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Dear Member

The Management has decreed that this Newsletter concentrate on recruitment/enlisting of new members, with prizes at varying levels of success. What opportunities are passing you by in this area, as you move within your circle of family and friends? Have you tried to open a few doors in search of members with kindred concerns for the poor of the community in Sri Lanka? If so, use the Membership Application Form and the leaflets "From Small Beginnings", and the page on how Club income is distributed, to encourage membership at \$2.50 per month or \$30 per annum.

Many members have visited Sri Lanka over the Christmas/New Year period, and relate first-hand the plight of the poor: in one case the mother was cooking in what looked like a kerosene tin, perched on three stones, on an open fire. Another home visit saw Club members giving direct and immediate relief, in the purchase of dry rations, milk powders and mats to sleep on. Probe a few more and the summary is the same. There is indescribable heart breaking want for the basics you and I presume to be our birthright. As one said "there is a desperation, despair and unimaginable want". Please spend a moment, and be the poor Burghers in these cases. I, like you, in the silence that ensues, will ask, "Is there anybody out there who cares?". This Club cares through its pension scheme, its Child Supplement Allowance, and Child Education Sponsorship Scheme. The Club is giving these beneficiaries Hope and Certainty in their troubled lives. We need new members to increase the aid to them – it takes four members' subscriptions to service one pension. Please do what you can to recruit a new member; only then will your efforts make that vital difference to their poverty-laden existence.

Your Honorary President

Dear Member

Recruit a new member and your name goes into a draw for one of three prizes. Please see last page. In the past new members have been recruited mainly by your Committee. We now appeal to you for your support in signing up at least one new member. Please use the attached to inform new members of our Club's assistance to the poor, the Club's activities and our accountability to the members. As members, we have the satisfaction of sharing a small part of our Australian income with the very poor in Sri Lanka. Give a new member this satisfaction.

Your Hony. M'ship Secretary

AN APPEAL FROM SRI LANKA

On behalf of the DBU, we wish you every success in your membership drive in 1999, as we realise the more members you can bring in the greater support the poor and needy in Sri Lanka will receive. Over the 9 years that I have been President it has been a great pleasure to work with the Eighty Club, and a function does not pass by without my referring to the great effort made by every member of your Club to collect money for the poor Burghers. I am sure at the end of the year we will have the satisfaction of our knowing that our message of good wishes in your membership drive was not in vain since the numbers would increase beyond all expectations.

Shall close with grateful thanks for all you and your band of workers are doing for over 250 Burghers, almost everyone of them you have never known or probably not seen. It is a great feeling that even after many years of immigration your thoughts are still with these poor folk.

We do hope the next millennium will see a lot more support from the not too old age group.

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*Bless (their) hearts do you think (they'll) complain
Life has been bitter (they'll) live it again
And carry a cross that is more than (their) share.:*

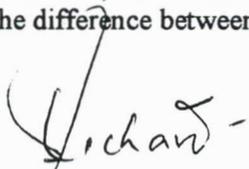
The Plight of the Poor Burghers

It is obvious that the Burgher Community is the poorest in Sri Lanka with unemployment at approximately 60%. Our funds help to bring relief to many in dire need. Here are some harrowing examples :

1. Mr A who lost his wife in an accident, had a 6 year old son. The child needed money for medicine, which was not available. The child has since died. He now lives in a hut.
2. Mr B worked as a security guard, fell ill and lost his job. He has been in and out of work since then. His last job was as a gardener until he got ill again. His eldest daughter is a heart patient.
3. Mrs C does domestic work. Her eldest daughter works and receives Rs30 a day plus breakfast.
4. Mrs D is a planter's daughter fallen on bad times. She is looking for work, any work.
5. Mrs E walks to work, 10 kms a day, to wash 200 garments by hand. These are then folded and she is paid Rs.35 a day. She walks back home wearing slippers held together by string. (A packet of rice costs Rs.50).
6. The family F sleep on mats and don't even have a change of clothes. The daughter has only her school clothes. When she comes home from school she immediately washes the uniform and wears it again the next day.
7. There are Burgher families living in huts on the beach in Dehiwela. Bottle lamps light their huts. There are no toilet facilities. One family consists of a lady practically blind with two sons. She begs from house to house.
8. Mr G writes "my feet are swollen and I can't stand up. The swelling has risen and bloated. I haven't had any meals for the past 3 days. A kind neighbour brought me a bottle of Horlicks. I take a cup in the day and at night. Had green gram for meals for two days."

