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PRESIDENT'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE 2023 – Angelo Herft

As 2023 draws to a close and the focus turns to Christmas, I often find myself reflecting on the challenges we faced and achievements we met, whether it be in a personal, professional or community sense.

Each of us has a story to tell, some good, some sad, some inspiring. The one constant is that Christmas brings us all hope, if we take in the true meaning of it.

Christmas to me is about giving, sharing, togetherness and living with hope. As a Club we have successfully demonstrated these four traits.

Our members continue to **GIVE** generously to our cause, whether it be through our support at functions and the funds we raise. Our members continue to epitomize the meaning of giving. Your continued support is not only vital, but will always be appreciated. **SHARING** is something we do well at too. We continue to share our talents and our time to help *those less fortunate than ourselves*. 2023 gave us the opportunity to come **TOGETHER** regularly once again to support our fundraising activities after a few lean COVID impacted years. Finally, **HOPE** is what we strive to bring to 215 welfare beneficiaries and 165 students for a better life and future for themselves and their families.

Christmas is also a time for us to be grateful for what we have and think of others who are struggling whether through illness, financial hardship, or other matters. It is also a time to reflect on those dear to us who are now in God's care as we always remember them during this season. We especially think of our members who have passed away this past year.



This year, I am pleased to announce and welcome Dr. David de la Harpe, as Patron of the Eighty Club Melbourne. David was gracious in his acceptance as Patron and over the years has offered strong support to further the cause of the 'Less Fortunate' in Sri Lanka. I am sure his patronage will prove invaluable to the Club and we can all be assured, that he will work tirelessly and provide invaluable support, to further our cause.

None of the good work we do would have been possible without the outstanding time and commitment given by all our hard-working committee members. A special thank you to you all for your dedication and support.

Finally, together with my wife Melinda, we would like to wish you and your loved ones a very merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.



MESSAGE FROM OUR PATRON – Dr. DAVID de LA HARPE



I am humbled and honoured to accept the position of Patron of the Eighty Club Melbourne and I hope I can continue to serve in any way possible in the next 50 years.

Jenny and I have been, we hope , energetic supporters and will continue to be so .

At this time of year I encourage all of you to dig deep for our charity, and in particular for the children, who do not have the benefit of a loving family with financial security. And perhaps a gift under their tree can make Christmas more joyous.

Please continue to support our endeavors and therefore the beneficiaries .

I pledge to continue to try expand our membership for the benefit of our beneficiaries with the never- ending support of my wife Jenn.





Amidst all the wars, atrocities and inhumane acts committed in many parts of the world today, one can only hope and pray that soon there will be an end to all hostilities. As always, it is the innocent and children who suffer most. The loss of loved ones, parents, siblings and even the family home can be traumatic. It may be a simplistic view, but the cost of war would feed many who are starving. To those, coping with their personal and family tragedies, it can be a daunting and challenging future.

I am mindful and thankful to many of you who came to the aid of young Sonali Vancuylenberg and donated generously. Together with Club funds and your contributions, we were able to send her mother over \$1000 to help this family in the short term. Unfortunately, Sonali has been informed that she will have to resign her commission from the army. This young girl, who struggled against odds, persevered and was the breadwinner of the family, in the prime of her life is now left bereft of a future and once again the family is struggling to cope. Sonali has a long road ahead of her medically. **The Club has decided to approve her mother, Ishani as a Welfare Beneficiary** and hopefully the funds she receives will help with the living costs of the family and fund any medical assistance, that Sonali requires in the future.

On a brighter note, coming into the season of Christmas, the Committee has approved, a proposal made by our Treasurer, Tony Scarnivel, to increase the WB allowance to Rs15,000/qtr. This will be the 2nd increase to the WB allowance this year, an additional Rs6000 from the former quarterly allowance of Rs9000. A dependent spouse or child will also receive an additional Rs1000 each. This will help them in great measure to cope with the high cost of living in Sri Lanka. We have also approved 15 more deserving applicants as Welfare beneficiaries, which brings us now to a total of 215 WB's in Colombo and Batticaloa.

