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# ELECTRONIC PARKING SYSTEM



## **Upgrading Works to Serve You Better**

As part of our ongoing efforts to serve you better, Aranda Country Club is implementing a Full Electronic Parking System (EPS). This will enable vehicles with In-vehicle Unit (IU) to gain entry and exit car parks in a convenient hands-free manner. We have also demolished the guardhouse and completed the upgrading of the area behind the security checkpoint at our Executive Suites. This will provide better maneuvering for vehicles and a better aesthetic look as we walk into the Executive Suites building.

We are pleased to inform you that members will be able to enjoy complimentary parking at Downtown East multi-storey carpark and Begonia Carpark B in the coming months, in additional to the free parking at Aranda Country Club. The upgrading works are in progress and we will inform you once the complimentary parking at these two carparks have been operational. For those who have yet to update your details, please email to linda.brueschweiler@arandaclub.org.sg with your full name, membership number, vehicle number plate and IU number. Alternatively, you can call the hotline at 6584 6811.





### Perspective of Digital Country Bumpkin

"I've never seen such beautiful plants and I really don't know what they are! It's really refreshing and a relief from the hustle bustle of the current digital life" (Digital Country Bumpkin of ACC)

Help the Digital Country Bumpkin to reveal the location in ACC and identify three of these plants. Just drop us an email to **membership@arandaclub.org.sg**. If you are the first five, we'll award you an ACC corporate premium. No prizes for identifying the Digital Country Bumpkin. If you are keen to kickstart the revival of the Garden Gallery, feel free to drop us an email or leave your contact details with the reception. Thank you.

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A man of few words ... checking for defects. Some photos showing how he train others how to look for defects on the polished top

## THE UNSUNG HEROES BEHIND THE SCENE OF THE MAKEOVER 18 EXECUTIVE SUITES

An expansive upgrade was extended to the ever-popular Executive Suites on the 1st and 2nd levels. Let's take a look at the unsung heroes behind the scene and the stringent efforts put into perfection.

"My outlook in life has always been to embrace diversity and affect adversity. I appreciate contemporary concepts while respecting notions of the past and I love multiplicity in people and cultures, geographical views and lifestyles. To me, adversity is meant to be manipulated, not beaten into submission, until is amalgamates and harmonises with the intended design. This is the attitude I adopt to fuel my creative inclinations. This is the attitude of Atelier Tang. I have always liked to work with NTUC Club and that's why I took up this renovation project. It has been a wonderful experience! I think after the refurbishment, no one has second thoughts wanting to stay in such a spacious and homely executive suite!"



Proving his point on importance of having the corridor wall frame to avoid chipping of walls.

The Executive Suites give stunning views of Wild Wild Wet arousing excitement as well as the calm greenery embracing Pasir Ris Park. Guests can enjoy charming nature treks through the nearby Pasir Ris mangrove swamp, where one can spot otters and herons in their natural habitat and be awed by nature. Alternatively, one can relish the buzz of Downtown East just 3 minutes away. Simply contact our friendly concierge at the front desk for more information on interesting places and in-house programmes curated for members and guests alike.

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So who is Uncle Dennis? And what talent are we talking about? Uncle Dennis or Dennis Boh is a Pioneer Member of Aranda Country Club. He relates having a country club membership with Aranda in the 1990s was like a symbol of status or prestige. Like his art pieces, he has a colourful career. In the last 46 years, Uncle Dennis has been an Education Management Consultant and Contractor teaching in Thailand and Sumatra, customer service manager for oil retail industry, fast food manager and a volunteer at CDAC for 13 years. He loves cooking, baking, gardening and of course, paper guilling. In fact, he contributed paper quilling creations for all the executive suites at ACC. He has a great voice and diction, and he enjoys learning on how words are being formed.

### Finding Dennis: His World of Paper Quilling

"Here we go out and back in, and back in..."Like Nemo, Uncle Dennis is like an explorer and that's how he discovered the art of paper quilling.

