

## Nov Ramble: from SG Sports Hub to Marina Barrage



Walking Trail: from Kallang MRT we shall walk towards Singapore Sports Hub under covered walkway, along waterway towards Marina Bay East, cross over to Marina Barrage. End with dinner at Satay By the Bay.

Meet at: **Kallang MRT**

Date / Time: **21 Nov (Thursday), 4.45pm. Leave at 5.00pm**

Facilitator: **James Tay**

For new joiners please email [secretariat@sace.org.sg](mailto:secretariat@sace.org.sg). State your mobile number and whether you are a SACE member and we will include you in our group chat for logistic arrangement.

## Oct Ramble: *Springleaf Nature Park / Seletar Reservoir*



*Bucky Chat*

THE PURPOSE OF OUR LIVES IS TO ADD VALUE TO THE PEOPLE OF THIS GENERATION AND THOSE THAT FOLLOW

BUCKMINSTER FULLER

## Oct Bucky Chat: Conversation with Ho Kwon Ping at YAH LAH BUT studio



<https://youtu.be/UEbJgITII6I?si=FzCato5WmS6A6HYK>

In his talk, available on YouTube, Ho Kwon Ping explores how Singapore's rapid economic success may have contributed to a sense of national pride that sometimes appears as arrogance to outsiders.

Ho suggests that Singapore's **meritocratic values**, while generally beneficial, may inadvertently foster elitism, where material success is overly valued. He advocates for a broader, values-based approach that encourages empathy, critical thinking, and humility as essential qualities for the country's future.

Interested in these topics? For new joiners please email us at [secretariat@sace.org.sg](mailto:secretariat@sace.org.sg) and we will include you in our group chat and for in-person meet up to discuss on the monthly discussion.

Date: **22<sup>nd</sup> Nov (Friday)**

Time: **3.30 pm**

Meet at: **Big Appetite (food court), Funan Mall B2-24**

Facilitator: **Quek Joo Hock**

### Quotable Quote

"Were we to evaluate people, not only according to their intelligence and their education, their occupation, and their power, but according to their kindness and their courage, their imagination and sensitivity, their sympathy and generosity, there could be no classes."

— Michael Young, [The Rise of the Meritocracy](#)



At age 70, Jeffrey Yan, a dedicated SACE volunteer, graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in General Studies from SUSS on Oct 9, becoming the university's oldest graduate in 2024. His journey took 6.5 years, having started his studies in 2017 while still employed.

Jeffrey chose to study sociology and psychology to gain insights into Singapore's social services, childcare and the complexities of human behavior that shape these fields. 'This field is entirely different from my previous work in engineering, but it has been a valuable and enriching experience. I've had the opportunity to meet many classmates from the social, childcare, and psychology sectors as well as some from the police and military,' he shared.

The program also included modules on Chinese history which resonated with him. 'Understanding Chinese culture enhances my knowledge of how China influences Singapore, especially from my perspective as a Singaporean of Chinese descent. I am fascinated by China's rich history and its economic growth, which adds to my appreciation of our cultural connections.'

After working for nearly 50 years, Jeffrey had set retirement goals that included earning a degree and traveling. Having achieved both, he's fulfilled the dreams he set for this new chapter of life.

He recently completed his tour of China with some SACE members and friends (*see below*), and he has more travelling plans ahead.

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**SACE Travel Community**  
11 days tour to Zhangjiajie, the Three Gorges and Chongqing in China. 16<sup>th</sup> Oct to 26<sup>th</sup> Oct.



## SENIORS GOT TALENT

### Important Dates:

- **6<sup>th</sup> Nov:** closing date for entry to the competition. So, hurry up, sign up and get a chance to win attractive prizes. Please obtain application form from our Secretariat.
- **20<sup>th</sup> Nov:** contest date.

Ticket sales at \$20, on a first come first served basis, subject to availability. Seats are limited.



A gentle reminder that , after 1<sup>st</sup> Nov, tickets sales will start at \$88 per pax for members only, \$1,380 per table for non-members. **Seats are limited.**

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To encourage more guests to join the dance floor on Dinner and Dance night, the event chair Gea Ban Peng, organised a special Dance Workout for Wellness course, focused on social dance for seniors. This class attracted 30 participants.



# ANNOUNCEMENT



## Course Scheduler Needed - Work from Home!

*Are you organised and detail-oriented? We are looking for a Course Scheduler to help with logistics and scheduling tasks. This is a volunteer position with an allowance for your time. No experience needed as you will be trained.*

### Key Skills:

- Strong communication skills.
- Logistics and scheduling abilities.
- Commitment and focus.
- Good team player.

Interested?

Email us at [vicepresident@sace.org.sg](mailto:vicepresident@sace.org.sg)

