



CORONA Plateau Mauritius

NEWSLETTER

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

NEXT MEETING

FRIDAY 19TH AUGUST, 10 AM



For our August meeting, our very own Ruth Gray will be organising a trivia Quiz to see just how much we know (or remember). Come sharpen your mind and see if your team can win the prize.

COFFEE MORNING

THURSDAY 4TH AUGUST, 10 AM

AT SARA'S HOME, CUREPIPE

OUTING : MANIOC BISCUITS

WEDNESDAY 24TH AUGUST



In 1870 the Rault family started producing manioc biscuits at its little biscuit factory in Mahébourg and the factory has hardly changed since. Our short tour will give us a chance to sample the finished product – with a nice cup of tea, of course and we will go on for lunch in Mahebourg. Contact Fifi for details of this day out.

RECIPES

Jacqueline's pancakes recipe provides us the first upload for our website.

This and a few other are now available. Check these out and be sure to send us some of your own favourite recipes.



Jacqueline. Tel 59178403

PANCAKES GALORE ...by Rosemarie

As usual at this time of year, some of the committee are away visiting their home countries. We wish them and other members who are on holiday abroad an enjoyable stay and a safe return to Mauritius.

The ladies who braved the cold and wet of Vacoas to be at our last meeting were rewarded by Jacqueline and her team from Corona Central, who kindly gave us a demonstration of pancake making. The recipe had a Mauritian twist by using milk powder instead of the usual liquid.

After showing us how to prepare and cook pancakes, our ladies were invited by Jacqueline to try their hand at cooking (and tossing) their own.

A relaxed, convivial morning, which even stimulated our ladies into suggesting other activities for later in the year. We particularly liked the idea of a fashion show, with our ladies modelling their latest or favourite garments during the meeting. How about it? Let us have your thoughts on the matter!

A WARM WELCOME TO THE 4 NEW MEMBERS WHO SIGNED UP IN JULY:

- Chitra Jaishankar
- Sunita Appannah
- Shamima Shipton
- Maureen Masson

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS ... by Sara



Corona Plateau now have 54 registered and paid up members and I have to say a big thank you to the 28 ladies who attended our last monthly meeting. On 15th of July, we welcomed a small and dynamic team from Corona Central; Jaqueline Sobraty, Lisby Descelles, Georgette Babet, and Florence Julien. I nicknamed them our '*birds of good omen*', because rather unusually, the sun was shining on Central Plateau that day!

As those who attended witnessed, Jaqueline charmed us all with her paper thin pancake making skills and her friendly and sweet personality. There was a relaxed and happy atmosphere and quite a few pancakes were consumed. I join Rosemarie and the rest of the committee to say a big THANK YOU to Jaqueline. We hope to have more such meetings in future.

Corona Plateau welcomed quite a few other guests at the July meeting: Hanah, Shamima, Chitra, Sunita and Maureen. A big warm welcome to them all. We hope to have a yoga session from Hanah in the near future and her membership of course.



THE JULY CAKE RAFFLE RAISED RS 775

The cake in July was donated by Rosemarie and won by Florence, a visiting member of Corona Central Branch. One of our new members, Shamima, kindly agreed to donate the cake for August whilst one of our long standing members, Marilyn, volunteered a cake for our September meeting.

FINANCE

AS AT 15 JULY 2016

OPENING BALANCE	117,320
FUNDS RECEIVED	5,474
FUNDS PAID OUT	3,390
CLOSING BALANCE	119,405

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EVENTS

Our July **Potluck Lunch** was kindly hosted by Pam at her home in Floreal. Given the horrible weather we have been experiencing recently, the theme for the lunch was **Winter Warmers** and indeed we had a delicious array of foods to feast on. With so many members out of the country, the lunch was an intimate affair and the small group of seven Corona members were able to sit around the dining table and share ideas and experiences.



The July **Coffee Morning** was also a quiet affair with only 8 members attending. On a cold and wet morning we met up at Lux Café in Trianon where, at the last moment because of the inclement weather, our reserved table hastily had to be re-set inside the café.



During the July meeting, members indicated by a show of hands that we should continue to host alternate coffee mornings at the home of members. They particularly like the idea that this format allows us to raise funds for charity (through the Rs 100 charge to each attendee). Our August coffee morning will thus be hosted by Sara at her house. However at the request of members we have changed the day from Friday to Thursday and will look at how this goes and whether it is worth rotating days to enable members who have other commitments on Fridays a chance to attend. Hope to see you on the 4th.



Help us provide a nourishing lunch to the needy children of Esperance 2000 by donating non-perishable foods. Just bring a can or packet of something suitable to our next meeting.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

Ruth is organizing a fun quiz to get all of us interacting at the August meeting. All you need you to do in preparation is form a team of 5 'very smart' members (or guests) and give your team an appropriate name. Now we know it is hard to choose just 5 (since by virtue of being Corona members each of us has demonstrated clearly just how smart we are) so don't worry – if you prefer we can assign you to a great team on the day. Just show up ready to have a good time.

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Birthday Wishes



to **Marie-Lyn Richards, Radhika Chooramun** and **Haydee Ebers** who celebrate their birthdays in August

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 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

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 Lyndsay or Rosemarie.



WhatsApp In discussions at the July meeting, members requested we establish a WhatsApp group to send reminders easily to members. If you would like to be added to this group please email membership@coronaplateau.org