All this aid, is only possible because of you. The need to raise approximately \$100,000 every year to fund our commitments to these WB's is a formidable task. However it is a challenge we will overcome with your support and help. Your generosity knows no bounds and I do know that many of you, with your donations, forgo a few luxuries in your personal lives to 'Care for the Less Fortunate'. Your caring and kindness is the one true motivator for all of us, to continue on with the work we do and hopefully we can achieve more, looking to the future. There are many more applicants, who are deserving and waitlisted on our files. They need our help and we must continue to help them. Once again, THANK YOU. Together with Yvonne de Vos (Asst, WB coordinator), we wish you all a Merry Christmas, filled with Peace Joy and every Blessing that the season brings and every Good Wish for the New Year.

Eighty Club student begins new business – The story of Nicoli Perera



In 2017 on a visit to Sri Lanka, I visited young Nicoli Perera at her home in Panadura, (pictured here with her twin sister). The Club, with the help of a sponsor, helped Nicoli, many years ago after she lost her father, the family bread-winner, under tragic circumstances. Compounding the personal difficulties of the family, Nicoli has a very serious medical condition. A series of operations has only been partially successful, and the condition will affect her for the rest of her life. In comparison to her twin, side-by-side, the toll taken on her is tragically obvious.



Efforts to bring her over to Australia for surgical intervention were unsuccessful. A former student sponsored through the Eighty Club, Nicoli is now a beautiful young teenager, who loves music and dancing. Nicoli has refused to succumb to adversity and wants to be independent, self-sufficient and successful. She has started a new business from home, making decorated flip-flops. With your help and that of the Club, it will definitely take off and more-over give her a sense of satisfaction, purpose and a positive outlook to life.

Because of her particularly dire circumstances, the Club and sponsor, went beyond the normal period of student sponsorship, to give Nicoli a little extra help. One member recently donated \$100 to help kick-start her new business, which she's operating from home with her twin and elder sister (both were sponsored through the Club, as students). They used the donation to buy the raw materials to make the decorated flip-flops, which are apparently, quite popular in Sri Lanka at the moment. It was enough for them to get the basic equipment and make a few dozen pairs, one of which can sell for about Rs 900, or a little over \$4. **Self sufficiency is the key in all our lives and this year give Nicoli and her family the perfect gift, by contributing to the aspirations of this young girl and her entrepreneurial vision**

YOUR DONATIONS WILL HELP PURCHASE THE RAW MATERIALS SHE URGENTLY NEEDS TO CONTINUE WITH HER DREAM AND ALSO GIVE HER A REASON TO FORGET HER INFIRMITY.

“Whatever you can do or dream you can do, BEGIN IT, Boldnes has genius, power and magic in it”



My Account of meeting my sponsored children.

With back to back challenges Sri Lanka has faced since 2019, the less fortunate are the ones that have suffered the most. They lack the social security system in place in Australia, which assists the unemployed and under-privileged, which offers them relief from their circumstances.

Student Sponsorship provided to the families in Sri Lanka, enable them to get through these difficult times.

In meeting the families at the DBU I was so excited to see them, yet the gratitude and heartfelt thanks shown by the families was an even more compelling emotion, having to say Goodbye, when leaving. The children were softspoken, shy and playful.

Meeting them in person, gave me an opportunity to understand the challenges of these families and the resilience shown in providing what they can for their children. A simple cup of tea and conversation about our life story and families was really pleasant in establishing a common ground in our respective lives.

My Father grew up in a small house and a large family with very little to go around. I can picture his upbringing in my sponsored children's eyes even more, being able to give back in a minor way helps me appreciate the opportunities given to me more and puts my faith into tangible outcomes for these kids

In experiencing the support we provide and connecting how that helps families less fortunate will never leave my heart. At the end of the day these kids are innocent and working hard to develop their lives in an environment with daily challenges and struggles. A strong education foundation is imperative to better life outcomes and hearing the aspirations of becoming an astronaut or representing Sri Lanka as a cricketer makes it even greater! If you get the opportunity to visit your sponsored child, I'd encourage you to consider this wholeheartedly. It will provide hope and support to the children's families and build your relationship from a sponsor to an active contributor in their lives

God Bless,

Julian Pietersz

FROM A SPONSORED STUDENT

Dear Admin. Secretary,

Greetings!

I hope this email finds you well.

It is with immense joy and a sense of honour that I share that on September 8, 2023, I successfully concluded my university studies, completing a four-year Bachelor of Science (Honours) degree in Agriculture, specializing in Agricultural Economics and Business, from the Department of Agribusiness Management, Faculty of Agriculture and Plantation Management at Wayamba University of Sri Lanka. I will promptly forward the official degree certificate once it is in my possession, although there may be a slight delay due to the pending release of final year results.

