



# THOMIANA

## NEWSLETTER

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### PANSY GAUDER: A Life of Faith & Service

Article from the Island Newspaper, Written By: Rohan Wijesinha

When Pansy Gauder's last whispered breath sped her life to eternal realms, it brought to an end not only the mortal existence of a very special lady, but also severed the final link of a Golden Age of service to St. Thomas' College, Mount Lavinia (STC). For even at its zenith, in the halcyon days of Canon R. S. De Saram, the name of Gauder was as well known as his; synonymous with the care of the fortunate boys of that school. In fact, I would hazard a guess that never before in the history of a school have a husband and wife dedicated over a half a century of their married lives to the service of a particular educational institution.



Shelton Gauder, Pansy's husband, had his schooling at St. Thomas' College, excelling at cricket, and captaining the College XI in 1933. On leaving school, he continued to serve the College in several capacities, from Cricket Coach to Bursar to Grocery Supplier to the College Boarding. Thomians of that era will well remember his delivery truck that would announce its approach, so it is said, as it rattled and banged its way, as far as from the Dehiwala Junction! But, perhaps, his best service to his alma mater was in his choice of bride, for Pansy embraced St. Thomas' College and its schoolboys as though they were her own.

Pansy Gauder ran the College Tuck Shop and was Matron in charge of the College Kitchens. She catered to the dietary needs of generations of Thomians, and they thrived on it. I shall leave it to Old Thomians of that age to write more on that, but I well remember as a schoolboy cricketer, albeit for another school,

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going to the Dining Hall for meals and being summoned to the kitchens. There, 'Aunty' Pansy would quickly ease my awkwardness, as I was unsure as to how to greet her in her 'official' capacity. Much to the chagrin of my teammates, a larger portion of dinner or fruit would somehow appear, not only on my plate, but also on those of young Tissera and Dambawinne, fellow sons of old boys of STC, who were now playing for the visiting side!

As for her culinary skills at home, her lamprais and Christmas cake and love cake and short eats and desserts and milk wine, they were legendary and sought by all. As a child, and even when older, my first stop would be to the kitchen, where inevitably Pansy was cooking, and it was rare to walk out without munching on something delicious, with a cold drink in other hand.

For I had the privilege of knowing the Gauders away from STC (though their home, No. 3, College Avenue, was right next door). In fact, I have known Pansy for all of my life, over five decades now. Shelton was my Godfather. He always claimed, with accompanying guffaw, that he was never given any forewarning of the impending responsibility but that when the Chaplain of STC, the Reverend Roy Bowyer Yin, called for the Godparents to step forward, my father had shoved him hence! Interestingly, my other Godfather, Alex Wijesinha, narrated the same tale! But whatever the circumstances of their appointment, I was honoured by my father's conscripted choices, the both of them. I could not have hoped for better.

I was remembered on my every birthday, the cards written in Aunty Pansy's neat style. And when Uncle Shelton passed away, over a decade ago, she still never forgot though the ownership of the responsibility became somewhat blurred with time. In fact, when I last went to see her, I was warned that she may not recognize me. Little had I to worry. Propped in her chair, she listened to my voluble greeting, and with gentle smile turned to her carer and said, "My Godson". I was doubly honoured.

Pansy Gauder was always tolerant of the nonsenses of growing youth, unafraid to express her displeasure when it warranted and always ready with praise when it was due. A fine sense of humour, no doubt honed by generations of young Thomians, helped. Why, it is even well known that "Satan" was one of her favourites – to the very end! An avid cricket fan, Pansy Gauder would be a regular at the Royal – Thomian, even in her early 90s, and Sri Lanka playing an international match had her glued to the television.

And there was not just Aunty Pansy and Uncle Shelton at No. 3, but their daughters, Corinna and Sandra, who both shared in their parents' good humour and generous hospitality. Inevitably, Corinna married a Thomian, Piyasena Obeysekera, known as "Obey" to his friends, and he proved a tower of strength to the family, and to Pansy in her final years. Corinna's passion was collecting ancient maps and manuscripts on Sri Lanka. Her collection, and knowledge of the subject, had no parallel.

Sandy, though confined to a wheelchair for most of her life, was as joyous a human being as any who has walked this Earth. She loved life with an exuberance borne of a child who has been loved unconditionally by her family and friends, and she was the match of any when it came to Scrabble and quick wit. Sandy was a blessed joy to all who had the pleasure of knowing her.

Shelton and Pansy Gauder suffered the saddest fate that can be endured by parents; the premature death of both of their children. Where lesser beings would have succumbed to the bitterness of their grief, they carried on, now concentrating their love and care on their granddaughter, Sharmin. She, in turn, adored them, and they would have been proud of the quiet dignity and grace with which she carried out the last rites of her grandmother, being with her at the end, and scattering her ashes in the ocean in front of her beloved College.

