday of July, to recognise and celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Australia's First Nations Peoples. It is an invitation and opportunity for migrant communities such as ours to appreciate the perspective of the First Australians who have lived on and cared for this land since time immemorial.



NAIDOC stands for National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee. Its origins are traced to Aborigines Day held annually on the Sunday before Australia Day for several decades upto 1955, marked as a day of protest to increase

awareness of the trauma and injustices of colonisation on the First Australians. The day was shifted to the first Sunday in July since 1955 and became a day of remembrance and celebration of the heritage and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. It subsequently became a week of celebration that took on the name of the Observance Committee – NAIDOC Week.

Each year, a theme is chosen to reflect important issues for First Nations Peoples and focus the events of NAIDOC Week. This year it is Get Up! Stand Up! Show Up! with the explanation: "We have a proud history of getting up, standing up, and showing up. From the frontier wars and our earliest resistance fighters to our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities fighting for change today - we continue to show up. ... It must be a genuine commitment by all of us to Get Up! Stand Up! Show Up! and support and secure institutional, structural, collaborative, and cooperative reforms."

The invitation to all Australians to join at a common table of reconciliation for a just and equitable country through remediation of the systemic disadvantage experienced by First Nations People, is one that we cannot ignore. Nearly five centuries of European colonisation of our own motherland gives us a degree of appreciation of the heavy hand of colonial masters on the natives of lands taken. As current residents of this advanced country, we benefit from the 'Western' development founded on the colonial project built on the devastation caused to Australia's original inhabitants.

Australia's newly elected government has promised to hold a referendum on a 'Voice to Parliament' within its first term. The invitation of NAIDOC Week is to prepare ourselves for our civic duty at the referendum by being well informed about the 'Voice to Parliament' and other elements of the Uluru Statement from the Heart that calls for "Voice, Treaty, Truth" (a past NAIDOC Week theme).

### Kumi Abey Suriya

*Dr. Kumudini Abey Suriya is a resident of Brisbane with a keen interest in reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.*



Image courtesy <https://www.naidoc.org.au/awards/current-theme>

## The First Data from Census 2021

**25,422,788**

people were in Australia on census night, up 8.6% on the 2016 census ...

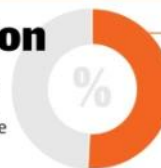
... more than double the 12 million people counted 50 years ago in 1971

**217,918**

additional people counted were born in India, the largest increase in country of birth, outside Australia

**1 million**

new residents arrived between 2017 and 2021, 80% came before the pandemic



**51.5**

% were born overseas or their parents were born overseas

### Top 5 ancestries

ENGLISH	33.0%
AUSTRALIAN	29.9%
IRISH	9.5%
SCOTTISH	8.6%
CHINESE	5.5%

## Editors Note: Change of Email Address

Please note that our next issue, due on 1 August 2022, will be using our new email address:

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Kindly update your contact details for the newsletter or create a contact if you have not done it already.

Thank you.

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## BOOK REVIEW: They Said They Wanted Revolution by Neda Toloui - Semnani

“They said they wanted Revolution” is a memoir by journalist Neda Toloui-Semnani as a tribute to her Iranian political activist parents. It is a deeply researched and compassionate portrait of her parents, weaved as a story via flashbacks and vignettes.



Her father Faramarz moved to the US as a student in the 1960s while her mother Farahnaz also arrived during the same decade, sponsored by her family anchored in California. It was at a time when the Shah of Iran enjoyed cordial relations with US and Iranians had easy passage. Her parents met in Berkeley in 1969, fell in love and became activists, organising protests aimed at removing the Shah from power. It was the era of Free speech and anti-war campaigns. Majority of Iranian Student groups were generally anti-Shah with leftist leanings.

The Iranian revolution in 1979 was the desired change the diaspora was agitating for. The Shah was exiled and Ayatollah Khomeini assumed power. Hoping for a bright future, Neda’s parents moved back to Iran to contribute towards nation building. However Khomeini’s regime adapted an Islamic agenda much to the disappointment of the idealistic young Iranians who had returned to their motherland. Her father was imprisoned in 1982 on trumped-up charges. Three year old Neda and her mother who was pregnant with Neda’s brother, fled from Tehran smuggled overland across the border to Turkey. Sadly that was the last time Neda saw her father who was subsequently executed by the Revolutionary Guards.

Neda was spurred to write this memoir after her mother’s death in 2010. According to Neda, it was not only an effort to uncover why her parents chose the paths of activism but also explore how their

choices influenced her own choices. Consequently it resulted in an examination of her personal history coupled with Iran’s political history. As part of her pilgrimage in writing the memoir and in search of answers, Neda traced her parents’ movements in US and later Iran. She travelled to the various destinations and interviewed people to untangle the questions in her mind.

The book details the risky journey from Tehran to the Turkish border and the courage of Neda’s 7-month pregnant mother. Once safe from the clutches of the Iranians, Neda and her mother were at the mercy of corrupt Turkish officials before being rescued by an uncle who had flown in from US.

The book also taps on an interesting incident in US in 1977. The Shah was the guest at the White House with President Carter hosting a party in his honour. Outside the premises, there were clashes between pro and anti-Shah groups with the Police trying to disperse the crowd with tear gas. The gas had drifted to the White House lawns and all the guests were seen crying from its effects, while outside, Neda’s parents were jostling to evade it.

The book is both an epic family drama and a timely true-life political thriller. It is richly reflective, informative and tender in its characterisations. In conclusion it is a generous and heartfelt search for personal and familial identity.

### George Somasundaram

George resides in Brisbane and is currently retired.

### Editors Note:

We welcome Book Reviews by our readers. If you have read an interesting book and would like to share with the wider world, please write a review of approximately 500 words with an image of the book cover and send to [DaehaenaEditor@gmail.com](mailto:DaehaenaEditor@gmail.com)



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## The Malays of Sri Lanka

Salamat! Artikel ini tentang orang Melayu Sri Lanka. This phrase translates as "Greetings, this article is about the Malay people of Sri Lanka".

The Sri Lankan Malay community traces itself back hundreds of years to soldiers and exiled royals from the islands of Malay Archipelago. These communities hailed from Makassar, Sumatra, parts of Malaysia, and the island of Java among other places. Malay communities settled on the island of Sri Lanka over several centuries and played an active part in the country's culinary, linguistic, anthropological, and martial history. Due to word count restrictions, I will refer to these diverse communities using the word "Malay".

The Malay community speaks the lyrical Bahasa Melayu. This beautiful language is currently experiencing a revival.



