

# Darji Voice

20th Edition

February 2015

## News from Leicester

### New Committee for Shree Darji Gnati Mandal LEICESTER

**President & Treasurer:** Mr Shashikant Vithalbhay Tailor

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Mr Naresh Chhaganbhay Tailor

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Mr Dineshbhai Bilimoria

Mr Rajubhai Chandravadan Kapadia

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Mr Babubhai Ragha

## Forthcoming Events

We have organised a range of exciting events so make a note in your diaries:

Feb	Fri 27/02/2015	Friday Club
Mar	Fri 27/03/2015	Friday Club
May	Sun 31/05/2015	AGM
June	Fri 26/06/2015	Friday Club
July	Sun 12/07/2015	60+ Dinner
	Fri 31/07/2015	Friday Club
Aug	Sun 30/08/2015	Sammelan/Bank Holiday
Sept	Fri 25/09/2015	Friday Club
Oct	Sun 4 or 11 Oct	Katha or Havan & Bhajan (to be confirmed)
	Tue 13/10/2015	Navratri begins
	Wed 21/10/2015	Aatham
	Thu 22/10/2015	Dussera
	Mon 26/10/2015	Sharad Poonam
	Fri 30/10/2015	Friday Club
Nov	Sat 14/11/2015	DMMUK Diwali Function
Dec	Sat 12/12/2015	Children's Xmas Party
	Thu 31/12/2015	New Year's Eve Party

## Obituaries

Since the last publication of Darji Voice in October 2013, the DMM of UK was informed of the passing away of the following community members in the UK. The DMM of UK sends their condolences and sympathies to their families

Date	Name	Town
19/03/2014	Mr Sandip Dhansukh Taylor	Sunbury on Thames
27/08/2014	Mr Balwantraj Bhagwanji Tailor	Leicester
27/08/2014	Mr Vasantlal Kalidas Panarkar	Hertfordshire
05/09/2014	Mrs Vijayaben Maganbhai Gosai	London
17/10/2014	Mr Natwarlal Ambaram Tailor	Luton
01/12/2014	Mrs Nirmalaben Shashikant Tailor	Wembley
05/12/2014	Mrs Maniben Girtherlal Ratanlal	London
06/12/2014	Ms Manjulaben Naginbhai Tailor	London
10/12/2014	Mr Rajnikant Babubhai Chikhli	London
18/12/2014	Mrs Shardaben Balwantraj Tailor	Andheri, India
19/12/2014	Mr Balwantbhai Govindbhai Darji	Leicester
30/12/2014	Mrs Narmadaben Lalbhai Tailor	Southall
22/01/2015	Mrs Purnimaben Manojbhai Gopal	London
22/01/2015	Mr Prabhudas Jivan Tailor	London
12/02/2015	Mrs Narmadaben Dahyalal Tailor	London

Please note that our Bereavement services are offered to all members residing in UK. We regret that as from next edition we will be unable to offer this service to people outside UK.

## Apology

In our last edition, we made an error in reporting the bereavement news. DMMUK will like to offer our sincere apology to Mr Dhansukh Maganlal Taylor and his family for any grief caused by our error. The correct version is shown above. If you would like the name of your beloved family member to be included in the Darji Voice, please forward all the details to **Thakorbbhai Bhagat (info@darjmandal.org.uk)**. This is open to all the members of the Darji community in the UK. If you wish to place memorials in the future issues, please contact **Thakorbbhai Bhagat** for details.

DMMUK is proud to announce and invite all community members for **Darji Sammelan** to celebrate 60 years of **Darji Mitra Mandal of UK**. The **Sammelan** will be held on **Sunday 30th August 2015** at **Kadwa Patidar Centre**, Kenmore Avenue, Harrow, Middlesex HA3 8LU; from 11 a.m. onwards. This year's event will be themed on celebrating 60 years of **Darji Mitra Mandal of the UK**. Maintaining tradition and history, we aim to bring you stage performances, mouth watering food (between 12-2pm), a fully stock bar and stalls for your entertainment.

All we seek is your presence and your invaluable support in making this event a success, whether it's your time on the day as one of the many volunteers we require, or your professional stage presence (come on don't be shy, we need your talent to be shared). Our achievements will be based on the generosity of your support, donations and sponsorship.

On **15th March 2015** we will be holding a Town Hall at the **Darji Pavilion**, to gain valuable input from our well wishers on how we can fund and make this event a success. Please note that meeting will start at 3 pm to 6 pm with light refreshment. To register your interest and volunteering services, please email us at: [sammelan@darjmandal.org.uk](mailto:sammelan@darjmandal.org.uk). Those who to participate please complete the enclosed form.

