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1. President’s Report - Daljit Singh Dhillon

Waheguru Ji Ka Khalsa, Waheguru Ji Ki Fateh

It is a matter of pride for the community that AGM was held in a very peaceful and pleasant environment. The new committee was elected unanimously. The members also approved budget for some new improvement works.

I request all the community members to keep doing good work in promoting harmony amongst the community and raising the profile of Sikh community in the wider society.

Students do deserve kudos for doing excellent Sewa in the Gurudwara Sahib. However they are requested to adjust to the new environment.

Humility and SEWA are two major attribute of Sikhism. Let us practise them in our daily life.

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3. SAWA NEWS:

• PCSC REPORT – Gurdarshan Singh Kailley

The Punjabi Cultural & Sports Club thanks all the sponsors and organisers, who put a tremendous effort in making the Dinner Dance **ਜਾਦਾਂ ਦੇ ਝਰੋਖੇ** a success. The dinner dance was held over the long weekend in a splendidly fashion at the Melville Civic Centre Hall. The theme of this evening was a walk through the sweet cultural memories of Punjabis, the early settlers in Perth and to honour the distinctive individuals for their efforts in shaping the present face of the community. The contribution of all the past SAWA and Land Building committees was acknowledged. We were honoured by the presence of the current and past SAWA presidents and LBC ex chairman Sarvan Singh Vegal.

The guests enjoyed a range of solo performances by Inderpreet Singh Aulakh, Aman Bassi (accompanied by Saheb Singh Aneja and Ishan Singh Bassi), Jasleen Kaur, Gursharn Kaur Bagga, Amarjit Singh Amar and Prem Singh Kumar. Simrat Singh Malhotra accompanied the singers with his melodious tabla. The first ever Bhangra Group in Perth consisting of Raj Kaur Gill, Jasleen Kaur, Pritpal Kaur, DevRaj Singh, RaguPat Tah, Jagdev Singh Dhillon, Amarjit Singh Amar also revived their memories on Prem's lyrics. There were also three group performances by Nachda Punjab Group, choreographed by Kulwinder Singh Sidhu.

PCSC's young Bhangra Group (Amrit, Anahat, Gursheer, Mit, Manvir and Gurkamal) performed a thrilling Bhangra on Apni Boli Apna Desh, followed by Rangla Punjab (Vipin, Jatinder, Sarbpreet and Kulwinder). Our DJ Manny Uppal and Dholi Amun Grewal set the dance floor alight with their desi beats. The President of SAWA, Daljit Singh Dhillon, PCSC Chairman, Sonny Punia and Ex-President of SAWA Balbir Singh also delivered thought provoking speeches. PCSC committee members, Dr Manjit Mudhar, Amritpal Singh, Parmdeep Gill, Sonu Cheema, Tarlochan Singh and Sonny Punia worked tirelessly in organising the function.

Special thanks go to Ajmer Singh and Kinni Sidhu for rendering their technical expertises and our sponsors, Lana Thai, Punjab, Suhana Saffar, Captain Trading and Dominant Property Services, without whom this function would not have been a success.

Unfortunately, with the accolades, we have also received constructive criticism. One of the key points raised, was the lack of punctuality by ticket holders. Whilst the Dinner and Dance was scheduled for a 6.30pm start, majority of the guests did not arrive until 7.45pm, this in turn, led to the whole evening of events being delayed. Regretably, our presentation of more than 150 slides comprising of old photographs and a video of the first Bhangra Performance in Perth could not be displayed due to the lack of time. The Club humbly requests that we should all respect and value each others' time, so that we can enjoy future events to the fullest. We have received a lot of feedback, both constructive and appreciative for this function and all the issues raised are being addressed to the best of our ability.

The Club's AGM will be held on 15th of Nov 2009, all financial members will be notified of further details. Thank you for your continued support for PCSC and we look forward to seeing you at our next function.

• **SAWA's PUNJABI RADIO PROGRAM:**



SAWA's Punjabi RADIO is doing a great job. It not only entertains us, but also satisfies our spiritual needs by broadcasting Gurbani Kirtan sung by famous Ragis and Hukamnama from Guru Granth Saheb by Giani Balbir Singh Ji. There is still need for more volunteers to present the program. Your Suggestions and feedback are always most welcome. Requests for your favourite songs or dedications can be made in advance to Amrit Pal Singh :