Through all of the tragedy in their lives, Shelton and Pansy Gauder stayed true to their faith and never questioned the adversities and iniquities that they were faced with. There was no recrimination or bitterness, just an acceptance that this was all part of a greater, divine plan. And herein lies their true worth. They never lost sight of the blessings that life had endowed them with – Corinna, Sandra, Sharmin, Obey, and the latest addition to the Gauder legacy, little Pashoo, the light in her Great Grandmother's eye.

As Pansy Gauder's last breath lifted her spirit away from her body, I have no doubt that it took her straight into the care of the God that she served so faithfully in life, and awaiting her there would be her husband and her daughters, now beyond the pain and suffering of this mortal life; together again, and for always, in the paradise of their love and faith.

## Lankan gets prize with Chinaman

By S Venkat Narayan

NEW DELHI, January 22: Sri Lankan author Shehan Karunatilaka has won the US\$ 50,000 (LKR 5.68 million) DSC prize for South Asian Literature for Chinaman at the Jaipur Literature Festival (JLF).

The prize and a unique trophy were presented to the 36-six-year-old Singapore-based Sri Lankan by Bhutan's Queen Mother Ashi Dorji Wangmo Wangchuk in Jaipur on Saturday night.

The DSC Prize for South Asian Literature celebrates the richness and diversity of South Asian writing. It was instituted last year by DS Constructions Ltd, an Indian infrastructure and construction company. It is a literary prize, awarded annually to writers of any ethnicity or nationality writing about South Asia themes such as culture, politics, history or people for an original full-length novel, written in English, or translated into English.

"Chinaman: The Legend of Pradeep Mathew" is the story of a retired Sri Lankan sports journalist's hunt for a long-forgotten, and a fictional, Sri Lankan cricket player, Pradeep Mathew.

A jury, chaired by Ira Pande along with renowned literary figures Dr Alastair Niven, Dr. Fakrul Alam, Faiza S Khan, and Marie Brenner, chose the book from a short-list of six extraordinary books that included: UR Ananthamurthy: Bharathipura, Chandrakanta: A Street in Srinagar, Usha KR: Monkey-

man, Tabish Khair: The Thing About Thugs, and Kavery Nambisan: The Story that Must Not Be Told.

Ira Pande, chairperson of the jury said, "The winner was chosen last night unanimously by the jury, it just took us half an hour to decide who deserves this prize." In January 2011, the inaugural DSC Prize was won



by Pakistani author HM Naqvi for his debut novel Home Boy.

Karunatilaka works for an advertising firm in Singapore. Educated at Saint Thomas Preparatory School, Kollupitiya, and Saint Thomas College, Mount Lavinia, he obtained a BA in English literature from New Zealand.

Karunatilaka says he used cricket as a device to write about Sri Lankan society. "Chinaman" was first published in Sri Lanka, where it won the 2009 Gratiaen Prize. It is a first person narrative of a manic alcoholic retired sports journalist, WG Karunasena. It skillfully uses cricket and the notion of fair play to look at Sri Lanka in "a fresh and exciting way." His debut novel "The Painter" was short-listed for the Gratiaen in 2000, but was never published. "Chinaman" began as short stories and cricket anecdotes that slowly took the shape of a longer work. He wrote it over an year and a half between 5am and 8am.

## Congratulations Old Thomian Nimal Wickramanayake

The OBA would like to extend their congratulations to Old Thomian Nimal Wickramanayaka for his election to Justice of the Court of Appeal of The Fiji Islands in November last year.

Yet another Thomian success story. Keep up the great work Nimal.

## **Ruby Dinner Dance Feedback**

Dear Trevor

Many thanks to you and your hardworking committee for presenting a memorable and very enjoyable evening, at your 40th Thomian dinner dance.

It was a welcome change to drive into a well appointed venue and find ample parking. The hall was well presented with ample room for dancing. The lighting and decor, especially the eye catching table decor, provided the perfect atmosphere for an enjoyable evening

The band was one of the best that I have heard in Melbourne. Their Sessions were well timed, with the right mix of dance music.

The food was exceptionally good, with a wide variety of delicious Sri Lankan dishes.

At the culmination of a great evening you presented a surprise package, when a group of drummers and horn blowers entered the hall, providing music reminiscent of the Royal-Thomian cricket matches. We were leaving the hall at that time but could not resist re-entering, to join in the fun.

My wife and I have attended many Thomian dinner dances, in Melbourne, in the past, but this dance, by far, was one of the best. Our weekend trip from Perth was well worth it.

Please convey my best wishes to the past pupils I had the pleasure of meeting and reminiscing about my 'teaching' period at STC ML. Esto Perpetua.

Kind Regards  
Dr Vevil De Kauwe

Hi Trevor,

Congratulations to you and the committee on a great dance! Sandra and I enjoyed the occasion very much.

Thanks for acknowledging in the souvenir the members present at the inaugural meeting and for the most deserving tribute to Morley.

