



March 2024 Member Newsletter



Mr. Francis Lee
Grand Bilo &
General Manager

Dear Bilo Bar Club Members,

I am delighted to welcome you to another edition of our quarterly newsletter. March brings with it a sense of renewal and anticipation, and here at the resort and we are thrilled to embark on another month filled with exciting events, and unforgettable moments.

First and foremost, I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of you for your continued support and patronage. Your loyalty is the cornerstone of our establishment, and it is because of you that The Bilo Bar Club continues to thrive.

I would also like to congratulate the Club for the new website and be sure to check it out for yourself to get the latest about the Club.

As we look ahead to the coming months, I am filled with excitement for all that lies ahead. With your continued support, I am confident that Bilo Bar Club will continue to be a beacon of warmth, hospitality, and camaraderie in our community.

Thank you once again for choosing Shangri-La Yanuca Island, Fiji as your destination of choice. Here's to a month filled with laughter, friendship, and unforgettable memories.

Warm regards,
Loloma Levu and yours sincerely,

Francis Lee
Grand Bilo, Bilo Bar Club
General Manager, Shangri-La Yanuca Island, Fiji

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR IMPERIAL BILO



Mr. Andrew Neaves
Imperial Bilo

Bula Fellow Members!

I take this opportunity to thank Francis, Marsha, Avelina, and the amazing team at Shangri-La Yanuca Island, Fiji, for their continued support of our club. We wouldn't be able to do what we do without them and their dedicated teams. As members, you can be assured that the resort is fully committed to recognising you and the contributions you make. To back this up, check out details of another exclusive offer now available to you in this newsletter.

Your trustees and I have been working hard to get things in order that, through time and distance, have fallen by the wayside. Lately, things like the effective management of our membership database and governance of policy and procedures have taken up a lot of our time.

I am pleased to announce a new home for our website; www.thebilobarclub.com We have completely rebuilt and future-proofed the architecture of the site whilst enhancing the user experience. You will also see a link to a new online shop where you can now purchase branded merchandise; with all profits raised directly to the club.

The refurbishment of the Sigatoka Hospital's Bilo & Davui Ward has been completed, marking the first initiative by your new committee for 2024.

The Kindergartens also now benefit from a monthly gardening program to ensure the grounds are kept clean and tidy. Maintenance works to remedy broken fences and fittings are happening as we speak.

Looking forward, the committee is investigating ways to further support Education, Health, and Welfare and exploring ways to start supporting the Sporting efforts of the villages surrounding Yanuca Island.

Warm Regards & Vinaka vaka Levu, Andrew.

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INTRODUCING A NEW WWW!

THE OFFICIAL WEBSITE OF THE BILO BAR CLUB NOW HAS A NEW HOME, LOOK AND FUNCTIONALITY! CHECK IT OUT AT WWW.THEBILOBARCLUB.COM