0471911803. Don't forget to tune in SAWA's PUNJABI SANGEET on 95.3 FM 6EBA every Thursday from 7.am-8am.

• **BREAKFAST & LUNCH LANGER SEWA:**

DATE	BREAKFAST SEWA By	LANGAR SEWA (LUNCH) By
02-08-09	Jasvir Singh Sanghera family	Bakhshish Singh & Amritpal Singh families
09-08-09	Inderpreet Singh; Tarunpreet Singh and Mandeepak Singh families	Inderpreet Singh; Tarunpreet Singh and Mandeepak Singh families
16-08-09	Devraj Singh; Jagdish Singh Gill and Dr Ajit Singh families	Devraj Singh; Jagdish Singh Gill and Dr Ajit Singh families
23-08-09	Sucha Singh Khaira family	Hanumangarh Students
30-08-09	Students from the College of Innovation & Industrial Skills	Students from the College of Innovation & Industrial Skills
06-09-09	Dalbir Kaur Rani & Ranjit Singh Sandhu families	Sangat
13-09-09	Onkar Singh family	Zora Singh family
16-09-09	Evening Prog. Sangrand	Harpreet Singh and Rajwinder Singh
20-09-09	Jasvinderpal Singh Buchkar family	Jimmy Joshi and Hardip Singh
27-09-09	Karam Singh	Harmit Singh Kailley and Gurdarshan Singh Kailley families
30-09-09	Evening Prog.	Paramjit s. Nagra & Ranjit Singh Jassi families
04-10-09	Jagjit Singh Sidhu	Pankaj Kapoor family
11-10-09	Paramjit Singh & Tarunpreet Singh families	Paramjit Singh and Tarunpreet Singh families
17-10-09	Evening Prog . Sangrand & Diwali –	Bhupinder Singh Grewal of Maya Masala

	Bandi Chhore Diwas	
18-10-09	Vijay Sidhu and Gagandeep Singh	Vijay Sidhu and Gagandeep Singh
25-10-09	Kulwant Singh Dhillon and family	Dr. Zora Singh and family

Our sincere thanks to all the families for their generosity and Sewa to the Sadh Sangat. For Langer bookings, contact Giani Ji on 9455 7220 or Sarabjit Singh Pannu on 9455 1075.

4. Community News:

- **Gurbani Vichaar:**

Gurbani Vichaar Programme is held fortnightly i.e every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month in the Canningvale Gurdwara Library after Langar, at about 1.00p.m.

For more information contact Dr. Amarjit Singh on 9386 6379.

- **Istri Satsang:**

Istri Satsang is usually held every first or second Saturday of the month at Gurdwara Saheb from 2.00 – 4.30 pm. However, it is pleasing to note that due to increase in the Sikh community and greater interest among the ladies, now we have Satsang, quite often twice a month. Sukhmani Saheb Path was organised on 10th Oct. by Mrs Surinder K Sandhu in loving memory of her sister, who passed away in Brisbane. Thanks to Jaswinder K. Puarr; Jaswant Kaur (Jessy) and other ladies; Parkash Kaur, Gurdev Kaur, Manmohan Kaur and Juginder Kaur for co-ordinating the August, September and October Satsangs respectively. The bookings for November 2009 and March 2010 have been made.

For future bookings, contact Juginder Kaur, Tel : 9276 3923.

- **Diwali Mela :**

Diwali Mela was celebrated with great enthusiasm in open air at the Herb Graham Centre on 25th October from 2:00 to 10:00 pm. There was not only variety of entertainment but also delicious food available from different States of India. This Mela was the joint effort of Indian society of WA, Anglo Indian Association and the Sikh Association of WA. Thanks to all the volunteers, performers and especially Kanwaljit Singh and Mahesh Inder Singh who were the SAWA co-ordinators.

- **Condolences :**

SAWA expresses sincere condolences to:

- * Mrs Surinder K. Sandhu, Rajinder Singh Bassi, Mahesh Inder Singh Bassi and their families on the death of their sister, Bibi Davinder Kaur Ji in Brisbane.

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Births Birthdays! Engagements! Wedding anniversaries!

Congratuatiions are due from SAWA and Sadh Sangat to

- * Darshan Singh Sidhu on the wedding of his daughter Sukhvinder Kaur Sidhu.
- * Mr and Mrs Ranjit Singh Sandhu on the 21st Birthday of their son, Anant Singh Sandhu.
- * Dr. Zora Singh and family on the Birthday of their children Pavit, Puneet and Rohan
- * Jaswant Kaur (Jassey) on the 50th birthday of her daughter Narinderjit Kaur in Singapore.

Please, note that the condolences and congratulations section is based on the information made available. We apologise for any omissions.

Last but not least, I would like to thank sincerely all those, who contributed to this newsletter and especially the Sangat for their positive feedback. Thanks for giving me the opportunity of compiling the newsletter again.

WAHEGURU JI KA KHALSA WAHEGURU JI KI FATEH.

Juginder Kaur

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