Is there any chance I can get another copy of the souvenir? If so, please let me know how I can collect it. Thanks.

Best wishes,

Odath Weerasinghe

### **Warning Groaner!!!**

Two friends are about to go to a dance club. One of them has a wooden eye.  
He said "If someone says something about my eye, i'm gonna snap."  
They get there, and he asks a girl to dance.  
She says, "Would I?"

## A SATURDAY WITH INDRAN – SHARING SOME MEMORIES.

Indrakumar Kulasingam (Kula to his friends) passed away peacefully on 15 May, 2012, aged 56 years. His passing will be felt by many around the world especially by his lovely wife Raji, his family and close friends, and that motley Band of Brothers who make up the Class of 71 from St Thomas' College Mount Lavinia.

The three of us spent a mellow Saturday evening (into Sunday morning) in the company of Indran, Raji and Peter Vanniasingham in Auckland on 21 April. We travelled to NZ so that we could spend a few hours with the man who eventually brought us, the Class of 71, together after almost 40 years of going on our various separate life journeys post STC.

Our travel to NZ to be with him was triggered by his matter of fact e-mail sent to all the members of the Class of 71 bidding them adieu.

But there is a story that leads to this, and for Indran and posterity, we'd like to tell it.



Our re-collections go back to a magic Saturday evening in May 2011 at Darling Harbour, Sydney when a number of the STC Australia/NZ connection met and broke bread together fondly recollecting tales of “derring-do” from their time at the ‘School by the Sea’. The catalyst for the gathering was Indran who, greatly assisted by his assorted Sydney accomplices, had pulled the evening together. The three of us, along with Cader and Varney, ended up at Jilla’s hotel later that evening - drinking expensive shots paid for by Jilla of course. I think it was then that we came to the realisation that we would never have reconnected as a group without Indran’s hard work, persistence and intervention.

A number of us made a decision that day, shamed into it by Indran, to support T.A. Mendis at the OBA Dance in Melbourne in the coming August. Indran flew in from NZ with his lovely wife by his side, his sole reason in being there was to support his class-mate (Trevor Mendis) who is the current President of the STC OBA in Melbourne. It tells you something special about this man. He travelled all that distance to attend an OBA dinner dance simply to support a mate!

We had a great time together often breaking to the reception area outside of the dance hall to swap more stories of our halcyon days together at Galkissa.

On that night a broad plan was hatched to make a big push to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the year that most of us started school at Mount, in 1963. 2013 was an achievable target and the planning commenced. We arranged to meet in Melbourne end of February to refine plans. Manilal de Mel was to be there as our ‘man from Colombo’.

In between time e-mails and much information was swapped in attempts to nail down dates for 2013. We finally arrived at a tentative date of 10 Mar 2013, the day after the ‘Big Match’ as the date that we’d all once again gather in Mount Lavinia, possibly for the last time, as a group.

On 26 Feb ‘12, at Kilsyth on the outer fringe of Melbourne, we enjoyed a delicious Lankan smorgasbord lunch overseen by Graham Blaze, younger brother of Hans. Indran however seemed very quiet and off-colour suffering with what appeared to be a smoker’s cough.

He brushed off concerns by his mates suggesting that it was just a minor throat infection, nothing to be worried about. He was more concerned for Manilal who had to return to Colombo urgently due to a family member’s illness. He was also focussed on getting details into place for our ‘Galkissa Here We Come Again’ proposed Mar 2013 event.

But an email sent to all his class mates on the 5<sup>th</sup> of April changed everything.

Indran wrote us all explaining, in that most matter of fact manner, that he had inoperable cancer and would not see the year out! His main concern was passing on his database for the Class of 1971, a project he had commenced in 2005, and to thank Manilal and Rohan Jayasinghe for taking over this onerous task.

To say that the news shocked all of us would be the understatement of the year. We three decided very quickly that we just had to go visit him at least once more and flew into Auckland together. We were met at the Airport by Peter Van who very

generously hosted us a lunch at the waterfront - another story for another day - before we visited Indran and Raji at home for delicious rice, curries and 'pol sambol' dinner. Indran gave us notice that he intended to replicate a famous "tuck shop staple" to remind us of one of the great adolescent treats we'd all shared so long ago!

According to Raji, Indran's spirits picked up greatly that Saturday afternoon knowing we were arriving. We in turn were honoured that our presence had revived him sufficiently and allowed him to regain his wit and full repartee for the entire time we were there.

It was a fantastic evening, all of us discussing everything from how many Hatch brothers there had been in college, to how Peter V had been slapped by "LaJBa", to the big fights that we'd been able to view close up between some of the "giants" of our Class of 71!

Somewhere in there, the merits of a quality education may even have been discussed!!

Late in the evening Peter V told us a tale about Indran and the great work he had done in bringing to account a huge fraud perpetrated by Directors of a New Zealand company named Bridgecorp. Bridgecorp defrauded 14,500 odd New Zealanders for close to \$500 Mil NZ dollars.

