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message from anita naran



2021 – Another year which has been a difficult one for everyone. The COVID Pandemic has taken a huge toll on all of us in many ways. Even though these have been hard times, the most important aspect is to stay safe and get vaccinated.

The Pandemic affected the affairs of our Association and we were unable to host any events this year. It was not an easy decision to make when we cancelled events especially Navratri but as a Committee we looked at all scenarios and our top priority always was the safety of all our members. Hopefully in 2022 if COVID Alert Levels allow we will host all the events.

This is our final newsletter for 2021. I would like to thank CDIA

Committee for all the work they have done this year and also thanks to all our members for your support.

The festive season is here and no doubt we are all looking forward to spending time with friends and family. Once again please stay safe.

On behalf of CDIA committee we wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

annual general meeting

Date/Time:Thursday, 24 February 2022, 7.30pm—9.00pmVenue:Central Normal School, Tile Room (off Foyer),
Featherston Street, Palmerston North



We request that members come to the Annual General Meeting to voice their opinions and help the committee plan events for the year and also to take up positions on the

Committee. Next year our aim is to get a new President and new Committee Members for CDIA. It is time for me to step down but I will always be available to help CDIA.

cdia subscription

A big thank you to those who have paid their 2021 CDIA subscriptions. Your prompt payment and support towards our association is greatly appreciated. Subscriptions are crucial to any organisation, as it allows for the hosting of events and the running of our association. It helps us keep active and in turn, raise our profile and promote our culture to the wider Community.

This year some members have not paid their subscription fees for 2021. The committee has decided that members who have not paid their fees will not receive newsletters or any other correspondence from 2022 and their names will be deleted from our database.



happy retirement



Retirement is something that we all talk about and mentally prepare for however, to make a final decision is not easy.

Santiben Budhia, the Deputy Principal at Queen Elizabeth College, has made this decision and after 40 years in Education is retiring at the end of the term.

Santiben is originally from Christchurch and moved to Palmerston North in 1981 when she started her career at QEC.

Santiben is the Secretary of our Association and has always helped CDIA in any way she can. Her expertise has always been beneficial for our Association, as Santiben has always proof read all our official documents.

Santiben, we wish all the best for your retirement and now it is your time for you to enjoy.

HAPPY RETUREMENT

cdisc 40th anniversary celebration



40th Anniversary Celebration Saturday 19th March 2022, 6:00pm Awapuni Function Centre, Palmerston North

Come reminisce with friends, fellow teammates and supporters. Help us recognise the people behind the success of our club with the presentation of Service Awards.

Tickets \$50 per person or \$90 per couple. (Ticket includes catered dinner, dessert, and commemorative gift)

Reserve your tickets today by emailing cd.isc@outlook.com Limited tickets available, no door sales on the night. Entry from 5:30pm onwards.







vaccine pass

CDIA Committee has already started planning events for 2022 and hopefully if COVID restrictions allow we will host all our functions. The majority of our functions will be held at Senior Citizens Hall and the Committee of Senior Citizens have met and discussed requirements for all groups that hire the Hall & Lounge under the COVID Traffic Light System.

The following decision was passed.

From Friday 3rd December 2021 the Senior Citizens Association requires all users of the Hall & Lounge to follow the Traffic Light System Rules and Regulations.



My Vaccine Pass <u>must</u> be sighted <u>NO PASS</u>, <u>NO ENTRY</u>

So to avoid an awkward situation where the committee has to refuse entry to any of our events, please get your vaccine pass.



How to get your My Vaccine Pass

There are 3 ways to get your My Vaccine Pass — online through My Covid Record, over the phone, and in person at a participating vaccination site.

The quickest way to get a pass is through the website My Covid Record.

Online through My Covid Record

To get a My Vaccine Pass through the website My Covid Record, you will need a unique email address and a valid ID. Log in to My Covid Record website at https://mycovidrecord.health.nz/:

- 1. In the 'Passes and certificates' section, select 'Request pass or certificate'.
- 2. The 'Select a pass or certificate' screen will open. Select 'My Vaccine Pass' and then select 'Continue'.

3. In the 'Your details' screen, enter the email address that your vaccine pass should be sent to and select 'Request pass'. A confirmation screen will appear. You should get an email with your pass within 24 hours.

Over the phone

If you cannot access My Covid Record, or do not have a unique email address or valid ID, you can call the Ministry of Health to request a physical copy. It will help to have your NHI number ready. **Phone:** <u>0800 222 478</u>

In person at a participating vaccination site

Some sites that are providing COVID-19 vaccinations (like pharmacies) can also help you request and print a My Vaccine Pass for free. Confirm in advance that they offer this service, and bring your NHI number if you can when you visit.

You do not need to have ID or an email address. You will be asked some personal details so you can be found in the system.



nzica gala awards

The annual NZICA Gala Award recognises those who have made a significant difference to NZ Indians and wider communities.

Their contributions and achievements enhance social, educational, sporting and cultural richness in the community. They go beyond ordinary to make the society stronger, vibrant and inspire others to do the same.



NZICA values the contributions of NZ Indians from all areas of participation and focuses on awarding those that have excelled in the objectives of NZICA.

Awards will be presented in the following nine categories; Arts & Culture, Sport, Women, Wellbeing, Leadership, Youth, Lifetime Achievement, Advancement and Presidents Award.

<u>WELLBEING - Excellence in Education/Health/Business/Humanitarian</u>

The Wellbeing Award in Business recognises the resilience and empowerment within a community. CDIA has put forward Shires as a nominee for this Award and we wish them all the best.

ADVANCEMENT - Community of the Year

The Community of the Year Award recognises a branch or group within the branch that makes a significant contribution to their community. We have put CDIA forward a nomination for this Award.

nzica community service awards

NZICA have developed the NZICA Community Service Award to give individual Indian Associations a chance to show their appreciation by nominating a person for the valuable contributions made within their own Association and community. This year CDIA has nominated Bhanumati Ravji for this Award, and our best wishes to all the nominees.

Merry Christmas and Best Wishes for 2022