



**TANGASSERI-AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION OF  
MELBOURNE INC**

**NEWSLETTER 2018 - 2019**

**SILVER BELLS! SILVER BELLS! LET THEM RING!**

The Tangasseri-Australian Association of Melbourne Inc. celebrates its 25th Anniversary !

***Editorial:***

Welcome to our first Newsletter for 2019! It is a year of great significance as we have achieved the milestone of 25 years of our existence. In order to celebrate this landmark event - the SILVER JUBILEE OF OUR ASSOCIATION - we are focussing on our members and their family and rewarding them with incentives and concessions for all our functions and events held during the jubilee year.

We thank all our members who have supported us with their generosity and loyalty that has helped us achieve this memorable record. We also thank all non-members, donors of prizes and sponsors of our events for their goodwill and generous support during this period.

The Jubilee celebrations commenced with a Community Cricket Match held on 28th April 2019 at the Keilor Sports Centre Grounds, Keilor between Members from the East Vs the Members for the West.

This was followed by a members only function held on Saturday 18th May 2019 at St. John Vianney's Church & Parish Hall, Mulgrave, with a 'Thanksgiving Mass' at 6.00 PM followed by a dinner-dance attended by 156 members (All details provided further in the Newsletter)

While the present Committee are doing their best for many years, going forward they need more help at events. We therefore appeal to our younger members to voluntarily take an active part and assist in organizing events, which will be welcome and greatly appreciated. The tentative program for some of the functions/events planned for the year is attached.

***President's Message:(Herwin Allen)***

The Association in 2019 has achieved a significant milestone - we have been in existence for 25 years! This is an extraordinary achievement and our membership has grown from strength to strength with nearly 200 members. The dedication and hard work of our Committee together with the patronage and support of our members has nurtured and grown this successful Association. Consequently the management committee has decided to make 2019 the year of the family and reward our members for their patronage support and loyalty, by reducing costs for all events/functions during the Jubilee Year.

I thank our members and committee members for their support and dedication towards sustaining the Association over the past 25 years. Thanks also to all our sponsors and donors for their generous contributions and support over the years

### Administration:

The Management Committee and Executive Committee Members that manage the smooth running of the Association in their various capacities are listed below:

### Management Committee:

Herwin & Jennifer Allen, Oswyn & Lynda Allen, Jim & Trudy Allen, Duncan & Rose Bartholomeusz, Osmond & Dilys Bartholomeusz, Avelyn Cooper, Grenville & Zita D'Crus, Lloyd & Celine D'Crus, Philroy & Ann D'Rozario, Winburne & Flavy Fernandez, Harold & Flossy Gonsalvez

### Executive Committee:

President - Herwin Allen, Vice-President- Rose Bartholomeusz, Secretary - Grenville D'Crus, Assistant Secretary - Philroy D'Rozario, Treasurer - Winburne Fernandez, Committee Members - Lynda Allen, Osmond Bartholomeusz, Harold Gonsalvez, Avelyn Cooper, Lloyd D'Crus, Jim Allen, Roydon McNerney, Don Gresseux, & Clyde Harding

## ACTIVITIES



### ANNUAL DANCE - 04 August 2018 (Philroy D'Rozario)



Our Annual Dance last year was once again held at the newly renovated 'Springvale Town Hall' on 04 August 2018. As in the past the bands in attendance were the two great bands in Melbourne 'Next Generation' and 'Colors'. Both bands especially 'Next Generation' put up a super performance that saw the enthusiastic crowd on their feet exhibiting a variety of steps. The dance was well organised and was quite successful with more than 330 people attending. This is in spite of a number of our regular patrons not being able to attend due to other commitments. Our sincere thanks to our Members who attended the function. The number of members attending were down and we seek your support and co-operation for the upcoming Annual Dance on 24<sup>th</sup> August at 'Springvale Town Hall' and New Years Eve Dance coming up on 31/12/19 at the spacious Air Conditioned 'St Louis De Montfort' Hall in Aspendale Gardens. Being our 25<sup>th</sup> Year, we are looking forward to the extra support from our Members.