A little recognized fact is that the Malays of Sri Lanka have a significant martial history and have been involved in most major military conflicts. One tragic story involved the three brothers Nuruddin and Saifuddin who fought for the British Malay regiment, whilst their sibling Sangunglo fought for the Kandyan King's Malay regiment in

1803. Tragically, the brothers fought each other, with Sanglunglo dying in service of the Kandyan King, whilst his brothers being killed by the victorious King for refusing to join his ranks. I recommend readers explore the story as retold by Dr B. A. Hussainmiya as it is a reminder that communities such as the Malays challenge the linear narratives prescribed to the histories of minorities.

The Malay community is also known for the elegant dagger that adorn their traditional costume. These undulating blades embody the richness of Malay military craftsmanship and are known as *Keris* or *Kirichchiya*.

The ubiquitous Sarong of Sri Lanka traces its history back to the Malay Archipelago. The word Sarong comes from the Indonesian word Sarung, referring to a tube of fabric covering a body. Sarongs are famous for being printed in Batik, which is another contribution of Malay communities. The delicate art of batik dying originates in the Island of Java and its popularity in Sri Lanka is indelible. Along with sarongs, the Malay community also introduced Kerabu and earring designs which continue to be popular today.

Then there are place names, with places like Ja-Kotuwa, Ja-Ela and Ja Watta, and Malay street being named after the significant Malay and Javan presence in these areas. Malay communities live throughout the island, with a notable population in Hambantota. The term Hambantota itself is of Malay origin and refers to the "sampan" a type of Malay boat. Dodol, bibikkan, seekakku, nasi goreng and mee goreng are among the Malay culinary contributions.

Finally, one cannot ignore the rhythmic beats of the rabana. No Avurudu (Sinhala and Tamil New Year) celebration is complete without raban pada and it is important to acknowledge that the rabana is a drum introduced to Sri Lanka by the Malay community.

This article only summarises the barest contributions of the effervescent Malay community. The Youtube channels The Minority Taste by Ruzaina Hadgie and Lost and Forgotten by Dr Kareem Zameer details the culinary and historical contributions by the Malay community.



### Randika Jayakody & Jerome Perera

Among Randika and Jerome's many interests is a deep passion to understand Sri Lankan history and culture.

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### Stories Behind Names of Places in Sri Lanka: TAWALAMA

“Tawalama” is a village in the district of Galle near Habarakada. It is by the famous river” Ging gaga”.

In the olden days, in the absence of proper main road networks like today, people mostly used foot paths to move about. So the people around the Habarakada area were also using foot paths for their travel.

For the economy of the villagers to be stable, the agricultural produce of the village had to reach the main city Galle. The key products were cinnamon, coffee and pepper, and other spices.



It was the bull power that was used to bring the produce of the village to the river bank. This was done by loading the produce in bags on bulls and collectively driving them to the riverbank. This was called “Tawalama”. From the banks of the river, these spices were taken to Galle using boats. Even people travelled to Galle generally by the boat. Therefore, boat travel became a common way of transport. So was the use of bull power that was called “Tawalama”.

When people sold or traded their spices and other produce at the Galle market, they brought back the things needed for the villagers on their return journey from the city. People used the ”Tawalama” to take the stuff in to the village. So the little harbour by the river where “Tawalama “ was often present was identified as “Tawalamthota”. ”Thota” meant the harbour. Over time “tawalamathota” became “Tawalama”

### Dr. Nimal Sedera

Dr. Sedera is a journalist, poet, motivational speaker and an author of over 70 books.



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වේදිකාව, රිදී තිරය, පුවි තිරය, එහෙම නැත්නම් කවියක්, ගීතයක්, කෙටි කතාවක්, නව කතාවක් වැනි කලා කෘතියක් නිර්මාණකරණයේදී හමුවන විවිධාකාරවූ රසවත් සිද්ධීන් එමටයි. මෙම කතා බහ අහ දැනගන්න, බෙදා හදාගන්න, මං දන්නවා කලාකෘතී අපි හැමෝම කැමැත්තක්, රුචිකත්වයක් දක්වනවා කියලා. කෙලින්ම නොකීවට, අපි කවුරු කවුරුත් gossip අහන්නත් මනාපයි දේ.



ඔබ දන්නා, අපි නොදන්න, තිරය පිටිපස්සේ ඇතිවන රසවත් සිද්ධීන්, බෙදා හදා ගැනීමේ උත්සාහයක් හැටියට මෙම කොලට් ඔබට විවෘතයි. සමහර වෙලාවට මේ අතරේ ඉතා අනුවේදනීයවූ, දුක්මුසු කතා බහත් තියෙනවා. කතාවේ මුණ ගැහෙන, ඒ කාටවත් උපහාසයක්, අපහාසයක් නොවන විධියට, අපි ලියමු.

**සුකිරි කෙල්ල සහ මේරි දෙදෙනාම අප හැර ගියෝය...!!!**

පසුගිය දවස්වල, ශ්‍රී ලංකාව පැත්තෙන් අපට අහන්නට, දකින්නට ලැබුණේ සනුප්‍රදායක ආරංචි නම් නෙමෙයි. ශ්‍රී ලාංකීය සාහිත්‍යය, නාට්‍යය, සිනමාව පෝෂණය කළ, එහි ගුණාත්මකභාවය ඉහළ දමන්නට, ඉමහත් දායකත්වයක් ඉටු කළ, ප්‍රචිත කලාකරුවන්, කලාකාරිනියන් රැසක්, අප අතරින් විශේෂීම්, ශ්‍රී ලාංකේය කලා ක්ෂේත්‍රයට දැරිය නොහැකි පාඩුවක් වුණා. ඉතින්, අවම වශයෙන් ඔවුන්ගෙන් ශ්‍රී ලාංකීය කලාවට සිදුවූ එම අමීල සේවාව සිහිපත් කරමින්, ඔවුන් වෙනුවෙන් අවසන් ගෞරවය, ප්‍රණාමය පුදකිරීම සඳහා තමයි පසුගිය මාස කිහිපයකම 'රස කතා' කොලට් වෙන්වුණේ.

ඉතින්, අදත් ඔබත් එක්ක බෙදා හදා ගන්න තියෙන්නේත්, තවත් එවන් කණගාටුදායක සමූහැනීමක්.

සිංහල සිනමා වංශ කතාවේ 301වන චිත්‍රපටය වන 'සුකිරි කෙල්ල' තිරගත වූයේ 1975 වර්ෂයේ දීය. මේ, 'සුකිරි කෙල්ල' චිත්‍රපටයේ රූගත කිරීම් අතරතුර ඇතිවූ, රසවත් සිදුවීමකි.

