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QUARTERLY NEWS

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF MATALE OLD THOMIANS' ASSOCIATION-COLOMBO BRANCH

Dear friends,

We the members of the Ex Co, greet you all and wish that the New Year 2016, will be filled with happiness, joy and success!

Our heart-felt gratitude to all who had been part of the Thomian Nite 2015 – which has brought greater recognition to the Colombo Branch. It too brought- in a increased participation by almost 40% and the revenue too was doubled compared to T'Nite 2014.

The year 2015 saw mutually beneficial understanding among the most senior members and the young members of the association. The young members took a lead-role in all activities well supported by seniors in spite of age and failing health.



An alms-giving was arranged at the Home of Elders & Orphanage at Colombo 6, in December 2015 and Year-end Peduru-Party was organized to bid farewell to the year 2015.



A CORDIAL INVITATION TO THE AGM 2016



This year we welcome all members to the AGM with their families to a day of outing at WET-Water Resort Ja-ela Road Gampaha, scheduled for Saturday the 12th March 2016 at - 9.00 am.

It is just 35 km / 1 hr.15 minutes from Colombo & 3 hours from Matale via Kurunegala

We hope to conduct the official AGM between 9.30 am - 11.00 am and from then onwards it would be a fun-filled hours until 3pm when we break-off. You will be entertained with music and refreshments followed by a sumptuous lunch. Those who wish to have a dip could do so in the swimming pool, the ladies & children could relax in the garden around the Resort. Transport from Colombo to the Resort would be provided subject to prior intimation, and would be subsidised if greater number confirms in advance. (Colts CC; Fort; Peliyagoda; Wattala; Ja-ela)

The Tickets are priced as follows: Members & Friends - Rs.1500/- Spouses & Children above 12 Rs.1300/- ; Children below 12 - Rs. 700/-

We are pleased to inform you that the above rates include Lunch; a round of complimentary Drink(s) with Dry-bites.

Please contact the following to reserve your tickets early or Deposit cash equivalent to the number tickets you require in to the BOC a/c No 352280 to the credit of Matale Old Thomians Associations (CB)

M/s.Susila Samarakoon	077 721 1173	Chaminda Rathnayake	077 779 1667
Keith Baylan	077 770 0969	Vinzy Anthick	071 489 7845
Sumith Halvitigala	077 710 1254	Laxman Senevirathne	077 744 7698
M.Ratnahanan	077 751 5735	Charitha Senanayake	077 733 2588
Jaineth Pandigama	077 333 3450	Sampath Wijenaik	077 755 7905
Joe Peiries	077 951 7916	Asoka Somathilake	072 662 9900

You may mail your request to Ranjith Anthick (ranthick@gmail.com)

A minutes silence, please.....

We record with regret the passing-away of Mr.Brian Jayasooriya (Ex-membership Secretary); and Mr. A.K. Sangakkara (Hony External Auditor) during the period Oct 2015 to January 2016.



Late Mr. Brian Jayasooriya

Mr. Brian J was the live-wire of MOTA in recruiting new-blood in to the association. His self-less contribution to the membership drive will always be cherished by us.

Spouses of our members Mr. Hurbert Wijekoon (famous Wijekoon Hockey family) and Mr. Sivenasan (Ex-Treasurer 2007-08) passed away during this period.



Late Mr. A. D Sangakkara

Mr. A.D Sangakkara (CA) had been our Hony External Auditor since the incorporation in 1987. The staff members of his firm Manoharn Sangakkara had been assisting us many ways under his direction.

May their souls rest in peace.

COLLEGE NEWS

MOTA COLOMBO TO FELICITATE SHANAKA:

The new year - 2016 is dawned with the excellent News to present and past students of STC Matale.

Master Shanaka Samarakoon achieved the all-island No.1, ranking in the Engineering Technology Stream at the AL-2015 examination. We wish to congratulate Shanaka and his Parents on this rare achievement which had made STC & all of us proud. We have invited him with his parents to the AGM 2016, where he will be felicitated for his success.

In view of this success Ex Co - MOTA (CB) has created a Scholarship Fund to meet special needs to complete his degree.

Bank account data of is as follows:

Name - S.M.A.W Shanaka Anuradha Samarakoon. - Scholarship Fund Bank - DFCC Bank PLC - Matale Branch / Account Number - 031107026457



Dear friends your contribution could be paid in to the above account and the bank deposit-slip could be considered as an Acknowledgement / Receipt. Please send us an email jineth.pandigamage@dialog.com / info@motacolombo.lk or sms **077 333 3450** for record purposes.

SPORTS:

The college rugby team beat Carey College Colombo and won the all island chairman's trophy at "Milo Inter-School all Island Rugby Tournament". It was a nail biting match with both sides striving to record their first ever all island title in professional rugby, but at the end the boys of STC made the history by beating Carey 7-0.

MOTA through its Exco members continues to support in whatever possible way when the college team is in Colombo

THE OLDEST THOMIAN!!!



Mr. Edmund C Wijesinghe - the oldest living Old Boy of STC, (91 years) citizen of Canada visited Sri Lanka in July 2015 and had a special audience with the Sri Lankan President and presented a Memento which was of his own creation.

PAUSE FOR A WHILE

Former Presidents M/s Juno Juhary - (Tel: 071 483 1708) Mr. Bandulla Kulathunga (Tel: 011 282 9039) and Mr. Geoffrey Miguel of Canada Branch (Tel:072 054 5262) are back in town from their overseas sojourn - for the next two months.

POSTPONMENTS

We regret that the annual Cricket encounter with PPA Science College Colombo Branch and the Charles Robinson 7-a-side Hockey Tournament have been postponed indefinitely due to unavoidable circumstances.

*Friends, we are awaiting to meet you all on Saturday the 12th march at the 29th AGM
Ranjith Anthick (Hony. Secretary) - 10/02/2016*