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AAA ICL 2017

Annamalai University Alumni Association (AAA) conducted the 4th Indoor Cricket League (ICL) on Sunday, 10 December at The IPC Indoor Cricket Pitch, Turf Club Road. The sub-committee, headed by Mr. E. Suresh (2004 C&S) had initiated the registration well in time. A total of 10 teams, with 6 members in each team, registered for the tournament.



The venue was buzzing with excitement as the participants and over 50 cheering members including our senior members -

arrived there by noon. The sequence of play had been well communicated to the players and this ensured a smooth and well-organised tournament. The uniform T-shirts that had been arranged for gave a very cohesive feel to the participants.



Mr. Srinivasan and Mr. Guna, the umpires ensured that the games went in a fair manner. The games were played with a lot of enthu-

siasm by all the players as the cheering continued.

Mr. Ramanathan's team won the 1st position while Mr. Sundarapandian's team was the runner up. Mr Alagappan won the Man of the Match award and Mr. Sundarapandian was awarded Man of the Series.



The organising committee thanked Mr. R. Muralidharan (1994 M&P) for sponsoring the event's grand back drop sponsor from Cuddalore, Food & Refreshment Sponsors, Mr. Jaya Ramesh (SIMHA Engg Pte. Ltd.), Mr. R. Sankar (1989 C) and Mr. S. Sundaravadivelan (1985 C).

The sumptuous dinner was a fabulous way to wind up the day of intense competitive play.



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Winner Team	Runner-Up Team
Mr. Ramanathan(C)	Mr. Sundarapandiyan(C
Mr. Muthu Ramu	Mr. Senthil
Mr. Bala	Mr. Kalaivanan
Mr. Santhosh	Mr. Karthik
Mr. Ilavarasan	Mr. Vimal Kumarasamy
Mr. Alagappan	Mr. Arun

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The event was well covered in several news media, including <u>Virakesari</u> (Sri Lanka), <u>Thaimoli</u> (Malaysia), **Dinamalar** and **OneIndia Tamil**. Please click on the names to read the articles.

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INTERVIEW: Professional Consultant



AAA Singapore Times aims to provide insights into entrepreneurship by interviewing our members who have chosen to make their own career paths. We have in conversation with us, Dr. Murugappan (1987 C&S), CEO, Director & Share-holder, Chodai & amp; Buro Engineering Pte Ltd. a Civil and Structural Engineering consultancy firm which is also accredited to check deep sewer tunnels, cable tunnels and rail tunnels.

AAA ST: You earned your bachelor's degree in 1987 and today you are an Engineering Consultant. You have taken a long journey to reach where you are today. Tell us a little more about your academic qualifications and your career path.

Dr Murugappan: I recall taking the GATE exam with no clue as to what the exams were about. All I knew was that I wanted to study further. It turned out that I was the only one from my class to get a score of 94.22 percentile and secure admission in IISc (Bangalore) where I did M. Sc. (Civil Engg). Subsequently, under the guidance of former Vice-Chancellor, Prof. RM. Sethunarayanan, I pursued Ph. D. from NUS. I worked for a year at the SERC, Ghaziabad soon after my Master's degree. After completing my Doctorate, I worked for about 14 years in engineering companies on many mega projects and in various capacities. I am a Professional Engineer (Civil) and an Accredited Checker.

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Own Target & Own Time in your Own Business.



In Consultancy , Professionalism must take priority over Business. AAA ST: What prompted you to get into a partnership in a business?

Dr Murugappan: The highly fluctuating construction business in Singapore is really a challenging one. If we were to be employed by someone, the career could be a roller coaster, as we move up the corporate ladder. My own belief was that you could work to Own Target & Own Time, in your Own Business.

AAA ST: At what stage of experience/expertise can one decide to become a consultant?

Dr Murugappan: About ten years of relevant experience in Singapore is probably a good guess. By then, we will have relevant experience, professional registration and professional network.

AAA ST: What – in your view – are the most important responsibilities of a consultancy company towards its clients?

Dr Murugappan: In Singapore, professional practice is well regulated. It is important that any consultancy work should be carried out with professionalism taking priority over business. This will ensure that you are trusted by clients thereby leading to success.

