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## Share



Hello everyone! We have some very talented and passionate people in our midst, and one of them is Mastan, a Pasir Ris resident who breathes new life into vintage turntables. In this issue, you'll be inspired by his persistence and dedication to mastering his craft, and how his innate curiosity has helped him become one of Singapore's best turntable technicians.

Also in the midst of COVID-19, I hope that all of you will do your utmost to stay healthy and stay safe. Let's stay united during this uncertain period, and emerge out of it stronger together. Happy reading!

Gunalan S/O Singaravelu  
Member





## PASIR RIS- PUNGGOL CELEBRATES DEEPAVALI

One of the many advantages of living in a multicultural country like Singapore is having the opportunity to witness the diverse cultures and traditions around us. During major festivals, we also get to be a part of the festivities that are important to different races and religions. In October, residents of Pasir Ris-Punggol joined their Hindu neighbours in observing Deepavali, an annual celebration that marks the triumph of light over darkness. Other than honouring Deepavali with key customs like the lighting of oil lamps and designing of rangoli patterns, participants also enjoyed ethnic performances and savoured flavoursome Indian dishes.

### GRC

**WHAT & WHERE:** Deepavali Celebrations

**WHO:** MPs of Pasir Ris-Punggol GRC and Punggol East SMC – Senior Minister and Coordinating Minister for National Security Mr Teo Chee Hean; Minister, Prime Minister's Office Mr Ng Chee Meng; Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Transport & Ministry of Communications and Information Dr Janil Puthucherry; Deputy Speaker of Parliament Mr Charles Chong; Mr Zainal Sapari; Mr Teo Ser Luck

**WHEN:** Oct 2019



Punggol Coast



Punggol East



Punggol North



Sengkang Central



Pasir Ris East



Punggol West

# A Jolly Good Time

Christmas celebrations were in full swing as divisions organised festive get-togethers for residents in the month of December. Activities like carolling, gift exchange, and potluck allowed people from all walks of life to share laughter and bask in good energy just before the year came to a close.



Punggol North



Punggol West



Punggol Coast



Pasir Ris West



Sengkang Central



Pasir Ris East



Punggol East

## GRC

**WHAT:** Christmas Celebrations

**WHO:** MPs – SM Teo Chee Hean; Mr Ng Chee Meng; Dr Janil Puthuchear; Mr Charles Chong; Ms Sun Xueling

**WHEN:** Dec 2019

# HAPPY 2020

## GRC

**WHAT & WHERE:** 2020 Countdown Celebrations

**WHO:** MPs – Minister Ng Chee Meng; Mr Charles Chong; Ms Sun Xueling; Mr Zainal Sapari; Mr Teo Ser Luck

**WHEN:** 31 Dec 2019

Here is a recap of how our GRC rang in the new decade!



**Punggol East** – More than 5,000 residents from Punggol East counted down to 2020 together at Harmony Square 2. Hosted by local radio DJs Jeff Goh and Chan Ning, participants enjoyed a screening of the movie Aladdin and high-energy performances by ShiLi & Adi, Juni Goh, fire-eater Bosco, and more! At 12 midnight, residents revelled in the fireworks display with Deputy Speaker of Parliament Mr Charles Chong, Minister Ng Chee Meng, and Punggol East CCC Chairman Mr Raymond Lye.



**Pasir Ris East** – Downtown East was where all the action took place as Pasir Ris counted down to 2020 together! At 12pm, residents were already pouring in to have a go at the arcade games at the Open Plaza, before the evening programme began at 6pm with performances and illusion shows. A line-up of international and local DJs later took the stage at D'Marquee, churning out beats as participants danced their way into the New Year.



**Sengkang Central** – The first ever sports-themed countdown party took place at Sengkang Community Club, where residents spent the night getting their heart rates up with a variety of games and exercises like pound fitness, tag ball, F1 race simulator driving, archery tag, and laser tag.



**Punggol West** – The countdown event held at the open field beside Punggol West Container Library was a mix of sports try-outs and stage performances. There was even a giant bouncy castle and an inflatable pool filled with foam that was a ton of fun for the young residents! Punggol West's last party of the year was organised by Punggol West Community Sports Club, Punggol Seas Residents' Network (RN), Twin Waterfalls RN, and Ecopolitan RN.



