

Working towards a closer community

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A Message From the Newly Elected Board of Trustees

Jai Shree Krishna Members,

The Board of Trustees (BoT) elected Parul Jani as Chair of Trustees for BSNL. We congratulate Parulben and look forward working together to build a closer community.

Following on from our AGM, we have a new Board of Trustees made up of some familiar faces and some new faces. We have met as a BoT and have agreed that our mission and goal remain to promote BSNL and serve all of you - 'The Members'.

We will be meeting in the coming weeks to outline our calendar of events. With most of the Covid restrictions now lifted we are excited to meet again and have in-person events. We will continue to monitor the pandemic as it is by no means finished. We would like to ensure you that we always put the safety of our members first.

Whilst we aim to bring you our usual programmes, we also want to try and do more to promote Hinduism. It would be good to see our youngsters play more of an active role in the community and we will look to promote activities and events that encourage this.

If you have any ideas for events, then please do come forward. We fully understand that not everyone can contribute time to be a full-time trustee, but we would like to encourage you to join a sub-committee and help wherever you can. Please reach out to me or anyone from the BoT.

We, the Board of Trustees, look forward to the coming months and serving you.

Help Us Help You.
Working towards better BSNL

Board of Trustees



A Message from the Secretary

Jai Shri Krishna and Jai Ambe my fellow members,

It gives me great pleasure to be writing a few words in the first newsletter of 2022 and I welcome you.

Taking on the role of Secretary and overseeing the Media Team, which encompasses the newsletter and our social media platforms is an exciting opportunity. It is not just about sharing with you what we are doing for the samaj; it is also about **YOU THE MEMBERS!**

- Who are the heroes in our community? What new frontiers are our youngsters venturing into?
- What current affairs or issues matter to you? What content would you like to see?

Are you passionate about social media or current affairs? Get involved/share suggestions for content!

We also wish to engage with our younger generation. Exam season is approaching, and we want to give you all the encouragement we can! For you, we've put some puzzles into this edition for fun and as a distraction.

Look forward to hearing from you and striving towards a better BSNL for you, our members!

Selina Rawal - Secretary

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Introducing the Board of Trustees

The newly elected Board of Trustees held the first meeting of 2022. Trustees were elected and appointed to their respective roles and responsibilities as detailed below:

<u>Name of Trustee</u>	<u>Role</u>	<u>Sub-Group Responsibility</u>	<u>Contact Details</u>
Parul Jani	Chairperson of BoT	N/A	07940 584321 chair@bsnl.org.uk
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Pramath Pandya	Trustee	Building and E-Group	07747 802141 (E-Group) pramath.pandya@bsnl.org.uk 07483 904 979 (Hall Hire Enquiry) hall@bsnl.org.uk
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Harsha Trivedi	Trustee	ARTS Classes	07956 586926 harsha.trivedi@bsnl.org.uk

Please feel free to get in touch with the relevant Trustee for any questions you may have, pertaining to the sub-group they are overseeing. We welcome and actively encourage member participation.

Sub Committee Elections 2022/23 and Volunteering Roles

As we begin the new year with a new Trustee Board, we need to perform elections to form new sub-group committees for the BSNL year 2022/23. These sub committees work together to organise activities for the various sub-groups. The sub-groups are currently running online and will shortly begin to use the hall. The relevant Trustees in charge, are:

1. The Elders Club (Pramathbhai Pandya)
2. The Ladies Club (Truptiben Joshi)
3. The Men's' Club (Ramnikbhai Joshi)
4. Open Mic (Dhirendrabhai Dave)
5. Young Brahmins (Sameetbhai Pandya)

In each of these groups there are the following positions available:

- Chairperson
- Secretary
- Committee members x 3

In addition, we would always welcome any **volunteers** who wish to simply help out with specific tasks or organise a one-off activity for one of the groups without the commitment of joining the Sub Committee.

In addition to the sub-group elections, we would also like to remind you that there are many other ways in which you can apply to **volunteer** to help our community. These are as follows :-

- a. **Main Community Events** - help with organising main samaj events.
- b. **Media Team** (Selinaben Rawal) - help with social media posts and management.
- c. **Building Team** (Pramathbhai Pandya) - help with building care and maintenance. Help with hall bookings.
- d. **Regular Classes:** Harmonium, Sangeet, Yoga, Bollyrobics (Harshaben Trivedi) - organisers and Zoom operators*.

