

## THE MALAYSIA SINGAPORE & BRUNEI CULTURAL ASSOCIATION

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### Message from the President....

Dear Members,

I hope you have enjoyed the summer. Although the summer weather was great, we thank all the fire fighters from many countries helping us to fight over 400 wildfires in BC. We also remember the young fire fighters who lost their lives in doing their job.

The AGM went well with 21 members attending despite a long weekend and a sunny day. This year will be my last term as President. Your Directors have done very well for the Association.

The press release by Assistant Secretary S.K. Chin has outlined the composition of the new Board. We welcome newly elected Director Varghese Thomas to the Board. He and his wife Anna live in Richmond and were originally from

Singapore. They became members two years ago and recently changed their membership to Life Members.

The Board have appointed assistants to assist the Directors where needed. I hope more volunteers will get involved so can be the future Directors of this Association. The Bylaws of the Association is available to members by request.

I look forward to the first board meeting on October 05, 2023, to begin a new fiscal year of managing the Association.

Until then, on behalf of all the directors, I would like to extend our warmest regards to all of you.

Richard Liew  
President 2023-2024



**NEW YEAR'S EVE**  
**2024**

Come and join us this December 31, 2023  
Flata Restaurant in Chinatown

\$80.00 per person  
10-course Dinner  
Live Music by DynaMix  
Sparkling Cheers  
50/50 Draw  
Emcee: Mr. Wen Wong

### Honouring our Volunteers

Kim Lee & Steve,  
Queetin Shieh,  
Say See Tan,  
Steven & Helen Ng,  
Kelly Aucoin,  
Swee T Chow,  
Penny Wong,  
Eveylyn Tan,  
Olivia Da Silva,  
Linda Then,  
Kaleen Ng,  
Wai Ying Chin,  
Miew Eng Teo,  
Aster Liew,  
Annie Mok,  
Heng Sook,  
Anne Heng,  
Theresa Wang,  
Mary Wan.  
Steve Chiam  
Luceala Mo  
Cindy Lee

Thank you to all of you.  
The MSBCA Board of Directors

## From Richard's desk...

Hello Members and Friends,



My Assistant Editor Olivia is on holidays in Kuala Lumpur and she will be back in December. I will be in Kota Kinabalu, Sabah in October for a school and class reunion. My Class of '66 will meet to celebrate the 57th Anniversary of class Reunion. Over the last 5 years since our get together, five have passed on. I am looking forward to meet the classmates.

Recently, George and May, Life Members sent an email to us and here is what they wrote:

*The property taxes and condo fees are onerous and I hope the membership appreciates the time and expertise not to mention the angst of keeping the premises and activities alive.*

*We owe you and Richard and all the other volunteers deep gratitude for all the experiences the membership enjoys. We are indeed fortunate to have the leaders we have.*

Thank you George and May for writing in. Much appreciated.

Consul General of Malaysia visited the clubhouse on August 26, 2023 for the first time since his arrival in Vancouver. I took the honour to show him the premises and the photo galleries. He was in awe to see the younger faces of Guilbert Ho, Yeo Sing Lim and current directors the likes of Stanley Low and myself. The photos of the clubhouse commemoration in 2004 at the entrance is worth taking in the next time you attend a clubhouse function.



Till then, all the best.

**Richard Liew, Newsletter-in-Charge**  
**Olivia De Silva, Assistant Editor**

## The MSBCA Ballroom Dance Classes

Tutor: Bruce – 604-316-5807  
Assistant: Jenny – 778-836-9388

Bruce is teaching on Sunday,  
from 3 pm to 6 pm.

Address: MSBCA, Unit 238,  
2680 Shell Road, Richmond, BC

You must be a Member.

Time:

3-4 pm: Beginner Latin

4-5 pm: Beginner Standard

5-6 pm: Intermediate

If you are interested, please register by calling Bruce or Jenny.

Thank you.



**Malaysia's Consul General Mohd. Afandi Abu Bakar seen here shaking hands with Yeo Sing Lim, OBC, MSBCA Hon. Advisor. On the left of Consul General is Hon. Advisor Guilbert Ho.**



Consul General, getting a glimpse of the clubhouse commemoration photos taken in 2004 during his visit to the clubhouse on August 26, 2023



President Richard Liew looked happy but his job was to feed charcoal into the fire. Say See Tan is happy cooking at the Annual Picnic and with commanding action to the Prez where the charcoal should go! What a Team!



The mainstay and one of the highlights of the Annual Picnic is Mrs. Kim Gook Lee frying the Char Kueh Teow.

## The MSBCA Annual Picnic—July 08, 2023

Awesome!! 180 attended this year's picnic at South Arm Community Park in Richmond. It was free for members. There was no leftover at the end of the day for BBQ chicken wings and the Char Kway Teow. We thank all the Directors and Volunteers for making the picnic an annual success. Some members from the Chiu Chow Benevolent Association joined the picnic as guests of Director Miew Leng Teo. Wen Wong, former Director was active volunteering his energy to give out prizes to the lucky ones including \$140.00 cash prizes donated by Hon. Advisor Yeo Sing Lim, OBC. William Chong and Aster Liew donated miscellaneous prizes as well. Thank you to all the members for renewing their membership on that day. Thank you to all the donors for the prizes especially Mr. Yeo Sing Lim, OBC.