චිත්‍රපටයේ තිර කතාවේ හැටියටන, මනාල යුවළක් විවාහ පත්වන එක්තරා දර්ශනයක් රූගත කිරීම ඇරඹිණි. උඩරට මනාලියකසේ හැඳ පැලඳ, මාල හතක්, සුදෝ සුදු ඔසරියකින් සැරසී සිටි නිළිය, තම පෙම්වතා ලෙස රහත නළුවා එනතෙක් පෝරුව අහියස බලාසිටියේ නොයිවසිල්ලෙනි. නියමිත නැකත් වෙලාවට, තම නෑසිය මිතුරන් පිරිවරා පිවිසි මනාලයා සමඟින් ඇය පෝරුව මස්තකාරුභි විය. අනතුරුව, හෙළ කුල සිරිතට අනුව විවාහය සිදු විය. චිත්‍රපට කැමරාව ඉදිරියේ මේ යුවළ අනිතර ගත්තේ රැස්ව සිටි පිරිසගේ ආශිර්වාදය මධ්‍යයේය. ඒ රූගත කිරීමකි.

රූගත කිරීම නිම වූ සෑණින් ප්‍රධාන නළුවා තම මංගල ඇඳුමෙන්ම ප්‍රධාන නිළිය කැඳවාගෙන ගියේ මරදානේ පිහිටි විවාහ ලියාපදිංචි කරන රෙජිස්ට්‍රාරවරයා වෙතටය.

අනතුරුව ඔවුන් දෙදෙනා විසින්, "රෝයි ද සිල්වා වන මම, සුමනා අමරසිංහ වන ඇය අද පටන් මගේ නිත්‍යනුකූල බිරිඳ ලෙස බාරගනිමි" ලෙසින් මනාලයාද,



"සුමනා අමරසිංහ වන මම, රෝයි ද සිල්වා වන ඔහු අද පටන් මගේ නිත්‍යනුකූල ස්වාමීපුරුෂයා ලෙස බාරගනිමි" ලෙසින් මනාලියද, රෙජිස්ට්‍රාරවරයා ඉදිරියේ පොරොන්දුවීමෙන්, මෙම නළු නිළි යුවළ තම ඇත්ත විවාහ සහතිකයට අත්සන් තැබීය. මොවුන් දෙදෙනාගේ විවාහය ලියාපදිංචිය සඳහා මනාල යුවලට අමතරව සම්බන්ධ වූයේ, කසාද සාක්ෂිකරුවන් දෙදෙනා පමණි.

ඉහත චිත්‍රපට දර්ශනය රූගත කිරීම් නතර කළ කැම පැය අතරතුරදී, මෙලෙසින් රෙජිස්ට්‍රාර් වෙත පැමිණ තම විවාහය සිදු කළ මෙම නළු නිළි යුවළ, එහෙම කිසිම දෙයක් නොවුණු ගානට නැවත film-location වෙත පැමිණියේ, රූගත කිරීම් නැවැත්වූ තැන සිට නැවත ආරම්භ කළේය. රෝයි සුමනා විවාහය කාටත් හොරා සිදුවී ඇත්තේ මෙලෙසිනි.

70 දශකයේ සිංහල සිනමාවේ ජනප්‍රියම නිළියක ලෙස, විටෙක මාලිනි ෆොන්සේකාටද අභියෝගයක් වූ දෙනිපිටිය විතානගේ සුමනා අමරසිංහයන් පසුගිය ජුනි මස 5වෙනි දින සිය ජීවන ගමන නිමාකළාය.

මහනුවර, රණවන දී උපත ලැබූ ඇයගේ මුල්ම රංග-භූමිය වූයේ පාසල් වේදිකාවයි. සිනමා නිළියක වීමට කිසිවිටෙකත් අදහසක් නොතිබුණු සුමනාගේ ජීවිතයේ හැරවුම් ලක්ෂ්‍යය සිදුවන්නේ Lake-house පුවත්පත් ආයතනයේ 'ජනනා' පුවත්පත විසින් සංවිධානය කළ 'ලස්සන මුහුණ' තරඟයට සහභාගිවූ පසුවය. එහිදී විනිසුරු මඩුල්ලේ සිටි ජේෂ්ඨ රංගවේදිණි රුබී ද මෙල් මහත්මියගේ ඉල්ලීම මත, මව්පිය අවසරය ඇතිව සුමනා, රුබී ද මෙල් මහත්මියගේ 'පිපෙන කැකුළු' චිත්‍රපටයේ මුල්වරට රභපැවෑය. ඒ 1967 වර්ෂයේදීය.

පසුව, 'රැන ගිරව්', 'දහසක් සිතුවිලි', 'හතර පෙරළිය', 'බිනරමලි', 'ලොකුම හිනාව', 'සුදු පරවියෝ' වැනි චිත්‍රපට ගණනාවක රංගනයෙන් දායකවූ ඇය, රෝයි ද සිල්වා සමඟ විවාහ වීමෙන් අනතුරුව, 'සුනේත්‍රා', 'සුකිරි කෙල්ල', 'ඔබයි මමයි' වැනි වානිජමය චිත්‍රපටතුලින් ඉමහත් ජනප්‍රියත්වයට පත්වූවාය.

සිංහල සිනමාවේ උන්නතිය උදෙසා බොහෝ දායාදයන් මෙන්ම කැපවීම් කළ මෙම අපූරු නිළි රැජින හට මෙම සටහන උපහාරයක්ම වේවා...!!!

ගුවන් විදුලිය, වේදිකාව, සිනමාව සහ රූපවාහිනිය තුළින් ඉමහත් ජනාදරයට පත් කුසලතා පුර්ණ රංගශිල්පිනියකවූ වූ ලියෝනි කොතලාවල මහත්මිය ඉකුත් 19 වැනිදා අභාවප්‍රාප්ත වූවාය.

"මාව ප්‍රසිද්ධ වේදිකාවට ගෙනාවේ G.D.L.පෙරේරා මහත්තයා. G.D.L.මහත්තයාගේ අයිියයි, අපේ තාත්තයි හොඳ යාළුවෝ.."

"ඉතින් දවසක් එයාලගේ නාට්‍යයක, නර්තනයකට පුවි ගැණු ලමයෙක් අවශ්‍ය වෙලා.. තාත්තට කියලා.., තාත්තා මාව එක්ක ගෙන ගියා G.D.L.පෙරේරා මහත්තයා ලහට.."

