



# Catch Up!

The Catholic Club Monthly Newsletter

May 2025

## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

***“We are the Easter People, and Hallelujah is our song.”***

*Dear Fellow Members,*

It is with deep sorrow that we mourn the sudden passing of our beloved Holy Father, Pope Francis,

soul. May he rest in eternal peace.

I trust you and your families are in good health and staying safe. As we step into May, the Club has resumed its full range of activities following the solemn observance of Lent. Summer is here in full force, and the heat is certainly upon us. Let us hope for some cooling showers as we approach June.

The intensity of the season is only matched by the excitement during RCB match days – though thankfully, cold beers and delicious food help beat the heat. Live screenings have been a hit, and we warmly invite members to join us in cheering and enjoying the camaraderie.

Our Easter Party was a grand success, featuring a scintillating performance by Goa's top band True Blue and our very own DJ Calie. Members truly let their hair down after Lent, dancing the night away. A big thank you to MIC Entertainment Michael Saldanha, Sam Texeira, and their dedicated team for putting it all together behind the scenes.

This year, we were also blessed with numerous faith-based programs, drawing large gatherings of members to hear the Good News of our Lord. A heartfelt thank you to Coreen Fareed D'Souza and her subcommittee for organizing these spiritually enriching sessions.

The Catholic Club Cricket League, theme “A Celebration of Cricket, Community, and Camaraderie”, was met with great enthusiasm. Unfortunately, the rain gods had their say, and the finals had to be called off. Nonetheless, thank you to all our sponsors for their support in making the tournament possible.

The Club is now buzzing with excitement as the Premier Leagues in Snooker and Badminton are all set to kick off. The recent player auctions were lively, with

team owners vying enthusiastically for their picks. We thank our sponsors and team owners for helping bring these leagues to life once again.

Our beloved Sassy Seniors event, postponed due to the Pope's passing, was finally held and was a huge hit as always.

On 1st May, the Managing Committee proudly felicitated our Club staff – our greatest asset. It was a special day of celebration with their families, complete with entertainment, a hearty lunch, and a warm high tea. Each staff member was also presented with a token of appreciation in the form of gift vouchers.

At the MC Meeting held on 9th April 2025 and subsequently 6th May, the Committee resolved to hold the 73rd Annual General Body Meeting on 22nd June 2025. Our Members will be notified of the issue of nomination forms shortly. I encourage members with a passion for service and a heart for commitment to step forward. This Club is our shared home – one that has given us much. Now is the time to give back.

Work is currently underway to provide a separate entrance to the Ballroom rest rooms. We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and thank you for your patience.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at the upcoming events. Until then, stay blessed – and may Mother Mary guide, protect, and keep us safe from all harm.

Warm regards,

**Jude Rajesh Ferrao**  
President





## FAITH

April was a truly fulfilling month for all of us, with every Friday during Lent given special significance and reverence.

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to our President, Office Bearers, the Committee, Sub-Committee, and our Club Staff for their unwavering support. A special thank you to you, our members, for turning out in such large numbers. Each priest who led us brought something unique and spiritually enriching to the table.