I am deeply grateful to your organization and the cherished, generous sponsors who supported me throughout my educational journey, both in school and at university. The scholarship was truly an invaluable blessing, providing essential financial assistance, particularly during the challenging times of the COVID-19 pandemic and economic downturn in our country. I extend my heartfelt prayers and blessings to the sponsors and all those involved who are actively carrying out a divine mission on earth to uplift and improve the lives of God's people. I cannot find enough words to convey the depth of my gratitude towards you.

I also extend my gratitude to you for serving as the intermediary between me and the sponsors, who have consistently shown remarkable generosity and kindness towards me and my family. Please convey my blessings and warm regards to the sponsors as well.

Furthermore, I look forward to contributing to your charitable organization as soon as I am established in my career. I believe it is my duty to pay forward the love and support that I have received through the blessings of God.

I wish to stay in contact...!

May the good Lord bless you!

Thanks and Best Regards

Yoshell Sashka Delile

B.Sc.(Hons) in Agriculture

***Faculty of Agriculture & Plantation Management,
Wayamba University of Sri Lanka.***



Thank You

FOR YOUR HELP

Payments from the Emergency Fund

7/2/2023	Nora Williams	1,000.00	Has no work and no income.
8/2/2023	Rosemary Patternott	1,000.00	Unable to find work and has no income.
22/02/2023	Jacintha de Fransz	2,000.00	Husband has a heart blockage and requires a by-pass operation. He cannot work. She also cannot work as she takes care of her young daughter
24/02/2023	Rosemary Francisco	2,000.00	The son takes care of his mother who is bed-ridden. Needs pampers.
7/3/2023	Michael Davidson	2,000.00	Both he and his wife are sick and they have no income.
20/03/2023	Felicia Fernando	1,000.00	Has no income even for bus-fare
4/4/2023	Merlyn Gay	2,500.00	Diabetic and has no money for medicine.
26/04/23	C.M. Rozairo	1,000.00	Needs to go for an interview. He has no bus-fare
25/05/23	Adrian Pereira	500.00	Needed money for travelling
25/05/23	M.M. LaBrooy	1,000.00	Needs money for his medication
30/05	Nora Robertson	500.00	She is in need of medicine for her eyes
8/6/2023	Michael Davidson	1,000.00	ECOM WB. Both he and his wife are sick. They need money for their medicines.
14/08/23	Flora Roof	1,000.00	ECOM WB. She says she starves at times, as she has no income.
23/08/2023	Florence Darius	3,000.00	She has Glaucoma and needs money for her medicines.
23/08/23	Glenda Koelmeyer	1,000.00	70 yrs. Has no income and needs money for her medication.
25/08/23	Nora Robertson	1,000.00	She needs medicines for her eyes and has no money.
8/9/2023	Jacintha de Fransz	1,000.00	Going through a difficult time and has no money even for food.
11/9/2023	Forence Darius	1,000.00	She needs money for medicines for Glaucoma
2/10/2023	Jerome De Zylva	1,000.00	He and his wife have no income and he cannot do a job as he is a heart patient
16/10/23	Rochelle Baldsing	5,000.00	Young single mother. She has no income and finds it difficult to go to work because she has a 5 year old son who has been diagnosed with autism. She was desperate.

"The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention." – Oscar Wilde



URGENT – YOUR HELP REQUIRED

If you have at least a little bit of knowledge of basic book-keeping
And lots of sympathy for the “Less Fortunate” and poor families
Please join a dedicated team to administer the role of Treasurer
Your assistance will be greatly appreciated
Contact - Angelo Herft – President - 0488 001 818



Make A Difference

Volunteer





THE EIGHTY CLUB MELBOURNE

PRESENTS

The Magic of Christmas DINNER DANCE

SATURDAY 9th DECEMBER, 2023

7.30 PM—12.30 AM

Sumptuous Eastern / Western Smorgasbord Dinner

THE GRAND ON PRINCES

2251 Princes Hwy Service Rd, Mulgrave VIC 3170

MUSIC: NEXT GENERATION

For further tickets and table reservations,
Please contact the co-ordinators

Angelo & Melinda Herft Ph: 0488 001 818
George & Yvonne de Vos Ph: 9795 0009
Rod & Marie de Kretser Ph: 9848 4623
All Committee Members

events@eightyclubmelbourne.org.au

PAYMENT IN FULL by 29th November, 2023

BANKING DETAILS: ANZ BANK: BSB: 013479 Ac.No: 300355583

Please ensure ID for BANK deposit

Pre-Diner Hor d'Oeuvres
Courtesy of Australian International Foods

Pre Dinner Welcome Drink
Bottle of Red / White Wine &
Soft drinks per table of 10 / 12 pax

