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## NAIDOC Week 2023

NAIDOC Week is an opportunity for all Australians to come together to celebrate the rich history, diverse cultures and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the oldest continuing cultures on the planet. National NAIDOC Week will be celebrated from Sunday 2 July – Sunday 9 July 2023.



NAIDOC stands for National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee, which was the original name of the organization responsible for organizing the event.

The history of NAIDOC Week dates back to the 1920s when Aboriginal rights activist William Cooper, along with other Indigenous leaders, established the Australian Aborigines' Progressive Association (AAPA). The AAPA organized the first Day of Mourning protest on 26 January 1938, marking the 150th anniversary of the arrival of the First Fleet and calling for civil rights for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Over time, this protest evolved into an annual event called the Day of Mourning and Protest, and in 1955, it became known as the Aboriginal Day of Mourning.

In 1956, the name was changed to the National Aborigines' Day Observance Committee, which eventually became NAIDOC. The observance was extended to a week-long event in 1975, and it is now held annually during the first full week of July.

NAIDOC Week is significant to Australia because it provides an opportunity for all Australians to learn about and appreciate the rich cultural heritage, diverse languages, and contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to the country. It aims to promote reconciliation, unity, and respect between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.

The week includes a range of activities, such as cultural performances, art exhibitions, sports events, community gatherings, and educational programs. These events showcase Indigenous histories, traditions, and contemporary achievements, fostering greater understanding, recognition, and appreciation for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures.

NAIDOC Week also serves as a platform to address social and political issues faced by Indigenous communities. It raises awareness about the ongoing challenges of achieving equality, land rights, self-determination,

and improving health and education outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Overall, NAIDOC Week plays a vital role in promoting cultural diversity, respect, and reconciliation in Australia, while acknowledging the ongoing resilience and contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to the nation's identity and heritage.

To celebrate NAIDOC Week:

- Learn about Indigenous cultures
- Attend local events
- Support Indigenous businesses
- Share Indigenous stories and voices
- Acknowledge the traditional owners
- Engage in cultural activities
- Support Indigenous organizations

It's important to approach NAIDOC Week and Indigenous cultures with respect, humility, and a willingness to learn.

Courtesy: <https://www.naidoc.org.au/> and other sources

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## Best Research Engineer of the Year Queensland 2023

This event of prominence in the IESL Qld calendar was held on 25 May 2023, at the Engineers Australia Brisbane Auditorium with a distinguished gathering of engineering and allied business professionals in attendance. Dr Peter Ho a former President of Engineers Australia Queensland Division was the Chief Guest of the event.

The call for submission of outstanding innovative achievements in engineering drew the interests of a wide cross section of practicing engineers both from the industry and academia. The staging of the event was made possible by the generous sponsorship of several leading engineering and construction companies in Brisbane.



Eight exceptional achievers chosen by an expert panel led by Associate Professor Chaminda Gallage from QUT took the stage to showcase their innovative projects and demonstrate their practical applications with each researcher bringing their unique perspective and expertise to the table addressing critical challenges and proposing ground-breaking solutions.

Following a thorough evaluation process, the winners who received the top honours for their exceptional research and contributions were announced and awarded during the “Engineers Nite” social event held on 27 May at the Unidus Community and Conference Centre in Brisbane. Eng Ruchitha Mendis won the Best Research Engineer of the Year Queensland 2023 award.

### Dr Wuditha Premadasa

(On behalf of the IESL Qld Chapter Organising Committee)

### The Eight Exceptional Innovations Shortlisted for Presentation

- **Ruchitha Mendis**, who presented his research on developing a cost-effective and eco-friendly road base material from recycled crushed concrete. His work offers a sustainable solution that can potentially transform road construction practices.
- **Mithum Chamara Peiris**, who delved into the structural and fire behaviour of LSF (Light Steel Frame) walls under combined loads. His research sheds light on enhancing the safety and performance of these structures.
- **Janitha Lama Hewage**, whose project focused on shape memory polymer smart plaster for orthopaedic non-invasive applications. Her research holds great promise in improving orthopaedic treatments and patient outcomes.
- **Amal Ishantha Senevirathne**, who unveiled a novel microfluidic device for testing bacterial adhesion under flow conditions. His work contributes to advancing our understanding of bacterial behaviour and the development of targeted solutions.
- **Tharindu Abeywardena**, who explored numerical modelling and testing of gypsum plasterboard sheathed cold-formed steel walls. His research aims to enhance the structural integrity and efficiency of these walls.

- **Dulmini Karunathilake**, who presented her work on health-conscious optimal control of Lithium-ion batteries. Her research addresses the critical need for optimizing battery performance while ensuring user safety.
- **Biyavilage Dareeju**, who focused on the selection of un-drained shear strength parameters of residual soils. His research contributes to improving the accuracy and reliability of soil characterization for engineering applications.
- **Grace Stapley**, whose project delved into the desiccation shrinkage and cracking of expansive soil using XFEM (Extended Finite Element Method). Her research sheds light on the behaviour of these challenging soil types and offers potential mitigation strategies.

### The Distinguished Panel of Evaluators / Judges

- **Associate Professor Chaminda Gallage** (Panel Chair)- Associate Professor in Geotechnical Engineering/Academic Lead Research (ALR), Queensland University of Technology, Brisbane
- **Noel Dwyer** - Deputy Chief Engineer (Geospatial and Design Capability), Department of Transport and Main Roads
- **Debbie McMillan** - Bridges and Civil Structures Practice Lead, Aurecon
- **Dr. Wijitha Senadeera** - Senior Lecturer in Mechanical Engineering, University of Southern Queensland
- **Brooke Veliscek** - Director Infrastructure & Sustainability Property and Facilities Division, The University of Queensland
- **Dr. Sharmil Markar** - Senior Principal Engineer, WRM Water & Environment Pty Ltd

### The Awards

- **Winner** - Ruchitha Mendis emerged as the winner, securing the coveted title of Best Research Engineer of the Year Queensland 2023. His research on cost-effective, eco-friendly road base material from recycled crushed concrete resonated with the judges, highlighting his innovative approach and commitment to sustainable engineering practices.
- **First Runner-up** -Janitha Lama Hewage claimed the first runner-up position for his ground-breaking work on shape memory polymer smart plaster for orthopaedic non-invasive applications.
- **Second Runner-up** - Tharindu Abeywardena claimed the second runner-up position.
- **Certificates** – the other five presenters received certificates of appreciation



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## Latest Medical Findings on Alcohol Drinking

The Radio 4EB Arunella program on 4 June included a segment on latest medical findings on light and moderate alcohol drinking. A well experienced medical practitioner provided advice on the subject, based on recent advice from the World Health Organisation. This article highlights salient points discussed in the above program.

