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BEACH PICNIC PROTEST

The MDM's beach picnic in defiance of apartheid law was hailed a a victory for sanity whne a major confrontation between protesters and police failed to materialised.

Thousands of Africans, Indians and Coloureds, with a number of Whites, opposed to apartheid converged on Durban's exclusive White beaches on Sunday and shared the sun and surf on the sands, in fun and frolick, while registering their serious protest.

A strong contingent of police, reportedly numbering 800 men, had taken up positions at strategic locations, giving rise to fears that jackboot action similar to incidents in the Cape would take place.

But police action was scaled down to a large scale.

From about 10am, police were seen all around Point Road and on pavements there was barriers which indicated that police would seal off roads leading to the beaches.

However, the police alled the protesters to converge on the beaches in defiance of apartheid laws.

Protesters toyi-toyed, played netball, and chanted freedom songs in a day which was, however marred by a group of rightwing racists who seem keen to get involved in a violent confrontation with protesters.

The racists – numbering about 30 – fired abuse

at protesters – Black and White. At least one on the racists who called himself Rocky Marciano openly confessed: "I'm not a politician. I'm a Nazi. I see Whites giving in. They should stand together."

Africans were branded as 'kaffirs' and Indians



as 'charous' who do not bathe and therefore had to come to the beaches.

White woman democrats – who were in the company of Blacks – were told that they would get babies with Aids.

Racists were seen at one stage wielding sjamboks threatening to hit Blacks. They also drove by in a van displaying the AWB and Vierkleur flags. At least one woman walked with a 'Jesus is Alive' banner – was assaulted by a White racist who was reportedly arrested.



Keeping close watch: Legalmen Mr Archie Gumede, Adv. Kessie Naidu and Mr Thumba Pillay.



Among the picnickers - Swaminathan Gounden, Prof. Fatima Meer and Mr and Mrs Rabi Bugwandeen.

48 protesters were also detained for being involved in an incident described as an 'unlawful meeting'.

Yet White racists – who grouped together – and dished out racial abuse and seemed determined to pick a fight were not stopped.

The police in action was noted at a subsequent press conference by former Methodist Church president Dr Khoza Mgojo and NIC executive member Dr Farouk Meer.

Dr Mgojo said police showed a 'lot of bias' towards the racists. The post mortem of Sunday's events and the MDM's defiance campaign and its effect on the general election will continue for a long time but one thing is certain: South Africa will never be the same again.



Blacks and Whites mingle on the Whites-only Addington Beach. Top: Part of the huge crowd who defied racist laws.



PROVOCATIVE

Despite ther fact that it was the White racists who were behaving 'provocatively' it was the protesters – who were largely disciplined – who faced the brunt of police action.

Police detained 58 people – 10 for allegedly unfurling an ANC banner but those Whites who displayed the AWB flag – and with it the propagation of racism – came out scott free.

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TEARS AS DELMAS TRIO GO TO JAIL

There were emotional scenes at the Pretoria's Palace of Justice on Monday as three African National Congress members were sentenced to 55 years for their political exploits.

The men who were involved in the lengthy Delmas treason trial raised clenched fists and sang the national anthem N'kosi Sikelele iAfrika, joined by spectators in the packed court. The 78 year old mother of Mr Ebrahim Ismail Ebrahim (51), together with other relatives, wept uncontrollably as Justice Daniels sentenced him to 20 years imprisonment for treason. Mr Mandla Masekol got 23, while a Swazi citizen, Mr Simon Dladla was sentenced to 12 years for terrorism.

This week a relative said they were "shattered and extremely upset" at the lengthy sentences imposed on Mr Ebrahim. "But what can we do about it?" We can hope and pray that Mr Ebrahim will be released sooner", the relative said.

"Ebrahim had actually told us earlier that we must expect at (least a) 20 to 25 year sentence but still it came as a shock to us. He is someone we love very much

and hoped, just hoped, that what he was saying was not true, that the sentence would be much less," the relative said.

The family was particularly saddened that Mr Ebrahim's five year old daughter, Cassia would see her father freed when he will be 71 and she 25. "She does not know the full impact of what happened at the courtroom on Monday but she is extremely intelligent and has some idea" the relative added.

