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Navjivan Vadil Kendra

(Monthly Newsletter)

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Thursday Meetings at: Sattavis Patidar Centre, Forty Avenue, Wembley, MIDDX HA9 9PE

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Lunch

Celebrating a special birthday, or wedding anniversary! Or in memory of some one dear! Then **Sponsor** a lunch for **£251.00.**

Guest Members:

£5.00 is payable by guests.

Sponsors :

Lunch :

☒ Lunch on 29th August was sponsored by Taraben & Jayantilal Sheth on the occasion of 85th birthday of Jayantilal. We wish him a healthy happy birthday and many more to come. Our apologies for not including this news item in last newsletter.

☒ Lunch on 19th September was sponsored by Skylink who arranged the trip to Ireland for our members.

Chas : Champaben Shantilal Mehta has sponsored chas for the month of September.

Donations :

☒ **£25.00** - from Kusumben Doshi on her birthday on 13th. Our best wishes for a healthy life full of joy.

☒ **£25.00** – from Harendra Meswani on the birthday of his wife Purnimaben. Our best wishes for a healthy life full of joy.

☒ **£51.00** – from Arunkant B Doshi on his birthday on 24th September. Our best wishes for a healthy life full of joy.

☒ **£51.00** - from Dhanlaxmiben M Mehta on her birthday on 25th September. Our best wishes for a healthy life full of joy.

Congratulations : Our hearty congratulations to our member Premlataben Parekh on successfully completing 30 fasts. Our best wishes for a healthy future.

Our Condolences : Our card playing member Subhaschand Gosar Shah passed away on 5th September. Our sincere condolences to his family and may his soul rest in peace. Om Shanti Shanti Shanti.

Programs - September

☒ 5th September – No program after lunch.

☒ 12th September – Planned solo comedy by Nimuben was cancelled at last minute but two ladies from India brought by Pragnaben gave a wonderful recital of old songs. The 80 year lady had a wonderful voice and all members enjoyed this surprise program.

☒ 19th September – Members enjoyed a session of karaoke on the gadget brought by Mahendra Kothary. It gave a chance to many to sing specially when one cannot remember the wording of the songs.

☒ 26th September – we had a visit from Lord Popat. (report next page)

Diwali Shopping in Leicester.

We have planned a day trip on Tuesday 29th October. We will first be going to Southall Gurdwara, followed by Jain Centre in Leicester where we will have lunch, followed by a visit to Sanatan Temple and then we will go to Belgrave Road where we can see Diwali lights, do some shopping and eat. Cost of the trip will be £15.00 per person.

Trip to Ireland (Eire)

Fifty five members of NVK including some guest members went on a 5 night 6 day trip to Southern Ireland (or Eire as it is known). The trip was enjoyed by participants as can be seen from comments received so far. While the trip included breakfast and dinner, we arranged for lunch. Thepla, vada, bhel and mithai were provided on various days. On the last day some hot snacks were bought and served. Water bottles were given to each participant every day. Bhanuben Sukhi Shah kindly donated water.

Our committee members Chimanbhai Sheth took the responsibility as convenor for this trip. He spent time on the internet and did research and found a few interesting places to visit. He maintained a proper list of the participants and the accounts. For his first such responsibility for NVK he has done an excellent job and all the credit goes to him for the successful completion of this trip.

Originally we struggled to get enough members to take part in the trip but ultimately we ended up with 55 participants (even after about 6 having cancelled at the last minute.) Because of this large number we were able to negotiate a better deal with the tour operator. Also our secretary agreed to be the tour manager on behalf of the tour company and the remuneration he got was put in the kitty. His salary of £400.00 and a free place worth £445.00 (total of £845.00) boosted the kitty and allowed us to spend on the trip. We visited four different places with entrance fees and all that money was paid from the kitty. Our visits included Power Court gardens, Crystal Glass factory and waterfalls. In the end, after spending almost £1800.00 from the kitty for the trip, over £1000.00 will be saved which would go to NVK funds.

Lord Popat Visits NVK.

On Thursday 26th September we had a visit by Lord Popat together with his young secretary. Lord Popat, a Gujarati, holds two ministerial posts in the government in the House of Lords and is also Lord in Waiting for the Royal household. In an interesting speech he talked about how we Indians have been great success in education and in business, but that we do not seem to have any voice in politics. He extolled Indians to come forward and take more part in politics and in our own future in this country. His young secretary Ameet Jogia is planning to be a candidate for election to Harrow Council.

Forthcoming Programs for October

1. On 3rd October we will have a talk and discussion for Men members in particular on PROSTRATE. The talk will be held in the office on the first floor. It is important all men members participate on something that affects all MEN. Our Vinod Parekh will be coming to talk on the subject after his first hand experience .
2. On 10th October we will have Ras Garba to celebrate Navratri. In the morning we might get a surprise guest to do meditation.
3. On 17th October we will have Sewa Day when residents of care homes and other elderly and disabled will be entertained by us with dances from Harby.
4. On 24th October (and perhaps on 7th November) we will have Talent Show. I am told many members have given their names for this show.
5. On 31st October we will celebrate Diwali.

Membership 2014

We are now accepting membership **renewal** for 2014. Fees have been set at **£85.00** for 2014. **Existing** members can only apply and we must get all applications latest by **15th December** after which those on waiting list will be given an opportunity to join.

It is important that everyone fills the form to keep our records up to date. We find that email addresses need updating regularly **and please write your email address clearly** if you wish to be kept on our email postings.