As is customary with our Annual Dance fantastic prizes were presented to the lucky winners. Our special thanks to the following donors for their continued support and goodwill:

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| *Roy McNerney ( L.J.Hooker-Noble Park)       | * J K Bourne (Keysborough)   | *ATLITE            |
| * Craig D'Rozario (Oaks Hotels,& Resort)     | *J & T Allen (Taj Exports)   | *Sharon Vardon     |
| *Matilda Conveyancing ( Noble Park)          | * Shavan's Indian Restaurant | *Godfrey Fernandez |
| *Clyde Harding (Melbourne Cleaning Supplies) | * Betta Home Living          |                    |

The food catered by 'Vishy Caters' in Keysborough was good and priced competitively . There was great demand for their food. There was also ample food at discounted rates for takeaways at the end of the show.

We also thank our Committee Members and members for their continued co-operation and participation in this annual event.



### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 15th Sept. 2018 (Grenville D'Crus)**



The 23rd Annual General Meeting was held on Saturday 15 September 2018 at 7.00 PM at 'The Sundowner Avenue Community Centre, Clarinda. The meeting was attended by 49 members.

The President, Herwin Allen welcomed the members to the meeting and called upon them to continue supporting the Association by active participation in the various activities and thanked them for their presence. The Annual report and the financial statements for the financial year ending 30 June 2018 were presented by the Secretary and Treasurer respectively.

It was heartening to see many members take active part in the discussion on issues raised by member/s regarding procedures and decisions taken by the Management/Executive Committees for effective implementation of the activities of the Association.

The President informed members of the outcome of a survey conducted in respect of the activities of the Association and of the positive feedback received from the members who responded. He also thanked the members for their participation and valued suggestions.

Mementos were presented to those members who had completed 10 years and 20 years continuous membership with the Association.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks followed by a 'Members only' dinner.



### **SENIORS' NIGHT –12th October 2018 (Philroy D'Rozario)**



Our Seniors night was held on 12th October 2018 at the Noble Park RSL. It was a awesome night with 53 people attending. The meeting, greeting and chin wagging by all our Committee Members was the highlight of the evening. The three course meal served out by the RSL Club was excellent with our guests having a choice of Fish, Beef or Chicken for the main course. For Desert we had Sticky Date Pudding, Fruit Salad and Ice Cream. A complimentary drink was provided to each Member at the start of the night.

The ever popular 'Lonestar' with Andy D'Rozario performing had the huge crowd at the RSL Club on their feet. The Fox Trot, Jiving and Line Dancing was a particular hit with most of the members joining in and occupying the full floor. The Pokies was an added attraction for a few Members. As we did not hear of any big winners or losers, we presume our Members who punted broke even!.

Overall, it was a very enjoyable evening appreciated by all who attended.



### **FAMILY DAY & CHRISTMAS TREE – 02 December 2018 (Rose Barholomeusz)**



The Annual Family Day & Christmas Tree (free for Members & their children) was held on 02nd December 2018 at St John Vianney's Hall, Police Road, Mulgrave. It was well attended by members in particular the young adults and their children. As with the last couple of years the weather determined that we carry out this event indoors.

The event started with a sumptuous barbeque of unlimited delightful salads, sausages, chicken, hamburgers and bread rolls with various sauces.

Because the activities were confined to the hall we were able to run the activities to schedule.

The sports and games were well participated by the young and old. It was a delight watching the young and not so young compete for the "Prize". There was the ever popular musical chairs, sack race, lime and spoon and filling the bucket. Passing the Hat by the seniors was a wonderful spectator sport – the speed at which the hat was passed is unbelievable. All this was carried out to some wild and fast music which does not seem to phase the seniors.

This sports spectacular was followed by a beautiful Nativity Pageant for which the organisers and the kids have to be commended. All the children participated – the costumes were amazing - there were angels and arch-angels, shepherds, wise men, kings, Mary, Joseph and Baby Jesus. Credit goes to the Organisers and the parents who helped in the presentation of this time honoured scene.

There was community carol singing led by the Association's choir and guitarists – the old time favourite carols and Christmas songs were sung and this set the scene for Santa's arrival.

Santa's arrival brought sheer delight to the faces of the children Our grateful thanks to Santa and his team of volunteers at Santa's Workshop for the enormous task of wrapping and selecting all the gifts that were provided by the Association free of cost to all member children. The gifts were a bit heavy for the reindeer but they managed to bring every child a gift.