It was Indran, the internal audit and risk manager, who discovered the fraud and brought it to the attention of the regulatory authorities - thereby effectively sentencing himself to 18 months in court leading the evidentiary effort and inviting on himself huge levels of stress in bringing the crooked company directors to justice. He couldn't share this information with anyone as he was sworn to secrecy.

It was possibly associated stress that led to Indran's illness. Sadly we will never know.

But what we do know now, was that we had a quiet and unassuming hero of a class-mate. An ethical and just man who showed enormous integrity, real moral courage, great professionalism and a devotion to duty that clearly went above and beyond what was required of him; these are values we hope we all have when it comes to the crunch. But Indran amply demonstrated them under extreme duress. He was our selfless hero.

We said fond farewells that evening and again the next morning. Hoping against hope that it was all just a bad dream. And that Indran would show up, as planned on March 2013 in Colombo to kick off celebrations commemorating 50 years since we started at our School by the Sea. That is now not to be.

All of us need to make real efforts to keep in touch and try our darndest to be there next March. We need to remember those who've gone before us at this time.

We need to honour Indran and his 'priceless gift' – Manilal's term – which in his own humble way, he bequeathed to ALL OF US, to make of it what we might.

Esto Perpetua

*F. Grigson, J. Jilla, T.A. Mendis.*

## *Our Dearly Departed*

David Hallock  
Thelma Palmer  
Pansy Gauder  
**Dunbar D'Silva**  
John DeVos  
Wasim Thajudeen  
Kulasingham Indrakumar  
Samuel Kelaart  
Victor Walatara  
Asiri Weerasinghe  
Rathi Selvaratnam

*If tolling bell I ask the cause,  
'A soul has gone to God,'  
I'm answered in a lonesome tone;  
Is heaven then so sad?*

*That bells should joyful ring to tell  
A soul had gone to heaven,  
Would seem to me the proper way  
A good news should be given.*

*Emily Dickinson (1830—1886)*

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TRIBUTE TO KALASURI ARISEN AHUBUDU

## With 'Ath, pa, thol and as,' he commanded our attention

By Richard Brohier



Kalasuri Arisen Ahubudu

I read the following news item in the front page of the Daily News of May 27.

*"The death occurred yesterday of poet, veteran teacher, linguist and artist Arisen Ahubudu following a brief illness. He was 93. A much sought after literary personality, Arisen Ahubudu started his career as a teacher and served S. Thomas' College, Mount Lavinia for a greater part of his teaching career where many leading personalities of the country learnt at his feet. Later he came under the influence of Hela Haula tradition and founded a new aesthetic language in the Lankan literary field especially in song."*

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Mr Ashubodha as I knew him in those days was my Sinhala teacher in my Middle School years.

I remember him as one always immaculately dressed in his 'Ariya Sinhala' attire which he wore distinctly and unashamedly in what was a very different college culture.

He would come into the classroom and his first task was to get the attention of a bunch of mostly uninterested boys. I remember well his routine. He would first get everybody seated and then he would say "ath" - meaning place your hands together. Then he would say "pa" and we would obediently place our feet together; "thol" would keep your lips together and if that was not hard enough for us his last dictate would be - "as" where we closed our eyes and trusted him to look out on our behalf that no one else threw any paper spit balls our way!

We would have to be in this silent position for a full minute or he wouldn't begin his class. It was undoubtedly a painful one minute - but he could command it - in his quiet inimitable way.

Knowing too our competitive nature - he would draw three rows with chalk on the bottom edge of the blackboard to depict the three rows of the class. Without

consciously drawing attention to it he would throughout the class keep adding marks - minus marks whenever one of the rows caused a disturbance of any sort and plus marks that reinforced good behaviour. In this way he got us to keep each other in check without him having to shout above the class! At the end of the class there was always a winner for being the most attentive - and he knew how we loved winners! What a genius teaching skill to grab the attention of the entire class for the full 40 minutes!

Later on I went to him for Sinhala tuition to his home down by the sea in Fairline Road Dehiwela on Sunday mornings. I remember, the road in fact ended at his house. There he lived with the other two bachelor teachers, Mr Coperabewa and Mr. Jinadasa. They were truly inseparable and were commonly hailed as the Three Musketeers!

From my observation of Mr Ashubodha I can say he lived simply. He dressed simply. He taught simply - but profoundly as a rare scholar who did not have to push his own barrow! He was an artist that drew deeply from the very soil of Sinhala culture and he was a wordsmith who through his association with the late Mumidasa Cumaratunga forged the *Hela Haula* movement that sought to rid the Sinhala language of its Sanskrit influence. In fact his name change from Ashubodha to Ahubudu was I believe a part of that shift.