# Welcoming the Year of the Rat



Pasir Ris-Punggol GRC and Punggol East SMC bade the Year of the Pig farewell and welcomed the Year of the Rat with Chinese New Year (CNY) activities held around our Town. From CNY shopping trips, lo hei sessions, mall walkabouts, to divisional dinners, residents had a glorious time soaking up the festive mood with their family and friends.

## GRC

**WHAT:** Chinese New Year Celebrations  
**WHO:** MPs – SM Teo Chee Hean; Mr Ng Chee Meng; Mr Charles Chong; Ms Sun Xueling; Mr Zainal Sapari  
**WHEN:** Feb 2020



## Different Talents, Same Recognition

Young residents from Punggol North also received their Edusave Awards in January for excelling at school. Offered by the Ministry of Education, these awards not only recognise students' academic performance, but also their exemplary character, leadership, conduct, and learning dispositions. In January, all 17 precincts of Punggol North division carried out presentation ceremonies where students received their well-deserved awards from Minister Ng Chee Meng. Congratulations to all recipients, and may this spur you on further in the new academic year!

## PUNGGOL NORTH

**WHAT & WHERE:** Edusave Awards Ceremonies  
**WHO:** MP – Mr Ng Chee Meng  
**WHEN:** Jan 2020



# LAUNCH OF NEW LINK ROAD

The new link road providing motorists with an additional route between Pasir Ris and Punggol has opened! Located along Pasir Ris Industrial Drive 1, residents have been enjoying greater connectivity between the two towns since mid November.

The launch was commemorated with a family walk and cycling event that was flagged off by SM Teo and the Pasir Ris West grassroots leaders. On that day, participants also learnt from the Land Transport Authority that the new road is part of the expansion of the interchange between the Kallang-Paya Lebar Expressway (KPE) and the Tampines Expressway (TPE).

When the expansion is fully completed in June 2021, residents will benefit from: (i) more direct links to and from KPE and TPE, and (ii) better traffic at TPE between Punggol Way and KPE, and at access points into Punggol Town.

## PASIR RIS WEST

**WHAT & WHERE:** Family Carnival Walk & Official Road Opening at Pasir Ris Industrial Drive 1

**WHO:** MP – SM Teo Chee Hean

**WHEN:** 17 Nov 2019





# Aiming High, Achieving More

Students of Sengkang Central continue to shine in school, as 2,563 Edusave awards amounting to almost \$871,000 were disbursed in January in recognition of their hard work. Over three days, 19 ceremonies were held to present the Edusave Merit Bursary; Edusave Scholarship Award; EAGLES Award; Good Progress Award; and Edusave Character Award to students in primary, secondary, pre-university, and specialised schools.

With hundreds of students attending the ceremonies each time, Sengkang Central has recently implemented an electronic self-registration system to ensure the process is more efficient and accurate. Being the first constituency in the GRC to do so, the system was first utilised at their ITE Higer Nitec & Polytechnic Edusave Award ceremonies in November last year.

## SENGKANG CENTRAL

**WHAT & WHERE:** Edusave Award Ceremonies

**WHO:** MP – Mr Teo Ser Luck

**WHEN:** 11, 12 & 18 Jan 2020





# Polishing Up SAPPHIRES

After eight dedicated years of serving the community, Punggol SapphiRes Residents' Network (RN) renovated its RN centre and upgraded its facilities so the needs of residents can be better met. Residents of Punggol Sapphire, Punggol Residences, and Punggol Emerald joined the official re-opening in December, taking the chance to explore the revitalised centre and learn about the variety of courses being offered. From taekwondo demonstrations, bubble performances, a magic show, there was never a dull moment as the carnival-esque atmosphere kept everyone in high spirits. Residents also helped add a dash of colours and creativity to the Town Council rubbish bins, turning them into works of art that will be placed around the estate to brighten moods.

