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DISTRICT 306 – A1

**LIONS CLUB OF GALKISSA**

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**GENERAL MEETING**

General Meeting was held at Lion Dr. Dammika Gunewardena's Residence at Mount Lavinia, on October 23<sup>rd</sup> 2009. This meeting coincided with the visit of Vice District Governor Lion Sunil Dharmaratna to the club. The following members were present ; Lion Nilkamal, Lion Felix, IPP Lion Keerthi, PDG Abeya, PMCC Marcella, PDG Lion Sunil & Lion Sharlene, Zone Chairperson Lion Dr. Dammika & Lion Devika, Lion Ajantha & Lion Lady Mango, Lion Damayantha, Lion Lucky, Lion Daya & Lion Lady Annie, Lion Preethi, Lion Nilanthi & Batho, Lion Daya Wijetunga, Lion Tilak & Lion Lady Savi, Lion Nihal, Lion Godfrey & Lion Lady Surangani.

Excuses - Lion Ruwan



## APPRECIATION



Lion Ruwan was born in 1945 on the 04th of August and was educated at S. Thomas' College, Mount Lavinia.

I had the privilege associating with Lion Ruwan who was quite senior to me at College from my school days. Both of us travelled from our homes in Panadura to College. We used to meet after school at the Panadura Recreation Club for a game of tennis. He was a member of the college cadet platoon.

After leaving the hallowed portals of his alma mater he pursued a career in Planting. He married Yauwani in 1979 and was blessed with a Daughter & Son.

He joined the Lions Movement in 1990. He was elected as President in 1998 and introduced to the club 3 new members, namely Lion Ajantha, Lion Nilkamal & Lion Dr. Dammika all of whom have become Presidents of our club.

Lion Ruwan was an active member of our Club. He used to lead the members when singing the National Anthem and delivered the Pledge of Allegiance with passion at all club meetings. He loved to sing, his lilting & melodious voice could always be heard during fellowship. It was good fun to be in his company during fellowship where he entertained those present with his singing.

He was meticulous in the planning & executing activities of the club to a fault. Lion Ruwan was also a much respected person.

His advice and wise counsel was sought in club activities. He together with his wife and children were giving leadership to the Pre-school & Nutrition projects of our club at the time of his demise.

Due to his sudden demise, his beloved wife Yauwani, has lost a loveable husband, children Nadeesha & Eraj a caring father, his friends have lost an adorable friend. Lion Ruwan will not fade away from the hearts and minds of our members.

Lions Club of Galkissa conveys our deepest sympathies to his wife Yauwani and Children Nadeesha & Eraj.

May he attain the supreme bliss of Nirvana!

**Lion Nilkamal  
President**



club members extend their cooperation this cherished goal would be achieved with ease. Therefore our members' commitment is essential to make this event a success.

Please keep the day free!

## LIONS QUIZ COMPETITION

Lions' quiz competition of District 306 A1 Region 2 was conducted in October 2009 at Girls High School, Mount Lavinia

## SING ALONG WITH ANNESLEY MALAWANA

The gala musical extravaganza is on **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2009 @ Palm Beach Hotel, Mount Lavinia** 7.30 pm onwards. Music for the evening will be provided by **Annesley Malawana & Super Chimes.**

District Governor Siri Perera together with Lion Lady Rani would grace the occasion. Tickets are priced at Rs.750 per head. Table reservations could be made by contacting Lion Lady Annie 2641036, Lion Ajantha 2715582, Lion Felix 0777 587016 or at the hotel.

Publicity for the event - Electronic Media Sponsor Etv . They would also produce half an hour post event program which would be aired on the channel.

Assistance of all club members is solicited to sell 400 tickets! If all



Eight teams participated and S. Thomas College Mount Lavinia A Team emerged winners and the B Team emerged Runners up. Lion Idunil was the coordinator.

## Eye & Cataract Projects White Cane Day

Lion Daya Wijetunga conducted many eye & cataract camps during the month as well.

International Association of Lions Clubs initiated a program in 1931 for the use of white canes by visually handicapped.