Mr Ebrahim's lover, Ms Julia Wells, also flew in from the United States about three months ago to attend the final stages of the trial. She will be returning together with little Cassia, to the US at the end of this month as her visa expires. "We will miss them terribly" the relative said, adding that Ms Wells was supposed to visit the family later in the day to discuss her future as well as that of the child.

At this stage the family have no idea where Mr Ebrahim is to be imprisoned. "We have heard nothing yet. We will be discussing this with the lawyers, but most important, we want to know when we can visit Ebrahim again", the relative said.



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There was great excitement in D' Alberton Callies indoor soccer tournament at the UDW sports centre last weekend when New Orleans and Coronation met in the run-up for the Moosa's Warehouse KO Cup. The latter won 5-4 on a penalty shoot-out. The finals are next weekend.



EDDIE'S BACK!

NATAL'S star swimming coach Eddie Meth, who has been in the sidelines for some years while training scores of young record breakers, is back in the mainstream once again.

And Natal swimming and swimmers can benefit a great deal from his new involvement.

Eddie, who was a record breaker in the pool, himself, when in his prime, he has been appointed coach of the provincial to take part in the rational championships which will take place in the Cape from 5 to 11 March.

He holds the distinction of being the only coach from Natal to have lectured at the Coaching Clinic of the Amateur Swimming Federation (SAASwif) in Cape Town in 1982. In its review "A decade of Endeavour" the SASwif declared four of Eddie's swimmers as "Swimmers of the Decade 1966-1976"

The 'Swimmer of the Year' award regarded as the highest award attainable by any competitor, at the National Championships was awarded to no fewer than fourteen such winners who were coached by Eddie.

This qualifications and achievements are second to none and Natal has done itself proud by selecting him.

Eddie's hearts desire is to see sports men from other fields who have enjoyed their youth through organised sport. Come back and join the coaching and administrative force to give children a chance.

When asked what he expects of the Natal team at the Nationals, he said, "Our Swimmers have the potential, I am just going to show them how to demonstrate that to South Africa."

How far would he like to take them?

"To the Olympics to show the World," he said.



THE CENTENARY Indian High School in Asherville will hold their annual Debts Ball at Durban City Hall on Saturday, August 12. About 20 debutantes will be presented to Mrs Gabriel, a former teacher of the school. Picture shows (from left) Komathy Naicker, Radhia Mustapha, Priscilla Gopaul, Indira Hiralall, Elizebeth Govender and Vidhya Singh.

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NITE LIFE



Tangie Naidoo, Denise Marais and Sohna Maharaj who were at the Athlone Hotel on Saturday night.



The Northmead Secondary School held its annual debs' ball at the Durban City Hall where principal Mr Manilall Singh (right) was photographed with Dan Chetty, Rani Chetty, Paul Harridan, Lalitha Ramkisson, Shakil Singh and Tony Singh.



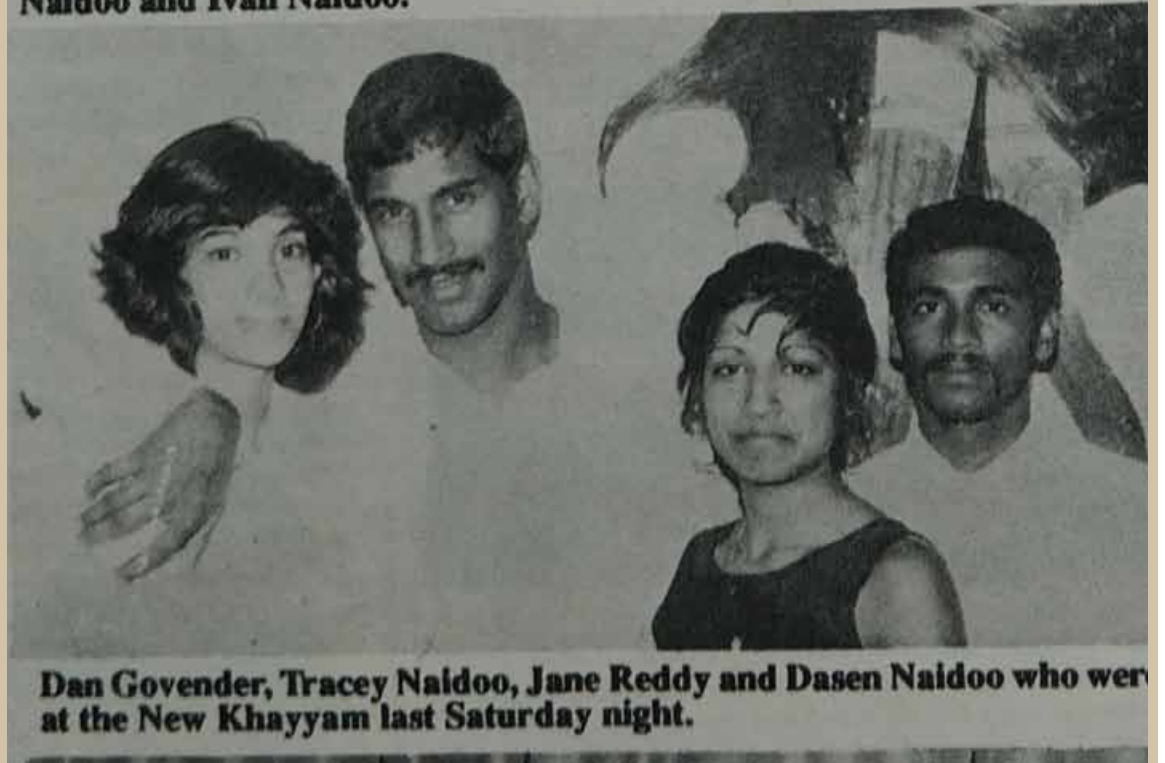
A bevy of lovely lasses at the Blitz, from left, Celeste Adendorff, Riana Isaacs, Imelda Wheatley, Rozanne Mulqueeny and Dawn Alexander.



