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Problems that magicians come across at magic shows - Members Day 27th June

by Shelton Jayasekara - Vice President

The monthly get together for the month of June 2010 was held at our own '156' on the 27th of June 2010 from 9.30am.

The Members present were, **R. de Alwis, Sanjeewa Hewawitharana, Rohith Silva, Devsiri Fernando, A. Karunasena, A. Wijesingha, Rohan Jayasekara, Priyantha Gamage, Sambuddika Ratnayaka, Lahiru Charith Gunawardana, C. Gamage, K. W. Silva, Terry Amarasekara, Noel Wickramasingha, Franklyn H., Suranjth de Soysa, Ranjitha Ratnapala, R. D. Salpitikoral, Shelton Jayasekara, Ajith Fernando, M.B Ranjith Silva, Nishika Peris, & Lalith Wickramasingha.**

As there were only a few beginners present the usual teaching session by VP training Sanjeewa was not held. In its place, the President conducted a discussion on experiences, problems that magicians come across at magic shows, especially birthday party shows. Members brought out problems that they come across and solutions were discussed.

VPs Devsiri and Rohan briefed the members regarding the public show to be held on the 10th of July at Wadduwa and encouraged the members to buy and sell as many tickets as possible in order to make a profit for the SLMC.

For members' performances **Noel** opened with a card trick where he showed a few cards. As he counted, the cards turned face up and face down and finally the backs of cards were of different colors. Next he showed a giant card with several cuts and folds. He got a member to hold one part of the card and he turned the other parts of the cards face forward and backward with a few folds. He then went on to a new version of the 'card lasso'. He got members to select three cards and put the entire pack into a bag. Instead of the usual rope he inserted a ribbon into the bag and on taking it out two of the selected cards were attached to the ribbon. He then pulled the two ends of the ribbon and the third card appeared on the ribbon.

Next performer was **Terry**. He performed the cut and restored ribbon and the 'knot across' as he had learnt from last month's workshop.

Using two ribbons orange and red, he gave a member to hold a ribbon that was wound on his palm and taken out. The other ribbon was cut and the two pieces were tied in a

knot. He wound the ribbon round his fist and on opening it, the knot had vanished. The other member was asked to open his ribbon and the knot was found on the middle of the ribbon. He then performed a 'penetration with a ring and a rope, where he tied the middle of a rope on to a rope and when the ends of the rope were pulled the rope was found in the ring. Next he performed a trick with cards, four kings, queens, jacks and the aces they were placed in a certain order and put together and after a several cuts the card were found in the same order. This was repeated several times.. **K. W. Silva** came forward to show the ball. Tumbler and silk trick which was taught by **Sanjeewa** last month, where a ball was dropped into a tumbler and the tumbler covered with a silk, the ball visibly penetrated the silk and came out without any harm to the silk. Although his presentation was not perfect he made an attempt to prove that the teaching was of some use. The correct way of handling of this trick was demonstrated by **Sanjeewa**.

Chandrasena Gamage next showed his version of cups and balls and for the climax three onions were found in the three cups. Noel then came up and showed a routine with ropes and he explained certain parts of it. **Rohan** and **Shelton** showed a few improvements to the 'cut and restored rope, and finally **Noel** showed another variation of this effect and he explained how it was done.

Although there was no teaching session as such members had quite a lot to learn. Hope you will be there to enjoy some more secrets of magic.

The Next Members Day

July 25th (Sunday)

9.30 AM to 1.30 PM

Premises open from 8.30 AM

Come early for Library Reference & Fellowship

Vishmitha Magic Rathriyak

Vishmitha Magic Rathriyak was held at Vijaya Kumaranatunga Hall, Wadduwa on 10th July 2010. The show started on time at 6.30pm to a poor audience.

Special Guest Artiste **Sando Harris** with his assistant along with Magicians **Sanjeeva Hewapathirane**, **Amarasiri Wijesinghe**, **Priyantha Gamage** and **Sambuddika Ratnayake** performed a memorable night of magic. "Chin Chong" Vent Act by **Kalabushana Chandrasena Gamage** was one of the highlights at this show.

This Show was directed by **Vice President Rohan Jayasekera** with organisational help from the Wadduwa Regional Organizer was **Amarasiri. Wijesinghe**. The presenter was our own **S.K Dharamapala**.

We cannot forget Rohitha Silva (sorry no photo available) who mooted the idea of having magic shows in order to bolster flagging financial reserves and helped immensely in personally finding Rs. 100,000/- in sponsorship ads and banners.

Starting the traditional way



Senior citizen Joy



Past president Shelton

Mind blowing magic



Sanjeeva

Chopping magic



Wijesinghe

Smooth as silk



Priyantha

The mastermind



Rohan

Bellyful of laughter



Sando Harris

Venting away



Gamage

It was all an Illusion



Sammbudhika

Versatile presenter



Dharmapala

Their money's worth



Section of the audience

THE STRABISMUS SWITCH

It is ideal to use in a copper/silver routine where the first coin is brought out and placed into a spectator's hand before the second coin is introduced.

You will require two coins, one copper and one silver, all the same size. One copper coin is finger palmed in your left hand. The silver coin is in a pocket on your left side and the other copper coin is in a pocket on your right side. Your left hand brings out the silver coin and displays it held between your thumb and first

finger. Show your right hand empty. Ask the spectator to extend her left hand, palm down, fingers together and straight. Transfer the silver coin to your right hand. Lightly grasp

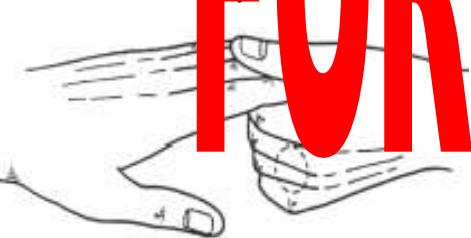
1 the spectators fingers with your left hand, thumb above and fingers beneath (fig. 1).

2 Your right hand displays the coin. Say, "Can you feel it?" She will say "Yes." Move the coin out and say, "Now you can see it, but you can't feel it." Move the coin back under her palm and say, "And now you can feel it but you can't see it."

Bring the coin back into view. Say, "Look, when I give you this coin again I want you to hold onto it tightly," Demonstrate by raising your right hand and closing it into a fist - classic palming the silver coin (fig.2).

Immediately lower your right hand and, as you partially straighten your thumb and fingers (as if they still hold the coin) your palm faces downward. As your right fingers pass beneath your left hand on the way to beneath her palm, allow the fingers of your right hand to drop onto them (fig.3).

Without pausing, your right hand continues forward and presses



CONTEST TIME

Amateur Magician contest for the Linden De Alwis Challenge Trophy and Young Magician Contest (Under 18) for the Donovan Andree Challenge Trophy

Amateur magician Contestand the Young Magician contest will be held on 29th August. Entries close on 10th August. Please contact VP Contest Suranjith and register your application.



Donovan Andree Challenge Trophy



Linden De Alwis Challenge Trophy



Deserting us for the desert - Nishika Peiris will be moving to Oman to join her father who is now working there and continue her studies from Oman. She won the Young Magician Contest (Under 18) for the Donovan Andree Challenge Trophy in 2007. She will be giving a special farewell performance at the July get together. We wish her a magical future!

the copper coin up against the spectators palm (fig.4). Rapidly move your right hand away because she'll begin to close her fingers almost immediately. Your left hand has go of her fingers allowing her to do this, and loiters there long enough to make sure her fist is tightly closed.

Now your right hand brings out the copper coin from your right pocket. Conclude as usual by changing the copper coin to silver (switching it for the silver coin classic palmed in your right hand) and letting the

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