



Simone and Shane Warne and Lara Bingle with fiancé, Australian cricket vice-captain, Michael Clarke.

● **After Dark**

The Mermaid Lagoon

The first-ever under water theme party in Sri Lanka! Yes, and it's happening on Saturday, December 5th, at the Mirrors Club, Palm Beach Hotel, Mount Lavinia. You would have the unique opportunity of experiencing an under-water sea-like atmosphere while you party. There will also be the hottest mermaids, sea shells, corals, aquarium effects, sea bubbles, etc. When the hot mermaids take you 'deep into the sea,' some of the best soul spinning DJs will make it all happen - DJ Ranga, DJ Rizni, DJ Nitro, DJ Roger and guest DJs Dex-T and Nishan Lee.

Kingswood Professionals' Night

Presented by the Kingswood Union Colombo Branch, this dinner dance will be held on November 14th at the Cinnamon Lakeside Hotel. The bands Misty and Aliens will provide the music.



Janine De Vos

Spring Carnival fever

Melbourne is currently hit by Spring Carnival fever, says Trevine Rodrigo, and with clear signs that Australia is on the road to recovery, from the global recession that took a heavy toll on the country's economy, things are definitely looking brighter as the world's richest horse racing 'carnival' takes centre stage.

Of course, these events are not complete without the glamour and the glitz. It is usually two solid weeks of fashion and revelry.

Well-known personalities are seen around on most days of the races. And several showed up this year as well. Sure enough, the Sri Lankans were there, too. And our girls certainly did make heads turn!

Well, checkout the photographs we have for you on this page.



Former West Indian cricketing legend, Brian Lara, and partner



Great singing at "Y" Sing-Along

A capacity crowd of over 400 sing-along enthusiasts sang their hearts out vociferously at the "Y Sing-Along 2009," presented by the Moratuwa Y.M.C.A. The evening's entertainment began with Lincoln De Silva, who led the singing with his band "Super Pink N Purple," performing "My Bonnie Lies Over The Ocean."

This was followed by no less than 42 songs - some of them sung in medley form.

Brian Coorey, Priya Peiris, Lasla Fernando, Hiran Fernando, Delvin Pereira, Lucille Pereira, Anuradha Mendis, Apsarika Kodikkara - all well known singing stars from Moratuwa - came upfront on stage, at regular intervals, to sing and to urge the audience to be a part of the action. There was much interaction,

with the supporting singers mingling with the crowd and directing the microphones at music lovers who were seen singing with much enthusiasm. Golden oldies, Sinhala evergreens and more recent hits, ranging from "Red River Valley", "Home On The Range", "Jamaican Farewell", "Love Letters In The Sand", to "Living Doll", "Candida", "Knock Three Times," and host of other popular melodies, were included in this three-hour package of singing and fun.

Sohan Weerasinghe and Annesley Malawana gave polished performances to keep the crowd happy, while the youthful sisters from Moratuwa, Melissa and Lozaine Pereira, captivated the hearts of everybody with their soulful and sterling singing act. The show reached a fitting climax with the crowd rising to their feet to render "Irene Goodnight". Yes, it was a wonderful evening of heartwarming singing, generating close companionship and camaraderie.

The Moratuwa Y.M.C.A embarked on this function to raise funds to complete the new building project which would house a gymnasium, indoor games and other recreational facilities for the youth of Moratuwa.

Hiran Fernando and Delvin Pereira compered the show.

Malaysian scene at Galle Face Hotel

All the top hotels in Colombo, in collaboration with the Ceylon Tourist Board, are celebrating the World Spice Festival 2009, with special food promotions, centered round a particular nation.

The Malaysian scene is at the Galle Face Hotel, and it's already happening - till November 14th.



At the Sea Spray Restaurant, exotic Malaysian cuisine is being prepared by Malaysian Chef, Azhar Alias, who works for Hotel Equatorial in Kuala Lumpur. Chef Azhar is using all authentic ingredients from Malaysia for the dishes he puts together. The menu is tempting, indeed, and brings the best of Malaysian cuisine - fried prawn with flour (Cucur Udang dengan cili sauce), chicken with red chili blend (Ayam goreng berlada), beef with thick coconut gravy (Rendang daging), prawns with hot chili (Sambal udang), fried mix vegetables (Sayur campur goreng) and many other delicious main dishes. It's all happening from 7:00 pm - 10:30 pm.

As accompaniments, a choice of sambal belacan, Cincalok and Air Asam is being offered, too. Hot Soups, like oxtail, potato, spicy chicken and mix vegetable soups, are also on the cards at the Sea Spray Restaurant.

That's not all!!! Sea Spray is also hosting a delightful array of Malaysian desserts, like green bean porridge (Bubur kacang Hijau), dodol, sago, and lots more...

Oh, yes, a range of entertainment is also a part of the Malaysian food fair now on at the Galle Face Hotel, till November 14th.



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● **The Glam Scene**



Priya and Hiran leading the sing-along



Brian and Hiran urging the audience to sing



A section of the crowd



Lincoln, Anuradha and Lucille in action