



S.A.A.R.P. Umhlanga Social Club

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Chairman's Message

Hello All,

PLEASE NOTE, NO MEETING IN JANUARY

So the New Year is almost upon us! A very happy New Year to all. As with last year, I am writing this before 25 December let me also wish you all a very merry Christmas.

What happened to 2019? I am sure the years are getting shorter. It seems only yesterday shops took their Christmas decorations down and now they are back up! But I am not complaining – always love those decorations and lights, even if it is so commercial. Some years ago we went to London over Christmas when a certain Mayor who shall remain nameless was in charge. What a dismal place not a single light in Regent Street! Also the word Christmas seemed banned – it was all “the festive season”. Went back when a different Mayor was in charge – what a difference - lights everywhere – it was Christmas.

We did a number of repeats in 2019 – Ammazulu Palace (nobody got lost!), Press Club, sans load shedding, Ming Bow and The Aviator to name a few. This year will be no different, as we are starting with breakfast at the Royal Fig.

We welcome the following new members: Lynette Bhabha, Ingrid Knott, Tim Mathen, Tina Roux and Sharon Smink. Thank you for joining. Enjoy and please take full advantage of our club activities.

Finally, the AGM will again take place at our March Meeting. The Committee will stand again but help is always welcome so please advise of any nominations.

Please let us know:

- a) if you cannot cater on your day so that alternative arrangements can be made, and*
- b) of any changes of address, telephone or e-mail – this is important if you wish to receive newsletters and other notifications timeously.*

Finally, yet again, many thanks to the dedicated team who help to make the Club so successful.

Brian Widdowson - Chairman.

Calendar of Events

Monday Coffee Mornings at St Michael's Church Hall, Durban View Road, Umhlanga at 9h30 am:

- 3 February *Illustrated talk by Vicky Ireland: “Travelling around the world”.*
Caterers: Maureen Abbs, Jeff Leibbrandt, Margie Leibbrandt, Thora Lloyd, Philip Meyer, Brenda Meyer, Lucille Montgomery, Robin Morris, Athlone Morris and Joy Nicolson.
- 2 March *Talk by CROW.*
Caterers: Keith Barnett, Laurelle Barnett, Marie Lombard, Joseph Lloyd, Irma Macgregor, Adey Manchia, Laël Markel, Cheryl Marker, Preba Naidoo and Joy van de Riet.

BREAKFASTS: 9h00 for 9h30:

- Thursday 23 Jan *Royal Fig (Previously Café de Royal), Royal Durban Golf Club, Greyville Race Course.*
Menu: 2 eggs, 2 rashers of bacon, tomato & toast plus coffee or tea.
Cost, R45 at door (Tip will be paid by Club).
NOTE: Names to Julia by latest, Friday 17 January, Tel: 031 563 1974.
Number limited to 30, so don't delay.
- Tuesday 11 Feb *Mike's Kitchen, Park Square, Cnr Park Ave & Park Way, Umhlanga Ridge.*
Cost, including Coffee or Tea and Tip, R50. Members pay R45.
Number limited to 35.
Payment to Julia Nicholas on or before 3 February.
- Wednesday 18 Mar *Jo Paul's, The Crescent, Gateway (Next to Food Lover's Market).*
Cost, including Coffee or Tea and Tip, R60. Members pay R50.
Payment to Julia Nicholas on or before 2 March.

LUNCHES: 12h00 for 12h30:

- Thursday 20 Feb *Lunch at Atasca, Kensington Square, Durban North.*
Tapas and wine (Crumbed chicken, calamari and crumbed mushrooms).
Cost and tip will be R66. Members pay R55.
Additional wine R25, other drinks at member's cost.
Payment to Julia Nicholas on or before 3 February.
- Wednesday 11 Mar *Lunch at Angelo's, Granada Square, Chartwell Drive, Umhlanga,*
Cost and menu TBA.
Payment to Julia Nicholas on or before 2 March.

VISITS:

- Tuesday 24 Mar *Saint Giles, 4 Prince Street, Point.*
Names to Julia Nicholas on or before 2 March.