

# Herman entertains with magic

Bruma resident and magician, Perica "Herman" Zuvela is living his dream and it is not an illusion.

Since he was a young boy, "Herman", as he is called on stage, wanted to be a real magician. "There is a big difference between doing tricks and doing magic," says Herman. "Magic is

about illusion, simulation, misdirection and distraction amongst many things," he adds.

Herman developed a passion for magic while growing up in his country of birth, Croatia. "I would see many magicians performing and I was amazed. I wanted to be one of them, so I bought myself a magic set but I soon realised that I could only do childish tricks that were not impres-

sive," says the magician.

Herman, in his pursuit to fulfil his dream, met a master magician who agreed to teach him about magic. "A retired master magician in Zagreb (Croatia) agreed to teach me. He taught me for four years," says Herman.

Magic has become a serious form of entertainment with corporations, restaurants, schools and other organisations in demand of true magicians. Herman advises aspiring magicians to work hard and take it (magic) seriously.

"Being a magician is a profession. You need to be dedicated and constantly work hard. Your presentation must be well prepared because your reputation is always on the line when you perform," says the magician.

Even though Herman has been performing magic for 20 years, he was accepted into The

International Brotherhood of Magicians in March 1999. "It is great to belong to the 'Brotherhood'. Not many magicians get accepted," he said.

Herman has performed in various countries like Croatia, Serbia, Italy and South Africa and entertained audiences at big corporations and restaurants.

Herman also uses his performances to help schools raise money and educate children on the dangers of drugs and other life issues.

**Herman the magician, who is a Bruma resident, has been performing for 20 years around the world. Herman performs one of his card tricks.**



**Herman the magician performs a routine with Chinese rings.**

**Herman helps schools to raise money.**