AAA ST: What are the advantages and issues that are unique to a partnership venture? Can you share some ways to overcome these issues?

Dr Murugappan: Professional practice under a partnership format means that you, together with you partner, are personally liable for your practice. Also, a partnership does not require a minimum paid up capital and professional indemnity insurance is adequate. You need to have adequate professional indemnity insurance and could adopt a limited liability partnership, to limit your personal liability. A clear agreement between the partners, to distribute benefits commensurate with each one's efforts is important, with provisions to review periodically.

AAA ST: What are the avenues available in the market for ventures such as yours?

Dr Murugappan: We have a lot of promising site professionals as RTOs and REs. Professional site supervision is a market worth considering at this stage of infrastructure development in Singapore.

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Picnic by the Bay

The mood was upbeat on the sunny morning of 29 November as short time showed that, the Ladies & Kids of AAA set out for a fun picnic that had been arranged exclusively for them. A total of 21 ladies and 14 children happily greeted one another at Children's Garden at Gardens by the Bay. Soon, the youngsters were thoroughly enjoying themselves, climbing and sliding and playing in the sand as the ladies caught up with each other, chitchatted and laughed. The older children had their own fun as they went cycling and walking around. After an hour of solid play, the group set out on a scenic walk, enjoying the sights and clicking pictures. As it was planned to keep work light for the ladies, food had been ordered in. Post



noon, the deliveries had been made. While the children had a choice of yummy pizzas, the ladies had sumptuous Indian style food. Soft drinks and sweets were shared around, adding to the satisfaction of the hearty meal. With energy levels up, the

group played a game where each had to learn more and more about the others in the group. The heightened interaction within a

unsurprisingly, the children were more acute in grasping and retaining details. Each child received a gift as a token of memory of the occasion. Tiny tots who usually went to sleep by now were playing overtime and splashing in the fountains today!



The ladies settled to have an informal discussion on health issues including food, exercises and lifestyle. It was an energetic session where a wealth of information and personal experiences flowed. It was suggested that interest groups in different zones of the city could be created to take the idea forward. It was now about 3 pm and time for the ladies and children to bid sweet goodbye with the promise to getting together once again soon. The event was organised by Mrs. H. Yamuna (1994 Chem) with ample support and encouragement from several of the ladies and especially Mrs. K. Santhi (1998 E&I), Mrs. Abirami Sankar, Ms. V. Swarna (1999 CompSci) and Mrs. Meena Sundar.

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Volunteering for MINDS

A batik painting community activity hosted by Movement for the Intellectually Disabled of Singapore (MINDS) was conducted on 7 October and I offered to volunteer representing AAA. The activity involved working with a group of intellectually disabled individuals to make them feel as part of the community. We helped arrange tables, chairs and the painting material. The intellectually disabled individuals were made to sit alongside the other individuals. Instructions on how to do the batik were given and the volunteers helped those who faced difficulties. After an hour and half of batik, there were beautiful paintings in front of every participant. These were set to dry and lunch was served followed by a short photo session. The paintings were taken back by the participants. On the whole it was an enriching experience as not only did I get to involve myself with the intellectually disabled but also learnt how creative and friendly they can be.

> ~H. Shuka Deva s/o Mr. R. Harshavardhana (1994 M&P)

MCCY-AAA Discuss Community Integration Programmes

AAA was invited to a group briefing session conducted by Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth (MCCY) to share resources and the potential programmes that could be undertaken. A few of our Executive Committee members attended the session with Mr. Raja Segar (CEO, Hindu Endowments Board) and Mr. Vinod (SINDA) wherein the thrust was to bring in more integration between AAA and the local communities. Our association is keen on conducting events to this effect from the coming months onwards which would be a great start for us to begin integrating with the wider Singaporean community and we look forward to your support and strength for the same.

Giving Back to the Community

Project Leap Forward, under the platform created by AAA to give back to the community, took a step closer to fulfillment when funds were allocated by the North-West CDC for the project. Posters and registration forms have been sent to schools. The project, which aims at opening up the minds of the students from the lower economic strata towards a knowledge-based life, is expected to take off in the coming quarter.

