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From the editor's desk

Greetings all. Just to let you know, this issue of the Berita RSC will be the last one for this year.

The next issue will be published in late January 2015 after the Christmas and New Year period which is always a merry and celebratory one for the RSC and members.

As this is the final issue ahead of the EGM due on December 14, I will wade straight into an urgent matter at hand that is and must become the business of all members.

I have written in the past with passion about the positive winds of change that have blown through the RSC in recent times.

Well, yet another mega gust of winds is starting to blow and could scythe through the lush Kiara Annexe in just a matter of time. These winds have the propensity to change the geography and landscape at the Annexe forever.

For some clues, please read a key message on Bukit Kiara development in the President's latest message (Page 5).

There, he talks about the need to start a process rolling at the coming EGM to lay the basis for re-developing the entire Kiara Annexe from mid-2015 onwards. Reason - to cater to a view that there is demand growing for more space and facilities there.

Toward this end, a Bukit Kiara Development Committee (BKDC) has been set up and it has been meeting feverishly to formulate a proposed development plan, he says.

If you remember, when Kiara was originally labeled an Annexe, it was meant to be what an annexe really is -- a building or facility used as an addition to the main (Dataran) clubhouse.

Those were the days my friends. Welcome to the present and the future.

The Kiara Annexe has since outgrown itself in terms of revenue generation, sporting activity, F&B etc and is deemed by the Club leadership to be crying out loud for re-devel-

opment and expansion.

There is enough land there on which proposed new facilities such as a ballroom, multipurpose hall, tennis courts, changing shower rooms, multi-storey car park, outlets etc can be sited.

However, the kicker is that there will be a cost tied to the proposed redevelopment and enlargement.

It could very well be a way forward towards laying the foundations of a legacy that caters to the growing and wider needs of our next generation of members and families. It could also lead to the opening of more revenue streams as the number of outlets and facilities rise while the Kiara Annexe's inherent and untapped potential is maximized.

As capacity constraints loom at both clubhouses and financial bottom lines are adversely impacted, the proposed Kiara Annexe project may no longer be an option but an imperative.

Hence, a detailed business plan for the redevelopment will be tabled at the coming EGM.

Subject to a green light from members at the EGM, the next step would be the establishment of a permanent BKDC charged with providing detailed architectural and engineering designs that will be presented to members at the next AGM in June 2015.

So fellow members, keep the date as it is imperative that all are present to debate this issue from all angles at the coming EGM in December.

It should be an interesting day.

On another note, wine lovers - the newly formed Wine Committee to address all matters related to the much-loved "grape juice" at the Club has started meeting under the chairmanship of Datuk Dominic Puthucheary.

More discussions are in the pipeline to refresh, renew, acquire and boost drinking



of good quality, but reasonably priced wine in RSC, by the time the festive season arrives in December.

Watch out for the advent of wine and cheese parties and wine pairing dinners in the near future.

We await more comprehensive news from the Wine Committee in the next issue. Talking about wine and art and an evolving new culture at the Club:

There has also been a proposal to exhibit abstract art and start art classes for members and their children at the RSC, I hear.

If this materializes it will be yet another new activity that can capture the imagination and interests of children and their parents. Its always exciting when new activity and initiatives come to the fore at the Club.

It's a true sign of vibrance and freshness of ideas.

HERE'S WISHING YOU A VERY JOYOUS CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR 2015.

RAJAN MOSES

President's message

New plans for Kiara Annexe and paperless transactions

Dear Members,
As I enter the fifth month of my second term as your President, I am now focusing on the implementation of a host of recently approved developmental and service initiatives to build upon the Club's achievements to date.

These include the comprehensive upgrades of the entire computer systems at both premises of the Club. Members can now use the Kiosks located at the Lobbies of Dataran and Kiara to access information on their monthly balances and daily spending patterns. New chip based memberships cards, with additional security features, will be issued shortly to Members and Privileged Persons. Members will have the opportunity to use their mobile phones for a variety of the Club's services including on line bookings of function rooms, dining arrangements at the several F&B outlets, Field bookings, etc.

In conformity with the Nation's Environmental & Go Green policies, the Club has started the practise of issuing monthly E-Billing to all the Members who are currently registered for this facility. I call on members who have not done so, to register their email addresses at the Club in order to take advantage of this service. I should add that, subject to all operational processes being in place, all billings and publications of the RSC Berita shall be E-Billing & E-Berita compliant by 1st January 2015. Clearly, there will be substantial cost savings.

The emphasis on maximizing paperless transactions will also apply to members of Affiliated Clubs that visit the RSC. The current coupon system will be replaced with debit cards for use by visiting members when winning and dining at the Club. All Affiliated Clubs will be informed of this cost and time saving approach.

As communicated to you in the last edition of the Berita, I established the Bukit Kiara Development Committee (BKDC), in line with the decision of the House at the previous AGM. Under the leadership of Datuk P. Krishnasamy, the Committee comprises Mr. Vincent Thambyrajah, Mr. Kanagarajah, Mr. Inderjit, Mr. Indra Ramanathan and Mr. Dinesh Nambiar. Each brings to the exercise lengthy pertinent experience in the architectural and building industry and they now meet weekly with the aim of formulating a viable development plan which caters for the longer term needs of the Kiara Annexe which is now bursting at the seams.

The proposed expansion plan would include a Grand Ballroom, a Gymnasium, Tennis Courts, a Multipurpose Hall, Multi Storey Car Parks, Changing & Shower Rooms for both Home & Visiting Teams, several Bars, Games, Utility & Reading Rooms. Their proposals, together with a business plan, would be presented at the EGM to be held on 14 December 2014 for preliminary approval by members.

The GC on its part will table a motion to establish a permanent BKDC whose first objective is to table a final development plan at the AGM in June 2015 for approval by Members. The terms of reference will include the appointment of consultants, calling for tenders, awarding of the contract through the GC, overseeing the project from commencement date to date of completion. I urge all members to attend the EGM this December as your input will help in charting the future direction of the Club.

Managing sports expenditure has always been challenging. Substantial costs are incurred annually to maintain and operate the several sports facilities used by members. However, prudent financial manage-



ment necessitates a gradual reduction of the annual Sports Budget to ensure that the Club's consolidated financials continue to remain sustainable. It is therefore incumbent upon Sports Sections to increase their reliance on their respective section funds for the funding of their sporting activities and to rely less on subsidies from the Clubs' sports budget. The guidelines for the use of the Club's sports budget are set out in the Sports Bye-Laws.

The RSC has a long tradition of serving as an incubator for national sporting talent. Mindful of this, I look forward to the Sports Convenors to actively identify and recruit new sports members who are well placed to support the Club's competitive edge. Much progress has been made by the Rugby Section in enlarging its talent pool as reflected by the recent admission of 21 new Rugby sports members. The Billiards, Cricket, Squash and Badminton Sections are working closely with the Membership Sub Committee to expedite the recruitment of Sports Members. More needs to be done to increase the Clubs sporting assets and I urge other Sections to reach out to young professionals and university students that have a

President's message

passion for sports to join as Sports Members.

I hardly need to stress, the RSC has to ensure that the services provided to members, particularly in respect of food and beverage, are of the highest standards. This in turn is dependent on an empowered, high calibre General Manager, supported by committed staff who can be relied upon to discharge their responsibilities with professionalism, zeal and dedication. While the feedback received from members have been largely positive, certain short-comings were also highlighted.

Accordingly, I've met with all senior management staff and highlighted the critical importance of them doing more to enhance the Club's service standards and maintenance regimes. Key performance indicators

(KPIs) for each staff member are now being finalized and these would be the cornerstone of the Annual Performance appraisal exercise.

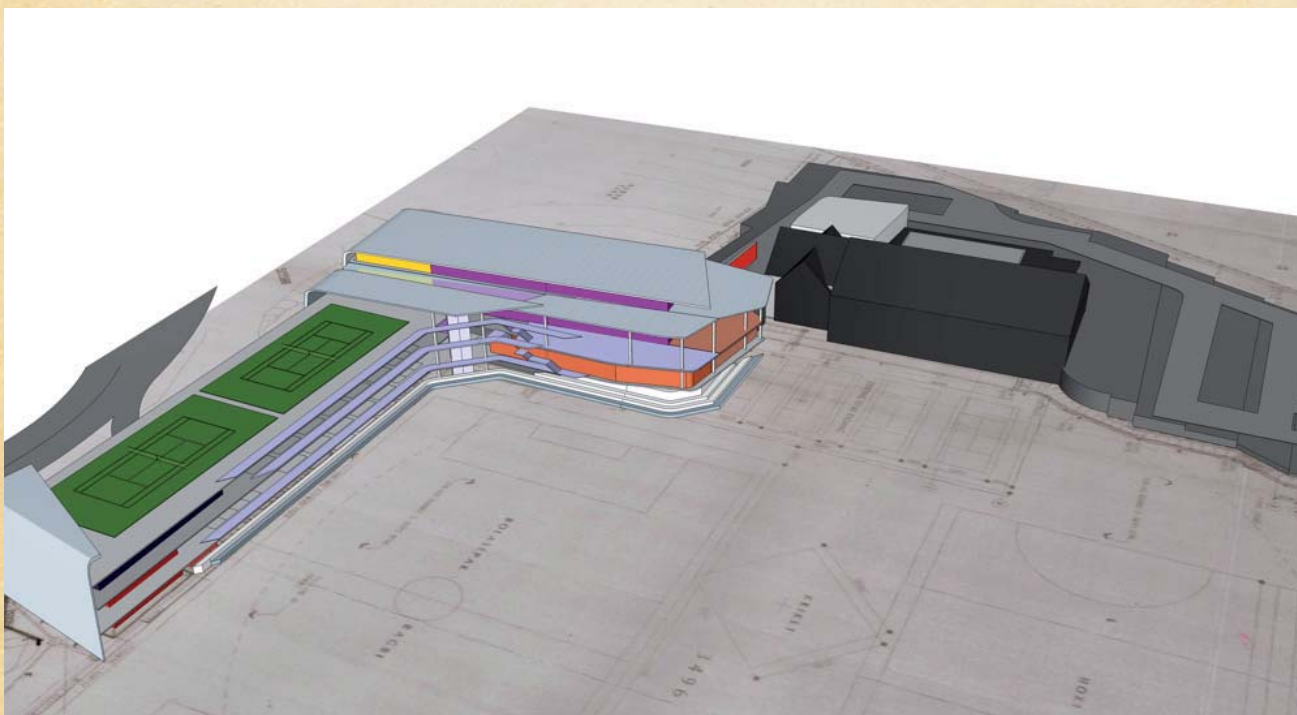
Needless to say, the Club benefits from services of staff with superior professional and personal contributes that they bring to their positions. An exemplary example is Puan Kapsah Binti Kostari a pantry attendant who found and returned a bag with valuable and cash that was misplaced by a guest at a dinner function in our Ballroom on 7th November 2014. My letter of commendation reproduced (page 8) should speak for itself.

