

FAMILY fundday

2022



FREE
Event



ON THE DAY

Come and have Fun, Meet!

Don't worry if the weather is bad, alternative fun activities will be organised and you can also bring your own activities as there is space for all.

(The AGM will be held between 5.00-5.45pm, but sports activities for non-voting guests will continue during this time)

LPSoL and the venue are supporting Ukraine, therefore please use the bar to buy your soft and hard drinks.

DATE AND TIME

Sunday 24th JULY 2022
2.00pm onwards,
with AGM at 5pm and
food served at 6pm

TICKETS

Attendance and Food
is **FREE** for all LPS members.

To ensure we minimise
catering waste, please
can you register your
family's attendance
and any dietary preference
(and allergies etc).

REGISTER ATTENDANCE

www.londonsamaj.com/book

Deadline for registration:
Midnight of Sun 10th July 2022

LOCATION

Harrow Rugby, Wood Lane,
Stanmore, Middlesex HA7 4LF

**ANY QUESTIONS
PLEASE CONTACT:**
Preeti: 07733 186 642
(secretary@londonsamaj.com) or
Bhumika: 07809 208 714

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Leuva Patidar Samaj of London



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SAVE THE DATES

Sun 24th July 2022

Family Funday / AGM
Harrow Rugby ground

Sun 7th August 2022

National LPS 5-side
Football - Leeds

Sat 24th Sept 2022

Comedy Play
Hayes Theatre

Fri 30th Sept - Sat 1st Oct 2022

Navratri
at Oshwal Ekta Centre
(live band)

Sun 2nd October 2022

Kids Garba at
Suthar Samaj Function Room

**26-29th Sept 2022 /
4th & 9th Oct 2022**

Navratri rest of the dates at
Suthar Samaj Function Room

Mon 3rd Oct 2022

Aatham (online Zoom)

Sun 6th November 2022

Diwali Get-Together
at Bishops Douglass School

LEUVA PATIDAR SAMAJ (SNV) OF LONDON

The charity's full set of accounts for the year ended 31 Dec 2021 can be found at
www.londonsamaj.com

Although there was only one event during the year, LPS-London also worked closely with LPSUK for the India Covid Appeal throughout 2021. £59.0k of the LPSoL total income of £62.8k was for the Appeal.

LPS London's own contribution of £5.0k plus the other £59.0k raised for the Appeal total £64.0k, which is most of the £67.0k total spending for the year.

The surplus for the year (exc the £5k contribution to the Appeal) was just under £1k.

At the 2021 AGM/Fun Day, the members also voted to ringfence up to £30k from the Samaj's total assets (£354k) for supporting our origins' SNV area of South Gujarat if needed. None of the £30k has been spent yet.

Other voting matters

As well as the trustee and committee elections, we are proposing a change in the way voting takes place. We propose that proxy and electronic voting be permitted. This is a fair way so every member's views are taken into account irrespective of whether they feel comfortable and able to attend in person events in the future.

Elections, Agenda and Notes for 24 July 2022 AGM at 5.00pm

We kindly request current Samaj members who wish to stand as trustees to please make an application in writing to the Secretary of the Management Committee prior to the AGM and preferably 2 weeks prior to the AGM which would give the committee adequate time to vet their application. The requirements to be eligible to apply for a trustee position are:

- Any member can be elected, who has served the Samaj as a Committee Member for a minimum of 2 years and whose attendance at the committee meetings has been more than two thirds of the total number of meetings held during his or her period of service. His or her name should be published with the notice of the Annual General meeting.
- Be at least thirty years of age (unless otherwise approved by the members present at the Annual General Meeting).
- Be a permanent resident of the United Kingdom.
- Be of high standing and responsibility in the Community.
- Have never been a bankrupt, convicted of a serious criminal offence or of unsound mind.

Further details will be made available upon request, via LPSOL secretary or any existing Trustee member. At the AGM, the 2021 AGM minutes and the accounts (shown in summary form in this newsletter, the full set are at londonsamaj.com) will be presented to the members for approval.

Also, this year, the entire current committee will stand down and elections for all executive and wider committee positions will take place.

At this time, we recognize and thank the committee, which is made of people keen to make their mark on society, by building a legacy that helps better our LPSOL members' lives.