A workshop to train mentor volunteers - sponsored by North-West CDC - is also to be conducted shortly. Those interested in this noble cause may please get in touch with our sub-committee head, Mr. Anbalagan (91070091).



இறகுப்பந்தாட்ட போட்டி 2017





வெற்றியாளர் பட்டியல்

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III	செல்வன் நிதீஷ் ராமதாஸ்	
	பெண்கள்	
Ι	பெண்கள் திருமதி செல்வரதி மீனாக்ஷி சுந்தரம்	
I	திருமதி செல்வரதி	

ஆண்கள்		
Ι	திரு அப்துல் காதர் திரு பாரதிராஜா	
Π	திரு ஸ்ரீனிவாசன் திரு சரவணன்	
III	திரு அருண் திரு சசி	

அண்ணாமலைப் பல்கலைக்கழக முன்னாள் மாணவர்கள் சங்கம் (சிங்கப்பூர் கிளை) அக்டோபர் மாதம் 29ஆம் திகதி அன்று சென்ஜா - கேஷ்யு சமூக மன்றத்தில் தனது உறுப்பினர்களுக்கு இறகுப்பந்தாட்ட போட்டியினை ஏற்பாடு செய்திருந்தது.

இந்த போட்டியினை செயலாளர் திரு ரா. சங்கர் (1989 C) மற்றும் ஏற்பாட்டு குழுத் தலைவர் திரு க. முரளி (2007 M) உடன் திரு ஜெ. கார்த்திக் (2007 C&S) மற்றும் செல்வி வி. ஸ்வர்ணா (1999 CompSci) ஆகியோர் சிறப்பாக ஏற்பாடு செய்திருந்தனர்.

இதில் ஆண்களுக்கு இரட்டையர் பிரிவிலும், பெண்கள் மற்றும் குழந்தைகளுக்கு ஒற்றையர் பிரிவிலும் போட்டிகள் நடைபெற்றன. போட்டியில் கலந்துகொண்ட போட்டியாளர்கள் மிகவும் சிறப்பான முறையில் தங்கள் ஆட்டத்தினை

வெளிப்படுத்தி பார்வையாளர்களுக்கு உற்சாக விருந்து படைத்தனர். மேலும் குழந்தைகள் ஒற்றையர் பிரிவு போட்டியாளர்களுக்கு இந்தப் போட்டி அவர்களின் திறமைகளை ஊக்குவிக்கும் ஒரு சிறந்த தளமாக அமைந்தது. இப்போட்டியினை, அறுபதிற்க்கும் மேற்பட்ட உறுப்பினர்கள் கலந்துகொண்டு போட்டியில் பங்கேற்ற குழந்தைகள், விளையாட்டு வீரர் மற்றும் வீராங்கனைகளை உற்சாகப்படுத்தி தாங்களும் கண்டுகளித்து மகிழ்ந்தனர்.

சங்கத்தின் மூத்த உறுப்பினர்கள் பலர் வருகை தந்து செயற்குழுவிற்கும் போட்டியில் பங்கேற்ற குழந்தைகள் மற்றும் வீரர்களுக்கு மிக்க உறுதுணையாக நின்றனர்.



நடுவர்கள் திரு. அருண், திரு. ராமநாதன், திரு. சதீஷ், திரு. ஸீனிவாசன், திரு. வெற்றி மற்றும் திரு. விஜய் ஆகியோர் சிறப்பாக மதிப்பிட்டு போட்டியை நடத்தினர்.

இந்த போட்டிக்கு ஆதரவு கொடுத்த திரு வி. புவனேஸ்வரன் (Avanta Global), திருமதி அபிராமி சங்கர், திரு ப. கருணாநிதி (1994 M&P) , மற்றும் திரு கே. தமிழ்செல்வன் (1994 M) ஆகியோருக்கு செயற்குழு நன்றி தெரிவித்துக்கொண்டது.



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AAA Youth Team - 2nd Anniversary

AAA Youth Team Celebrated its 2^{nd} Anniversary by cutting a cake. The jubilant occasion was marked by a short speech given by the Youth Member, Mr. N. Karthikeyan (2007 M), who gave an overview on the purpose for which the Youth Team was built and also emphasised on the many advantages that the youth get by being part of the association. Following this, Youth Team Chairman, Mr. K. Nedunchezian (1990 C), reiterated that the path to the future of AAA was paved by the youth.

