



Catch Up!

The Catholic Club Monthly Newsletter October 2025

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dear Members,

The rain has been continuously showering Bangalore, but that hasn't dampened the spirits of our members; footfalls at the Club continue to grow. It has been a wonderful September overall, with each committee member organizing exciting programs that saw enthusiastic participation. True to our credo since being re-elected in 2025, we continue to remain member-friendly and member-centric.

Congratulations to Mr. Gavin Cordeiro and his team of sub-committee and organizing committee for hosting the best ever Ladies Only Table Tennis Tournament. The matches, played in the Ballroom, were full of energy and excitement, with large participation from our lady members. Congratulations to the Winner and Runner-Up, and to those who didn't win this time, there's always another tournament waiting for you.

We are delighted to see increased participation in our Faith Programs this year. In September, we had around 150 members come together to celebrate the Nativity of Mother Mary and the Harvest Festival. A special thank you to Rev. Fr. Vivek Lionel Basu, Associate Director of St. Joseph's Institute of Skills, for delivering a truly inspirational message. The Catholic Club Choir added joy and spirit to the celebration with their melodious singing. Thank you to Coreen and her sub-committee for their great work in bringing our community back to these meaningful events.

The Catholic Club, in collaboration with the Karnataka Goan Association, held its Annual Event, Think Goa Live Goa, and it was a vibrant celebration. Despite the rain, members danced their hearts out to Black Sapphire, who truly set the dance floor on fire. The event featured a delightful cultural performance by KGA members, topped off with mouthwatering Goan cuisine savored by all. Our Bar Nites, Saturday Vibes, and Sunday Brunches continue to keep the

weekends buzzing. Thank you, Michael Saldanha, for the exciting bar offers, and Sam Teixeira, for your efforts in putting up great shows.

The Onam Sadya, held on 14th September, was a truly unmissable event. A large gathering enjoyed the authentic Malayalee cuisine, complemented beautifully by cocktails from Samsara Gin. Kudos to Jeffrey and his sub-committee for overseeing such a well executed event.

In sports, the Badminton Showdown saw a friendly yet competitive match between The Catholic Club and The Bangalore Club. Although Bangalore Club took the win this time, it was a well organized tournament followed by a warm fellowship. Thank you, Ajit and your sub-committee, for putting it all together.

The Billiards Room is seeing increased participation with various ongoing tournaments. Thank you, Lalit and your team, for the excellent work being done there.

"What's the Good Word" has reached a whole new level thank you again to Gavin and his sub-committee for organizing such engaging and enjoyable evenings for our members.

Our CCOT team recently conducted a Medical Camp at RTC, where approximately 80 children were screened. Thank you to Chairman Mr. Vincent Pinto and his efficient committee for organizing this camp, and a special thanks to Dr. Bobby and his dedicated team of seven doctors.

CCOT is now planning its annual Funday, the one day in the year when we come together to bond with the children under CCOT's care. We encourage all members to support this heartfelt cause. A poster and QR code have been shared for your reference and contributions.

The Ladies of Catholic Club continue to have a fabulous time each month, with numbers growing and members thoroughly enjoying these lively gatherings.

Looking ahead, we have a packed schedule for October across all departments, including the much-anticipated Diwali Super Bumper Housie. So, please block your calendars for what promises to be a month full of entertainment and celebration!

On behalf of the Managing Committee, I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you for your active participation in all our Club activities. Your enthusiasm motivates us to go the extra mile and

brings us immense joy as we strive to make your experience at Catholic Club better every day.

We look forward to seeing even more members coming forward and taking part in all the exciting events and initiatives at our Club.

Warm Regards

Jude Rajesh Ferrao
President



iBROWSE



Though we had to pause in September due to unforeseen circumstances, we're back with an event that promises to be truly special! Join us for a unique iBrowse session featuring "1 More Than 8 and Other Stories" by Sheila Kunjur Srinivas.

Get ready for an evening of reading, discussion, and dance, as we explore the nine different emotions of the human experience in a fun and immersive way. Don't miss this chance to experience stories come alive!

