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# Dear Vadil Members.

Welcome to September Newsletter. Hope all the members are keeping well. Summer is here now and the temperatures are rising, so make the most of it. There are many Hindu Festivals coming during a few months. My apologies in sending this newsletter so late, as I was away on holiday.

# **Donations:**

"Chaas" for the month of August sponsors were: \*Chandrakanta Parmar \*Prabhudasbhai & Rasilaben Shah, \*Niru & Kanta Shah in the memory of their late husband's Shanti Shah & Vinod Shah. \*An anonymous member.

03/08:\* Ushaben Lakhani brought home made 'Salami' to celebrate the 'Purshottam maas'

\*Packets of Biscuits from Pushpaben Patel for Tea Time.

\*£25 from Mahesh Savadia on the occasion of 75th Birthday of his wife Saroi.

\*£20 from Sushilaben H Maniar to celebrate the Purshottam Maas. 10/08:\*£51 from Navnitbhai and Vasumatiben Vora on the occasion of

their Birthdays Vasuben's 10/08 and Naynitbhai's on 14/08.

\*£50 from Shirishbhai Parikh on the occasion of his birthday on 10/08 17/08:\*£50 from Shobhnaben Manu Haria on celebrating her birthday & her son Shital and Nishita's wedding Anniversary on 15th Aug and her grand-daughter obtaining 3 A\* in her A Levels.

\*£51 from Dhirendra Sanghrajka whose birthday was on 17/08 as well as his son in law Divyesh Mehta's birthday, & his grandson Miren passing his A levels.

\*£25 from Kishor and Veena on their Granddaughter Shanaya obtaining 3 A's at her A levels.

24/08:\*£51 from Manjulaben Patwa on her granddaughter Deeshaya Parag Patwa obtaining all 9's in her 10 GCSE.

\*£51 from Madhu Kothari on the occasion of her grandsons- Krish passing his A levels exam with good grades and-Mihir passed his GCSE exams with 9 A\* stars & A.

\*£35 from an Anonymous donor for our Music & Raksha Bandhan programme.

\*£31 from Jyotiben H Vibhakar on her late husband Harikant Vibhakar's first 'Tithi'.

\*Many Packets of Biscuits from Sushilaben Vadher & friends.

31/08:\*£101 from Kanchanben MEHTA, for her 90th Birthday.

Kendra's heartiest thanks to the all the above Donors for their generosity and sharing their special occasions with us and our best wishes to all their Grandchildren for achieving

Good Grades in their Exams.

## **PROGRAMMES IN August 2023:**

03/08: Morning yoga was conducted by Nootanben Laxman & Manishaben. After lunch we had a Quiz conducted by Dr. Kapashi. He

Divided Groups of 12/13 people on several Round Tables and each table had to choose a Leader. Then given a Paper with 30 questions, which were to be answered. The table with most correct answer was given a prize. Quiz programme went very well. More than 150 people took part and tried to answer all the questions. All participants thoroughly enjoyed the programme.

10/08: Morning yoga was conducted by Dhirubhai Galani & Manishaben. The afternoon programme started at 2.00 pm when Dr Vinodbhai Kapashi gave a detailed history as to how the independence was obtained and how many heroes sacrificed their lives. Then the March Past by many members wearing colourful dresses, two ladies in India's "tiranga" colours, many waving flags, others holding a large Flag to lead the march. Everyone was in joyous mood singing the independence songs with loud music and raising the flags shouting 'Jai Bharat Mata ki'. The march started from the main gate, going round the Hall and stopping near the stage, where they started to sing with the music. After the march members came to sing independence songs, des bhakti songs etc. This went on until 3.15 pm when the President Vinod Parekh gave vote of thanks for the wonderful March Past with colourful dresses worn by ladies and the melodious music played. He praised Dr Vinodbhai Kapashi for presenting another very well super programme enjoyed by all.

17/08: Morning yoga was conducted by Ushaben Mehta & Manishaben. In the afternoon we had OUR AGM. The meeting started at 2.15 pm and continued with all the matter on the Agenda till 3.30 pm. Some members also asked questions on the Accounts and also took part in the AOB.

24/08: Morning yoga was conducted by Ushaben Mehta & Manishaben. In the afternoon we had Antakshri witch Started at 2.00pm and Mahesh Savadia divided members into Groups and he gave everyone a chance to sing an appropriate song. Many members sang a few lines of the songs beginning with the last song's last word. Members enjoyed the programme which ended at 3.00 pm.



31/08: Today we had a whole day Music Programme with celebrating RAKSHABANDHAN On the Arrival Table for Registration and Ticket exchange Table, a beautiful flower arrangement in glass vase presented by Manjuben Pindoria was displayed. At the entrance to the Hall, our members Meenaben and Rameshbhai N. Shah had decorated an eye catching Rangoli with the theme of Raksha Bandhan, using large green leaves.

All the tables and chairs arranged in the Hall were decorated in White. On all the Tables there were 'Rakhis' brought by Dr. Vinodbhai Kapashi and sweets for the Rakshabandhan programme. There was also a Programme/Menu Card.

The attendance was 350 members and guests, which is now becoming a norm in our special programmes with live music. This shows how popular our programmes are growing day by day.

At 11.00 am the Rakshabandhan programme started. Dr Vinodbhai Kapashi welcomed everyone and gave a detailed explanation of the festival of tying the 'rakhi' by sisters on the hands of their brothers. All the ladies were seen tying the 'rakhi' on the hands of gents and then offering the sweets to each other.

At 11.35am the Music Band on the stage at far end of the Hall started with the Navkar Mantra Dhun and then the Gayatri Mantra. After the auspicious start of favourite songs. The Group continued to sing several oldies and unforgettable tunes from the programme, the Group continued to sing a few very famous songs referring to the love between sisters and brothers - like - "Fullo ka taroo ka sabka kahena he, ek hazaroo me meri bhena he, "Kaun halave limdi ne kaun julave pipdi, bhai ni beni ne bhailo julave dalkhi". After such melodious songs, they started to sing the Bollywood oldies and alltime the "Bhuli Bishri Yadeein", which were highly applauded as members also started to sing with the Group's melodious tunes. Several requests from members for their favourite songs were sung to the delight, dancing and clapping by members. The joyous mood of all the members and guests with thunderous clapping all the time, encouraged the singers. At 1.00 pm the lunch was served - first to the Musical Group, then table numbers were called upon by Dr Mahendra Vora so the people seating on those tables came to join in the Queue near the serving tables where volunteers served them the food. At 2.00 pm, the music restarted with more songs and Music. The Gujarati Garbas were a hit and the dancing floor was packed with members performing garbas.

The dance floor remained crowded with dancing members till the end. It was a matter of pride for NVK to see many members in their seventies and eighties taking part in Garbas and dances so joyfully and happily.

At 3pm our President gave a speech by welcoming members and guests. He thanked everyone for making this programme a very memorable day.

He also thanked all the volunteers, committee members, Sattavis Patidar management, Meera Caterers, Seju & Pritiben for providing Water bottles and the Musicians for providing such an entertaing day. A vote of thanks was given by Dhirubhai Galani on behalf of all the members.

After that "Bestowal of Saal" to one of our member - Kanchanben Natwarlal Mehta who reached her milestone 90 years of age on 18th August and as is customary in NVK to recognise members' 90th birthday. She was then called near the stage and in the presence of entire Executive Committee, the Secretary Purnimaben Mehta and the President's wife Kundanben Parekh bestowed the "saal".