In order to make this event a success we need volunteers for

- back stage manager
- performance coordinator
- raffle ticket coordinator
- sponsors
- advertisements in sammelan booklet
- Catering co-ordinator

# SAMMELAN AUG 30

Save the date



દરજી મિત્ર મંડળ યુકે ગર્વ સાથે મંડળ ના ૬૦ વર્ષની ઉજવણીમા સ્મેલન જાહેર કરે છે કે. સ્મેલન માટે બધા સભ્યોને આમંત્રિત કરીએ છે. આ સ્મેલન કડવા પાટીદાર સેન્ટર, ડેનમોર એવન્યુ, હેરો, મિડલસેક્સ HA3 8LU ખાતે, રવિવારે ૩૦મી ઓગસ્ટ સવારના ૧૧વાગીયા પછી રાખેલ છે.

આ વર્ષે સ્મેલન દરજી મિત્ર મંડળ યુકેના ૬૦ વર્ષ ઉજવણી પર આધારિત કરવામા આવશે. પરંપરા અને ઇતિહાસ જાળવી, અમે મનોરંજન આયોજીત કરીશુ. ભોજનનો પ્રબંધ (૧૨થી ૨ વાગીયા વચ્ચે), સંપૂર્ણપણે સ્ટોક બાર અને સ્ટોલ તમારા આગતાસ્વાગતા માટે રાખવામા આવશે.

આ સ્મેલને સફળ બનાવવા ફક્ત તમારી હાજરી અને સહકારની અપેક્ષા રાખીએ છે. તમારો અમુલ્ય સમય સહાયક તરીકે, અથવા વ્યાવસાયિક સ્ટેજ હાજરી જેમા તમારી પ્રતિભા બતાવવા શરમાતા નહી. અમારી સિદ્ધિઓ તમારા ટેકા, દાન અને સ્પોન્સરશિપની ઉદારતા પર આધારિત હશે.

૧૫ માર્ચ ૨૦૧૫ ના રોજ અમે દરજી પેવેલિયન ખાતે ટાઉન હોલ રાખવામા આવશે, જેમા આ સ્મેલનના ફંડ ભેગા કરવાની સફળતા તથા તમારો અભિપ્રાય અને સહકારની જરૂરત પડશે. કૃપા કરીને નોંધ લેશો કે મીટિંગ ૩ વાગે શરૂ થશે અને નાસતાનો પ્રબંધ રાખેલ છે.

તમારા રસ અને સ્વયંસેવી સેવાઓ રજીસ્ટર કરવા, અમને ઇમેલ કરો [sammelan@darjmandal.org.uk](mailto:sammelan@darjmandal.org.uk) અને ભાગ લેવાનારઓએ અંદર ફોર્મ ભરીને મોકલી આપશો.

- સ્ટેજ મેનેજર
- પ્રાયોજકો અને દાતાઓ
- પરફોર્મન્સ સર્વેલર
- સ્મેલન પુસ્તિકા જાહેરાત સંયોજક
- રેફલ ટિકિટ સંયોજક

# સ્મેલન ઓગસ્ટ તારીખ નોંધો 30



## President's Message

I would like to start by wishing you all a very Happy New Year and convey my best wishes to you all for the year ahead. The Mandal had a very successful year in 2014. Both the managing committee and I have aspirations to build on this progress further throughout this year. 2015 marks the completion of 60 years of the DMM in the UK and to celebrate this occasion, we will be holding a **Sammelan** which will take place on **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2015**. I hope you will appreciate that organising an event of this magnitude requires considerable planning and preparation. I encourage each and every member of the community to come forward and support us in any way that you can, be it by volunteering, providing sponsorship and donations, providing entertainment on the day etc. This Sannamelan is going to take place after 6 years, but it is our desire to make this an annual event and I am confident that with your support, we can make this possible.

I am also pleased to inform you that we have received a grant of **£9,800** from the **National Lottery Fund** to carry out a feasibility study report with a view to expanding and upgrading our premises at the Pavilion. On behalf of our community, I would like to thank the Lottery fund for their support.

You will also have noticed the recent refurbishment of the ladies and gents toilets as well as the newly installed lighting within the hall. Our next project is to upgrade the bar facilities and enhance look of our stage and decoration.

Our **AGM** will take place on **31<sup>st</sup> May 2015** at 3.00pm at the Darji Pavilion. Please make every effort to attend this meeting and voice your suggestions to the committee.

From time to time we organise various events such as Friday club, Havan, Bhajans, Ladies night, Mela, 60+ dinner, Navratri, Diwali etc. Many of these events are free of cost and for some of them, we only charge a fee to cover part of our costs. We welcome all of you to these events and encourage you to join us in large numbers.

