



# THE BOMBAY CITY AMBULANCE CORPS ( FOUNDED 1930 ) ( Registered under Acts XXI of 1860 and XXIX of 1950 ) BRIGADE GAZETTE

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## PART - I NOTIFICATION

A get together of all BCAC associates is scheduled on Saturday, June 2, 2018 to commemorate foundation day. Tentative programme is as under. Every BCAC associates need not wait for invitation. Convey your and your BCAC contact associates' details on [bcac1930@gmail.com](mailto:bcac1930@gmail.com) or WhatsApp on 9930847744. Contribution for the expenses of the get together is voluntary. You may sponsor fully or partly tea, refreshment.

1730 hrs	Welcome Tea and refreshments
1800 hrs	Video shoot of Emergency procedures for Doordarshan
1830 hrs	Gathering in Moolgaonkar Memorial Hall and Lighting of Lamp
1845 hrs	Welcome address by Honorary Officer Commanding
1900 hrs	Information Diploma in Ambulance Work
1930 hrs	High Tea (Will be decided later depending of no of participants)

### Diploma in Ambulance Work

A pilot one year course in Diploma in Ambulance Work, in English medium, will be conducted under the aegis of Jamsetji Tata Ambulance College from July, 2018.

Admission is open to students who have passed 12th (HSC) or equivalent examination. Students with aptitude for ambulance work are preferred. Enrolment will be at the sole discretion of the Commandant of the College. Those desirous of enrolling in the course should call in person at the College office between 6 and 8 p.m. immediately after HSC result.

Members and Well wishers are requested to do wide publicity of the course.

## NEWS

### Final Phase of Renovation of Dr. Moolgaonkar Memorial Hall

Modernization of the hall has been completed except installation of Air Conditioners. AC are not installed for want of funds.

### CORPUS DONATIONS

We have received, on (1) March 28, 2018 Rs. 10,000/- from The Verma Trust for the prevention of Industrial Accidents and Occupational Diseases and (2) April 2, 2018 Rs. 2,500/- from Harjivan Vassonji Charitable Trust as Corpus donations for the earmarked fund for Service Station.

### Donations to General Fund

We have received following donations to the General Fund of the Society :

Date 2018	Donations Received from	Amount (Rs.)
March 1	Rangoonwala Foundation	7,500.00
March 16	Shree Mumbadevi Mandir Charities	15,000.00
March 16	Aatmabodh Academy of Yoga	21,000.00
March 17	Aatmabodh Academy of Yoga	21,000.00

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WEBSITE ([bcac.co.in](http://bcac.co.in))**

**ALL OUR SERVICES ARE FREE, BASED ON VOLUNTARY DONATIONS**

### Donations to Hall Renovation Fund

We have received following donations to the General Fund of the Society:

Date 2018	Donations Received from	Amount (Rs.)
March 1	The Lotus Trust	50,000.00
March 1	Mrs. Hiloo R. Damkevala	10,000.00
March 10	Ms. Annapurna Kanhaiyalal Agrawal	10,000.00

## OBITUARY

With profound grief we place on record sad demise of Mr. Mulraj Kapadia, past First Aid Instructor's Course student, regular donor of our society on March 5, 2018. Recently he donated Rs.1,00,000/- for renovation of Hall. He was organizing First Aid seminars and workshops. He worked for collecting Eye donation particularly in Kandivali, Mumbai. In him Corps have lost a well wisher and Kandivali Mumbai have lost a devoted social worker.

## PART II

### The Emblem and Name of the Red Cross

(8th May is International Red Cross Day)

At the time of Red Cross conference of 1863 the delegates were fully aware that the volunteers might be in danger of their lives in battle zones unless they could readily have identified as noncombatants. Accordingly, they decided that volunteers should wear a white armband emblazoned with a red cross. It is not clear who first suggested this unusual and striking device. What suggested it, however, appears to have been the Swiss flag, a white cross with arms of equal length in the field of red. By reversing the colours, the delegates not only created one of the best-known symbols in the world today but honoured the Swiss, upon whose soil the conference was held.

It was inevitable that the symbol chosen would become quickly associated in the public mind with organizations employing it and that the title "Society for Relief of Wounded Combatants" would be replaced by the more easily remembered name "Red Cross Society". First to adopt and use the title officially was the Netherlands society in 1867. Other societies followed suit, but it was until 1875 that the Geneva committee began to call itself the International Committee of the Red Cross.