If you would like to join the committee at the AGM or in advance, you can learn more about what is involved by emailing: secretary@londonsamaj.com Alternatively, you don't have to join the main committee to help out. Bring and build your skills, network and socialise in whatever way suits you. That can be online or via meet-ups or through conference calls. Become part of the committee team or one of the "Friends of the London Samaj" and what you get back will amaze you. Speak to any of the committee members or call Anand or Shaylesh to see what you might be able to do for your Samaj as a friend & what you will get out of it.



The LPSOL Benevolent Fund

16th May 2022



Leuva Patidar Samaj of London



As the world is gearing up again, post the Covid Lockdowns, and the cost of living spirals upwards, we wanted to remind you about the LPSOL Benevolent Fund.

It is uncertain when any LPSOL members may fall upon hard times, or is surviving on manage on the national minimum wage, or have just been made redundant, etc. You may be a struggling single parent. You may be reliant totally on just your state pension. You may be finding it hard to manage some of the things many of us take for granted. For those members in need, we can consider providing a discount on annual membership fees and we will look for sponsorship to enable them to join in with some of our annual functions such as Navratri, Diwali, and the annual dinner and dance.

Please note, this is not charity, IT IS FAMILY HELPING FAMILY. As members of LPSOL we are all part of the LPSOL family. Having said that, we know how difficult it can be for members to come forward to say they are experiencing difficulties. Please be assured that, if you do contact us, it will be totally private and confidential. Only select Management Committee members will know. That, too, will be strictly be on a need to know basis and in the interests of ensuring we always keep good governance in mind. We are bound by the GDPR, so you know that whatever information you give us is protected under the Data Protection Act 2018.

The nominated Management Committee members, who will be known as Fund Custodians, are:

- Jitenbhai Maganbhai (Chikhli, Ruislip) 07875 310 824
- Anandbhai Robitbhai (Moti Chovisi, Ilford) 07903 502 155

If you contact one of us, your name will not be mentioned outside of these Committee members, without your consent. As mentioned earlier, we will listen to you and your need, and do our best to help you out with LPSOL membership and event costs. Where possible we will also look at supporting other needs. For example, if you have a bereavement and may need support with funeral costs. We must emphasise that this is totally confidential.

Even if you may not need support from the fund, remember that it is through your generous donations that we will be able to provide assistance to those of our members who need assistance. Additionally, it may be that you are unable to provide direct support, but you are involved in a deserving cause / people whom you know could benefit from a donation out of the benevolent fund. In these cases, please also reach out to us.

Who knows when a kindness done to another from the goodness of your heart, turns into a protective shield for you!

Out of My Way, POLIO!

Afflicted with polio from a young age, Arun Patel's life as a boy is full of challenges, both physical and mental.

"No time in the book does Arun reflect any sign of self-pity, a truly admirable quality throughout his life, we can all learn from that..." - Razia

"This book is for students, businessmen, family heads, the physically challenged and anyone seeking success in a life full of insuperable hurdles. Read, Enjoy, Learn & Share..." - Steven

Whenever difficult situations arise, we can exercise a choice: to become wounded or wise. May Arun's story inspire you to become wise and wonderful.
~ Sadhguru

You can order your copy of Out of My Way, Polio! by visiting: www.outofmyway.org

Proceeds from the sale of the book will go to - Polio and Children in Need Charity & Old Kampala Alumni Scholarship Fund.



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it's as simple as that. Any questions please call Preeti 07733 186642.

Thank you for continuing to support LPSOL.



Joint event LPS+SVA (Suthar) Navratri

Friday 30th Sept and Saturday 1st Oct 2022 - 7pm til late at Oshwal Ekta Centre, 366A Stag Lane, Kingsbury, London NW9 9AA (inc light snacks) Live band.

On Sunday 2nd Oct 2022 - Kids daytime Garba - 4pm till 6pm.

followed by pizzas for all guests (parents and elders welcome to attend)* at Suthar Samaj's Function Room (First Floor, above Coral/Sakonis) 543-545 Kingsbury Rd, Kingsbury Circle, London NW9 9EL

(Aatham online) Monday 3rd Oct 2022.

Zoom Aatham celebration (from home).