Many are sick and there is no medicine. All are hungry and there is not enough food. They are desperate. This is the grim reality of many poor Burghers in Sri Lanka.

We need new members, compassionate, caring. It costs only \$2.50 a month (the cost of a slab of chocolate). But assistance will help to alleviate grinding poverty, malnutrition and disease. It means the difference between hunger and a meal.


Your Hony. Secretary

**EIGHTY CLUB OF MELBOURNE INC.
INCORPORATED IN 1982**

Dear New Member

COME AND JOIN OUR CLUB

FEED THE HUNGRY

HELP THE POOR

FOR ONLY \$2.50 PER MONTH

WHERE ALL YOUR MONEY IS SENT TO THE POOR IN SRI LANKA

(the Club's expenses are met by earning interest from investments)

Your \$2.50 together with subscriptions from 475 members and other Fund Raising events, is sent to the poor of our community in Sri Lanka.

1. Rupees 500 per month to 159 poor families of our community	\$23,850	per annum
2. Rupees 200 per month to 18 families with dependent children	\$ 1,080	"
3. Rupees 1,000 Christmas Bonus for the above 159 families	\$ 3,975	"
4. Percy Perera (DBU) Admin. Assistance – Rs.800 per month	\$ 240	"
5. Dollars 1,000 to the DBU Emergency Fund for Medical/Educational needs	\$ 1,000	"
6. Dollars 500 for purchase of school books	\$ 500	"
	<u>\$30,645</u>	"

OTHER FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES:

- A. A Food Fair held annually
- B. Two Dinner Dances
- C. Four Luncheons

MEMBERS ARE PROVIDED WITH:

- 1. Audited Annual Accounts – Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss Etc.
- 2. Financial Results of Fund Raising Activities
- 3. Quarterly Newsletter

THE D.B.U. IN SRI LANKA IS RESPONSIBLE FOR:

- 1. Distributing payments to the 159 families
- 2. Providing receipts and accounts to the Club
- 3. Audited financial statements verifying disbursements of our money
- 4. Investigating applications and recommending families for assistance

Committee members and club members have over the years visited Sri Lanka and witnessed the distribution of our money to the poor.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT MERVYN SCHOORMAN (03 9584 2319)

CHILD SPONSORSHIP

This scheme financed by individual members, aims to assist youngsters obtain education and/or training to secure employment, by linking each child with a sponsor. Your \$2.50 is not used for this scheme. Sponsors subscribe a minimum of \$11 to \$15 per month per child, dependent on age. Children receive Rs.400 per month up to 15 years of age and Rs.600 per month thereafter. A social welfare consultant keeps a check on these families and the children are encouraged to communicate with you, the sponsor. Currently 62 children are being sponsored with the focus on education.

