



# CORONA Plateau Mauritius

*From the Chair ...*

## Friendship....

It has been said many times, Corona is a “friendship” group - one of our main goals is to offer and spread companionship. So during our last meeting we asked each member to bring along a friend and we were very pleased to see so many new faces at the meet. October was also the month of Diwali so our members who celebrate this occasion also brought along a selection of edible treats. We added music and dancing and a great time was had by all.



Our two birthday girls for October were happy to cut the cake and share it with all members.



## THE OCTOBER RAFFLE

A total of Rs 1650 was raised from our October raffle. Congratulations to Sunena who won the raffle draw, and our thanks to Rosemarie who donated the lovely bag.

## NEWSLETTER

November 2019  
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### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### NEXT MEETING

FRIDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> November @ 10 am



Bingo is a game of chance in which players compete against one another to be the first to have a winning row/card. Our caller randomly selects numbers and when a player finds the selected numbers are arranged on their card in a row, they call out “Bingo!” to alert all participants to a winning row. When all numbers on the card are filled the winner again declares “Bingo”. We plan to play 4 rounds of Bingo at our next meeting with prizes for both row and card. So come along, buy as many cards as you dare, and try your luck.

#### DECEMBER MEETING

FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> December @ 10am

At this, our final meeting of the year, we ask each of you to bring a celebration dish from your own culture to help us end 2019 in style with a truly international feast. Sticking to tradition, Corona will provide the sherry.

*As 2019 draws to a close we hope all our members who celebrate their special day in November a very lovely birthday.*

## OUTING TO FERNEY SPINNING MILL

On 23 Oct, the ladies met at the magnificent creole house Le Domaine des Aubineaux before heading off to the spinning factory. Thanks to Maureen for getting us a private behind the scenes view of the manufacture of wool.

Who knew it was so complex? The imported raw materials go through rigorous processes, for both colour and texture and the finished products are exported to mainly UK, Europe and USA to be used in manufacturing of garment, carpet and upholstery fabric.



The equipment is impressively huge and noisy!! And there is so much of it. We met friendly members of staff who explained their role to us, from those who operate machines, to colour specialists and quality control. Personally I found the colour creating the most unexpected - to produce yarn of a specific green, at least 8 colours of dyed raw wool (yellow, blue, brown, purple, black and more) are mixed together, and through much automated combing and spinning, a deep olive green wool appears.

The factory produces primarily to order - whereby the overseas clients have specific requests of colour and type of yarn, which is manufactured for them and shipped. The final product, be it garment or fabric is manufactured by the client. The raw materials can be man made, vegetable or animal in origin, or a combination of all three. Raw materials are imported from all over the world - where ever there is good quality at good prices.

We had the impression that the working atmosphere (although very noisy) was harmonious and people seemed happy, and the staff are incredibly proud of their products. An educational and interesting morning. Thank you again!



## AFTERNOON TEA



Our thanks to Asha for sharing her beautiful garden and for providing a marvellous afternoon tea for all Corona Plateau members. WEDNESDAY 30<sup>th</sup> October was a beautiful fresh day in Moka. Not too hot with a slight breeze. Asha's garden was indeed beautiful, with flowers in full bloom, large mature trees providing cool shade, and a bevy of Corona ladies enjoying the scenery.



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