## **Christmas Dance-December 11th, 2015**

The Christmas Dance held on December 11, 2015 was a blast. The hard-working committee organized a splendid function enjoyed by us all. The President and Vice-President and their esteemed spouses welcomed all the guests as they entered and the registration desks were also managed by the committee members who also made us feel welcome.

The Master of Ceremonies was Fatima Lawson. I have to say that the President, Bel Remedios, Vice-President Paul Madeira, Committee members: Effie Coelho, Elizabeth Prabhu, Carol Fernandes and sub-committee member Mavis Pecus, did a fabulous job in organizing the function.

D.J. Nasim came up with a great choice of music that had everyone dancing their feet away.

There were so many door prizes such as bottles of liquor and wine, gift certificates as well as other gift baskets and miscellaneous exciting gifts. There were also many spot prizes.

We all enjoyed the sit-down meal – the starter was Cream of Mushroom soup, followed by tossed salad and the entrée was a platter of grilled salmon, delicious steak, baby potatoes and vegetables and a bottle of red and white wine were placed on each table. The dessert was cheese cake.

One of the highlights of the evening was a performance of the 'lances' done by a group of enthusiasts and they received a thunderous applause for their delightful reenactment of one of the traditional dances of Goa.

Despite all the work involved for the committee in organizing a function like this, they still found the time to treat us with a special surprise of homemade traditional "Goan consuada" and we all enjoyed the doce, cake, bolinhas, marzipan and biscotti.

I applaud the Committee for organizing yet another successful and enjoyable function. Congratulations and a big thank you to each and every member of the committee.

Violet Monteiro