PLEASE CONTACT MAURICE FORSTER (03 9841 8749) OR VERNON KELLY (03 9848 9649)

FROM SMALL BEGINNINGS



In 1982, the Eighty Club began its charitable work in SRI LANKA. Today the work continues – it has progressed from helping 25 beneficiaries with a pension of Rs.70 a month, to helping 159 families (young and old) – with a pension of Rs.500 a month. In 1998, we were also able to give each pensioner a Christmas bonus of Rs.1,000. A decision was then made to pay a Family Allowance of Rs.200 as a supplement to pensioners with dependent children under 19 years of age. A Child Sponsorship Scheme, financed independently by individual members (under the umbrella of the Club) commenced, at a cost of \$10 per child, per month. *Information about this scheme is available from the Coordinator, Maurice Forster (03 9841 8749) or in his absence Vernon Kelly (03 9848 9649).* Currently fifty-two children are being sponsored, with the focus on Educational and Vocational Training of poor Burgher children. A sum of \$500 has been remitted to provide schoolbooks for these children in the school year commencing 1999. It will be centrally managed and purchased books given to the children in need. A further \$1,000 was also sent to the DBU for use as an educational/medical emergencies fund. Annual expenses have risen from \$2,500 to \$36,189 in June 1998. **EIGHT MILLION, ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY RUPEES** has been sent to pensioners since 1982. Membership, which started with a small group of friends (18 to be exact) meeting in private homes, has risen to 475, from all over Australia, with a few from USA, England and Canada. Pensions are provided to Burghers in Sri Lanka or Burghers married to persons of any other race.

The Social Service Fund of the DBU, a registered charity and tax exempt in Sri Lanka, distributes pensions in Sri Lanka. The DBU is responsible for :

- making quarterly payments to beneficiaries;
- providing receipts and accounts;
- providing independently audited financial statements verifying receipt and disbursement of our money, and;
- investigating applications and recommending pensions.

The Club will be happy to arrange for members when holidaying in Sri Lanka to visit the DBU on pension payment day, to see charity at work and acquaint themselves with the extent of the problems of one of the poorest communities in Sri Lanka. Over the years many of our members, general and Committee, have seen the distribution system at work.

Should you wish to join us in caring for these 159 beneficiaries (many others are still on the waiting list): the cost of membership, which has not changed since 1982, is \$2.50 per month for a single person or family, payable at least quarterly. Membership dues are not tax deductible but the Club is exempt from paying income tax. The cost of administering most international charities exceeds 60% of collections: our cost is less than 8%. This includes the cost of printing, publishing and distributing an informative quarterly Newsletter to all members.

The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt with the heart.

-- Helen Keller

THE CHILD SPONSORSHIP SCHEME

By Maurice Forster

Initially the Eighty Club assisted older, single members of the Burgher community in Sri Lanka, mainly recommended by the DBU. Gradually younger families with pitiful stories of hardship began to seek assistance. The reality of the situation was apparent in the statistics of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka which showed that while unemployment in most ethnic groups was decreasing, amongst Burgher unemployment was growing.

UNEMPLOYMENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF LABOUR FORCE BY ETHNIC GROUP

Source: Economic & Social statistics of Sri Lanka, Central Bank of Sri Lanka, Growth & Social Progress in Sri Lanka (1992)

<u>Ethnic Group</u>	<u>1973</u>	<u>1981/82</u>	<u>1988/89</u>
Kandyan Sinhalese	23.0	13.9	11.3
Low Country Sinhalese	30.0	18.5	14.6
Sri Lanka Tamils	17.7	10.9	6.7
Indian Tamils	12.3	5.6	4.9
Moors	21.3	13.8	10.4
Malays	43.4	10.8	22.6
Burghers	21.2	19.0	28.6
Others	28.6	0.0	0.0
Total	24.0	14.7	11.7

To improve employment prospects in the Burgher Community remaining in Sri Lanka, it is vital that children enhance their employability through education and training. While a few Burghers in Sri Lanka are well positioned in Government and Private Sector employment, those who fail to secure and retain jobs, often sink to dire poverty, because of the lack of unemployment benefits, aged pensions and other social security initiatives. The absence of an adequate minimum wage, of child endowment and, the prevalence for many years of inflation in the vicinity of 20% have caused even wage earners to have difficulty in making ends meet. Post independence migration of large numbers of Burghers has severely depleted family and community support to those remaining in Sri Lanka. The Child Sponsorship Scheme is another attempt to bridge the gap between those who care in Australia and the needy in Sri Lanka.