I can say my Sinhala never did justice to his teaching skills. But he was one of the most unassuming yet influential teachers that made an impact on my growing years at S. Thomas' College. It is no wonder then that he built lasting images in my mind that are still vivid even today. I am grateful for the fond memories of such a dedicated teacher committed to the cause of developing his students into the stature of the grown men we are today.

*'Ath', 'Pa', 'Thol', 'As'.* Hands, feet, lips and eyes. I now understand that his simple exercise reflected the whole person that he sought to influence in the classroom.

May he Rest in Peace.

## Financial Matter—Reporting on Outstanding Debt

In accordance with the request made by the membership at the last Annual General Meeting, the STC OBA Executive Committee wishes to report that a debt of \$1,670.00 arising from Thomian Nite 2008 and Royal-Thomian Dance 2009 remained outstanding at the end of the 2011 Financial Year.

An amount of \$800.00 was subsequently received in February 2012 towards reduction of this debt. The balance now outstanding on that account is \$870.00 at the date of this publication.

A MAN'S LIFE IN 3 PICTURES



A WOMAN'S LIFE IN 3 PICTURES



# EVENTS CALENDAR 2012/2013

Event	Date	Venue	Contact
ROYAL THOMIAN STAG NIGHT	SATURDAY 3 <sup>RD</sup> MARCH @7PM	YOUTH CENTRE 45 MILLER CRESCENT MOUNT WAVERLEY	TREVOR MEARES (M) 0402 338 637 ASFAN THAJU- DEEN (M) 0422 713 284
ROYAL THOMIAN CRICKET MATCH	SUNDAY 4 <sup>TH</sup> MARCH @9.30AM	MULGRAVE RESERVE GARNETT STREET WHEELERS HILL	TREVOR MEARES (M) 0402 338 637 ASFAN THAJU- DEEN (M) 0422 713 284
SENIORS LUNCH	SUNDAY 20 <sup>TH</sup> MAY @ 11AM	MECHANICS HALL 144 DRUMMOND STREET OAKLEIGH	JAYANTHA WANIGATUNGA (M) 0411 448 991
DINNER DANCE (TICKET SALES CLOSE 30 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2012)	SATURDAY 7 <sup>TH</sup> JULY @ 7.30PM	THE GRAND on CATHIES 90 CATHIES LANE WANTIRNA	TREVOR MENDIS (M) 0411 631 531
TRANSFIGURATION SERVICE	SUNDAY 5 <sup>TH</sup> AUGUST @ 9.30AM	ST. AIDAN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH 39 WALLARANO DVE NO- BLE PARK	ASHTON ANTHON- ISZ (P) 9702 5326
CAROL SERVICE	SATURDAY 8 <sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER @7PM	HAILEYBURY COLLEGE 855 SPRINGVALE RD, KEYSBOROUGH	TREVOR MEARES (M) 0402 338 637
<b>2013</b>			
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	SATURDAY 9TH FEBRUARY @7PM	YOUTH CENTRE 45 MILLER CRESCENT MT. WAVERLEY	CHEVI DE MEL (M) 0413 837 642

Upcoming Event

## CAROL SERVICE Saturday 8th December

Come and Catch up with all your school Mates while enjoying the spirit of the festive season

Contact

**Trevor Meares on 0402 338 637**

To confirm your attendance.



