



GOENKAR

Newsletter of Karnataka Goan Association - Bangalore

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members of the KGA.

Greetings and wishing you all Good Things from us on the super enthusiastic Golden Jubilee Committee.

We started this KGA year with a joint event – Mango Showers. It was a leap of faith, as we had to plan the event even before we could be elected. It paid off. The attached photos will give you a glimpse of the fun we had. Collaborating with the KCA (Mangaloreans) and the Catholic Club has been a practical, mutually beneficial move for all of us. We should have a few more of these, and we are sure that will make us stronger, and build camaraderie too.

We are excited to have a super event for our Evergreens. **Goldies Go Gaga...** on Sunday, 23rd July. This should be a smash hit, and I am personally looking forward to meeting our seniors, and partying with them. This group is special, and it is our privilege and honour to remember how this group has ensured that our Association survived, and thrived, to reach our 50th year. Gratitude and Respect to each of you who have played a role in this journey. We are working on capturing a bit of the history of the KGA, and if you have some photos, trivia or other memorabilia that will help us archive our journey, please do share it with us.

We have a number of well planned events for this special year of ours, and we are confident that with your support, encouragement and participation, each of them will be memorable, and uplifting.

Look out for a plethora of awesome activities.

We will have our Annual Signature events, and in addition, we will have a few exclusives for our GJY! (Golden Jubilee Year).

Our focus will be on the quality of our interactions; the width of our groups to include everyone; and to build bridges that will last a lifetime. Come and join us, in any way you think we can achieve these objectives, for the greater good of all of us. Lets grow closer, as we get wiser.

Your ideas and suggestions are most welcome. We have focused committees. Please feel free to volunteer your time - to assist us through these committees or for any activity where you can add value. Remember this is our Golden Jubilee Year and each of us owns it.

50 and getting stronger!

Viva Goa!

Ian Faria
President
(2023-2024)



The Managing Committee



Ian Faria - President, is a Mind Coach and a corporate name. He believes that the KGA is a tribe of like-minded people who naturally congregate to bring the best out of each other. He has over 30 years of experience in leading organizations and teams.

Ian Faria
(President)

Aiona Misquita – I'm a stay-at-home-mum and a voracious reader. I've spent half my life in Mumbai and half in Bangalore. I have been enjoying getting in touch with my Goan heritage over the past few years.

Aiona Misquita
(Vice President)



Being a home maker and running a Montessori, takes up most of my time, in this busy schedule, I still like to keep up with my reading be it a magazine or a novel. I have been a Committee Member / Secretary with KGA for a number of years. It has been a wonderful experience for me working with different Presidents. KGA gives us a great opportunity to be with the community and know more about our culture.

Wilma Pereira
(Secretary)

Brian D'Lima - "Hailing from the lovely village of Porvorim, I have always been associated with the KGA since its inception. My love of the Goan culture is what pushes me to serve the association and its people. If not on the dance floor, you can catch me at the bank."

Brian D'Lima
(Treasurer)





Proud Goan from Chinchinim settled in Bangalore since 2014. Strategic Communications Manager at Swiss Re and owner of Partyplatters.blr. Passionate about family, friends, food and fashion.

Natasha D'Souza
(Committee Member)

I love sharing my Goan culture and tradition with anyone who is interested. Looking forward to contribute passionately towards the Golden Jubilee Celebrations that we all are waiting eagerly for.

Bosco Andrade
(Committee Member)



A KGA member from birth, I have been a proud Goan all my life. Currently working as a software developer at Novel Office, I always love to use my skills to help better the community. And as a committee member, I wish to continue to support the association that I grew up in.

Cyrus D'Lima
(Committee Member)

After a professional stint of more than 15 years in multi-national companies, in India and abroad, a Homemaker now. Passionate about sewing, cooking, music, singing and dance. Can now dedicate time to serve the KGA in whatever capacity and looking forward to a great Golden Jubilee year 2023.

Eslinda Louzado
(Committee Member)





A Dance Choreographer for over a decade. Also works for a Post Production Company with Netflix / Amazon / Disney etc. Having spent a significant time away from Goa believes that the KGA helps people re-connect with their Goan roots, fostering a profound sense of familiarity.

Gilmour Saluzinho Fernandes
(Committee Member)

From a quite beautiful village of Saloi, a haven of backwaters, fields and lush forests. Being a free-lance Architect and Interior Designer, creativity and thinking out of the box is a part of me. The history and culture of Goa is my biggest inspiration. Aldrin -my husband and my two kids, Aiden and Eva complete me!!!

Elaine D'Souza
(Lady Representative)



A fun-loving, friendly member of the youth with a passion for creative expression who will try her best to help anyone who confides in her.

Narita Chengappa
(Youth Member)

MANGO SHOWERS

The KGA embarked on a momentous journey as it kick-started its Golden Jubilee year with bringing back the spectacular event 'MANGO SHOWERS'. Held on the 11th of June 2023 at the esteemed Catholic Club, this event was a testament to the KGA's commitment to celebrating its rich heritage and accomplishments. Collaborating with the KCA (Karnataka Canara Association) and The Catholic Club, the KGA ensured a grand celebration for its members and the community at large.



Breaking away from tradition, the 'Mango Showers' took on a whole new dimension by transforming into a Noon-to-Moon extravaganza. The air was filled with excitement as three bands, Tammy & Roy, Rise Nation, and the final act Route 96, took to the stage and set it ablaze with their electrifying performances.