To listen to the full program go to:

<https://www.4eb.org.au/shows/arunella/> and select the program dated 4th June.

### What is alcohol?

- Alcohol is a toxic, psychoactive, and dependence-producing substance.
- It is water soluble and fat soluble. It has no trouble in passing through organs and cells in the body fast.
- Alcohol is a depressant, which means it slows functioning of the central nervous system.
- It is classified as a Group 1 Carcinogen by the International Agency for Research on Cancer– this is the highest risk group responsible for cancer, which also includes asbestos, radiation and tobacco.

### What happens when you drink alcohol?

Because alcohol is toxic, the body first converts it to acetaldehyde (which is also toxic) and then converts it to acetate, which is harmless. This acetaldehyde is the reason to get the drunken effect. People don't understand that being drunk is actually poison-introduced disruption in our nervous system.

Alcohol is responsible for many health problems affecting the brain, central nervous system, heart, digestive system, kidney, liver, immunity system and sexual and reproductive system.

Alcohol causes several types of cancer.

## Is drinking little such as a glass of wine a day good for us?

The World Health Organisation (WHO) says even consuming little alcohol is harmful.

The risk of developing cancer increases substantially as more alcohol is consumed. However, latest available data indicate that half of all alcohol-attributable cancers in the WHO European Region are caused by "light" and "moderate" alcohol consumption – less than 1.5 litres of wine or less than 3.5 litres of beer or less than 450 millilitres of spirits per week. This drinking pattern is responsible for the majority of alcohol-attributable breast cancers in women.

We cannot talk about a so-called safe level of alcohol use. It doesn't matter how much you drink – the risk to the drinker's health starts from the first drop of any alcoholic beverage.

Then why have we been talking on potential health benefits of light or moderate drinking all this time?


Although past studies have indicated that moderate alcohol consumption has protective health benefits (e.g., reducing risk of heart disease), recent studies show this may not be true. A robust 2018 study published in The Lancet suggests the only truly "safe" level of drinking is zero.

WHO explains: Potential protective effects of alcohol consumption, suggested by some studies, are tightly connected with the comparison groups chosen and the statistical methods used, and may not consider other relevant factors.

You can read more on this subject by visiting the World Health Organisation webpage: <https://www.who.int/europe/news/item/04-01-2023-no-level-of-alcohol-consumption-is-safe-for-our-health>

### Sam Fernando

*Sam is a broadcaster with Radio 4EB for more than 10 years*



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## Radio 4EB Sri Lankan Group Connecting Communities: Connecting People

The 4EB Sri Lankan group has been evolving over the past 43 years since its establishment in 1980. As the group moves forward with its community, it is currently focused on setting up the groundwork for the next radio transformation. Here are some key areas where group is striving to make a difference:

### Increased presence in the community fostering stronger connections

4EB Sri Lankan group endeavours to engage with the community through creative initiatives, such as hosting community members in our studio in live programs such as live broadcast of Carols during Christmas and Aluth Awurudu songs (Traditional New Year songs of Sri Lankans) during April. Further increasing community presence by providing media coverage to events such as the Sinhala Awurudu Celebration organized by SAQ and organising quality entertainment events for the community. We are pleased to say that, during the month of April, we have hosted nearly 50 members of the community in our studio

### Diversifying the engagement

Our programs have been diversified to cater to the needs of different cultures, genders, and age groups, allowing us to provide inclusive programs that meet the needs of our diverse listener base. We recognise that different groups have unique preferences. Our programs are designed in a way that reflects this diversity. By embracing diversity, we have been able to foster a more inclusive and welcoming environment for all our programmers and listeners.

### Consistent listener base

The Sri Lankan group has successfully maintained a consistent listener base over time, as evidenced by the on-demand statistics for each

month. Both our Sunday and Wednesday programs consistently rank among the top programs on 4EB on-demand listing.

### Empowering community radio

We put an extra effort beyond our work and family commitments to ensure the success of the Community radio. The members in our group take pride in and are satisfied with what we do for the community behind the microphone. As the saying goes, 'If you want to walk fast, walk alone, but if you want to walk far, walk together.' We believe that by working together as a team, we can achieve greater success and make a bigger impact in the community.

By adopting these approaches and continually adapting to the evolving landscape of radio broadcasting, the 4EB Sri Lankan group aims to make a lasting impact and be at the forefront of the radio modernisation.

**Kasun Karunaratne**  
Convenor, Radio 4EB Sri Lankan Group



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### Movie Review: Bullet Train

*Bullet Train* is an action-comedy thriller movie starring Brad Pitt based on a Japanese novel written by Kotaro Isaka. It's about an anxious assassin who must get on board the world famous shinkansen (bullet train) to complete a mission, but there are other killers on board the train, with their own goals, who make the mission so much harder for him.



The overall feel of the movie is very chaotic and fast-paced. It all essentially takes place in one location, and like a bullet train, the story moves along quickly as you're constantly introduced to new characters and plot reveals. The action sequences also add to the hectic nature of the film. They are a prominent feature of the movie thanks to the director, David Leitch, who is also a professional stuntman. With the film being so self-contained, the characters, personalities and motives are fleshed out as the story develops. To properly understand them, it's important to pay attention to the exposition and the action equally as they

all provide important details. There is an underlying message throughout the movie that asks the viewer to question their perspective on the destiny vs luck debate: is your future set out for you? Are you predetermined to be lucky or unlucky for your whole life? Or can you change your fate with your actions and how you carry yourself? The film has comedic beats, gory special effects, and sentimental elements as well, but it still manages to comment on this existential topic.

