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Ladies & Gentleman

The President & Committee would like to extend our deepest appreciation to all our members for your unconditional overwhelming support.

You guys ROCK.

We called it a "Champagne Suprenova" weekend.

We amazed ourselves so much and who cares if it was 3 days when commonsense was out style & inhibition took a backseat.

We were hit by a train... &it felt so good....so guess what we might just decide to do it again.

So without further ado let me turn back the clock...sit back &...ENJOY



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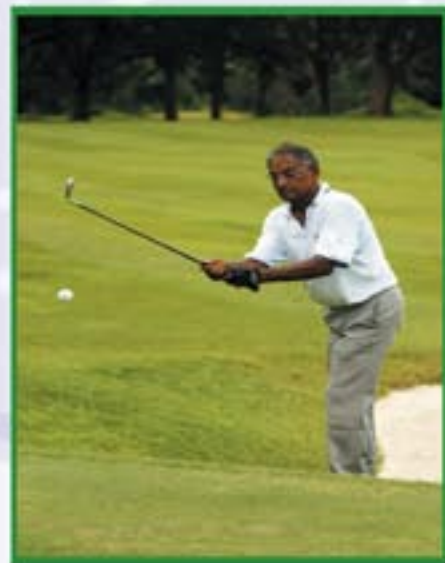
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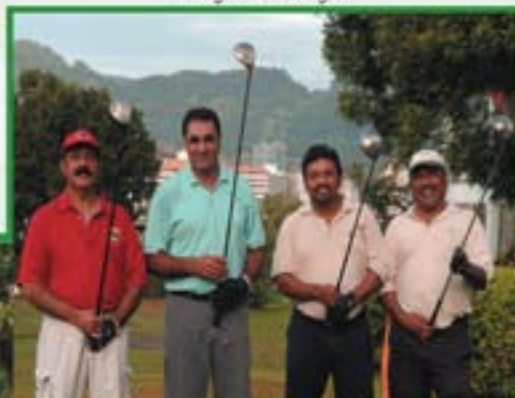
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Boys & Toys



CSI & C4



The Constant Gardener

Cricket



Get down on it



Hootie & the Blowfish



Nathan goes Amok



Thomas Halwa Cut



The Generation Gap



Mano edges to Nirmal



Loga the Hitman



North Champion



Free School Grounds



Next stop PGA

Sport Night



Junior Bhangra



Nip / Tuck



Closer you get



The Incredible Zarsadias



The Move Along Gals



Life in the Fast Lane



Girls that make me cry



The Papparazzi



Careless Whispers



The Perfect Strangers



Rosapoo...Chinna Rosapoo



The Transformers



The Arm Dealers



Brokeback Mountain



And the Winners is...



The original HEROES

Netball



Sunstroke Victims



The Desperate Housewives



Long cool Women



Poetry in Motion



South Team



The Bionic Woman



Check my claws



Vicky South Manager 77-07

Football



Ready Aim



Is that Ayah Pin?



Custer-The Last Stand



Belakang Kira



Out of my way



Sally can wait



Makkal Sakthi



Aren't they adroable?



Man of the Match



Ref. warns Hooligans?



The Secretariat



Casualties of the Bar



MAAM Pasar Malam



Harry Potter Party



Just before Happy Hours



Hmmm what to wear tonight



North Football Team



Belly Dancing CPD for Ladies



The Stylistics



Thats my handbag



Free Beer mah



The Private Investigators



Rhett & Scarlet



Judge & the Jury



Quick Draw McGraw



Girls that make me sigh



No woman no cry



Inner Space Rocks



Vijay, Albert & Badar BLAZE



VC is Guest of Honour

Gala Dinner



Rafique The Oral Fixation

Gala Dinner



The Blues Brothers



The Colours of Benetton



Hump de Bump



Going down swinging



Zero Gravity



Football Champions SOUTH



Wanna be starting something



My hips don't lie



Netball Champions-NORTH



Good Times Roll



You can't kill the Beast



You can stand under my umbrella

Departure Sunday Morning

Goodbye, Thank You & See You Next Year



SPORTS REPORT – 2007

The games were held during the MAAM convention on 14th & 15th December 2007 in Penang.