## PUNGGOL WEST

**WHAT & WHERE:** Grand Opening of Punggol SapphiRes Residents' Network at Blk 268D Punggol Field

**WHO:** MP – Ms Sun Xueling

**WHEN:** 28 Dec 2019



# PUNGGOL EAST SCREAMS

Dialling up the scare challenge this year, the annual Punggol East Halloween Night transformed four of its Residents' Committee (RC) centres into haunted houses with chilling themes like 'Train to Busan' and 'Night @ the Forbidden City'. Volunteers dressed up as the undead attempted to illicit screams out of residents who went from RC to RC via a shuttle bus in hopes of conquering each house. Dressed up in equally frightening costumes themselves, residents mirrored some of the fear back to the volunteers who were impressed with the effort put into the getups. Mr Charles Chong and Punggol East CCC Chairman Mr Raymond Lye were also seen enjoying the fringe activities with residents!

## PUNGGOL EAST SMC

### WHAT & WHERE:

Halloween at Rivervale Court RC; Rivervale Delta RC; Rivervale Horizon RC; Rivervale Gardens RC; Rivervale Spring RC; Rivervale Arc RC

**WHO:** MP – Mr Charles Chong

**WHEN:** 2 Nov 2019

## Halloween Costume Competition

**Congratulations to all winners for creeping us out!**





# Together We Can

On this leap year, the community spent the extra day in February doing meaningful work together by distributing care packages to senior citizens staying at Block 212A Pasir Ris Street 21. Organised by Pasir Ris Zone 7 Residents' Network in collaboration with Refresh Wellness Pte Ltd and Veltex Singapore Pte Ltd, Mr Zainal Sapari and the team of volunteers visited homes to give out masks and hand sanitisers to residents in the midst of the COVID-19 virus outbreak.

During this difficult period, it is also important to recognise the ones providing the greatest support in the fight against the virus. To thank our front-line medical workers who carry out their duties day after day despite the risks involved, Mr Zainal Sapari surprised the staff at Pasir Ris Polyclinic with a bouquet of flowers, a tub of cookies, and a handwritten card. With this small gesture, we hope to convey the community's collective appreciation towards healthcare professionals and their effort in combating the transmission.

## PASIR RIS EAST

**WHAT & WHERE:** Appreciation to Healthcare & Cleaning Professionals and Grassroots Leaders for Effort Against Covid-19 at Blk 212A Pasir Ris St 21

**WHO:** MP – Mr Zainal Sapari

**WHEN:** 29 Feb 2020



# Curiosity SKILLED the Cat

***Mastan Abdul Bin Latip has spun himself a career as one of Singapore's most reputable turntable technicians, all thanks to his never-ending sense of curiosity.***

They say one man's trash is another man's treasure. In 1993, when people were starting to discard turntables in favour of newer, more practical forms of music technology, Mastan was spending nights after work fishing out forsaken turntables from the rubbish chute.

After 20 years out at sea as a sailor and fulfilling his dreams of seeing the world, he docked permanently in 1990 and turned his attention to another latent interest – haircutting. Picking up the skills from a friend, he opened his first shop at Chai Chee Street a year later and began his second career as a barber. Even though his barbershop had found its footing and business was steady, wheels were already turning in his head with regard to what his next steps might be.

"I like to learn different things, plus I felt that I could not work as a barber for the rest of my life. When I was a sailor I wanted to explore the world, but at the same time, I was already prepared to learn haircutting because I know I will not be out at sea forever. So if I wanted to retire from barbering one day, I must have something else to do. While I was a barber, I was learning to repair turntables so when I retire, I could do something from home," Mastan says.

For pursuing this hobby in 1993 when CDs (compact discs) were starting to trend, Mastan was mocked for his impracticality but he stuck firmly to his guns. "I love music," he shares. "Music has always been my passion ever since my father bought our first gramophone when I was 10-years-old. Even when I sailed, I saved up and bought vinyl records from countries like Holland, America, and the United Kingdom."

The barbershop was soon stacked high with turntables he patched up (or was going to), and while he never had intentions of selling them, he eventually sold his first – a Lenco L-85 – to a customer for \$250. It took some years for word to spread, but soon even those who had called Mastan a "mad person" approached him for help to fix their faulty machines.

