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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**. 10 guests allowed.

## Guest

## Members:

**£5.00** is payable by guests.

## SPONSORS for May

- **£51.00** – from Vanlilaben & Sharad Mehta on the birth of their grandson Aarav on 27<sup>th</sup> Feb. We wish the new born a healthy happy long life and lots of joy to their proud grandparents.
- **Chas** – for the month of May sponsored by Chandrakalaben Parmar. Thanks.
- **£51.00** - from Urmilaben Sanghrajka on her birthday. Our best wishes and wish her a happy, healthy and joyous future.
- **£20.00** - from Kumudben Mahendra Shah on her birthday. Our best wishes and wish her a happy, healthy and joyous future.

## Programs in May

1. 7<sup>th</sup> May – Whist Drive which has been missed by members for a long time.
2. 14<sup>th</sup> May – Antakshri .
3. 21<sup>st</sup> May – Musical Chairs with a twist.
4. 28<sup>th</sup> May – Talk by Tarlaben Doshi.

## Manor House.

*Our annual trip to Manor House (or Potters Resort) had to be cancelled due to lack of response. Dates were changed because of certain circumstances and the response for the new dates seemed lacking in enthusiasm and speed of decision. Hope fully we will plan for next year well in advance.*

## Beyond Bollywood.

*We received high recommendation for this West Ends show and on enquiry found out that if we book over certain number of tickets then we get a huge discount. Based on that we offered this to our members and others. Ultimately we ended up booking almost 160 tickets. All are going to the show in the first week of June. We also found out later that last minute tickets are sold at knock down prices. But when we booked the tickets we were not aware of this. Pre-booking assures good seating and confirmed booking in advance. We hope everyone enjoys this show.*

## Cricket at Lords

*NVK aim to bring interest and more activity in the lives of our members in particular and elderly members of the community at large. With this in mind when we got offer for tickets at the world famous Lords Cricket Ground we took up the offer and widely circulated the details to our members and others. Ultimately we ended up selling almost 150 tickets. Our thanks to AGE UK for offering this wonderful chance to visit this famous ground and watch a live cricket match.*

**YOUR VIEWS AND IDEAS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME...**

## **Japan - Korea Tour - from 9<sup>th</sup> May till 26<sup>th</sup> May.**

*This year we arranged and planned a tour of Japan and Korea. Planning took over 6 months. We had 36 members and others joining the trip when the list was closed. One couple had to cancel a month prior to departure because of death in the family. One couple had to cancel on the day of departure due to death in the family. Four members had decided to do only Japan. Normally the tour agent provides a manager but this time our secretary agreed to take on the responsibility of tour manager besides being the group leader. The secretary paid same amounts for the tour as others but whatever he gets paid as tour manager will be donated to NVK.*

*Overall the tour was a great success with no accidents, or sickness or any other problem which was great considering the age range of the group which was most 70+ and quite a few reaching 80. Normally on such tours one always gets one or two who do not follow the discipline but this time everyone was perfect on time keeping.*

*In the past it was common to have lunch and dinner arranged at Indian restaurants. This meant that at least two or more hours were spent in driving to the restaurant and having the meal. Also eating heavy meals twice a day would lead to grumbles that they were not hungry. This time we arranged our own lunch. We took some items (thepla, vada, chevda, ganthia and mithai) from London and also thermos and ready tea powder. Also the members had some stock in their own bags. So every day we arranged lunch either in the coach or outside. The volunteers did a wonderful job and everyone felt satisfied. We saved lot of time. Only in the last few days we had to buy chips and rolls. And everyone was served hot tea also. In the end the cost of everyday lunch was minimal and everyone enjoyed lunch.*

*We had some issues with some guides but these were resolved to our satisfaction. We were able to make adjustments in the itinerary, and arrange for some shows also. Overall it was a successful trip.*

*The aim of such tours is to allow single ladies, and others who are unable to travel on their own to join and be assured that they will be looked after. And we can say with confidence that we succeeded in this aim to a great extent.*

## **FIRST PICNIC – 2015.**

Our first picnic of 2015 will take place in **VERULAMIUM PARK (AL3 4SW)** on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June.

**We will start from Sattavis Pattidar Centre, Wembley. Please arrive by 8.45, park your cars and embark on the coach.**

Those coming by car please note that we are using the Museum Gate. If they have problem finding please call us and we will arrange to show you the way. (Jayant 07956223102 or Babu 07870121507).

We will provide with late breakfast and late lunch.

Some members feel that cost of the picnic is high (£15.00) but with rising fuel prices the cost of the coach is going higher and higher and it costs almost £11.00 per passenger. Our day trips, compared to the past, have declined as we find that the response from members is not as forthcoming as in the past.