



Silverscene

Official Newsletter of the Silver Fawn Club Inc

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July – September 2024

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Forthcoming Events

		Closing date
Sat 27 Jul 2024	Christmas in July	Closed for bookings.
Sat 31 Aug 2024	Anniversary Dance	TBA
Sun 15 Sep 2024	Sri Lanka Day (FSOQ)	TBA
Sat 7 Dec 2024	Christmas Carols	TBA
Tue 31 Dec 2024	New Year's Eve Ball	TBA

Articles and photos wanted for the next edition of Silverscene

Closing date Wednesday, 18 September 2024

Silver Fawn Club Inc. Cancellation Policy

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

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President's Message

Dear Members

We have just completed our first quarter of the new term of our Silver Fawn Club. It is in an early stage but there is a positive reason to be excited that the two events that have been completed, that's the Annual Camp and the Have-A-Chat, have both been a huge success. A big Thank You to all our members, guests and their families for supporting the club in these events. Regretfully, Tamara and I were unavailable to attend these events as we were overseas in the month of May due to an earlier planned holiday. How I wished we could have been there. On the other hand, a consolation for us is that there are many more events to come!

My sincere thanks go out to Isidore Storey, co-ordinator, and the sub-committee, comprising Ruth Storey, Herby and Lorraine Tucker, Andy and Preethi Weerasinghe, Basheer and Yvonne Omar, Niranjalie Silva and Debbie Jansz for a tremendous job done to organise and run the Annual Camp at Lake Perseverance, that was held from the 4th to 6th of May. Also, to all the volunteers who contributed towards this success. The delicious food, music and entertainment, sporting and fun activities made up this enjoyable event that was attended by over 90 plus members, guests and their families.

Our first Have-A-Chat for the year, shot out of the 'stalls' under the theme of 'Have A Flutter' on the 26th of May. We had a full house of 90 Members and Guests who enjoyed a fun filled day with a delicious buffet, desert and afternoon tea provided by Rena and Jeremy Henderling. My thanks go out to Isidore and Ruth Storey and the sub-committee for organising this function.

Our next function is 'Christmas in July', on the 27th of July. Breaking News!!! It has just SOLD OUT!!! I would like to say thank you to Ray Anthonisz and Tyrone Allon, joint-coordinators, and the sub-committee of Ruth Storey and Debbie Jansz for a great job. Once again, my thanks go out to our members and guests for supporting this function. Looking forward to meeting all of you.

Save the date!!! More exciting news.... Our next function is the Anniversary Dance and is scheduled for the 31st of August. Gerard Fernando is coordinating this event along with a sub-committee comprising, Laurensz Manricks, Maithri Jayawardena, Tyrone Allon and myself.

In my first President's Message that is in the last Silverscene Newsletter, I had highlighted the importance of your continued support to our Club, and it is very fulfilling to see this support. Thank you again!!! Remember your continued support and participation is helping our Club grow. We, as the Committee, have been elected by you and, as volunteers, we will do our very best to deliver these functions for your entertainment, enjoyment, socialising and fellowship. Your participation will be our utmost rewarding experience during our term.

As for our Committee, they have been working tirelessly to plan, develop and execute the events, produce the Silverscene Newsletter, manage the financial affairs of the Club, the day-to-day administration, purchasing of new equipment and developing our new website, handling membership (new and renewals). All these tasks that are carried out to ensure the



President's Message (Continued)

smooth functioning of our Club. They have been doing an excellent job. We are a team with individuals that have past-experience, strong ideas and some new blood with fresh ideas, energy and it is not always smooth sailing at the end of the day, to blend these traits. Somehow, we work as a Team, and we are striving to combine these strengths to be successful and in a harmonious way. This is for the growth of our Club.

At the time this message is going to publication, I regret to announce that David and Elizabeth Grugeon have resigned from their positions of General Secretary and Asst. Gen. Secretary. However, David has offered to continue as The Editor of the Silverscene Newsletter and to assist in the smooth transition.

Thanks, David, for your gracious gesture. I also regret to announce the resignation of our Vice President Isidore and Ruth Storey, Committee member. They too have been gracious and offered to stay on until the events that they are currently working in, will be completed. Thanks, Isidore and Ruth. My sincere thanks go out to David and Elizabeth Grugeon and Isidore and Ruth Storey for all your hard work and contribution to the Committee and the Club. It was great having you as part of our committee. We will miss you all.

I would like to announce that Gerard Fernando has been appointed Vice President and Debbie Jansz as General Secretary. Congratulations and my very best wishes to both of you and wish you all the success.