Zoom link will be shared online and during Friday-Saturday Navratri gatherings

For all other weekdays evenings,

LPS London members have been kindly invited to attend Navratri celebrations at the Suthar Samaj's Function Room from 7pm:

Mon - Thurs 26-29th Sept 2022 and Tues 4th Oct and Sat 9th Oct 2022 (Poonam)

First Floor, above Coral/Sakonis,

543-545 Kingsbury Rd, Kingsbury Circle, London NW9 9EL

*To manage numbers/safety at Kids Garba and minimise food waste, please register your interest for Kids Garba on Sun 2nd Oct 2022 during Fri 30th Sept or Sat 1st Oct 2022 or by email in advance to: president@londonsamaj.com

Thalis for arti will be provided on all days. Please do not bring your own.

Arti donations will continue to be set aside for supporting good causes in India.

Live band on Friday 30th Sept and Saturday 1st Oct 2022.



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LPS London has a group booking 24th September 2022. Great seats at 7.30pm, London Beck Theatres, Hayes.

Join our LPS group outing to support one of our LPS cast members for a laughter-filled evening in this new comedy sequel.

Parking is free. Tickets are £31.50 across the whole theatre so book with us ASAP. (concessions/children are £29.50)

Please contact Preeti 07733 186 642 if you would like to book as part of a group booking urgently as we have limited seats that are selling out fast.



As a community, we are keen to support adults with their careers and development, particularly those who have recently finished their education. Our samaj is full of talented individuals who have a diverse range of careers (including finance, acting, dentistry, optometry, teaching, construction and many more!). Whether you would like to give back by mentoring or if you wish to speak to someone in a particular profession or career then please reach out to any member of our Committee and we will pair/match you with someone for support and advice.

Furthermore, many individuals have their own businesses and as part of our support we will be allowing these individuals to profile their businesses at the upcoming Diwali show. Please contact Shayleshbhai (svp349@hotmail.com / 07880 788 865) in the first instance should you wish to take up this opportunity.

Mentoring and Business Building for LPS members

LPS
LONDON

Diwali 2022

Get Together & Support for members

Ticket for Attendance, Food and Soft Drinks - Free for all.

Diwali Event has been sponsored by Savitaben Ishwerbhai (Sevni) who turns 80 this Diwali and an anonymous donor.

6th November 2022 - 11.30am - 4.30pm

Location: Bishop Douglass School, Hamilton Road, East Finchley, London N2 0SQ

To manage numbers in this indoor event, minimise waste and ensure we cater correctly, please can you register your family's attendance and allergies etc at www.londonsamaj.com/book

Please direct questions to

Preeti: 07733 186 642 (secretary@londonsamaj.com) or

Bhumika: 07809 208 714

Registration deadline: Midnight Sun 23rd October 2022
www.londonsamaj.com/book



As a post-covid, cautious approach to winter, for our first Diwali in 3 years, we are running an airier and less formal Diwali Samelan for all ages.

- Full lunch included.
- Gather, mingle and catch-up with old friends over a meal.
- Make new friends and work/business acquaintances in the "Promote yourself" area for all members with businesses or working in a profession and those looking for work.

AND A SHOUT-OUT FOR

- (1)..... Please send us the name of any LPS key workers so we can formally thank them in person as this is our first opportunity to do so in person properly. We don't want to miss any one, so please email: president@londonsamaj.com and secretary@londonsamaj.com
- (2) We know the last couple of years have been difficult for many, so if you have lost a loved one during the 2-3 years since our last Diwali show in 2019, please contact- president@londonsamaj.com (Shaylesh, Sevni) if you would like to discuss options for how your friends and family can pay their respects to your household in person. This is totally optional and your decision.

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Bereavements

We have sadly lost the following LPSoL members.



Vinubhai Sitarambhai Patel
(Asta/Ilford)



Ramiben Dahyabhai Patel
(Khad Chittra /
Kingston upon Thames)



Laxmiben Ranchhodhbhai
Patel (Bharampore Ruva)
(Piyar Vaghech)/London)



Binduben Dhansukhbhai Patel
(Bhamaiya) (Piyar Baben)/
Romford)



Shantaben Bhagubhai Patel
(Dungar-Chikhli (Piyar Digas)/
Greenford)



Sitaben (Revaben) Punjayibhai
(Sadodra) (Piyar Amanpore)/
Willesden)



Ishverbhai Nagarbhai Patel
(Karachka/Wembley)



Jayantilal Dahyalal Patel
(Pardi Arak /Wembley)

LPSoL Bereavement service and support

Sanjaybhai and Bharatbhai of Indian Funeral Directors (see advert page 6) have agreed to provide extensive support to our LPSoL members in their time of need.