Mergan Govender, Krishnee Naidoo, Loshnee Govender and Segie Pillay who had a happy time at the Palladium.



The New Khayyam, extensively and expensively rebuilt is the scene to be at if anybody is somebody. Among the somebodies who were not quite anybodies last Saturday night were (from left) Coogan Naidoo, Maheshini Naidoo, Simi Naidoo, Shirlene Pillay, Pam Naidoo, Mavis Naidoo and Ivan Naidoo.



Dan Govender, Tracey Naidoo, Jane Reddy and Dasen Naidoo who were at the New Khayyam last Saturday night.

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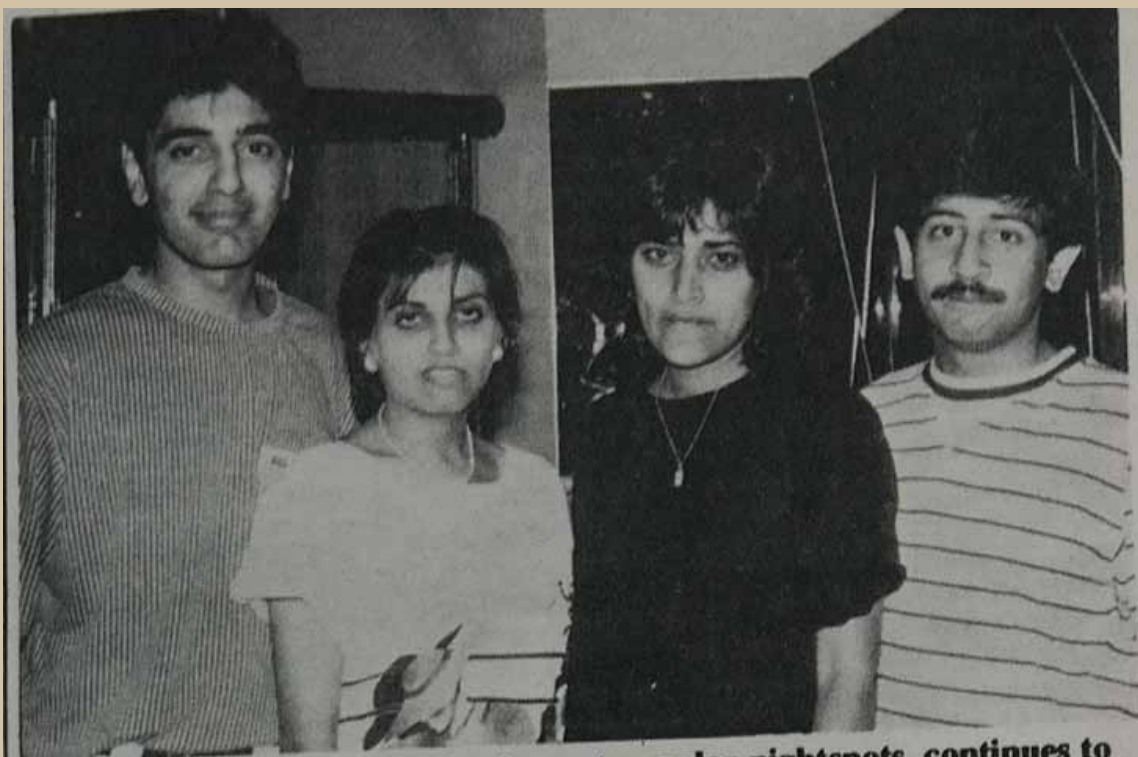
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NITE LIFE