ALMA MATER NEWS

Memorial Lectures



Memorial Lectures in fond memory of former Professors were organised jointly by the Dept. of Chemical Engg. and Annamalai University Engg. & Tech. Alumni Trust on Monday, 30 October 2017. D e a n of FET, Dr. C. Antony Jayasehar,

presided over the function. Prof. V. Vijayagopal, Head of Dept. of Chemical Engg. welcomed Mr. M. Rabindranath and Mr. R. Narasimman of AUETAA Trust.

Lectures were in memory of Prof. V. Alagarswami, Prof. SM. Lakshmanan and Prof. S. Rangarajan. The topics that were lectured upon were the Supremacy and Inadequacy of Chemical Engg. by (Retd.) Prof. Rm. Bairavan (Dept. of Chem. Engg.); Fuels and Combustion by Mr. P. Venkataraman (Energy Consultant, Pondicherry) and the Role & Opportunities for Chemical Engineers in Oil & Gas Industry by Mr. B. Sadheeshkumar (Sr. Engineer, ADNOC National Oil Company, Abudhabi).

PEARLS



Promoting Extramural & Applied Research Lecture Series (PEARLS) was held on Tuesday, 7 November 2017 at the Golden Jubilee Reunion Hall. The Inaugural Lecture titled, 'Funding Opportunities in DRDO' was delivered by Dr. Ramanujachari, Former Director, Research & Innovation Centre, DRDO, Chennai. Prof. V Balasubramanian, Dept of Manufacturing Engg. organised this lecture which was well attended and appreciated.

> ~ Dr. M. Thenmozhi, Associate Professor, Dept. of Technology

AU Women Win Football Championship



Annamalai University Women's Football team won the final match I-0 against Thiruvallur University to clinch the Championship at the All India Inter-University Women Football Tournament held at Lakshmibai National Institute of Physical Education, Gwalior.

AAA Wishes them greater glory in the days to come.

NSS Camp





A 5-day NSS Camp was held from 27 to 31 October for students of FET at Killai Village. The students worked to generate awareness on Dengue Prevention, Disaster Management and also held a Free Medical Camp. They planted saplings and conducted a workshop for the villages on Cancer, AIDS and Alcoholism. They also conducted a free training on fish and prawn culture. On 31st, the Rashtriya Ekta Divas (National Unity Day) was celebrated in the village .



The Navaratri Festival was celebrated between from 21 to 29 September with students of the Dept. of Music bringing out the joy and exuberance through song and dance.



Prof. Dr. V. Arutchelvan, HoD of Civil Engg., was appointed Director, Centre for Skill Development & Entrepreneurship. An MoU was signed for a Pilot Training Program on 14 Novemberby the Dept. of Civil Engg. and Attadus Inc. USA-Divote Pvt. Ltd., Chennai.



The 136th birth Anniversary of our Founder Pro-Chancellor, Raja Sir SRM Annamalai Chettiar, was celebrated on 30 September.

5th AUETAA International Convention - 2017

Annamalai University Engineering and Technology Alumni Association (AUETAA) held its 5th International Convention on 23 & 24 of December at Feathers Hotel, Chennai with the objective of Connecting AUETAA Globally for Education-Employment-Entrepreneurship. The event started with an introductory video on AUETAA.

Mr. S. Ilanahai, President (AUETAA-Chennai), gave the Welcome Address which was followed by Special Addresses by the dignitaries. Mr. K. Pandiarajan emphasized on the need for AUETAAns to support our Alma Mater in all ways possible. A series of talks and panel discussions had been charted over the two days touching a wide range of topic in Science, Technology, Society, Education, Business and Entrepreneurship. Exhibition stalls had been put up for entrepreneurs.



A special video message to AUETAA sent by Mr. Suresh Prabhu, Union Minister for Industry and Commerce, stressing on the importance of waterways development.



Lighting of the traditional lamp by the dignitaries to inaugurate of the 5th AUETAA International Convention.



