



NO DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

WhatsApp and other technologies...

It is no secret that many of our members are of an older generation, some of us already well matured before the advent of the “*age of technology*”. Being game for the challenge though, most of us adapted and adopted certain useful gadgets, chief among these our smart phones. We succumbed to “apps” such as WhatsApp and Skype well before Covid-19 emerged (you note I am not calling this insidious virus Corona in this newsletter) and although we might not have been technology experts, we were fairly adept users of our “smart” phones.

They say every cloud has a silver lining so here is one to consider... lockdown has motivated many of us to transition from reluctant “*I can just about answer a Skype call*” to enthused users of a wide range of technology driven products. The communication tools offered through the internet are wide and varied. Video calling platforms such as Skype and Facetime have been joined by the likes of Messenger, Zoom and Hangouts in our vocabulary.

We might be forced into Social Distancing but we can still share our hobbies and interests through these “apps” and other communication tools of the internet age. It has been heartening to see Corona members sharing their hobbies through the Corona WhatsApp group.

The beautiful pictures of birds, flowers and plants shared by our ‘gardening’ members inspired other members to draw and paint the same.

Pictures of food inspired a sharing of recipes and an exchange of ideas amongst our ‘chefs’. Shortages of ingredients inspired a sharing of new ways of thinking... no yeast to make bread, try flat bread...

If we can't have our book-club meetings in person, let us have them on-line.



LOCKDOWN
STAY HOME AND
STAY SAFE
BUT STAY
CONNECTED



Our Corona WhatsApp group has been buzzing as our members share information, advice, recipes and humour. If you are not already a member contact our committee to be added to the group.

Our particular thanks to Emilie and Binita who regularly share the beauty of their gardens.



For all those May babies amongst us, we wish you a very happy birthday.

...that allow us to continue sharing...

COVID-19 is everywhere but countries with heads of state managing the crisis better seem to have something in common...



...the informative

Messages have been circulating on our WhatsApp platform providing critical information about the virus and how to recognize and avoid it. Members have shared notices concerning the lockdown in Mauritius as well as when we can go shopping and where. Sourcing food and medicines has been a concern for many of us and very practical information has been shared on the delivery services that are available and member experiences of these.

... the humour

It has been a joy to laugh at ourselves and the world in such a difficult time. I've particularly enjoyed all the musical parodies that have been circulating. I'm sorry I am not able to share videos or sound-tracks in the newsletter but do keep the laughs coming ladies.

... looking forward

It is encouraging to see that we can still happily look forward to when this nightmare is finally over.

Remember when you wished the weekend would last forever?

Happy now?

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After isolation



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