The Palladium, one of Durban's most popular nightspots, continues to draw large crowds and among the patrons last weekend were Sanjay Nathoo, Neetha Bhana, Pria Bhana and Deepak Soni.



The Dukes' Gabriel Joseph (trumpet and vocals) with wife Debbie and colleague Martin Sigamoney (keyboards and lead vocals).

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MOVIE REVIEW

Road House

James Dalton (Patrick Swayze) is a professional "cooler" (i.e. specialized doorman, or bouncer) with a mysterious past who is enticed from his current job at a club in New York by club owner Frank Tilghman (Kevin Tighe) to take over security at his club/bar, the Double Deuce, in Jasper, Missouri. Tilghman plans to invest substantial money into the club, to enhance its image, and needs a first-rate cooler to maintain stability.

Arriving in Jasper, and searching for a place to stay, Dalton eventually takes lodging at a local farm. He attracts attention driving his 1965 Buick Riviera and having a quiet demeanor—contrasting with the tough locals. Dalton's "real" car is a 1989 Mercedes 560SEC, which he keeps hidden (at a private garage in New York and under a car cover in his landlord's barn in Jasper). He keeps the Mercedes hidden and drives old run down cars because his car becomes a target for disgruntled bar patrons. Dalton is soon introduced to local business magnate (and next door neighbor) Brad Wesley (Ben Gazzara). Wesley appears to have a stranglehold on the town; and little happens without his knowledge and approval. In the course of cleaning up the violent nightclub, Dalton dismisses several unruly and corrupt employees, some of whom are connected with Wesley. After one particularly violent night where Dalton is forced to physically remove Wesley's henchmen from the club, he suffers a knife wound. Upon going to the hospital for stitches, he strikes up a friendship with Dr. Elizabeth "Doc" Clay (Kelly Lynch) which leads into a romantic relationship.

Wesley summons Dalton to his home in a seemingly innocent attempt to make peace, but has an ulterior motive: Wesley would like Dalton to work for him once he extorts Tilghman's club. When Dalton declines, Wesley begins an assault on Dalton's friends, including interfering with liquor deliveries to the Double Deuce. Dalton's mentor, legendary but aging cooler Wade Garrett (Sam Elliott), arrives in town after a disconcerting phone call from Dalton and helps him defend a liquor shipment from Wesley's thugs.

That evening, local business owner Red Webster's (Red West) auto parts store is destroyed by a fire after he refuses to give ground to Wesley's persistent extortion demands. Dalton, not wanting to exacerbate matters, allows Wesley and his men entrance to the club that night. The next day, car dealership owner Pete Stroudenmire becomes Wesley's next victim when he also rebuffs Wesley. As a result, Wesley has one of his thugs, Gary Ketchum, demolish the structure and two station wagons in the showroom with his monster truck (BIGFOOT #7) as Dalton and his friends look on with contempt.

That night, Doc visits Dalton and attempts to persuade him to leave. However, their conversation is interrupted by a powerful explosion. Dalton rescues Emmett from the blaze before the house is completely destroyed. He then witnesses one of Wesley's

henchmen, Jimmy (Marshall Teague), fleeing the scene, and manages to intercept him. After a vicious fight, Dalton kills Jimmy by ripping out his throat with his bare hand. The next morning, Dalton receives an ominous phone call from Wesley, who vows to have either Wade or Doc killed. At that moment, Wade staggers into the Double Deuce, badly beaten but alive. Believing Doc to be in danger, Dalton races to the hospital, but she refuses to leave with him, repulsed by his increasingly violent nature. Upon returning to the Double Deuce, Dalton finds Wade sprawled out on the bar with a knife lodged in his chest. Fighting back tears, an enraged Dalton pulls the knife free and jumps into his car, determined to settle the score with Wesley.