Before watching *Bullet Train*, I didn't have too many expectations for it. It seemed like a movie that didn't take itself too seriously, which interested me. In that sense, I wasn't surprised that I enjoyed the film as it is very fun. Many movies in recent times rely on the viewer seeing prequels or a source material to fully enjoy it. *Bullet Train*, even though it is inspired by a book, stands up on its own and I liked that because it let me suspend my disbelief and be immersed in the experience of the movie – I wasn't worrying about the real-life consequences of the movie or how believable the characters were. Personally, I enjoy thriller/suspense movies and *Bullet Train* fits the genre. However, I enjoyed the humour in the film just as much. I would recommend this movie to anyone who wants a solid movie experience with a fun plot, funny characters and doesn't mind gruesome special effects. You might even find yourself feeling a bit existential afterwards, which doesn't happen after the end of every movie.

*Achira Samarantunga*

### Old Anandian's Association of Queensland Annual General Meeting 2023

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## Engineers Nite Queensland – May 2023

The inaugural Engineers Nite of the IESL Qld chapter was held on 27 June 2023 at the Unidus Community and Conference Centre Willawong with a lineup of distinguished guests invited from the engineering and allied business professions and a large gathering of fellow engineers and their families in attendance.



Mr Dennis Walsh, the Chief Engineer (Engineering and Technology), Queensland Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) was the Chief Guest. The Guest of Honour was Mr Joseph Tam, President of Engineers Australia, Queensland Division. Mr Jothi Ramajunam, former Deputy Chief

Engineer (TMR) had been lined up to deliver the keynote address but due to his unavailability that honour was transferred to Dr Chandima Gallage Associate Professor of Civil Engineering in QUT, Brisbane. Mr Walsh spoke about Engineers' role in sustainable development and Mr Tam emphasised the importance of innovation while Dr Gallage summed up identifying the role of Sri Lankan Engineers in the global context reflecting on the history of Sri Lankan engineering education and evolution of the IESL.

The venue was set in the most picturesque surroundings and refreshments served kept the attendees warm and brought them together in an atmosphere of camaraderie and friendship with an op-

portunity to share in the stories and experiences of fellow engineers and families spanning many generations.

Let me congratulate the IESL QLD Chapter for staging this excellent Engineers' Nite. The time, effort and passion gone into organising the event was evident to everyone. The hall was cosy, comfortable, and compact to the size of the crowd. The dinner was excellent and so was the dessert. The dancers were experienced, and their efforts were laudable, and everyone enjoyed dancing to the excellent rhythms. Kids had a fantastic time and enjoyed with magic show and face painting.

The formation of the association just a few years ago brought together Sri Lankan engineers living in Queensland, creating a well-respected professional organization, an association that serves not only its members but also the country and the engineering profession at large.



As the association celebrates its inaugural Engineers' Nite, it's time to look back and take stock and enjoy the results of its hard labour, its individual and collective achievements, assess and discern new directions for the future and set goals for the next stage of its journey.

I wish the association the best as it becomes a strong, mature 'outfit' taking on the challenges of the future with an even greater confidence, agenda and vision.

**Derrick P Fernando**

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Stories Behind Names of Places in Sri Lanka

DAULAGALA

Daulagala is in the Central Province of Sri Lanka and not too far from the main city of the Province, Kandy.

As usual, the name is linked to the time of the Kings ruled the country from Kandy. It was a time where people walked on foot paths to places. The administration of the country was through people appointed by the King.



Sri Lankaramaya in Daulagala

One such elite person was visiting the King with his people with gifts to the King walking a long distance. They were bringing with them dry food, vegetables, fruits as gift to the King and also the first harvest to be offered to the Temple of Tooth in Kandy. Drummers and dancers also were coming to perform at the temple pooja.

The tradition at that time was for people to walk on foot to places of worship in large groups for a number of days, resting at suitable places cooking their food and return home the same way. This journey was no different.

On the way to the King and the Temple of Tooth they spent the final night before reaching the King's palace the next day at a select place, and continued the journey the next morning.

They arrived at the King's Palace as planned, and they were to perform traditional dancing at the Palace. At that time the dance group found that one important drum was missing. This drum is called "DAULA". Then the focus was on the missing drum "DAULA". It was then they got to know that the "DAULA" has been left behind at the rocky place where they spent the previous night.

"DAULA GALA UDA" was the explanation in Sinhala.

The place where they left the "Daula on the Gala" became Daulagala"

Dr. Nimal Sedera

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



Obituaries

Menuli Perera,

It is with deep sorrow and much love that we mourn the passing of Menuli Perera of Birkdale on 6 June 2023, at the age of 10 years. She will be lovingly remembered by her parents, Anton Prasantha Perera and Shyamali Liyanage as well as numerous relatives and friends.



The family wishes to send a special thank you to Brisbane Sri Lankan community for their care and compassion.

Mrs. Regina Weerasooriya, the beloved mother of Mr. Kamal Weerasooriya, Mrs. Chrishanthi Athukorala and Mrs. Janaki De Silva passed away recently in Brisbane.

The funeral took place on Tuesday the 13th of June 2023 at Centenary Memorial Gardens Cemetery and Crematorium. The family sends special thanks to all those who shared their grief in various ways.

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## The Unique Connectedness of Sri Lanka

As Sri Lankans, we often tend to gravitate towards the notion that we are a unique culture. In our opinion, Sri Lanka's uniqueness lies in the millennia of intimate interconnectedness with other global societies and our shared cultural influences.

Travelling helps us notice the similarities like nothing else can. It was on our recent travels to Indonesia that we got an opportunity to experience the cultural similarities with Sri Lanka first hand. Seeing local individuals wearing batik and sarongs was the first sure sign of our shared cultural identities.

We also noticed "Vesak" celebrations and spied beautiful shimmering kites being flown in the exact same manner as often seen on Galle Face in our youth. Before we knew it, we were eating Dodol, sambals, particularly coconut sambols, perkedels, types of kavum, vellavehum, and Kokis. Most meals had a staple of rice, vegetable and meat curries. So far so Lankan.

Visiting local bars, we encountered familiar drinks that Sri Lankans often consider our exclusive cultural heritage. We encountered arracks (known locally as Arak), made from rice wine and coconuts as well as toddy. We also encountered toddy and arrack based cocktails which are all the rage in Colombo now. During lazy evenings, we rediscovered the joy of Kopi with sweets and cakes.