At the time of writing, the Diwali spirit still prevails. Soon it will be Christmas and the start of yet another New Year. In keep-

ing with the growing festive mood, the Club has planned several celebratory events to enable all members to share the festive joy with family and friends and I look forward to you support and participation.

Happy Clubbing!!

BRYAN PERERA
President.



Artist's impression of what the Kiara Annexe could look like in the future

CLUB'S REVISED CREDIT POLICY

As members are aware new credit policies are in place to improve the Clubs operations and address the issue of defaults by Members. Understandably, some members have questioned the justification for the new policies and sought clarification on the new credit limit. Since some of the questions are most pertinent, these together with the answers are presented to enable all members to gain a fuller understanding of the revised credit policies.

Why was it necessary to revise the earlier credit policies?

The credit period for the revised credit policy remains unchanged. Members are given 1 month to settle their bills followed by an additional 1 month extension before the Club takes appropriate actions to recover the outstanding balances.

However, under the earlier policy there was no limit on the amount of credit given to members. Although it was the expectation that all members would settle their outstanding balances when due, regrettably there have been instances of default. This is borne out by 2 pertinent examples:-

The first, which happened this year, was in respect of a member who incurred almost RM26,000.00 before defaulting on his dues. The second involved 2 members who defaulted with outstanding balances of RM70,000.00. In both cases the repeated and continuing attempts to recover the overdue amounts have been unsuccessful.

Viewed in the context, the General Committee which is committed to improving the Club's operations and financial discipline, found it necessary to introduce credit limits to safeguard the Club. This was on the premise that the absence of credit limits will increase the risks of high value defaults which undoubtedly dent and erode the Club's profitability.

What is the new credit limit?

The credit limit is RM5,000.00 which is equivalent to the refundable deposit of RM5,000.00 paid by those who now join the Club. This is considered to be adequate to cover a member's normal expenditure items in the Club. These include Club's subscriptions, service tax, sports sections fees, participation in Club events, minimum spending, the wining and dining bills as well as other expenses incurred at the Clubs outlets. The exclusion items are events and functions organised by individual members. These expenses, consistent with earlier practices, have to be settled in full by the member prior to the function or event.

Can a member seek an increase of the credit limit?

The answer to this question is yes. If Members feel that their usual spending pattern would exceed RM5,000.00 they may opt to increase their credit limits by increasing their security deposits to the desired level. As an example, a member who requires a credit limit of RM10,000.00 can secure this by increasing his/her security deposit to RM10,000.00.

How does the Club enforce the credit limit?

The new computer system has been designed to address this. As with any credit card, the membership card would be immediately deactivated when the member's outstanding balance exceeds RM5,000.00. The card is only reactivated after the member makes a payment. However, this does not mean that the full amount of RM5,000.00 must be paid immediately for reactivation. Whatever amount paid by the member would be reinstated into his/her balance and the member may utilise that amount.

Will the credit limits eliminate the credit defaults or only reduce the default risks?

Over the last 3 years, the Club has implemented several measures to strength its operations to place it on a firm financial footing. The records show that it has turned the corner and the Club is now profitable as evident in the last Audited Accounts. The forecast for 2014 and the budget for 2015 also show a continuation of this healthy trend. The Club remains committed to build on this trend and the new credit limits would effectively avoid the unnecessary risks associated with defaulting members. It is evident that the new credit limit of RM5,000.00 would eliminate large value defaults and any potential defaults will be limited to a maximum of RM5,000.00.

How can I check on my current outstanding balance with the Club?

Members who visit the Club will have noticed the new kiosks at the lobbies in both Dataran and Kiara. Members can use these to obtain their current balances rather than wait for their monthly bills. They could also obtain details of the current balance by going online.

By The Finance Sub-Committee

General...



ROYAL SELANGOR CLUB

11th November 2014

Puan Kapsah Binti Kostari
Staff Id:1126
Pantry Attendant
Food & Beverage Department
Royal Selangor Club



Dear Puan Kapsah,

Re: Letter of Commendation

On behalf of the General Committee, Members of the Club, I write to express my appreciation for your highly commendable act in finding and immediately lodging with the Club a bag with valuables and cash. This was misplaced by the organizers of a wedding function in the Dataran Ballroom on Friday, 7th November 2014.

What you did clearly manifest the highest standards of honesty and professional conduct and in doing so you have made the Club proud. You have also proven to be a role model for all staff and as a token of our appreciation, please accept the enclosed cheque of RM100.00.

This letter will be placed in you file and published in the Berita.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Bryan Perera
President



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From the General Manager's Desk

Club abuzz with sports events and functions

Greetings to all members, The recent months have been busy for the Club with the staging of three major events, the Oktoberfest celebration, the Introduction Night and the Deepavali Ball.

The Darts Section held its Annual Championship at our Dataran Ballroom. Held from 10th till 12th October 2014, it was well supported with participation by 22 teams. The Hockey Section also organised on the same dates its Annual tournament at Kiara which drew more than 20 teams. A junior tournament was held concurrently and this was yet another example of the Club's commitment to promoting junior sports development.

The Oktoberfest was by far an overwhelming success. More than 600 members and guests thronged the Kiara field for an evening of good German food, Tiger beer and lively music by a German Band and Blink 2, the popular Malaysian pop group. Those who attended were rewarded with souvenir beer tankards.

The Introduction Night, on 7th October 2014 was a grand affair. Consistent with the Club's tradition, 33 Temporary Members accompanied by their Proposers and Seconders as well as family and friends met with the President and the General Committee over drinks and dinner. They were then elected as Ordinary Members of the Club.

The Deepavali Ball on 8th November

2014 at the Ballroom in Dataran was indeed an evening of celebration and merriment with Indian cuisine and free flowing drinks. Guests enjoyed a repertoire of cultural dances and songs before moving on to the dance floor and staying on to well after midnight.

Live music has now returned to Kiara. A duo band called Purnama performs jazz and old favourites at the Oval Bar every Friday from 8.30pm onwards and this has been well received by members.

Food lovers will be happy to know that we are currently running an Oyster and Sizzling promotion at Verandah Dataran and Coffeehouse Kiara. There are raw and grilled oysters for your appetizers and sizzling lamb, salmon, jumbo prawn and chicken for your main courses. Don't miss these delicious dishes.

For Single Malt Whisky drinkers we have Hakushu 12 years old from Japan and Old Pulteney 12 years old from Scotland. Hakushu comes with 2 rock glasses and Old Pulteney comes with a miniature bottle.

Wine drinkers have not been left out. They can avail themselves of two very good Sicilian wines Tenimenti Grillo IGT VINO Bianco Sicilia and Tenimenti Nero D'Avola IGT VINO Rosso Sicilia. Both are available at very attractive price of RM65+ per bottle.

The traditional Sunday Curry lunch has returned, and is now available every Sunday in the food court area. The home cooked



South Indian food, is already proving to be very popular as evidenced by an average of 150 members and guests turning up every Sunday.

As announced earlier, it was necessary to close the Chinese restaurant in early August 2014 in order to undertake some urgent remedial works. These have been completed and the renovated Bamboo Grove restaurant with a new service provider will be open for business later this month.

Finally, our barber shop at Dataran has been in operation for two months, we are receiving positive feedback for the good service for haircuts and shaves at very competitive prices.

We are now experiencing the buildup of the merry mood for Christmas and the New Year. Our management team, is planning appropriate festive events and all our staff are gearing themselves to provide the highest standards of service.

Kevyn Lee
General Manager

The Christmas Rock and Roll party will be held at the Long Bar on 12th December 2014 and will be priced at RM80 for Members/ RM90 for Guests. This will include rock and roll music, a Christmas buffet, free flow of wine and beer till 11pm.

The New Year's Eve Ball will be held at the Ballroom on 31st December 2014 and will be priced at RM138 for Members/ RM158 for Guests. Entertainment will be from The Valiant band. There will be a five course Western set dinner with free flow of wine, whisky and beer till midnight. There will also be Lucky Draw prizes.

For reservations please contact F&B Department at 03-2692 7166



Membership Chairman's report

REINING IN YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

The RSC now has 12,483 members. This large number which encompasses all categories of membership is a clear indication of the heavy workload of the Membership Department, which supports the Member Sub-Committee,(MSC).

Established under Rule 24.2 of the amended Constitutional Rules, the MSC benefits from the participation of 3 senior lawyers; namely Mr. P. Jayasingam, Mr. Amarjit Singh Sidhu and Mr. Naren Gill. Its responsibilities are wide, with the key ones being (i) the admission of new members; (ii) streamlining membership procedures, (iii) updating membership records, (iv) enlarging Club membership and (v) managing the reciprocal arrangements with other Clubs.

This report outlines the salient developments for the period July 1st- October 15th 2014.

STREAMLINED MEMBERSHIP ADMISSION PROCEDURES

The time span of the admission process, commencing with the vetting of applications including interviews and culminating with the Introduction Night has been reduced to 4 months. This is largely due to amended standard operating procedures which now required interviews to be held for new applicants every 3 weeks and the holding of Introduction Nights every quarter. The Membership Department now has a calendar, shown in Figure 1, for the Interview and Introduction Nights. This enables all applicants, Temporary Members and their Proposers/Seconders to select their preferred dates for both events.

An Introduction Night was held on 7th October 2014 with 33 Temporary Members transiting to Ordinary Membership following approval by the General Committee. Significantly more than half of them were below the age of 45, several below 35 years with 16 in the age range of 46 to 61 years.

NURTURING SPORTING TALENT

The MSC has also simplified the admission procedures for Sports Members. Twenty (26)

Sports Members, comprising 21 for Rugby, 2 Badminton, 1 for Cricket, 1 for Squash, 1 Billiards were admitted during the reporting period. Significantly, both the Badminton inductees are former National players' and they have volunteered their services as coaches for the Clubs Badminton Junior Development Programme.