Life after 60' - talk given by Dr. V. Irai Anbu IAS, Principal Secretary - Economics & Statistics, Govt. of Tamil Nadu



Dr. Ashok Jhunjhunwala, IIT Madras, talking on Electric Vehicles and their significance for the growth of India.





Dignitaries who graced the inauguration function and released the Souvenir: Dr. S. Manian Vice-Chancellor of AU, Chief Guests, Mr. K. Pandiarajan, Minister for Tamil Official Language & Tamil Culture, Mr. Robert G. Burgess, Consul General-US Consulate General, Chennai, Mr. R. Narasimhan, Convenor, AUETAA 5th International Convention, Mr. P. Ravichandran, Chairman-CII TN, flanked by (L) Mr. S. Ilanahai, President-AUETAA and (R) Mr. Shanmugasundaram, Secretary-AUETAA. Souvenir is available at THIS LINK



Discussion on Entrepreneurship by panelists Prof. A. Thillai Rajan, IIT Madras, Mr. A. Ilangovan (1981 E&I), Singapore, Dr. V. Veerappan (1982 E&I), Bengaluru and Mr. R, Dhamodharan, CEO – Wow Laddus Pvt. Ltd., moderated by Mr. Magesh Rajendran (1994 M&P), Smarter Cities solutions, IBM India .

The entire event was streamed live. Click here to watch the Video Recording of the Convention.





Entrepreneurs and senior Annamalaians at the exhibition stalls. The stalls show-cased their products and services both technical & consultancy services.

Mr. Pasupathy Prasad honouring Dr. K. Sathyagopal IAS, Principal Secretary and Commissioner of Revenue Administration, Govt. of Tamil Nadu who gave an excellent presentation on 'Water Conserving Rootzone Irrigation Techniques.

A talk on IoT was made by Mr. Pasupati Prasad (1984 E&I) & Mr. P. Moorthy (1990 C), made a presentation on Top-Down Construction of Waterway Point

Heads of the Departments, Dr. Arutchelvan (Civil), Dr Vijayagopal (Chemical), Dr. N. Kumarappan (Electrical) were honoured by AUETAA.

On 22 December, a Business Networking event was organised exclusively for AUETAAns. As many as 40 entrepreneurs from

within India and 15 entrepreneurs from abroad belonging to a wide indusmet

spectrum of tries and interacted on



varied aspects of business and collaboration.

Around 350 alumni including members living in the US, Canada, the Middle-East, South-East Asia and Australia had come to be part of the event.

GLOBAL ANNAMALAIANS

Dr. Rakesh Sehgal Appointed NIT Director



It is a matter of great pride that our alumni, Dr. Rakesh Sehgal (1985 M), has been appointed as Director of National Institute of Technology, Srinagar in India. Formerly he held the post of Professor in the Dept. of Mechanical Engineering, NIT, Hamirpur.

AAA congratulates and wishes him greater success in future.

Qatar Annamalaians Celebrate Family Day





The Qatar Annamalai family got together for a fun afternoon which started off with a prayer song followed by newcomers' introduction. After а sumptuous dinner, came food for the eyes - cultural events performed by member families. The highlight of the event was the vibrant dance to the popular "jimikki kammal" song, first performed by 3 couples, followed by all the ladies and then by the children. Many children showcased their singing, dancing, magic show and various other talents. The

3-hour event was short and sweet which served well the intent of reconnecting and reliving good old memories; it ended with looking forward to the next one.

~ R. Karthik (1996 M), Qatar

AUETAA Business Networking



Click this link to view the discussion

AUETAA (Chennai Chapter) conducted a Business Networking event (ABN) on Sunday, 10 December. It was a wellattended event and was highlighted by the intense sharing of knowledge, experience and the vast potential that was waiting to be



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Restaurant Purely Vegetarian

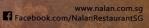


Obituary

It is with deep regret that we announce that our former Vice - Chancellor,

Dr. P. V. Vaidyanathan, passed away peacefully in Chennai on 29 December. An alumnus of IIT Kharagpur, he served as the Dean of FET before he took over as the VC. May his passion and dedication guide us.