Then there are the undeniable linguistic connections. Although only having a beginner's grasp of Bahasa Indonesia, we found that many words translated well from Sinhalese. From Sanskrit words such as akasha, agama and chithra to Dutch words like notaris, kanthoruwa and kopi and terms of endearment used throughout the archipelago like Bang, Ado and Akka.

We noticed Lankan names abound like Indra, Chandra, Lakshmi, and an abundance of pooja offerings and incense sticks (handun kuru) at temples. We noticed wedding receptions and religious offerings adorned with coconut palm wreath (gokkola).



We even encountered eerily similar masks like Yak Natum masks called Barong masks (pictured) and Dvaralpalas (door guardians) guarding shrines, exactly like the Dvarapalas in Polonaruwa flanking Buddhist plinths.

Some of the connections we observed whilst travelling Indonesia were due to the shared connection with the archipelago through the Lankan Malay community, the shared Dutch colonial history and the shared history through the ancient Southern Indian Kingdoms as well as the Hindu religion.

Let us acknowledge these connections and celebrate Sri Lanka's connected place in the world. It is the unique pattern of connectedness to various places that distinguishes Sri Lanka from other countries.

It does not diminish Sri Lankan culture to acknowledge and celebrate these connections. We believe that they provide a basis for appreciating Sri Lankan culture even more. Terima kasih. Selamat tinggal.



**· Randika Jayakody & Jerome Perera**

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

## Some Social Rules That May Help You

1. Don't call someone more than twice continuously. If they don't pick up your call, presume they have something important to attend to.
2. Return money that you have borrowed even before the person from whom you borrowed remembers or asks for it. It shows your integrity and character. Same goes with umbrellas, pens and lunch boxes.
3. Never order the most expensive dish on the menu when someone is giving you a lunch/dinner.
4. Don't ask awkward questions like 'Oh so you aren't married yet?' Or 'Don't you have kids?' or 'Why didn't you buy a house?' Or why don't you buy a car? For God's sake it isn't your problem.
5. Always open the door for the person coming behind you. It doesn't matter if it is a guy or a girl, senior or junior. You don't grow small by treating someone well in public.
6. If you take a taxi with a friend and he/she pays, try paying next time.
7. Respect different shades of opinions. Remember what's 6 to you will appear 9 to someone facing you. Besides, second opinion is good for an alternative.
8. Never interrupt people talking. Allow them to pour it out. As they say, hear them all and filter them all.
9. If you tease someone, and they don't seem to enjoy it, stop it and never do it again. It encourages one to do more and it shows how appreciative you're.
10. Say "thank you" when someone is helping you.
11. Praise publicly. Criticize privately.
12. There's almost never a reason to comment on someone's weight. Just say, "You look fantastic." If they want to talk about losing weight, they will.
13. When someone shows you a photo on their phone, don't swipe left or right. You never know what's next.
14. If a colleague tells you they have a doctors' appointment, don't ask what it's for, just say "I hope you're okay". Don't put them in the uncomfortable position of having to tell you their personal illness. If they want you to know, they'll do so without your inquisitiveness.
15. Treat the cleaner with the same respect as the CEO. Nobody is impressed at how rude you can treat someone below you but people will notice if you treat them with respect.
16. If a person is speaking directly to you, staring at your phone is rude.
17. Never give advice until you're asked.

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## Obituary

### Benedict Clarence Pereira



Loving husband of Loretta, much loved father of Brian, Ralph, Lester, Christine, Jude and Michael, father-in-law of Srinika, Veronica (dec), Noeline, Gordon, Ranitha and Eresha and adored grandfather of 17 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren passed away recently.

May his soul rest in peace.



### හරසර පිදෙනා පෙරහැර දළදා

නිරතුරු සුරල් පද එකිනෙක වැහෙන්නේ බෙර තාලයට අත් පා යුග නැළවෙන්නේ සුරකට රබන් ගෙන නළුවකු කැරකෙන්නේ හරසර පුදන පෙරහැර මහ මහ එන්නේ

කොඩි සේසත් රැගෙන යනි සුසැදිව ජේලි අඩි තාලයට තබමින් යනි සළු පාලි වඩිගා පටුන වෙත යයි නෙත පිට නැලි පොඩි ලොකු සැමට මේ පෙරහැර පිය සිලි

දුර සිට ඇසේ ගැයුමෙහි වැයුමෙහි සද්දේ සැරසුනු අලි ඇතුන් ඒ මේ අත පැද්දේ හර බර හෙළ කලාවක විසිතුරු මැද්දේ පෙරහැර අසිරිමත් ලෙස පෙරටම ඇත්දේ

සුපිපුණු පුන්සදේ ආලෝකය විහිදි විසිතුරු කරයි සෙංකඩගල පුර විදි දළදා සමීදු ගුණ පිරි නව අරහාදි බුහුමන් මැද වඩි සැම සිත් යයි පැහැදි

සිසිල් පවනින් ඇදෙන බෝගම්බර වැවේ පිණි කැට වැදි ගිමන පැනගසි සැදැහැ ලියලයි මනස බැති සොම්නස රැදි නුවර වටකොට සේල පලදා කතර දන සුව පැන් දිදි පවර දළදා සමීදු වැද බැස ගලා යයි මහවැලි නදි

#### ඇල්ගුඩ් වටපුළුව



ඇල්ගුඩ් වටපුළුව විශ්‍රාමික විදුලි හා යාන්ත්‍රික ඉංජිනේරුවෙකි. කවි හා සාහිත්‍යය කෙරෙහි ඔහු තුළ ඇති ඇල්ම ඔහුගේ විශ්‍රාම ජීවිතය ක්‍රියාශීලී කරයි.