Gavin Cordeiro
MIC



I-BROWSE BOOK CLUB

**WARMLY INVITES YOU TO AN ENGAGING
EVENING WITH
SHEILA KUNJUR SRINIVAS**

**AUTHOR OF
1 MORE THAN 8 AND
OTHER STORIES
(EXPLORING NAVARASA - THE NINE
EMOTIONS)**

**DATE: FRIDAY, 3RD OCTOBER 2025
TIME: 7:00 - 8:00 PM
VENUE: CATHOLIC CLUB**

EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL BODY MEETING

Dear Members,

This is to inform you that the Extra ordinary General Meeting (EGM) has been scheduled on 19th October 2025. please find below the agenda for your kind attention:

1. **To discuss and decide on the proposed Three-man committee Report.**
2. **To discuss and approve the Management Committee's proposed amendment to Rules.**
3. **To table, discuss, and approve the Emergency Project proposals.**
4. **To discuss and approve the archbishop's recommendation on enhancement of rental.**

Your presence and active participation will be greatly appreciated.



NOTICE OF THE EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL BODY MEETING 2025-26

Notice is hereby given that the Extra-Ordinary General Body Meeting of the Members of Catholic Club will be held as under:

- Date: Sunday, 19th October 2025
- Time: 10:30 am
- Venue: Ballroom
- Registration: From 9:00 am onwards

Members are requested to remain present in the Hall for the entire duration of the Meeting.

Please note that only Permanent Members (Ordinary / Life / Senior Citizen / Donor) are permitted to attend the Meeting.

By order of the Managing Committee

For Catholic Club

Raymond Stephen

Secretary

25.09.2025

WHAT'S THE GOOD WORD?



The rains tried to crash the party, but our clever Members were one step ahead! Thanks to the WhatsApp weather alert from the organising team, everyone showed up early and ready for fun.

The result? A full house, laughter galore, and plenty of teasing and jokes that kept the evening buzzing with energy.

Can't wait to do it all over again - see you at the next episode on 24th October!

Gavin Cordeiro
MIC



What's The Good Word

Beer there or be left out..



**Rosalind, Rebecca and Sean
will have you racking your
brains and dancing to their
tune.**

24th October, 2025 | 7p.m.



Catholic Club, in association with the Karnataka Goan Association, recently hosted a spectacular evening brimming with music, fashion, and the unmistakable Goan spirit. From music and fashion to community and camaraderie, Think Goa, Live Goa brought the vibrant essence of Goa to Bangalore in a memorable celebration. The event showcased the rich cultural heritage, lively performances, and spirited togetherness that make Goan gatherings truly special. Black Sapphire, who had the audience dancing and singing along, while the fashion show by the KGA added elegance and flair, showcasing the community's creativity.

Our heartfelt gratitude goes to Mr. Valerian Fernandes, President of the Karnataka Goan Association, and to Mr. Jude Rajesh Ferrao, President of the Catholic Club, for his support. Even as a sudden spell of rain attempted to play spoilsport, the energy of the crowd transformed it into yet another joyful moment, proving that nothing can dampen the lively spirit of the Catholic Club.

We also celebrated the joyous festival of Onam with a traditional Sadhya feast that brought members together in the true spirit of unity and festivity. The elaborate spread, curated with authentic flavors, was a delightful experience for all, and we extend our heartfelt thanks to Mr. Jeffery Crasta for the delicious food that made the occasion truly memorable. The

evening was further elevated with soulful music by Mr. Jason D'Souza, adding warmth and vibrance to the celebration. A special word of gratitude also goes to Vani and the staff of the Club for their beautiful decorations, which transformed the space and added to the festive charm. It was a gathering that truly captured the essence of Onam togetherness, tradition, and joy.

In a heartfelt gathering, the community came together to honor the extraordinary life of Dr. Thomas Chandy through the tribute 'Viva la Vida.' The event celebrated his remarkable achievements, enduring contributions, and the inspiration he left behind, allowing friends, family, and well-wishers to reflect on his legacy and cherish his memory."

"Mark your calendars! Don't miss the upcoming festivities -berfest on 11th October, featuring the Goan band 24K India and a lively evening of games and entertainment, followed by Halloween Night on 31st October, promising a spooktacular evening of music, fun, and togetherness."

We look forward to sharing these festivities and creating more cherished memories with you!"