In 1996, the writer volunteered to organise sponsorships of children of the community through the readership of the Eighty Club News Letter. The proposal was that sponsors were initially required to commit a sum of \$10 (now \$11) per month on the assurance that children would receive Rs.400 or if over 15 years Rs.600 per month. With many schemes that sponsor children in underdeveloped countries, only a small percentage of sponsors' money reaches the children. In our Scheme nearly 100% of the money gets to the children. The scheme has a Reserve Account to cope with the variations of currency rates, to provide books and school necessities as needs arise and, to pay the extra rate for older children. Into the reserve account are deposited contributions made by donors who do not wish to support a specific child but wish to contribute to the scheme.

One of our Sponsors while holidaying in Sri Lanka visited the family of the child he helped and wrote:

“On my recent visit to Sri Lanka, I took the opportunity to visit the home and family of a Burgher child I sponsor through the Club’s Sponsorship Scheme. Located in the backwaters of Nugegoda, home to this family of four – a divorced mother and her three children, was one room measuring approximately 15’ x 12’, toilet and bath facilities were located outside the house, the ones normally used by servants. All cooking was done in the same room, on a one burner kerosene stove, leaking so badly a spark could have ignited the room and incinerated the occupants. The rent for this miserable accommodation was Rs.1,500 per month. To this mother, working as a domestic for a Sinhalese family, and paid on a daily basis, with no certainty of income, this expense must have been an insurmountable financial mountain. It is extremely difficult to convey the emotional impact of this depressing scene, except to say that, I could not hold back the tears. As from the date of my visit, I have undertaken payment of the rent and other expenses for this family. They have also, now been moved to more spacious accommodation, with a brand new stove. To help alleviate the pain and misery of a poverty stricken family is an extremely gratifying experience and, I hope, that in a small way, I have given them a glimpse of hope for the future.”

One sometimes hears returned holiday makers from Sri Lanka say : “there are no poor Burghers in Sri Lanka”. This does a great injustice to the 35,000 Burghers left behind: many of whom live in even greater poverty than described in the foregoing letter. If any one seriously wants to see poor Burghers I can arrange for visits through the DBU, but, you won’t find them in “Bambalawatte.”

To end on a slightly brighter note: we heard recently from Mrs Anthea Muller, The Welfare Consultant with the DBU and our compassionate and hardworking contact in Sri Lanka, that one of our sponsored children has recently secured a job with a well known Mercantile firm in Colombo. Anthea also wrote regarding another family we had some problems with regarding incorrect information – “They are in dire straits and the kids are innocent. In fact ‘S’ has just won a medal at the Colts Cricket Club where he represented his College in the under 12 team.” This lad is from a home where a deserted mother supports three children with assistance from you – the members and well wishers of the Eighty Club. One of our sponsored children, a lovely six year old girl was deaf and dumb and not receiving any education. Upon realisation of her plight we have increased her monthly allowance to Rs.1,000 just to pay for bus fares from home to the school for the Deaf and Blind.

Enthusiastic responses from members of the Eighty Club and well wishers have allowed us to sponsor sixty two (62) children. Yet, applications from six (6) more children await sponsors. If you like what we as an organisation are doing for one of the poorest communities in Sri Lanka, tell your friends. For a lot more assistance is needed by the community.

For further information on the scheme or if you would like to sponsor one of the six remaining children, please phone the writer on 03 9841 8749.

NEW MEMBERS

A warm welcome to the following who have enrolled since our last Newsletter. Please make it a New Year Resolution to come and join us in the Club's various get-togethers.