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DRESS CODE

Gents: Lounge
Ladies: After Five
Donation: \$75

2024 Functions

at The Grand on Princes

2251 Princes Hwy Service Rd, Mulgrave VIC 3170

Date	Event	Co-ordinators
SUNDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2024 12.30PM-4PM	BURIYANI LUNCH	Dal & Jenny Driberg - Ph: 0411249340 Marie de Kretser - Ph: 9848 4623 
SATURDAY 4 MAY 2024 7pm -12.30am	Country & Western Rock & Roll Dinner Dance	George & Yvonne de Vos - Ph: 9795 0009 Earle & Shireen Ferdinand - Ph:9512 7265 
SUNDAY 7 JULY 2024 12.30pm - 4pm	Lunch Dance at the Grand	Marie de Kretser - Ph: 9848 4623 Jill & Trevor Collette - Ph: 9706 1084 
SUNDAY 29 SEP 2024 12.30pm - 4.30pm	Traditional Eastern Lunch & AGM	Allan & Marie Pinder - Ph: 9700 6178 Laraine Muller - Ph: 0419 525 750 Jill & Trevor Collette - Ph: 9706 1084 
SATURDAY 7 DEC 2024 7pm-12.30am	Christmas Dance at the Grand 	 Angelo & Melinda Herft - Ph: 0488 001 818 George & Yvonne de Vos - Ph: 97950009 Earle & Shireen Ferdinand - Ph: 0402 458 992

SOCIAL NOTES & NEWS



*Happy 100th Birthday Celebrations on 13 September 2023 to
Maurine Fernando*

*Keep Smiling and Celebrate many more Birthdays to come
Happy Birthday from all of us and THANK YOU for your immense
service to the Club and to the 'Less Fortunate' in Sri Lanka*



*Joseph 'Vernon' Forbes, celebrated his
100th Birthday on Saturday, 7th October, 2023.*



*Happy Birthday
Rita Hatch
turns 94 this December*



*Many Happy Returns to
Caryl Jansz*



80th

**BIRTHDAY WISHES TO A VERY SPECIAL
MEMBER**

Trevor Collette

*Thank You for your Dedication & Service in the Committee
over the years as SSP Coordinator.*

BEST WISHES FOR MANY MORE YEARS TO COME

"Enjoy life: Eat Well, Laugh Often, Love Much" - Every day is a Special Day"



CONGRATULATIONS

**Congratulations to Devona Crystal Coggins, who
successfully completed a Diploma in English language &
Computer studies, with a distinction pass. Devona was
enrolled at the Atari City Campus.**

**The Club provided her with a re-furbished laptop, which
helped her immensely with her studies. Another success
story for the Student Sponsorship Scheme and her
sponsor, ensuring a brighter future for Devona and her
family.**



LAPTOPS & SMART PHONES GATHERING DUST??

In our throw away world, we constantly update our 'smart devices' for newer, better models, keeping up with new technology and those older devices gather dust. There are many students who will benefit from receiving these units and help them tremendously to keep pace with their education in our present world. Please send us your old laptops, Tablets or smartphones (unlocked, with all personal data deleted). We will be happy to send them over to Sri Lanka and our deserving students will be happy to have them. They simply do not have the money to buy them.

Thank you to Peter Fraser and many others who have contributed to this cause, which has benefitted many students, like Devona above.

Please contact Earle – editor@eightyclubmelbourne.org.au if you can help!!!. MOB: 0402 458 992



