



happy new year

Welcome to 2019 and all the best for the year ahead. We hope you all had a great Christmas and New Year. CDIA are starting off the year with our AGM as detailed below, and we look forward to another busy year. Therefore, we hope to have your support in 2019.

annual general meeting

Date: Thursday, 7th March 2019
Time: 7.00 – 9.00pm
Venue: Central Normal School, Tile Room (off Hall Foyer),
Featherston Street, Palmerston North

Agenda:

1. Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Previous Minutes
4. Matters Arising
5. President's Report
6. Financial Report
7. Election of Officers
 - President
 - Vice President
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - Committee Members
 - NZICA Delegate
 - Financial Reviewer
8. Subscriptions
9. General Business



It is extremely important that members attend the AGM. We do need new members to join the Committee in 2019 to provide new ideas and of course, to take on responsibilities in the running of CDIA. The AGM is the place for all members to become involved and share constructive ideas. Many of the current committee members have worked tirelessly over the years hosting many successful events, but we now require more help and input from within the Association. Busy lifestyles means it does get harder for us to keep up with effective running of the Association. However, with more members becoming involved, the workload would be shared in running CDIA so events can be organised with ease.

We also encourage more of our female members to become involved, along with seeing our younger members also taking part. CDIA has been in operation for 70+ years and we do want our Association to continue operating for years to come. We hope to see many members of all ages attend the AGM and to become actively involved with the club for 2019 and beyond. So please, come along so we can have a good attendance at our AGM this year.

The affairs of an Association is not just the responsibility of the Executive or the Committee. It is also the members. As one says, it is a 'Team effort'. Hence, if anyone has any ideas or suggestions please email us at cdia.inc@outlook.com or alternatively ring any of our committee members.

65+ membership



At our 2016 AGM the following remit was passed unanimously.

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

- (i) Reached the age of 65 as of 1st January of the financial year and
- (ii) Been a financial member for a period of 10 or more consecutive years prior to 1st 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.

2019 nzica 92nd agm

The 2019 NZICA 92nd AGM will be held on Saturday, 13th April in Wellington. Anita Naran will be representing CDIA. If anyone wishes to attend this conference as delegate or go as an observer, please contact us for details.

Dhirubhai Ranchhod has been nominated for a NZICA Community Service Award this year. We wish Dhirubhai all the best.



nzica president's nomination



Mahatma Gandhi said ...

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others. To give real service you must add something which cannot be bought or measured with money, and that is sincerity and integrity. Help others and give something back" and that is exactly what Nanubhai (Paul) has done and is still doing.

This year is a very memorable year for Nanubhai as CDIA will nominate him for the NZICA President's position following a three year term as Vice President. The elections will be held at NZICA AGM in Wellington.

Nanubhai is an ideal candidate for the position of President for the following reasons:

- ◆ His respect for NZICA and the Indian Community both locally and nationally
- ◆ His very high ability to strive and demand excellence in any task
- ◆ His organisational skills and vast knowledge and understanding a variety of situations
- ◆ He works hard in order to make a difference

We wish Nanubhai all the best for this nomination.

2020 nzica agm



In April next year CDIA will host the NZICA 93rd AGM. This will be an important event for our Association because next year is our 75th Jubilee as well. The Committee has started planning for the AGM and will keep members informed of any progress made. If anyone is interested in helping with the organisation, please contact us.

newsletters

CDIA has sent newsletters to members on a regular basis and will continue to do so. A few members have however, requested that they would only prefer the electronic version. Hence, this year the committee is looking at giving members options.

Please inform us immediately whether you would like newsletters in email and hardcopy or just an email version. Email your options to cdia.inc@outlook.com.



congratulations



CDIA would like to congratulate Umesha Patel, daughter of Nanubhai (Paul) and Madhuben Patel, who is marrying Mitesh Patel from Auckland in April 2019. Our best wishes to Umesha and Mitesh for their upcoming wedding day. We wish them all the best for their marriage.

festival of cultures

Palmerston North's week-long Festival of Cultures 2019 is coming your way.

Opening on Saturday evening 16 March with the colourful illuminated Lantern Parade, this celebration of cultural diversity culminates with the World, Food, Craft and Music Fair on Saturday 23 March at Te Marae o Hine – The Square. Palmerston North.

Music, food, crafts, costumes, workshops and the popular “Have a Go” where festival-goers can try something from another culture, will all contribute to this magical occasion.

The Festival of Cultures is organised by the Palmerston North City Council in partnership with the Manawatu Multicultural Centre.



For all inquiries please email festivalofcultures@pncc.govt.nz

cdia - 75 years (2020)

As mentioned already next year our Association will be celebrating 75 years since it started. The committee is having discussions to host a function to mark this achievement. This is definitely a great achievement for our Association and the credit goes to the hard working committee and our members.



To make tasks easier we seek help from members. Hence we would like suggestions from members for the 75th Jubilee function.

Please call any committee members or email us.

2019 nzisa cricket tournament



Some photos from the 2019 New Zealand Indian Sports Club Cricket Tournament which was hosted by the Central Districts Indian Sports Club.

The 2-day event was held on 5th and 6th of January 2019 and played at Ongley Park in Palmerston North. This event was enjoyed by everyone and we have had positive feedback. The CD team played for the first time and they look forward to the tournament next year.