**NEW MEMBERS:**  
MSBCA welcomes the following:  
Life Members:  
Ken and Helen Wong

**New/Renewal Members:**  
Vincent/Wendy Chin  
David/Hong Cheng Ellery  
Chris/Jean Chan  
Jinan Fong  
Yanni Huang  
Jimmy/Cindia Ho  
Victor Lee  
James/Elizabeth Snowden  
Miew Eng Teo  
Tony/Shirley Teo  
Joe Tay  
Vincent/Sa Yu  
Amy/Phu Nguyen  
Jordan/Lilian Kwan

Mary Luk/Simon Chong  
Richard Tan  
Jenny Gee  
Elizabeth & James Snowden  
May Chiu  
Liaw Sin Kiong & Chen Kui Eng  
Lucy & Derrick Quinn  
Mr. & Mrs. Shou Ngan Sim  
Frankie & Janie Foo  
Kurt & Madaleine Schillinger

**Please "renew" your membership if you have not done so. The new fillable Application Form is on**

<http://msbca.com>

**Payment can be done using e-transfer through**

**'msbcageneral@gmail.com'**



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**Please inform us by email at [msbcahq@gmail.com](mailto:msbcahq@gmail.com) if you are moving or have moved or have changed your email address. Also, inform us if you like your email address removed from our list.**

**IMPORTANT: There are members not receiving notices about events, etc. Either their email addresses are out of date or they do not have a computer altogether. Therefore it would be the member's responsibility to notify us as to how we can best communicate with them. Take a minute to send us a note or call any of the directors. Thank you.**



**The MSBCA Annual Picnic—July 08, 2023**

Here is a special core group of volunteers! They knew exactly what to do. Getting the 'rice noodle' smoothed out and ready for Kim Lee to wok and fry in an hour's time. The work is cut out for them every year. Fore front of the photo is Penny Wong. L-R: Annie Mok, Sweet Chow, Simon Chow, Kaleen Ng, Wai Ying Chin, Anne Heng and Heng Sook. Thank you all.



Above Photo: Director Sophia Chiam (seated far end), Director Miew Leng Teo, Past President Polly Voon and Carol Thong attending the registration table. Great job!!



Left Photo: Mary Wan and Theresa Wang, right, distributing dessert to the members.



**Articles, Stories, etc.**

**If you have interesting things to write and share with us, why not submit them for publishing? We love to hear from you anytime.**

**Clubhouse Rental Rates (Effective Oct. 01, 2022)**

**Members —\$25 per hour**

Definition: Private use by members for family parties and gatherings; not to be rented for second party use. Renter must be present for that period of time.

**Non-Members/Community/Business—\$30 per hour, min.2hrs;**

Definition: Non-business type Social Group Meetings, Church Groups, Community Groups. *Members and non-members.*

Definition: Business being conducted such as for dancing lessons, seminars, marketing and sales. *Members and non-members.*

Rates are subject to change without notice.

Audio/Visual Equipment not available.

Capacity: 50 people seated, 90 standing.

**Please contact any of the directors for rental.**

**MEMBERSHIP**

Please make your cheque payable to:

**MSBCA  
Unit 238-2680 Shell Road,  
Richmond, B.C.  
V6X 4C9.**

Please call Membership Director  
for

Membership Form or visit our website to print the form.

Annual Membership Fee (effective from date of application for 12 months):

	General	Life
<b>Single/Seniors (60 &amp; over) -</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>

<b>Family (excluding children over 18 years) -</b>	<b>\$30.00</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>
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**Corporate Rate: \$200.00 Annually**



**Mid-summer Food Fair—August 26, 2023**

The first one took place in 2004 at the clubhouse. This year's event also held at the clubhouse. The event Director only had two months to plan the event. The result was a success as usual. For three hours, over 150 people stream through the food line. Next year, the goal is to make it better. Parking is always a concern and Directors are mindful not to create a traffic jam.

Consul General of Malaysia attended the Fair with Consul Padli. Also, in good company is Guilbert Ho and Yeo Sing Lim, OBC with wife Patricia.

Thank you to all the volunteers and they are Kim Lee (who donated all the proceeds to the club for the char kueh teow, indian rojak, chendol and misc. pastries), Say See Tan (for barbecuing the chicken), Steven Ng, Helen Ng, Kelly Aucoin, Swee T Chow, Penny Wong, Eveylyn Tan, Linda Then, Kaleen Ng, Wai Ying Chin, Miew Eng Teo and Aster Liew, both also donated all the proceeds to the club, Annie Mok, Heng Sook and Anne Heng, Cindy Lee, Theresa Wang and Mary Wan.



Above photo: Anita Foo on the right with friends



At the Pastry Stall: L-R: Kaleen Ng, Penny Wong, Helen Ng, Kelly Aucoin and Miew Leng Teo. Thank you to Kelly who donated all the proceeds to the club. Photo on the right is Michael Mok tending the indian rojak stall.



- EVENTS TO WATCH.....**
- Children Christmas Potluck Party—December 16, 2023**
  - New Year's Eve 2024 Dinner and Dance—December 31, 2023m**
  - Chinese New Year 2024—Feb. 17, 2024**
  - Annual Picnic—July 06, 2024**
  - Clubhouse Activities: Monthly Potluck, Weekly Ballroom Classes and Zumba Classes.**

**The MSBCA Annual Lunar New Year Dinner and Dance is on February 17, 2024**  
**Join us to celebrate Year of the Dragon**

For more photos of other activities, please visit our Facebook.  
<https://www.facebook.com>