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



### D.C. ලියූ, C.T. ගැසූ, සම්පූර්ණ නොකළ ගීතය

ශ්‍රී ලංකාව නිදහස ලබන වකවානුවේ, එනම් එක් දහස් නවසිය හතළිස් ගණන්වල අග භාගයේ, ලාංකේය ගීත සාහිත්‍යයේ කැපී පෙනෙන ප්‍රචණත, මූලික වශයෙන් හතරක් දක්නට තිබිණි. ඒවා නම්, සිරිසේන විමලවීර / හියුබට් රාජපක්ෂ ප්‍රමුඛ නූර්ති ගී / විටර් ගී සම්ප්‍රදායය, සිංහල සිනමාව ආරම්භයත් සමඟ ඇතිවුණු දක්ෂිණ භාරතීය / උත්තර භාරතීය අනුකාරක ගීත සම්ප්‍රදායය, ආනන්ද සමරකෝන් / සුනිල් ශාන්ත බිහි කළ ස්වතන්ත්‍ර ගීත සම්ප්‍රදායය වගේම, ඒ හැමටම වෙනස් මගෙක වූ වොලී බැස්ටියන් / ජස්ටින් ප්‍රනාන්දු මූලිකවූ බයිලා ගී සම්ප්‍රදායය විය.

එදවස පැවතියාවූ, මෙම කාලීන සම්ප්‍රදායයට ගැනී නොවූ, වෙනස්මවූ සිංහල ගීත කලාවක්; ස්වභාවික සුන්දරත්වය වගේම, සිංහල ගැමි සමාජයේ රස මුසු තැන් අළලා ලියැවුණු සරල, සුගම ගේය පද රචනා වලට බටහිර සංගීතය මුසු කරමින්, නව ආරක ගීත සම්ප්‍රදායක් බිහිකළ, සිංහල පොප් ගීතයේ පුරෝගාමියා වශයෙන් සිරිල් විසුඩර් ප්‍රනාන්දු සංගීතවේදියාගේ ආගමනය සිදුවූයේ, මෙවන් වකවානුවකය.



C.T. ප්‍රනාන්දු

මහාචාර්ය සුනිල් ආරියරත්න ගවේෂණයන්‍යට අනුව, සිරිල්.විසුඩර් ප්‍රනාන්දු ගුවන් විදුලියේ ගැසූ මුල්ම ගීතය, 1947 දී ගැසූ 'සවස් කල ඇලේ - හමන මද නලේ' වශයෙන් තහවරුවේ. එහෙත් ඔහු රසික ජනාදරයට පත් වූයේ, එම වසරේදීම ඊටා ජෙනෙවි ප්‍රනාන්දු (ලතා වල්පොල) සමඟ ගැසූ 'පින් සිදු වන්නේ - අනේ බාල ලමුන්නේ' ගීතයෙනි.

සිරිල්.විසුඩර් 'පින් සිදු වන්නේ - අනේ බාල ලමුන්නේ' සමඟින් C.T. විය.

එම සම්ප්‍රදාය තුළ, එතෙක් මෙතෙක් C.T. ගැසූ සියළුම ගීත, කාලය අභිබවා අදටත් එකසේ ජනප්‍රිය වීම

ආශ්චර්යයකි. විනෝද වාරිකාවකදී හෝ සුහද හමුවකදී හෝ අදටත් අපි ගයන්නේ, බාල, වැඩිහිටි සියළුදෙනාම එක්ව ගයන්නේ, C.T.ගේ ගීතයන් නොවේද...?

ඒ අතරින්, 'මා බාල කාලේ', 'අඹිබිලි මාමේ', 'සදවට රත්තරු', 'පුන්සද හිනැහෙන්නේ', 'ලෝ අඩ නින්දේ', 'මී අඹ වනයේ', 'සිගිරි සුකුමාලියේ', 'සැළලිහිණි කොවුල්', 'මී වදයකි ජීවිතේ', 'කිමද සුමිහිරියේ', 'වන බඹරෝ', 'සිහින ලොවේ මීහිරි මැවූ මාලි', 'සුවද රෝස මල් තෙලා', 'බරබාගේ', 'මගෙ සුදු මාමේ', 'පරවුණු මල් නැවත නැතේ පිපෙන්නේ', 'සරුංගලේ', 'ධ පැල් ධකලා', 'බිළිදා නැලූවේ උකුලේ' සහ 'ආනේ ඩිංගක් ඉන්නකෝ' වැනි ගීත සදා අපගේ සිත් සතන්හි රැඳී පවතී. විදේශයක සංගීත ප්‍රසංගයක් පැවැත්වූ මුල්ම ශ්‍රී ලාංකේය ගායකයා වූයේද C.T. ය. ඔහු 1969 ජූනි 24 වැනි දා ලන්ඩන් නුවර පොදු රාජ්‍ය මණ්ඩල ශාලාවේ දී යුරෝපීයයන් වෙනුවෙන් සිංහල ගීත ප්‍රසංගයක් පැවැත්වීමට තරම් දක්ෂයෙක්, වාසනාවන්තයෙක් විය.

අද රස කතා කොලම තුලින් විශේෂයෙන්ම මම ඔබ හමුවට ගෙන එන්නේ, C.T. ගායනා කළ ගීත අතුරින්, ඔහුට මහරචා ගන්නට, වළක්වා ගන්නට නොහැකිවූ යම් හේතුවක් නිසා, CTට සම්පූර්ණයෙන්ම

ගායනා කරන්නට නොහැකිවූ එක් ජනප්‍රිය ගීතයක සුල මුල වගේම, ඇඬි එහෙම වුණේ කියලා.

C.T. ගායනා කළ ගීත එකතුවේ, අපි හැමෝම ආස කරණ ගීතයක් 'ආනේ ඩිංගක් ඉන්නකෝ - ඔය දැන පොඩ්ඩක් දෙන්නකෝ' ගීතය නමයි මෙම අවසනාවන්ත තත්වයට පාත්‍ර වූණේ. මේ රහස එළියට පැන්නේ, මින් වසර කිහිපයකට ඉහතදී කොළඹ තෙළුම් පොකුණේ පැවැත්වූ විශේෂ සංගීත ප්‍රසංගයකදී.