Our thanks to all the organisers for their time and effort in making this day a spectacular event.



#### **NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE - 31 December 2018 (Philroy D'Rozario)**

The New Year's Eve Dance was held in Gaelic Park Hall, Keysborough. The dance was quite successful, but our numbers were down compared to 2016. The bands in attendance were the popular 'NO LIMIT' and 'Mahogany'. The music was fantastic and both bands played really well. 'No Limit' brought in the year 2019. The Jiving, Waltzing and Fox Trot with Line Dancing were the highlight of the night. As usual the dance was well organised and it was a great night with many families bringing in 2019 with all their family members around.

The Table layout and Decor and the Chair covers and Table Lighting were set up by Marlene & Linford Mitchell. It gave the Hall a bright and happy ambience. The weather was good so people were comfortable and had no problems with the temperature setting in the hall.

While the food provided by the caterers were good (esp. the Biryani & Vadais) the service could have been better. Due to health regulations take-aways were prohibited.

Lots of fantastic prizes were presented to the lucky winners for the night. Our special thanks to Jim & Trudy for their continued support and goodwill. We also like to thank Glen and Nancy for their generous donation and Godfrey Fernandez for his donation. The Association provided the rest of the prizes which included Myer gift vouchers. We also provided our Patrons with Party Poppers, Masks and Glow Foam sticks to bring in 2019. We thank our members who attended the dance with their families. We would also like to thank the bands who were very helpful in promoting our Dance and helped us in the sale of tickets. Overall it was a very successful night. We also thank our Committee Members who helped in organising the show. Our sincere thanks to our Members and their families for their attendance and making this a fabulous night.



#### **ANNUAL COMMUNITY CRICKET MATCH - 28th April 2019 (Herwin Allen)**



The Association's 25th Anniversary celebrations in 2019 commenced with Community Cricket Match that was held at the Keilor Park Sports Club on Sunday 28th of April 2019. Nearly 80 people (members and

friends) came to cheer their respective teams - the North West members versus their counterparts from the South East.

Although the morning was drizzly it turned out to be a good day to play cricket. At 11.30 am the two captains Lochlan Fernandez (North West) and Don Gresseux (South East) were on the pitch to conduct the toss. North West won the toss and elected to field

From the onset South East were in trouble losing their openers Gerard (2 ) and Karl (12) cheaply and runs were hard to come by. South East lost wickets regularly - Faran (5) Nat (9) Sheldon (4) Don (4) and Alden (0) - and this did mildly trouble their score. Fortunately rescue efforts by Matt (35) Jason (40) and Peter (23) contributed to South East's respectable total of 143 in their 25 overs. Lochlan and Andre of North West were the two bowlers who caused most of the damage to the South East team.

While the cricket was being played, nearly 20 kids were having a great time having fun in the park playing with huge building blocks and a large queue of kids for the popular face painting. The Mums were also involved in organising the kids to play the game of cricket and teaching them the rules. The kiddies were all rewarded with lolly bags

Of course the barbecue was fired up and Trudy, Avelyn and Jenny with the help from some of the Mothers were busy with the sausage sizzle and all the trimmings for the players, patrons and children which they enjoyed.

After the Lunch Break at 1.30 pm, North West commenced their chase at 2pm. Two youngsters Andre Thomas and Matthew Netto opened the innings and established a good opening partnership with Andre scoring 25 and Matthew retiring at 29. Soon Gavin joined in the run fest with a hard hitting 20 before a minor collapse with Dave (2) and Irwin (7) and Aldrin (0) being out for low scores. Daniel (29) and Elroy (11) brought about a revival and closer to the winning score. Lochlan (12) and Rayburne (4) hit the winning runs closing at 148 for 7 in the 24th over. (Detailed Score card is attached)

At the closing ceremony the North West was declared winners of the 25th Anniversary Cricket shield. Lochlan Fernandez the captain of the North West received the Shield. Top scoring batsman was Jason Allen who received a the best batsmen's trophy. Most Wickets taker was Lochlan Fernandez who also received the best bowler's trophy

A big thank you to Don, Lochlan, Mervyn and Gavin in organising the teams for the Match and the equipment and Candice Gresseux and the mums for organising the kid's activities.

