



Crescents Community News (CCN)

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Assalaamu-alaikum

Editorial

Many people are probably wondering (and others seriously concerned) about the frequency with which CCN is likely to drop into their inboxes. CCN is not like a traditional newspaper or newsletter obliged to meet with printing deadlines, revenue raising or advertising demands. CCN has adopted the *ad hoc* or *InshaAllah* publication model (“we haven’t the foggiest idea when the next one might come out, but....”). Actually, it gets sent out when and as often as it is deemed fit by the Editorial Board. The very unpredictability of CCN sets it aside from your average, day-to-day mundane broadsheet and its appearance, or otherwise, will depend on many factors, not least of which are:

- If there is anything half worthwhile to say (both quality and quantity wise)
- If CCN receives publishable contributions from its readership (to date we have been somewhat underwhelmed in this department)
- If notices of events and functions need to be sent out by certain times
- If the Editorial Board hasn’t gone off on another holiday or tax-payer funded junket
- If it isn’t ‘*that-time-of-the-year-again*’ for a certain CCN staffer
- If our *Man-on-the-Mussalaah* does not continue to labour under the misapprehension that all religious obligations cease, now that Ramadaan is over

CresFit4Life

Despite the cloudy skies and showers, CresFit4Life took off with its first session attracting 29 registered members. Many of us decided to take on the rain and to our pleasant surprise it stopped just as we started off on our walk and jog! Somebody’s *duas* were obviously working for us! Check the CresFit4Life section of the Crescents of Brisbane web site www.nazimahansa.com/crescents for photos of our obviously bright and cheery participants.






Remember it’s never ever too late to become a CresFit4Life-er



See you and the family this Sunday!

Community Service Announcements

- The **Kuraby Madressah Fund Raising BBQ** is on this Sunday 28th. It promises to be a fun-filled day for the whole family. And it’s for a great cause! So don’t miss out!
- There will be a **Zikr Program** at Yunie Omar's residence at 13 Wespark Place, Kuraby on Thursday 25 November after Esha (8.30pm) by Imam Abu Ghazali. Provision has been made for ladies. All are welcome. Call 34230265 if you need more information.

		<p>Eid Gala A sell-out crowd of over 500 attended this year's function in Beenleigh on Saturday night (click on images on the left to enlarge). The food was excellent and the venue spacious, bright and breezy. Going-going-Goss and his gavel were in scintillating form with a rather expansive shell painting of the Dome of the Rock getting knocked off for around \$6000. Imam Abu Ghazali's dulcet voice and Duff kept the crowd on the edge of their seats while he sang a sad, self-composed refrain on Palestine. For her efforts in selling the most tickets for the function, the indefatigable Rubana Moola won the top prize of the evening - a return trip to Sydney for one. What about the "significant other", I hear you ask! Doesn't that smile say it all?</p>  <p>(ps. Very nice outfit, Rubana. Its rare and unique colours, textures, styling and design really make it look like one in a million!)</p>
		

Only in Southern Africa!
On paper, Africa Dube was a successful computer company boss winning valuable contracts, thanks to South Africa's black empowerment program. In reality, he lived in a mud shack, the victim of a scam by white businessmen who used him as a front to help secure affirmative action government contracts. Durban city officials said they had exposed the scandal at the CKB computer company, where Dube was officially listed as owner-director despite the fact that he had never been anything but a messenger for the firm. Although he signed company cheques and tenders for projects he did not know what they were for. "I'm amazed that 10 years after democracy you still find people who think business should be conducted in such a racist way," Durban city manager Michael Sutcliffe said. Source (The Australia, IT section, 16 November 2004)

The Quotable Quotes Corner
Unlike the present generation brought up on a diet of Harry Potter and the like, when I was a wee lad, my father used to read this particular book to me and some of the words from it have still stuck in my mind over these years.

The Moving Finger writes; and, having writ
Moves on: nor all your Piety nor Wit
Shall lure it back to cancel half a Line,
Nor all your Tears wash out a Word of it

What was the book and who was the poet? Answer in the next issue of CCN (wtmb*)

* Whenever that may be

Supporting Local Enterprise

Dr Nazir Mahomed has started up dental practice (Compton Road Dental) in Runcorn. CCN wishes him all the very best in his practice. Nazir is offering you, dear CCN reader, a free dental check up for your children during the months of November and December (conditions apply). Call 3276 0088 for more information. Mention CCN to his nurse and she just might let you in ahead of the long queues stretching outside of his front doors.

The Book Report

If you have not read Dan Brown's *The Da Vinci Code* then you should – it's a worthwhile lightweight read not just for the fact that it is the number one bestseller on the **fiction** lists but also because it deals with several theories, one of which suggests that Jesus was married to Mary Magdalene and that the Christian Church has hidden this information from its followers over the centuries. "The church, in order to defend itself against the Magdalene's power, perpetuated her image as a whore and buried evidence of Christ's marriage to her," one character in the book explains, "thereby defusing any potential claims that Christ had a surviving bloodline and was a mortal prophet." Another of the many claims in this book is that the Priory of Sion (a secret cult) has preserved "thousands of ancient documents as scientific evidence that the New Testament is false testimony". This book is an intellectual and fact-based suspense thriller that could confirm beliefs about the validity of many Biblical interpretations. (Reviewer: Mustafa Ally)

If you have also read a book and would like to share your thoughts on it please email CCN.

Letter to the Editor

Inshallah may Almighty reward you for your time. This is an excellent way of letting us know important new. Well done Crescents. [Bhamjee Family]

Editor: CCN is now happy to report a 300% increase in its fan base.

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