



THE “NEW” NORMAL....

As we slowly get back to a more normal way of life, most of us on this beautiful island are realising just how lucky we are. Being an island a long way from other populations has, for once, been a distinct advantage. Our government has been able to isolate us and protect the Mauritian population from the worst of Covid-19. So long as borders stay closed, we are relatively safe. It remains to be seen what safe-guards will be put in place to allow us to open up the borders and allow visitors (who may be infected) into our currently safe and secure ‘bubble’.

Meantime though, we should make the most of this security. Your committee has therefore decided to re-start our monthly meetings as from Friday 21st August. We have scheduled a number of events and hope you will participate. As always we are keen to have suggestions and ideas.

The CORONA Plateau Branch AGM

Many of you will be wondering what happened to the 2020 AGM which was scheduled for our March meeting. Some of you had already volunteered to stand for election. Unfortunately the Mauritian government announced lockdown starting the very day of our scheduled meeting. Thus no election and no new committee.

Given that five months have already passed since that meeting and it would be at least another month or two before we could schedule a new election, the current committee agreed it would probably be best to continue with this committee for the rest of 2020. They would however like to welcome to this interim committee, all of the people who volunteered to stand for election. If you are interested, please contact Binita.

We will revert to our normal schedule of elections in 2021.

Activity on our WhatsApp group has slowed a little since lockdown ended but there is still plenty of sharing. The committee will continue to use it to keep you advised of activities so if you are not already signed up, contact Sara to be added.



Message us on WhatsApp



A very happy birthday to all July babies amongst us. We look forward to cutting a cake with you next month.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Next Meeting

Friday 21st August 2020

Our first get-together after 5 months of no meetings will be a purely social event. Let's gather at the Gymkhana at 10 a.m. to share and enjoy being together again.

Potluck Lunch

Wednesday 2nd Sep 2020

Since going out to venues is still a little uncomfortable with masks and social distancing, we thought it might be better to gather at home. Thus you are invited to join Jane Delorie at home in Albion for a potluck lunch. Please bring your favourite dish.

Sept. meeting

Friday 18th September

JOIN US TO PLAY YOUR FAVOURITE BOARD GAME.

We will set up tables to play Dominoes, Scrabble and Mahjong but if you have something you would like to play please bring along the game to share with others.

Day at Beach

Wednesday 7th October

We are planning an outing at the beach so let us know if you would be interested.

Oct. meeting

Friday 16th October

...a closer look at planned activities...



a **potluck lunch** is a gathering where each attendee contributes a different homemade dish to be shared and enjoyed by all. Many of us stretched our cooking skills during lockdown so our theme for lunch will be “**lockdown food**”. Please bring a dish that you learned to make or enjoyed a lot during lockdown. Jane will share directions to her house on WhatsApp nearer the time. Her house is near Albion and we suggest that you car-pool with members who live near you.

did you learn any new board games during lockdown or did you miss your regular game playing partners?

At our September meeting we will set up tables for Mahjong, Scrabble and Dominoes. If you have a board game you would like to share, please bring it with you. We will happily set up an extra table or two.



COFFEE MORNINGS OR AFTERNOON TEAS



You might have noticed the absence of our usual coffee mornings and afternoon teas from the schedule of activities. This is because we believe some members may be hesitant to visit cafes given the need for face masks and social distancing. We are therefore requesting members to volunteer to host such gatherings at their homes.

If you would like to host either a coffee morning or an afternoon tea for members, please contact Binita and let her know your date and any other information.

The countries most affected by the coronavirus are the USA, Brazil, Russia, Spain, the United Kingdom, Italy, and France. **India**



Here are the images of their leaders.

The countries that are recognized as having managed the crisis best are Germany, Taiwan, New Zealand, Iceland, Finland, Norway, and Denmark.



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