"මට රේඩියෝ එකේ සින්දුවක් දාලා..., ආ.. ඔයා දැන් මේ සින්දුවට ඔයා දන්න විදියට නටන්නකෝ ..කිව්වා"

"මම නැටුම් ඉගෙන ගෙන තිබුණේ නෑ, හැබැයි දන්නා විදියට ඒ සින්දුවට නැටුවා"

"ඉතින්, එයාල මාව එයාලගේ නාට්‍යයේ නර්තනයක් සඳහා තෝර ගත්තා.. හැබැයි, ඒක පොඩි කොටසක්"

"පස්සේ එයාලගේ තුන්වන නාට්‍යය නිෂ්පාදනය වන සාමා නාට්‍යයේ ප්‍රධාන චරිතය සඳහා මාව තෝරා ගත්ත".

"ඒ අනුව, G.D.L පෙරේරා මහත්තයාගේ මග පෙන්වීමට අනුව, මම වේදිකා නාට්‍ය නිළියක් වුණා..."



ප්‍රචිත නාට්‍යය සහ සිනමා අධ්‍යක්ෂවරයෙක් වන G.D.L.පෙරේරා නිර්මාණය කළ 'සාමා' වේදිකා නාට්‍යයේ ප්‍රධාන චරිතය රභපාමින් රංගනයට පිවිසි ලියෝනි 1962දී, ශ්‍රී ලංකා කලා මණ්ඩලය මඟින් සංවිධානය කළ ප්‍රථම වේදිකා නාට්‍ය තරඟයෙන්, වසරේ හොඳම නිළිය ලෙසින් සම්මානයට පාත්‍ර වූයේ, G.D.L.පෙරේරාගේ 'මෙහෙව් ලෝකෙක්' වේදිකා නාට්‍යයේ ඉදිරිපත් කළ විශිෂ්ට රංගනය වෙනුවෙනි.

G.D.L.පෙරේරා විසින් පසුව 'සාමා' නාට්‍යය, චිත්‍රපටයක් වශයෙන් නිර්මාණය කිරීම හරහා, සිනමාවට එකතුවූ ඇය 'වන්ඩාලි', 'පිපෙන කුමුදු' චිත්‍රපටයන්හි ඉදිරිපත් කළ චරිත නිරූපනයන් ඇයට ශ්‍රී ලංකේය සිනමාවේ දිගු ගමනක් යාමට ඉඩහසර සැකසීය.

කලා ලොවේ නිම් වළළු පුළුල් කරමින් නව මං සොයා ගිය ලියෝනි පුවි තිරයේත් ජනප්‍රිය වූ චරිතයක් විය. නාලන් මෙන්දිස්ගේ 'නැදැයෝ' ටෙලිසික්තමේ අගිදහාමි, තිලක් ගුණවර්ධනගේ 'කුමාරිහාමි' ටෙලි නාට්‍යයේ මේරි, ලියෝනි ප්‍රේක්ෂක මතකයන් අහස උසට ඔසවා තැබූ චරිත විය. ලියෝනි 1988 දී. ප්‍රථම උණ්ඩා සම්මාන උළෙලදී 'කුමාරිහාමි' ටෙලි නාට්‍යයේ මේරිගේ චරිතය සඳහා හොඳම නිළිය ලෙසට සම්මානයට පාත්‍ර විය.

දශක හතරක කාලයක් කලා රසයෙන් අප සැනැහූ රංගවේදිනියනි, ඔබට සුබ ගමන්...!!!

**සමන්මල් ගුණරත්න**



මෙම සටහන, ප්‍රසිද්ධ පුවත්පත්, අන්තර්ජාලය තුළින් ලබාගත් ලිපි ඇසුරින් නිමවූ බව කරුණාවෙන් සළකන්න.

**අපේ ප්‍රජාවෙන් ගිලිහුන තවත් පුෂ්පයක්..**

උපන් රටින් ඇත්ව වෙනත් රටක සංක්‍රමණිකයන් වශයෙන් ජීවත් වෙන විට තමන්ගේ ප්‍රජාව වෙනුවෙන් පවතින බහුසංස්කෘත රාමුව තුළ යමක් කරන්න පුළුවන් නම් එය අතිශයින්ම වැදගත්. එමෙන්ම අපි ද එය අගය කළ යුතුයි.



එවැනි ප්‍රජා සේවාවන් කිහිපයකම නිරතවී, තම හැකියාවන් උපයෝගී කරගෙන ආගමික, සංස්කෘතික වශයෙන් විශාල මෙහෙවරක් කළ පුෂ්පකුමාර ආරච්චි මහතා දිගු කලක් රෝගාතුරව සිට පසුගිය දා තම දිවියෙන් සමු ගත්තේය.

විශේෂයෙන් පුෂ්පකුමාර මහතා ක්වින්ස්ලන්ත බෞද්ධ විහාරය පිහිටු වීමේදී මුල් වකවානුවේ සිට බ්‍රිස්බේන් වලට විහාරස්ථානයක අවශ්‍යතාවය ගැන තදින්ම ක්‍රියාකාරී වූ අයුරු අපේ මතකයේ තදින්ම තැන්පත්ව ඇත.

අපවත් වී වදාළ ගංගොඩවිල සෝම ස්වාමීන්වහන්සේ සමග සම්බන්ධ වී, උන්වහන්සේ බ්‍රිස්බේන් වලට වැඩම කරවා අප දැනුවත් කර, අපද සහභාගී කරවා ගනිමින් දීර්ඝ වශයෙන් උන්වහන්සේගේ අනුශාසනා මත ක්‍රියාත්මක වී විහාරස්ථානයක් ස්ථාපනය කිරීමට කටයුතු කලේය.

එපමනක් නොව අපේ 4th ප්‍රජා ගුවන්විදුලියටද සම්බන්ධ වී, නිවේදකයෙක් වශයෙන් වැඩසටහන් ඉදිරිපත් කළ අතර, තාක්ෂණ ශිල්පියෙක් වශයෙන් ද තම දායකත්වය නොමසුරුව පුෂ්පකුමාරයන් අපේ ප්‍රජාවට ලබාදුන්නේය. එපමනක් නොව 90දශකයේ අග භාගය වූ මේ කාලයේ අපේ ගුවන්විදුලියේ ජංගම ප්‍රචාරක රථය රැගෙන යෑමට මෙන්ම, ප්‍රචාරක රථයේ සිට වැඩසටහන් ප්‍රචාරය කිරීමේ බලපත්‍ර හිමි අය අප අතරේ සිටියේ කිහිපදෙනෙකි. ඒ අය අතරින් පුෂ්පකුමාර ද එක් අයෙකි. අපේ අවුරුදු උත්සවය පැවැත්වූන ක්‍රිඩාංගන වලට ජංගම ප්‍රචාරක රථය අවශ්‍යය අවස්ථා වලදී උදෙසාම ගුවන්විදුලි මුළුස්ථානයට පැමිණ, අවශ්‍යය කරන පුටු, මේසද රථයට දමාගෙන නියමිත වේලාවට උත්සව භූමියට පැමිණීම පුෂ්පකුමාර කලේ බලවත් කැමැත්තෙන් හා දැඩි උද්යෝගයෙනි.