Driving his Mercedes, Dalton speeds recklessly toward Wesley's estate, drawing gunfire from Wesley's henchmen, but they discover the car empty, and the knife that was used to kill Wade stuck in the accelerator. One by one, Dalton dispatches each of Wesley's thugs, and eventually comes face-to-face with Wesley. Dalton gains the upper hand in their fight and prepares to finish Wesley in the same brutal manner as Jimmy, but decides against it. When Dalton releases him, Wesley seizes the opportunity to reach for a gun, but is promptly shot to death by Red, Emmett, Stroudenmire, and Tilghman. They stash the weapons away prior to the arrival of law enforcement and proceed to corroborate each other's innocence, with the implication that what happened in Wesley's house will remain a secret.

The final scene finds Dalton and Doc together enjoying each other's company swimming in a swimming hole with the implied thought that they do get together—and Dalton remains in town for good.



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And you bear the weight of all that has to be
I hope you see that you can lean on me
And together we can calm a stormy sea

We love so strong and so unselfishly
And I tell you now that I made a vow
I'm giving you the best that I got, baby
Yes I tell you now, that I made a vow
I'm giving you the best that I got, honey

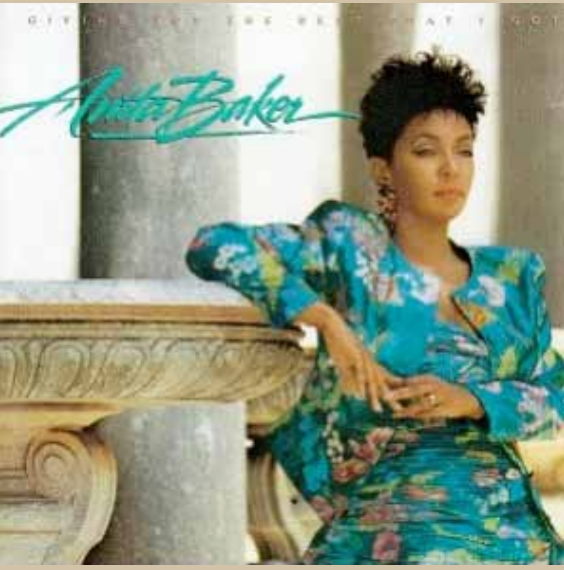
Everybody's got opinions
'Bout the way they think our story's gonna end
Some folks feel it's just a superficial thrill
Everybody's gonna have to think again

We love so strong and so unselfishly
They don't bother me so I'm gonna keep on
Giving you the best that I got, baby
They don't bother me, said I'm gonna keep on
Giving you the best that I got, listen baby

Somebody understands me
Somebody gave his heart to me
I stumbled my whole life long
Always on my own, now I'm home

My weary mind is rested
And I feel as if my home is in your arms
Fears are all gone, I like the sound of your song
And I think I want to sing it forever

We love so strong and so unselfishly
And I made a vow so I tell you now
I'm giving you the best that I got, baby
I bet everything on my wedding ring
I'm giving you the best that I got,
Givin' it to you baby



Recipe Sweet Roti

by anitajella



Sweet roti are an unique roti recipe with sugar syrup added to the wheat flour while kneading. Roll out the sweet roti and shallow fry them with little ghee. They are sure to be loved by children.

Add your private note

Preparation Time: 10 mins

Cooking Time: 15 mins

Makes 2 servings

Ingredients

2 cups whole wheat flour (gehun ka atta)

1/4 tsp salt

1 tsp ghee

10 tsp sugar

oil for cooking

Method

Combine the wheat flour and salt, mix well and knead into a soft dough, using enough water.

Divide the dough into 4 equal portions and roll out each portion of the dough into a circle of 4" diameter.

Apply a tsp of ghee on each roti and spread a tsp of sugar evenly.

Bring the edges together and seal the circle tightly.

Roll out again into a circle of 6" diameter, using little whole wheat flour.

Heat a tava and cook each roti, using little oil, till golden brown spots appear on both the sides.

Serve hot.

MEET MISS DURBAN



LOVELY Miss Sharon Brissest won the Miss Durban title at a contest held at the City Hall on Saturday night.



