



# CORONA Plateau Mauritius

## NEWSLETTER

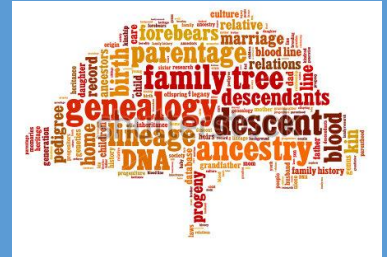
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### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### NEXT MEETING

FRIDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 10 AM



Our speaker in September Jacqueline Russell will be talking to us about genealogy with particular focus on how to trace your line of descent in Mauritius. She will share her experience and provide information on some tools we can all use.

#### COFFEE MORNINGS

FRIDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER, 10AM

AT PARADIESO

As a special offer we have arranged with Dagmar to provide a range of treats for us at the nominal price of Rs200 per person. *The offer includes coffee, tea or juice, finger sandwiches cheese - veg -chicken ham, mini samosas, gateau piment, carrot cake, apple tart.* You may take advantage of this offer or if you prefer order direct from the menu as usual.

FRIDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 10AM

AT RUTH'S HOUSE IN BLACK RIVER

FRIDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 10AM

AT FOOD LOVERS BAGATELLE

#### POT LUCK LUNCH

WEDNESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER

AT MARIE LYN'S HOUSE

#### OUTING

WEDNESDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

Visit to "Infusion" hand-made soap shop in Calodyne followed by lunch at Lemon Tree Cafe

#### RECIPES

Check out the new recipes on the web-site and don't forget to send us some of your own favourite recipes.



#### A BUSY MONTH ... by Rosemarie

The committee members have had quite an eventful month this August - we started with a great coffee morning at Sara's house, next were visits to some charities to estimate their needs, followed by a well-planned quiz organised by Ruth at our monthly meeting. We finished the month with an outing, as usual smoothly planned by Fifi (and Ruth), to the Mahebourg manioc biscuit factory and on to a fantastically situated restaurant -Falaise Rouge, for lunch.

To top it all, Solange Gale (dare I say our oldest member) gave a short resume of the sea battle between the French and British navies which took place in 1810 in Mahebourg, where Falaise Rouge played the part of the strategic look out post.



Our thanks to Ruth for her hard work in preparing the Quiz and for donating the wonderful prizes for the winning team.

A very sad note to end all these events, our Vice-Chairwoman, Lyndsay Rivière, has resigned from the committee for personal reasons, but wishes to remain an active member, especially where charity work is involved. We sincerely thank Lyndsay for all her years on the Plateau committee and for all the hard work she put into various projects during that time. We shall miss most of all her cheerfulness and her choice of speakers which aimed to please the tastes of all our members. Thank you so much Lyndsay.

#### MEMBERSHIP MATTERS ... by Sara

The venue was the same, the snacks and tea and coffee were as usual, and the members were the usual; so what was different you must be quizzing? Well the seating arrangement was not far from being royal. Our 25 members were able to sip their tea and coffee and eat their sandwiches in style, seated at their team tables!! It was pleasing to see members chatting and having a laugh in little groups. We therefore have to commend Ruth, for initiating that change in order to put our members through a brain stretching exercise! Feedback suggests that our members enjoyed their morning and hopefully if we are nice to Ruth we may have another such event in a not too distant future!

We had one guest, Mrs Shiksha Gujadhur, introduced by Binita. We look forward to welcoming her again, and we hope she will be a corona member soon.

#### THE AUGUST CAKE RAFFLE RAISED RS 1325

The cake was donated by Shamima and won by Marie Lyne. Marilyn will, donate the cake for our September meeting.



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## EVENTS

The August **Coffee Morning** was again held at a member's house and it is evident that this format is popular and thus we will continue to alternate it with visits to coffee shops. The event was attended by 11 members and guests and Sara proved to be a very attentive host. We had a great spread of tasty nibbles and 1000 rupees was raised towards our charity fund.



Our August **outing** to Rault Biscuit Factory in Maheburg was followed by a delicious lunch at Falaise Rouge. 15 ladies attended and experienced the charm of the tiny, completely authentic, hand-made production line dating from 1870. We were shown how the cassava is grown, how it is cleaned and pressed, the resulting flour and then how it is mixed and turned into surprisingly tasty biscuits. We know how good they taste as after the factory tour we enjoyed tea and biscuit tasting. Many of us could not resist buying up a good stock to take home.

From the biscuit factory we continued along the coast to another historic site, the Falaise Rouge, to enjoy our lunch at the site of a former observation post used by the French army during the Great Battle of Grand Port. There is also an old French cannon on the site, which was used during this great battle and Solange kindly helped us get acquainted with the history behind the battle. Since we were there so close to the anniversary of the battle (20<sup>th</sup> August) she brought some flowers to throw into the sea to honour those who battled there.



A Charity Shop has been set up in CurePipe by Autisme Maurice to provide work for unemployed mothers of autistic children. Some mothers also received training to produce handicrafts for the shop but for now the shop is very short of things to sell and is seeking our help with donations of clothes and other items they can sell. The proceeds from the shop help fund the organization and activities for autistic children at the school. For more details of the shop check out their leaflet on our website.

## Birthday Wishes



to **Ruth, Sara, Shahjeehan** and **Jane** who celebrate their birthdays in September

## NOTICES

### WHAT'S ON

We need your help to inform us of events well in advance so that we can circulate the information. Please email Jane or Sara with information.

The new season of operas from the Met and the Opéra de Paris at the cinema in Trianon starts in September. Contact [info@operamauritius.com](mailto:info@operamauritius.com) for more details.

The popular musical **SISTER ACT** will be showing in Mauritius in September.

More details on:

[www.otayo.com/fr/evenements/spectacles/623/sisteract](http://www.otayo.com/fr/evenements/spectacles/623/sisteract)

### MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS

Don't forget to give us your **TRIED & TESTED** recommendations for the website.

If you have a shop, service provider or other supplier whom you can recommend to other members, please send us this information.

Keep your suggestions for needy causes coming to Rosemarie or Ruth.



WhatsApp

Don't forget to send your contact to [membership@coronaplateau.org](mailto:membership@coronaplateau.org)

Help us provide a nourishing lunch to the children of Esperance 2000 by donating non-perishable foods such as cup-a-soup, peanut butter, processed cheese, canned meats and canned fruits. Just bring a can or packet of something suitable to our meetings. There will be a FOOD BANK bag at each meeting.

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