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Captain's Letter

Sunil K. Vasant
Captain, 2024 - 25

Dear members

With a sense of exhilaration I would like to proudly announce that our club has won against the Madras Golf Club in Chennai after a long gap of 16 years. Our fellowship team winning was the feather in our cap..Congratulations to all the players for playing to win.

An interesting fact about this...

This inter-club match was started 147 years ago when our members would ride on horseback and vice versa to participate in this annual event. With the exception of the world war years and the Covid year this has continued uninterrupted to this day.

A quick update on the status at the Registrar of Societies. We have collated all the relevant documents including proof of timely submission and fee

payment acknowledgements since 1997 and sought a one time approval from the Government in lieu of the deemed approval route, especially for all the changes made to the rules of the Club over the years.

New cases continue to pile up regarding the increase in fees from Rs. 1 lakh to Rs. 5 lakh. Till a final decision is taken by the General body everybody including the CSW associates will need to bide their time. Fiscal discipline is being adhered to and the quarterly statement of accounts are up on the notice board.

A new purchase policy has been implemented using 'Easy Source' a reverse auction site.

A GST matter has been adjudicated in the Club's favour, avoiding an unnecessary payment of Rs. 25 crore.

For easier access the Pro Shop has been moved to the ground floor. This will allow enough space for

the entire BGC administration to be co-located in the New Club House for the convenience of the members and for efficient running of the club.

The MC is actively considering a 'go green' policy and the initiatives will be announced shortly. Suggestions from members regarding this is welcome.

The Independence Day Tournament sponsored by our member M. K. Satya and the Justice Subramanyam Iyer Cup were conducted well without a glitch in August.

Congratulations to all the winners.

The MC is open to your suggestions and will quickly address any grievances you may have. Please use the special dedicated WhatsApp number for the same.

Happy Golfing.
Your Captain



WhatsApp Grievances and Suggestions to  **90360 40398**

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Tic!

B. Sreenivas Murthy
Chief Editor

All's quiet, it appears, after an innocuous notice that says the matter regarding increasing the admission fees from 1 lakh to 5 lakh will be referred to the General Body for a decision. The increase imposed with strong language that said your name would be removed if the enhanced fee was not received by the deadline was provocative enough for the affected to approach the Government and the courts. Now the MC in its collective wisdom has to propose the course of action to the General Body. To reverse

the rule and refund the moneys collected - what happens to the GST already paid to the Government. Re visit the rule and propose it in a new avatar after applying it to the various categories of applicants and come up with a reasonable answer to those who ask - Does this enhanced fee mean quick admission as permanent members?

At another level the MC needs to delve on the subject of how much money BGC needs to pursue its development of the club and the sport. What are the different ways in which this money can be raised? Is abruptly increasing the admission fees to 5 lakhs the only way? Interesting days ahead!

Entertainment Schedule

September, 2024

Wednesday Chitrahahar _____

4th Ganesh
11th Anuradha
18th Aishwarya Kashinath
25th Ravi Sitaram

Saturday Retro _____

7th Hema Nayak
14th Jessica
21st Chand
28th Retro Night



Tournament Results

Independence Shield - 2024

14 & 15 August, 2024

Open Event		
Sundar Adige	0	Winner
Ayaan Jung (Better Back Nine against Neeraj Shetty)	1	Runner
Handicap 0 - 9		
Naveen Wahi	+5	Winner
B. N. Subramanya	+1	Runner
Handicap 10 - 18		
Pankaj Mittal	+7	Winner
Vaibhav Gupta (Better Back Nine against Partha Raju & Narayan Rao Jadav)	+5	Runner
Handicap 19 - 24		
Murali M Raghurama	+4	Winner
Lokesh Mehta (Better Back Six against Rohit Manjunath & Amar Chawla)	+4	Runner

Ladies Open Event		
Jasmine Sachdev	-1	Winner
Ladies Handicap 0 - 16		
Sangeetha Jagadeesha	+4	Winner
Ladies Handicap 17 - 24		
Arpana Parasar (Better Back Nine against Meenu Sood)	+3	Winner
Senior's - 60+ Gross		
Ravi Kumar Raju	-5	Winner
Senior's - 60+ Handicap 0 - 24		
Partha Raju (Better Back Nine From Narayan Rao Jadav & has kindly given the honour to Narayan Rao Jadav)	+5	Winner
Narayan Rao Jadav	+5	Winner

Justice C Subramanya Iyer Cup - 2024

2 & 3 August, 2024

Team	Round 1	Round 2	
Aditya Subramaniam	72	71	210 429
Anupam Sringeri	73	67	
Murali Manoj	74	77	
Thilak Amanna	78	72	
Rohan Mittal	68	69	211 432
Pankaj Mittal	69	0	
Mangesh Rathi	74	80	
Dhananjay Naidu	76	72	



