

Balestier Clubs to join in Combined Sports Carnival

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The First-ever Balestier Plain Sports Carnival is being planned for January 28, 2001 and will be held from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the whole stretch of fields from the Khalsa Association to CSC. The objective of the project will be:

“To create an outward looking Balestier Plain with Clubs serving the Social and Cultural needs of the Community at large, through the active promotion of sports and recreation.”

All four Balestier Plain Clubs will be involved.

NOTE: The Club and its facilities will be closed on that day except for the Carnival.

The tentative programme will include the following:

Soccer Tournament, 5-a-side for Under 10's; Under 14's and Open.

Hockey 6's Under 18's; and Open

Darts Inter-Club round-robin format

Netball Inter-Club K.O.

Tennis

Souvenir Tee-shirts will be sold at the Carnival to raise funds.

In addition, it is hoped to have a Blood Donation Campaign and the National Kidney Foundation for free health screening.

Details of the Carnival will be published in the CSC web site and on the Club's notice boards.



BALESTIER PLAIN Plaques. Let's preserve the area as a haven of sports

At the meetings beginning on September 25 between the Presidents of the Balestier Clubs, Mr. P. Raveentheran, (CSC), Mr Rajkumar Nair (IA) Mr. Jagjit Singh (Khalsa Association) and Mr. Lee (Singapore Chinese Recreation Club) matters of common interest pertaining to their location in Balestier Plain were discussed.

At the National Day Function, the CSC President:

- (i) suggested that a letter be written to the Singapore Heritage Board with a view to proposing the erection of plaques in the Balestier area to commemorate historical events for future generations and visitors to this area.
- (ii) mentioned about the growth of the Balestier Plain into an oasis of sports and the commemoration of numerous brilliant Singaporean sportspersons of various ethnic backgrounds that our Clubs have produced.
- (iii) announced the support for the recent Government-sponsored 25-man Committee on Sporting Singapore (CoSS) to promote SPORTS FOR ALL.
- (iv) quoted the recent CNN Gallup Polls in which about 95 % of parents interviewed said that they would like to see greater emphasis placed on Sports in Schools in Singapore.

In view of this, the Guest of Honour at the Function, Mr. Chan Soo Sen, suggested that a draft be put up.

In the pipeline is the intention to include the Preservation of Balestier Plain as a haven of sports in the National Heritage Board, and to designate this area as a 'green lung' for all forms of sports, and recreation.

“Thank You” from Sunlove Home

A group of Intellectually Disabled people were present at the National Day Function, 2000 by kind invitation of the CSC. This was in keeping with the Club's policy of helping Singapore's less fortunate citizens. The Management of the Sunlove Home For Intellectually Disabled has written to thank the Club, and addressed to the President of the CSC. The letter reads:

“We would like to express our sincere gratitude for your Organisation's kind efforts in including our disabled people in your celebration of Singapore's National Day.

Your Club has always been noted for its kind efforts in helping the less fortunate in mainstream activities.” The letter went on to thank the Club for striving to support the National Philosophy of creating a caring and gracious society.