මෙම ප්‍රසංගයට විශේෂයෙන්ම ඇතුළත් වූයේ අද අප අතර නොමැති මෙරට සිටි විශිෂ්ටතම, ජනප්‍රියතම ගායකයන් තිදෙනෙකු C.T. ප්‍රනාන්දු, H.R. ජෝතිපාල සහ ක්ලැරන්ස් විජේවර්ධනගේ ජනප්‍රිය ගීතයන්. 2017 වර්ෂයේදී නලින් පෙරේරා ප්‍රමුඛ මේරියන්ස් සංගීත කණ්ඩායම මගින් පවත්වන ලද එම ප්‍රසංගයේදී නමයි ගායක නලින් පෙරේරා විසින් මෙම රහස අනාවරණය කරමින් සම්පූර්ණ ගීතයම ගායනා කළේ. නලින් එහිදී කියා සිටියා ඔහු ඒ සම්පූර්ණ ගීතය ගායනා කරන්නේ ගීතයේ ගේය පද ලියූ D.C.ජයසිංහ පද රචකයාගේ පූර්ණ අවසරය ඇතිව ඔහුගේ ඉල්ලීම මත කියල.

ඒ සම්පූර්ණ ගීතය පහත U-Tube ලිඟුවෙන් ඔබට රස විඳිය හැක. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6AUpc7JWx\\_A&t=46s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6AUpc7JWx_A&t=46s)

මේ සඳහා හේතු පාදකවූ සත්‍යය කතා පුවත, පසුව D.C. ජයසිංහ ගේය පද රචකයාණන් විසින් මාධ්‍යයට මෙසේ හෙළිදරව් කළේය.

“එවකට Radio Ceylon නමින් හැඳින්වූ ගුවන්විදුලිය පිහිටා තිබුණේ බොරැල්ලේ කොටා පාරේ පැරණි නිවෙසක. එහිදී ගුවන් විදුලියේ ශ්‍රේණි ගත ගායක, ගායිකාවන් සඳහා සෑම මසකම පැය බාගයක සරල ගී වැඩ සටහනක් ලැබුණා. මේ වැඩසටහන සඳහා ඔවුන් අලුත් ගීත නිර්මාණය කළ යුතුවිය. පැය බාගයක් තුළ ගීත හයක් ගායනා කිරීමට සිදු වූ අතර එක ගීයක් සඳහා වෙන්වූයේ විනාඩි තුනක කාලයක්. 'ආනේ ඩිංගක් ඉන්නකෝ' ගීතයේ සියළු පද ජේලි ගැසුණා නම් එය විනාඩි 3 ඉක්මවනවා. එහෙයින් මුල් පද ජේලි දෙක පමණක් ගායනා කිරීමට C.T.ට සිදු වුණා. අවසන් පද ජේලි ගීතයෙන් හැලී ගියේ ඒ අයුරින්.”



D.C. ජයසිංහ

සාන්ත ජෝසප් විදුහලේ කිසියම් උත්සවකට පැමිණි අවස්ථාවක C.T.ට D.C. හමුවිය. කලක් කොළඹ ශාන්ත ජෝසප් විදුහලේ නියෝජ්‍ය විදුහල්පතිවරයා වූ D.C. ජයසිංහ මහතා එම පාසලේ සිංහල සාහිත්‍යය ගුරුවරයාද විය. එම උත්සවය සඳහා පිළිගැනීමේ ගීතය රචනා කර තිබුණේ D.C. විසිනි. එම ගීතයේ පද රචනාවේ වූ සුබාවිත ලක්ෂණ හඳුනාගත් C.T. තමා වෙනුවෙන් ගීතයක් රචනා කර දෙන ලෙස D.C. ගෙන් ඉල්ලීය. D.C. එම ඉල්ලීමට එකඟ වූයෙන්, තමා විසින් කලකට පෙර රචනා කර තිබූ 'ආනේ ඩිංගක් ඉන්නකෝ' ගීතය ඔහු C.T. ට ප්‍රදානය කළේය.

C.T. සහ D.C. පසුකාලීනව ඉතාමත්ම සමීප මිතුරන් බවට පත් වූහ. D.C. ජයසිංහ මහතා C.T. ප්‍රනාන්දු වෙනුවෙන් 'දෙව් පුතන්ගේ මිහිරි ගීතයේ', 'හිරුද අවර ගිලිලා එතෙර මුහුදේ', 'රත් තැටියේ කිරි කැටියේ හා පැටියෝ', 'ආනේ ඩිංගක් ඉන්නකෝ' වැනි ගීත විශාල ප්‍රමාණයක් රචනා කළේය. ඔහු C.T.ට හැර වෙනත් කිසිදු ගායකයකු වෙනුවෙන් ගීත රචනා කර නොමැත.

"මගේ හිත ගිය එකම ගායකයා C.T. නිවැරදිව වචන උච්ඡාරණය කරපු සංගීතයට හඬ යටපත් වන්න නොදී පැහැදිලිව ගීත ගායනා කරපු ඔහු විශිෂ්ඨ ගායකයෙක්. ඒ නිසා මම ඔහුට පමණයි ගීත රචනා කළේ."

C.T. අප අතරින් වියෝ වූයේ 1977 ඔක්තෝබර් 17 වැනිදා වකය. D.C. ජයසිංහ මහතා 2021 අප්‍රේල් 30 දින දිවියෙන් සමුගත්තේය.



**සමන්මල් ගුණරත්න**  
මෙම සටහන ප්‍රසිද්ධ පුවත්පත්, අන්තර්ජාලය තුලින් ලබා ගත් ලිපි ඇසුරින් නිමවූ බව කරුණාවෙන් සළකන්න

### Dinner Dance with Misty's, No 1 Band in Sri Lanka

After considerable effort and burning of the proverbial midnight lamp, the Sri Lanka Ex-Servicemen's Association of Qld (SLExServQld) was able to bring to a successful conclusion an event that was planned and executed by a small band of dedicated ex-servicemen and the Police personnel in Qld.



*Committee Members of SL Ex-services & Police Members @ Misty's Dinner Dance in BNE on 03 June 2023*

In this regard it would not be inappropriate to mention here, with some modesty, that the SLExServQld has come in for universal praise for the evening's dinner dance and everything that went with it. Once again, we wish to acknowledge that this would not have been possible without our supporters' and members' assistance. It is our intention to stage similar events in the future and we look forward to your continued co-operation and support.

**Jayantha Pathikirikorale**

On behalf of the Organising Committee

**ARUNELLA** - Sunday 9.00am - 10.00am

**SANDELLA** - Wednesday 9.00pm - 10.00pm



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## Special Dhane Pinkama

Buddhist Vihara of Queensland acknowledges and thanks Anton Swan OAM for his altruistic and tireless services to our community as Honorary Consul for Sri Lanka in Queensland. Mr Swan is stepping down from his post after a tenure of 33 years.