Thank you for all your support and we look forward to seeing you all in our forthcoming events.

**Kishor J Kapadia**

## Annual General Meeting

Dear Members

The Mandal hereby gives notice that the next scheduled **Annual General Meeting (AGM)** will be held on **Sunday, 31st May 2015 at 3.00pm**. Invitation is open to all members of **DMM of the UK**. There will be no election this year but new members will be welcome. Light refreshment will be provided at the end of the meeting

### The Agenda for AGM:

1. The president's welcome
2. Approval of the minutes of the last AGM held on Sunday 6th April 2014.
3. The President's/ Vice President's address
4. The Secretary's/ Joint Secretary's report
5. The Treasurer's/ Joint Treasurer's Financial report
6. Confirmation of existing office Bearers and Committee Members.
7. Appointment of Auditors.
8. Invitation of suggestion and motions by MC and Community members must be received by the Secretary Bharat T Tailor prior to Monday 24th May 2015.
9. A.O.B.
10. Thank you and close.

### Please note:

In the event of the meeting not having the required quorum, it will be adjourned for 30 minutes and will be reconvened when it will not be necessary to have quorum and will be conducted with those who are present.

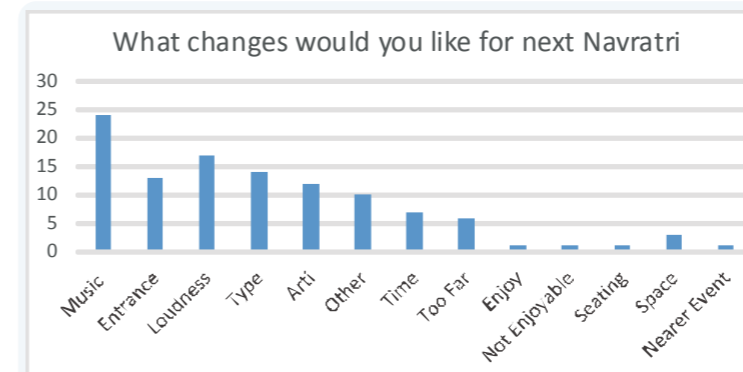


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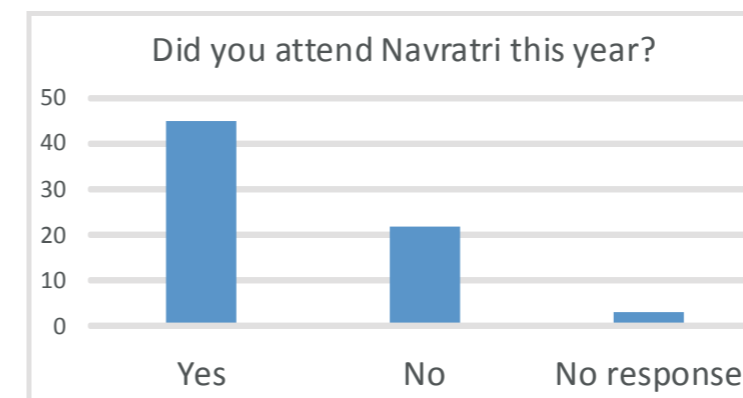
# Your Views Matter

Please see below the results of our recent survey. We will be taking your views into account and would like to thank all those who gave us their opinion. We wish to thank everyone who gave us their feedback. We will be taking into account your views and incorporate them.



### Others Mentioned

Explanation of each day	No mandatory Arts donation
Scrap entrance fee	Traditional music
Modern music	Arts competition
Fancy Dress	Youth involvement
No filmy songs	Clarity of music



### Events for the Youth:

Match making	Sports events	Adventure Days
Youth Clubs	Outings	Night for youth
Stick to timings	Dancing Club	Gujarati Classes
Cooking Classes	Zumba	Online Survey
Digital Clubs	Yoga / Meditation	
Darji's got talent	Don't over book events	
Open Day networking for Career Advise		

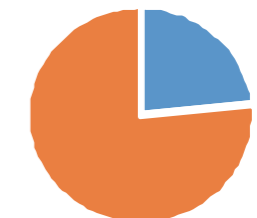
### Like about DMMUK?