Sam Texeira
MIC - Entertainment



Onam SADHYA



Onam SADHYA



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Where Shadows Dance & Magic Awakes

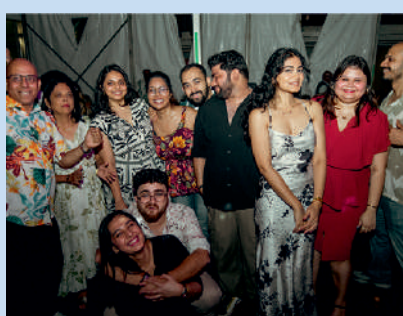
TICKET PRICES

Category	Advance	Gate Rates
Members	Rs 300	Rs 300
Senior Dependent	Rs 150	Rs 150
Guests	Rs 900	Rs 2000

31st October 2025, 7:30 PM Onwards

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THINK GOA LIVE GOA 2025





Catholic Club Presents

OKTOBERFEST SUNDOWNER

**SAT
11TH
OCT
@
5.30
PM**

**GREAT FOOD
LIVE MUSIC
DANCING
FUN GAMES
PRIZES
+ LOTS
OF BEER**



Goa's Top Band

**24K
INDIA**

**Special Offer
Beer
at Rs.50**



Tickets	Adv	Gate
Member	350	350
Depnt & Sr.Depnt	175	175
Guest	499	999
Table	200	

Rights of Admission Reserved | Standard Club Rules Apply.



Lights, Camera, Glamour! A Blockbuster Ladies' Night at the Club.

On Friday, 26th October, our Club was unrecognisable - the red carpet was rolled out, the lights were flashing, and the Ladies of our Club arrived ready to own the spotlight. The theme of the evening was Hollywood, and from the moment the doors opened, it felt like stepping straight into a grand movie premiere!

The night kicked off with a fun and dramatic entry that had everyone laughing and cheering - three suave James Bonds made their appearance, played with spectacular charm by Marcus Pereira, Brian Northwood, and our committee member - Jeffry Crasta. Decked in tuxedos and Bond-style swagger, they set the tone for an evening where style met spirited fun.

License to kill !!!

Showstopping Performances, The entertainment lineup was nothing short of cinematic brilliance!

A terrific dance performance from the musical Chicago - All That Jazz - brought Broadway to the ballroom. Our talented stars Pinki Henry, Joieta Pelegrim, and Nandini Raju Sharma gave a performance so polished, it deserved its own standing ovation.

Anusha stunned with a powerful rendition of Whitney Houston, earning loud cheers and nostalgic singalongs.

The Twins kept the energy high with a lively tribute to ABBA, bringing everyone to their feet with timeless disco charm.

Hollywood Icons Come Alive, As the evening continued, beloved movie legends walked among us: Committee member Gavin Cordeiro made an

unforgettable appearance as Charlie Chaplin, complete with signature hat, cane and comic flair.

Michael Saldanha took on the role of Michael Douglas, hosting a hilarious and star-studded Oscar Awards ceremony, with none other than Sharon Stone, played by Nita D'Souza, elegantly by his side! Laughter echoed through the hall as members received quirky and fun awards - every acceptance speech more theatrical than the last!

The room sparkled with sequins, feathers, and glamorous gowns — but one star shone brightest. Claire Fernandes, dressed as Madonna, was crowned Best Dressed of the Night, winning well-deserved applause for her stunning look and confidence.

DJ Giselle kept the dance floor alive throughout the evening with chart-toppers, retro hits, and irresistible beats. From Hollywood classics to modern dance anthems - not a single foot stayed still!

Adding to the festive atmosphere was a delightful Night Market with 12 stalls, offering everything from fashion and accessories to treats and trinkets. Shopping, dancing, singing, and laughter - all under one glamorous roof!

A Grand Success - Thanks to the Dream Team, A heartfelt thank you to the dynamic sub-committee, Roopa Saldanha, Juliet Rego, Rowan Pais, Ramona Patel and Nita D'Souza - whose creativity and hard work made the evening nothing short of magical.

Our appreciation also goes to the ever-reliable CC staff for their smooth and enthusiastic support throughout the night.

Coreen D'Souza Fareed
MIC - Ladies







YOUTH



This past month, our dance community experienced an incredible journey of rhythm, style, and connection through the workshop Chassé to Prom, conducted by the talented Gilmour Fernandes.