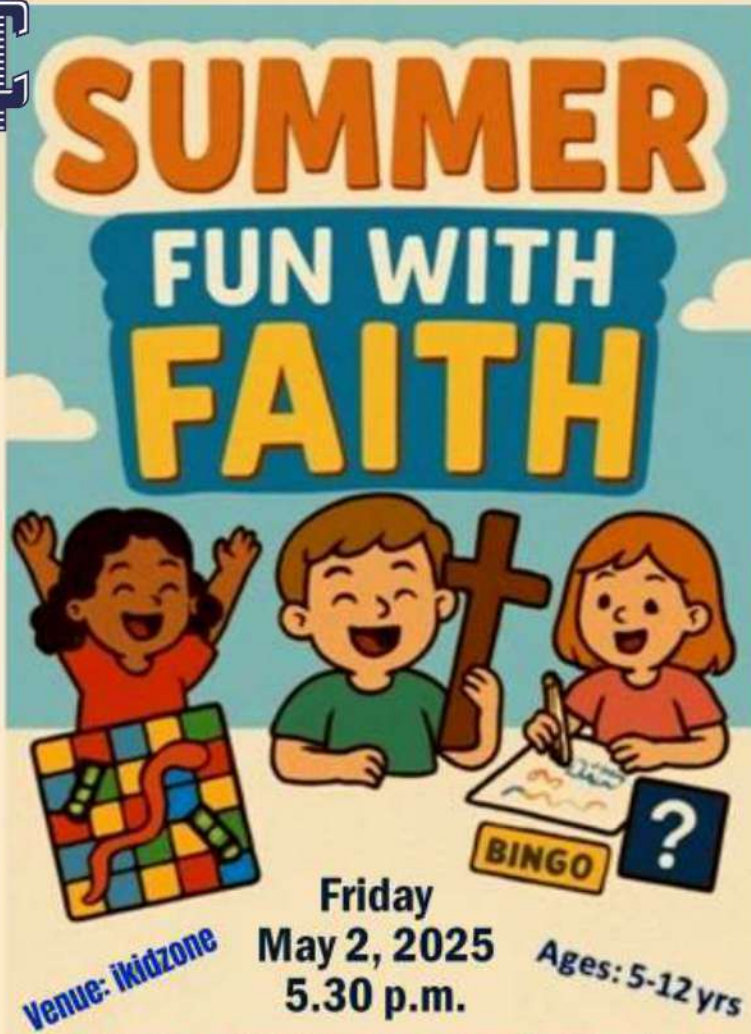
We are also grateful to our members James Sequeira and Suja Smith for their meaningful contributions

throughout the season - thank you both for your involvement.

Looking ahead, we are excited to announce a special FAITH program for children this May. We encourage all parents to bring their little ones and let them experience the joy and beauty of growing in faith together.

Faithfully yours,

**Coreen D'Souza Fareed**  
MIC - FAITH




**SUMMER  
FUN WITH  
FAITH**

Illustration of three children: a girl with a bingo card, a boy with a cross, and a girl with a drawing and a question mark.

**Friday  
May 2, 2025  
5.30 p.m.**

**FAITH BUILDING WITH FUN**

**Venue: ikidzone** **Ages: 5-12 yrs**

 **Catholic Club Faith Committee Initiative**



## iBROWSE

We had a packed house and an audience that thoroughly enjoyed every moment of the lively discussion between our moderators, Nandita and Kenneth Gonsalves, and our featured author of the month, Leslie Carvalho.

This month's book, "Blood With a Drop of Sherry" by T.S. Marni - a pseudonym for three sisters-set the stage for what was billed as "A Murderous Discussion." And the event certainly lived up to its title!



A spirited Q&A session followed, adding more depth to the engaging evening. The decor, too, perfectly matched the theme and enhanced the overall experience.

**Gavin Cordeiro**  
MIC

## WHAT'S THE GOOD WORD

Organized by the young ones, this edition proved to be a thoroughly enjoyable experience. But when it came down to the wire, it was still the veterans of the game who came out on top.

**Gavin Cordeiro**  
MIC



## HUMAN RESOURCES UPDATE - April 2025

April has been a busier month than usual for the HR department at the Club, with several key activities and milestones achieved. Here's a summary of the highlights:

### Hiring Updates:

We are pleased to announce that Raymond Stephen has been appointed as Secretary effective April 22nd. Additionally, we have made several new hires to strengthen our team:

- Estate Manager (**Mahabaleshwar**)
- Lifeguard for the Swimming Pool (**Vinay D R**)
- Accounts Executive (**Sachin**)
- Three Cafeteria Staff

**Mohan Kumar** was appointed to the HR department in mid-March.

### Training Initiatives:

Our Heads of Departments (HoDs) – a group of seven - attended an external training program focussed on "Building an Exemplary Organizational Culture". Additionally, we have planned **POSH** (Prevention of

Sexual Harassment) training for all employees and POSH Committee Members, which will take place in May.