Sherina Naidoo, of D'Alborton Callies who was crowned queen at the gala on the eve of Sonakwazbo's Mainstay International Knock Out Cup finals held at Curries Fountain at the weekend.

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Wonder if any of you have any memories of world war 2 in which an estimated 55million people worldwide lost their lives. I have some vivid memories of this period.We were living in a flat in Queen st at that time and i was about 9 yrs old,fortunately we were quite safe and no bombs fell on Durban,but we faced a .lot of other hardships. When the war sirens went off when planes flew above we all panicked and took cover under bed and tables for fear of bieng hit by a bomb.By law all our windows had to be covered with black paper and wardens with torches moved around to see that this was applied.There was tremendous amount of scacity in every thing especially foodstuff ,remember hopping from shop to shop with my brother looking to buy a loaf of brown bread,white bread was banned.Essential items for the home was also rationed by shops

Abdool Khaleck Motala:

Abdool Khaleck Motala: Abdool Hamid the brother that i am referring to in the world war 2 story was your father,you can cofirm this with him

Buddy Govender: Came across some photo's of the SA Indian Corp marching up Gardener Street after WW2

Abdool Khaleck Motala: Thanks Buddy for showing interest in my little input on world war 2,hope to relate many more old stories soon

Essop Khan: I was very young and remember security walking on the streets checking if light shows outside.I also saw the writing on the round island Epsom Rd,Mitchell Rd,around the racecourse"DON'T TALK ABOUT SHIPS OR SHIPPING"

Leslie Ivan Vurden: ..yes my mother used to tell us about how they had to paint the windows black...and search lights to used sweep across the sky !!!

Larry Naidoo: I was twelve years old when WW2 started and have many memories and images of it. To make it more readable, I will break it up into several posts:

We used to live in Tongaat at the time and I remember the times when the CPS (Civilian Protection Services) came around a few times and asked everybody to black out (turn off their lights) as an 'intruder (Japanese) airplane had been discovered in our airspace. All cars in those days were equipped with special black out headlight protectors so that the light did not reflect skywards and help the enemy.

Larry Naidoo: Living next to the Police Station as we did (in Tongaat) we were horrified one day when the bodies of several sailors were laid out on the lawn behind the Police Station. Apparently, German U-Boats had sunk some ships in a convoy in the Indian Ocean and the bodies of sailors were washed ashore at Tongaat beach. I did not experience it myself (because I was not allowed to get that close) , but apparently the bodies were stinking to high heaven while they were there.

Following that sinking, many people went off eating fish for quite some time because there was a rumour that someone had caught a fish that had a gold ring in its stomach. (ugh!)

Larry Naidoo: At the time we were one of the few to own a radio. (Used to be a battery operated radio in those days) And once every two weeks my dad used to lug the battery (a car battery) to his workplace (The Tongaat Sugar Company) where it was recharged. At 6 pm every evening we used to listen to the news from the BBC (Daventry) . My ears were glued (is that possible!) to that radio at that time as I listened attentively to every little detail of the latest developments in the war. (The next day at school I would imitate the Broadcasters and reproduce the news for their benefit!) I still remember that radio dial I had carved on my wooden desk with a needle in a semi circle and the letters 'A', 'B', and 'C' carved on it to indicate the three bands we used to listen to. (Channel A was local radio and Channel C was shortwave (overseas) stations. We rarely listened to Channel B which was devoted to medium Wave stations.

Larry Naidoo: And every day at precisely 7 pm we used to listen to radio Berlin. (I think we were not sure whose side we were on, so got the opinions of both sides about the happenings of the day The German news Broadcast was preceded by the playing of a recording of Franz Schubert's - Marche Militaire as their signature tune. Then the news broadcast start-

ed. It was always preceded by the sounding of a gong - One gong for each ship they had sunk in the previous 24 hours. I remember how shocked one evening when that gong went on for ever - that was the day when the Ark Royal (an aircraft Carrier) was sunk by a U-Boat.

Larry Naidoo: The war affected all of us in one way or another. Food was scarce as the needs of troops in the battlefield was a priority. and rice was just about not available for the duration of the war. Of course a 'black market' for rice soon developed and unscrupulous businessmen sold rice 'under the counter' at exorbitant prices. Some Indian farmers began to grow rice with some success. (I remember a huge field of rice at some place near Umzinto.)