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சிங்கை தமிழ்ச்செம்மல்



"தமிழ்க் சிங்கப்பூர் வாழ் மக்களால் கடல்" என்று அன்போடு அழைக்கப்பெற்று தமிழுக்கு தொண்டு செய்து வாழ்ந்து வரும் பேராசிரியர் திண்ணப்பன் அய்யா முனைவர் சூப. அவர்களின் 80-ഖച്ച பிறந்தநாளையொட்டி, அவர்களுக்கு சிங்கப்பூரில் செயல்பட்டு வரும் பல தமிழ் அமைப்புகள் ஒன்றிணைந்து நவம்பர் 12 அன்று வாழ்த்தரங்கு விழாவை சிங்கப்பூர் தேங் சாலையில் வீற்றிருக்கும் அருள்மிகு தண்டாயுதபாணி ஆலய மண்டபத்தில் சீரும் சிறப்புமிக்க முறையில் நடத்தினார்கள். விழாவில் பங்கேற்றவர்கள் அனைவரும் அய்யா அவர்களை வாழ்த்தியும், வாழ்த்துக்கள் பெற்றும் உள்ளம் மகிழ்ந்தனர்.

அண்ணாமலைப் பல்கலைக்கழகத்தின் அறிவொளியில் விளைந்த அய்யா சுப.திண்ணப்பன் அவர்களுக்கு "சிங்கை தமிழ்ச் செம்மல்" என்ற பட்டத்தை இவ்வாழ்த்தரங்கு விழாவில் சிங்கப்பூர் தமிழ்ச் சமூகம் வழங்கி கௌரவித்துள்ளது.

சிங்கை தமிழ்ச் செம்மல் அய்யா சுப.திண்ணப்பன் அவர்கள் அண்ணாமலைப் பல்கலைக்கழகத்தின் முன்னாள் மாணவர்கள் சங்கத்தின் மூத்த அறிஞர் என்பதில் பெருமகிழ்ச்சி அடைகின்றோம். **நீங்கள் பல்லாண்டு தமிழ்த்தொண்டு செய்து நீடூழிவாழ எல்லாம்வல்ல** இறைவனை வேண்டி வணங்கி வாழ்த்துகின்றோம்.

தமிழ் இளநிலையில் முதல்நிலை

சிங்கப்பூர் சமூக அறிவியல் பல்கலைக் கழகத்தின் 1-ம் ஆண்டு பட்டமளிப்பு விழா கடந்த அக்டோபர் மாதம் நடைபெற்றது.

இதில் நமது தோழி திருமதி. பிரதீபா வீர்பாண்டியன் w/o வீர்பாண்டியன் (1989 M) அவர்கள் தமது தாய்மொழி வேறான



போதிலும் தமது பிள்ளைகளின் தமிழ்மொழி தொடக்கநிலை வாய்மொழித் தேர்வுக்கு தயார் செய்வதில் சிரமம் உள்ளதை உணர்ந்து தமிழை கற்க வேண்டும் என்ற தீரா ஆர்வத்தில் தமிழை கற்க தொடங்கி தமிழின் மீது கொண்ட பற்றால் கடல் கடந்த தேசத்தில் இன்று தமிழ்மொழி, தமிழ் இலக்கியத்துக்கான இளநிலை பட்ட படிப்பில் முதலிடத்தை வென்றுள்ளார்.

எண்ணிக்கையில் அடங்கியது வயது, சாதிக்க வயது ஒருபோதும் தடையில்லை என்பதை தனது கற்றலின் வாயிலாக தமிழ்மொழி துணைகொண்டு அனைவருக்கும் உரக்க கூறியுள்ளார். இவர் மென்மேலும் தமிழ்போல் தமிழில் சிறந்து முனைவர் பட்டம் வெல்லவேண்டும் என அண்ணாமலைப் பல்கலைக்கழக முன்னாள் மாணவர்கள் சங்கம் (சிங்கப்பூர்) சார்பாக வாழ்த்துகின்றோம்.

~ ഖ. ഖடிഖേல் (2007 C&S)

Expert Panel Discussion



The 10th annual Asian Downstream Summit – the region's largest conference and exhibition dedicated to the downstream O&G industry – was held on 25 & 26 October at Sands Expo & Convention Centre. AAA Members, Mr. P. N. Selvaguru (1984 Chem) and Mr. N. Pasupathy Prasad (1984 E&I) were on the expert panel to discuss the topic Utilising Big Data analytics for Optimal Performance & Cost Savings: Investing, Strategy & Implementation.