The hard working committee  
Bringing community together  
Get-togethers

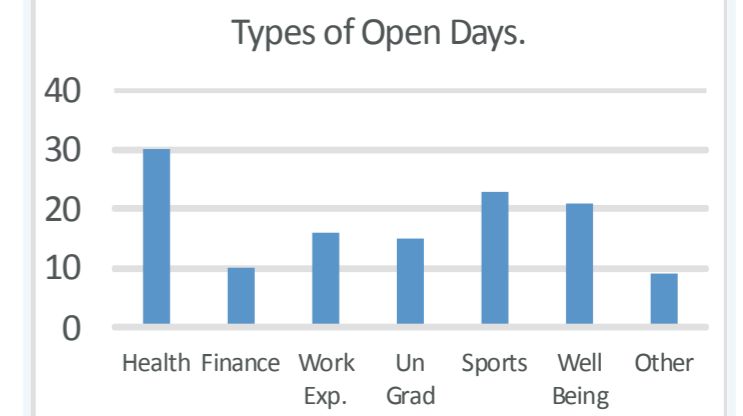
## Darji Garba Group

Launched in February 2015, DMMUK invites all Darji's (any age, male or female) to join, learn new garba steps and dance with the new Darji Garba Group, which is meeting monthly at our hall. For more information, contact us on [events@darjimandal.org](mailto:events@darjimandal.org).

## Should DMMUK Increase Events?



■ Yes ■ No



### Others Mentioned

Health & Safety	Youth Club	Zumba
Match making	Garba lessons	Yoga
Arts & Crafts	Boxing	Cooking
Football	Summer Mela	BBQ

### Dislikes about DMMUK?

Members	Over selling of events
New Chair	Food served too late
Health & Safety	Not youth friendly
Less volunteers	Not enough parking
Speaker system	Not enough Sannamelans
Quality of speeches	
No Non Darji, unless tickets not sold	
Not enough publicity (Emails web presence)	
Lacks entertainment	
Not diverse like other communities	
Not actively recruiting members	



## Continuing with Health Matters ...

### The Prostate Gland

#### 1. Introduction

The prostate is a small gland found in men. It sits just under the bladder.

Problems affecting the prostate gland are commonly encountered, especially as a man becomes older.

The most common health problem is the simple enlargement of the prostate. Symptoms of prostate enlargement become more common with age and by the age of 70, the majority of men will show signs of the problem.

Although not as commonly seen as prostate enlargement, the prostate condition that gets a lot of attention these days is prostate cancer, another prostate problem more commonly seen in the older man. Lastly, this page also provides information on an inflammatory condition of the prostate known as prostatitis.

#### 2. Prostate enlargement

An enlarged prostate, also known as BPH (Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia or Hypertrophy) is a common problem and it is estimated that the condition affects 50% of men over 50 years of age. Symptoms of an enlarged prostate include:

- A need to urinate frequently
- Having to get up at night to urinate
- Poor stream or urine flow
- Difficulty stopping or starting when urinating
- A feeling of urgency when needing toilet

Prostate enlargement is not usually a serious problem but symptoms experienced can affect a man's quality of life by interrupting his sleep (and that of his partner), and the inconvenience of always needing the toilet, especially when on days out or travelling.

There are now a variety of ways of treating an enlarged prostate, including the use of medicines prescribed by the doctor as well as surgery. The condition can also be treated using Saw Palmetto herb and this is gaining popularity, particularly in men seeking an alternative to the more conventional methods of treatment.

#### 3. Prostate cancer

This is the prostate problem that is often in the news. Prostate cancer is the most common type of cancer found in men and accounts for up to 1 in 4 new cases of cancer in the UK. The problem occurs more frequently in men over 70 years of age and those of African or Afro-Caribbean descent.

Prostate cancer often does not give rise to symptoms and when it does, these can appear identical to symptoms of prostate enlargement which is also more commonly seen in the older man.

It is because of this that, if you are experiencing bladder symptoms and think that you have an enlarged prostate, you must get the diagnosis confirmed by your doctor who will also perform tests to exclude prostate cancer:

- An examination of the prostate through the back passage will allow the doctor to look for any suspicious lumps and bumps on the prostate
- A blood test to measure the levels of PSA (Prostate Specific Antigen) in the blood can be used to determine the likelihood of prostate cancer.

If these tests are inconclusive, your doctor may refer you to an urologist at your local hospital for specialist opinion and further tests.

Prostate cancer, especially if detected early enough, can be cured using modern cancer therapies. This is the reason that it is part and parcel of screening tests and examinations.

#### 4. Prostatitis

Unlike the enlarged prostate and prostate cancer, prostatitis is a condition which affects men of all ages. Although more common in those between 20 and 40 years of age, the problem can also affect the older man.

Prostatitis gives rise to:

- Pain in the pelvic area and testicles
- Pain on urinating or during ejaculation
- Pain in the perineum (area around the scrotum and anus) made worse when sitting on hard chairs or stools, or on a bicycle saddle

The cause of prostatitis is poorly understood. What we know is that the prostate becomes inflamed and it used to be thought that this was due to infection – one of the treatments recommended for this problem in the past was antibiotics.