Saturday, 8 July, 2023  
from 10.30am

108 Eric Street, Goodna, Brisbane



If you would like to participate, please contact the following by July 2 for catering purposes.

- Sastha Ariyasinghe 0408 752 864
- Ruchika Pathirana 0410 410 167
- Rasitha De Silva 0428 937 805
- Asela Weerasinghe 0448 880 608

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In memory of Kathleen Keegel on her 100th Birthday, let's celebrate by helping those in need.

Join us for a delicious Sri Lankan Hopper lunch and enjoy a family day of dancing, raffles and Bingo.

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2023**

**11:30 am - 3 pm**

**Nolan Hall - Corpus Christi Parish Nundah**



Entertainment by Ty Fox  
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You are prayerfully invited to  
**The Annual Feast of Our Lady of Madhu**

Saturday, July 22 2023  
Rosary at 10.30 am  
Followed by Holy Mass at 11:00am  
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2541 Beechmont Road,  
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A special bus service to Marian Valley would be favourably considered subject to sufficient bookings.  
The bus will start at Garden City (Park & Ride)  
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Please contact following persons for further information:  
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Pushpa Jayasekera - jayasekera05@gmail.com or 0418 101 083  
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## Monthly News Digest: June 2023

01	President unveils govt's roadmap for socio-economic reforms and accelerated development	<a href="https://www.adaderana.lk/news/90968/president-unveils-govts-roadmap-for-socio-economic-reforms-and-accelerated-development">https://www.adaderana.lk/news/90968/president-unveils-govts-roadmap-for-socio-economic-reforms-and-accelerated-development</a>
01	Sri Lanka cuts rates by 250 bps, signals rebound from crisis	<a href="http://bizenglish.adaderana.lk/sri-lanka-cuts-rates-by-250-bps-signals-rebound-from-crisis/">http://bizenglish.adaderana.lk/sri-lanka-cuts-rates-by-250-bps-signals-rebound-from-crisis/</a>
08	President intervenes to confirm Harsha as CoPF Chair	<a href="https://www.ft.lk/front-page/President-intervenes-to-confirm-Harsha-as-CoPF-Chair/44-749232">https://www.ft.lk/front-page/President-intervenes-to-confirm-Harsha-as-CoPF-Chair/44-749232</a>
09	Privatizing SLT detrimental to national security: Sectoral Oversight Committee	<a href="https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91141">https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91141</a>
09	Ministry of Power and Energy signs agreement with RM Parks Inc to ensure uninterrupted fuel supply	<a href="https://island.lk/ministry-of-power-and-energy-signs-agreement-with-rm-parks-inc-to-ensure-uninterrupted-fuel-supply/">https://island.lk/ministry-of-power-and-energy-signs-agreement-with-rm-parks-inc-to-ensure-uninterrupted-fuel-supply/</a>
10	Sri Lanka relaxes import restrictions on over 300 items	<a href="https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91162">https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91162</a>
12	Prof. Anura Manatunga steps down as DG of Archaeology Dept.	<a href="https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91211">https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91211</a>
13	Navin Dissanayake appointed Governor of Sabaragamuwa Province	<a href="https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91228">https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91228</a>
13	Govt moots introducing minimum age to ordain kids as monks	<a href="https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91236">https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91236</a>
13	Sri Lanka Customs deems import restrictions on vehicles 'a hindrance' to revenue	<a href="https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91237">https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91237</a>
14	Sri Lanka Army doctors set Guinness World Record for largest kidney stone removal surgery	<a href="https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91249">https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91249</a>
15	President launches new online passport application system	<a href="https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91294">https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91294</a>
15	Sri Lanka's economy shrinks 11.5% in Q1	<a href="https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91292">https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91292</a>
18	Cabinet approves use of electric buses in Colombo city	<a href="https://www.adaderana.lk/news/91344/cabinet-approves-use-of-electric-buses-in-colombo-city-">https://www.adaderana.lk/news/91344/cabinet-approves-use-of-electric-buses-in-colombo-city-</a>
18	Parachute tourists carry on booming businesses in the South and East	<a href="https://www.sundaytimes.lk/230618/news/parachute-tourists-carry-on-booming-businesses-in-the-south-and-east-523282.html">https://www.sundaytimes.lk/230618/news/parachute-tourists-carry-on-booming-businesses-in-the-south-and-east-523282.html</a>
18	Chiranthi and Yudhanjaya: Two winners for Gratiaen Prize	<a href="https://www.sundaytimes.lk/230618/news/chiranthi-and-yudhanjaya-two-winners-for-gratiaen-prize-523264.html">https://www.sundaytimes.lk/230618/news/chiranthi-and-yudhanjaya-two-winners-for-gratiaen-prize-523264.html</a>
19	Dutch govt. returns some artifacts to SL	<a href="https://island.lk/dutch-govt-returns-some-artifacts-to-sl/">https://island.lk/dutch-govt-returns-some-artifacts-to-sl/</a>
22	Expressway buses sans conductors record Rs. 0.5 Mn weekly income	<a href="https://www.themorning.lk/articles/vgZsUekXXJT8wqTcmVNW">https://www.themorning.lk/articles/vgZsUekXXJT8wqTcmVNW</a>
23	ICC World Cup Qualifiers: Sri Lanka win big against Oman	<a href="https://www.adaderana.lk/sports/9652/icc-world-cup-qualifiers-sri-lanka-win-big-against-oman">https://www.adaderana.lk/sports/9652/icc-world-cup-qualifiers-sri-lanka-win-big-against-oman</a>
25	Amid serious shortage of drugs, Health Ministry fails to clear WHO donation	<a href="https://www.sundaytimes.lk/230625/news/amid-serious-shortage-of-drugs-health-ministry-fails-to-clear-who-donation-523898.html">https://www.sundaytimes.lk/230625/news/amid-serious-shortage-of-drugs-health-ministry-fails-to-clear-who-donation-523898.html</a>
25	Risk of a dengue epidemic with onset of monsoon – Dr. Ananda Wijewickrama	<a href="https://island.lk/risk-of-a-dengue-epidemic-with-onset-of-monsoon-dr-ananda-wijewickrama/">https://island.lk/risk-of-a-dengue-epidemic-with-onset-of-monsoon-dr-ananda-wijewickrama/</a>
25	HNB honoured as the Best Retail Bank in Sri Lanka for the 13th year	<a href="https://island.lk/hnb-honoured-as-the-best-retail-bank-in-sri-lanka-for-the-13th-year/">https://island.lk/hnb-honoured-as-the-best-retail-bank-in-sri-lanka-for-the-13th-year/</a>
25	Sri Lanka advance in World Cup qualifying as Ireland crash out	<a href="https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91506">https://www.adaderana.lk/news.php?nid=91506</a>
25	Milka first Sri Lankan gymnast to qualify	<a href="https://www.dailymirror.lk/breaking_news/Milka-first-Sri-Lankan-gymnast-to-qualify/108-261764">https://www.dailymirror.lk/breaking_news/Milka-first-Sri-Lankan-gymnast-to-qualify/108-261764</a>
26	Minimum room rate is back to city hotels to boost tourism earnings	<a href="https://www.ft.lk/top-story/Minimum-room-rate-is-back-to-city-hotels-to-boost-tourism-earnings/26-749946">https://www.ft.lk/top-story/Minimum-room-rate-is-back-to-city-hotels-to-boost-tourism-earnings/26-749946</a>
27	'Mahavamsa': Great Chronicle of Sri Lanka added to UNESCO Memory of the World Register	<a href="https://www.adaderana.lk/news/91530/mahavamsa-great-chronicle-of-sri-lanka-added-to-unesco-memory-of-the-world-register">https://www.adaderana.lk/news/91530/mahavamsa-great-chronicle-of-sri-lanka-added-to-unesco-memory-of-the-world-register</a>
28	Cabinet gives go-ahead for DDR	<a href="https://www.dailymirror.lk/top_story/Cabinet-gives-go-ahead-for-DDR/155-262006">https://www.dailymirror.lk/top_story/Cabinet-gives-go-ahead-for-DDR/155-262006</a>