Over the course of four weeks, we had a fantastic turnout of 67 enthusiastic participants who brought their passion and energy to the floor. Each session was a blend of learning and fun beginners discovered the joy of new steps, while seasoned dancers sharpened their technique under Gilmour's expert guidance.

What truly stood out was the spirit of togetherness. The workshop became more than just a series of classes; it was a month filled with laughter, encouragement, and a shared love for dance. By the finale, the participants had not only improved their skills but also built lasting friendships and unforgettable memories.

As we close this wonderful chapter, the stage is set for our biggest celebration of the year. Get ready for the Halloween Bash: A Twilight Masquerade - Masked and Magical.

Step into a world of mystery and elegance, where twilight meets the allure of masks. Expect captivating music, stunning costumes, and a dance floor alive with energy till dawn.

Stay tuned for more details, it's going to be a night of pure magic!!

Thanks and regards,

Nikita Pereira
Youth-MIC

BILLIARDS



September was an action-packed month in the Billiards Room, featuring refreshed tables with newly re-stretched snooker cloths and the return of the classic scoreboards. The highlight was our very first Beginners Pool Tournament, which welcomed 24 players of all ages and brought plenty of energy, smiles, and fun competition.

Tournament Highlights:

- Winner: Vineet Braganza
- Runner-up: Amit Braganza
- Most Promising Player: Chirag Saldanha

A big thank you to Mr. Ajay Philominraj for sponsoring the trophies and supporting our players.

What's New & Next:

- New Billiards Subscription Packages – More flexibility and options starting October.
- Snooker Coaching with Sean Davis – Learn from our club member and State No. 1, Sean Davis
- Upcoming Tournaments in October – The Under-25 Handicap Snooker Tournament returns, along with our monthly Seriously FUN Tournament packed with quirky rules and laughs.

Stay tuned on the club notice boards and message groups for updates—and don't forget to chalk up and join the fun on the green side!

Lalit Braganza
MIC - Billiards



BADMINTON



The Monthly Badminton Tournament held from 23rd to 25th September 2025 was a smashing success, bringing together players who displayed remarkable skill, determination, and sportsmanship across all categories. After three days of thrilling rallies and closely contested matches, the results were as follows:

Gold Category

Nihal & Paul John shone bright to claim the champions' trophy after a series of exciting, high-intensity matches, with Savio Manoj & Adrian putting up a strong and commendable fight to finish as runners-up.

Silver Category

Thomas R. & Antony Peter displayed outstanding teamwork and consistency to secure first place, while Diana & Ranjan impressed the crowd with their spirited performance to claim the runners-up spot.

Bronze Category

John Francis & Dominic Dacosta played with great determination to take home the winners' title, while John Smith & Rachel showed excellent grit and skill, earning themselves a well-deserved runners-up finish.

A big thank you to Venkat Bashyam for sponsoring the tournament and supporting our players. Congratulations to all winners and participants for making this event another memorable chapter in our badminton journey!

Congratulations to all the winners and participants!

Ajit Lobo

MIC



DESTINATION WEDDING VENUE



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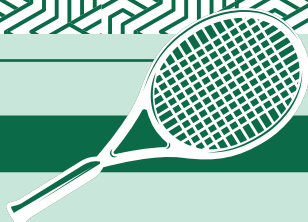


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SPORTICO



We recently hosted Bangalore Club for a friendly 8-game badminton tournament, which saw a fantastic turnout and some truly exhilarating matches. Four out of the eight games went right down to the wire, stretching into 3 sets, with our players giving it their all.

Bangalore Club eventually prevailed, winning 6 matches to 2, but the spirit of competition and camaraderie made it a memorable evening for all.

The tournament was thoroughly enjoyed and well

appreciated by our guests. A special thanks to our team captains, Nihal Thomas and Abhishek Sukumaran, for their efforts in ensuring everything went smoothly and as planned.

Looking ahead, our monthly tournament will be held from the 23rd to the 25th, and we look forward to another exciting round of matches and participation.

Ajit Lobo

MIC - Sportico



DARTS



The Dart Boards are feeling a little lonely after the tournament. We are buying some darts to keep at the Club so that anyone can play anytime. If you want to get your own set, we can put you in touch with people who can custom-make them for you.

