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The Indian Cultural Society announces the election of the New Executive Council for the current 1975-76 financial year.

President : ..... Mr. A. Singal.  
Vice-President :... Mr. I. Naqvi,  
Secretary :..... Mr. S. Bose,  
Treasurer : ..... Mr. S. Parkar.

and the Committee Members :

Dr. Miss Nurjehan Hussain,  
Mr. M. Hardaker.  
Dr. S. Epari.  
Mr. B. Datta.

at the Annual General Meeting of the Society held at A & G. Websters' Convention rooms, 60, Liverpool Street, Hobart on Friday 18th. July 1975. The Meeting was attended by over 30 members and after the serious deliberations of the evening Members were treated to a wonderful dinner.

#### THE NEW YEARS' EVENTS

The Council has already deliberated on the events we propose to organise during the ensuing year and we look forward not only to all our members participating but also to receiving any comments or fresh proposals for members' activities that could be organised during the coming summer months. Members do appreciate our financial limitations and considering all factors, your Committee has proposed two main events during the year

- a) Our major public occasion to be organised on Saturday 7th. February 1976, details of which to be worked out later, and.....
- b) Our participation in the largest ever Blue Gum Festival of Tasmania and the first ever Military Tattoo to be held in March next year.

#### INDIAN HIGH COMMISSION GRANT.

Your new Committee will give consideration to the interesting and proper utilisation of the IHC grant. Certain guide lines have been laid down by the Indian High Commission and we shall revert to this subject later.

#### MEMBERS EVENTS

The Committee has laid down at least two Members Dinners to be organised, one at the beginning and one at the closing stages of the current financial year.... a culinary exercise which all members wholeheartedly enjoy. In addition a couple of events with the emphasis on children.... one of these events is already in the offing and forms the subject of a later paragraph.

### PRESENTATION OF BOOKS TO STATE LIBRARY.

We are still carrying on our books a sum of \$ 35/- only given to us by the Indian High Commission and meant for the purchase of books on Indian culture/civilisation for presentation to the State Library. This project will now be completed and members will be advised details of the presentation.

### FILMS

We were extremely pleased to screen the film 'BOBBY' at the University Arts Theatre on Saturday 23rd, August 1975, enjoyed by an audience of nearly a hundred people. This was a top rate film and our best effort so far and we would request Members and THEIR GUESTS not to miss our next offering late November this year. Details will be announced soon.

### MEMBERS PICNIC AND CHILDRENS' SPORTS DAY.

The die has been cast for a most enjoyable Out-door Picnic/Barbeque/Sports Day on Sunday 30th. November to be organised on Mr. Josh Owen's farm at Lower Longley. Mr. Owen, one of our senior members, of the College of Advanced Education is enamoured of good clean out-door living and has been pleased to offer the beautiful grounds of his farm at Lower Longley to us, to have our day of fun. We look to all of you to join the happy throng and we can promise you an unforgettable day of good clean country living and lots of fun. Children are our chief guests and we hope you will bring them all along, we will then be able to run off a few sporting activities and give away some prizes. Remember the secret of our success will be your being with us in person and then extending us your mind and spirit... in a friendly smile, a helping hand and maybe there is a lot of fun in seeing a child made happy.

To enable us to draw up a realistic estimate could you please fill in, detach and send the slip below, to the Secretary, as soon as possible. His address and telephone is quoted at the end of this newsletter. Thank you. We hasten to add that everything including the clean fresh air and the grounds are free, all we request you to bring along is Meat for the Barbeque, maybe your Drinks but we would advise that the Cascade Man will be there and they say he will stack up on Veges, Cokes and Cordials, as well. So maybe, the meat is all that you have to bring, unless you want your camera to record some nostalgia and your Pipes to do the Highland Fling..... that reminds us, Josh has a fantastic Dance Barn, you leave us to organise a "Country & Western " but, for God's sake, don't forget and leave yourself behind.

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We will be attending the Members Picnic at Lower Longley on Sunday 30th. November 1975.

1. Adults.....
2. Children ..... (with ages please)

MEMBERS DINNER ON THE OCCASION OF GANDHI JAYANTI

A fitting tribute to the Father of the Nation Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi will be paid at the Convention Rooms of A.&G. Websters, 60, Liverpool Street, Hobart, at 7 PM on Friday 3rd. October 1975, at a Members Dinner to be organised on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti.

You will be treated to a sumptuous Indian style Dinner, topped off with your favourite wine and followed by coffee and cigars, the cover charge of \$ 5/- per head is meant to defray costs and members will appreciate what we mean in the context of present day prices.

We would love you to come, this is an 'Adults Only' gathering and you will have the opportunity of listening to an account on the life of Mahatma Gandhi - The Father of the Nation.

Could you please sign the R.S.V.P. enclosed with this newsletter and post it back to the Secretary as soon as possible.

INDIAN I.P.s/MAGAZINES VIS-A-VIS THE STATE LIBRARY.

We had the pleasure of announcing earlier the acquisition of Indian I.P. Records by the State Library. The scheme adopted by the Library could not be put through in it's entirety due to a variety of extraneous reasons, your Council will now pursue the matter further and try and lodge magazines and books as well as music as per the arrangements sanctioned by the State Library authorities. This will be a wonderful acquisition and we hope that some of the reading material being renewed regularly will provide our members with current news of the Indian sub-continent.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

May we draw your attention to outstanding subscriptions. All you good people with no such malady, please ignore this paragraph.

On the other hand this inadvertence happens to all of us at some time or the other and we bring this matter to mind only that you may care to do a quick check ( resulting in a quick cheque ). Thank you.

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