**MEMBERS AS AT 09/07/12. A MEMBER HAS PAID UP TO 31st DECEMBER IN THE YEAR WHICH APPEARS NEXT TO HIS NAME**

<b>VICTORIAN MEMBERS</b>					
ABEYNAIKE, Ajith Parakrama	2012	FERDINANDS, Jim D	2013	KANAGASABAI, H. Selva	2013
ABEYSEKERA, Victor	2006	FERDINANDS, John	2006	KANAGASABAI, Lakshman S.	2009
ABEYSINGHE, Dr Rohan	2013	FERDINANDS, Maurice	2006	KARIYAWASAM, Viren	2011
ABEYWICKREMA, Anil Niranjana	2012	FERDINANDS, Rupert W	2011	KARUNATILAKE, Bandula	2005
AKMEEMANA, Chami	2009	FERREIRA, Jeremy	2010	KARUNATILAKE, Saliya	2011
ALDONS, Roger	2012	FERNANDO, Dayan (DDL)	2010	KATHIRGAMATHAMBY, Sajeevan	2007
ALVIS, Randolph Lawrence	2011	FERNANDO, Deeptha	2007	KELAART, Dennis	2010
AMUKOTUWA, Nimal D.	2005	FERNANDO, Dinesh	2006	KELAART, Ivor C	2013
AMUKOTUWA, Sarathkumar	2012	FERNANDO, L.Melville	2012	KOCH, Garvin	2013
ANTHONISZ, Ashton	2012	FERNANDO, M. Kingsley	2012	KOCH, Godfrey E.L.	2011
ANTHONISZ, Darrell	2011	FERNANDO, Mahes	2015	KOCH, Jeffrey H.	2011
ANTHONISZ, James M.	2012	FERNANDO, Mewan	2005	LA BROOY, Glen Arden	2011
ANTHONISZ, Tyrell	2011	FERNANDO, Niral	2013	LANDERS, Millon Hope	2009
APONSO, Lalith	2012	GAMANPILA, Anil	2014	LAPPEN, Delwyn	2011
APONSO, Roshan	2010	GANEGAMA, Tilak	2013	LAWRENCE, Michael	2010
APONSO, Suren Diyal	2013	GIBSON, R. Maurice E.	2013	LAWTON, Christopher A.	2012
ARIARATNAM, Chris	2013	GOMES, Prem	2006	LAWTON, Christopher J.	2014
ARMITAGE, Andy	2012	GOMES, Yushantha Jayathu	2009	LAWTON, Michael E.	2011
BALTHAZAR, George	2011	GOONAWARDENA, Peneeth Rajiva	2012	LAYMAN, Leon Anthony	2006
BARTHOLOMEUSZ, Hermon M.	2012	GOONERATNE, Dinesh	2008	LEKAMGE, E. D. B.	2010
BENERAGAMA, Gamini Dr.	2014	GOONERATNE, Sena J.	2010	LEWIS, Leon Howard	2011
BROHIER, Richard	2009	GOONERATNE, Upali J. F.	2011	LIYANAGE, Milinda J.	2012
CADER, Fazal	2012	GRIGSON, Roderic	2012	LIYANAGE, Saman	2012
CALDERA, David Lalith	2012	GUNARATNAM, Visahan	2009	LOOS, Granville Allison	2012
CASINADER, Ranji	2010	GUNASEKERA, Yohan Mark	2007	LOOS, Hermon	2004
CHAPMAN, Ivor	2012	GUNewardANA, Chanaka	2008	MAARTENSZ, Trevor	2013
CHRISTOFFELSZ, John	2014	GUNewardANA, Upali	2010	MAHENDRAN, Shylagen Venayaga	2010
CLAASZ, Anthony Dermot Nigel	2020	HAFFEL, Husain	2012	MALLET, Anthony J. W.	2012
DANIEL, Bertram	2011	HALLOCK, Shantha	2012	MATHER, Dr. Paul Rohan	2013
DANIEL, Dr. Robin	2007	HANIBALSZ, Nowell M.R.	2008	MAZAHIR, Nishad	2007
DANIEL, Godfrey	2011	HASSELMAYER, J.E.Karl	2012	MEARES, Trevor	2012
DANIEL, REV. Baldwin	2011	HEENETIGALA, DR. Nihal	2011	MEEGAMA, Suren Royden	2011
DASSENAIKE, Nalin	2010	HEENETIGALA, Mahes	2010	MENDIS, Glen	2012
DAVID, Frank	2013	HENRICUS, B. Cholomondley	2013	MENDIS, Niru Duleep	2005
DAVID, Kumar	2012	HENSMAN, Dr. Indran. C	2009	MENDIS, Trevor A.	2013
DE KRETZER, Ronald J. A.	2011	HENSMAN, Kumar	2012	MOLLIGODA, Bandula	2011
DE MEL, Chevinda	2011	HENSMAN, Rajan A.	2012	MOLLIGODA, Suriya	2009
DE MEL, Jarit	2012	HERAT, Norman	2013	MORENO, Emilio	2012
DE MEL, Sarath	2011	HERFT, Christopher P.	2011	MORTIMER, Geoffrey L E	2012
DE SILVA, Anura	2013	HESSE, Hubert. R.	2010	MORRIS, Reyhan	2007
DE SILVA, Jeremy	2007	ILANGAKOON, Amal Michael	2012	MUBARAK, Mohamed Nabil	2011
DE SILVA, Lakshman D.	2013	INGRAM, G. C. Douglas	2011	MURRAY, Rodney	2007
DE SILVA, Larry	2012	JACOTINE, Errol	2011	NADARAJAH, Prashanth	2011
DE SILVA, Randy	2009	JANSEN, Conrad Gary	2010	NADARAJAH Suresh	2008
DEVAPURA, Jetha	2010	JANSEN, Shane	2010	NAGARAJAH, Rajjevan	2008
DE VOS, Milroy	2011	JANSZ, Brian Gordon	2005	NAGARAJAH, C. Romesh	2014
DE ZILVA, Adrian	2013	JANSZ, Rodney	2012	NANAYAKKARA, Mark	2011
DIAS, Yohan	2006	JASINGHE, Neomal	2014	NESIAH, Vaseeharan	2012
DISSANAYAKE, Loshan Ashantha	2009	JAYASEKERA, Bumpy CW	2011	NICHOLAS, Christopher	2012
DISSANAYAKE, Sadeesh	2009	JAYASEKERA, Sandy Rajpal	2013	NICOL, Nigel	2013
D'SILVA, H. Derek	2011	JAYASENA, Rajiv	2009	NILAWEEERA, Tilak	2009
D'SILVA, H. Roger C.	2010	JAYASINGHE, Chandra Asoka	2010	ONDAATJE, Peter P.J.	2013
D'SILVA, Ralph	2009	JAYASINGHE, Ranga P	2008	OVERLUNDE, Stevie	2012
EDWARD, J Roy D	2012	JAYASURIYA, Sarath	2012	PALMER, Carlo D.	2014
EMERSON, Richard J	2012	JAYAWARDENA, Asanka	2012	PALMER, Gavin	2012
FERDINANDS, Brian Anthony	2016	JAYAWICKREME, Eshan Mahesa	2009	PAUL, Dr Amarjit	2013
FERDINANDS, Donald Anthony	2010	JAYETILEKE, Shehan Vinod	2011	PEARS, Michael	2012
FERDINANDS, Ernest H.	2012	JESUDHASON, Dr Edward	2012	PEIRIS, Duane	2012
		JUNAIDEEN Rayhaan	2008	PEIRIS, Kirthi K. G.	2012