Clearly, there is a need to increase the pool of Sports Members as the RSC is widely



promotes the recruitment of new members and as shown in Figure 2, a healthy trend is emerging. It is also encouraging that more young professionals are joining the

FIGURE 1- Calendar for Interview dates and Introduction Nights

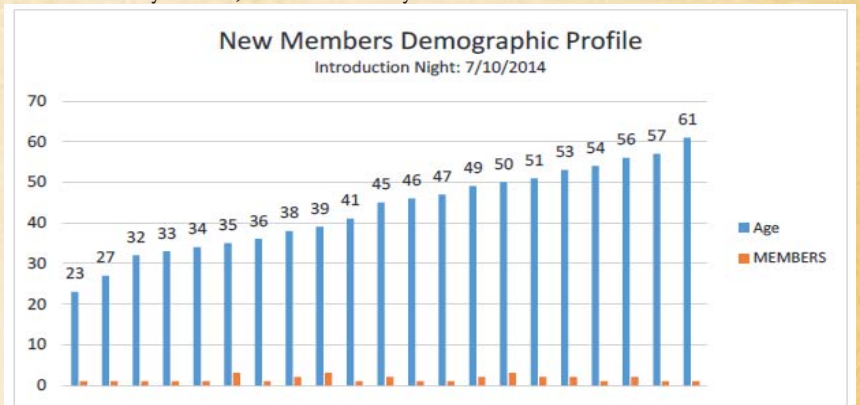
| MONTH | INTERVIEW | INTRODUCTION |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| AUGUST | WED 13/08/2014 | |
| SEPT | WED, 10/09/2014 | |
| OCT | WED, 15/10/2014 | FRI 7/10/2014 |
| NOV | WED, 12/11/2014 | |
| DEC | WED, 10/12/2014 | |
| 2015 | | |
| JAN | WED, 14/1/2015 | FRI,23/1/2015 |
| FEB | WED, 11/02/2015 | |
| MAR | WED, 11/03/2015 | FRI, 20/03/2015 |
| APR | WED, 8/4/2015 | |
| MAY | WED, 13/5/2015 | FRI, 22/05/2015 |

recognized as an incubator for National Sportsmen. Accordingly, the MSC works closely with the Convenors to increase the number of Sports Members.

REINING IN YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

As mandated by the GC, the MSC actively

RSC since this is necessary to change the current membership demographic profile which is skewed towards greying members. A supportive measure is an installment scheme whereby young professionals earning less than RM6,000.00 a month can



join the Club, by only paying the refundable deposit of RM5,00.00 with the balance or the entrance fee of RM12,500.00 being paid over 12 months.

Another notable initiative is the proposal to encourage members' children, between the ages of 21 and 26 years, to benefit from a 50% reduction in the entrance fee. However, this proposed scheme, which awaits approval of a Resolution to be tabled at the forthcoming Budget EGM in December, would be limited to children of members of ten years standing and more. The applicants benefiting from this scheme would also be eligible for paying the reduced entrance fee by installments over a 6 months period.

UPDATING MEMBERSHIP RECORDS

The Membership records of the RSC have now been updated and full details are readily accessible from the Club. There was total of 12483 as shown in the table below and they comprise Ordinary, Life, Privilege, Honorary, Lady, Visiting, Invited, Sports Members and Temporary Members.

| MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY | Number |
|--|--------|
| Ordinary | 3405 |
| Life | 1747 |
| Privilege-Life | 101 |
| Lady | 129 |
| Visiting | 4 |
| Invited | 7 |
| Honorary (inclusive of spouse & children) | 84 |
| Sports | 31 |
| Privilege Person (Spouse & Children) | 6966 |
| Temporary Members' (New Candidates) | 93 |
| Total | 12,483 |

Finally my thanks to my colleagues in MSC for their invaluable contributions to the work of the Committee. The Membership Department is also discharging, with much credit its wide span of responsibilities and I wish to place this on record.

Dr A. Selvanathan
Membership Chairman

F&B , Entertainment get boost at Kiara



For a long period of time, several members of the Club were under the impression that Kiara with its sports facilities was solely a Sports Annexe. Consequently, members seeking merriment and live music for dancing confined themselves to Dataran. However, their perception has now changed with the current General Committee's decision for live music at

the Oval every Friday.

The response has exceeded expectation. Attracted by performances by the Purnama duo with their wide repertoire of songs raging from jazz to current hits, members and their guests are now cramming into the Oval Bar every Friday evening. Significantly, a number of them are of the younger age group and this augurs well for the Club as it takes the pressure off the Pavilion Bar which no longer has the capacity to cater to the Friday evening crowd.

Some members have suggested that a Ladies Night be held possibly every month at Kiara. This proposal is now in being subject to detailed study and members will be informed of the outcome shortly.

Much has also been done on the Food & Beverages front. Members would have noticed a distinct improvement in the level of service provided by staff who have now benefited from on the job training.

The menu at our Indian food outlet Eats

Cafe is also under constant review to provide members with wider choices.

More significantly, there has been a downward revision of prices following negotiations with the caterer.

We are also pleased to announce the addition of a new Fried Kway Teow stall, effective November 21 at the Kiara food court.

Clearly, there is much scope to liven up Kiara with more entertainment offerings and this remains our focus for the coming months.

Watch out for more developments in 2015 .

Shamugam.R
F&B and Infotainment Chairman
(Kiara)



ROYAL SELANGOR CLUB

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE ROYAL SELANGOR CLUB WILL BE HELD IN THE BALLROOM (DATARAN) ON SUNDAY, 14 DECEMBER 2014 AT 10.30 A.M.

AGENDA

1. President's Address.
2. To receive and consider an estimate of the Income and Expenditure of the Club for the period commencing from 1st January 2015 to 31st December 2015 in accordance with Rule 26.4
3. To receive and consider an estimate of the Capital Expenditure of the Club for the period commencing from 1st January 2015 to 31st December 2015 in accordance with Rule 26.4
4. To transact any other business of which due notice in accordance with Rule 26.2 shall have been given.

BY ORDER OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE

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Kevyn Lee
General Manager/Secretary
7 November 2014

Note:

At the Extraordinary General Meeting,

1. Registration for members opens at 9.30 a.m. on 14 December 2014 and closes at 11.30 a.m.

club office update... ICT

Club's most comprehensive ICT upgrade completed

The RSC ICT upgrade exercise that started in middle of May this year has been completed.

This upgrade signifies the most comprehensive investment in higher technology by the Club since ICT was first introduced to our computer system way back in 1985.

This upgrade aims to serve members better and also help improve many key processes in the Club. To some extent it will also change the way we do business at the Club.

Many core functions such as membership administration, Finance, Human resources, events management and sports administration have been integrated into the system. This will ensure a seamless flow of information and improvements in performance.

The introduction of upgraded and new systems will or come along with challenges – the need for members and staff to change their mindsets and let technology do some work for us.

Fortunately, it is with trial and error

that will succeed enabling users to realise that the system is an effective tool to assist performing daily task and doing them with high consistency and quality.

With the Club ICT System having been in full operation for the past four months, we are pleased to report that the following additional tasks and work were also achieved:

1. The attendees' registration system deployed at the Annual General Meeting in June this year marked the first time in the RSC history that we were able to capture voters' attendance electronically. The system simplified the registration process and was well received by members. Although the system was initially installed to run parallel with the manual system, the efficiency in terms of speed and accuracy was soon apparent and the management then decided to discontinue the manual system altogether.

2. Improvements for the Housekeeping Department

An electronic "Towel/ Locker tracking system" has been installed at both Club-

houses. Members requiring towels and locker need only to produce their membership card. The system then authenticates and records the request.

3. Delays in services at Food & Beverage outlets that resulted from manually written orders will be a thing of past. Now we have kitchen and bar printers that print orders immediately at these locations the moment orders are entered via the POS terminals or the mobile tablets.

4. The mobile tablet is part of the wireless ordering system currently on trial at the Verandah. Wireless systems offer mobility and are able to process orders right at the customer's table.

To further improve on the services and increase convenience for members, we have added the following online services that can be done electronically:

1. Booking of facilities.
2. Account Enquiries,
3. Intro Card applications
4. Guest Invitations
5. Update of Contacts



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6. Car Park sticker application

These services are now available to members on the Web portal (www.rsc.org.my) and Mobile apps on a 24X7 basis. Members can undertake these tasks from the convenience of the home or office or even while traveling.

RSC Mobile app is designed for smart phones and available in both IOS and Android versions. Referred to as “RSC”, the application is now downloadable from Apps Store for Apple iPhones and Play Store for Android phones. The mobile apps’ download links are also available at www.rsc.org.my

The Guest invitation service via mobile app or web portal, allows member to send an electronic invitation to

visitors and guests encoded as a QRCode.

The guest can then quickly scan this QRCode at the kiosk in the lobby. The system will then validate and register the guest. It informs the guest the exact location or outlet the hosting member is expecting him or her at the club.

At the time of writing, the ICT committee has already embarked on upgrading the Club’s WiFi system to cover more areas and improve ICT service quality for the members. While the infrastructure is being looked into, members are requested to get ready to update their profiles to include email addresses, mobile numbers and to sign up for e-Statements. It is also essential to register for RSC online services as all future communications and notifications will

also communicated via the ICT system.

The General Committee and Management sincerely hope that members and staff will contribute positively towards enhancing clubbing experiences as a result of the improvements provided by the ICT upgrade and implementation.

club event...music & arts

Annual Karaoke Competition

BY ANGELINE CHEONG

The RSC Musical & Arts (M & A) Section hosted its Annual Karaoke Competition Finals in September and the contest was attended by a solid crowd.

The audience of well-dressed and groomed supporters and competitors filled 15 tables.

The competition kicked off with a speech from the Convenor of the M & A Section, Daniel Tan.

In his brief but concise message, he extended a warm welcome to all present -- the RSC General Committee, the contingent from Royal Klang Yacht Club, which had hosted our section the month before, and members of the Raintree Club and the Royal Lake Club.

Dinner was a buffet spread comprising a fusion of local and western fare. With appetites satisfied, the competition was launched by the MC for the night, Teng Mui Ngee with DJ Zach manning the turn-

table.

While wishing all contestants the best, Teng exhorted the RSC team to emulate previous successes.

The 20 solo and 5 duet finalists for the night were selected from a pool of 18 soloists and 4 duets from the 1st heat; and 11 soloists and 6 duets from the 2nd heat. Of the lot, 4 soloists and 1 duet will be selected from the finalists to represent RSC at the Inter- Club Karaoke Competition at the Royal Lake Club on 15th November 2014.

The judging criteria and point awards system were explained:

Vocals 40% Clarity & Diction 25% Tempo 25% Showmanship & Attire 10%

Teng then asked for the audience's fullest support to enable the contestants to sing their best without disturbances or distractions.

The sponsors for the night were named, to warm appreciation from the floor :

- The General Committee, for granting 3

barrels of beer and 3 bottles of whisky for the function;

- Mr & Mrs Chin Wee Leong of Eternal Medals Sdn Bhd, for cash awards, trophies and medals; and -Mr&MrsSeeYapYam for 2barrelsof beer and 3 bottles of whisky.

