CASACC Venue Report.

Restaurant:				
Field Reporter:	Leom Holley		Date:	1/30/2025
The Show:	8			
Attendance:	Score:	Yellow Cards:		Red Cards:
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General Comments:

A great meal tonight with 8 of us. Interestingly 7 different companies were represented – a huge change from our first curry 10 years ago.

My report from tonight

### Dining Experience Review: The Good, The Bad, and The Mildly Infuriating

We walked in expecting a seamless evening of spice, naan, and good company. Instead, we got a bit of a circus act, complete with missing bread, lukewarm rice, and a payment system that made us feel like we were back in school splitting up tasks for a group project no one wanted to do.

## First Impressions: Confusion & Chaos

Right off the bat, they didn't even know we were coming. Now, I'm not saying I expect a red carpet and a personal welcome from the chef (actually, I do), but when you take a booking for the Cincinnati Curry Club, be ready for Cincinnati Curry Club!

Upon ordering, Duane – returning to the club after an extended break - asked the big existential question of the night: "How would the chef eat it?" A fair question, considering we were trying to gauge just how authentic this whole operation was. Spoiler: we never got a real answer, and we aren't totally sure the chef would eat it.

A special shoutout to the server who, when asked about a Kashmiri naan, seemingly had no way of communicating with the kitchen anything other than garlic naan – so we were only allowed what the default naan option was. Very disappointing.

# Food: A Rollercoaster of Flavors & Temperature Confusion

Now, let's get to the real reason we were there—the food. And credit where it's due, **it was actually pretty good.** The spice levels were a mixed bag, with Nate wishing for more heat and Duane questioning their 1-6 scale, but nonetheless the food was pretty good.

JJ had a meal mix-up but was pacified with extra food (strong move). Meanwhile, Matt got **cold rice**—which, unless you ordered sushi, is just outright offensive. Tyson summed up the vibe perfectly: "Nothing special, with no atmosphere." Well, at least the bathroom was clean, so there's that.

### Service: A Masterclass in Being Unbothered

Servers? Oh, they were having a great time—talking amongst themselves out the back while we sat there wondering if they knew we were still there. Water? Apparently a rare commodity. And let's not forget the pièce de résistance: an 18% service charge sneaked in without any mention. A bold move for a place that made us do the logistical gymnastics of sorting our own check at the front desk.

### **Final Scores & The Verdict**

Let's crunch the numbers: the squad averaged **6.59/10**, which, is pretty poor.

Was the food good? Mostly, yes. Was the service good? Not even close. Would I come back? Probably not

Final Average	6.59
Score:	