In conclusion, I would like to sincerely thank all our members for their full support and participation and would love to see you at all future Club events and functions during the rest of the year. The great support and participation from you, our members, has been very encouraging and it is very rewarding for the sub-committees that have been entrusted to plan, organise and execute these events. Thank you!!!

That's about all for now. Blessings always!

Stay safe.

Brian Dissanayake



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Committee Changes

For personal and health reasons, David Grugeon (Hon Secretary) has had to resign. Debbie Jansz-Cox has been appointed to this position. David has agreed to continue to compile the Newsletter, from information provided by the Committee, as Editor for the time being.

Elizabeth Grugeon (Assistant Secretary) has resigned.

Isidore Storey (Vice President) has resigned. Gerard Fernando has been appointed to this position.

Ruth Storey has resigned.

The list above shows the new membership of the committee after these changes.



Update from the Treasurer

As mentioned by Brian in his April President's Message, the Club has secured a special once-off grant from the QLD Government for \$23,500 from a Fund they call the Gambling Community Benefit Fund. The funds are intended to refresh most of our old archaic club assets which have long been written off.

To give you more information, there are five areas where we have received funding:

PA System – Amp, Microphones, Mixer, Mic Stands, Leads	\$6,114
Projector and Screen	\$4,908
Laptops x 2 plus Microsoft Office, Security and Accounting packages	\$5,086
Website Development.	\$6,600
Club Banners	\$800

By way of an update:

- We have completed the research and purchased the new PA System
- The Projector and Screen has also been purchased – we are awaiting delivery of the Screen which is on back-order.
- The Committee has decided to engage our current Website consultant Kim Senior from Kindlevision to rebuild our website and David Grugeon and I have commenced a project to complete this task.
- We have done the homework on the Laptops and would like to spend some of these funds on a club printer in lieu of some of the software packages. We need to apply to the fund managers for a variation to be able to do this.
- We have decided on the style of banners to be purchased and expect to place the order and approve the artwork in the coming weeks.

We are required to 'acquit' the funds by 1st August or apply for an extension if we need more time to find and buy the items we need. I will continue to keep you updated on our Grant spending.

In other financial news, I'm pleased to advise the following financial results for the events we have conducted this year:

- AGM 2024 - Excess of Expenses over Income of \$412
- Camp 2024 - Excess of Income over Expenses of \$5,010
- Have-a-Chat – Excess of Income over Expenses of \$644

The current Bank Balance at the end of June stood at \$36,810.50 including the grant money or \$13,302.50 excluding it.

Thanks for your continued support of the Club's events.

Laurensz
Treasurer



Lake Perseverance Camp

Report from Niranjalie Silva

“A-camping we will did go” and oh what fun we had! A grand total of 92 happy campers!

The volunteer kitchen brigade of eight campers arrived Friday afternoon, just to ensure the rest of the campers could be well fed from the moment they arrived. From about 8.30 am on Saturday the rest of the mob started to roll in. With the register ticked off and wrist bands on, they hauled their luggage to the allocated cabins.

After tucking into eggs, bacon, sausages and toast, it was down to the sports field to work it all off! Not everyone was free to do that though - there was lunch to be prepared and other activities to organize. All tackled by the volunteers with a smile and a laugh!

More food a few hours later - lunch consisting of yellow rice, chicken curry, vegetable curries, salad and all the trimmings, followed by, wait for it... Watalappan to die for, prepared by “Master Chef” Ruth Storey.

The evening parade of those letter “P” characters was a real hoot! It included a pimp and a prostitute strutting their stuff beside the “Pope”, a pregnant (wo)man who gave birth to a “bouncing baby ball” and the sexiest contingent of policewomen you would never see! There were also pharaohs and princesses galore, a pirate with a menacing look and even a “poop”! The kids were brilliant – an airline pilot who is sure to turn into a heartbreaker someday, a pint-sized paramedic and paparazzi who did a superb job of acting the part.

How lucky were we to then be treated to a dinner of stringhoppers, coconut sambol, pork curry and potato curry. The colourful décor of lanterns and stars turned the hall into the ideal venue for a long night of rocking and rolling thanks to Ruvan’s fantastic selection of music.

Milk rice, fish curry, Katta Sambol for Sunday breakfast. What more could we ask for?! Campers then dispersed into a variety of activities – yoga, Sunday service, cricket, carrom, line dancing, bingo, treasure hunt.... Throughout the day, groups of people were spotted polishing their acts for the evening concert. Following yet another yummy lunch consisting of fried rice, chicken curry, dhal curry, salad and pappadums, we were treated to a fantastic dessert of Pineapple Fluff, thanks to the talents of Ruvani Liyanagedera.

