



# THE BANDRA GYMKHANA

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



Dr. Cheryl Misquitta

Dear Esteemed Members,

The Bandra Gymkhana remains at the heart of our community, offering a diverse array of events and amenities to suit the varied interests of our esteemed members.

From the thrilling start of the Members Doubles Tennis Tournament to the vibrant celebrations of Women's Day and Easter, from the delightful Senior Citizens Picnic to the lively Bar Night and Wednesday Nights gatherings, our calendar has been filled with excitement and solidarity.

Additionally, we take pride in enhancing our facilities, such as the newly renovated Women's Washroom and the grand opening of The Bandra Gymkhana Cafe.

Not to forget, the highlight of the season, our super Mega Annual Rink Hockey Tournament, which showcased the best of sporting talent and community spirit.

As we look ahead, I invite each of you to join us for many more spectacular events and memorable moments in the months to come. Together, let us continue to make The Bandra Gymkhana a place of joy, recreation, and togetherness.

Warm regards,

Dr. Cheryl Misquitta  
President, The Bandra Gymkhana

## Members Doubles Tennis Tournament



The month of March commenced with great enthusiasm as The Bandra Gymkhana hosted its highly anticipated Members Doubles Tennis Tournament.

Members showcased their exceptional skills and sportsmanship, making the event a resounding success.

Congratulations to all the winners for their outstanding performances and a big thank you to everyone who participated, making the tournament a memorable event!

Stay tuned for more exciting sporting events and activities at The Bandra Gymkhana.



## Women's Day Social with The Singing Sallies



An electrifying show unfolded at the Bandra Gymkhana's Women's Day celebration as the sensational band Singing Sallies took center stage, filling the air with melodious tunes that captivated the audience. The festivities reached new heights with a delightful grand march, bringing together members in joyous celebration of womanhood.



Everyone enthusiastically took part in exciting games. Attendees were delighted as they received prizes from the management, adding to the festive atmosphere and creating memorable moments of joy and celebration.



Ms. Veena Dsouza mesmerized everyone with her graceful moves, earning the title of Dancing Queen and receiving a prestigious crown from our President, Dr. Cheryl Misquitta. Adding to the jubilant atmosphere, a sumptuous buffet spread awaited all attendees, featuring an array of delectable dishes meticulously curated for the special occasion. From savory delights to sweet indulgences, every palate was catered to, ensuring a memorable culinary experience for all who partook. As the day unfolded, laughter and joy filled the air, creating cherished moments that will be fondly remembered by all.

***The celebration not only honored the remarkable achievements of women but also served as a testament to the spirit of unity and empowerment that defines The Bandra Gymkhana community.***



## The Bandra Gymkhana Café



**We are opening!**

**The Bandra Gymkhana Cafe**  
**First Floor Pavilion**  
**Saturday 16th March 2024**  
**at 6:00pm**

**Cafe Timings : 6:00pm - 10:00pm**



We're delighted to share that The Bandra Gymkhana Cafe (D'monte Pavilion) is now open for members and their guest. Following a special inauguration by our esteemed President and Trustee, we officially commenced operations on Saturday, 16th March 2024.

Operating hours for the cafe are from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM daily.

We invite you to visit us and experience the welcoming ambiance and culinary delights at The Bandra Gymkhana Cafe (D'monte Pavilion). Looking forward to seeing you there!

## Transformation of our Ladies' Washroom



The ladies washroom has undergone a complete transformation. It now boasts the latest sensor-operated fixtures, ensuring a touch-less and hygienic experience. Recognizing the needs of mothers, a dedicated and conveniently located platform has been created within the washroom. This thoughtful addition provides a comfortable space for mothers to attend to their babies' needs.



Easter Social



Our Easter Social gathering at The Bandra Gymkhana was a delightful celebration of joy and togetherness! 🎵🎶 We were treated to incredible musical talents by Marcia, Marc, and their son Isaiah, who graced us with their performance all the way from Chennai.



The event was a time of reflection and gratitude, where we cherished the blessings in our lives and shared precious moments with loved ones. The highlight of the evening was the Easter Parade, where everyone joined in the fun and danced together, adding an extra layer of festive spirit to our celebration.

Senior Citizen's Picnic at HD Beach Resort – Vasai



The Bandra Gymkhana hosted a delightful Senior Citizen's Picnic at the HD Beach Resort in Vasai, meticulously organized by our managing committee member, Theresa Aguiar. It was heartening to witness a large turnout, with seniors from our community enthusiastically participating in indoor games and enjoying a refreshing swim in the pool. We were honoured to have one of our Trustees, Roger Pereira, grace the occasion and join in the festivities.

At Bandra Gymkhana, we take pride in providing inclusive events that cater to individuals of all ages.