Although the shape of the symbol identifying the Red Cross movement is that of a Greek cross, it has no particular religious significance. Some Moslem countries, however, to avoid misunderstanding among their people were early authorized to use

### An Appeal

Since use of our Ambulance Service is very poor, Members and well wishers are requested to give publicity of our Free Ambulance Service.

Suggestions for improvement of our services are welcome.

Donations for the FREE FIRST AID AND AMBULANCE SERVICE STATION FUND will be appreciated.

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a red crescent as the symbol of their societies. For similar reason Iran (formerly Persia) uses red lion and sun.

### Public Duty

Ambulance Car 12 (MH-01-L-9420) with trained staff and equipments such as First Aid box, extra stretcher, oxygen cylinder etc., was posted at Football Ground for football matches as under :

Sr. No.	Organizer	Date 2017/2018	Time
1.	Saran Presents	May 27 & 28 November 5-6, 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, 26 December 3, 9 & 11 January 18 February 3 February 4	9.00 to 5 p.m. 3.30 to 7.30 p.m. 15.30 to 19.30 hrs. 15.45 to 22.30 hrs. 10.30 to 22.30 hrs.
2.	WIFA (for Women)	June 23 to 30	9.30 to 12.30 p.m.
3.	Western India Football Association	August 26, 29, 31 September 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 12, 22, 23, 25, 27, 29 October 1	3 p.m. to 7 p.m.
4.	Mumbai Hockey Association	September 11 to 19, October 6, 7, 9 to 16, 18, 21, 23 to 25. November 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 10 & 13 December 6-8, 9, 11-17, 19, 20	2 to 6 p.m. 9 a.m. to 2.30 p.m.
5.	Phoenix Foundation	Dec. 9 (7 p.m.)-10(up to 9 a.m.) Sai Baba Palkhi Dadar-Thane	7 p.m. to 9 a.m.
6.	Mumbai Port Trust Hockey Association	<b>APRIL 2018</b> April 2, 3, 4 & 5	7.30 to 10.30 a.m. 4 to 6.15 p.m.
7.	Mumbai Football Association (Ladies)	April 28, 29 and 30	3 to 6 pm

One of the recommendation made at the 1863 conference was that the delegates urge their governments to adopt a uniform, distinctive symbol for personnel of the medical corps of the army and uniform flag for ambulances and hospitals. The arguments of the delegates used must have been persuasive, for the Article 7 of the First Geneva Convention provides that "a distinctive and uniform flag shall be adopted for hospitals, ambulances and evacuation parties [and that] an armlet may be worn by personnel enjoying neutrality but its issue shall be left to the military authorities [and that] both flag and armlet shall bear a red cross on a white ground"

Except in certain Moslem countries and Iran, as previously noted, the medical services of the armed forces of the Governments bound by the Geneva Conventions use the red cross in white field as an identifying and protective symbol for official medical personnel and chaplains, vehicles used for the transportation of the wounded; hospital ships, trains, and planes; dressing stations and field and base hospitals; and neutralized buildings or zones. The title "Red Cross" (Red Crescent or Red Lion and Sun) in practice, however is restricted to the societies themselves.

Because of the great significance of the symbol – whether Red Cross Red Crescent or Red Lion and Sun – and because of the respect widely accorded it as an identification and protection, many governments and Red Cross Red Crescent or Red Lion and Sun societies zealously guard their symbols and make every effort to restrict their use to their armed forces medical services and to their societies.

— Courtesy : Memories of Solferino

### FREE FIRST AID AND AMBULANCE SERVICE STATION

#### SERVICE STATION STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 2017 - 2018

Months	Calls Registered	Removal Services Performed	Services without Donations	Donations Received		Run of Ambulance Car No.12 in (K. Metres)
				Removal Services (₹)	Station Fund (₹)	
April 2017	07	10	05	1,600	12,500	220
May 2017	08	12	06	1,500	0	213
June 2017	10	17	04	3,050	4,000	376
July 2017	12	16	08	1,400	14,500	275
August 2017	10	14	07	1,300	5,400	171
September 2017	04	04	00	1,500	0	171
October 2017	05	05	03	300	2,100	161
November 2017	06	08	03	1,700	9,100	359
December 2017	03	05	02	700	60,101	307
January 2018	14	27	12	9,700	29,712	404
February 2018	14	21	09	3,200	4,400	241
March 2018	07	08	03	2,050	Nil	189
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>28,000</b>	<b>1,41,813</b>	<b>3,087</b>
<b>Total services rendered till March 2017 : 80,767</b>						
April 2018	02	03	01	1,300	Nil	127
<b>Total services rendered till April 2018 : 80,770</b>						

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