Solo category :

- 1st prize - RM 300 + Trophy
- 2nd prize - RM 200 + Trophy
- 3rd prize - RM 100 + Trophy
- 4th prize - Trophy
- 5th prize - Trophy

Duet category :

- 1st prize - RM 300 + Trophy
- 2nd prize - Trophy

The judges for the night were Mr Gerald Lee, Mr Raymond Jagan and Mr Eddie Zachariah, who are band members and musicians, had more than adequate credentials to judge the competition.

From 9 p.m. onwards, the contestants took the centre stage, presenting a repertoire of English, Malay, Mandarin, Cantonese, Mandarin and Hindi songs.

The performance of the finalists in order of appearance were as follows :

Soloists

1. Peter Loh - El Mondo
2. Kevin Ong - Kau Yang Sangat Ku Sayang
3. Ronald Lee - Sometimes When We Touch
4. Leong Kim Meng - Mandarin number "A Man Crying Is Not A Sin"
5. Choo Boon Lim - It's Now Or Never
6. Richard Loh - Dreamy Eyes
7. David Lee - Am I That Easy To Forget
8. Ms Chow Xian Hui - Mandarin number "A Caged Bird"
9. Ms Erica Chin - Mandarin number "He Does Not Love Me"
10. Ms Calista Lim - a Broadway, Lost In My Dreams
11. Mike Soo - She Believes In Me
12. Ms Audrey Lee - Blame It On The Bossa Nova
13. Vincent Lee - I'll Be Home
14. Kam Kah Nuen - Mandarin number "A Happy Gathering Together"
15. Simon Lee - You Raised Me Up



The winners with their prizes

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16. Ms Tenny Lee - Mandarin number "It's All An Ending"

17. Ms Melissa Wang - Di Persimpangan Dilema

18. Y K Foo - North To Alaska

19. Rashid - "Janam, Janam"

20. H S Teoh -

Eternity Duets

1. Simon Lee & Ms Melissa Wang - Tonight I Celebrate My Love

2. Y K Foo & Ms Audrey Lee - Endless Love
3. Leong Kim Meng & Ms Chow Xian Hui - Mandarin number "I Don't Like To Sleep Alone"

4. David Lee & Ronald Lee - Words

5. Choo Boon Lim - It's Now Or Never

6. H S & Mrs Margaret Teoh - Mandarin number "In The Rain"

One esteemed judge commented that the level of singing prowess shown by all the finalists was extremely good from range of vocals to spectrum of emotions.

However, the contestants and the show were let down by poor quality microphones, with sound "bursting", muffled, screeching, poor acoustics etc..

Because of the sound system, allowance was given to the singers, wherein if a song was started on a wrong key, the contestant had another chance to re-start his or her song without being penalised.

Despite the shortcomings, the audience enjoyed themselves and the contestants displayed much tolerance and sportsman-ship.

During the intermission, the audience was serenaded by RSC President, Mr Andrew Bryan Pereira, who came in later to grace the occasion after attending another function,

He rendered his all-time favourite "Take Me Home Country Roads".

The MC Teng sang his well-primed version of "My Way". The other "guest singers" who took to the floor were immediate past M & A Section Convenor, Dato' B S Sidhu, a lady representative from Royal Klang Yacht Club; veteran singer of Mandarin evergreens tunes, Mr Sie and Mr Thye, the official photographer for the night.



When the results were announced, a healthy mix of new talent and veterans was unfolded.

Leong Kim Meng & Ms Chow Xian Hui took the 1st prize for the duet category, with the male duet of David Lee & Ronald Lee being awarded 2nd placing.

The 3rd to 5th placings for the solo category went to Ms Chow Xian Hui, Leong Kim Meng and Ms Audrey Lee respectively.

It was a neck-and-neck affair for the top 2 solo placings, between two popular and young crowd pleasers with huge potential.

The 1st prize went to Ms Calista Lee and Ms Melissa Wang walked away with the 2nd prize.

RSC President, Mr Andrew Bryan Pereira, sponsors Mrs Doris Chin and Mr & Mrs Sie

gave away the prizes, followed by the requisite photo sessions.

It was learnt that as Calista is currently pursuing studies in Broadway music and her aspiration is to be a soprano. She was encouraged by her dad to gain exposure at the contest although she is only 16 years old.

As such, the 4 other soloist prize winners will represent RSC in the Inter-Club Competition at the Royal Lake Club.

After the usual thanks, the regular "night owls" then stayed back to re-cap the night over the free-flowing beer until late.

sports... **a view on yuanji**

How Yuanji Qigong came to RSC

Gloria Lee and her husband, Chew Leong, teach qigong classes at RSC. This article by Gloria appeared in the newsletter of the Yuanji Qigong Association of KL & Selangor and is reproduced here with her and the association's kind permission.

When teacher Dato Robert Lim Sin Khong, the present president of the Yuanji Association, introduced my husband Teacher Chew Leong and me to Yuanji in 1996, it never occurred to us that we would become so involved with Yuanji.

Today, we not only practice, we teach six days a week in 3 centres. Our lifestyles have changed dramatically definitely for the better. When we started we were taught "Dong Gong" and the first Yuanji dance by the two past presidents, Teacher Thomas Kok and Teacher Eugene Hoo. To further our understanding and practice of Yuanji, we went to 'Wuhan Lian Hua Shan', China in October 1998 to attend Yuanji courses conducted by Professor Zhang Zhi Xiang, the founder of Yuanji Science and other teachers. An aspect of the study included 'Guanding' which is the transfer of energy from a qualified individual to another individual through the Gate to Heaven or the Joint of Hundred Meridians (top of the head) to the other vital body points.

When "Guanding" is performed, the recipient will experience heightened energy levels, and feel a better balance of his Yin-Yang Chi. "Guanding" also harmonizes the mind! heart/body, which finally contributes to good health and clarity of mind. To sustain and improve upon such a healthy and balanced physical and mind state, regular practice of the Yuanji exercises and meditation is not only necessary, but is compulsory for every serious practitioner.

In May 1998 I started my own centre in SS2, where I used to live.

With the help of a few instructors namely Anna Khoo Phak Khem, Yong Kee Kow, Anthony Kwok Sue Sang, Jenny Loo, Chong Peng Chai, Susan Lee Ah Mooi and Tham Ah Lan, we started 2 additional centres at Wawasan Pusat Bandar Puchong and Royal Selangor Club (RSC). Teacher Thye Hong Kuen who is a member of RSC initiated the RSC centre. He



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sports... **golf**

Above par, above all else

■ BY JEFF TEO

The Northern Tour

No maxim is more universally held than that which says practice makes perfect. Many happy repeats later, the section's Northern Tour continues to improve, each time better than the last. This time around, the big change was in the choice of hotel. Despite stories recounting the haunting at the Aloha Hotel in Hadyai, our stay turned out to be very pleasant. Perhaps there was something about RSC golfers that does not appeal to the meanest of spirits, or perhaps it was our naturally occurring nocturnal inebriation that immunised us against spooking and other stuff that ghosts supposedly are fond of doing.

The group played their first game of the Northern Tour at the Cinta Sayang Resort in Sungei Petani. The golf course turned out to be a hidden jewel. More people know about the place for the amenities it offers in the way of a resort than the golfing that it provides. The 18-hole par 72 course is proudly touted as a "must-play" course. In all fairness, the claim was anything but far-fetched. The course was attractive in its design and challenging in its layout. The fairways, though looking very commercially manicured still offered the feel of natural hand hewn courses of old. Every hole was surprising, each boasting of its individual challenge. Alas, our joy of exploring the



An evening par excellence to remember

holes was cut short by a thunderstorm. Most of the players merely managed 16 holes at the most. But still this did not drown our enjoyment of the brief sojourn as a whole - the rates were highly reasonable, the lunch that came as part of the package surpassed our highest expectations, and lastly if not chiefly, we were eager to get a move on into the next phase of our journey.

Golf at the Koh Hong Golf Course

The venue for our first game in Hatyai, was the Koh Hong Golf Club. It was Sunday and the more popular Southern Hills Golf and Country Resort only opened in the afternoon. The golf course is tucked away in a little corner to the north east of Hatyai city. It was originally a nine hole course serving mostly for the enjoyment of the officers at the Senanarong military base. Due to the game's growing popularity, another nine was added to the course. As an 18 hole course, Koh Hong is just about three years old. In the short time it has endeared itself to more and more Malaysian and Singaporean golfers. One good reason is that it is situated in the heart of the city and the second reason is the challenge it offers to golfers. For golfers who love challenges in golf, Koh Hong is an ideal destination. Its fairways are generally tight. The new nine holes are hewn from the natural hills and jungles that have been spared from the urbanisation that has been quite rampant. As far as golf goes,



Winners of the Muhibbah Trophy 2014

| WINNERS – KOH HONG GOLF COURSE |
|--------------------------------|
| Ganesan |
| Jeff Teo |
| Soon Tet Leong |
| Jeff Chan |
| Loke Wah Chan |

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this course gets a big thumbs up, perhaps four stars out of five.

The dinner which turned out to be the best ever for the Northern Tours we have had. The food was inexpensive but supremely delectable.

On the second day players formed their own little groups and headed for Southern Hills while another group went to the nearby Thong Thai Barn Rai course. A few members gave golf a miss preferring to stroll through the streets and shops of downtown Hatyai.

RSC vs Bentong Golf Club

It is not quite the norm that a game against Bentong club at their home club would generate such intense interest from our players. Living in the Klang Valley has its advantages - KL-ites are spoilt for choice not only when it comes to golf courses, but to championship stature resort courses. Therefore it comes as a surprise that the call up for the Bentong Golf Club should receive the rousing response it did. Thirty players, who literally filled our coach to overflowing capacity, signed up for the game. A closer check with the members revealed that the Bentong game was their last opportunity to get their passport to qualify for the RSC Annual Golf Championship which had been slotted for October 3 and 4, 2014. One of the rules of the section convention is that participants in the annual must have played at least one game in the year to be eligible to win prizes in the annual. Those without the requisite one game are still allowed to play but they are not eligible for prizes should they be so good as to win.

We arrived at the Bentong Golf clubhouse sharply at eight. Always meticulous in their welcome, the turfmates labeled with the names of the players were lined up; the members of the club headed by their captain and committee members were at the club's entrance to greet and to welcome us. The air was crisp and cool, the grass glimmered with some wetness revealing that a shower had also come and gone. Apologetic for our tardiness, members made a beeline to pack away their things in the locker and quickly

| RSC BEST PAIRS AT BENTONG |
|-------------------------------|
| Sukhdave Singh & David Wong |
| Jennifer Chia & Pauline Looi |
| Gurdeep singh & Liew Hoi Ming |
| Krishnamuthu & V Alagasan |

settled down to a simple breakfast of local delicacies.

