

Karachi Gymkhana NewsLetter

ANY TIME IS TEA TIME AT KG!



Newly launched Palm Court Tea Room

The "Palm Court Tea Room" was conceived by the President enabling members to enjoy their cup of tea in a serene atmosphere. The soft and somber ambiance of the new tea room can be enjoyed by ordering a very elegant Tea Tier laden with scrumptious goodies and a variety of teas at nominal rates. Since its opening, it's a favorite hot spot for many distinguished members. The Tea Room is ideal for kitty parties, casual business meet-ups or relaxing with friends. Open to members and guests above 15 years of age.



March to July



Shamira's celebration of the strawberry season



KG LEADS IN LITERARY ACTIVITIES

The annual Aalami Mushaira was held on 25th March 2017. Eminent Pakistani and Indian Poets recited their verses to a large gathering of members and guests.

Sufi Poetry is a very popular form of narration. Emerging artists performed Abida Parveen's sufi music at a special gathering on 21st April 2017, an event thoroughly enjoyed by all the members.





Atif Aslam, Zoe Viccaji and Asim Azhar Concert



Winners of Squash Tournament



New Reverse Osmosis plant for drinking water



New Scoreboard and ball machine





Basketball and Football ground redone



First Grand Quiz Rama 2017







Ebrahim Merchant Tennis Tournament



KG SWIMMING POOL

This is the story of AMINAH ALAVI, daughter of Shujaat & Ambereen Alavi and granddaughter of Justice Retd. Zahid Alavi. Her parents brought her to Gymkhana regularly to learn swimming where she recieved her initial swimming lessons. Initially she was not selected for her school team resulting in her working even harder leading to better performance in selection.

She is professionally coached by the Gymkhana Coach and Navy Coaches since she is a Navy Team Member at the National level. She has recieved **76 Medals - most of them gold.** A National Champion in back stroke in a higher age group despite the fact that she is only 12 years old. She secured the highest number of Gold Medals at the recently held Gymkhana Talent Hunt. Well done Aminah, Karachi Gymkhana is proud of you and hopes to see you as a national hero one day.



Aminah Alavi the swimming champion from KG



Chicken Wings available at Sam's Snack Bar

SEHR AND IFTAAR AT KG



Hundreds of members enjoyed Sehri and Iftaar in the club lawn



Hot and crispy, sweet jalebis a club favourite among others

SOCIAL AND SPORTS ACTIVITIES

Grand Quiz Rama, 16 April Swimming Gala, 21 April Dinner for Consul Generals, 5 May

Free Musical Evening with Kamran Gulzar, 14 May May Queen Ball, 20 May National Squash Championship, 21 May Children Fun Festival, 24th May

Ebrahim Merchant Tennis Tournament McDonald's Tennis Tournament

ICC Cricket Braodcast Live on Large Screen, June Ramadan Cricket Festival, June Iftar buffet dinner, June Ramadan Sehri buffet, June

Atif Aslam Concert, 2 July

To enhance the writing skills of our children, a **Creative Writing Summer Camp** will be held in July for two age groups; 8 to 12 and 13 to 16. Please contact the Reception for details and to sign up for ALL event notifications via sms.





Karachi Gymkhana President and Managing Committee for 2017

PROFILES OF MC MEMBERS MR. ASIM RIZWANI & MR. TARIQ HILALY

Meet Mr. Asim Rizwani! He has done wonders in the catering department this year. Mr. Asim is a Tax Advisor and Income Tax Practitioner by profession. With a palate for good food and flair, he has taken club catering to a higher level than ever. He is a committed person and takes his responsibilities seriously. He is also on the Managing Committee of the Karachi Tax Bar Association. With his dedication and commitment, he has a long way to go in Karachi Gymkhana. If you are enjoying the new menus in the club, you now know the man behind it.



Mr. Asim Rizwani Catering Convener



Mr. Tariq Hilaly, Building and Maintenance

Mr. Tariq Hilaly is a serious man who means business in whatever he does. He brings with him 30 years of Industrial Experience in Textile Dyeing and Printing. He held the position of Vice President in 2013. He gave a lot of his time when he was officiated as the Hon. Secretary and made innovative improvements when he was the Convener for Sports and Swimming Pool. Presently he has been assigned the responsibility of Building & Maintenance. He has executed the President's vision and plan in restoring the old look of the club lobby.

INTERVIEWS WITH SENIOR MEMBERS......CONTINUED



Mr. Wajih-uddin Siddiqui was elected as member of the Karachi Gymkhana on 9th July 1966 and has by now held his membership for over 51 years. As a state scholar, he graduated in Mining Engineering from the University of Strathclyde Glasgow, U.k. in 1950. His career includes being Chief Engineer and Director of Federally controlled mines located in Punjab and KP, General Manager in PIDC; Managing Director of Sind Alkalis and Pakistan PVC; Technical Advisor to Arab Emirates Investment Bank, UAE, Managing Director, United Foods UAE; Chairman Gulf Edible Oils Pakistan. He, his wife and three children took active part in the club activities. Unfortunately his wife Atiya Siddiqui passed away in 2008, four years after celebrating the 50th anniversary of their marriage. On retirement, Mr. Siddiqui has kept himself busy in serious reading and writing. He published his first book, entitled, Renaissance and Reformation of Islamic Society in 2010 and which is still being actively marketed by Amazon. His second book on Inter-faith harmony will appear in the next few months. He has been in the Library & Literary Sub-Committee of Karachi Gymkhana in 2016 and 2017.