Before all this food could even be digested, we were gorging on Cherry’s ribbon cake and Ruth’s chocolate cake to celebrate several birthdays. What luck for the rest of us!

Following a roast dinner, the hall was turned into the venue for the grand finale – the concert. The performances included some talented singers, a girl with the amazing ability of strumming tunes on a guitar held aloft backwards over her head, an outrageous fashion parade brought to us by some exotic characters from all corners of the world, a segment of “Brisbane’s Got Talent”, a step-by-step lesson on a delicate surgical procedure for an awkward medical condition, carried out by an “eminent medical professor” using some ingenious tools! We were also entertained by the glittering “Seekers” and none other than “Michael Jackson” himself! The acts presented were testament to the talent and ingenuity of the participants.

Sadly, all good things had to come to an end. Following brunch the next morning and a big clean up, it was back home to catch up on lost sleep!

I am sure I speak for everyone when I say, let’s do it all over again next year!

Niranjalie



Lake Perseverance Camp (Continued)

Some pictures of the camp



This note of appreciation was received from Wyomie Robertson.

I went to the Camp this year, which was my second time. It is better because my parents came too. I love the Camp because it is time out to spend time with family and friends and the organized activities are so much fun! I love that it is grounded in culture, which is important for me to teach my children and spending time in what feels like a kind community is beautiful.

And this from Deanna and Karol Misso

To our delight, Karol and I had the unexpected pleasure of attending the camp at Lake Perseverance this year. Driving is no longer an option for us; Laurensz's gracious offer of transport made this possible.

Camp leader Isidore Storey, ably assisted by Ruth and a team of volunteers astonished us by their tireless commitment and dedication to provide an array of delicious Sri Lankan foods to please the most fastidious palate. Desserts with every main meal especially trays of Vatalapam to die for, and cakes for morning and afternoon tea kept the 'sweet teeth' happy. Of course food is not the only success story of a camp; the Sports Carnival,



Lake Perseverance Camp (Continued)

Treasure Hunt, Fancy Dress Parade, Cricket Match, the Concert and Sing-a-long, the laughter and camaraderie, and the campers themselves, from babies to 80-plus-year-olds, all played their part to make this a thoroughly enjoyable experience for us.

We can only be most appreciative of the planning, preparation and hard work of this small enthusiastic team of organizers who did their utmost to ensure the camp was the success it was. We thank you all and those who worked behind the scenes. Karol was most thankful for the opportunity to provide a simple Communion Service on Sunday; appreciated by those who participated.

Deanna and Karol.

And from Marcelle Moran

Dear Silver Fawn Camp Organizing Committee

I am writing on behalf of all those who were in the Leader's Cabin at the Camp this year -

Pat and Maxine

Roy and Beverley

Niranjali and Neela

Cherry and Carylle

and myself (Marcelle)

We left the Silver Fawn Lake Perseverance Camp on Monday morning filled with gratitude and fond memories of the most amazing camp experience we had had. The food that was willingly cooked by the camp committee was exceptionally delicious and varied, and the activities were diverse and very engaging. We made new friends, and had a lot of fun in the process, and in particular want to thank each one of the 90+ attendees for making this an outstanding camp. Your energy, laughter and enthusiasm made every day memorable, and the friendships that have thus grown will be cherished

forever. I will also always remember the daringly amusing costumes that were paraded on fancy dress night, as well as the talented concert performers the next night. Your enthusiasm, camaraderie and good spirit made every moment special, so much so that I would willingly pay big money to attend shows of that calibre anywhere in the world.

Last but not least, thank you to our reliable and hard-working leaders

- **Isidore and Ruth Storey**
- **Herby and Lorraine Tucker**
- **Andy and Preethi Weeransinghe**
- **Laurensz Manricks**
- **Debbie Jansz Cox**
- **Niranjalie Silva**

To this team that made the 10/10 Camp "REMARKABLE", a **BIG THANK YOU**. Thank you for making it a resounding success, and it was a "blast" only because of your collective efforts. Your dedication, commitment and hard work was valued and appreciated by all who were there, and conclusively did not go unnoticed. Each one of you brought so much energy and fellowship to the camp, which will be remembered for a long time. My special vote of thanks goes out to Isidore, who, with Ruth drove the long distance to the venue on two occasions prior to the camp to ensure that everything was going to



Lake Perseverance Camp (Continued)

fall into place for us, as the committee had planned it. Their dedication to the members of the Silver Fawn Club is rare and has my applause.