At the end of play, Bentong Club thrashed Royal Selangor Club 12 to 3, an outcome that has become quite predictable. The only saving grace was that our players G A Rao and Sukhdave Singh won the overall best pair prize.

The Annual Championship

This year's annual championship was held at the Kota Permai Golf and Country Club, a five-star championship golf course of international standing. A total of 69 players took part in the tournament. The figure is slightly lower than previous years but that did not diminish the competitiveness or the glamour of the section's most important event for the year. As was expected,

the course was immaculate – lush fairways and mirror fast greens. The weather was perfect for most of the game. The greens while superb, was also the cause of much misery. The tales of how a miss ended up a mile away, no thanks to the superfast greens, was the main topic at the lunch. The fellowship, as usual, was excellent.

The annual championship highlight was the dinner and ball. This year saw only a fraction of the wives that used to grace similar events of past years.

There was nothing really to complain about. The food was great which featured a fusion of Mexican flavours. The latin music provided by an all girl trio from Cuba, Mulas d'Habana, completed the ambience for the Latin themed evening.

A cheer came in the form of two more barrels of beer courtesy of the Club President Mr Bryan Perera. There was the customary prize giving where golfers were given their recognition for their performance at the course the day before. (see list)

The fellowship lasted long into the night, slowly exerting a toll on the members who steadily trickled off, happy and satisfied. Another year has come to pass. Many returns lie in the promise. That story will live itself out another time.



sports... golf

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| GROSS CATEGORY | 8. G A Rao | 4. Dr Nesa | 13. Suhkdav Singh | 4. Razman Ariffin |
| WINNERS | 9. Krishnamuthu | 5. Ruben Suppiah | 14. Tan Soo Chai | 5. K W Chan |
| 1. Richard Lau | 10. Derek Daniel | 6. Sukhdav Singh | 15. Tiang Chong Seong | |
| 2. Shanmugam | | 7. Frankie Yong | | MUHIBBAH TROPHY |
| 3. Nadarajah | NETT CATEGORY | 8. Peter Ong | SENIOR CATEGORY | 1. Lim Jin Leong |
| 4. Saiful Ong | WINNERS | 9. Kashminder Singh | WINNERS | 2. Freddy Leng |
| 5. Gurdeep Singh | 1. Jeff Teo | 10. Dato Baljit Singh | 1. Dr Radakrishnan | 3. Harvinpal Singh |
| 6. Anantha Sambu | 2. Solomon | 11. Billy Ng | 2. Lim Jin Leong | 4. Nadarajah |
| 7. Ganesan | 3. Freddy Leng | 12. Anthony Tong | 3. Norman Teoh | |



sports... a view on yuanji

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is now a convenor-cum-teacher of the RSC Yuanji sports section. It is heartening to mention that from an initial student number of 7 at SS2, this number has grown to more than 300 in the 3 centres at end Oct 02'.

Apart from our regular practice of "Dong Gong", Yuanji exercises, meditation and self-massage, we also partake in and enjoy autumn festival celebrations, annual gatherings, local and overseas trips which not only generate a better social life, but also foster greater fellowship and closeness amongst members, especially the older ones.

For the past six over years, we have tried all ways and means to make Yuanji practice interesting and enjoyable for our members, but we have not been totally successful because there are still members giving up.

I have often wondered why?

Is it due to:

1) The difficulty in mastering the steps and delicate movements of the Yuanji dance exercises?

2) Or the lack of commitment and! or self discipline because of the need to rise early for practice?

3) Or because the teachers and instructors are not proficient enough to teach and guide well?

But whatever the reason I would urge members to be patient. Results do not come overnight. They have to be persistent and must persevere in their practice. As mentioned by some teachers from China, it takes them at least 2 years to understand the significance of and to master the movements of just one exercise. It may take longer time for us due to our hectic Malaysian lifestyle but it is not impossible.

If the Chinese teachers can do it, why can't we? As the famous saying goes, 'When there is a will, there is a way'. There may be other reasons why members quit training and we would greatly appreciate if they would let us have some feedback, be it good or bad, on why they quit in order that we may improve. We are open to criticisms and suggestions. Personally, Yuanji has contributed much to my life. It has become more meaningful.

Physically, I feel good for my age (guess what, I am already a grandmother!). Mentally, I am more relaxed and much happier. Socially I feel wonderful among fellow members and feel great helping others to attain healthier and happier lives.

To me we are like one big harmonious family! Teacher Gloria Lee, Yuanji Centres SS2/8PJ, Wawasan Puchong, Royal Selangor Club (RSC)

Club event... Introduction Night

RSC welcomes 33 New Members

The RSC welcomed 33 new members at the Introduction Night held on 7th October 2014 in the Ballroom at Dataran. One of joyous celebration with fine dining, free following drinks and live music, the new candidates meet the President, the General Committee Members and their peers.

The President, Mr. Andrew Bryan Perera, in his welcoming remarks, highlighted the Club's 130 years history and its cherished social and sporting traditions. He urged all the new members' to abide by the Club's Constitutional Rules and to contribute towards the Club's continuing endeavours' to retain its standing as the premier Club in

the Country.

Dr A Selvanathan, the Chairman of the Membership Sub- Committee, than recommended that all the 33 applicants be accepted by the General Committee as Ordinary Members since they had the requisite, personal and profession attributes and more than met expectation during their tenure as Temporary Members.

Each candidate accompanied by his/her Proposer and Seconder, than obtained the approval of each of the General Committee Members. The evening's success is aptly captured by the following letter from a new member to the Membership Department.

"I just want say a big "Thank You" to each everyone of you and other staff for organizing and handling such a memorable introduction night for my guests and myself.

The whole event was very well conducted and the food and drink were very nice."

*Best regards,
Prem Chandran*

The New Members, General Committee and Membership Sub Committee



1st Row Left To Right - Mr. Naren Gill, Mr. R. Shamugam, Mr. David Siew, Mr. Richard Lau, Dr. A Selvanathan , Mr. Andrew Bryan Perera , President , Mr. Tony T C , Mr. Ramjan Din, Mr. Khong Chee Seng, Mr. Jack Cheah and Mr. P. Jayasingam

2nd Row Left To Right - Mr Deepak Nanwani, Mr Ng Wei Lian, Mr Jayasangar Baliah , Mr. K Mahenthiran , Ms Low Chow Gaet , Mr Ang Kim Pack , Mr Baldev Singh , Mr Kanavathy S , Mr Yeo Kien Hung , Mr Harinder Singh, Mr Rory Doyle, Puan Azura Toop Abdul Manaf, Mr Suresh Dorai, Mr Jerry Pireira, Mr S.Ravenesan, Mr Surin Segar

3rd Row Left To Right - Mr Jayvinder Singh, Mr Bhavanash Sharma, Mr Jagjit Singh Gill, Mr Sitharather N.M. Moorthy, Mr Avinder Singh Gill, Mr Sudave Kumar, Mr J Thompson Luke , Mr G.B. Thillai Nathan , Major (R) Jayapalan, Mr R Ramindra, Mr Dipendra Rai, Mr Lee Soon Huat, Mr V. Prem Chandran, Mr Steven Layton , Mr K. Vijayendren

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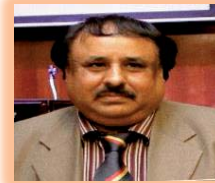
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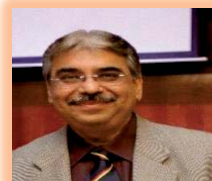
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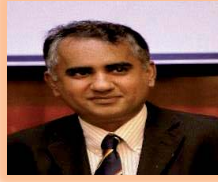
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NEWLY ELECTED SPORTS MEMBERS

Andrew Lee Jia Hao
Ahmad Shafiq Bin Mohmad Asari
Ashraf Zafri Bin Ahmad
Ashwath Nair
Caled Kishan Savari
Daniel Jacob Chai Loong
Dzulhilmi Bin AB Taleb
Farouk Kaddu
Hanafi Bin Mohd Zaki
Harinderjit Singh Sekhon
James Gan Teik Chai
Lau Hui Liong
Mohammad Farizi B Saulius

Mohammad Saddam Bin Zolkafle
Mohd Jauhari Bin Razali
Mohd. Fairuzizuan Bin Mohd Tazari
Muhammad Mu'Izzuddin
Muhammad Mukhriz
Muhammad Nazim
Muhammad Rizwan Bin Annuar
Nazmi Ah Seng Lim
Nicholas Alexander Collins
Radin Hazwan Bin Radin Harir
Syed Rahimin Shah
Wan Mohd Nasryiq Fahmi
William Edward Collins

sports...**Dancesports**

Third quarter events and news

■ BY CAPT. ONG T W

In August, the Dancesports section had a lively MERDEKA NIGHT gathering which coincided with the celebration of Malaysia's 57th independence Day.

Live band Hupsy and June was in attendance along with good sumptuous western food prepared by our own RSC F&B Setion and cheered by all.

Our very own member Mrs Lim BH accompanied by Cecelia rendered a "Bollywood Dance Performance" to the delight of everyone present. The atmosphere was filled with joy and celebration and dancing continued until the wee hours of the night.

Next, we hosted a STRICTLY DANCING night on 27 September. Although no band was in attendance, members danced and swayed to the lively CD music and also enjoyed a good buffet dinner prepared inhouse.

Finally we went to Penang on 18 October



for the Tripartite Event. The theme for the event was Glitz and Glam. We at Dancesport represented Royal Selangor Club with

a strong contingent.

Dancesport invites more RSC members to come forward and join our section. As mentioned in past news letters, we have monthly events and weekly activities.

Food and refreshments are served at all events, while refreshments are served during weekly activities.

We are a happy group. So Don't Miss Out !!!



sports... darts



Darters shine at RSC Merdeka Raya, RLC and PJ Interclub Tourneys

■ BY SUE PAUSER

The Merdeka Raya Darts Tournament played in September saw encouraging participation from all section members against the backdrop of a Hash Bar which was beautifully decorated for the event.

Most lady darters also turned up dressed according to the double celebration theme in lovely traditional and modern Malay outfits. And then the fellowship and dinner gathered momentum.

Due to a large number of participants, all initial games were played 701 x 1 game on a knock out round basis. Semi finals and finals were played on the 501 x 3. basis

The final in the Plate Pool was between Raju&Kalwant and Murali & Prema . Raju& Kalwant emerged plate pool champions.