The event not only delighted the ears but also tantalized the taste buds with a wide array of authentic Goan and Mangalorean cuisines. The aroma of spices and flavours filled the venue, enticing attendees to indulge in a culinary journey through the coastal regions.

Despite an unexpected shower of rain during the Mango Showers, the spirits of the

attendees remained unshaken. Laughter echoed through the raindrops as people continued to dance and have a blast, undeterred by the weather.

Members of the KGA, KCA, and The Catholic Club came together in overwhelming numbers throughout the day, demonstrating their unwavering support and unity. The inauguration of the show was carried out by the presidents of KGA, KCA, and the Catholic Club. The KCA organized a mesmerizing fashion show, showcasing the elegance and beauty of traditional outfits, while the KGA Youth & Young Adults set the mood with a lively dance performance to the uplifting tunes of Konkani songs like 'Yaya Maya Ya' and 'Maria Pitace.'

As the night progressed, the Mango Showers left a lasting impression on everyone present. It marked the beginning of the KGA's Golden Jubilee year in a spectacular fashion, reaffirming the association's dedication to preserving and celebrating their cultural heritage. With memories created, friendships strengthened, and dreams of a vibrant future, the Mango Showers illuminated the path for a remarkable year ahead.





Goldies* Go Gaga

*AGE: 60+

at the Sky Lounge
23 July, 11:00 a.m. onwards

Rate: Rs. 500
COVERS A SNACK, A BEER & LUNCH



Dress code : Something in gold (a prominent accessory)

PRIZES FOR THE BEST COSTUME

For details: Bosco - 99012 91888 | Gail - 98806 95563 | KGA Secretary - 9972345164

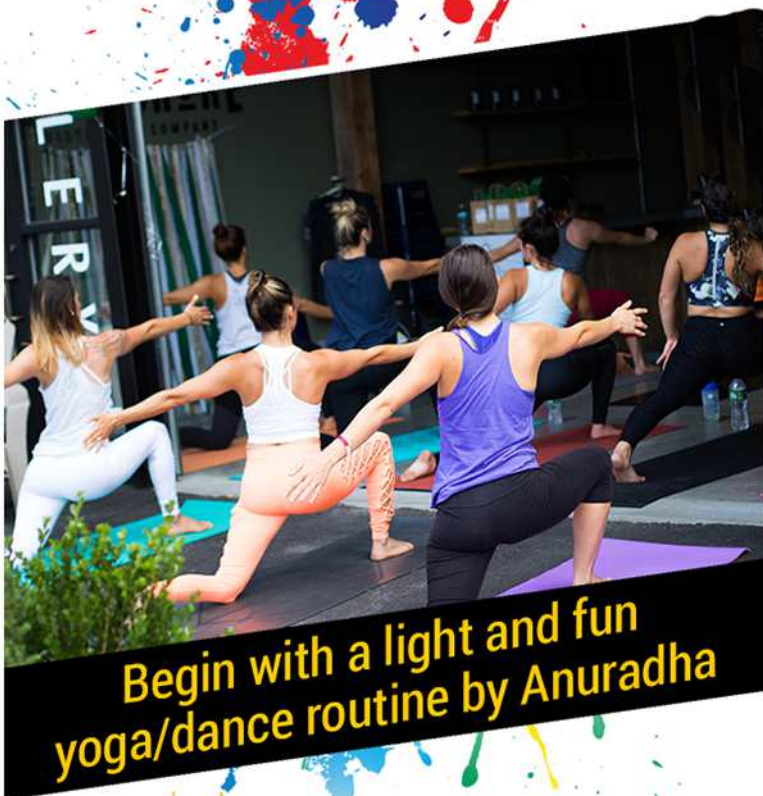


PRESENTS
**Fit
& Fine**



AUGUST 5TH, 2023 AT THE SKY LOUNGE, CATHOLIC CLUB, 9:00 AM ONWARDS

WHAT'S IN STORE FOR YOU



Begin with a light and fun
yoga/dance routine by Anuradha

Socialize with your fellow Goans.
Stand a chance to win spot prizes.
Take home a delicious delicacy.
A sumptuous snack and lunch.

Learn three
traditional Goan dishes



Taught by our very own
KGA members -
Mafalda and Eslinda

RS. 500/-

Limited seats only. To register contact:

Eslinda: 9900179719 | **Natasha:** 9591355566 | **KGA Secretary:** 9972345164



Hear ye Hear ye
By Royal Decree



All ye young Knights and pretty Lasses,
your presence is hereby requested to attend a

Medieval High Tea

on the 5th of August 2023, 4pm - 6pm

Come dressed in your medieval best to the
Sky Lounge, Catholic Club



Tickets Rs 300 per head

For details & RSVP : Elaine 9620072170,
KGA Secretary 9972345164





Pajama Party!



Ages 13 to 30

**Join us at the Catholic Club
for a sleepless slumber party filled
with music, games and more!**

August 5th | 7 to 10p.m. | Sky Lounge

Please come in Catholic Club attire, but pack your PJs, pillows
and other sleepover essentials!

**Ticket price inclusive of
A snack, two drinks & dinner**



To register contact

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KGA Secretary: 9972345164

**Tickets @
Rs. 500**



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