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When was the last time you did something for the first time?

The October monthly meeting of the SLMC was held on Sunday 27th. The following members were present. Ronald de Alwis, Rohan Jayasekera, C Gamage, Priyantha Gamage, Gehan Somanader, Gayan Wickramage, Yogitha Anthony, Wilhelm Perera, Devsiri Fernando, T J Anthony, M D Kamal Shantha, Ashanka K Pathirana, Avishka Perera, Suranjith de Soysa, W Naminda Warakagoda, K A D Pushpakanthi, Joy de Silva, Roshini Jayasekera, U Abaya Kumara, M B Ranjith Silva, Clarence Heendeniya and S K Dharmapala.

Messages of excuse was received from the following two members. Shelton Jayasekera and Dr. Keerti Weerawardena

We also had three guests at the meeting namely E Banuka Harshajith Silva, P J A P Shiromi and M R

T de Costa.

The General Secretary Devsiri Fernando welcomed the members. As part of the introduction he asked questions from them on their day to day activities. The point he tried to make was that all of us have set patterns and the need to break out of these patterns in order to keep the alertness of the mind. As a conclusion for this session he asked members to answer the following question. "When was the last time you did something for the first time?" There was lively interaction following this question.

Since this was the first meeting after the Magician of the Year/Master Magician Contests the President spoke about the contests at length. GS



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The highlight of the day was the induction of four new members to the Circle.

They are -

U Abaya Kumara,
Madushan Eranda Sirimana and
Wilhelm Perera

in the ordinary member category
and

Banuka Harshajith Silva

n the junior member category.

The picture shows the four of them being administered the Oath by VP Rohan.

Next MEMBERS DAY
Sunday November 24th
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invited senior magicians Chandrasena Gamage and Rohan Jayasekera to share their thoughts and give their comments on the contests. Gamage pointed out several shortcomings that had taken place during the contests such as failure of music to start at the proper time and regarding the opening and closure of the curtain. VP Contests Suranjith de Soysa explained the arrangements that had been made to overcome such problems. VP Rohan spoke of how contests are conducted in other countries and the new storytelling format of magical performances at contests. He also spoke at length regarding the philosophical aspect of magic. Commenting on the question asked by the GS in the introductory session, he said that question is very important for magicians. Magicians should question themselves everyday as to what new thing they have learnt and what they are doing in their performances.

Member Gehan who was attending after a lapse of sometime did some mentalism tricks which baffled the members. Also Wilhelm Perera who joined the circle that day gave a very polished performance signaling the fact that he is an experienced magician. Several others including Asanka Pathirana and Rohan Jayasekera entertained the members with several magic tricks.

In the absence of VP Training Shelton, VP Chandrasena Gamage conducted the training session for the day. Initially he did some performances and thereafter continued with training.

Birthday celebrants and magic contest winners provided a lot of refreshments which made this day all in all an entertaining and happy occasion.

Happy Birthday to all members celebrating their birthdays in November and December

November

5th	Alex Perera
7th	Franklyn Hewapathirana
10th	Abhaya Abhayakumara
25th	Roshini Jayasekara



December

2nd	A.D.Gunasekara
4th	Amarasiry Wijesinghe & Palitha Jayasinghe
9th	Wilhelm Perera
22nd	Noel Ananda
23rd	Udara Ariyasinghe
27th	Sumangala Silva
30th	Lucky Ranaweera & Bimal Perera

Congratulations Dino!



Dino Dorado, the Austrian Magician who conducted a training session in close-up magic a few months ago has been appointed the General Secretary of the Magic Circle of Austria. The Magic Circle of Austria is an umbrella organization for many Austrian magic clubs. Their website is <http://mra.at/>

Congratulations Dino and best wishes for a successful tenure of office.

Special 2nd Sunday Training

Every 2nd Sunday at 3 p.m. there is a training session conducted by VP Training Shelton. The participation of members at these sessions have been quite poor. IF SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF MEMBERS DO NOT PARTICIPATE THIS SPECIAL TRAINING SESSION WILL BE SUSPENDED.

Given below is a comment regarding participation which had been sent by VP Training Shelton.

"Although the special training class not announced many members called me and asked me whether the class will be held on 2nd Sunday of last month as usual. I told them that if they come, I will also come. Some said that they will come and we had the class. The following were present.

Asanka Pathirana, Avishka Perera, Madushan Eranda, U. Abaya Kumara, Punya Jayasingha, Yogitha J. Anthoney & Banuka. Three of these are new members who had joined last month (I was not present at the last months meeting) and one is a mother who came with a new member."