### Staff Felicitation & Family Day:

On May 1st, we held a special Staff Felicitation & Family Day to recognize and celebrate the long-standing service of our employees who have reached milestones of 10, 20, and 25 years with the Club. The event was well-attended by employees and their families, with the President personally welcoming everyone.

- Gavin added a fun touch to the event with engaging games for the women and kids.
- The event also included a delightful lunch, refreshing beverages to beat the summer heat, and a fun round of Housie.
- The day concluded with High Tea, leaving everyone with big smiles and fond memories.

**Antonio Justin Antony**  
MIC – Human Resources



## ENTERTAINMENT

***Dear Members,***

April brought us one of the season's most anticipated events - the Easter Ball, held on April 19th. It was an evening to remember, with the incredibly talented band True Blue from Goa delivering a stellar performance that kept everyone on their feet. The dance floor was alive with energy as members and guests came together to celebrate the Easter season in festive spirit.

Looking ahead, May promises an exciting lineup of entertainment events that you won't want to miss! We have a range of performances and activities planned to cater to the diverse tastes of our members.

So, mark your calendars and keep an eye out for our upcoming announcements - we're working hard to ensure each event brings joy, energy, and community spirit to our Club.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and enthusiasm!

Warm regards,

***Michael J. Saldanha***  
MIC – Entertainment





## LADIES

April gave us a chance to catch our breath after the excitement of our grand Women's Day celebration. But now, it's time to get ready for another special evening - MAY QUEENS - where every lady will have the chance to feel like royalty!

We're looking forward to welcoming you in large numbers and creating even more joyful memories together.

We're starting early so that everyone can join in. The

evening begins with Housie at 6.00 PM, followed by a night of fun, laughter, and entertainment. Dinner will be served early for those who prefer it, while the rest can keep the energy high and the celebrations going!

Can't wait to see you there!

Warm regards,

**Coreen D'Souza Fareed**  
MIC - Ladies



The poster for the 'May Queens' event is a vibrant collage. At the top left is the CC logo. To its right, the text 'Catholic Club Presents' is written in a cursive font. Further right, the event details are listed: 'FRIDAY, 2<sup>ND</sup> MAY 2025 @ 6.00 PM CC SKY LOUNGE HALL'. The central focus is the title 'MAY QUEENS' in large, bold, blue letters, with the tagline 'A DAY FOR EACH OF US TO FEEL LIKE A QUEEN.' below it. Surrounding this text are various illustrations: a large, ornate crown, a 'PARTY TIME' sign with three women dancing, a lipstick and a crown on sticks, a cluster of pink hearts, two champagne glasses clinking, a high-heeled shoe with a crown on top, and three women in red dresses and glasses at the bottom left. A purple circular badge on the left contains ticket information.

**TICKET SALE OPEN**

**ENTRY :**  
**MEMBER - RS. 350**  
**GUEST - RS. 499**  
Inclusive of Dinner @ 8pm

**FUN GAMES, EXCITING PRIZES AND SURPRISES, MUSIC, HOUSIE AND A LOT MORE!!!**



## CARDS

On Saturday, April 2nd, we hosted our 21-Card Easter Bumper Rummy Knockout Tournament, which saw an enthusiastic turnout of 40 members and regular guests. The day unfolded with intense, well-fought games, accompanied by good food, drinks, and plenty of friendly banter during the breaks.

The final table featured 2 guests and 4 members, and after a gripping showdown, the winners were:

- Winner – **Ms. Babitha**
- Runner-Up – **Ms. Millicent**
- Finalists – **Ashok B., Hermie Mathias, Virginia Standon & Harish**

On April 28th, we hosted the Whist Easter Bumper,



which was once again well-attended by both members and guests. The evening was filled with laughter, camaraderie, and ended on a high note with delicious food and refreshing drinks.