All in all it was a successful afternoon - our appreciation goes to all the families, friends and players that attended the community Cricket Match. A big thank you to Trudy and Jim for organising the ground and the park and gratitude to the Management Committee members who helped in ensuring a successful day.



### **25th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS 18<sup>th</sup> May 2019 (Herwin Allen)**

The Year 2019 is a landmark year in the Association's history - a significant milestone -our 25th year as an Association. This premier achievement is due to the hard work of our Management team with the support, loyalty and patronage of our members. In order to celebrate the 25th Anniversary the Association organised a members only function on the 18th of May 2019 at St. John Vianneys Church and Parish Hall in Mulgrave .

The celebrations commenced with a 'Thanksgiving Mass' at 6.00 PM at St John Vianney's Church to thank God for our successful 25 year journey.

Over 140 members then converged to the St John Vianneys Hall to continue with the celebrations. The hall was resplendent in red and white, even the Buffet Tables was equally well displayed, presented and illuminated

The function in the hall started at 7pm with the Secretary Grenville D'Crus welcoming the members and elaborated on the program for the night. The President Herwin Allen then addressed and thanked the members for their presence and highlighted the significance of this achievement - which was primarily achieved by the hard work of the Management team and the support, loyalty and patronage of the members. The President also said that our family friendly policies and activities have contributed significantly to the growth of our membership. He thanked all our sponsors both individuals and companies especially L J hooker for supporting the Association over the years. He concluded by requesting everyone to join in the celebration and enjoy the night.

Nearly 40 of our loyal members were presented with mementos by the President for their 25 years of loyal membership!. A special memento was presented to Roy McNerney from L J hooker - Noble Park, for nearly 20 years of sponsoring the Association. While the presentations were progressing Entree was served and the bar open.

The members were soon on the floor dancing to the music of the 'Lonestar' Andy D'Rozario and MC Duncan Bartholomeusz encouraging everyone to put their best foot forward. During this session of dancing many prizes were won by the members for the spot dance competition.

Dinner was laid out at 9pm. 'Silver Platter' - the caterers for the night, beautifully presented the food in a great array of food - Biriyanis, Pilav rices, Butter Chicken, tasty Beef and Roast pork, Masala vegetable, Eggplant delicacies, fresh garden salads together with chutneys including Bread rolls and Rotis and much more. They were all delicious dishes, tasty, sumptuous and wonderfully pleasant and the members did full justice to what was laid out.

Dessert comprising of Sticky Date Pudding with Caramel Sauce and Pistachio Ice Cream was enjoyed by all.

Pronto! members were back on the floor with many more prizes being won before the celebrations concluded at 11.00 PM.

Below is one of the written compliments to our Secretary Grenville from one of our members:

"I would like to thank you and the committee for a very well planned and meticulously organised dinner dance. Everything was very much appreciated"

Yes, our members were quite appreciative and knowing, that we were honouring them for their patronage, loyalty and support with this grandiose event. It was a spectacular night!

A big thank you to the whole Management team specially Grenville, for their support and handwork in ensuring a successful night.



**BONBEACH CRICKET CLUB 2018/2019 (Merv D'Rozario)**

Last season the Bonbeach Cricket Club embarked on a new direction.

The club brought in a new coach, captain and some would say new methods to running the club which it believed would help be more successful in the future.

Despite on-field success, the club still struggled to perform consistently through all grades and was working its way through change as most clubs do.

Season 2018/19 was a victorious one on a number of fronts - from record numbers at training, strong depth through all grades and young talent in the seconds and thirds complementing the gun players in firsts, the club was alive and its performances supported this.

The firsts and thirds made the grand final yet again while the seconds and fourths made the semi finals all performing well ahead of expectations through the season. While 4 finals appearances was a great story in itself, the best story came in the 'White ball grand final' a tournament which runs simultaneously to the normal season, where the best performing T20 and one day teams play off in a grand final.

Bonbeach defeated arch rivals South Caulfield winning their first grand final in over 40 years, Sri Lankan import Shanuka Duraj top scoring with 65\* in a brilliant innings, while former Bonbeach-Tangy captain Andrew MacKessack was the pick of bowlers taking 3-19.

