



# Newsletter

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Dear Members ,

We hope you had a good transition from 2015 to 2016. In this context the Committee of the Swiss Circle is sending you the best wishes for health and prosperity in the New Year.

Santa and the Christmas Dinner were a huge success. Unfortunately the rain gods were emptying their buckets of rain just one hour prior to the event. Thanks to the gigantic effort by Cassim and his team the entire set up could be relocated to the Regency room. Santa made a fabulous entry in his beautiful red costume to the delight of the 24 children and the 60 adults present. The children listened carefully to Santa's words and received from Schmutzli a big bag of goodies. The children enjoyed their special buffet and the Adults were spoilt with delicious Swiss specialities.

The additional highlight for the children was/ would have been a Horse ride along the beach which could only be enjoyed by few Children because of the rain coming down mercilessly.

All in all we believe that all of the Members ,Friends and especially the Children have enjoyed the evening.

Photos of the event will be published in the drop box, which is currently undergoing some changes.

## **MARK IN YOUR CALENDAR FOR 2016:**

**59<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> February 2016 at the Ballroom of the Hilton Colombo Residence.**

Please make your reservation for the AGM and for the Dinner the latest February 3<sup>rd</sup> with the Secretary.

E-mail: [secretary.swisscircleSL@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.swisscircleSL@gmail.com) or call 0777 88 765 9.

### **News from the Committee:**

***Marilyn Wouters***, responsible for the Website and the Newsletter is stepping down.

We thank Marilyn for her excellent work, dedication and many hours spent to fulfil this task.

The Committee is therefore asking for candidates to come forward and show their willingness to work in this group.

***Harees Hameed's*** tasks as treasurer, are taken over, on a temporary base, by the Vice President, Marina Fernando. Haree is overseas to attend to a medical issue. We wish him a speedy recovery and return to the Committee.

In this context we would highly appreciate to add new members to the Committee and to assist us in keeping up the smooth operation of the administration.

The ***"drop box"*** is temporarily suspended and will be reactivated after the AGM 2016. We encourage you to consult our Website "swisscircle.org" where you find all the necessary information.

### **Future events of the Swiss Circle:**

As you may know, the CHESA SWISS restaurant has closed down. We take this opportunity to say a big "Thank you" to the owners, management and staff for the many hours and years we could enjoy the Swiss hospitality and Swiss food.

The plan for the events of the year will be

*With my Committee, I wish all our members and their families and friends a very Happy New Year.*

*Selman Kabay*

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