

## NEWSLETTER

JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2025



**BHARTIYA SAMAJ CHARITABLE TRUST – CELEBRATING CULTURE, COMMUNITY & CARE**

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## 🌸 SOUTH AUCKLAND SENIORS MONTHLY GATHERING – 7TH JULY 2025 🌸

A chilly winter morning didn't stop our seniors from gathering with warmth and enthusiasm at the monthly BSCT meeting. The day began with prayers and energising exercises, followed by Passing the Ball with Punjabi songs, where many showcased their singing talents. A lively round of Tambola added excitement with lots of laughter and prizes. It was a joyful day of togetherness and cherished memories!



## 🎉 FULL-ON FUN AT OUR FORTNIGHTLY GATHERING – 12 JULY 2025 🎉

Organised by Bhartiya Samaj Charitable Trust at Mt. Roskill War Memorial Hall, our seniors' gathering was a blockbuster event filled with music, dance, jokes, and endless laughter. After prayers, birthday celebrations, and an energising exercise session led by Roopa Suchdev ji, guest speaker Raj Srivastav ji (RJ & stand-up comedian, "Sarkar Raj" from Radio Tarana) had everyone in splits with his comedy. Adding to the fun, our seniors showcased their own parodies, making it a truly unforgettable day of joy, bonding, and togetherness!



## 💖🌟 WELLBEING IN FULL SWING AT PAPAURA! – 21 JULY 2025 🌟💖

Bhartiya Samaj Charitable Trust's Seniors Meet at Elizabeth Campbell Hall was filled with positivity, performances, and togetherness. After prayers and birthday celebrations, seniors showcased their talents with soulful poems, songs, ghazals, and lively dances. Roopa Aur Aap Charitable Trust kept the energy high with fun games, while guest Ranbir Pabla from Papakura Local Board encouraged seniors about the importance of voting. A truly special day of joy, wellbeing, and community spirit!



## 🌟 BHARTIYA SAMAJ FORTNIGHTLY MEET – 26 JULY 2025 🌟

📍 Mount Roskill War Memorial Hall

In collaboration with Roopa Aur Aap Charitable Trust, Communicare, and Acupulse Wellness Clinic Our seniors' meet was a vibrant mix of learning, music, and masti! Communicare introduced their Friendship Group services with an engaging Q&A, while Dr Bhavesh Kumar Panchal from Acupulse Wellness Clinic shared insights on Acupuncture Therapy. Seniors lit up the stage with soulful songs, a graceful dance, and an exciting round of Tambola hosted by Roshni Chadha ji. The day was filled with joy, laughter, and togetherness—truly a celebration of community spirit!



## 🌸🌟 BHARTIYA SAMAJ FORTNIGHTLY SENIORS MEETING – 9TH AUGUST 2025 🌟🌸

📍 Mount Roskill War Memorial Hall

The gathering was filled with emotions, celebrations, and learning. Members celebrated Raksha Bandhan, honoured the late Madhuben Ganatra ji with a moment of silence, and enjoyed birthday wishes and an energising exercise session. A special highlight was the presence of Sister Jessica Phuang, honoured ahead of her retirement from NZ Police, with heartfelt tributes from our Chairperson Jeet Suchdev and members. Fun and learning continued with a Word Finder game by Roopa Aur Aap Charitable Trust and an eye-opening Netsafe workshop by Megha Jadia on online safety for seniors. The day truly reflected BSCT's spirit of togetherness and community care.



## 🇮🇳 79TH INDIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY – AUCKLAND CELEBRATIONS 🇺🇲 ✨

On 17th August 2025, over 1,500 people came together for a grand celebration of India's Independence Day in Auckland, graced by Prime Minister Christopher Luxon, Hon. Mark Mitchell, Her Excellency Neeta Bhushan ji, Dr. Madan Mohan Sethi ji, and many community leaders. A proud moment for Bhartiya Samaj was our seniors' energetic dance performance, which won hearts and showcased their spirit and joy. The event was a true celebration of unity in diversity, made possible by the efforts of volunteers and diaspora organisations. Jai Hind! Jai Aotearoa!



## Flatbush Senior Citizens' Monthly Gathering – September 2025

Our seniors in Flatbush came together for their monthly milan, enjoying a day of joy, togetherness, and community spirit. The programme included prayers, birthday celebrations, dance and exercise led by Simran Chadha, and heartfelt cultural performances. We were honored by the presence of Dr. Ashraf Choudhary and Avinash Kaur, who shared reflections on senior engagement and civic participation. A special thanks to Mr. Sandeep Kumar Khetan and the Bank of Baroda (NZ) team for their informative session on financial products for seniors. The gathering concluded with fun activities, warm fellowship, and a shared lunch, strengthening the bonds within our community.



## 🌟 Hindi Diwas 2025 Celebration in Auckland! 🌟

On 14 September 2025, 25 children from Bhartiya Samaj Bal Vikas Cultural Classes, led by Trustee & Education Chairperson Roopa Suchdev, performed at Hindi Diwas 2025 hosted by the High Commission of India and Consulate General of India. Through prayers, recitations, and dance, our children showcased their talent and celebrated the richness of the Hindi language, earning appreciation from dignitaries and the community.



## Exciting News!

Bhartiya Samaj presents UDAAN – Rising Stars of Our Community on Sunday, 26 October 2025! 🌟  
Join us for an evening of singing, dancing, and music as our talented performers showcase their skills. 🎤



## BSCT Fortnightly Milan – Celebrating Seniors, Culture & Community! 🌸

On 27 September 2025, our Mt. Roskill family gathered at Fickling Convention Centre for a joyful afternoon of duaayein, sangeet aur rangilo garba! ❤️🌟

Highlights included soulful prayers, birthday celebrations 🎂, light exercises 💪, and vibrant cultural performances 🎵.

A special moment was when Ms. Jessica Phuang appreciated Jeet Suchdev ji for his years of community service. 🌟

The event ended with energetic Garba for Seniors 🎶 and plenty of smiles.

🙏 Heartfelt thanks to all members, guests, and volunteers for making it a memorable celebration!