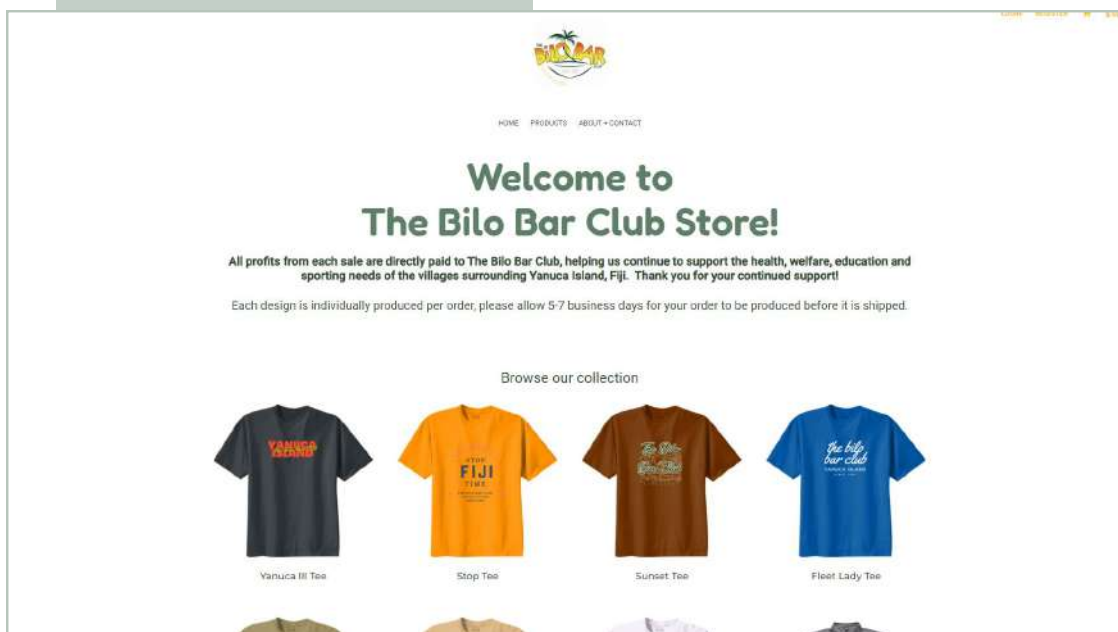


The Bilo Bar Club is a proud Fijian-based registered charity formed in 1981 by a dedicated group of regular visitors to Fiji. From our humble beginnings, The Bilo Bar Club has grown to contribute over half a million dollars of funding and infrastructure to the villages surrounding Yanuca Island.

Today, our members and trustees are ever committed to ensuring our forefather's legacy paves the way forward for generations to come.

We hope you enjoy the new look and feel of our website after its first overall in 20 years! The Bilo Bar Club would like to thank Stuart Gow and his team at The Army of Flying Monkeys, a local Fijian business who has supported the club for many years now, for their tireless efforts in getting the new site and functionality up and running. Members can also continue to maintain their memberships via online payments via credit card.

We have also launched a new online store where you can now purchase branded merchandise, delivered directly to your door. All profits from each sale goes directly to The Bilo Bar Club. As each order is custom made, please allow 5-7 business days before your items are shipped.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Please join us in welcoming our newest members to The Bilo Bar Club!

Ms Susan Elliot, Mr Rodney Orford, Mrs Patricia Margaret Orford, Mrs Phillipa White, Mr Wayne Hugo, Mrs Allison Hugo, Mr Mitchell McLachlan, Ms Jasmine Tam, Mrs Jadeine Whiteside, Mr Seth Friedman, Mr Oscar Whiteside, Mr Laurie Tedman, Mr Mathew Edward Grice, Mr John DeCoursey, Mrs Deborah DeCoursey, Mr Benjamin Reid, Mrs Molly Reid, Mr Darren Williams, Mrs Melissa Williams, Mr Sean Healy, Mrs Jessica Healy, Mr Raymond Vella, Mrs Julie Ann Grigg, Mr Maverick Blauuw, Mr Murray Peta, Mr Lachlan Epis, Mr Greg Epis, Ms Olivia Epis, Ms Lynette Douglas, Mr Gary Clay, Ms Narelle Clay, Mr Reece Clay, Mr Ronald Ashby & Zac Geoffrey.





Fiji Airways Bilobar Members Special

Embark on your dream journey with Fiji Airways and unlock remarkable savings with this exclusive special discount offer!

Sale Date: 15 March 2024 - 31 July 2024

Travel Date: 15 March 2024 - 20 December 2024

Promo Code: BILOBAR24

Routes: All Fiji Airways ports in Australia, New Zealand, North America, and Asia.

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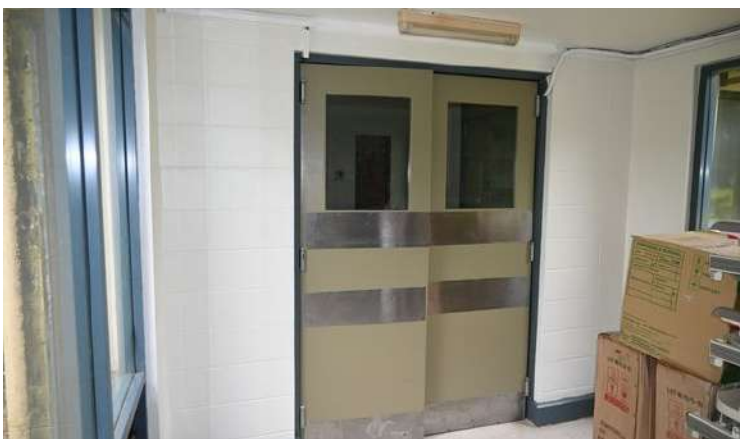
- Promotion Code "BILOBAR24" valid till 31 July 2024
- Enter the code in the "Promo Code" Field on the Fiji Airways website before booking your flights to receive a 10% Discount
- Flights must be to Fiji or transiting through Fiji
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REFURBISHED HOSPITAL WARD

Bilo Bar Club demonstrated its commitment to community welfare by undertaking a significant refurbishment project at the Sigatoka District Hospital. Focusing on enhancing healthcare facilities, the club directed its efforts towards renovating the Davui wards and Bilo ward, crucial components of the hospital's infrastructure. Through this initiative, the club aimed to improve the overall patient experience and ensure better care delivery. The renovated wards now boast upgraded amenities and a more conducive environment for both patients and medical staff. Bilo Bar Club's contribution stands as a testament to the power of collective action in fostering positive change within local healthcare institutions, ultimately benefitting the wider community.



