

*** Taste**

Number one spot for FINE DINING

The California Grill Roof Top Restaurant at the Galadari Hotel has got the nod from many for the best in fine dining.

Those who have checked out this prestigious venue have only superlatives to describe the food, the music, the service, the hospitality, the atmosphere and the setting.

No wonder, most

of the high society folks are seen on a regularly basis, enjoying a fine dining experience at the California Grill.

Just recently, several regular and faithful customers turned up at the California Grill to relish some specially prepared dishes, which consisted of grill prawns with garlic and cashewnut-coated pan fried scallops, red bell pepper cream soup, herbed and cashewnut-crusted Victorian lamb chops with orange sauce, strawberry champagne praline with nugatine cherry chocolate mousse and twisted hearts with berries, and handmade chocolates.

Kiran Atapattu, Chairman, Colombo

Engineering Services, and a regular to the California Grill, described the food as 'out of this world'.

"To me, the California Grill is the number one place for fine dining, said Kiran, adding that what was dished out to the special invitees that evening was lavish and opulent.

And if you want to be a part of that fine dining experience, you could check out the Hotel's Steak & Wine Promotion at the California Grill- August 15th to the 24th.

I'm told there's going to be juicy imported and local steaks, cooked as per your liking, accompanied with a complimentary glass of wine. Or you could select your favourite steak from the A la Carte menu.

So it's something delectable to look forward to, come August 15th.



KIRAN ATAPATTU: Considers the California Grill as the best place for fine dining



*** Events**

*** Today - Movie, "Destinees Sentimentales"** by Oliver Assays, at the alliance Francaise Auditorium, 3 p.m. (Jean Barnery is the pastor of a small village in Charente. Shortly after separating from his wife, he meets Pauline, the daughter of one of his parishioners who runs a cognac distillery).

*** Today - Movie, "Yankee Doodle Dandy,"** a musical based on the true life story of American showman, George M. Cohan, at the American centre, 6 p.m.



Good time at Maroons Night

*** WHAT:** Ananda College Maroons Night, 2008.
*** WHERE:** Kingston Town Hall, Melbourne, Australia.
*** WHO WAS THERE:** A crowd of over 600 Old Anandians and their guests who danced the

night away to the music of Midnight Mist and guest stars, Corrine and Ronnie.

The photographs (above) show the smiling faces of some of the guests who had a good time at Maroons Night.

Quite a few photographs that come our way are not suitable for publication and have to be rejected. We need clear and reasonably large photos. So if you are putting together an event, get a professional photographer to cover it for you. It would make things very easy for us at this end.

And remember, we welcome photographs, along with details, of any social event. It could even be a party! No problem - we can do the needful for you.

You could e-mail, whatever you have to: avonxfactor@yahoo.com

If you need to double check anything, give us a shout on 0777353920.



The loveliest of them all

The glitter, the glamour, the excitement... it was all there. And it was a prestigious crowd that turned up on the evening of Thursday, July 24th, at Water's Edge, to take in the scene at Sri Lanka's most glamorous event - Miss Derana for Miss World 2008.

The 12 finalists were all greeted with enthusiasm, but the long and appreciative applause was reserved for the loveliest of them all - Rochelle Adriana Corea.

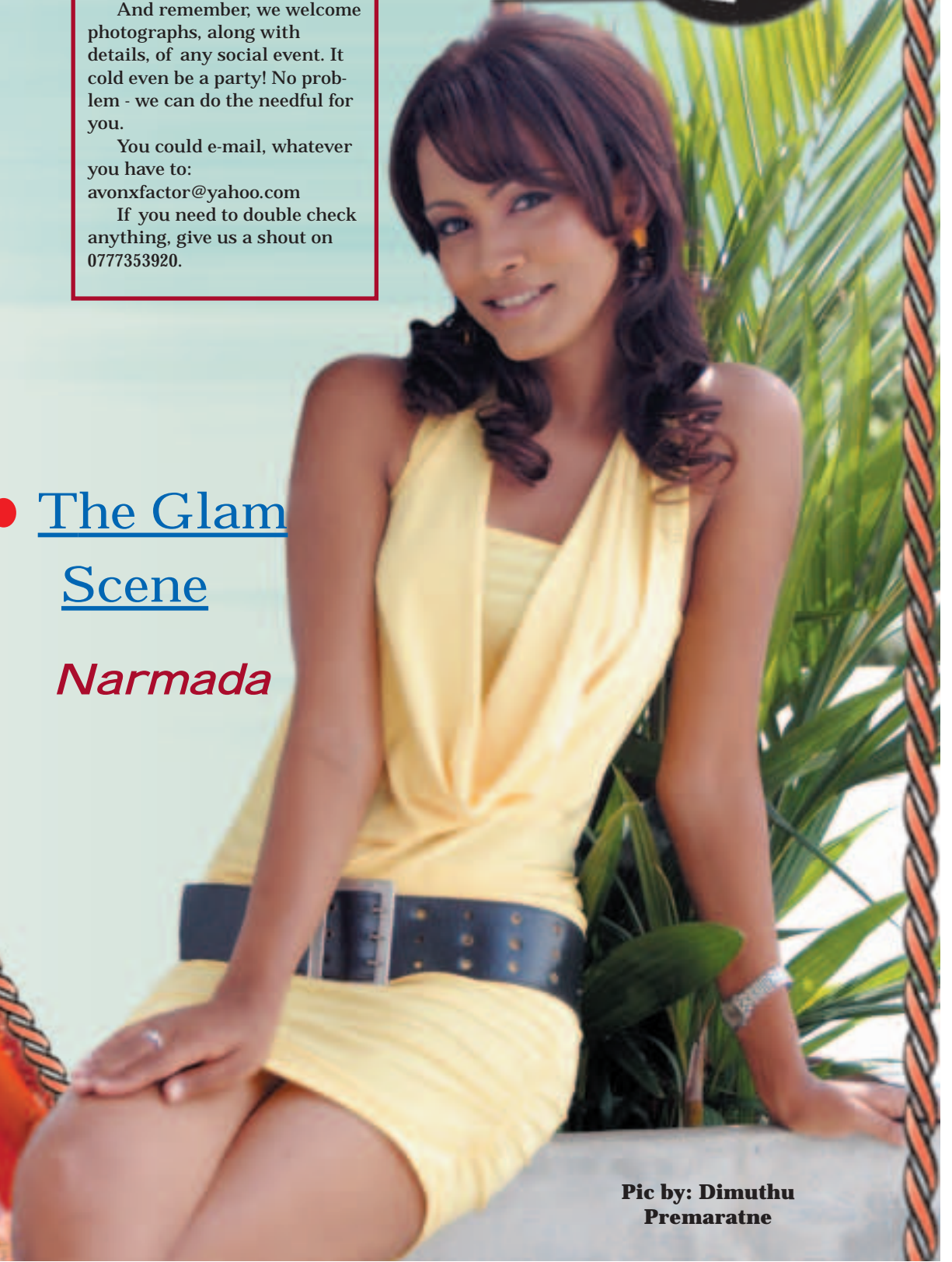
Rochelle will now go on to represent Sri Lanka at the Miss World pageant to be held in Ukraine, later in the year:

The first runner-up was Saumya Mee-Ella, while Nilakshi Pathirana came in third.

Derana TV has been very successful in putting together this prestigious event, since they actively moved into the beauty scene last year. And this year, too, it was handled in a very professional manner.

The Glam Scene

Narmada



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