The final for the Winners Pool was a battle between Letha & Sanjay and Asvika & Siwa. A hard fought game, going through to a rubber, the winners were Letha&Sanjay.

Sports chairman Mr. Khong Chee Seng gave away the prizes.

RSC Darters also took part in the Royal Lake Club 14th Merdeka Darts Invitational Tournament in September.

RSC was represented by 2 teams, the Dal-

matians & Tigers and 6 ladies for the ladies singles event. The teeam event was held over 2 days which the ladies singles was held on a Sunday.

The concentration and hard work of our players paid off as our darters made RSC proud. In the ladies event our darter Ms. Shirley was the runner up in the Plate Pool.

In the Winners Pool Ms. Farrah was placed 4th and Ms. Prema managed to secure 3rd placing. Ms. Sue Pauser went into the finals and settled for 2nd placing.

For the team event, the RSC Dalmatians were placed 6th placing in the Winners Pool.

But RSC Tigers became champions of Plate Pool much to our section's delight.



sports... **darts**



Congratulations to all winners and to our darters thanks for a job well done.

At the recent PJ Club Inter Club Darts Tournament our darters emerged champions once again of the Plate Pool.

Nine RSC Angels took part in the tournament - the biggest participation ever by our ladies in inter club tournaments. Despite the fact that they did not make it to the finals, they had really good exposure.



MAJOR SPORTS EVENTS IN DECEMBER 2014

1. Tiger Trophy for Squash starting 1st to 6th December
2. Dato' Chu Soccer Tournament from 6th to 7th December

sports... **SOCCER**



Raw and vintage football galore

■ BY KAVIL SINGH
SOCCER CONVENOR

Football is a beautiful game because not only the best and well prepared always win.

The drama and fairy tale endings adds to the excitement of the game.

This was certainly not missing at the 14th Royal Selangor Club (RSC)-Tiger International Soccer 7s and 12th RSC Under-12 International Soccer 7s which ended at the Mount Kiara grounds last weekend.

Sixteen teams in each category – Under-12, Masters Veterans and Grand Masters- - saw the grounds turn into a carnival atmosphere with uncut diamond performance from the Under-12 and vintage football from the veterans.

And to add to the fanfare was the presence of four girls playing in the Under-12 tournament which drew the attention of many.

The four were Swan District Football Club (SDFC)'s captain Jessica Ciancotti,

14, Jessica Serafino, 13 and Dayn Pullella, 13 and Royal Selangor Club's Panther team's 13-year-old Berlin Leong Xin Yin.

This was record, as four girls competed as compared to previous years when the tournament had one or two girls only competing. Girls up to 14 years are allowed to compete in the boys' Under-12 tournament.

It was indeed a tournament of upsets as several favourite teams were humbled as newcomers triumphed.

For starters, for host Royal Selangor Club, who have won the Veteran Masters tournament only once in 2012, made a memorable weekend when they won it for the second time to defeated favourites and regulars in the tournaments namely Penang Sports Club and Uniplast.

RSC defeated defending champions Penang Sports Club in the Semi Finals and then beat Uniplast 3-1 in penalty kicks after both the teams tied 1-1 at fulltime in the final.

It was a proud moment for team captain

Datuk Kevin Christopher when he lead his team who had a few notable players like former Australian international Abbas Saad, former KL skipper P. Saravanan and former Selangor and international K. Jayakathan to add strength to hold Uniplast for the penalty kicks and eventually win the title.

In the Plate Masters, newcomers Universal FC beat regulars at the tournament Poly Vets from Singapore 2-1 over penalty kicks too after both teams tied at 1-1 at fulltime.

Universal FC led by former Kuala Lumpur skipper and national defender K. Ramachandran, made amends for their disappointment of failing to make the cut for the Masters Cup category.

In the Grand Masters final, Uniplast were dealt with a double blow, when they had to end up runners-up for the second time, when they went down to Johor's Harimau Mega FC 2-1.

Singapore Recreation Club won the Plate Grand Masters final when they defeated

sports... **SOCCER**



Thai Airways 2-1 in penalty after their 1-1 stalemate after fulltime.

The biggest upset of the tournament was when a relatively unknown team Ombak FC from Kampong Baru reached Under-12 finals and went on to upset a well-established JSSL Arsenal Singapore with a 2-1 sudden death victory.

As compared to JSSL who are regulars in the tournament and having won the title three times consecutive from 2010-2012 and lost in the final last year to an Indonesian team Asiop Apacinti, Ombak were only making their second appearance.

Ombak FC also became the first local side in five years to win the Royal Selangor Club (RSC) International Soccer 7s Under-12s title.

The Kampong Baru-based academy, has around 150 trainees and is a parent based academy.

"This triumph is indeed a surprise because we competed without much training because of the Hari Raya holidays. The fitness of the players was very much in suspect," said Ombak FC head coach Zahrill Wan Ramli, who has been with the academy

since its inception in 2010.

"But the spirited performance of the players saw them progress well in the tournament and winning the title is indeed a bonus."

The teams were tied 1-1 at full time and in sudden death, where each team was reduced to three players, 12-year-old Haffizul Baharom scored a stunner barely seconds into play.

Ombak FC also reached the 1Malaysia Cardiff City (1MCC) quarterfinals in their Division 1 debut this year. They topped Division 2 by going unbeaten last year.

In the Plate Under-12 final, Bintang Baru defeated debutants Brickfields Youth Academy 2-0 to win the title.

Mohd Haikal Amir and Athari Aqmar Farhan Mokhtar scored for Bintang Baru for victory.

Earlier in the semifinals, Bintang Baru had edged Sembawang Youth FA 2-0 with Mohd Haikal emerging as the hero with his two goals.

In the other semifinals, Brickfields Youth

defeated SJ Community 2-0 with Siddarth Pankaj and Shoban Malanranan scoring the goals.

Overall, the two days ended on a grand note with everyone having enjoyed a week-end of football extravaganza.

Even the rain in the afternoon on Sunday which saw the tournament halted for slightly over an hour did not dampen the spirit of the teams.

At the end of evening, the organisers took a bow for the hard work put in to make it a successful event which won praises from the participants both local and foreign.

As the 14th RSC-Tiger and 12th RSC Under-12 International Soccer 7s came to a close, the tournament set a new benchmark to continue to see this event raise its standards each year.

Kudos to the organising committee and the supporting team from the soccer section for a great event.

Upset in the Men's Doubles at RSC Championship

■ **BYSIVA AHNANTHAM** **TENNIS SECTION**

There was a major upset in the RSC Men's Doubles Finals in September when underdogs P.Gunasegaram/ Dr.Radhakrishnan narrowly beat the favourites Andrew Gui / K.Balasingam.

With the score tied at 8-8, the set had to be decided on a tie breaker. It was a close finish.

Congratulations to both the winners and runners up.

A total of 10 pairs registered for the tournament and they were split into two groups playing a round robin series. The champions from each group played against each other in the finals on Monday 22nd September.

The highlight of the tournament was the appearance and participation of our Sports Chairman, Kong Chee Seng who displayed

his volley skills and some great shots from the baseline.

The Inhouse Women's doubles finals held on 16th October between Umadevi/ NashAhtor and Leena Sanchana/ Jeanny Cheng won by NashAhtor/Umadevi.

There was also an Annual Junior Tournament for boys and girls which held on 18th October 2014.

The following were the prize winners for the various categories:

Mens (Singles)

Champion : Kogilan Elango
Runners Up: Arvin Shaun
3rd Placing : Shawn Zechariah
4th Placing : Brian
5th Placing Johanathan Hay

6.th Placing : Akhilan Singam

GIRLS (Singles)

Champion: Azsvina Ragunathan
Runners Up: Dharnyy Ragunathan
3rd Placing: Archana Chandran
4th Placing : Shureena Sugumaran

Girls (Doubles)

Champion : Dharnyy Ragunathan & Archana Chandran"
Runners up : Azsvina Ragunathan & Shureena Sugumaran"



sports... **squash**

Squash facility refurbished and reopened

■ BY MIKE SOO
SQUASH CONVENOR

The renovation of the roof and squash courts at the new wing of the RSC Dataran was a cause for celebration in style recently.

The president, Mr Andrew Bryan Perera was on hand to officiate a cutting the ribbon opening ceremony of the newly refurbished squash courts.

Confetti and 2 bottles of sparkling wine kicked off the event that night. A crowd of about 50 section members were at the celebration and fabulous buffet dinner that followed.

The squash section's special invitee was Mr Ong Beng Hee, currently national squash number one, who has represented the country for the past 17 years.

There is a proposal to induct him as a member of the squash fraternity so he can be an asset to the club and the section.

Also celebrated on this auspicious occasion was the 82nd birthday of Mr. Chiam Tow San, the founder of the squash section.

He is best remembered for championing the building of the squash courts at RSC in the early 1980s.

He is also the donor of the CHIAM TOW SAN (CTS) TROPHY.

The CTSTROPHY is a yearly challenge Trophy pitting the RSC against the Singapore Cricket Club on a home and away competition.

The best of Malaysian club squash against the best of Singaporean club squash.

Happy Birthday Mr Chiam!
We wish you all the best.



Happy Birthday Mr Chiam



sports... **hockey**

RSC Hockey 9s 2014

■ BY CHARLES LIM

This was a fun filled Hockey Tournament, with good weather at the RSC Kiara on 11 October 2014. It was well received, as the tournament attracted 19 teams, with 15 in the Open category and 4 in the Veterans' category. There was also a good geographical spread with teams coming from Sri Lanka, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Singapore and all over Malaysia.

The Junior tournament was a success as evidenced by the enthusiastic support from the 450 kids who took part. They represented 32 boys' and 24 girls' teams.

Although it was a hazy day, the rain stayed away. The feedback from players and crowds who witnessed the tournament, was positive.

Credit for this must again go to Mr. Oom-

men Koshy and his organizing team and all those who provided valuable assistance and contributions, in particular Mr. Teh Siew Heng.

Congratulations to the winners and thanks to all the participating teams for a joyous weekend!

| The Winners | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Men's Cup Competition | |
| Champion - | Senil Solution |
| Runner-up - | KLCH (Kuala Lumpur Hockey Club) |
| Men's Plate Competition | |
| Champion - | Diponegoro 80 Indonesia |
| Runner-up - | NSHA A |
| Men's Blow Competition | |
| Champion - | Bankertes Hockey Club Singapore |
| Runner-up - | NSHA B |
| Men's Veteran's Competition | |
| Champion - | Kelab Aman |
| Runner-up - | RSC Hounds |
| Boy's Junior Competition | |
| Champion - | KLIA Black |
| Runner-up - | SK Wangsa Maju Zon RIO -Haria |
| Girl's Junior Competition | |
| Champion - | KLIA Blue |
| Runner-up - | SK Bukit Bandaraya Girls A |



Left to Right:
James Sia, James Andrew, Manjit Singh, Alex Voon, Dato Poon Foke Loke, Nadeswaran, Teh Siew Heng, Mohan Karunakaran, See Zoo Thai, K Murali, Oommen Koshy



"The Champions - GGCA of Sri Lanka".