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<b>VICTORIAN MEMBERS (CONTINUED)</b>					
PERIS, Mangala	2005	SIRIMANE, Anura	2008	FLAMER-CALDERA, Maxim <b>NSW</b>	2017
PERIS, Nadija Kalhara	2006	SIRITUNGA, Mahendra Vishwajith	2004	GERLACH, Maxwell <b>NSW</b>	2011
PEREIRA, Ernley O	2011	SMITH, Adam A A	2008	GOONATILAKA, Tissa <b>NSW</b>	2012
PEREIRA, Morley	2012	SMITH, Norman Allan	2011	GRIGSON, Francis Frederick <b>NSW</b>	2013
PERERA, Dr. Chandra	2013	SOMASUNDERAM, Marty	2009	HENSMAN Mohan <b>NSW</b>	2007
PERERA, Dr. Mahendra H	2011	SRI BAWAN, M	2012	MASEFIELD, Graham R. L. <b>NSW</b>	2010
PERERA, Naveen Tharindu	2008	ST. JOHN, Ajit Gavin	2012	PERERA, Nimal J <b>NSW</b>	2004
PERERA, S. M. Shehan R.	2010	ST. JOHN, David	2010	RUPESINGHE, Roshan <b>NSW</b>	2013
PONNIAH, Jeya	2012	STORK, Lynwood	2012	SENARATNE, Lalith <b>NSW</b>	2007
PRABHA David	2009	SUNDARANATHAN, Mahinthan	2007	SWAN, William L <b>NSW</b>	2012
PREMKUMAR, Sanjay	2012	SURIARACHI, Gamini A.W.	2008	VANDERSMAGT, Vernon <b>NSW</b>	2009
RAJADURAI, Joe	2009	THAJUDEEN, Asfan	2011	VELUPILLAI, A. R. Lakshman <b>NSW</b>	2010
RAHIM, Shihan	2011	THENABADU, Jayantha	2012	VIDAYASAGARAN R. (Haran) <b>NSW</b>	2015
RASARATNAM, Mahendra	2011	THIEDEMAN Michael	2011	SHU Jimmy <b>NT</b>	2009
RASIAH, John	2007	THIEDEMAN, Shane	2031	AMARATUNGA, Rohith <b>QLD</b>	2011
RATNAYAKE, Ravi	2009	THIRUNEELA, Mauran	2007	BAINES, Trevor <b>QLD</b>	2009
RAUFF, Mazhar M.	2010	VALLIPURAM, Dr. Skantha K.	2009	BRAINERD, Leslie <b>QLD</b>	2015
REID, Barney D.	2012	VAN TWEST, Harold	2010	COORAY, Hiran <b>QLD</b>	2011
REID, Claud E.	2012	VANDERWERT, Cedric	2014	GARTH, David <b>QLD</b>	2013
REID, Dr. Barclay G.(Buddy)	2012	VARNEY, Allan	2012	GUNAWARDANA, Uditha W. <b>QLD</b>	2011
REID, Johann Howard	2011	VARNEY, Ashley	2012	HAMEED, Ahmed Shezad <b>QLD</b>	2007
REID, Ronnie	2012	VARNEY, Christopher	2012	HERFT, Spencer. G. <b>QLD</b>	2011
RICHARDS, Marcus	2012	VARNEY, David	2016	JAYASUNDERA, Arthur <b>QLD</b>	2010
ROBERTS, Anthony Gerald	2010	VELUPILLAI, Gerrard	2009	MISSO, REVD. KAROL <b>QLD</b>	2012
ROBERTS, G. Ryan	2016	VYTINGAM, Raj	2011	WANIGASOORIYA, Kamal <b>QLD</b>	2012
ROBERTS, Richard	2014	WAMBEEK, P.E. Keith	2012	WEINMAN, Beaufort A. <b>QLD</b>	2012
ROCKWOOD, David C.	2012	WANIGATUNGA, Jayantha	2013	LECAM WASAM, Dr D.S. <b>SA</b>	2010
RODIE, John	2012	WARNAKULASURIYA, Dinesh	2016	PONNIAH, S.G. Ranjan <b>SA</b>	2012
RODRIGO, Nimal Ravindra	2004	WAZIL, Adhnan	2006	ARNDT, George Arthur Richard <b>WA</b>	2012