Looking ahead, don't miss the 13-Card Easter Bumper Rummy Knockout Tournament on Saturday, May 4th. It's shaping up to be a cracker of a day, with a large turnout expected from both members and guests.

If you're new to the card room or haven't participated in a tournament before, feel free to reach out to me for any assistance or clarifications - we're always happy to welcome new faces to the table!

**Warren Gawde**  
MIC – Cards



## HOUSIE



Come April, the festive buzz of Easter set the perfect mood for a series of exciting Housie evenings. The first two Sundays featured our regular Bumper Housie sessions, but the true highlight was the Mega Bumper Housie on Easter Sunday, with a total prize pool of Rs. 3 Lakhs!

The event drew over 250 players, including both members and guests, making it a full house. All attendees were treated to delicious snack boxes, adding to the celebratory spirit. It's clear that Catholic Club's Rs. 3 Lakh bumper events have become a huge hit in the city's housie circuit – offering some of the best prize distributions around, well-justified by the booklet pricing.

We also hosted a Members-Only Housie on Sunday, April 27, which was well attended and thoroughly

enjoyed. All members received complimentary drinks and a delicious dinner, bringing a delightful close to another great month of Housie at the Club.

We now look forward to another exciting line-up in May!

A heartfelt thank you to our generous sponsors – Mr. Ajay Anand, Mr. Jeffrey Crasta, Ms. Sunshine White and Ms. Vyjayanth – for their kind contributions and continued support.

Thank you!

**Warren Gawde**  
MIC - Housie



## DOLPHIN' S DAY 15 JUNE 2025

**On the Spot Registration based on the following age groups**

- 45 And Above - 20 Meters Freestyle (Men / Women)
- 31-44 Years- 20 Meters Freestyle (Men / Women)
- 20-30 Years - 20 Meters Freestyle (Men / Women)
- 14-19 Years - 20 Meters Freestyle (Men / Women)
- 10-13 Years - 20 Meters Freestyle, 20 Meters BackStroke, 20 Meters Breaststroke (Boys / Girls)
- 7-9 Years - 20 Meters Freestyle, 20 Meters BackStroke, 20 Meters Breaststroke (Boys / Girls)
- 6 Years and below - 20 Meters Freestyle (Boys / Girls)
- Fastest Man - Open Age Group (40 Meters)
- Fastest Woman - Open Age Group (40 Meters)



## BILLIARDS

The Golden Greats Snooker and Billiards Tournament brought our veterans back to the green baize for some spirited competition. The tournament was marked by great camaraderie and several nail-biting matches, making it a truly memorable event.

### Congratulations to the Winners!

#### **Billiards**

Winner – **Wilson Fernandes**  
Runner-Up – **Harry Fernandes**

#### **Snooker**

Winner – **Harry Fernandes**  
Runner-Up – **Alister Vieyra**

**Gavin Cordeiro**  
MIC



## SPORTICO

April was an exciting and action-packed month at Sportico! The highlight was the successful completion of our Annual Cricket League, which received an overwhelming response from our members. Due to the high demand, we had to accommodate an additional team, bringing together 40 players spread across 5 competitive teams.

After a series of thrilling league matches, the stage was set for a grand final. However, unseasonal rains played spoilsport, and the final had to be called off. As a result, both finalists were declared joint winners.

#### Joint Winners:

- **Team Blazing Fireballs**
  - Captain & Owner: **Adrian Fernandes**
  - Co-Owner: **Davy**
  - Players: **Ammar Fareed, Sean Davis, Clifford D'Costa, Aarav Bajaj, Tushar Talati, Chaitanya Anand**
- **Team Wicked Bat**
  - Owner: **Nelson Philip**
  - Captain: **Tarun Papali**
  - Players: **Glen Pinto, Jayaraj, Mark Felsingher, Rohan Sridhar, Shijo**

A huge thank you to the sub-committee members — Ammar Fareed, Anthony Davis, and Suraj Frank — for their dedication and hard work. A special mention also goes to Marcus Pereira, who ensured that all the arrangements were handled seamlessly, making sure the matches proceeded smoothly without a hitch.