Sharing these memories from his flat in Pasir Ris, Mastan who is now 70, works fully from home repairing and selling vintage turntables, only occasionally venturing out to customers' homes to do troubleshooting or servicing. He retired his scissors and comb in 2011 when the barbershop closed, but has carried on with this passion, even earning the nickname 'The Spin Doktor' in the process. From sailor, to barber, to becoming an in-demand technician with niche skills, there is both relief and



pride in knowing that the trajectory he envisioned for himself has gone as planned.

These days, he specialises in fixing turntables from Lenco and Thoren, both Swiss brands which Mastan hails as amongst the best in the world. His reputation for being able to return these vintage machines back into precise working condition has pulled in clients from around the world including Britain, Indonesia, and even Paraguay who pay up to \$2,500 for the restored pieces.

With only a primary school education to show for, even his own brother has wondered how he became so skilled. It seems a good ratio of self-discipline, tenacity, and curiosity had pushed Mastan to spend the first 15 years of his turntable journey on the technical aspects of the machine and understanding their mechanisms inside out. He even picked up carpentry along the way so he could construct new consoles for the turntables.

There is no end to learning, and as one who continues to pick up new skills in his life (next on the list: marketing), Mastan feels we must never underestimate our own intelligence. "All of us are born human," he reminds. "I've always believed that what others can do, I can do it too. The most important thing is your mindset. You must say, 'I want to do it!' If you're curious about it, nothing can stop you."

Of course, strong work ethics help too. One reason why buyers see great value in Mastan's work is because of the effort he puts in to restore the machines to their most original forms. This also means turning away requests for modifications in order to preserve the value and authenticity of these vintage turntables.

"I'm not an engineer," he emphasises. "We did not create these technologies. So my principle has always been to put the machine back as it is and move on. It's important to respect the original creation."

Just last year, Rolling Stone reported that vinyl is set to outsell CDs for the first time since 1986. This resurgence in popularity is expected to keep Mastan busy as more begin to lean into the analog music culture, confirming what he has believed almost 30 years ago that vinyl and his beloved turntables are here to stay.

"Prove to people you can do it and don't let obstacles stop you from reaching what you dream of," sums up Mastan of his experiences. "In life, whatever you want to do is possible."





# Dog's Eye View

***Sengkang residents Gary Lim and Jordie are one of eight guide dog teams in Singapore. Hear firsthand from Jordie on life as a seeing eye dog!***

Oh hello there! I almost didn't see you! Being Gary's guide dog requires 100 per cent of my attention almost all the time. I tend to get so focused on my work! Let me introduce myself: I'm Jordie, an eight-year-old Golden/Labrador Retriever mix originally from Australia. I came to Singapore via Guide Dogs Singapore (GDS), a wonderful non-profit association that empowers blind and visually-impaired people to live better lives. Gary Lim, my handler, began gradually losing his sight in his 30s from glaucoma. He became fully blind in 2016.

So how did we meet? Well, he approached GDS in 2015 when he had just five per cent of his vision left. After he went through an orientation & mobility course that assesses his suitability for handling dogs like me, we were paired up and the rest was history!

As Gary's eyes, I'm trained to lead him safely when moving around, ensuring he steers clear of danger as he goes from one place to another. We both had to undergo a three-week training to get used to this new partnership; Gary especially had to learn to give the right commands and react appropriately to my signals. One of the most important rule is when I stop moving, I'm telling Gary that there is an obstacle below (e.g. hoses, curbs), around, or above (e.g. tree branches) him, and he should feel around in order to avoid it.

Mondays to Fridays, I bring Gary to Ngee Ann Polytechnic where he works as a facilitator for Dialogue in the Dark. I've learnt routes to other places he frequents like the polyclinic, church, and Compass One mall, but don't mistake me for a GPS! I can't lead Gary to a place upon command. Gary still needs to give me directions which he gets from a useful phone application called Moovit.