Mr. P. Moorthy (1990 C&S) received the bronze award from Deputy Prime Minister of Singapore, Mr. Tharman Shanmugaratnam in recognition of his service to People's Action Party for 15 long years.

Mr. S. Muthumanickam (1980 Chem) who is also the Treasurer of the Tamil Writers' Forum of Singapore with Mdm. Halimah Yacob, President of Singapore, at an event organised by LISHA on behalf of the Indian community to felicitate Singapore's first woman President.





Mr. K. Chandrasekaran (1971 ME M), senior AAA Member, is a multifaceted person. A seasoned marathoner, he has run and secured top positions in many a race. In a recent Vertical Marathon, he raced up 73 storeys of the Swissotel Building to secure the 4th position in the 70+ age category.



in applauding our members for their contribution and accomplishments and to be inspired by them!

MEMBER NEWS

Marital Bliss



Ms. Divya, d/o Mrs. & Mr. AM. Somasundaram (1987 C&S) was wedded in happy matrimony to Mr. Sundaram on 30 November at Sivaganga.



AAA wishes the young couple a long life of abundant joy and togetherness!



Bundles of Joy



Mrs. & Mr. S. Ramanathan (2001 M&P) ushered in a baby girl, their second child, recently. Their 9year-old son Raghav is excited about his baby sister Vaishnavi. Mrs. & Mr. R. Chittrarasu (2007 C) welcomed their second son, Agathiyan, on 25th September. Elder brother, 2-year-old Pranav Ram, is thrilled to have a baby brother!

Hearty congratulations and we look forward to watching the young ones grow and blossom as part of our AAA Family.





Times Higher Education World University Ranking has placed Annamalai University in the World's 801-1000 range for the year 2018. It is one of the top 10 Universities from the country to have made it to the list. The Life Sciences have secured a place in the 401-500 range. It is a matter of pride for us alumni as we rejoice and celebrate this accomplishment which has come despite the many upheavals in the recent years. We, as alumni members, reaffirm our commitment as alumni in elevating our beloved Alma Mater to greater glory!

New Life Members



Mr. M. Karthick (2006 C)

Mr. K. Silambarasan (2007 C)

We welcome all Annamalaians to enroll as Life Members of the association. Please contact the below representatives for details.

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தண்ணீரின் அளவுதான் அதில் மலர்ந்துள்ள தாமரைத் தண்டின் அளவும் இருக்கும். அதுபோல மனிதரின் வாழ்க்கையின் உயர்வு அவர் மனத்தில் கொண்டுள்ள ஊக்கத்தின் அளவே இருக்கும்.

English Couplet 595:

With rising flood the rising lotus flower its stem unwinds ; The dignity of men is measured by their minds .

Health Tin சத்தான சாமை இட்லி

நம் தமிழர்களின் அன்றாட உணவு முறை, 'உணவே மருந்து'. இங்கு நான் சாமை இட்லி செய்யும் குறிப்பை பகிர்ந்துள்ளேன்.

சாமையில் நார்ச்சத்து, தாதுச்சத்து ஆகியவை கூடுதலாக உள்ளதால் உடலில் உள்ள கெட்ட கொழுப்பைக் கரைக்கும், நீரிழிவை கட்டுப்படுத்தும், தவிர்க்கும், மலச்சிக்கலை செரிமான தன்மையை கூட்டும்.

சாமை (150 கி), ராகி (50 கி), இட்லி அரிசி (200 கி), (1 மேசைக்கரண்டி), உப்பு உளுந்து (100 கி), வெந்தயம் (தேவையான அണഖ). அனைத்து பொருட்களையும் தனித்தனியே ஊற வைத்து இட்லிக்கு அரைக்கும்படி அரைத்து உப்பு சேர்த்து 8–12 மணி நேரம் பொங்க விட்டு, இட்லி அவித்து சாப்பிடவும்.

> ~ முனைவர். சுமதி ஆனந்த் w/o ரா. ஆனந்த் (2001 E&E)

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~ S. Valliappan (1994 E&I)





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