

...building on the foundations



Let me start by thanking all Corona members who attended our AGM for their show of confidence in re-electing my team and I to office for a further year. We thank you for your vote and promise we will do our best to build on the work done last year.

Let me also wholeheartedly welcome Sara, new to this team but definitely not someone who is new to Corona or to serving on the Corona committee.

We have already been busy on your behalf and have a list of activities lined up for the next few months. However, we are always happy to receive ideas and suggestions from our members. So come on, if there is something you've always wanted us to do, or somewhere you would like to share with other members, do tell us.



The March cake was donated by Fifi and won by Beti. In our experience home made cakes are the biggest fund raisers but since not all of us can be great bakers we invite members to donate other appropriate items to raffle. To kick-off, our April raffle will be a bottle of wine and an Easter egg.

BRING AN EASTER EGG IN APRIL

Our member Lyndsay received an Easter request to donate chocolate eggs for distribution to children's charities. We hope you will each participate by bringing a chocolate egg to our next meeting. Meantime the committee agreed that the proceeds of our April raffle should be used to buy eggs for two children's charities we support – CEDEM and Esperance.

WHEELCHAIR WANTED

Our member Marie Lyne Richard is appealing for a second hand wheelchair either to rent or buy. Contact her on: 4242199.

Note that your membership fees were due in March. If you have not already done so, please pay at the next meeting.



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

COFFEE MORNING

WEDNESDAY 10th April @ 10am

Back by popular demand is our Coffee Morning. Be sure to join us for the first in a while at Paul in So Flo.



NEXT MEETING

FRIDAY 19th April @ 10 am

Anoushka will talk to us about the SAFE HAVEN HALFWAY HOME (SHHH), a shelter for teenage girls who are homeless due to abuse and rejection from family members.

MAY MEETING

FRIDAY 17th May @ 10 am

Our may meeting will focus of friendship and crafting. Mandy and Lyndsay will lead us in making beautiful gift bags from all those branded bags hanging around our homes. If you have some craft ideas you would like to share with members do get in touch with your committee.

Happy birthday wishes to all members who celebrate their special day in April.

Don't go all weird about getting older! Age is merely the number of years the world has been enjoying us.

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR: Welcome ladies. And thank you for attending our AGM. I hope you all had an excellent year of Corona meetings and that our committee delivered on our club goals to provide a forum for friendship and fostering good relations. The Corona Plateau Club can only continue to exist through the participation and support of you, our members. So I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every member for their support and contributions.

The 2018-19 Committee started a bit later than usual due to the challenges of electing a committee. Indeed, we were unable to elect the usual 8 person committee but a few brave souls took up the challenge and I would like to recognise each of them individually.

Rosemarie took on the role of Treasurer and has served well in this difficult position. Manda organised speakers and was responsible for membership. Kamini was in charge on reports, minutes and arranging our meetings. Neena was responsible for membership and communication with all of you and along with Patricia handled the raffle. My thanks to all of them. Special thanks also to our co-opted members especially Jane for the newsletter and Zandre for our social media.

Having such a small committee meant we had to focus on key activities and unfortunately were not able to organise any outings or fund-raising events. We thought it best to put all our efforts on the get-togethers at the monthly meetings and ensuring that our members had a good time. During the course of the year members who attended our meetings were able to learn about the drawbacks of aging, stem cells and beauty, the fate of bats in Mauritius, the new drink-driving traffic rules, flower arranging, and the origins of Corona in Mauritius through our tribute to Raymond Rasool. We also celebrated together Diwali and Christmas through our food extravaganza's and enjoyed a Rangoli competition and Christmas Carol singing. The last activity organised by this committee was the well attended and much enjoyed annual Women's Day lunch at Treasures Restaurant in Soflo.

As always our AGM culminated in the election of a new Committee. The officers you elected to represent you have met and agreed the following roles for each elected member.

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Not elected but assisting on sub committees	Zandre Latimer Jane Delorie Patricia Mohamed Lyndsay Riviere Manda Boolell	Website and Facebook Newsletter Raffle & fundraising Speakers	



KEY POINTS FROM

TREASURER'S REPORT :

Rosemary thanked Fifi for auditing the accounts and noted that any member may freely review the full statement.

Charitable donations: Over the year we gave a total of Rs 50,000 to 6 charities. SOS femmes, Mauritius Wildlife Foundation, Link to Life, Nazareth, PAWS and MMHA.

Fund Raising: Our main source of funds is of course our membership fees. After we pay our dues to Corona International and to the Gymkhana Club there is little left. Any additional funds are a result of member generosity. In general our raffle raises around Rs 1000 at each meeting. Our thanks go to all of you for buying raffle tickets and of course to the ladies who donate the cakes. Our thanks also go to Mandy, Marilyn and Mary, all of whom brought items for sale and donated the proceeds to Corona.

Join our new WHATSAPP group and help us stay in touch with you. Text your number to Sara or Kamini

