



### ***From the President's Desk: October 2015***

Good Morning Members,

After a short break and on conclusion of the AGM on the 5<sup>th</sup> of August, the new committee has taken responsibility of ICS for another year. Most of us are continuing however Aditi, Anjali and Vinit have decided to step aside. They are assisting us as in organizing events as and when required.

I take this opportunity to thank the incoming and outgoing committee members for their role in growing ICS.

We have another full year of activity planned; starting with Dandia on the 17<sup>th</sup> of October at Marrara indoor stadium at 8pm. Light snacks and soft drinks will be provided. It is a free event for members. This will be followed by Festival of lights on the 7<sup>th</sup> of November. I urge all members and friends of ICS to participate and take an active role in these two events. Let us make this event bigger and better.

Christmas celebrations will follow in December.

I had the privilege to attend two Onam functions as guest of TATVAMASI and Darwin Malayali Association. I was impressed by the great food and organization of this event. On behalf of the society I would like to congratulate the two organizations for a successful event.

I also attended the launch and sale of a music CD created by our own Ram Kumar. The proceeds of which was donated to the Hindu temple. Congratulations Ram Kumar for your effort. He is planning on a fusion music project. We await the release of this album.

ICS wishes all our Muslim members and friends Ide Mubarak. I, with my colleague Prashant Chaudhary, attended Ide celebration and open day at the mosque organized by Islamic society. Congratulations to the Islamic society for a great open day event.

Lastly I would like to congratulate Mrs. And Mr. Sharan for being nominated and endorsed as honorary life member of the society. We are privileged to have you as our member.

Congratulations to Jyoti and Shivram on the engagement of their Son Siddi to Ila Karve, who happens to be the daughter of my dear friend from Melbourne.

Congratulations go to Rmamurthi Jayaraj for winning the Inspirational Pride of Australia People's Choice Medal.

Look forward to your company at the upcoming events.

Best Regards

Bharat Desai.



### From the Secretary Desk:

On Behalf of Indian Cultural Society of Darwin I welcome all members and non-members to enjoy and participate in different events organised by us through the year..

With Navaratri ahead of us , the Indian Cultural Society Darwin along with the Gujarati Cultural Association is celebrating Dandiya Night @ Marrara Indoor Stadium on Saturday 17 October 2015.

Its free for ICS members... Please view the attached flyer for further information



We need all your support to make each event exciting and successful

We will be celebrating Diwali Festival of lights on 7th November , and further details will be posted soon. Please come along with your family and friends and make this event memorable.

We also thank you for all the support we have received in the past years.

The coming Months of Oct and Nov is a period of Festivals, so take a look below to mark up important dates....

#### OCTOBER 2015

21	Wednesday	<u>Durga Ashtami</u>
		<u>Maha Navami</u>
22	Thursday	<u>Dussehra</u>
24	Saturday	<u>Day of Ashura</u> <u>Muharram</u>
27	Tuesday	<u>Valmiki Jayanti</u>
		<u>Meerabai Jayanti</u>
30	Friday	<u>Karwa Chauth</u>

#### NOVEMBER 2015

	Tuesday	<u>Narak Chaturdashi</u>
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11	Wednesday	<u>Diwali</u>
		<u>Lakshmi Puja</u>
12	Thursday	<u>Gowardhan Puja</u>
13	Friday	<u>Bhaiya Dooj</u>
14	Saturday	<u>Nehru Jayanti</u>
17	Tuesday	<u>Chhath Puja</u>
25	Wednesday	<u>Guru Nanak Jayanti</u>



## Announcements

### **Hindi Class**

Free **Hindi** classes are currently being run on **Saturdays (school term only)**

Please note the following Workshop dates for Term 4, and also pass on to others :

#### Term 4

(iii) Week 3 - Saturday - 24 October 2015 - 2pm to 4pm

(iv) Week 7 - Saturday - 21 November 2015 - 2pm to 4pm

Venue - Multicultural Council of Northern Territory, Shop 15, Malak Shopping Centre, Malak NT 0812 (near intersection of McMillians Road and Malak Crescent)



For further enquires please contact **Mr. Sumesh Dhir** on **0414 66 3075**

### **Welcome**

ICS welcome all it's new members and new arrivals to Darwin.

### **ICS 2015—2016 Committee**

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For membership forms and payment Details contact any of the committee members.



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## INDIAN CULTURAL SOCIETY INC DARWIN, NT

### Membership Application\*

Applying for (please tick one):

\*\*Amount paid:

New       Single                       Family                       Life Member    Student

Renewal    Single                       Family                       Life Member    Student

Surname	Given name	Relationship	Date of Birth (for kids only)

Nominated by \_\_\_\_\_ ICS member since \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated by \_\_\_\_\_ ICS member since \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Your Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional emails to receive correspondence: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone:                      Home                      Work                      Mobile  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**GPO BOX - 957, DARWIN - 0801**



\*Membership fee (for 01/07/15 to 30/06/16): Single: \$20; Family: \$40; Life: \$400 (family) \$200 (single)

Student Membership: \$10 (Will require copy of valid student card)

**\*\*Payment method:**

Online/from your bank: Our Bank details: (BSB) 065903 (Account) 00900985 Commonwealth Bank

Description: Membership 2015 -16

This form must be sent to any executive member after the payment, via email or post to

PO Box 957 NT - 0801

Hand delivery: Handover the form and the amount to any executive committee member.

**ICS Committee to complete**

Approved by \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

At an executive meeting held on \_\_\_\_\_ the above application has been approved.