It was an elusive cup that took many losses to finally achieve success, and in addition to seeing the joy on the faces of the players it was also great to see so many Tangy people there to witness the success having been a part of so many close losses.

The club enters the off season in great shape, having retained all of our imported players, and keen to replicate its feats from this season.

## **OTHER MATTERS**



### **THE TANGASSERI-AUSTRALIAN ANGLO-INDIAN BENEVOLENT FUND**

The Tangasseri-Australian A I Benevolent Fund continues to assist the community in Tangasseri. This fund is managed by the All-India Anglo-Indian Association, Tangasseri to help the disadvantaged, aged and destitute. School books are purchased for children whose families are experiencing hardship. At Christmas time toys are presented to the children while the elderly are presented with gifts. An assistance that is much appreciated. Our thanks to the Association for their support and assistance to the Needy.



### **KERALA FLOOD RELIEF FUND**

In view of the devastating Floods in July/August 2018 in Kerala, South India, where thousands of local residents were affected and rendered homeless, our Association had donated \$2000/- towards the Kerala Flood Relief measures. This donation was forwarded to the Franciscan Friar Province, Karakutty, Ernakulam District, Kerala for the welfare and re-building of homes for 500 families. We wish them well.



### **RECOGNITION AND THANKS TO ALL OUR SPONSORS**

The Association is extremely grateful to all those who have given their time/talents and efforts for the benefit of the Association Your loyal support over the last 25 years has been fantastic and is much appreciated. We look forward to your ongoing patronage and we anticipate more volunteers to assist us in our events.

#### **Note:**

Appropriate items for our next Newsletter may be forward by email to: [tangyausassoc@yahoo.com.au](mailto:tangyausassoc@yahoo.com.au)

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*Avelyn Cooper - Editor, Communications Team*

## **Further Schedule of Events for 2019**

### **THE ANNUAL DANCE**



**24th AUGUST 2019**

**(Springvale Town Hall, Springvale -Music by NEXT GENERATION & BLUE QUBE)**

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**



**SUNDAY 29th SEPT. 2019**

**(11.30 am - The Ceylon Centre, 217 Clarke Road, Springvale)**

### **SENIOR CITIZENS DAY**



**25th OCTOBER 2019**

**(Details to be advised)**

### **FAMILY DAY & CHRISTMAS TREE**



**08th DECEMBER 2019**

**(St. John Vianney's Parish Grounds & Hall, Mulgrave - From 11.00 AM)**

### **NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE**



**31st DECEMBER 2019**

**(From 7.00 PM at St. Louis De Montfort' Hall , Aspendale Gardens)**

### **LONG WEEKEND TRIP**



**25th to 27th JANUARY 2020**

**(Venue: King Parrot Cottages, Penny Royal, Vic)**

***(Watch out for further details for all events)***

### COMMUNITY CRICKET MATCH -SCORE CARD

#### South East Scorecard:

Karl Cooper	12
Gerard Pereira	2
Faran	5
Matt Allen	33(3*4s. 1*6)
Don Gresseux	3
Nat Allen	9
Jason Allen	40 (4*4's)
Sheldon Rozario	4
Alden D'Couto	0
Michael Gonsalvez	2
Peter DeCouto	23
Extras	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>143 (25 overs)</b>

#### North West Scorecard:

Andre Thomas	25 (3*4's)
Mathew Netto - not out	29 (3*4's)
Gavin Pereira	20 (3*4's)
Dave Thomas	3
Irvin Netto	7
Daniel Fernandez	29 (4*4's, 1*6)
Ellroy Allen	10
Aldrin Allen	0
Lochlan Fernandez-not out	12 (3*4's)
Rayburne Allen-not out	4
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Extras	9
<b>Total for 7 wkts</b>	<b>142 (24 over )</b>

#### Bowling Figures- North West

Locky	3 for 27
Andre	2 for 21
Daniel	1 for 27
Rayburne	1 for 12
Matthew	1 for 16

#### Bowling Figures - South East

Sheldon	1 for 25
Michael	1 for 11
Matthew	1 for 8
Faran	1 for 12

**Result: North West won by 3 wkts**