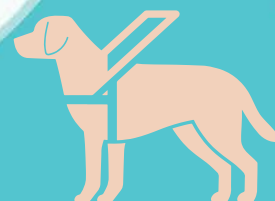
I have to emphasise to you, dear reader, that I'm not an ordinary pet dog. Guide dogs are highly trained and have legal access to most public spaces. As Gary can't see, I am his eyes and his replacement for a white cane. Asking Gary to leave me at the door is akin to asking a person on a wheelchair to leave his device outside and walk in himself! Luckily this doesn't happen as much anymore!

If you see Gary and I out and about, don't be scared. I am softer than a marshmallow and I promise I'll never bite. When I'm on duty, please do not pet me, call out to me, feed me, or even whistle. Thank you for thinking I'm adorable, but those actions will distract me and cause Gary to lose his orientation!

It makes me blush to mention this... but Gary always says I'm the best thing to happen to him since he went blind. He calls me his third son! We both love sports like swimming and jogging, and even do volunteer work and outreach programmes together. We are lucky to have each other and wish more visually impaired people can have this life-changing opportunity. Anyway, I hope you enjoyed reading life as a guide dog from my humble perspective! Gotta get back to work! See you around!



**Jordie**



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# ***SUPER CARS FOR A SUPER CAUSE***

Punggol Coast continues to host one of the flashiest Children's Day celebrations in Singapore, all thanks to the Lamborghini Club Singapore whose members have supported the annual event since 2013! The supercars were back once more to help raise funds for low income families in the community, and to give kids a joyride they will never forget. Alas, the adults could only enviously watch on as 50 lucky children gleefully buckled in for a ride to the city and back. Once the convoy of 47 cars hurtled off with their excited passengers, the party continued with pony rides, bouncy castles, games, performances, and plenty of free snacks!

## **PUNGGOL COAST**

### **WHAT & WHERE:**

Children's Day Celebration & Lamborghini Fundraising 2019 at Blk 324 Sumang Walk

### **WHO:**

MPs – SM Teo Chee Hean;  
Dr Janil Puthucheary

**WHEN:** 6 Oct 2019



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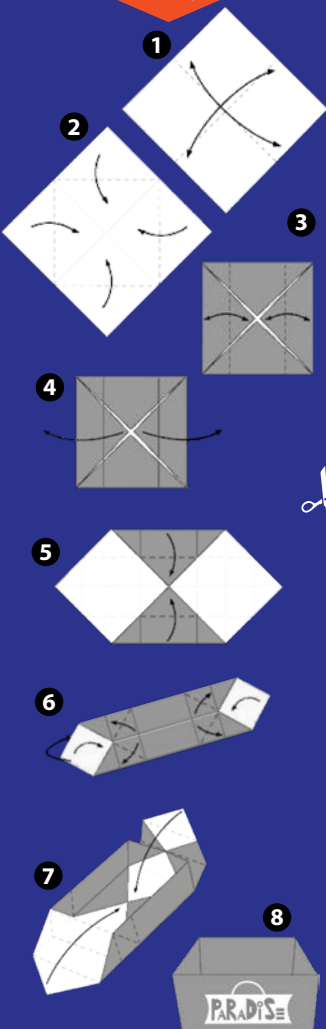


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your hands regularly  
with soap and water



**AVOID**

touching your face with  
your hands



# Tree Planting Day 2019



With the help of our MPs and green-loving residents, seven young Jelutong tree saplings settled into their new homes just outside Block 126D Edgedale Plains on 1 December 2019. A part of the nationwide tradition that began in 1971, the annual Pasir Ris-Punggol Town Council Tree Planting Day continues to contribute to a cleaner and greener world, and to inculcate a greater sense of environmental awareness amongst residents.

Jelutong, whose scientific name is *Dyera costulata*, is a large native forest tree which can grow up to 80 m tall. Here is a fun fact: the latex tapped from the Jelutong is called gutta jelutong, and was once commonly used as the base for producing chewing gum.

When the planting ceremony was over, participants spent the rest of the morning going from station to station playing retro games like Kuti Kuti and indulging in snacks. There were also other craft activities such as terrarium making, face painting, and balloon twisting for all to enjoy.