SATURDAY - Bar Night



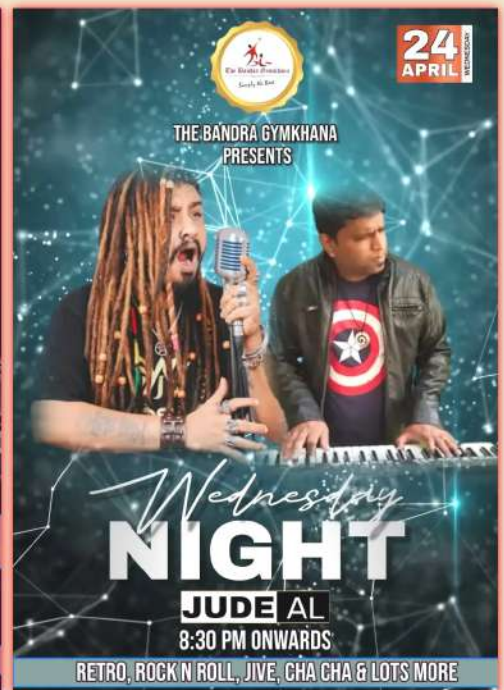
Bar Night at The Bandra Gymkhana was an unforgettable affair! After a considerable break, VDJ Ryan made a triumphant return, setting the stage on fire with his infectious beats and electrifying energy. The venue was buzzing with excitement as members and guests alike eagerly gathered to revel in the festivities.

The atmosphere was nothing short of exhilarating, with the bar area bustling with activity and the dance floor packed with enthusiastic party-goers. From classic hits to chart-topping tunes, VDJ Ryan had everyone grooving to the rhythm, creating a euphoric ambiance that was simply irresistible.

As the night drew to a close, there was a palpable sense of satisfaction and contentment among the attendees. The Bar Night had indeed lived up to its reputation as one of the most anticipated events at The Bandra Gymkhana, leaving everyone eagerly anticipating the next installment of fun and excitement.



WEDNESDAY Nights



At The Bandra Gymkhana, Wednesday Nights stand out as a vibrant celebration of music, eagerly anticipated and wholeheartedly embraced by our esteemed members. With an array of captivating live performances, these evenings have become a cherished highlight of our social calendar.

Featuring a diverse lineup of talented bands like FAITH 2.0, Michael & Sunita, and Jude Al, each Wednesday Night promises an unforgettable musical journey that captivates and inspires.

Our members delight in the variety of musical genres and styles, coming together to revel in moments of pure joy and connection as they dance the night away.



**The Bandra Gymkhana Annual Rink Hockey Tournament - 2024**



This year's tournament witnessed an overwhelming response, with 46 teams hailing from various corners of the country, spanning from Manipur to Chhattisgarh. Among them, 18 teams competed in the men's section, 14 in the women's section, and 7 each in the girls' and boys' categories, making it a truly grand and inclusive event.



The tournament was expertly spearheaded and organized by Derrick Drego, our dedicated Sports Secretary, who exhibited remarkable leadership throughout. His efforts were complemented by the unwavering support of our esteemed President, Dr. Cheryl Misquitta, alongside our esteemed Trustees and the diligent Managing Committee of The Bandra Gymkhana. Their collective commitment and teamwork ensured the smooth execution of this prestigious event, underscoring our organization's unwavering dedication to fostering sportsmanship and community engagement.



The competition was fierce across all four categories, showcasing intense matches and spirited performances from all participating teams.



In the men's category, Mumbai Customs - Red emerged victorious, while Central Railway clinched the title in the women's category. In the girls' under-14 division, India Rush claimed the top spot, and Don Bosco secured the championship in the boys' under-14 category.

Notably, Dr. Misquitta announced a groundbreaking initiative this year: the implementation of equal prize money for all participating teams, regardless of gender. Expressing her commitment to promoting gender parity and equality, she stated, "We believe in fostering a world where men and women are treated as equals. I hope this initiative inspires others to follow suit."

***The Bandra Gymkhana Hockey Tournament stands as a testament to excellence, embodying one of the finest sporting events organized.***



Upcoming Events in May 2024



# THE BANDRA GYMKHANA UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY  
2024

**1ST WEDNESDAY**  
**OPENING OF THE LIBRARY**

Time : 6:00pm

**1ST WEDNESDAY**  
**MAY QUEEN BALL**

Time : 8:30pm onwards

**4TH SATURDAY**  
**ANNUAL THANKSGIVING MASS**

Time : 6:00pm

**5TH SUNDAY**  
**MEMBERS' HOUSIE**

Time : 10:30am

**12TH SUNDAY**  
**MOTHERS DAY MEMBERS' BUMPER HOUSIE**

Time : 10:30am

**18TH SATURDAY**  
**BAR NIGHT**

Time : 8:30pm onwards

**19TH SUNDAY**  
**MEMBERS' HOUSIE**

Time : 10:30am

**TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT**

**22ND WEDNESDAY**  
**XANI & CROY**

Time : 8:30pm onwards

**26TH SUNDAY**  
**MEMBERS' HOUSIE**

Time : 10:30am

**31ST FRIDAY**  
**ROSARY**

Time : 7:00pm

\*PLEASE NOTE THE SCHEDULE MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES

*Special*  
**BURGER MENU**