## Uncle Dennis, it looks like you're a jack of all trades? How did you pick up paper quilling?

Paper quilling – I defined as whimsical art. It has to do with imagery or abstract. 3 years ago, I was surfing the internet. I got attracted with this very funny art --digital objects -something like this. I started to borrow more than a dozen of books all over the libraries in Singapore and also learnt from YouTube such as Azlina Abdul and other people into paper quilling as some of them post their works on YouTube. I also look out for templates in Pin interest and adapt them. I cut papers in strips. I enjoy trimming paper as it is very therapeutic. It calms the nerves and I enjoy being in the moment.

I was with Octogram Design as an office manager many years ago. It was one of the local graphic design companies, so I've also



learnt a lot about colour and design. This really helps to contribute to my interest in paper quilling. In paper quilling, you do not have to confine to convention. For instance, the leaf can be presented in a symbolic way.



### Passion in Art and Philosophy of Life

#### Tell me a little about your association with imagery as you mention in your art pieces. What do they symbolise?

Wildflowers are strong and robust, and they survive through four seasons. They come in variety and are beautiful and people don't notice them. I chose a background to show how they blend in nature. They are in the dim moonlight but yet they shine and survive in the darkness of light. Just the same resilience shown in some people and some people don't get noticed with work they have done but they are strong survivors.

### We hear you as you describe your art pieces with imageries. Tell me how does art relate to you and philosophy in life?

I always love life, the abstract form and appreciate colour and the arts. Whatever comes. I am very flexible, love good food, warm friends. I am very kind towards people, value long term friendship, appreciate colour and arts. With an introduction of every piece of paper quilling, one never knows what the end is going to be like. It's not planned and impromptu and I just want to find the destination - then you frame up the completed piece. I know it's not perfect, but you just close the chapter and work on another thing. Things happen for a reason. More of a philosophical person, I'm not mathematic or scientific in thinking as not everything is linear. I take things in a flux. Life is chaotic and it's always

changing. It is a good lesson for me. For example, I may not quite like a person, but he could be a changed person the next day. I customise my pieces with people style, and I learn to accept their values and aspirations. I learn a lot from them as I customize each piece of work while I read people's characters. I'm a strong believer of customer service. Customers pay your salary. When I look at a problem, I focus on the task that is more important.

### What do you do with the completed pieces?

I don't keep them. I gave them away. I gave to my Malay neighbours, my relatives, my friends, and also domestic helpers. I can see the happiness in their eyes.

## What makes you decide to pick paper quilling as a hobby and what is actually needed?



I am in this art because it is affordable. I spent about less than \$100 and I've got a printer for A3 prints. I am rather resourceful. All you need is a cricut maker. A simple kit like this... A normal set could cost about \$25.







Bright, bubbly and brilliant were the first 3 words that came into our mind when we first bumped into Nana and her husband, Azhari at their colourful haven, Tiarabel- tucked neatly at the corner of Begonia Pavilion in January. The place is full of cheerful colours filled with little treasures everywhere. It's like walking into a place full of lollipops. (Without the sugar) Nana is a new Term Member of ACC and a regular patron of our gym. She has a contagious smile and is very passionate about patchwork. Unveil the interesting story on how patchwork has helped her to overcome a major obstacle in life.

### Tell us a little about your passion for patchwork.

I fell in love with patchwork since 2012. I constantly improve my techniques through YouTube videos. You know all the colours. I just feel happy when I see bright colours. It rejuvenates you – patchwork is therapeutic! At one point, patchwork became my last straw to sanity. It makes me more resilient.

## Interesting. Can you elaborate a little more on how patchwork makes you more resilient?

In 2013, due to incompatible ingredients in fitness supplements, I developed negative side effects which triggered a condition known as Generalized Anxiety Disorder(GAD). It is one of the most difficult anxiety disorders to treat. This was really a major setback. My routine became topsy turvy and I developed regular panic attacks so much so that even previously mundane tasks such as driving became a major challenge. I just could not focus and would regularly freeze with mental blocks.