## GRC

**WHAT & WHERE:** Tree Planting outside Block 126D Edgedale Plains

**WHO:** MPs – Senior Minister Teo Chee Hean; Minister Ng Chee Meng; Dr Janil Puthucheary; Mr Charles Chong; Ms Sun Xueling; Mr Zainal Sapari; Mr Teo Ser Luck

**WHEN:** 1 Dec 2019





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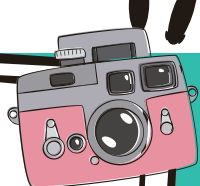


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## Children's Day

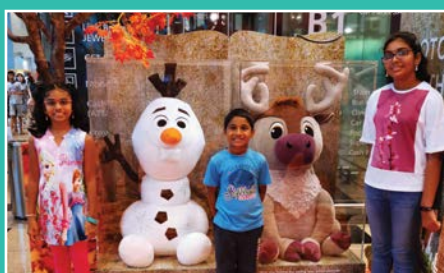
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*Siblings are your first true friend.*  
- Marfujiana



*Introducing Singapore's iconic places to my child during Children's day.*  
- Summer Goh



*Kids fun @ great outdoors!*  
- Tan Yong Yeh



*Yippee!*  
- Shirley Ten



*因为有你而快乐*  
- Guan Jun



*I'm ready! let's go makan!*  
- Judy Tan



*Let's dance, brothers! Happy Childrens' Day!*  
- Pang Joo Kang



*"No one has fully realised the wealth of Sympathy, Kindness, Generosity, Love and Happiness hidden in the soul of a child" ~E.G*  
- Sng Shu Fen

# Spectacular Lijiang



*Contributed by Joey Lee, Resident of Punggol Parc Vista*

Lijiang, China, is a perfect combination of historical sites, snow-capped mountains, and lakes. It is famed worldwide for its UNESCO Heritage Site, the Old Town of Lijiang. In the past, Lijiang was an important transit point along the ancient Tea Horse Road, where people in Sichuan and Yunnan exchanged tea for horses with people in Tibet.

Last December, I got to visit this spectacular city with my wife and our two daughters, Love & Joy. We took a direct flight from Singapore to Kunming, the capital city of Yunnan Province. From there, we travelled to Lijiang via an overnight train in a VIP cabin, which can sleep up to three adults or a family like us comfortably. This "National Culture Brand" train, whose stewards were specially selected to ensure they can speak English, is catered to foreign tourists like us.

Upon arrival, we visited the famous Jade Dragon Snow Mountain National Scenic Area and National Geological Park, very much fascinated by the trip up this majestic mountain by cable car to an observation platform at an elevation of 4,506m. But it was not to be as the winds were too strong for the cable car to operate, leaving us with no option but to visit another attraction within the park. It turned out to be a blessing in disguise, as we got to visit the Blue Moon Valley and captured many spectacular photographs of the Jade Dragon Snow Mountain from that vantage point.

The Blue Moon Valley gets its water out of the melting snow that runs from the mountains and forms four lakes and a few waterfalls. Its water often appears as an amazing turquoise-blue, which resembles

a blue crescent moon. Together with a few free roaming calves, and the Jade Dragon Snow Mountain as backdrop, this combination gave us some picture perfect shots of Lijiang.

The following day, we visited the much anticipated Old Town of Lijiang. It is indeed a very beautiful and relaxing place, where you can spend the whole day walking along the numerous cobbled narrow pedestrian streets and small waterways to appreciate its unique architecture and culture. Also, there are many cafes/pubs for chilling out and countless shops full of food and crafts for sale. A must-try food for most Singaporeans is the BBQ durian, this truly is an out-of-the-box way to consume the King of Fruits, and it actually tastes great.

The Lijiang tour is never completed without a song and dance show. Besides "Impression Lijiang" created by famous Chinese director Zhang Yimou, we also went for "The Legend of Romance Lijiang" at Lijiang Songcheng Tourist Area on the last evening. This show utilises IMAX 3D to introduce the rich culture and heritage of Lijiang, it will definitely fascinate your mind and give you a better understanding of their history.