Golf: - Bukit Jambul Golf & country club- 8.30 am;
14.12.07; Bukit Jambul Golf & Country club

1. Gross winners

- I. Dr Loganathan
- II. Dr Manoharan Kumaran
- III. Dr Sivaneswaran

2. Overall nett winners

- I. Mr Mupindra Singh
- II. Dr Manjit Singh
- III. Mr Mahesan Kandiah



Our Junior MAAM Olympians

Cricket: Held at the Penang Free School field on 14.12.07- at 3.30 pm.
Trophy named as the Dr Thayahlan's Memorial Trophy.

Champions – North

3. **Telematches** - about 15 children took part in this telematch which was played on the hotel grounds, at 3 pm on 14.12.07. All enjoyed the games.
4. **Netball** - Held at 10.30 am; 15.12.07 at the SMK Teluk Bahang School field. North won 5-4..
5. **Football**- held at 11 am; 15.12.07 at SMK Teluk Bahang School Field. South won 7 – 1.

Dr Nirmal Singh
Sports Sec. MAAM

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor of MAAM

I have been a member of MAAM for about 5 years now and I can truly see that MAAM has improved by leaps and bounds since then.

You guys are doing a good job. What now needs to be done is to get more of those who left Manipal in 1990's to participate in your activities. The "younger" ones shy away from MAAM because their batchmates are not members and are never present at your functions, so those who are present feel alienated sometimes.

Thank You

Dr. Raj Kumar Maharajah
Dr Shivani Nagendran
Putrajaya

Dear Raj & Shivani,

Thank you for your e-mail and kind words.

We are painfully aware of the situation. We try to take the necessary appropriate measures but it will be futile unless you guys reciprocate to our invitations. Many shy away from being members and it will be of great benefit to us if all of you can assist us in recruiting membership. We will appreciate if both of you can take the initiative and lead by example. Looking forward to seeing both of you at our AGM and other activities.

Have a Nice Day

Editor



Mark Your Calendar

a) Proposed Trip to Cambodia: Siem Reap and Phnom Penh. 4 days 3 nights. The second fellowship overseas event is on the cards, and we are currently finalizing the final details. Estimated Cost Per Pax: RM 1,800 with 4 star accommodation, flight, all meals and this is inclusive of entrance charges during the tour.

b) CPD Lecture Tentative Date is fixed as May 24th 2008 to be held in Kuantan, Pahang. This is a joint event with MMA Pahang Branch under the able stewardship of Dr. Sivakumar (Manipalite) - MAAM Sponsor - ROCHE (M) SDN BHD.

c) Annual General Meeting :

Date: May 17th 2008

Venue: Card Room, Selangor Club (Dataran Merdeka)

Time: 5.00 pm

d) Our annual year end bash has been slated for December 5th, 6th and 7th 2008, at Putrajaya. We are currently negotiating with 2 hotels. As usual we will try to deliver a pricing which is ridiculously cheap. This is subject to the May 17th Election results.

e) MAAM will be organising a CPD / Fellowship weekend on

Date: June 6-8 2008

Venue: Nexus Resort, Karambunai, Kota Kinabalu

Details : Contact Secretariat

Dr. Jeyabalan
Secretary, MAAM

ORBITUARY

*Manipal Alumni Association Malaysia would like to extend
our deepest condolences to the family of
Dr. Nethi Ganantarajah K, on their recent bereavement*

Howzit,



The President & Committee convey their warmest greeting to all members of MAAM. Now that the dust has finally settled down from all the recent goojals... I hope we can vacuum it rather than sweeping it under the carpet. Did I hear someone saying correct...correct...correct. Well the good news or bad news is we are finally back on our butts/ feet..whatever.