Gavin Cordeiro

MIC

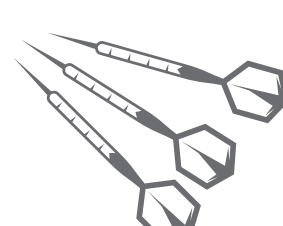


TABLE TENNIS



A Smash Hit! First Ladies Singles Table Tennis Tournament

The first-ever Ladies Singles Table Tennis Tournament was held on Saturday, September 13, in the Ballroom, drawing an enthusiastic crowd of family and friends and 22 spirited participants. The event began at 4:30 PM with a delightful spread of snacks provided by SDC, followed by a group photograph at 5:00 PM, acknowledgements of sponsors, and a briefing on the tournament rules.

The Tournament was held in a double Knockout format. There were 2 brackets of players - everyone started in the Winners bracket, they moved to the Lower bracket after one loss, and then were eliminated after a second loss. The competition was fierce, but in the end, it was Maria Praveena who claimed the Gold, with Sneha Joseph and Pearline Pinto earning Silver and Bronze, respectively.

A range of exciting prizes and goodies added to the joy of the evening. Rolling trophies for Gold and Silver were sponsored by Vijay, while winners also received generous meal coupons: Ramada Encore for Gold, Maravante for Silver, and Sea Rock for Bronze. The winner also received a new TT racket from Bikranjit.

Every participant also received a personalised t-shirt from Kurian Abraham Ltd and a thermal flask from Shalby MedTech. Participants were treated to delicious Biryani courtesy of Dean Joseph, along with biscuit hampers.

A fun twist was added with random Table Tennis trivia throughout the evening - five winners walked away with boxes of chocolates, sponsored by Job! Additionally, the winners received tickets to the Wine Tasting at Ballentine's Lounge & participants partook in the Beer Towers, generously sponsored by CC.

The event was made possible through the tireless efforts of the TT Organisers: Raju, Vijay, Vivian, Rohith, Ravi, and Job. Heartfelt thanks to President Rajesh and MIC Gavin for their steadfast support and for sponsoring the winners' prizes.

Referees Chris, Stafford, and Sheldon ensured fair play throughout, while Caitlyn and Jolene beautifully captured the day in photos, preserving the cherished memories of a truly smashing tournament.

Here's to many more rallies and returns in the tournaments to come!

Written by Joanne Louzado, a 1-month-old TT player and Tourney participant

This month, we will be having a Golden Greats Tournament for all men aged 50 years and above. The entry fee is Rs. 200/- per head. Do give in your entries by the 15th of September to Peter or Shiva.

Gavin Cordeiro
MIC



**Ladies Singles Table Tennis 2025
Winners & Participants**



Catholic Club Presents

Golden Greats Tournament

TABLE TENNIS

ONLY for
MEN
aged 50
years and
above

Entry fee
is
Rs. 200/-
per head

Do give in your entries by
Wednesday 15th, October
to Peter or Shiva.

BRIDGE



Bridge is a MIND SPORT that assists development in children and youth, retaining mental acuity among professionals while aiding mental upkeep among the elderly. It also engages you socially; the combination of which, as recent research has shown, is of immense mental and physical health benefits. It can help your children learn analysis, logic, planning, and teamwork while gaining confidence by validating their abilities.

The Catholic club has been at the forefront of the development of the Bridge game in Bengaluru (even from when it was Bangalore!). The club has opened its doors to members and non-members alike who want to learn the game. Continuing this tradition, we plan to have introductory sessions for everyone to come in and experience what the game is all about.

Introductory sessions will also be held along with club activities, for all to get a flavour of the game. Express your interest by sending an email to <insert email id here>, or WhatsApp <insert number here>, or click on this link to join WhatsApp <https://tinyurl.com/CC-BRIDGE>. Click from your phone. Share this among your friends; non-members of the club are welcome too. Subsequently, we will also plan to conduct the full beginner course for those who are interested in learning the game fully.

Catholic Club also plans to aid Bridge beginners, who may have learnt and played the game ONLINE, to gain confidence in playing at the Bridge Table! This is an important step in the game; the social aspect of the game, which is not always best experienced online. Research has shown that social connections can bolster the immune system while social isolation can trigger detrimental physiological responses in the body.