අන්තර්ජාල පහසුකම් නොතිබුණු ඒ යුගයේදී පුද්ගලිකව මා හට ගුවන්විදුලි වැඩසටහනේදී ප්‍රචාරය කිරීමට අවශ්‍යය මවුබ්ලේ ප්‍රවෘත්ති ලංකාවේ සිට දුරකථනය ඔස්සේ ලබාගෙන, අවස්ථා කිහිපයකදීම ලබා දී ඇති බව මම මතක් කරන්නේ පුෂ්පකුමාරයන්ට උපහාරයක් වශයෙනි.

ක්වින්ස්ලන්ත සිංහල සංගමයේ නොයෙකුත් කටයුතු වලටද, විශේෂයෙන් 'සරලාංග' සංස්කෘතික ප්‍රසංගය වැනි අවස්ථා වලදීද, පුෂ්පකුමාර ගේ සහභාගිත්වය කැපී පෙනිණි.

පුෂ්පකුමාර ආරච්චිගේ මහතාට නිවන් සුව ප්‍රාර්ථනා කරමු.

**ආනන්ද සමරතුංග**


**Microsoft Imagine Cup World Championship 2022**

Congratulations to team Nana Shilpa from Sri Lanka for finishing runner up at the 2022 Microsoft Imagine Cup World Championship in Seattle, Washington, following an intense finale against Team V Bionic from Saudi Arabia and Team Melodic from the United States.




The Imagine Cup is an annual competition that aims to inspire young minds to resolve some of the world's toughest challenges through the innovative use of technology, attracting student developers from around the world. Kalpani Abeysinghe, Chamil Diluksha, Maheshani Makalanda, and Prabath Shalitha from SLIIT invented an application that identifies children with learning disabilities, and helps those children access the resources and guidance they need. A remarkable achievement that has the potential to help kids around the world receive the education they need to grow and prosper.

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**Movies at the Gallery of Modern Art (GOMA)**

“The Power and Passion of Jane Campion” explores the films of the acclaimed Palme d’Or winner. From her debut feature **Two Friends** (1986) to her recent Oscar-winning **The Power of the Dog** (2021), this program brings together a complete survey of Campion’s feature films, including **The Piano** ((1993)

<https://www.qagoma.qld.gov.au/whats-on/cinema/programs/jane-campion>

### Have you Experienced Marian Valley – Madhu Feast

The Marian Valley is a sacred place dedicated to Blessed Virgin Mary and situated close to Canungra which is about 1.5 hours drive from Brisbane. My first visit to this shrine was around 2007 during a holiday break, which was a normal weekday. As you enter Marian Valley, with the large expanse of land and the quietness with natural beauty and solitude, it refreshes your mind and gives you a feeling of serenity.

Our first call was to the beautiful chapel which was located a few meters from the car park where, we as a family, prayed with such calm minds with absolute silence around and then walked around the beautifully landscaped Marian Valley compound. A walk from the chapel to the left will take you on a trek covering the way of the cross. Throughout the other well maintained and manicured areas, structures/ places of worship dedicated to Mother Mary from churches around the world, installed with either pictures or statues with a brief informative history can be found. It has a retreat, a large piety shop and at the chapel you can pick up a pamphlet that has events for the whole year. After this initial holiday trip, it became an annual trip when I heard the Sri Lanka patron saint, Our Lady of Madhu, celebrates the annual feast in July. Possibly around 2010 would have been my first attendance at the feast and it was so refreshing to meet so many fellow Sri Lankans of all denominations who celebrated a solemn Mass in the Chapel and then took the Statue of Our Lady of Madhu in a procession to the dedicated shrine for another meaningful blessing and prayer session. I can still remember very well I was trying to rush back home soon after the prayers at the shrine and I was told that all the patrons bring food



and share amongst all for lunch which was great as it brought me the memories of going to St Anne's Church, Talawila with our parents and obviously as kids the highlight for us was the lunch among all the cousins and visiting the stalls to buy some brickbats.

At Marian Valley they observe many Feast days in honour of Our Lord and the Blessed Mother. Various ethnic communities celebrate their annual pilgrimage days with their religious and cultural traditions. Organising this kind of event needs volunteers and if you are able to lend your hand, please let the committee know. This year, Our Lady of Madhu feast is celebrated on the 23rd of July and going forward it will be celebrated every 4th Saturday of July. In the week prior, on the 17th July (Sunday), the hoisting of the flag tree will take place and any person interested in sponsoring a flag in memory of a loved one could do so before 9.00am or contacting anyone from the committee. Generally, the Sri Lankan tradition is that you have a meal of kiribath on special days and if you intend in taking part on this day too, please bring a plate to share with others. Sri Lankans of all denominations who intend to make the feast should be very happy as recently a new committee was appointed to reinvigorate the feast activities and I am sure they are making all attempts to make it a pleasant experience for not only for newcomers but for all those who keep making the annual trek along the winding roads leading to the Marian Valley. For people who find the distance too long to drive, a special bus service operates at a very reasonable price of \$25 both ways to enjoy the feast peacefully. And for the regulars like me, now I look forward to partaking is some exciting array of Sri Lankan food, such as Malu pan, Curry Rolls, Cutlets, Biriyani, Kottu Roti, various sweet meats and achcharu after the Mass and procession which has taken me back to my childhood priorities!! Looking forward to meet as many Sri Lankans as possible at this year's feast dedicated to Our Lady of Madu!