Ruvan Dharmaratne - You were brilliant. We were extremely thrilled with the music you provided for the Rock and Roll Night and similarly, ecstatic with the individually picked back-up music for each event of the concert. Your enthusiasm and spirit made each event memorable and we are deeply grateful for your participation.

Angelo de Fransz - You were a diverting Entertainment Director, very efficiently conducting proceedings of the Camp, with most times only given very little notice, but always made things "happen" in a seamless way.

We are all enriched by the experiences at the camp in general and can't wait to see you all again next year for even more excitement.

Thank you again.

Marcelle Moran

And a note from the coordinator

I wish to express my sincere thanks to all the attendees at the Lake Perseverance Camp 2024. It is you who created the great atmosphere to the camp and gave encouragement to me and to the rest of the volunteers. I must thank all those who helped in many ways in planning, donating gifts and sacrificing their precious time to fulfill their given tasks.

I was so proud to play the leader's role with four ex-presidents in my group and they are **Niranjalie, Herby, Andy and Laurensz**. There's no doubt that each one of them had their own agenda to contribute to organising the camp but most importantly, they respected my word and extended their cooperation, and we were able to reach the success we anticipated. I am very thankful to all of them for making my job easier to complete the task. **Debbie, Ruth, Niranjalie, Lorraine and Preethi** were assigned to do all the administration that needed day to day in our program. They were smart enough to go out of their way by assisting where and when it is needed. Ruvan and his choice of music rocked the floor on both days.

A new team member joined our kitchen as a volunteer to help prepare the meals. Thank you, **Sherlene**. Thank you to many volunteers who helped us in many ways by providing gifts and prizes, cakes, biscuits, desserts, dry rations, meats for cooking and helping in cleaning. The icing on the cake was their participation in individual and group performances that made it a colourful and bright evening with so much fun and laughter. Thanks to **Debbie**, we had two youngsters' who were extraordinary two boys loved by all campers. That is **Carlton** (Debbie's son) and his friend **Jacob**. Thank you, boys, you both were amazing, and all your hard work and enthusiasm were well recognised by all campers.

Our cooking team went hand in hand purchasing all the requirements and this was the most difficult task since we were far away from home. We prepared 664 meals and made sure that everyone was content. Our goal was not to run out of food. We were able to successfully accomplish that mission.



Lake Perseverance Camp (Continued)

We missed one of our long-standing committee members/volunteers **Basheer and Yvonne**. They were the first to come on board upon my request. Unfortunately for us, they had a family gathering overseas and was unable to attend the camp. However, they contributed by donating decorations, purchasing and wrapping gifts and prizes and promoting the camp to all his children, grandchildren and friends.

Due to a couple of changes in my planning, a few people accepted my last-minute call and came to join our working team. That was **Angelo, Glen and Laurensz**. In one-word you guys are “Champions” and thank you for doing a wonderful job.

Finally, a couple of negative comments that was reported to me and I took it up as a challenge to do better in future. One of them was campers entering cabins without the consent of the occupants, just to exhibit the layout of the cabins. I have made a note for next time and I hope this unfortunate incident will not happen again in the future.

I must say a big thank you to my wife **Ruth**, for all her assistance overall also in recording bookings and allocating cabins along with **Lorraine**. These two have a lot of potential when organising functions. Thank you to **Niranjale** for coming on board to back me up with all admin that I had planned and did the flyer in such short notice. I am proud to say, I am surrounded by very talented people and their influence will bring our members back to attend our functions, that is my main priority.

It was a blessing that we had **Karol** and **Deanna** to take the Sunday service at the camp, that made some of the campers fulfill their Sunday obligation and acknowledge that God was with us.

Thank you to all the attendees for making this camp a success. This wouldn't have been possible without your support. Hope to see you all next year!

Isidore

Camp Coordinator

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Have-a-Chat – ‘Have a Flutter’

Here are some photos of this successful event.





Christmas in July

*SILVER FAWN CLUB
PRESENTS*

*CHRISTMAS IN JULY
DINING AND DANCING*

*SATURDAY 27 JULY 2024
6.30PM to 11.30PM*

*EVERTON PARK BOWLS CLUB
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Our 54th Anniversary

Dinner Dance

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30 Tel El Kebir Street, Mitchelton 4053

Sri Lankan Buffet

Music

Members \$45 per person

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