## It must have been a challenging experience. How did you overcome it?

It's my passion for patchwork that helped me to keep my mind focused and improved my outlook on life. So much so that in 2018, I was able to set up a workshop space with the dream of conducting sewing and related classes albeit in a one-to-one environment. Needless to say, I have very strong family and social support but more than anything else, my husband is my rock! He sticks with me through thick and thin. I have known him since I was fifteen.

### How did TiaraBel come about?

I started TiaraBel back in 2012 as an extension of my hobby and passion for sewing and related crafts such as quilting, crochet and the like. TiaraBel was named after two of our daughters, Tiara and Bel who have also been involved with the set up in one way or another. As my condition greatly improved, in 2020, we decided to move from our workshop at T-Space in Tampines to Begonia Pavilion at Downtown East to ensure the premises to be more accessible for classes and sewing-related courses. As my husband suggested, it would also serve as a platform for displaying my hand-made products which include placemats, quilts, bags and more. I love this place. It is now my second home.

## We are glad that you love this place and thank you for sharing your story on your passion for patchwork.

My pleasure and I hope my story can encourage people facing similar challenges.

Tiarabel has started sewing-related courses such as sewing for beginners, dressmaking and quilting. But moving forward, it will be exploring into bonding programmes for parents and children. All Aranda Country Club members will be entitled to a **10% discount off** the products and classes. Please call **9329 0009** to arrange for an appointment.

Check out Tiarabel on the Instagram ID @tiara\_bel\_







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Our stay at Aranda Country Club has been pleasant and has been consistently so in the past few times we've been there. Every room that we have stayed in has been clean and comfortable. Moreover, the staff there, like Shirley and the front desk staff, as well as the cleaners have always gone the extra mile to accommodate and ensure our stay is a pleasant one. Aranda Country Club is perfect for a family get-away and we can't wait for our next stay!

### Jonathan Foo & Family



# PROGRAMMES





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#### COCKTAILS -

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#### HOUSEPOUR - 10

Gin - Bombay Sapphire / Rum - Bacardi Vodka - Skyy / Brandy - St Remy Bourbon - Jim Bean / Jack Daniel's Whiskey - Johnny Walker Black

#### OTHERS - 5

Sparkling - San Pellegrino Still - Aqua Panna Coke / Sprite / Ginger Ale Sprite / Tonic / Soda Chilled Juices Orange / Pineapple

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MOCKTAILS - 7
Non-Alcoholic Mojito Elderflower, Lime, Mint leaves, Soda
Gimlet Cucumber, Lime, Soda
Cucumber Lemonade Cucumber, Lemon, Lime, Thyme
Fizzy Pine & Gin Pineapple, Lime, Ginger Ale

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		Furigake Spiced Fries
Main Course.		Crispy Soft Shell Crab
		Bussels with White wine
Herb crusted Lamb Rack	28	Melted Cheese Toast
Rack of Lamb Coated with Parsley Crumbs Served with Pumpkin Puree		Picada Calamari
Surf & Turf	26	Balsamic Mushrooms
Iberico Pork Jowl & Calamari served with Citric		
Roasted Chicken Quarter Chicken with Pesto Pumpkin Puree served with Chicken Jus	22	Burgers Served with Furigake Fries
Pasta - Linguine		Cognac Burger Beef Patty Glazed with Cognac, Sliced Onions, cheddar Cheese, Pickles
Carbonara Creamy Egg Yolk Sauce, Bacon	12	Blue cheese Burger Beef Patty, Blue Cheese Sauce, Tomatoes, Lettuce, Bacon
Marinara Mixed Seafood, Tomato Sauce	16	French Burger Pork Patty, Bernaise Sauce, Pickles
Aglio E Olio Fresh Prawns, Spicy Aioli Sauce	14	Swiss Burger
Pesto Calamari, Basil Pesto	12	Beef Patty, Caremelised Onions, Balsamic Mushrooms, Cream Sauce
Add ons		Dessert
		Churros with Chocolate
Fries	5	Coffee & Honeycomb
Salad Greens	4	Burnt Cheese Cake
Bernaise Sauce	2	with Berry Compote
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### Kid's Menu

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Chicken Tomato Pasta	
Cheese Fries	
Tomato & Cheese Toast	

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