Mr & Mrs Ralph and Phil Gerreyn
Mr & Mrs Clement and Glenda VanRooyen
Mr & Mrs Eric and Rosemarie Cooke
Mrs Olga Buultjens
Mr & Mrs Graeme and Jean (Moreen) McIntyre
Mr & Mrs Lindsay and Rosemary Ferdinands
Mr Ivor Holsinger

Mr & Mrs Regina and Trisette Speldewinde
Mrs Faye Juriansz
Mr & Mrs Tilak and Dawn Goonasekera
Mr & Mrs Elmo and Marianne Lourenz
Mr & Mrs Bryan and Melodie Bartholomeusz
Mrs Iris Samarasinhe
Mr & Mrs Darrel and Noeline Willenberg

ATTENTION

Bereavements

We report with sadness the passing of Rodney Ferdinands, husband of Persis, brother of Ivor; and Haig Siebel, husband of Junette. Our thoughts are with the families.

Important

Money Order No.51608202 issued by Post Office Box Hill Centre for \$30 has been received by the Treasurer as membership fees, with no name of sender. Will the member please contact Cecil Fernando on 9898 5299.

Notice

Rev. Clarence Van Ens and his wife Theresa will be in Australia from 15 to 27 April 1999. Anyone wishing to contact them please ring Persis Ferdinands (9458 4204) or Ishbelle Poppenbeck (9763 6505)

A NIGHT TO REMEMBER - 20 February 1999

Two hundred and eighty one members and guests – the largest gathering ever for a fund raising function, packed the Sacred Heart School Hall, Oakleigh, for the Annual Dinner Dance, with music led by Larry Loos (Che La Re), and the meal by Zodiac (Victor and Lorraine de Silva). It was an excellent night all round with compliments and commendations flowing freely to these providers. Members, Arlene and Derrick Juriansz, delayed their departure to London, to be at the dance and help give out raffle prizes of which there was an abundance. Mrs Jennifer Ingleton of Daffy Products fame, on a working holiday from Sri Lanka, was one of the lucky prize winners. Our thanks go out to all those who donated freely to the large number of raffle prizes available on the night, and to the Fund Raising Team for their share in this successful function.

FOOD FAIR

**Sunday 28th March 1999 11:45am start - until sold out
St Peter's Hall, Mary Street, Clayton**

Lampries, Hoppers, Stringhoppers, Mas-paans, Pan Rolls, Vadais, Breudhers, Cakes & Sweets, Patties, Chutneys, Pickles, etc etc.

Over the years the Eighty Club Food Fair has gained in popularity and has always been our biggest annual fund raiser. Let's keep up the tradition.

**We rely on members and friends for patronage.
We depend on you for donations in cash and kind.**

We welcome help in the stalls as well as assistance with setting up and Clearing the Hall.

If you are able to help, please contact the organisers listed below.

Errol Orchard (9802 6214)
Pat de Kretser (9802 5174)
Arlene Scarnivel (9763 0085)
Suzanne Michaux-Armel
(03 5996 8672)

Pam Forster (9841 8749)
Ann Keegel (9879 0323)
Rita Young (9557 2364)
Caryl Jansz (9889 1524)

Pam Brohier (9758 4674)
Maureen Kelly (9848 9649)
Leonie Martenstyn (9873 1879)
Lorraine Muller (9555 9242)

Date	Donor	Amount	Date	Donor	Amount
29.1.99	Mr/Mrs J.Hogan (non members)	33.00	12.2.99	Mr/Mrs G.Howard (non members)	66.00
	Mr Ian de Zilwa	66.00	19.2.99	Mr/Mrs G.F.Mottau (non members)	66.00
	Mr/Mrs T.Pereira (non members)	66.00	26.2.99	Mr/Mrs D.Juriansz (U.K)	264.00
5.2.99	Mrs Carmen Roberts	210.00		Mr/Mrs R.Jansz	120.00
12.2.99	Mrs F.Ragell	66.00		Mrs M.Beasley (non member)	66.00
	Mr/Mrs R.de Niese	30.00		Mr/Mrs Godwin Brown	66.00
			5.3.99	Mrs Althea Ondaarchie	66.00
				Total	1694.00