They are willing to provide advice on everything from what to think about and options to select, as well as providing a private viewing room/mandir and help with finding a slot in a convenient crematorium.

Their full details are included in the advert (page 6). Please feel free to contact them directly or via your local committee/trustee contact for any advice or support you may need in a difficult time of your life.



Shardaben Naginbhai
Kalyanjibhai (Chikhli-Dungar,
High Wycombe)



Bhikhabhai Madhavbhai
Patel (Minkachh/London)

Paying your respects to deceased members' families since Diwali 2019

It will have been 3 year this Diwali since we last gathered and paid our respects to the families of those who have lost a loved one.

With limits on hugs, attendance at funerals and travel to home visits becoming harder, at this year's Diwali Samelan we are inviting families of the bereaved to gain some closure, by giving their friends and family the chance to express their feelings in person. We recognise some families may not wish to look back on their loss, so we would like to emphasise that this is totally optional.

Contact Shayleshbhai for more details,
Email:svp349@hotmail.com or 07880 788 865



**Leuva Patidar
Samaj of London**



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Dear LPSoL Members,

We hope you are well and enjoying the start of 2022.

Although a large proportion of the LPS National Directories have been distributed at our London Sep 2021 Funday event, we still have a lot more to be distributed. If you have NOT yet received your copy please see below details of committee members where you can collect your Directory.

Essex/East London	Anandbhai (Moti Chovisi)	07903 502 155
HA & NW Postcodes	Shantubhai (Pinsad)	07903 924 480
North London inc Enfield	Rajubhai (Bajipura)	07867 832 163

For all other area directory enquiries, or as an alternative contact for the above regions, please contact: Preetiben (Sevni) 07733 186 642.

Unfortunately due to the weight of the Directory and the personal content of the book, we will not be posting them.

Your LPS London charity faces pressures like all other charities. We want to do as much as we can for our members, (young and old, online and in person) for free or zero cost, wherever possible and we must thank our volunteer team for all their time and energy.

We also face the challenge of rising costs and low investment/interest income on the assets we have.

For example, hall hire for Navratri has nearly doubled as has mini-bus hire for the LPS Yorkshire sports tournament.

We don't want any member missing out due to financial reasons, so we also have the confidentially run and funded LPSoL Benevolent Fund.

Whether it is anonymous, in celebration or in memory of a loved one or simply for business reasons, if you are able to sponsor some or all of any of our events and activities, please talk to any of our committee and trustee contacts so we can help nurture our extended family.

LPS Yorkshire are hosting a National LPS 5 a-side FOOTBALL tournament and LPS London have been invited.

The tournament will take place on Sunday the 7th August 2022 (10am to 5pm) at Football World Leeds, Pontefract Lane, LS9 0RA

To all you MEN of London Samaj under 18 and above clean your boots, iron your kit and start practicing your skills to win and bring that trophy home.

We are looking for representation in the form of a 7 a- side teams in 3 age categories, Under 18s, 18+ (min age 18, no max age) and over 40s. (LPS members only).

Please kindly let Anand know if you wish to participate.

Anand: 07903 502 155 (Email:anandram1@yahoo.com)

We already have two teams entered so if anyone else would like to play you need to let us know asap by 5th June 2022.

At present we are looking to travel up the day before via Train and come back after the tournament via train, also with overnight stay in hotel.

We as the London Samaj want to encourage all to take part so we will do everything we can to make sure we have taken care of the above outstanding items.

Other supporters and family are also invited.

Take the opportunity to meet and greet with LPS members who you have not seen or met in a long time at this fantastic event hosted by LPS Yorkshire.

Thank you
LPS London Committee

National LPS 5 a-side FOOTBALL Tournament

**U18s. OVER 18s
and over 40s
MAX SQUAD of 7**

**£70 Entry
per Squad**

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