Black & White (Peg)
Teacher's Highland Cream (Peg)
Teacher's 50 (Peg)
Ballantine's (Peg)
Dewar's White Label (Peg)
Dewar's 12 Years (Peg)
Roulette Premium (Peg)
Bacardi Rum (Peg)
Absolut Vodka (Peg)
Sula White Wine - 375 ml
Sula Red Wine - 375 ml
Fratelli White Wine - 375 ml
Fratelli CL Shiraz - 375 ml



Behind the Scenes with K. M. Srinivas

For so many of us the Bangalore Golf Course is a home away from home. Not just the 18 holes of intense rivalry but the entertainment, dining and socializing that we rely so heavily on. But how many of us have spared a thought to contemplate how this machinery runs seamlessly day in and day out. A large part of this is driven by a person that has spent over four decades ensuring that all of this is executed flawlessly and that we all have a truly homelike experience at BGC.

K. M. Srinivas is a vital cog in this expansive and complicated machinery. As the person in charge of entertainment, banquets, and the bars, this superhero in his black suit often lurks in the background, just behind the scenes. His tireless efforts truly keep the wheels turning.

Srinivas first joined the Bangalore Golf Club way back in 1983. He has worked his way up from starting as an office boy with a salary of Rs. 6 per day to waiter, bar man, assistant steward, assistant manager to manager. He fondly recalls the days when there were a handful of members that not only played golf but also frequented the 19th hole at the Old Club House (the only club house at the time) and treated him like a part of their family. Several of them also helped Srinivas get a BA Degree from VV Puram College in 1987. From remembering their favorite beverage and snack to knowing each one of them personally, Srinivas always had (and continues to have) time for a quick conversation along with this trademark smile for everyone.

Today, Srinivas is tasked with ensuring that entertainment events run smoothly (including the difficult job of liaising with the authorities and various vendors), private banquets hosted by our members are organized to perfection, bar stocks are maintained at the optimal level by negotiating fiercely with liquor vendors for the best possible rates, and that the outsourced canteen vendors are kept on their toes by serving us tasty, yet hygienic culinary fare. But more than all of this, it's his unique relationship with most members that really makes him stand out in a vast sea of often faceless, nameless service staff at BGC.

Srinivas is in a unique position to guide committee members navigate



the complex web, off the course, at BGC. I fondly remember during my term as committee member in charge of bar, entertainment and catering, he was single handedly responsible for continuity from one committee to the next, as well as guiding me in taking the right decisions in an environment that was entirely new, and often confusing. His intrinsic knowledge of how things ought to work is truly invaluable.

Srinivas is also very proud of the fact that BGC is playing a pivotal role in developing youngsters to excel in the game of golf – he fondly recalls how at the time there were only two youngsters playing golf – Amitabh Poddar & Baba Chandok. He is also especially grateful for the difference The Crow Trust is making to the lives of caddies and staff of the club. He is a firm believer that the current young & vibrant committee, led by our able Captain, will focus on developing BGC to reach even greater heights.

On a personal note, Srinivas was born in Mandya in 1963. He lives in Banashankari 3rd Stage with his wife Usha, and his two children – daughter Dhanusha, 27 and son, Dharani Kumar, 23. On his weekly Thursday off, Srinivas loves to spend precious time at home with his family & friends, watch a movie and visit a temple in the evening.

The next time you see Srinivas at the club, do go up and say hello and maybe extend your hand to acknowledge & thank him for all the tireless effort he puts in behind the scenes, to make BGC what it is for all of us. Home, away from home.

- Pratap Thumbboochetty

Tournament Calender

SEPTEMBER 2024

- 1. **Pioneer Cup**
4th Round Completion
4 September, 2024
- 2. **Pioneer Cup**
5th Round Completion
11 September, 2024
- 3. **BGC Centenary Championship**
13 / 14 / 15
September, 2024
- 4. **Addicts at Chennai**
19 / 20 / 21 / 22
September, 2024
- 5. **CCOT**
27 September, 2024
- 6. **Interclub**
BGC vs Pilicula Golf Club at Pilicula
27 / 28 / 29
September, 2024

OCTOBER 2024

- 7. **Addicts at MDGC**
18 / 19 / 20 October, 2024



Sad Demise 2023 - 2024

V. K. Parthasarthy	P-181	30.06.2024
Prakash Chandra	P-118	13.08.2024
Vijaya Gopalaswamy	V-177	18.08.2024
A. P. Sirur	S-050	20.08.2024



BGC down MGC in inter-club meet

► Bangalore Golf Club defeated hosts Madras Gymkhana Club 10-8 in the inter-club tournament, annexing the title for the first time in almost a decade and a half, reports DHNS.

After the doubles team shared the spoils 3-3 on Saturday, the singles team won 7-5 on Sunday.

Results: BGC bt MGC 10-8 (Singles 7-5, Doubles 3-3); **Fellowship:** BGC bt MGC 8-4 (Singles 6-2, Doubles 2-2).



78th Independence Day Celebration at BGC



Winners and Runners of Independence Shield - 2024

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