OUR GRATEFUL THANKS TO THESE GENEROUS DONORS

Donations received from 7th July, 2023 - 29th October, 2023

Brough Anna	10.00	Hemping, Rodger & Jennifer	5.00
Da Silva Clifford	600.00	Herft Angelo Melinda	70.00
In celebration of 90th Birthday		Jansz, Caryl	60.00
De Fonseca, Rehana	100.00	from Caryl Jansz' birthday	
For Caryl Jansz' Birthday		Lorraine Helsham	100.00
De Kretser Marie	100.00	In memory of Ainsley Jansz	
Donation for Rochelle Baldsing		Lourensz Malcolm Jeanne	200.00
De Souza, Bryan & Jan	100.00	Ludowyk Robin Joan	25.00
for Vancuylenberg family		Mc Master Suzanne	50.00
Dekker, Anthony	40.00	Celebrating Clifford Da Silva's	
Devendran, Joe and Sandra	10.00	90th Birthday	
Edwards Ray	100.00	Metzeling Michael Therese	100.00
In Memory of Earl Edwards		In memory of Aileen Bartels	
Gerreyn Claudette	40.00	Miller Francis Cheryl	70.00
Silva , Victor	50.00	Misso, Mario	62.00
in memory of Lorraine de Silva		for Mrs R Violet (burns victim)	
Ferdinand Earle Shireen	100.00	Mrs Arlene Nugara	75.00
In memory of Hazel Carron 100 th Birthday		In memory of Merrill Nugara	
		Muriel Gauder	243.00
Hickey, D	100.00	Balance of bequest	
In memory of Hazel Carron & K Hickey		Nicholas, Geraldine	
		Noller Trevor Aloma	25.00
		Oorloff Errol Elaine	200.00
M Perera for Sonali VanCuylenberg	100.00	Pereira Caryl	200.00
Ferdinand Earle Shireen	100.00	For Ishani VanCuylenberg	
In Memory of Hazel Carron		Pereira, Gene	100.00
Ferdinand Shireen	500.00	In memory of Lennie	
For W/B;s Xmas Party at DBU		& Muriel Pereira	
Ferdinands Edred Denise	220.00	Schoorman, Marie	70.00
Ferdinands, Ron	100.00	Siebel/Leembruggen,	
For Caryl Jansz's Birthday		George & Gillian	100.00
Fernando Audrey	100.00	Stork Dorothy	50.00
In memory of Noeline Cooke		Van Rooyen Russell & Starling	100.00
Ferreira, Melrose	10.00		400.00
In memory of Noeline Cooke		Vanderwert, Heather	
Forster, Russell	100.00	In Memory of Churchill Vanderwert	
Gauder Caryl	40.00	Weiman Gordon & Heather	70.00
In memory of Noeline Cooke		Weinman Doreen	25.00
from Melinda, Sam & Caryl		Whaler, Eroma & Philip	200.00
Gill Sharon	300.00	For Ishani VanCyjuylenberg	
Anonymous	50.00	Wright, Claudette	20.00
For Ishani VanCuylenberg		Anonymous	35.00
Anonymous	150.00	In memory of Noeline Cooke	
For Ishani VanCuylenberg		Anonymous Various	590.00



IN GOD'S CARE



BARROW, Kingsley - Dearly beloved husband of Shirley Poulier and Mignonne (both dec.). Much loved dad of Keith, Jude (dec.), Colin, Judy, and Shaun. Father-in-law of Naomi & Laurelle. Loving Papa of Elisha, Emily, Daniel, Jordyn, Oskar, Connor, and Isla. Loved son of George Marinus Barrow and Winifred Elfreda Van-Hoff (both dec.). Loving brother of George, Leslie, Ralph, Carlyle, and Avril (all dec.). Brother-in-law of Patricia, Kathleen (dec.), and Rosemary. 'In God's Loving Care with all his loved ones.'

BLACKER, Ina Therese Sybil - 18/05/1927 - 12/09/2023. Cherished wife of Anton (dec). Loving mother of Vivian, Gillian, and Paul. Adored Nana. Loved and cherished always

COOKE, Noeline. Passed away on 9/8/23. Beloved wife of Mervyn (dec). Much loved mother of Rochelle (dec) and Roger. Grandmother and great-grandmother. Sister to 10 siblings and aunt and grand-aunt of several nieces and nephews. 'Forever in our hearts'.

MARTINUS, Oswald Leslie (Ossie)- 25/05/1927 - 30/07/2023. Died peacefully at home with Palliative Care. Kind, caring and loved husband of Maeve. Loving father of Coleen, Darren and Maree. Pa and Pop to Roshan, Suranee, Romesh. Tara, Jessie and Daniel. Great grandfather of Imani, Roshan Jnr and Rei. Sadly Missed. RIP

MORTIMER, Bernarr Maxwell - It is with great sadness that we announce the peaceful passing of Maxwell Mortimer on Wednesday 13 September 2023. Dearly loved and loving husband of Caryl, father of Jeremy and Lisa, Kevin and Nicole, Steve, Michelle and Paul, poppy of eight grandchildren, great poppy of two great grandchildren and son of James and Gladys. Treasured memories. So dearly loved, so sadly missed.