2014 YSD International Youth Cricket Carnival

The 2014 YSD International Youth Cricket Carnival was held from 29th till 31st August 2014. This is the eight successive year of this event. The carnival, organised successfully by Kuala Lumpur Cricket Association (KLCA) and Royal Selangor Club (RSC) for the past seven years, received the International Cricket Council's award for Best Junior Initiative in the Asian Region 2010 and Best Junior Development Programme in Asia.

The much-awaited tournament, which has amassed a following over the years in the Asia-Pacific region, was played at 3 venues namely Royal Selangor Club Bukit Kiara, Kinrara Oval and the Bayuemas Oval. A total of twelve teams participated in the Carnival comprising teams from Australia, Sri Lanka, India and Malaysia.

RSC who were the defending Champions started off their first day by beating both NCA B of Sri Lanka by 6 wickets and Selangor Cricket Association by 6 wickets. However in the last game, RSC lost to GGCA

of Sri Lanka by 5 wickets. On day 2, RSC beat Kuala Lumpur Cricket Association, Kinrara Development Squad and Perak Cricket Association to top the group and to qualify for the semifinals.

Unfortunately in the semifinal RSC lost to Cricket Federation of India in a closely fought match. In the finals, GGCA of Sri Lanka emerged as the eventual Champions after beating Cricket Federation of India.

Many of the junior RSC boys also played for the Kuala Lumpur Cricket Association team which eventually became the Plate champions.

In keeping with the spirit and atmosphere of a carnival, there were on-the-ground activities for all. This year there was a bazaar, bouncy castles and appearance of Awang De Clown to entertain the children. Children from two welfare homes, namely Agathians Shelter & Pertubuhan Rahoma Darul Fakir were also feted at the carnival.

A key side activity was the U12 Junior Cricket Showcase matches which saw 7 teams participating and featuring highly promising talent. Global Indian International School emerged as the champions with Gombak being runner-up.

RSC CHAMPIONS OF DR VAITHY U12 INDOOR CRICKET

RSC participated in the Dr Vaithy U12 cricket tournament which was held on the 11th of October at PJ Club. Four teams participated in the tournament this year and RSC emerged champions. The other participating teams were PJ Club, Mugwalla and Gombak. Great effort and performance by our youngsters.

RSC BOYS LEAD KUALA LUMPUR TO DIVISION 1 UNDER 16 NATIONAL JUNIOR CIRCUIT 2014 CHAMPIONSHIP
Kuala Lumpur emerged Champion of the SPORTEXCEL/MILO/MSN/MSSM/MCA Under 16 National Junior Circuit 2014 Division 1 held in June 2014. It was an honor to have 9 RSC boys in the KL team which was

sports... cricket

captained by Virandeep Singh.

The other RSC boys in the team were Nalin De Silva, Saifullah Malik, Kosyan Indra, Sanjey Subanantha, Praveen Surendran, Arjoon Thilinthan, Kishen Loges and Bradley Lewis

Kuala Lumpur showed its superiority by comfortably defeating Kedah by 7 wickets, Johor by 8 wickets, Sabah by 8 wickets and Selangor by 9 wickets. Virandeep bagged the Best All Rounder award for his fine performance throughout the tournament.

RSC BOYS REPRESENT MALAYSIA IN ACC U16

In the recent ACC Under 16 tournament held in Kuala Lumpur from the 14th to 20th August, RSC is proud to have 5 of its boys selected to represent Malaysia in the tournament. Virandeep Singh was tasked to captain the team comprising also of RSC boys Nalin De Silva, Saifullah Malik, Kosyan Indran and Sanjhey Subanantha.

Malaysia finished second to Nepal in the tournament having won 3 of its games and losing 1 to the eventual winners. In Malaysia's first game against Bahrain, the game ended in a draw due to rain. Malaysia batted first and scored 204 runs, thanks to a 90 run contribution from skipper Virandeep.

In the second game against Oman, Malaysia won by 5 wickets. In this game Virandeep contributed with the ball taking 3 wickets. Nalin De Silva added 2 wickets and scored an unbeaten 24 runs.

In the third game against Thailand, Malaysia won by 5 wickets with all RSC boys bowling extremely well. Virandeep taking 3 wickets, Koshyan and Nalin taking 2 wickets each. Malaysia then beat Singapore in the fourth game by 4 wickets with Virandeep top scoring with 59 runs. Nalin contributed with the ball taking 2 wickets. In the final game against Nepal, Malaysia lost by 32 runs and finished the tournament as runnersup

Virandeep Singh played a crucial role in all Malaysia games taking 3 man of the match awards. Virandeep also bagged the Batsman of the Tournament and Player of the Tournament awards for his outstanding performance.

PAVANDEEP AT THE 2014 ASIAN GAMES IN INCHEON



"The winning team"

RSC Cricket is proud once again that Pavandeep Singh was selected to represent Malaysia in the 11th Asian Games in Incheon, South Korea. Pavandeep, 16 was the youngest player in the squad.



Pavandeep Singh

In Malaysia's first game against the host South Korea, Pavandeep took 2 wickets in Malaysia's win. In the second game, Malaysia beat China by 9 wickets. In the quarter-finals, Malaysia was up against Hong Kong. Malaysia lost by 7 wickets with 2 balls to spare with Pavandeep taking 1 wicket. Overall it was great performance throughout the tournament by this RSC youngster.

sports... **chess**

Big Turnout for RSC Juniors Chess

■ BY DR. WAHID KARIM

Organised by the Chess Section the RSC Junior Chess Open was held in Dataran Merdeka on 17th August. It attracted 106 players, which 78 players in the Under12 Category and 28 players in the Under-17 Category. It was run on the Rapid-Play system of 7 rounds, with each round lasting a maximum of 50 minutes. For the youngsters aged 10 and below, this was a testimony of mental endurance and concentration at an early age unique to Chess.

There was a generous splash of cash prizes and chess coupons totalling more than RM 2000 in value and chess trophies for the top placing. Wong Zi Yue emerged winner in the Under-12 Category with a perfect score of 7 points and bagged RM200 cash and the champions trophy. The Under17 Category was won by Shreyes Subramanian with 6.5 points and home RM300 cash and the champions trophy.

Chess Convenor Thilia was on hand to give out the prizes aided by committee members Dr. Ajeet and Dr. Wahid.

The following are the prize winners for the various categories.



Special mention has to go to Jax Tham, the tournament organizer, and Joseph Toh, the tournament arbiter, for the well organised tournament.



| RSC 2014 TOURNAMENT GROUP A (Under -12) | | | |
|---|-----------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| Placing | Main Prizes | Under-10 | Under-8 |
| 1st | Wong Zi Yue | Amir Faiz Amirul | Megat Imran Khushairi |
| 2nd | Cheah Kah Hoe | Ivan Sean Yap Sheuan | Iskandar Haikal Zulkippli |
| 3rd | Dinesh Thanasegeran | Divyasree Jayakumar | Ahmad Hadif |
| 4th | Muhammad Iman Mansiz Hairul | Syed Amirul Asyraf | Nicholas Khoo |
| 5th | Nik Muhd Haziq | Amex Moo | Lucas Ren |

| RSC 2014 TOURNAMENT GROUP B (Under-17) | | | |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| Placing | Main Prizes | Under-15 | Under-13 |
| 1st | Shreyes Subramanian | Eason Cheah | Bryan Yap Chuan Yoong |
| 2nd | Lye Lik Zang | Nithyalakshmi Sivanesan | Tan Jun Ying |
| 3rd | Ng Jen Sheng | Yee Jian Yang | Melanie Koo |
| 4th | Subramanian Sivanesan | Ahmad Nazmi | Praghashkumar Thanasegeran |
| 5th | Kabir Ajeet Singh | Gokshalan Naidu | Chan Kim Yew |

Personality... **DATO TAN CHIN NAM**

The Father of Malaysian Chess

■ BY DR. WAHID KARIM



Dato' Tan Chin Nam a members of RSC since 1956, is widely acknowledged as a doyen of the Malaysian business community with his founding and ownership of the property giants Tan & Tan and IGB. Horse racing fans both at home and abroad will vividly remember his multiple Melbourne Cup wins. However, few realize that the growing popularity of chess in Malaysia is largely due to his tremendous contributions, in leadership, passion and personal cash donations over the past 40 years.

Before the early 70's, chess in Malaysia was very much in the backwaters and confined to a handful of players and fledging schools programme. The RSC was the venue for the small group of chess enthusiast include Dato' Tan. Malaysian chess moved into high gear after Dato' Tan became the first President of the Malaysian Chess Federation in 1974. Shortly after, he vaulted Malaysian chess into the regional and glob-

al arenas level by inaugurating the Asian Chess Championship with a Challenge Trophy donated by our then Prime Minister Tun Abdul Razak. The global recognition of his leadership and commitment to promoting chess was manifested by his election as the Deputy President of the World Chess Federation in 1982. His global standing also enabled him to bring to Kuala Lumpur the Karpov-Timman Candidates Final match in May 1990. This was undoubtedly the highest profile chess event held in Malaysia.

April 2014 was a another landmark year for Malaysian chess as former World Champion and chess legend Gary Kasparov, visited Malaysia in conjunction with a fund-raising charity dinner organised by the Malaysian Chess Federation and NGOs. YB Khairy Jamaluddin, the Sports Minister welcomed and honoured Kasparov, and also Dato' Tan for his legendary contributions to chess which by all accounts and standards makes him the "father of Malaysian chess".



From left, Dato Tan Chin Nam, IM Giam CK, Grand Master Eduard Gufeld and former World Champion Anatoly Karpov discussing a game in Port Dickson (1990 photo source: Abdul Latiff Mohd)

Sports... **badminton**

Junior training programme launched

Sunday 28th September 2014 saw the soft launch of an important Club event at DTSH, Kiara.....RSC's first-ever junior badminton training programme. The enthusiasm for this programme was evident from the turnout and support from members and their parents at the launch. Also present were the President, Mr Bryan Perera, the Sports Chairman, Mr Khong Chee Seng, Badminton Convenor, Mr Prabha Karan, other members of the GC, Badminton Committee members, Convenors and representatives from Ministry of Sports. The presence of ex-national badminton players, Mr James Gan Teik Chai and En Mohd Fairuzizuan, added glamour to the event.