**Niroshan de S Wijeyeratne**  
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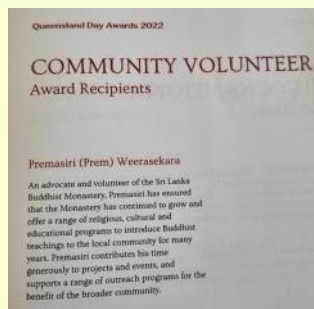
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ආචාර්ය නිමල් සේදර ගේ අලුත්ම නවකතාව සුසංයෝගය පසුගියදා ත්‍රිස්බෙන් නුවරදී එළිදක්වන ලදී. සංයෝගය නව කතාවේ පිටපතක් ශ්‍රී ලංකා කොන්සල් ඇන්ටන් ස්වෝන් මහතාට කතුවරයා විසින් පිරිනමන ලද අවස්ථාව. ඇන්ටන් ස්වෝන් මහතාගේ බිරිඳ බ්‍රොන්වින් සහ ස්වර්ණා සේදර මහත්මියද ඡායාරූපයේ සිටිති.

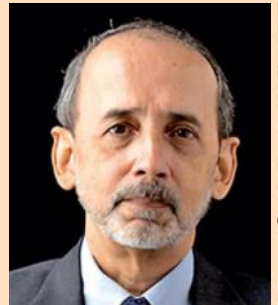
**Prem Weerasekera Receives Queensland Day Award**

Daehaena congratulates Prem Weerasekera on being a recipient of the Queensland Day award in the Community Volunteer category for being an advocate and volunteer of the Sri Lanka Buddhist Monastery and his services to the broader community.



**Dr. Rohan Pethiyagoda wins Linnean Medal, the 'Nobel Prize for naturalists'**

Dr. Rohan Pethiyagoda was awarded the Linnean Medal which is considered as the Nobel Prize for naturalists, at a ceremony in London.



He is the first Sri Lankan to win the annual medal bestowed since 1888 to a botanist or a zoologist, or to one of each, in the same year.

Dr. Pethiyagoda is an author, educator and taxonomist and once served as deputy chair of the IUCN's Species Survival Commission. He is also a Rolex laureate. "His impact on biodiversity research in Sri Lanka and beyond through his output and catalytic influence cannot be overestimated" the award committee wrote, and the author of this commentary explains why this is so.

Amongst his copious outputs, Pethiyagoda has contributed greatly in highlighting the very history of biodiversity in Asia, linking together scientists, artists, travelers, and explorers in both the East and the West. One of his first books was a comprehensive colour guide to the freshwater fish of Sri Lanka – a best seller.

In November 2020, in a paper published in the journal Zootaxa, an international team of scientists named a new genus of diminutive Asian tree frogs in honour of Sri Lankan scientist Rohan Pethiyagoda.

Courtesy: [https:// www.ft.lk/](https://www.ft.lk/)

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## Obituary: Ernie Perera

It is with deep sadness we wish to inform you that Ernie Perera passed away.

Ernie served as President and Treasurer of the Sri Lanka Society of Queensland (SLSQ) for many years. Ernie leaves behind his loving wife Kaushal and his two beloved daughters Cleonie and Dioni and their families.

In accordance with Ernie's wishes, a small celebration of his life was held for family and close friends on the 16th of June.

May his soul rest in peace.

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## App of the month

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### Editors Note:

*Thanks to Mithila Wanigathunge for suggesting this App. With spiraling fuel prices, this is very timely.*

We encourage you to send in your suggestions to:  
[DaehaenaEditor@gmail.com](mailto:DaehaenaEditor@gmail.com).



## Veteran Actress Leonie Kotelawala Passes Away

Renowned veteran actress Leonie Kotelawala passed away on 19 June 2022. She was 78 years old at the time of her death.

Kotelawala started acting at the young age of 17 and earned a prestigious name for herself in Sri Lanka's film industry.

Her role as Kusum's mother-in-law in Sanjeeva Pushpakumara's film Davena Vihangun is one of the best films she contributed as an actor and in 1962, she won the Best Actress Award for her performance in the play Mehew Lokaya, becoming the first Sri Lankan stage actress to win the award.

*Courtesy: <https://ceylontoday.lk/>*



## Veteran Actress Sumana Amarasinghe Passes Away

Veteran actress Sumana Amarasinghe passed away at the age of 73 on 4 June 2022.

She entered the film industry with the film Pipena Kumudu directed by Ruby de Mel.

She acted in many films and won the most popular actress award on several occasions. She also worked as an assistant director, production manager, costume designer as well as a producer.

Her husband Roy de Silva, renowned actor and director, passed away about four years back in 2018.

*Courtesy: <https://www.dailymirror.lk/>*



## Sri Lanka, Australia and New Zealand Over 50s Cricket Triangular

Sri Lanka, Australia and New Zealand will play a triangular series of over 50s cricket in Brisbane from 3 July to 9 July. All Matches will be played at Redlands Tigers Cricket Club Commencing at 10AM EGW Wood Sports field 373 Birkdale Road Wellington Point .

### Tri series match schedule:

JULY				
Sun	3	New Zealand	vs	Australia
Mon	4	Australia	vs	Sri Lanka
Tues	5	Sri Lanka	vs	New Zealand
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## Monthly News Digest: June 2022