As a substitute for rice, South African farmers grew maize that was converted to "mealie rice". While it was 'different' I found the taste quite acceptable, but missed real rice always. I still have memories of a fish biryani meal made with mealie rice and canned pilchards!

Certain select foods were rationed. It did not take us long to learn and use the word 'queue' more and more frequently as we had to stand in long lines to get what we wanted. Potatoes, for example, were in very short supply - as were other groceries.

Larry Naidoo: As students at school we too were affected by the war in different ways - some of them rather pleasant, surprising, and welcome. Convoys of ships regularly travelled the Indian Ocean to make sure that needed supplies were available to the troops. These convoy ships used to call in at Durban Harbour (a convenient, friendly half-way house) to stock up supplies for their long sojourn far away somewhere in the ocean. To enable this to happen smoothly and with the least waste of time, the needed supplies were stored and stocked in warefouses at the harbour in advance of the expected arrival of a convoy of ships in need.

Well, once is a while, these ships were delayed and were a little late to stock up. This did not have much of an effect on most of the stored supplies, except for the perishables. This is when we benefited. (Serendipity!!!)

When a convoy was late, schools received boxes and boxes of oranges, apples or slabs of cheese. These supplies were avidly snapped up by students in schools for whom they were intended. What memories . . .

Larry Naidoo: Earlier I mentioned our radio and how we regularly listened to broadcasts by the BBC and Radio Berlin. As i said, we were not sure whose side we were on, as we were not enthralled with the status quo in our country - and dreamed about the possibility of better times if a change was forthcoming.

Enter Radio Saigon. Every day, a subversive. clandestine radio station called Radio Saigon took to the air. They called themselves "All India Radio, Saigon". They were dedicated to broadcasting to the people of India who they hoped would rise in revolution against their 'British Masters'. The broadcasts were spearheaded by an Indian insurgent and revolutionary who had escaped from India to Saigon. The name of that person was Subash Chandra Bose (An Indian national hero to this day!) and many were the evenings that I used to listen to his broadcasts.

The broadcasts were introduced every day by a delightful melodious signatrure tune that still rings in my ears to this day!

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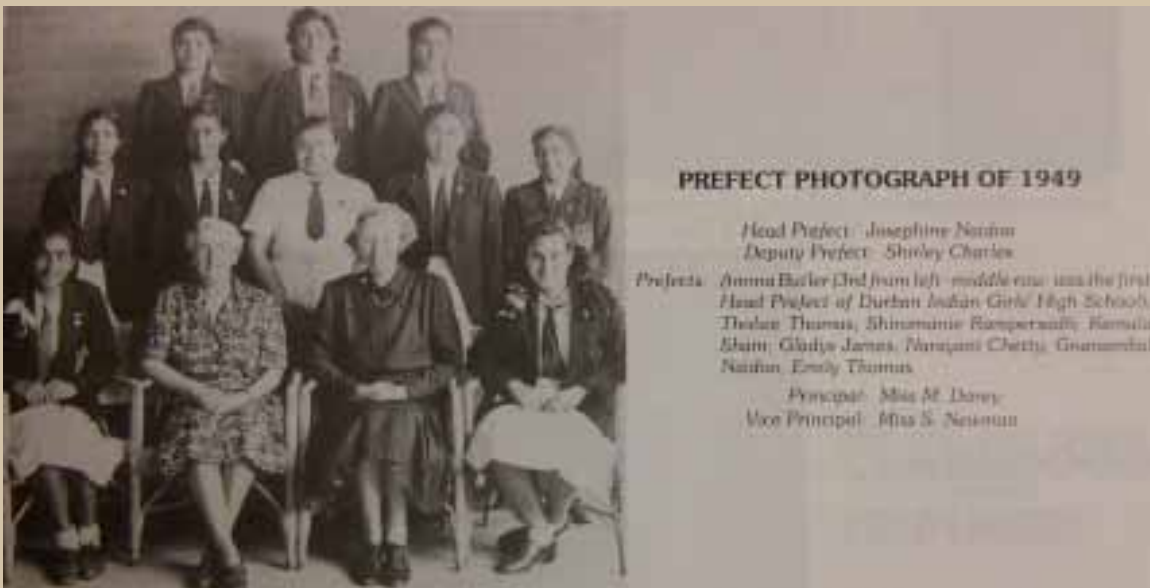
Back Row: Mrs D. Maharaj; Mrs M. Verran; Mrs P. Moodley; Miss L. Thomas; Mrs D. Bassa

Seated: Mrs R. Somaru; Mrs Z. Motala; Mrs L. Persad; Mrs S.D. Singh; Mrs G. Maharaj; Mrs A.B.H. Bayat.