This issue has been one big pain in the neck....I had to like do a breast stroke through 1000+ photos and then surface with the final 100 with my teeth. That was the easy part man....the tough part was the layouts and captions. If you see me in any pub in KL please make sure you "layan" me & buy the drinks.

By the way the captions were done in jest-so please refrain from any legal suits if you have any such undesired thoughts. OK since you're buying and for the benefit of those of you who missed the convention unintentionally let me take you on a quick tour of that amazing weekend.

On the 13th Dec ie. a **day before** the convention we were pleasantly surprised to see a sizable no.of participants check-in at the hotel.



Ceramah Cawangan MAAM

Later in the evening the President decided to unofficially open the convention with F&B in the Hotel Lobby Lounge which "drugged" on till 2am.

The **1st day** kicked off at 6am. with Golf in Bukit Jambul and before we could catch breakfast our early arrivals were already in the hotel driveway busy unloading their bags. After a very smooth check-in and registration most headed to our Happy 24 hours Bar.Lunch was followed by Cricket at Penang Free School, Belly Dancing Class for the ladies and the kiddos had their Telematches.Although the rain deprived us of a terrific beach party with an amazing outdoor stage/sound system/lighting etc. we still managed to conjure it successfully indoors with the party finally ending at our private bar at 4am.

After breakfast on the **2nd day** 2 busload of players and supporters in their private vehicles departed to Teluk Bahang for the Football & Netball games.We still managed to keep our Manipal pride soaring high - We ran out of mineral water at the field but can you beat this -not our can beers- MANIPAL BOLEH.

Lunch was followed by CPD lectures organised by our sponsors and the lady guests were treated to a beauty demo.Sorry to say we had to close the bar to ensure max. participation. After cocktails in the evening the children were ushered off for their Harry Potters party whilst the adults moved into the ballroom for the Gala Dinner which ended at 5am.

My apologies for omitting details as I was quite blur most of the time due to the COOH, failing neurons and synapses.

Sunday breakfast on the **3rd day** and everybody were ready to depart albeit with some sad see you next year sentimental farewells....actually not everybody-afew stayed back and held a ceramah under the cabanas beering in the rain.That was the closing barrel for the convention and we finally wound up at about 10pm.with the usual trustworthy stengahs.



Beering in the Rain

I can swear there were still some familiar faces lurking around the hotel when I left on the morning of the **4th day**.Well thats a story for another story.

For the official Record, for a Kodak moment & a Drumroll MAAM provided a heavily subsidised bus from KL - Penang.Our security wrist tagging and the inaugural Dr.Thayahlan Cricket Trophy were also the new features in 2007. Before I forget The Man of The Match 2007 for outstanding services to MAAM goes to Nirmal Singh our Sports Sec.

Now that we are done with the nitty gritty lets get down to some serious business as usual and that will be our AGM in May which similar to the rest of the important parts of the world involves an election.Please turn up in numbers as it is a long weekend holiday and exercise your voting rights....we intend to use indelible ink.We also welcome members to stand for the various positions in office but no party hopping later lah. If you want to get away from your spouse/children etc. don't miss out on the Siem Reap trip.

Jeyalan will furnish you with the details along with our next venue for the Manipal Convention 2008.

I hope you guys will e-mail me your opinions/views/suggestions on our last convention and other relevant/irrelevant matters so that we can use the feedback to improve and obtain ISO standards.

Please include a photograph so that we can identify you if we dont like what we read...hey just kidding lah.

Last but not least MAAM is very proud of our fellow member Dr.Xavier Jayakumar being appointed to the high office of State Exco in Selangor after winning the ADUN seat of Andalas.I will be featuring him in the next issue of Howzit in a questionnaire interview.You can send me any questions you have and I will fwd. it to him but please be diplomatic and discretion lah-sekarang he is YB.

Ok gtg
Bye for now

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