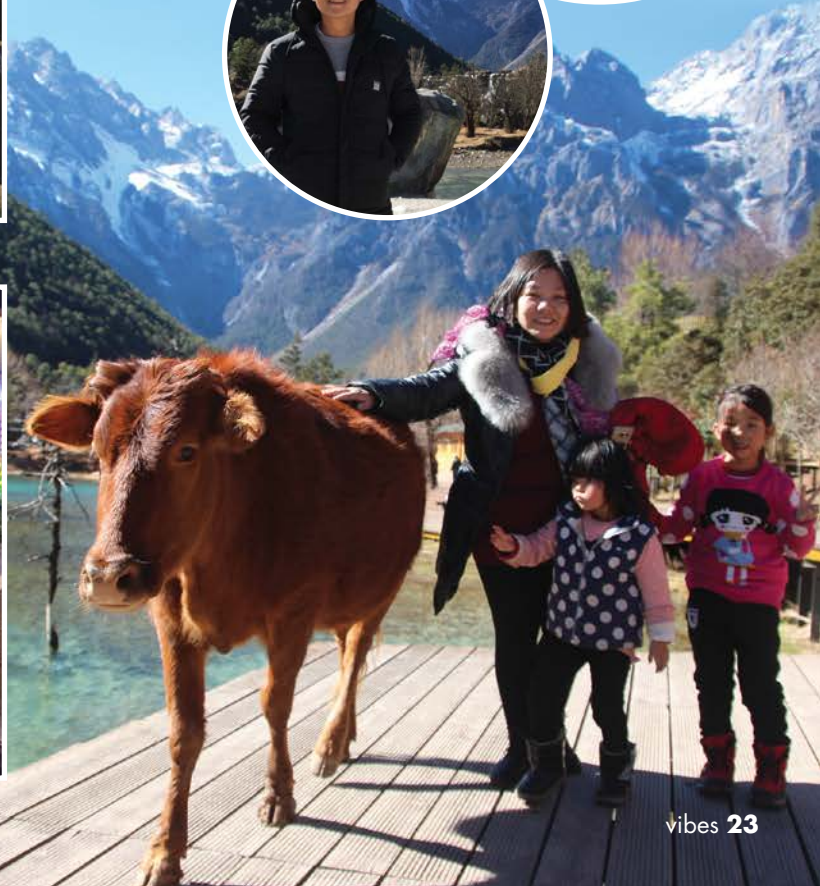
Our Lijiang trip definitely brought us many lovely & joyful memories. Go there for your next holiday, it will capture your heart for the rest of your life.



*Blue Moon Valley*



*Old Town Of Lijiang*



## Job Search Woes: How Can I Stand Out from the Crowd?

Not sure how you can take your job application process one step forward and get ahead of the pack? Here are some tips from MyCareersFuture.sg's Careers Toolkit to help.

### 1. Revamp your resume to include in-demand skills

Jobs are becoming more skills-centric. More companies are considering candidates from various backgrounds, so long as they possess the necessary skills. As such, individuals need to diversify their portfolios by displaying the breadth and depth of skills in your job. This helps to highlight your versatility and adaptability.

### 2. Personalise your resume

You only have a few seconds to make an impression and a generic resume will not get you noticed when corporations receive tens to hundreds of resumes for each job. Crafting a resume that tailors to the job you're applying for can help hiring managers see how your experience is relevant. Include volunteering stints and personal passions to position yourself as a holistic individual with good balance. Remember to keep information short and concise.



### 3. Tap on your network

Seize opportunities to network with industry professionals when you attend career fairs and events. This gives you an advantage in understanding the different functions and industries available, and what they're looking for. Touching base with past employers will also allow you to follow up on advice and available opportunities.

### 4. Stay up to date

In the ever-changing market landscape, it's important to keep abreast of trends and breakthroughs of your industry of interest. You'll be able to learn about in-demand skills needed, while showing prospective employers that you have initiative. Follow reputable local and global news publications and proactively engage with peers to build a professional brand.



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What is the name of Gary's guide dog?

How many trees were planted at this year's Tree Planting event?

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