



INDIAN ASSOCIATION INC. Email: cdia.inc@outlook.com

NEWSLETTER 218

APRIL 2024

annual general meeting

Thank you to everyone who attended the Annual General Meeting. It was very well attended and thanks to everyone who took up positions on the committee. Your help is greatly appreciated.

President: Vice-President: Treasurer: Secretary: Anita Naran Paul Patel Dhirubhai Ranchhod Santi Budhia

<u>Committee Members:</u> Bhavin Patel Jayesh Patel Mahendra Naran

Kanu Ravji Ranjita Sengupta Raju Patel Sumit Patel

Ramanbhai Ranchhod

Senior Member:

Youth Member:

Rohin Patel

message from anita naran

I would like to thank everyone who attended the annual general meeting. We had very good attendance, and we planned for another successful year. Last year we farewelled valued members in our community and they will be missed at all our events.

2023 was a busy year for CDIA. We celebrated Janmashtami, Ganesh Chaturthi, Jalaram Jayanti and on 22 January 2024 we celebrated the opening of the Ayodhya Ram Mandir with bhajans and a car rally organised by our members, which went through Palmy town complete with music.

We hosted Navratri for nine days and concluded on Dashera with Mahaprasad. CDIA would like to thank everyone who helped in organising Navratri and those that contributed towards the hireage costs of the hall.

On Saturday, 18 November 2023 we celebrated Diwali Mela, the "Festival of Lights" in The Square. This event was organised by the City's Indian communities, who made a major contribution along with the Palmerston North City Council (PNCC).

In September last year, finally, CDIA went on social media and the credit for this goes to Rohin Patel.

Six delegates from CDIA attended last year's NZICA youth conference on 25 November 2023: Rohin Patel, Priya Patel, Kushi Patel, Dhruvi Patel, Dipansy Patel, Kareena Patel. I would like to thank the youth members for participating.

I am thankful for the contributions of committee members and members. It is the committee that moves the ideas that float around into action.

My strength in this job is my family: Mahendra, Asmita and Nikisha. I would like to thank them for their love and support.

Anita Naran

subscriptions

At our AGM our current subscriptions were discussed and for 2024 subscriptions are as follows:

Family Members:	\$30
Single Member:	\$15

Please note that 2024 subscriptions are valid for the CDIA financial period from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024.

Subscriptions can be paid in the following ways:

Post: By sending payment to CDIA, PO Box 4037, Palmerston North 4442 or;

Direct Credit: CDIA BNZ Account: 02-0630-0106854-00, Code: CDIA MEM, Reference: 2024 Surname & Initial



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We encourage all subs be paid by 30 June 2024. Once payment has been received, a receipt will be available on request.

Family Members: Family Membership consists of a household of members which may include a spouse or partner and/or their children. Children shall be included in Family Membership until they are 18 years. If they are single and residing at home and 18 years old the single membership will apply. Parent/s and/or extended family residing with a couple will have to pay separate membership fees unless they qualify for 65+ membership (refer below).

Single Member: Single Membership consists of a member who seeks sole membership to CDIA, regardless of whether they are with or without a spouse or partner and/or children. The benefits of CDIA single membership shall extend to that member only, and shall not extend to their spouse or partner and/or their children.

65+ Membership:

A CDIA member shall be exempted from paying the annual CDIA subscription once that member has:

- i. reached the age of 65 as of 1 January of the financial year AND
- ii. has been a financial member for a period of 10 or more consecutive years prior to 1 January of the financial year.

For a couple when only one spouse or partner qualifies this exemption of the annual CDIA subscriptions will also apply to the non-qualified spouse or partner.

Exemption of the annual CDIA subscription does not extend towards the payment of any entry fees and/or costs payable for events hosted by CDIA.

Upcoming events in 2024

CDIA is planning to host all our regular events in 2024. It would be appreciated if members volunteer to help with organising these events.

Navratri is the biggest event for CDIA and we definitely need assistance for this event, especially with cleaning and locking up. If are able to help please contact a committee member or email CDIA <u>cdia.inc@outlook.com</u> and state which event you would prefer to help with. **If CDIA does not have enough volunteers to help, we may have to cancel the events.**

We look forward to your support at all our events.

NZICA AGM



New Zealand Indian Central Association Inc. (NZICA) is the only national Indian organisation in New Zealand set up as an umbrella body for regional Indian community groups throughout Aotearoa and has been operating since 1926. NZCIA provides a link between Indian communities around NZ to exchange information on matters of common interest that conserve, promote and advance generally the interests, welfare and status of Indians in NZ.

2024 98th Annual General Meeting

Executive Meeting:

Date:	Friday 12 April 2024
Venue:	Diversity Centre, 25 Tui Road, Papatoetoe, Auckland
Time:	5.00pm to 7.00pm

Annual General Meeting:

Date:	Saturday 13 April 2024
Venue:	Diversity Centre, 25 Tui Road, Papatoetoe, Auckland
Time:	9.00am to 10.00am Registration, Tea, Mix and Mingle
	AGM: 10.00am to 2.00pm

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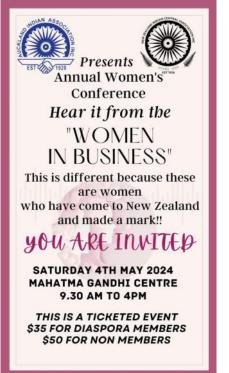
The Annual NZICA Gala Awards recognise those who have made a significant difference to NZ Indians and wider communities. Their contributions and achievements enhance social, educational, sporting and cultural richness in the community. They go 'beyond ordinary' to make society stronger, vibrant and inspire others to do the same. NZICA values the contributions of NZ Indians from all areas of participation and focuses on acknowledging those that have excelled in the objectives of the NZICA.

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NZICA
Gala Awards
Saturday, 13 April 2024 6:00pm onwards Mahatma Gandhi Centre

Date: Time: Venue: Saturday 13 April 2024 6.00pm onwards Mahatma Gandhi Centre 145 New North Road Eden Terrace

Congratulations to all the nominees and the Award recipients.

NZICA Annual Women's Conference



WOMEN IN BUSINESS

New Zealand Indian Central Association is hosting the Annual Women's Conference in Auckland on 4th May 2024 .

This conference is always enjoyable and informative.

If any female members want to attend the Conference, please contact Anita Naran.

"It's not about being perfect. It's not about where you get yourself in the end. There's power in allowing yourself to be known and heard, in owning your unique story, in using your authentic voice." — Michelle Obama,

Congratulations



Central Districts Indian Association and members would like to congratulate Ranjita Sengupta on taking up the position of Manawatu Multicultural Centre President. Ranjita has been working with MMC for a number of years now and her expertise and knowledge have always benefited the wider community.

Along with all the other Indian Groups in Palmerston North we look forward to working together with MMC under Ranjita's leadership.

We wish Ranjita, her team and the Board all the best for 2024.

If anyone wishes to contact MMC please do so. The service they provide for the Ethnic Community is exceptional.

Location:	Hancock Community House, 77-85 King Street, Palmerston North
Opening Hours:	Monday to Friday, 10.00am to 4.00pm
Phone:	(06) 358 1572
Email: :	admin@mmcnz.org.nz/info@mmcnz.org.nz

2024 KBT



New Zealand Indian Sports Association Inc. 2024 New Zealand Indian Hockey Championship Saturday 1st to Monday 3rd June 2024 North Harbour, Auckland Hosted by the North Harbour Indian Sports Club. Women's, Men's A, and Men's B hockey.