KINDERGARTEN MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

Since January of this year, the Bilo Bar Club proudly welcomed Mr. Lemeki to be the caretaker of the five kindergarten the club looks after. Mr. Lemeki has seamlessly integrated into our community, bringing enthusiasm and dedication to his role.

We are confident that our kindergarten will continue to flourish as a nurturing environment where children can learn, grow, and thrive.

Mr Lemeki is committed to providing a safe, stimulating, and inclusive learning environment.



WELCOME OUR NEW STAFF MEMBERS!

Join me in welcoming Mr. Sunil Beerbul, who is Shangri-La Yanuca Island Fiji's newly appointed resident manager. Originally from Mauritius, Mr. Sunil has been in the hospitality industry for more than 42 years. Has worked for many different international brand names. He started his career with a Mauritius hotel run by ACCOR, which was later bought by Shangri-La Group in 2014. Apart from Mauritius, he has also worked in Shangri-La Asia properties and our Middle East properties. In January, he was assigned to come and work here at Shangri-La Yanuca Island, Fiji.



Mr Sunil Beerbul
Resident Manager



Ms Noor Hafeeza Nadira
Front Office Manager

Meet Ms Noor Hafeeza Nadira, Shangri-La Yanuca Island, Fiji's Front Office Manager. Feeza as she is commonly known is originally from Malaysia. She started her career in the hospitality industry in 2006 and has served in several hotels and resorts.

Feeza is an energetic and joyful woman who has never regretted flying over to Fiji to further extend her career in the hospitality tourism. She has been with the resort since January this year.

Mr Atu Kalaveti Waqa
Night Auditor

Joining us as Front Office Duty Manager is Atu Kalaveti Waqa. He Started his career in the hospitality industry in 2009 with Double Tree Resort before moving to other Resort around Fiji. Mr Waqa is joining us from Marriot Momi Bay Resort. He brings with him a wealth of experience which he hopes to share with the Front Office Team.



INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY



The resort celebrated International Women's Day on March 13, 2024 and we were honored to have had the Fiji Women's Crisis Centre coordinator Ms Shamima Ali officiate at our IWD celebrations. To commemorate the event, staff members at the resort participated in a towel making competition recognizing what most of the women in our housekeeping department do in their every day work.

On the outset, International Women's Day is celebrated annually on March 8 with this year's theme to Inspire Inclusion. The day has always been a focal point in the women's rights movement. It celebrates women's achievement, raise awareness about discrimination and take action to drive gender parity. IWD gives focus to issues such as gender equality, reproductive rights, and violence and abuse against women.

We may not be able to achieve things overnight but taking small steps one at a time will surely get us there.

Did you know?

"Davui" is the Fijian word for conch shell. These beautiful shells hold a significant place in Fijian culture as ceremonial items. They are used as trumpets to announce traditional events such as the anointing of a new chief. A small hole is bored at the tip of the shell and the herald blows through this, creating a low wailing sound that seems to resonate with mysteries of an ancient oceanic past. Previously The Bilo Bar Club once had a sub-branch called "The Davui Club" which was designated as a place for all the woman of the club to meet and socialise. These days we meet and socialise under the one banner of the The Bilo Bar Club.



MEMBERSHIP FEE!

PAY ONLINE



**Members
benefits are
available to
fully paid,
current,
members of
the club.**

**Your
membership
needs to be
paid in full for
the current
year prior to
31st of July
every year.**

As a fully paid member you can take advantage of the great Bilo Bar Club members-only Room Rates and Inclusions;

- Exclusive Bilo Bar Club member accommodation rates
- Daily breakfast for 2 adults and 2 kids under 12 years of age
- Weekly cocktail party invitation
- Bottle of wine upon arrival & fruit basket
- 3.00 pm late check-out on the day of departure (subject to availability)
- Free golf green fees (prior booking essential)
- 10% F&B discount (excluding concessionaire charges)
- 10% discount on Chi Spa treatments

Membership is only available to those who meet the following criteria:

- a) persons aged over 18 years of age, &
- b) have holidayed at the resort on more than three occasions (or such other number as the Management Committee shall decide), &
- c) has been duly invited by the Grand Bilo or Imperial Bilo to become a member



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