It was US President Lyndon Johnson who proclaimed the White day in October 1964 and the White Cane became a symbol of the blind.

Our District White Cane Day Celebrations was held on 25th October 2009 at the Apprentice Training Institute Auditorium in Katubedda. Lion Daya Wijetunga, District Chairperson - White Cane day provided stewardship for this program. Dry rations, Gifts & White canes were donated.



**Following Members / spouses celebrated their Birthdays & Wedding Anniversaries.**

**Wish them all the best!**



### **Birthdays**

08<sup>th</sup> November - Lion Lady Priyani  
19<sup>th</sup> November - Lion Lady Swarna

### **Wedding Anniversaries**

20<sup>th</sup> November - Lion Lucky & Lion Lady Priyani  
20<sup>th</sup> November - Lion Lakshman & Lion Lady Umayangani

### **Dear Members and their spouses**

You could contribute articles, images, stories that you like to share with others in the club. Please forward them in MS Word format or images to following email address [nilkamalg@gmail.com](mailto:nilkamalg@gmail.com).

The editor reserves the right to publish any item received in the newsletter.

**Editor**



**Minneriya National Park - Nov 2009 - Pix Lion Nilkamal**

**Club Calendar of Events for the Lionistic Year**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Club activity / Event</b>	<b>Hosted by</b>
<b>August 2009</b>	07 <sup>th</sup> Friday	Board Meeting	
<b>September 2009</b>	03 <sup>rd</sup> September Thursday	General Meeting/ Zone Chairman's visit	<b>X</b>
<b>September 2009</b>	04 <sup>th</sup> Friday	<b>Nutrition Project</b>	Sponsors needed
	11 <sup>th</sup> Friday	Board Meeting	
	25 <sup>h</sup> Friday	General Meeting/ Region Chairman's visit	<b>X</b>
<b>October 2009</b>	03 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday	<b>Nutrition Project</b>	Sponsors needed
	08 <sup>th</sup> Thursday	Lions World Sight Day	
	09 <sup>th</sup> Friday	Board Meeting	
	23 <sup>rd</sup> Friday	General Meeting/ Vice Governor's visit	Lion Dr Dhammika
	24 <sup>h</sup> Saturday	White Cane Day	
<b>November 2009</b>	02 <sup>nd</sup> Monday	<b>Nutrition Project</b>	Sponsors needed
	13 <sup>th</sup> Friday	Board Meeting	
	14 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	World Diabetes Day	
	27 <sup>th</sup> Friday	General Meeting	<b>X</b>
<b>December 2009</b>	01 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday	<b>Nutrition Project</b>	Sponsors needed
	11 <sup>th</sup> Friday	Board Meeting	
	19 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	Sing a Long – Fund raiser	
<b>January 2010</b>	15 <sup>th</sup> Friday	Board Meeting	
	28 <sup>th</sup> Thursday	General Meeting / Founder's day	Lion Felix
	29 <sup>th</sup> Friday	<b>Nutrition Project</b>	Sponsors needed
<b>February 2010</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> Friday	Board Meeting	
	26 <sup>th</sup> Friday	General Meeting	<b>X</b>
	28 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	<b>Nutrition Project</b>	Sponsors needed
<b>March 2010</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> Friday	Board Meeting	
	26 <sup>th</sup> Friday	Charter	
	29 <sup>th</sup> Monday	<b>Nutrition Project</b>	Sponsors needed
<b>April 2010</b>	10 <sup>th</sup> Friday	Board Meeting	
	24 <sup>th</sup> Friday	General Meeting	<b>X</b>
	28 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday	<b>Nutrition Project</b>	Sponsors needed
<b>May 2010</b>	14 <sup>th</sup> Friday	Board Meeting	
	27 <sup>th</sup> Thursday	General Meeting	<b>X</b>
	28 <sup>th</sup> Friday	<b>Nutrition Project</b>	Sponsors needed
<b>June 2010</b>	11 <sup>th</sup> Friday	Board Meeting	
	24 <sup>th</sup> Thursday	General Meeting	<b>X</b>
	25 <sup>th</sup> Friday	<b>Nutrition Project</b>	Sponsors needed