We plan to have an afternoon game on Tuesdays beginning at 3pm and ending by 5pm, the same will be monitored and assisted by senior players. The game is open to all Bridge players, members of the club, and non-members, too. Non-members need to pay only the guest fee and the game entry fee. Members will pay a concessional rate as usual. Join the WhatsApp group <https://tinyurl.com/BRIDGE-AFTERNOONS-CC> CLICK from your phone. Forward to your friends.

Look out for the commencement announcement.

Hermie Mathias

MIC

FAITH



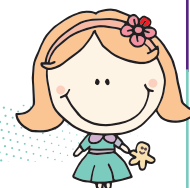
September unfolded in the most beautiful way as our members and guests gathered for a touching floral tribute to Our Lady, led with grace and spiritual depth by Fr. Vivek Lionel Basu. The sight of our little children stepping forward with flowers in their tiny hands, offering them with innocence and devotion, filled every heart with joy and reverence. It was a powerful reminder that faith, when nurtured young, blossoms into lifelong grace.

The atmosphere came alive with the presence of almost 90 attendees, all joining in prayer, song, and celebration. It was not merely an event it felt like one big family coming together under the loving gaze of our Blessed Mother. Music played a central role in elevating the spiritual mood of the evening.

The Catholic Club Choir created a heavenly ambience under the talented accompaniment of: Mr. Vincent D'Souza on the violin, Arlene on the keyboards, Nazarious on the flute, their harmonious ensemble beautifully supported the choral voices of: Christine Gonsalves, Brinda Abreo, Susan Gojer, Rohini D'Silva, Lawrence Fernandes, Mathew Cruz and James Sequeira.

Each hymn rendered was not just sung - it was felt.

KIDS



Their voices echoed with devotion, touching many hearts and making the evening truly memorable.

A special word of appreciation goes to the subcommittees of both the KIDS and Faith Departments, whose coordination and dedication helped shape the event from planning to execution. Their commitment, along with the tireless support of our staff, ensured every child was guided, every hymn was in sync, and every moment was meaningful.

Our ever-enthusiastic Emcee, Maria Pinto, kept the proceedings warm, and engaging, ensuring a seamless flow throughout the program.

This September gathering was not just a devotional offering, it was a celebration of childlike faith, community spirit, and shared joy. Moments like these remind us that when generations come together in prayer children, youth, adults, and seniors Heaven smiles.

May Our Lady continue to guide our children and bless our families with love, unity, and faith.

Coreen D'Souza Fareed

MIC - Kids & Faith

CALLING ALL SASSY SENIORS

JOIN US FOR A

SPOOKTACULAR PARTY

OCTOBER 16



AT 6.30 PM

COSTUMES | GAMES | MUSIC | HOUSIE

*** AWARD FOR "MOST TERRIFYING" OR "BEST COUPLE COSTUME."**

MUSIC BY SUDHAKAR JAYARAJ

Dress Code: Red & Black

ENTRY
MEMBER - RS. 400
GUEST - RS. 650



PROGRAMMES FOR OCTOBER

3rd	Friday	Bar Nite	8.00pm
		Ibrowse	6.30pm
4th	Saturday	Musical Evening	8.00pm
5th	Sunday	Brunch	12.30pm
		Regular Housie	7.00pm
6th	Monday	Bridge	6.00pm
7th	Tuesday	Whist Drive	6.00pm
10th	Friday	Bar Nite	8.00pm
11th	Saturday	Oktober Fest 2025	5.30pm
12th	Sunday	Brunch	12.30pm
		Super Duper Bumper Housie	7.00pm
13th	Monday	Bridge	6.00pm
14th	Tuesday	Whist Drive	6.00pm
16th	Thursday	Sassy Seniors	
		Spooktacular Party	6.30pm
17th	Friday	Bar Nite	8.00pm
18th	Saturday	Musical Evening	8.00pm
19th	Sunday	Extra Ordinary General	
		Body Meeting 2025	10.30am
		Regular Housie	7.00pm
20th	Monday	Bridge	6.00pm
21st	Tuesday	Whist Drive	6.00pm
24th	Friday	What's The Good Word	7.00pm
25th	Saturday	Musical Evening	8.00pm
26th	Sunday	Brunch	12.30pm
		Regular Housie	7.00pm
27th	Monday	Bridge	6.00pm
28th	Tuesday	Whist Drive	6.00pm
31st	Friday	Masquerade Ball	8.00pm



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