RODRIGO, Pramuditha Akalanka	2006	WEERAKOON, Peter E.	2012	DE KAUWE, Dr. Vevil <b>WA</b>	2013
RODRIGO, Ranmal	2014	WEERASINGHE, Odath S.	2012	FAIRWEATHER, Maurice D. <b>WA</b>	2012
RODRIGUE, Darrel	2011	WEERASIRI, Dr Tilak	2013	INGRAM, Dennis <b>WA</b>	2010
ROWLAND, Ed	2009	WEINMAN, Rev. Ravanel	2011	JAYASEKERA, Mohan D. <b>WA</b>	2013
ROWLANDS, Adlai Perc	2006	WICKRAMASURIYA, Dushan	2009	MAKALANDA, Kavan <b>WA</b>	2007
RUWANPURA, Helaka	2009	WICKREMATARATNA, Vidura	2008	MAY, Walter <b>WA</b>	2012
SAMARAJIWA, Manish Neuran	2010	WIJAYASURIYA, Prasada	2014	MENDIS, Dr. Ariyaman Mahanama <b>WA</b>	2011
SANSONI, Adrian Noel	2013	WIJESINHA, Rohan D.	2012	SCHOKMAN, David Norman <b>WA</b>	2011
SARAVANAMUTTU, Arasu	2012	WIJESINHA, Dr. Sanjiva	2010	VIRASINGHE, Indra A.K. <b>WA</b>	2016
SARAVANAMUTTU, Ari	2012	WIJESUNDERA, Chamila	2008	<b>OVERSEAS MEMBERS</b>	
SARAVANAMUTTU, Tiru	2007	WIJESURIYA, Jehan	2006	CHELLIAH, Lohendran	2008
SCHARENGUIVEL, Keith	2009	WIJEY, Ashley	2012	COSWATTE, Renuke Jagath Bandara	2006
SCHOORMAN, Peter	2012	WIJEYARATNE, Peter	2005	DE ALWIS, Nil Denham	2010
SELVADURAI, Johann	2007	WIKRAMANAYAKE, Nimal	2010	DE SOYSA, Sunil	2012
SELVADURAI, Sehan Nehru	2012	ZIMSEN, J. A. Terrence	2013	EPHRAUMS, Lance.H.D.	2011
SELVARAJAH, Mano	2010			HILLMAN, Jeremy	2009
SELVARATNAM, Lakshman	2010			JAYASINGHE, C. Asoka	2006
SELVARATNAM, Dr. Peter	2011	<b>INTERSTATE MEMBERS</b>		KANAGASABAI, Satkuna Ana	2015
SENARATNE, Godfrey	2012	ALDONS, Malcolm Eric <b>ACT</b>	2010	MUNASINGHE, P.L.	2006
SENARATNE, Sarath	2011	ARSAKULASURIYA, Aruna <b>ACT</b>	2006	PEREIRA EDWARD. V	2005
SENEVIRATNE, Lalindra Arjuna	2010	DIAS ABEYESINGHE, Rohan <b>ACT</b>	2012	PIERIS, P. Ian	2009
SENEVIRATNE, Chanaka	2009	JACOB, Elmo <b>ACT</b>	2011	SARAVANAMUTTU, Rajan	2012
SENEVIRATNE, Eardley Kevin	2006	REBERA, Basil <b>ACT</b>	2012	SATURNINUS, Peter	2004
SENEVIRATNE, Earle	2011	WICKRAMASURIYA, Revan Philip <b>ACT</b>	2005	SCHOKMAN, Larry	2023
SENEVIRATNE, Mani	2013	ARNDT, Dr. Douglas V. <b>NSW</b>	2014	THOMAS, Bertram W.R.	2005
SENEVIRATNE, Niranjana	2007	BARTHOLOMEUSZ, David <b>NSW</b>	2009	TIRIMANNE, Ranjan	2014
SETUNGA, Raymond	2011	BERENGER, Milroy <b>NSW</b>	2011	TISSERA, George Vernon	2009
SILVA, Kristian	2010	CHAPMAN, Dr. J. Ben <b>NSW</b>	2011	WEERASINGHE, Abhaya	2013
SILVA, Michael	2013	DE ZILVA, Charles	2011	WIJERATNE, W. D. Neil	2013
SILVA, P. Jayampathy O.	2012	D'SILVA, Stefan <b>NSW</b>	2010	WIJESINHA, Shirley Patrick	2022



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