Heart Card

Date	Donor	Amount	Date	Donor	Amount
29.12.98	Mr/Mrs M.N.Hendrie	10.00	12.2.99	Mr C. Da Silva	10.00
8.1.99	Mr/Mrs David Brown	10.00		Mr/Mrs H.Bartholomeusz	10.00
16.1.99	Mr/Mrs R. Young	10.00	12.2.99	Mr/Mrs K.Henderling	10.00
18.1.99	Mr/Mrs H.M.Schoorman	10.00		Mr G.M.Cooke	10.00
22.1.99	Mrs N.Ebell	10.00	19.2.99	Miss Maureen Young	10.00
	Mrs E.Ginger	20.00	26.2.99	Mr/Mrs A.Helsham	10.00
	Mrs F.Ragel	10.00		Mrs S. Robertson	10.00
29.1.99	Mrs E.V.Jonklaas	10.00		Mr/Mrs E.Martenstyn	10.00
	Mr/Mrs M.Matthysz	10.00	28.2.99	Mr/Mrs Ivor de Kretser	10.00
5.2.99	Mr/Mrs H.N.Muller	10.00		Mr/Mrs C.de Kretser	10.00
	Mrs M.Schoorman	10.00	9.3.99	Mr/Mrs R.A.White	10.00
	Miss Anita Young	10.00			
	Mrs Iyala Young	10.00		Total	250.00

Coin Collection

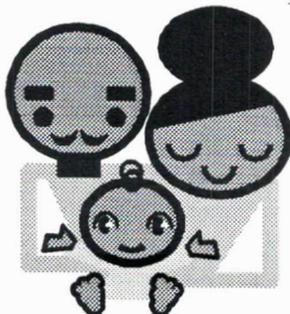
29.12.98	Mr/Mrs C.W. Bartels	91.00
18.1.99	Mr/Mrs R. Young	16.70
26.2.99	Mr/Mrs L.C.de La Zilwa	23.95
	Total	131.65



*Not gold, but only man can make
A people great and strong;
Men who for truth and honor's sake,
Stand fast and suffer long.*

*Brave men who work while others sleep,
Who dare while others fly-
They build a nation's pillars deep
And lift them to the sky.*