However, many cases of prostatitis do not show any evidence of infection and it is now thought that other triggers of inflammation (including an autoimmune response) may be responsible



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**Price from: £ 2700. Book before 16 weeks and get £150 off.**

Book early to avoid disappointments and better pricing. You are advised to book these cruise packages early as they tend to get booked up quite early.



#### 3 Days Holland and Belgium

**Price from £240**

Dep: Apr 03, May 02 & 23, Aug 29

Includes: Brussels city tour, Amsterdam city tour with canal cruise, visit to the Keukenhof flower show, Madurodam, mini Europe

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#### 14 Days China

**Price from £2470**

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#### 11 Days Japan

**Price from £2750**

Early bird offer: Book before 16 weeks and get £175 off  
Dep: Apr 22, May 19, Sep 08, Oct 27

Includes: Visit to the Jain temple in Kobe, Tokyo, Yokohama, Mt Fuji, Nagoya, Hiroshima, Miyajima Island, Osaka, bullet train and much more...

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#### 12 Days Far East

**Price from £1530**

Early bird offer: Book before 16 weeks and get £125 off  
Dep: Apr 09, May 19, Jun 09, Jul 21, Aug 11, Sep 08 and more

Includes: Thailand, Malaysia and Singapore, Bangkok floating market, Pattaya, Alcazar show, Coral Island, Batu caves, Sentosa Island and much more...

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#### 14 Days Burma

**Price from £2900**

Early bird offer: Book before 16 weeks and get £125 off  
Departure dates: Nov 18, Dec 16, Jan 2016 20, Feb 2016 17

Includes: Mandalay, Bagan, Mt Popa, Inle Lake, Ngapali Beach, Golden Rock, Yagon and much more...

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#### 15 Days Peru, Bolivia & Argentina

**Price from £3759**

Early bird offer: Book before 16 weeks and get £175 off  
Departure dates: Apr 29, Jun 24, Aug 05, Sep 23

Includes: Lima, Arequipa, Cusco, Machu Picchu, Puno, Sun Island, La Paz, Buenos Aires, Tango Show and much more...

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Early bird offer: Book before 16 weeks and get £175 off. Dep: Apr 15, May 20, Nov 18, Dec 16, Jan 2016 13, Feb 2016 24

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### Meat Party

The event was well attended and it was a great opportunity to meet and mingle with family and friends and enjoy mouth-watering, finger-licking, delicious home cooked food.



### Children Xmas party

These events take time, effort and good team work to organise. A number of our youngsters were involved and it was great to see many of them who once attended the DMMUK parties are now helping with the event and are being a big part of making it a success. We hope that the children enjoyed the party.



### Ladies Ten-Pin Bowling

Our 1st Ladies Ten-Pin Bowling was held on 15/11/2014. Congratulations to **Nainaben Dinesh Tailor**, our 2014 champion. The event was a great success, enjoyed by everyone. Ladies, start training, are you ready for the 2015 tournament?



### Diwali Celebration

It was full house again at Diwali; unfortunately tried to accommodate as many as we could. Hiring a bigger venue would prevent us from doing Fireworks. It was also the first time we had used our **new bar**.



### Navratri

Once again, colourful Navratri function was well received. We didn't increase the entrance fee in hope that more members will take part in the event. We would like your input for next year.

### Sammelan 2015 Sponsorship and Advertising Opportunities

Advertisements in the **A5 Sammelan brochure** will be:

<b>½ page colour:</b>	£150.00
<b>Full Page:</b>	£250.00
<b>Back Page:</b>	£500
<b>Inside Front and Back:</b>	£350
<b>Premium package:</b>	£1000 (Only 4 available)
	3 full pages in brochure
	Banner
	Media Reel or Stall

**Banner on the stage:** £500.00 only 2 positions available

**Stall:** after 2 pm £300

For full details and any queries please contact :

**Bharat T Tailor : 07818424720**



### Pride of our Community

**Shiv Tailor of East ham** started his football career when he started playing football regularly for his school team.

**West Ham United FC** scouted him when he was 13 and that is where his career began. He got injured during a game which kept him out for 3 months. However, shortly after his 14th birthday he began playing again. He had the opportunity to play with **Leyton Orient FC**, where he spent 4 months.

He then took a step forward and was handed a dream opportunity to play for both **Chelsea and Arsenal** development teams.

Today he is the captain of **FC Leytonstone** where he feels his career can exceed to greater heights.

**DMMUK** wishes him all the luck and wishes him a great future.