01	In a historic ruling SC suspends Presidential pardon of Duminda Silva	<a href="https://www.ft.lk/front-page/In-a-historic-ruling-SC-suspends-Presidential-pardon-of-Duminda-Silva/44-735555">https://www.ft.lk/front-page/In-a-historic-ruling-SC-suspends-Presidential-pardon-of-Duminda-Silva/44-735555</a>
03	Malinga appointed as bowling strategy coach	<a href="https://www.dailymirror.lk/top-story-sports-1/Malinga-appointed-as-bowling-strategy-coach/324-238272">https://www.dailymirror.lk/top-story-sports-1/Malinga-appointed-as-bowling-strategy-coach/324-238272</a>
05	No pay leave for public servants who go abroad for work	<a href="http://www.sundayobserver.lk/2022/06/05/news/no-pay-leave-public-servants-who-go-abroad-work">http://www.sundayobserver.lk/2022/06/05/news/no-pay-leave-public-servants-who-go-abroad-work</a>
05	Casinos owe huge sums in taxes to the IRD	<a href="https://www.sundaytimes.lk/220605/business-times/casinos-owe-huge-sums-in-taxes-to-the-ird-484458.html">https://www.sundaytimes.lk/220605/business-times/casinos-owe-huge-sums-in-taxes-to-the-ird-484458.html</a>
02	President appoints CoI on incidents of arson, looting, murders	<a href="https://www.ft.lk/news/President-appoints-CoI-on-incidents-of-arson-looting-murders/56-735626">https://www.ft.lk/news/President-appoints-CoI-on-incidents-of-arson-looting-murders/56-735626</a>
06	Minister Prasanna Ranatunga given two-year suspended jail sentence	<a href="http://www.adaderana.lk/news/82896/minister-prasanna-ranatunga-given-two-year-suspended-jail-sentence">http://www.adaderana.lk/news/82896/minister-prasanna-ranatunga-given-two-year-suspended-jail-sentence</a>
06	Farmers use pack bulls to transport produce	<a href="https://www.dailymirror.lk/breaking_news/Farmers-use-pack-bulls-to-transport-produce/108-238527">https://www.dailymirror.lk/breaking_news/Farmers-use-pack-bulls-to-transport-produce/108-238527</a>
07	I can't go as a failed president, I have been given a mandate for five years. I will not contest again: President.	<a href="https://www.dailymirror.lk/latest_news/I-can-t-go-as-a-failed-president-I-have-been-given-a-mandate-for-five-years-I-will-not-contest-again-President/342-238537">https://www.dailymirror.lk/latest_news/I-can-t-go-as-a-failed-president-I-have-been-given-a-mandate-for-five-years-I-will-not-contest-again-President/342-238537</a>
07	Sri Lanka to award 40-year tax concession to Port City investors	<a href="http://www.adaderana.lk/news/82909/sri-lanka-to-award-40-year-tax-concession-to-port-city-investors">http://www.adaderana.lk/news/82909/sri-lanka-to-award-40-year-tax-concession-to-port-city-investors</a>
07	Cabinet ministers decide not to draw salaries for one year	<a href="http://www.adaderana.lk/news/82908/cabinet-ministers-decide-not-to-draw-salaries-for-one-year">http://www.adaderana.lk/news/82908/cabinet-ministers-decide-not-to-draw-salaries-for-one-year</a>
08	Tea production plummets; prices remain high	<a href="https://island.lk/tea-production-plummets-prices-remain-high/">https://island.lk/tea-production-plummets-prices-remain-high/</a>
08	SJB MP Champika Ranawaka to sit independently in opposition	<a href="https://www.themorning.lk/sjb-mp-champika-ranawaka-to-sit-independently-in-opposition/">https://www.themorning.lk/sjb-mp-champika-ranawaka-to-sit-independently-in-opposition/</a>
08	Australia defeat Sri Lanka in second T20 to clinch the series	<a href="http://www.adaderana.lk/sports/9094/australia-defeat-sri-lanka-in-second-t20-to-clinch-the-series">http://www.adaderana.lk/sports/9094/australia-defeat-sri-lanka-in-second-t20-to-clinch-the-series</a>
09	Basil vacates MP seat, tenders resignation	<a href="http://www.adaderana.lk/news/82951/basil-vacates-mp-seat-tenders-resignation">http://www.adaderana.lk/news/82951/basil-vacates-mp-seat-tenders-resignation</a>
12	Uncultivated paddy lands to be acquired by govt for 5 years	<a href="http://www.adaderana.lk/news/83011/uncultivated-paddy-lands-to-be-acquired-by-govt-for-5-years">http://www.adaderana.lk/news/83011/uncultivated-paddy-lands-to-be-acquired-by-govt-for-5-years</a>
12	Dhammika Perera enters cabinet as new Minister of Technology and Investment Promotion	<a href="https://island.lk/dhammika-perera-enters-cabinet-as-new-minister-of-technology-and-investment-promotion/">https://island.lk/dhammika-perera-enters-cabinet-as-new-minister-of-technology-and-investment-promotion/</a>
13	Angelo Mathews becomes first Sri Lankan to be named ICC Player of the Month	<a href="http://www.adaderana.lk/news/83025/angelo-mathews-becomes-first-sri-lankan-to-be-named-icc-player-of-the-month">http://www.adaderana.lk/news/83025/angelo-mathews-becomes-first-sri-lankan-to-be-named-icc-player-of-the-month</a>
14	Fridays to be declared holidays for public sector for 3 months	<a href="http://www.adaderana.lk/news/83038/fridays-to-be-declared-holidays-for-public-sector-for-3-months">http://www.adaderana.lk/news/83038/fridays-to-be-declared-holidays-for-public-sector-for-3-months</a>
18	Colombo schools closed for a week	<a href="https://ceylontoday.lk/2022/06/18/colombo-schools-closed-for-a-week/">https://ceylontoday.lk/2022/06/18/colombo-schools-closed-for-a-week/</a>
20	Australia to assist Sri Lanka to overcome economic crisis within framework of IMF	<a href="http://www.adaderana.lk/news/83161/australia-to-assist-sri-lanka-to-overcome-economic-crisis-within-framework-of-imf">http://www.adaderana.lk/news/83161/australia-to-assist-sri-lanka-to-overcome-economic-crisis-within-framework-of-imf</a>
22	Dhammika Perera sworn in as Member of Parliament	<a href="http://www.adaderana.lk/news/83186/dhammika-perera-sworn-in-as-member-of-parliament">http://www.adaderana.lk/news/83186/dhammika-perera-sworn-in-as-member-of-parliament</a>
22	Sri Lanka wins first home ODI series over Australia since 1992	<a href="http://www.adaderana.lk/sports/9114/sri-lanka-wins-first-home-odi-series-over-australia-since-1992">http://www.adaderana.lk/sports/9114/sri-lanka-wins-first-home-odi-series-over-australia-since-1992</a>
23	Ashok Ferry wins Gratiaen Prize 2021	<a href="https://www.ft.lk/news/Ashok-Ferry-wins-Gratiaen-Prize-2021/56-736547">https://www.ft.lk/news/Ashok-Ferry-wins-Gratiaen-Prize-2021/56-736547</a>
25	Immigration issues first-ever 'Golden Paradise' long-term visa	<a href="https://www.ft.lk/front-page/Immigration-issues-first-ever-Golden-Paradise-long-term-visa/44-736677">https://www.ft.lk/front-page/Immigration-issues-first-ever-Golden-Paradise-long-term-visa/44-736677</a>
25	Sri Lanka amends limit on foreign currency possession	<a href="http://www.adaderana.lk/news/83250/sri-lanka-amends-limit-on-foreign-currency-possession">http://www.adaderana.lk/news/83250/sri-lanka-amends-limit-on-foreign-currency-possession</a>
25	Dhammika appointed Investment Promotion Minister	<a href="https://www.ft.lk/front-page/Dhammika-appointed-Investment-Promotion-Minister/44-736679">https://www.ft.lk/front-page/Dhammika-appointed-Investment-Promotion-Minister/44-736679</a>
27	Colombo and city schools closed till 1 July	<a href="https://www.ft.lk/news/Colombo-and-city-schools-closed-till-1-July/56-736729">https://www.ft.lk/news/Colombo-and-city-schools-closed-till-1-July/56-736729</a>
28	Sri Lanka Women's T20 team loses the series to India but wins the final match	<a href="https://www.espnricinfo.com/series/india-women-in-sri-lanka-2022-1319706/sri-lanka-women-vs-india-women-3rd-t20i-1319711/full-scorecard">https://www.espnricinfo.com/series/india-women-in-sri-lanka-2022-1319706/sri-lanka-women-vs-india-women-3rd-t20i-1319711/full-scorecard</a>
28	Duties, functions of Dhammika Perera's new ministry gazetted	<a href="http://www.adaderana.lk/news/83298/duties-functions-of-dhammika-pereras-new-ministry-gazetted">http://www.adaderana.lk/news/83298/duties-functions-of-dhammika-pereras-new-ministry-gazetted</a>