The Badminton Section embarked on this special programme for the benefit of the children of members, so as to inculcate interest and develop talent among our youth in badminton, which is an important national sport.

In his address, Badminton Convenor, Mr Prabha Karan, provided the following details of the Programme:

1. Eligibility to participate is open to children, aged between 7 and 18, of Ordinary Members.
2. The highlight of the programme is that training will be conducted by professional trainers, and headed by ex-national badminton team players, Mr James Gan and En Mohd Fairuz.



3. Training will commence on Saturday, 4th of October and will be held once a week on Saturdays from 2.30pm to 4pm. The venue will be The Challenger, PJ, until such time as we have our own badminton courts in RSC. Private coaching can be organized for interested members.

4. The all-inclusive fee per month will be RM160.00 per trainee. This will cover coaching charges, payment for courts, payment for shuttlecocks, plus amounts payable to the Club and the Section as per the Club's rules.

5. Interested members are to complete a registration form which is available at the Sports Office.

Mr James Gan, in his speech, said, "Our goal is to provide a proper, professional learning platform, not just for beginners but also for anyone who is interested in this game". For purposes of training, students will be divided into 3 categories: Beginners, Intermediate and Advanced.

Mr James Gan emphasized that it is important to start with good habits when playing badminton, not only in basics but also in physical aspects to ensure agility. While it will be a fun programme, students are advised to take the training seriously because quarterly Progress Reports will be done for each and every student.

For further details please contact Mr Prabha Karan (Badminton Convenor) at 012 2006729.



New Club feature...**Sunday Curry Lunch**

New Sunday Curry at Dataran picking up steam

The new Sunday Curry banana leaf lunch, which began at the Dataran Clubhouse about 2 months ago, is slowly but surely gaining patronage.

Chandra Segaran who operates the lunch session has billed his fare, served from 12 noon onwards at the Long Bar area, as “typical home cooked South Indian food.”

“My wife and I do the cooking. What began as a hobby has now caught fire at the Club and the number of customers is growing with each Sunday,” said the RSC member, a maintenance contractor by profession.

When the Sunday Curry first started off, it was not without issues. Sometimes waiters were in disarray, the fried fish was cold and confusion over orders reigned.

But Segaran says it was important to have been through that teething phase so he could learn from it.

As a result he is now able to offer much better service and has begun to understand the taste buds and palates of members.

After receiving feedback, he is now able to offer hot, fried tenggiri and bulus fish on the spot using a smokeless frier, and the staff are better placed to handle efficiently any deluge of customers.

His top sellers and signature dishes are Nandu Rasam (Crab Rasam), Spicy Crab Masala, Mutton Varuvel and Mochakotta Karuvattu Kolumbu (Salted Fish Gravy).

The Sunday Curry also features the traditional dishes such as chicken paretal, fish kolumbu, sambar, egg sambal and a variety of vegetables.

Segaran also takes pride in the fact that he serves steaming hot “ponni” rice from India which is much sought after.

He is prepared to take special orders in

advance for groups of 10 persons and above if he is notified and a pre-arranged time for eating is agreed.

The average lunch crowd is up to 150 every Sunday, but Segaran says it is growing and he is prepared to handle a total capacity of 200 on any Sunday.

The Sunday Curry, which has become a refreshing new stream of revenue, fellowship and dining experience for the Club and its members respectively.

Segaran says he is constantly reviewing the Sunday curry menu to ensure members' favourites are always available.⁴⁴



Club veterans enjoy curry with beer



Spicy crab Masala



Smokeless frying



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Obituary

Over the period June 2014 - October 2014, members of the Royal Selangor Club were saddened by the untimely loss of 8 Life and Senior Members who contributed much in the spirit of good responsible clubbing.

On behalf of the President, the General Committee members and staff, we extend our deepest condolences to their families, loved ones, and friends.



Mr. Wong Yeng Mun(13635)
2.6.1939 – 3.7.2014
Admitted as Ordinary Member on
1.11.1977
Life Member since 20.11.2002



Mr. J. Mahendran Pillai (91954)
19.7.1936 - 17/8/2014
Admitted as Ordinary Member on 7.5.1992



Mr. Robert Harold Fernandez (83491)
5.12.1943 – 5.8.2014
Admitted as Ordinary Member on
19.7.1983
Life Member since 1.7.2008



Tan Sri Dr Cheah Cheng Kooi (07926)
17.9.1926 - 6.9.2014
Admitted as Ordinary Member on 26.7.1960
Life Member since 2.5.1989



Mr. Ong Chin Guan (12441)
8.10.1941 - 11/8/2014
Admitted as Ordinary Member on
26.5.197
Life Member since 22.10.2001



Datin Rosnah I.S. Tan (82417)
18.12.1926 -3/10/2014
Admitted as an Privilege Ordinary Member
on 10.2.2003



Mr. Somasundran Doraisamay
(92332) 25.9.1954 -13/8/2014
Admitted as Ordinary Member on
21.5.1992



Mr. B.P Morgan (07326)
27.4.1926 - 10/10/2014
Admitted as Ordinary Member on 26.5.1959
Life Member since 14.7.1988

obituary... Barry Morgan

■ BY TERENCE NETTO

Our stock of retired expatriate planters, the gerontocracy of senior club members, and that community of august if obscure Freemasons lost a stalwart when Barry Morgan passed away on October 10. He was 88.

Barry came to Malaya in 1948 as a 22-year-old cadet planter just when the Emergency began. The estates he worked at in Bagan Serai, northern Perak, were not affected by the troubles as the young Englishman took stock of his occupation and the people of the land in such a way as to become wedded to both.

Inevitably, a decision was made to stay in his adopted country and soon Barry put down roots and became Malaysian as only someone convinced that the country's mix of peoples and cultures was more a boon than blight.

This fascination with the land and its people combined with a memory stored with honest delineation of passing scene enabled Barry to retail the stock in articles for *Berita RSC* in the mid-2000s, on what a career in plantation agriculture was like from the late 1940s through to the 1990s when he retired, after selling a 50-acre plot he owned in Beruas.

The narratives, distilled when he was an ardent member of the editorial committee of *RSC*, were valuable for what they evoked of life in that era where rubber and then palm oil were the mainstays of the economy. The stories could have accrued into a book-length work that would have added to the plantation lore only a small body of scribes has troubled to compile.

Barry was far too fond of the evening round to have the stamina for long bouts at the typewriter (he could not come round to being adept with the computer). The cadences of conversation and the laughter of old friends in the Verandah of the *RSC* and at similar clubs all along the west coast of the Peninsula were far too powerful attractions for him to forsake for the lonely task of writing.

The result was that an interesting, if not fully realized, compilation of memories of times past lay germinating just below the surface of his recall. The loss is ours for Barry possessed a disinterested interest that equipped him to be an objective

A stalwart moves on



He bemoaned the decline but persisted in believing that the Lodge could be a holdout for those values.

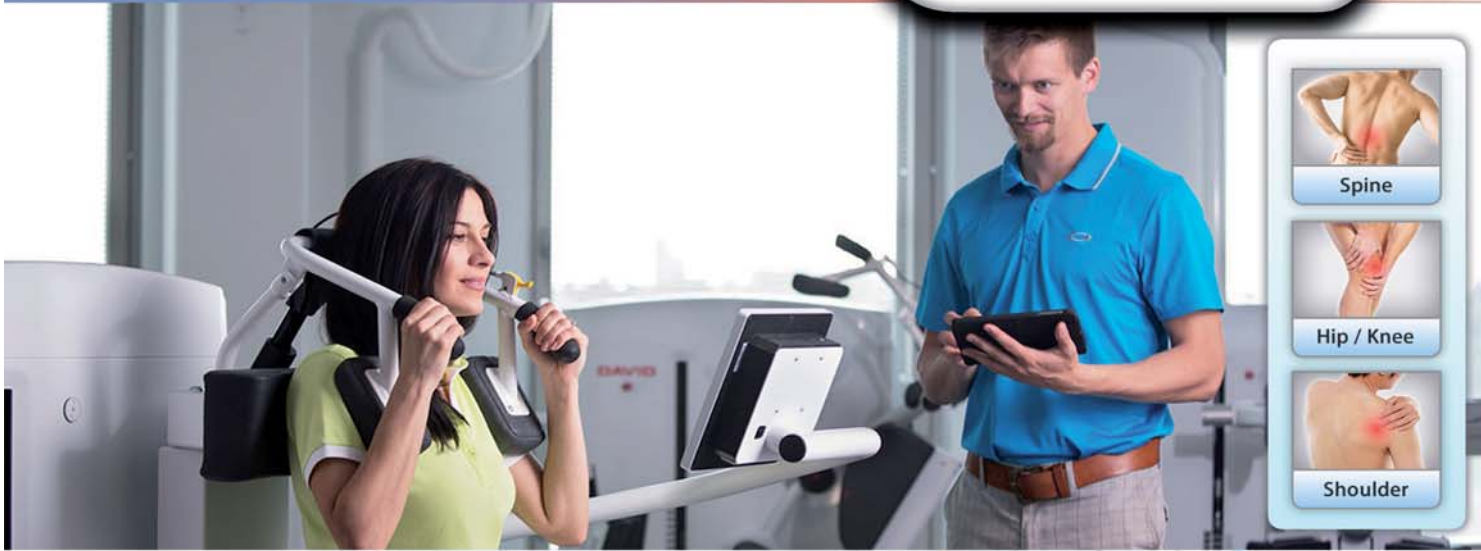
His good friend in the club, Mac Mohideen said his devotion to the Lodge was such that while laid up during his last illness Barry was thinking of a speech he was to deliver at a ceremony where he was to receive an award from the Freemasons. Mac regrets that Table 16 in the Verandah, the preferred venue all these years for what was a biweekly assembly of retired planters, has lost a luminary with Barry's passing.

Another friend, Ridzuan Halim, whom Barry used to regale with accounts of the past, remembers the man as resourceful and talented, and equipped with the wit and humor to take the rough with the smooth in stride. A goodly host of other friends will also miss that part of him they suspect was its core: his emblematic Englishness. It's not easy to pin that down but of Barry Morgan several would aver, he was an epitome of the kind.

reporter of passing scene and the personalities involved. This he displayed to placatory effect when reporting annual general meetings of the *RSC* for the *Berita* which as anyone who has witnessed these affairs will tell you is difficult to do given the contentiousness they sometimes evoked.

A frustrating stint as *RSC*'s F & B chairman in the mid-2000s was not enough to convince him that the values that reigned at the time he joined the club in the late 1950s had withered and that there was really nothing anybody could do about it.





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