Also: Mrs L.D. Maharaj; Mrs R. Hansraj.



FIRST ATHLETE SPORTS MEETING AT CURRIE'S FOUNTAIN 1974



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Head Prefect: Josephine Norman
 Deputy Prefect: Shirley Charles
 Prefects: Anna Butler (2nd from left - middle row) was the first
 Head Prefect of Durban Indian Girls' High School.
 Thelma Thomas, Shinnaminie Ramperuwall, Ramalia
 Esham, Gladys James, Narayani Chetty, Gunderthal
 Norman, Emily Thomas
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M. CHITTER of Western Province just holds on to beat Natal's Mark Buckley in the 200 metres event - Gelvandale Stadium - March 1978.



RUBENTHEREN NAIDOO of Natal winning very comfortably the boys U/15 200 metres event (Newlands Stadium, Johannesburg, 1981) Rubentheren held both the National Sprint titles in the U/14 and U/15 divisions.



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Seated from left : Archibald Andrews, Stephen Maseko, Alfred Chamane, Anthony Green, Patrick Mthembu and Aubrey Kumalo

Verulam Suburbs



Standing from left : Basil Arendse, Phillip Robinson, Seymore Bedderson, Celil Peters, Colin Abrahams, Donavan Lawler, Adrian Steinbank

Seated from the left : Gona Arumugam, George Heslop, Vincent Pillay, Charles Randall and Marceal Lewis

Sparks United



Standing from left : L. Moonsamy, K. Pillay, U. Ramjee, D. Lazarus, C. Lazarus, H. Le Fleur and A.S. Osman (Manager)

Seated from the left : S. Murugan,, T. Naidoo, R. Bhagowat, L. Nelson, A.G. Osman and A. Govindsamy

TOP KARATE MAN LAUGHS OFF TAUNT

A.K. Ismail, the Japanese and Korean trained karate expert has refused to accept an “un-ethical’ challenge. Errol Brisset, holder of a lowly brown belt, through a weekly newspaper, threw a challenge to Ismail last week. He thinks that “locally trained boys are no worse, if not better, than those who go overseas for training.”

He has, unlike A.K., only been trained in South Africa.

“I Am refusing the challenge not because I am scared, I just don’t want to stoop down to his level. Perhaps if he had trained under Japanese Grand masters he wouldn’t feel so proud and confident. It is never a practice in karate to go around throwing challenges. In fact, it is highly unethical.”

He said that he had fought some of the best karate men

in both Japan and Korea and that he had no need to prove his capabilities.

“Instead of going round challenging people, we should form a karate association and encourage the youth to take lessons. This should be the immediate aim of karate instructors.



Rebels FC



Standing from the left : Kemor, Sidney, Steven, Mr Tharis (Manager), Dennis, Arthur, Grant and Winston

Seated from the left : Jay, Wesley, Russel, Ivan, Nollan and Selven

D’ALBERTON ELECTION RETURNS-

The following officials of D’Alberton Callies FC were elected for the 1989 season.

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Assist Manager : Mr Dawood “Duggie” Amra

Juniors Managers : Mr Yakub Latiff

The Player of the Year award for the season 1988 went to Gordon Pillay. Leading last year players remaining viz., Cherry Ebrahim (captain), Denzil Klaasen, Gordon Pillay, Shane Scott, Shaun Heera, Ron Govender, Scones and Mel Newton. D’Alberton Callies Football Club are participating in the E.P Soccer Boards tournament in Port Elizabeth over the Easter weekend and with a good all round side hope to capture honours.

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Vicki Bismilla was born and raised in apartheid South Africa. She and her husband arrived in Toronto as young university graduates in 1970. Vicki has been an educator in the Greater Toronto Area for over forty years serving as Teacher, Principal, Superintendent of Schools and Vice-President of a college. Her doctorate is in Education. She is now retired and working on several writing projects, both memoir and fiction, based on her native South Africa. *Forbidden/Verboten* is her first published novel.

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