Ralph Waldo Emerson, A Nation's Strength



List of Donors

Date	Donor	Amount	Date	Donor	Amount
	General Donations			Donations in memory of the late Rodney Ferdinands	
11.12.98	Mrs. R. D'Abnera	60.00	22.1.99	Mr/Mrs J. Wourtersz	50.00
24.12.98	Mr/Mrs V.S.Livera in memory of the late Frederick Aldons who made an important contribution to the Havelocks Rugby Team in the 1950s	15.00		Anonymous	25.00
				Mr/Mrs E.Martenstyn	25.00
				Mrs Shelagh Goonewardene	25.00
	Mr/Mrs N.W.Perera	20.00	29.1.99	Mr/Mrs S. Vanderzeil	25.00
29.12.98	Mr/Mrs Cecil Fernando on the occasion of their 50 th wedding anniversary	50.00		Mr/Mrs H.N.Schokman (non members)	10.00
				Mrs Doris Vanderstraaten	50.00
				Mrs E.V.Jonklaas	50.00
	Mr/Mrs Ellis Grenier in loving memory of their late daughter Rosemary who passed away in November 1997	100.00	5.2.99	Mr/Mrs V.S.De Kretser	15.00
				Mr/Mrs H.Todd	50.00
	Mrs L.M. Morrison	50.00		President & Members of the Management and Fund Raising Committees of The Eighty Club	75.00
5.1.99	Mr/Mrs L.P.Maloney (non members)	20.00		Mr/Mrs V.Kelly	30.00
22.1.99	Bell Birds Club of NSW (non members)	78.00		Mr/Mrs D.Haye (non members)	50.00
				Mr/Mrs A.Koch	20.00
29.1.99	Mr/Mrs H.Mathysz	100.00		Mr/Mrs Edgar Jansz	25.00
	Mrs R.K. Loos – loving birthday wishes to my dear sister Alix Walker	100.00		Miss E. Van Twest	10.00
				Mr/Mrs David Brown	10.00
5.2.99	Mrs R.K.Loos in everloving and treasured memories of Gordon called to rest on 30 January 1976	100.00		Mr/Mrs P.Mulvaney (non members)	10.00
12.2.99	Mr/Mrs D.Gray	20.00		Mrs Ida Wambeek (non member)	10.00
	Mr Clifford da Silva in loving memory of his late sister Yvonne Jansen	10.00		Mrs D.Stork (non member)	20.00
19.2.99	Mr/Mrs N.J.L.Jansz	25.00		Anonymous cash donations from the Box at the Funeral Parlour	307.00
	Anonymous	25.00		Mrs M. Andrado	25.00
	Mr/Mrs E.Jacotine	5.00	12.2.99	Mr/Mrs H.Bartholomeusz	20.00
26.2.99	Mr/Mrs B.E.Ebert (non members, South Australia)	62.50	26.2.99	Mrs N.Hyndman	25.00
	Mr/Mrs D.Juriansz (U.K)	16.00			
	Mrs D.Fernando	10.00			
	Mr/Mrs E.Scovell	25.00			
	Dr/Mrs E.Ferdinands	50.00			
9.3.99	Anonymous	25.00			
	Mr Percy Roberts	5.00			
			19.2.99	Mr Michael and Mrs Molly Hatch	30.00
				Total	2488.50

Donations to the Child Sponsorship Scheme

Date	Donor	Amount	Date	Donor	Amount
11.12.98	Mr/Mrs H.Brohier	20.00	24.12.98	Mr/Mrs Craig Ondarchie	20.00
	Mr/Mrs H.R.Hesse	53.00		Mr/Mrs A.B.Claessen	66.00
	Mr/Mrs R.Armel (Misso Family)	132.00	22.1.99	Bells Bird Club of NSW (non members)	132.00
24.12.98	Mr/Mrs Godwin Brown	66.00		Mr/Mrs A.K.Chapman	20.00

Subscription Status

Your \$2.50 a month feeds a hungry family.

The date your subscriptions paid to shown on address label. Renewal for a full year is \$30, half yearly \$15, quarterly \$7.50. The choice is yours. Please make cheques payable to The Eighty Club Melbourne Inc. and crossed "Account Payee Only", addressed to the Treasurer, 10 Majtlis Road, Blackburn North, Vic. 3130

Prizes for Membership Drive

When you recruit a new member, your name will go into a barrel. Each new member recruited will mean one entry. The lucky name will be drawn at the Christmas Party to be held on 4 December 1999. Application forms available from Mervyn Schoorman (03 9584 2319)



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| 1st Prize | - | 4 free tickets to Annual Dance |
| 2nd Prize | - | 2 free tickets to Christmas Party |
| 3rd Prize | - | 2 free tickets to a Luncheon |

Interstate winners will receive a cheque for a like amount

Coming Fund Raising Events

- 3rd Vade Road.*
- Turn left into Ferntree Gully Rd.
Right Brandon Park Drive
Left in Academy Rd.*
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| <u>Sunday, 28 March 1999</u> | - | Food Fair at St. Peter's School Hall, Mary Street, Clayton (Melways 79 C2) 11.45 am till sold out. |
| <u>Sunday, 16 May 1999</u> | - | String Hopper Luncheon at Good Shepherd School Hall, Mulgrave (Melways 71 C10).
\$12.50 per head. Soft Drinks available at \$1 a bottle to defray cost of hall hire |

Please contact Committee Members for early bookings

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