SPELDEWINDE, Reginald (Reg) Donald. – 21.2.1942 – 8.8.2023. Passed away suddenly but peacefully at Royal Melbourne Hospital, VIC Australia, surrounded by loved ones. Loving husband of Trissette and father of Tamara and Chris. Father-in-law of Graham and Virginia. Grandfather of Mikayla, Hugo and Lola. Brother of late Harold, late Ian, Lorna, George, Kathleen and Fred.

WRIGHT, George (22 Dec 1939 – 19 July 2023). Died peacefully at home in Blackburn North surrounded by his loving family. Cherished husband of Claudette and adored father, stepfather and "Grumpy" to all his grandchildren. George was a true gentleman, whose friendship, kindness and generosity is sadly missed and will be always remembered. 'Forever in our hearts'.



WELCOME
new members

Dr John & Jennifer Carnie
Errol & Lorraine Lynch

Christine Stork
Anand & Savithree Kanniappen

Membership Matters

Thank you for supporting our membership drive. This has enabled us to maintain welfare services to the less fortunate members of our community in Sri Lanka.

If you need an application form to invite a friend or relative to join our Club:

Please contact our Membership Secretary: Allan Pinder on 0410 863 716.

email: apinder8@hotmail.com

You may also download an application from our website at:

www.eightyclubmelbourne.org.au.

"It's simple. The more members we have, the more people we can help. A stronger membership base will result in stronger communities."

THE GREATNESS OF A COMMUNITY
IS MOST ACCURATELY MEASURED
BY THE COMPASSIONATE ACTIONS
OF ITS MEMBERS.



Enjoy the Modern Amenities at the DBU – Colombo

Now you can enjoy a relaxing and comfortable stay, available at the DBU Colombo, for all those travelling to sunny Sri Lanka.

The DBU has completed a multi-story expansion of its premises and rooms are available at very competitive rates at a prime location in the heart of Colombo, with easy access to many attractions in Colombo and also the prime shopping malls.

You can enjoy the famous DBU Lamprais and other delectable Sri Lankan food at its modern, renovated café. Treat yourself and entertain your guests at the best, easily accessible location in Colombo.

In close proximity to all the major hotels in Colombo, you will be spoilt for choice, should you desire an evening out.

The rooms are large and comfortable with all modern amenities. Early bookings are advised and discounts offered for DBU members and long stay visitors.

Your stay at the DBU, helps generate much needed funding to help the poor.

You will also enjoy all that the DBU has to offer for a pleasant and memorable stay in Sri Lanka.



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114 Reid Avenue, Colombo 4 – Sri Lanka

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Thank you for your interest in booking rooms at The Dutch Burger Union. We have a total of Six Ensuite Rooms in the following categories and net tariffs.

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- The above rates are **INCLUSIVE** of 10% Service Charge and Government Taxes (Current rate – 19%).
- There are no B&B options. However, the venue has a coffee shop and a restaurant opened from 7.00 am to 10.30pm.
- All Members of The Dutch Burger Union are eligible for a 20% discount. **This only applies to "Member Stays" (one room only), and not for bookings on behalf of third parties.** For long stays, Members will also receive an additional 10% discount from the 8th night onwards.
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RESERVATION CONTACT DETAILS

E-mail reservations@dbu1908.com

Telephone +94 774 77 77 88 – 9:00 am to 6:00 pm on Weekdays (SL time)

CANCELLATION POLICY

- A full refund including taxes & fees will be made 15 days prior to arrival date.
- A 50% refund including taxes & fees will be made 14-07 days prior to arrival date.
- No refunds will be made for cancellations within 6-0 days of arrival date.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO OUR MEMBERS

Please be advised that with the introduction of our new accounting software and to streamline our Accounting procedures, the following changes have been made.

The bank account Nos: will be as follows:

MEMBERSHIP AND DONATION PAYMENTS:

ANZ BANK BSB: 013479 Account No: 3003 555 83

STUDENT SPONSORSHIP AND GIFTS TO STUDENTS:

ANZ BANK BSB: 013141 A/C 852 301 233

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HELP INCREASE OUR FUNDING, BY REDUCING THE COST OF MAILING

To all our members, who presently are not on our electronic mailing list, please consider receiving our Newsletter and all other correspondence, by EMAIL. This will also enable you to receive the newsletter in colour.

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