We can't forget our most reliable umpire, Mel, whose consistent commitment ensured the fair and smooth conduct of all matches. And of course, a big shout-out to Gavin Cordeiro for his fun-filled commentary, which kept the energy high and the atmosphere lively throughout the tournament!

Looking ahead, we're gearing up for our next big event—the much-anticipated CCBL 2025 (Catholic Club Badminton League)! It kicks off on May 22nd, with the finals set for June 1st, 2025. Don't miss out on the electrifying rallies and nail-biting finishes—be sure to drop by and catch all the action!

**Ajit Lobo**  
MIC – Sportico





EVOLVE BACK

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**Player Auction  
on  
May 13<sup>th</sup> 2025**

# CCBL BADMINTON LEAGUE - 2025



**Tournament Dates:  
May- 22,23,24,25,30,31 - 2025**



Finals on June 1st 2025.  
(4 teams ... Six league matches followed by the Finals)







CATHOLIC CLUB PRESENTS

# What's The Good Word



*Friday*

**May 16, 2025**

**AT 7PM, REGISTRATION STARTS AT 6.30 PM**

*Entry Free*

**EAT. DRINK & TEASE YOUR BRAIN**

*All Are Welcome*





iBrowse Book Club  
Invites to

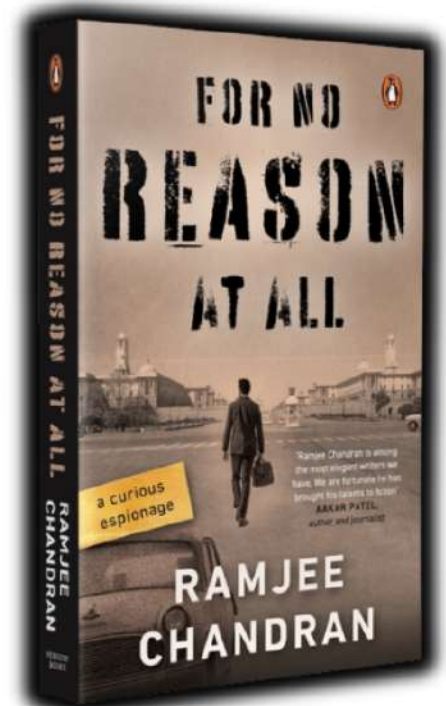
*Join us for the book launch of*

Ramjee Chandran's

**FOR NO  
REASON AT ALL**

The Author will be in  
conversation with

*Aiona Misquita Goes*



**Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> May 2025 - 7pm @ Ballroom**

*All Are Welcome*



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## ELDERS

### A Night to Remember: *The Sassy Seniors Easter Celebration*

The Catholic Club hosted a memorable evening on 30th April 2025 for the much-anticipated Sassy Seniors Easter Party. The event was a lively celebration, filled with music, laughter, and the spirit of community, leaving everyone with warm memories and full hearts.

The evening was packed with excitement, featuring fun-filled games, thrilling prizes, spirited rounds of housie, and of course, plenty of music and dancing. The crowd was especially captivated by a fantastic live performance by Fabian White, whose music had seniors dancing and clapping along all night long.

A special thank you goes to our generous sponsors, whose contributions made this event possible:

- **Vaishnavi Builders**
- **Hilma Rouch**
- **Girish from Ikaksh Jewellers**
- **Ramanashree Hotels**
- **Shiv Sagar Signature Restaurant**
- **Kudla Restaurant**
- **Marvante Restaurant**
- **2 Moons**
- **Juliet**
- **Salon Nayana**

Your support truly elevated the celebration and was deeply appreciated by everyone in attendance.

The event's success was also due to the tireless efforts of the Sassy Seniors Sub-Committee, consisting of Sunshine White, Patricia Crasta, Maisy Johnson, Anita Pilgrim, Gavin, Marcus Pereira, and Giresh, along with the entire Catholic Club staff. Their hard work behind the scenes ensured a smooth, enjoyable experience for all.

