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## Many performances was the highlight of the day

The members get together for the month of May was held at the "VISHMITHAPAYA" on 26/5 2013 commencing around 10.24 am.

The following 24 members were present Ronald de Alwis, C Gamage, Priyantha Gamage, Asanka Pathirana, Rohith J Silva, Himasha Peiris, Hirangani Fernando, avishka Perera, S K Dharmapala, Nihal Weerasinghe, Shelton Jayasekara, W S Boteju, Joy de Silva, Chrisantha Silva, Franklin Hewavitharana, a N Kumaraage, R Rathnapala, L A Seneviratne, K A D Pushpakanthi, Suranjith de Soysa, Dinesh Thangavel, Devsiri Fernando, Lalith Wickremasinghe and A Wijesinghe.

Messages of excuse was received from Alex Perera and Udaya Cooray. We had two guests namely Himashi's father H N Peiris and Avishka's mother Thushari Fernando

Our energetic General Secretary & VP Admin Devsiri welcomed all members present and thanked a few members who had turned up after a few months. A special welcome was afforded to Nihal who was back after a long vacation in the USA, Joy, Boteju, Kumaraage of Matara and Pushpakanthi who was out of action due to a road accident due to which she had to undergo two surgeries. Being the Vesak festive season he wished all members a happy and festive season.



Performances commenced with new member Asanka Pathirana who performed a trick with Cards, a box of matches and the 'three rope effect.'

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**NEXT MEMBERS DAY  
SUNDAY JUNE 30TH  
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Next, Kumarage who was attending the meeting after a lapse of several months, performed a trick with a slate and after showing both sides to be blank and inserting it in a case, he asked three members to name three, three digit numbers. The numbers were totalled up and the answer was found on the slate. Next he showed two card tricks one with pips and the other with numbers, followed by the 'mutilated parasol'. He then performed the coin tray followed by a 'water production' using cups. To end his performance he showed another card effect "the 'traffic lights'".



President Ron next spoke to the members on punctuality, poor attendance and wished that more members attend our Workshops in view of the Training Programmes held twice a month now and stressed that members should gain by these sessions to face the Contests to be held this year after July and wished more members will enroll for these contests.



Chrisantha was the next performer. He Showed a card trick where he showed two cards and placed one in an envelope and kept the other on the table face down.. After a few seconds the cards had exchanged. Next was Dharmapala. Performances ended up with a performance of a card trick by Frankyn Hewawitharana.

Refreshments namely cakes and soft drinks were served by those who celebrated their birthdays and the special training class conducted by VP Shelton was held after the interval and the get together terminated around 1.00pm

**=====WORLD RECORD BROKEN=====**

A Hungarian magician has performed street magic for 31 hours, breaking the Hungarian record, and most probably also the world record.

Lui the Magician (above) told MTI late on Sunday that he broke the previous world record by 15 minutes in the street magic category but in order to have this officially recognised, all official documents about the attempt, including video recordings and photographs, will be sent to the Guinness committee.

He performed his stunts, including mind-reading, table magic and even a water tank escape, in Siklos, southern Hungary.

Lui the Magician (35) has been active as a performer for 20 years. He said his record attempt including 102 stunts was a tribute to legendary Hungarian magician Rodolfo who was born 102 years ago.

# Dino comes to Sri Lanka

Magician Dino Dorado from Innsbruck, Austria arrived in the country a few days ago with his magic partner Melanie. The President and other officials met him on arrival and had discussions regarding training our members in new close-up techniques.



Pictures show Dino and Melanie when they visited the Circle and signed the Visitor's Book. On the background is President Lt Col. Ronald De Alwis, VP Rohan Jayasekera, VP Shelton Jayasekera and GS & VP Devsiri Fernando

## **DINO IN ARUGAM BAY**

Dino and Melanie have been very busy during their stay in Arugam Bay. Dino has done been surfing which is main hobby, doing several shows for school children and also performing at hotels in that area.



Performing



Surfing



Playing Cricket



With school children

## PROPELLER PAPER

Bamboozlers- The Book of Bankable Bar Betchas, Brain Bogglers, Belly Busters & Bewitchery: Volume Three by Diamond Jim Tyler is due out June of 2013.

Expect the same classy style pocket-sized book. It contains 75 effects with over 100 illustrations and is bound in green faux leather, with silver gilt edges, silver foiled stamping and has a ribbon marker. The foreword of the book is by Mac King. The book will be sold exclusively at [www.diamond-jim.com/originals](http://www.diamond-jim.com/originals) for \$19.95.

**STUNT:** A small piece of paper is made to spin on your finger like an airplane propeller.

**SECRET:** Cut out a two- by three- inch piece of paper napkin. Most writing paper is too heavy for this stunt so you'll need to use a lightweight paper of which most cheap restaurant napkins are made. Fold the paper in half across its width and make a good crease in it. Then fold all of the edges up about a quarter of an inch away from the peak of the crease. Pinch each of those corners together away from the peak of the crease. The paper should look like a little tray with a crease running down the middle of it (Fig. 1).



Place your middle or index finger in the center of the paper at the valley of the crease. Extend your hand and the paper away from your body while pinching the paper between your finger and thumb. As you begin to spin your body in a circle, release your thumb from the paper, and if you'll keep your middle finger in the center of the paper it will spin like an airplane propeller (Fig. 2).



This is one of my favorite stunts to show someone. It was taught to me by the famous entertainer Avner the Eccentric. People will swear that some type of trickery is involved, but it is pure science at work. Avner taught this effect using cigarette papers.

## The Special training class

The Special training class was held on 9th of June ( 2nd Sunday ) from 3.00 PM . Six members namely ; K. A. D. Pushpakanthi, S. K. Dharmapala, Avishka Perera, Asanka Pathirane, Samantha Nanayakkara and Franklyn Hewawitharana were present.



The president who was also present delivered a lecture on presentation and demonstrated how to develop one's vocal cords, Magician as an Actor, Showmanship & Stagecraft, Use of Angles, Body Rhythm & using background music during a performance.

The class was more a free discussion than a lecture. The members also exchanged ideas and every member who turned up enjoyed the evening. They were getting over their Stage fright & every member showed a trick & they themselves were correcting presentation skills which were acceptable.

By Shelton Jayasekara

## Discussion with Mobicast Global



President Ronald along with VPs Rohan, Shelton and Devsiri met with the Chairman of Mobicast Global Mr. Lasantha Peiris regarding the launch of the SLMC TV channel on 17th June at the their office. Work on the channel is going ahead and members are requested to speak with VP Rohan for details.