## Sri Lankan Events - Brisbane and SE Qld

## July 2023

01	Farewell Ceremony for Mr Anton Swan	Forest Lake Temple
01	Music and Cricket	Nalanda OBA
01	Esela Pinkama	Goodna Temple
02	Movie: According to Matthew	Nalanda OBA
02	Sri Lankan Hopper Lunch	Kathleen Keegel Children's Fund
08	Blessings to Anton Swan Pinkama	Goodna Temple
15	Anton's Farewell/ Felicitation	FSOQ
15	Fun Day Out Get Together	Agricola Queensland
15	OAAQ Donate Blood	Old Anandians' Assn.
22	Our Lady Madhu Feast	Sri Lankan Catholics
29	Vas Invitation Ceremony	Forest Lake Temple
29	Vas Invitation Ceremony	Goodna Temple
29	Retro Gala dinner Dance with Redeemers	Yes Entertainment

## August 2023

06	BBQ and Barefoot Bowls	Silver Fawn Club
20	Annual General Meeting	Old Anandians Association of Qld
26	Swarna Swara Concert	Sathsara Entertain.

## September 2023

16& 17	Agricola Overnight Stay and AGM	Agricola QLD
23	Hollywood Glamour Night	Silver Fawn Club
30	Saralanga	Sinhala Association

## October 2023

8&9	Annual Katina Ceremony & Dana	Forest Lake Temple
15	Sri Lanka Day	FSOQ
28,2	Annual Katina Ceremony and Dana	Forest Lake Temple

## November 2023

04,05	Katina ceremony - Pirith Chanting &	Goodna Temple
04	Katina Pinkama	Gold Coast Buddhist Centre
05	Melbourne Cup Lunch	Silver Fawn Club
11	Amal and Niroscha Concert	Sathsara Entertain

## December 2023

09	Christmas Celebration	Silver Fawn Club
16	Sangamitta Day	Forest Lake Temple
31	New Year's Eve Dance	Silver Fawn Club

## January 2024

27	Paduru Sajje	SPUR Qld
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## February 2024

04	Picnic/ Car Rally	Silver Fawn Club
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## March 2024

09	Annual General Meeting	Silver Fawn Club
16	Billy 242 Concert	Sathsara Entertainment
23	Black Dinner Dance	Aradhana Entertainment

**FSOQ** and member organisations

**WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL GALA EVENT TO SAY "Thank you, Anton"**

*For dedication and commitment to the community as Honorary Consul for Sri Lanka in Qld and generous patronage of the FSOQ and member organisations*

**Saturday, July 15, 2023**  
**Souths Sports Club**  
 174 Mortimer Rd, Acacia Ridge  
 6 to 11.30pm  
 \$60.00 (adult)  
 \$30.00 (children aged 3-12)  
 Buffet dinner - no BYO  
 Featuring DJ DarknTall1 & cultural performances

To book tickets, contact:  
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*Anton Swan OAM and wife Bronwen, who has been by his side through his 33-year tenure as Hon. Consul for Sri Lanka in Qld.*

## Radio 4EB - Sri Lankan Program Schedule

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

Date	Producer/Panel Operator
02 Jul	NawroosNaeem/ Kasun Karunaratne
09 Jul	FSOQ Special Program/Dhanushka and Kasun Karunaratne
16 Jul	Samanmal Gunaratne/ Samanmal Gunaratne
23 Jul	Lakmini Keerawella, Kumarasinghe Dissanayake/ Janaka Weerasinghe
30 Jul	Jayantha Weerasekera, Seetha Vithana/ Jayantha Weerasekera
06 Aug	Ananda & Nayana Samarantunga/ Mihika Samarantunga

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

Date	Producer/Panel Operator
05 Jul	Yovun Sandella/ Sameera Samarasinghe
12 Jul	Kumara Dissanayake & Guest/ Sandun de Silva
19 Jul	Sameera Samarasinghe & Guest/ Sameera Samarasinghe
26 Jul	Thisara Pathirennehelage and Kanchana/ Thisara Pathirennehelage
02 Aug	Yovun Sandella/ Sameera Samarasinghe

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