A heartfelt thank you to Vani from the office for her invaluable support throughout the planning and execution of the event.

We would also like to extend our sincere gratitude to Mr. Rajesh Ferrao, President of the Club, for his unwavering support and encouragement during the entire process.

The evening concluded on a high note, with our seniors beaming with joy and gratitude. It was truly a celebration to remember, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back next year for more fun, laughter, and cherished moments.

Regards,

**Jeffrey Crasta**  
MIC – Elders



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## A HEALTHY STEP FORWARD

### Free Medical Camp for Senior Citizens

The Catholic Club recently hosted a Free Medical Camp exclusively for our senior members, organized by MIC – Elders in collaboration with the Sub-Committee. Held over two days, the camp aimed to promote preventive healthcare and encourage regular check-ups among our beloved seniors.

On 26th April, participants arrived bright and early for blood sample collection between 7:30 am and 9:30 am, while consultations with specialist doctors took place on 27th April from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. The camp was conducted in association with Abhayahasta Multispeciality Hospital, featuring the expertise of

**Dr. Sagorika** (MD – Diabetologist) and  
**Dr. Avinash Ashok** (General Physician).

*The services included were:*  
**HbA1c** (Blood sugar levels)  
**TSH** (Thyroid)  
**Lipid Profile** (Cholesterol)  
**Uric Acid**

All services were provided completely free of charge, with warm and professional care. The turnout and enthusiasm were heart-warming, and it was a wonderful reminder that health is indeed wealth – no matter the age!

A heartfelt thank you to all who participated and helped make the event a resounding success.

Stay well, stay happy!

**Jeffry Crasta**  
MIC – Elders & The Sub-Committee





## STAFF DAY





## PROGRAMMES FOR MAY

<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>May Day - Staff Day</b>	<b>(Club is closed)</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Bar Nite</b>	<b>8.00 pm</b>
		<b>Ladies Event</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>
		<b>ikidzone - Faith Event</b>	<b>5.30 pm</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Musical Event</b>	<b>8.00 pm</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Brunch</b>	<b>12.30 pm</b>
		<b>13 Cards Easter Rummy</b>	
		<b>Knockout Tournament</b>	<b>11.00 am</b>
		<b>Regular Housie</b>	<b>7.00 pm</b>
<b>5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Whist Drive</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>
<b>6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Bridge</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>
<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Bar Nite</b>	<b>8.00 pm</b>
<b>10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Musical Evening</b>	<b>8.00 pm</b>
		<b>21 Cards Monthly Rummy</b>	
		<b>Knockout Tournament</b>	<b>11.00 am</b>
<b>11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Brunch</b>	<b>12.30 pm</b>
		<b>Bingo Morning</b>	<b>11.00 am</b>
<b>12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Whist Drive</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>
<b>13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Bridge</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>
<b>16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>What's The Good Word</b>	<b>7.00 pm</b>
		<b>Bar Nite</b>	<b>8.00 pm</b>
<b>17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Musical Evening</b>	<b>8.00 pm</b>
		<b>13 Cards Monthly Rummy</b>	
		<b>Knockout Tournament</b>	<b>11.00 am</b>
<b>18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Brunch</b>	<b>12.30 pm</b>
		<b>Bumper Housie - Rs. 2 Lakhs</b>	<b>7.00 pm</b>
<b>19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Whist Drive</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>
<b>20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Bridge</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>
<b>23<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Bar Nite</b>	<b>8.00 pm</b>
<b>24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Musical Evening</b>	<b>8.00 pm</b>
<b>25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Brunch</b>	<b>12.30 pm</b>
		<b>Regular Housie</b>	<b>7.00 pm</b>
<b>26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Whist Drive</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>
<b>27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Bridge</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>
<b>30<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Bar Nite</b>	<b>8.00 pm</b>
		<b>ibrowse Book Event</b>	<b>7.00 pm</b>
<b>31<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Musical Evening</b>	<b>8.00 pm</b>



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