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විකාරස්ථානයට ආධාර පිණිස අප විසින් පවත්වන්නට සැලසුම් කර තිබූ  
සෙවනැලි සිහිනේ ප්‍රසංගය හා නාමල් උඩුගමගේ සහභාගිත්වයෙන්  
මෙම සැපයුම් මධ්‍යම සෞඛ්‍ය සේවකයන් වෙත සංගීත ප්‍රසංගයක්  
කිසිදු සම්බන්ධයක් නොමැති බව මෙම වෙත කාරුණිකව දන්වා සිටීම.

**සෙවනැලි සිහිනේ ප්‍රසංගය වෙනුවට, සෞඛ්‍ය රෝහල් සහ නවීන  
ජනප්‍රිය ගායන ශිල්පීන්ගේ සහභාගිත්වයෙන් ඔබට නැවුම් රස වින්දනයක්  
ගෙනෙන ප්‍රසංගයක් අපි ඔබ වෙත හුදුසේදීම ගෙන එන්නෙමු.  
ඔබේ සුවසේදීම වැඩිදුර විස්තර සඳහා සාමාන්‍යයෙන් දන්වන්නෙමු.**

ඔබගේ සහයෝගයට අපගේ ස්තූතිය.

**සෙවනැලි සිහිනේ සංවිධායක කමිටුව**

(ශ්‍රී ලංකාව, කුඩා ස්වදේශීය ඖෂධ විකුණුම් ආධාර පිණිස)

## Sri Lankan Events - Brisbane and SE Qld

Please check the latest status of the events with the relevant organisations

## July 2022

02	Rooka and Lekha Concert	Sathsara Entertainment
09	Vas Aradana	Goodna Temple
09	Vas Invitation Ceremony	Forest Lake Temple
16	Fund Raising Event	Goodna Temple
16	Beginning of the new academic year and term 1 of Yasodhara Dhamma	Forest Lake Temple
17	Blood Donation Campaign	Old Anandians' Association of Qld.
23	Vas Aradhana	Gold Coast Buddhist Centre
23	Madhu Festival at Marian Valley	Qld Catholics
31	Christmas in July	Silver Fawn Club

## August 2022

06	Sunil Edirisinghe Concert	Sathsara Entertainment
14	Family Fun Day	Silver Fawn Club
20	125th Anniversary Celebrations	Old Joes
27	Annual General Meeting	Goodna Temple

## September 2022

03	Stitching of Katina Cheevara	Goodna Temple
03	Gala Anniversary Night of Nights	Silver Fawn Club
03	Billy with 2forty2 concert	Sathsara Entertainment
03	Pem Kekula	Private
11	Sri Lanka Day 2022	FSOQ
18	Musical Show: "Adara Wessak" Namal Udugama & Chandana Li-Bus Trip to Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers	Nalee Studio Productions Silver Fawn Club
24	Annesley Malawana with Indrani	Aradhana Entertainment
25	Annual General Meeting	Old Joes

## October 2022

1	Saralanga	Sinhala Assn of Qld
08, 09	Annual Katina Ceremony & Dana	Forest Lake Temple
15	Blood Donation Campaign	Old Anandians' Association of Qld.
15	Bollywood Extravaganza	Silver Fawn Club
15	Jayasri and Aroh	Private
21, 22	Pirith Chanting & Katina Pinkama	Gold Coast Buddhist Centre
22, 23	Katina ceremony - Pirith Chanting & Dana	Goodna Temple
29	Dinner Dance	Sathsara Entertainment

## Continued

## November 2022

12	Hantane Nite	University of Peradeniya Alumni
12	Thesatta Nana Puja Barefoot Bowls	Goodna Temple Silver Fawn Club

## December 2022

10	Sangamitta Day	Forest Lake Temple
10	Christmas Function	Silver Fawn Club
31	New Year's Eve Dance	Silver Fawn Club

## February 2023

12	Valentine's Day Have-A-Chat Lunch	Silver Fawn Club
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## March 2023

04	"The News" Musical Concert	Sathsara Entertainment
11	Annual General Meeting	Silver Fawn Club

## April 2023

15	Bak Maha Ulela: Sinhala & Tamil New Year	Sinhala Association of Qld
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## Radio 4EB - Sri Lankan Program Schedule

## Arunella - Sunday 9.00am - 10.00am FM 98.1

Date	Producer/Panel Operator
03 Jul	Lalith Keerthirathna/ Sameera Samarasinghe
10 Jul	Lakmini Keerawella/ Kasun Karunaratne
17 Jul	Sam Fernando/ Sam Fernando
24 Jul	Jayantha Weerasekera, Seetha Vithana/ Jayantha Weerasekera
31 Jul	Nimal Wijesiri/ Samanmal Gunaratne
07 Aug	Samanmal Gunaratne/ Samanmal Gunaratne

## Sandella - Wednesday 9.00pm - 10.00pm FM 98.1

Date	Producer/Panel Operator
06 Jul	"Yovun Sandella" - Shyam, Pulith, Shamma, Chathurika, Darshika, Ravihansa & Janaka Dasanayake / Janaka Dasanayake, Samanmal Gunaratne
13 Jul	Kumarasinghe Dissanayake/ Sandun de Silva
20 Jul	Youth Arm, Himaya SWA/ Mihika Samarantunga
27 Jul	Kasun, Pulastha, Dushan and Tharaka / Kasun Karunaratne, Sameera Samarasinghe
03 Aug	"Yovun Sandella" - Shyam, Pulith, Shamma, Chathurika, Darshika, Ravihansa, Mithila & Janaka / Darshika & Samanmal

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