*We can provide Zoom operation training for any **volunteers**.

If you are interested in **volunteering** for any of the above positions, please e-mail the appropriate Trustee (named in brackets) by the 18th of April 2022.

The e-mail addresses are as follows:

- a. Board of Trustees : secretary@bsnl.org.uk
- b. Selinaben Rawal : selina.rawal@bsnl.org.uk
- c. Pramathbhai Pandya : pramath.pandya@bsnl.org.uk
- d. Harshaben Trivedi : harsha.trivedi@bsnl.org.uk

(Announcement continued overleaf, please turn over)

Elections for the sub-group committees will be held in the relevant sub-group Zoom meetings in the last week (25th to 29th) of April 2022.

The last few years have been very challenging for both BSNL and our members. We know how valuable community support is and how the connection is important for mental health and wellbeing. We have adapted to keep our members entertained and engaged and we want to continue providing our members with more fun and enjoyment. This is your opportunity to help in keeping BSNL thriving, so if you can spare some time to help us in any way then please contact us.

We look forward to hearing from you. Your samaj needs you!

Thank you.

The Board of Trustees
The Brahmin Society North London
Charity Registration No. 287810

Our Building

A message from the Building Committee

Hello Members,

My name is Pramath Pandya, I am the trustee appointed to oversee the 'Building' sub-group. I would like to congratulate the previous Building Team led by Ashwinbhai Thaker, Anjana Thaker, Gunwantbhai Dave and Ramnikbhai Joshi, for doing a splendid job in the upkeep and maintenance of BSNL House.

As we are coming out of the Covid era, we have a lot of things to get ready for. It will be a busy time at our building as far as events and public hiring of our upstairs hall go, which is perfect for small parties and family gatherings.

Our Hall Hire Mobile number is 07483904979.

You are welcome to leave a WhatsApp message with your inquiry about hall hire information and the date you require, or you can ring us on this number and talk to us. If we cannot answer the call, we will call you back, within 24 hours.

We are also looking for volunteers, to join our Building Team. I invite you to step forward and join our exciting team.

You can either ring us on the Hall Hire mobile number or email me on pramath.pandya@bsnl.org.uk

Look forward to hearing from you and welcoming you to enjoy a spring and summer full of events at BSNL.

Pramath Pandya – Building Trustee

Membership Update

Membership

The membership team has been working very hard to keep our database up to date. Please login to Wild Apricot to update your details including your mobile number and email address. For new memberships please go to our website to download a membership form.

The Wild Apricot URL is: <http://www.bsnl.wildapricot.org/>

To support the environment, BSNL is considering sending future newsletters via email and other social media platforms. If you have any views or queries, then please get in touch.

For all queries, please contact our Membership Trustee Dhirendra M Dave who will be happy to assist you.

Upcoming Event: Chaitra Navratri



Day & Time

Sunday, 3rd April

Doors Open

@1:30 PM

Event: 2 to 4 PM

Venue: BSNL,

128 East Lane

Wembley

HA0 3NL

BSNL proudly presents CHAITARI NAVRATRI 2022



**Please RSVP
to contact
below as
limited Entry
is permitted**

A afternoon full of Garba and Dandiya with Inhouse seasoned singers Anand Pancholi and Zareen Raval with professional Dhol, Electronic drum and Keyboard players. BSNL would like to reach out to every member of samaj to celebrate the auspicious festival of Chaitra Navaratri in colourful traditional outfits and tap your feet gracefully to melodious live Raas-Garba tunes

Contact : Anand Pancholi 07984439307, Trupti Joshi 07947807147, Zareen Raval 07946346999

Children's Corner - A Little Fun and Games

Spring Word Search

C H I C K E J U N E G R W O W
 H P U D D L E M A P R I L H S
 I B L O H B U N N Y E B O M E
 B A S E B A L L T T E U M A E
 S U M A M A T C H A N T F R D
 H O T S P R I C I N G T L C S
 N E S T T A P I H E A F O H O
 E G S G E T R A I N B O W L R
 E G S S Y R E W S O L Y E E A
 A S E H B U F N N S O L R S I
 E G R O W O F L L Y O Y S S N
 A N U W E F M A Y Y M V R O C
 S A N E R A N B O W S H E S O
 U M B R E L L A E A S T E R A
 T H A S P R I N G P U D D E T

Can you find all the hidden words?

Can you unscramble the words to discover the signs of spring?



APRIL	FLOWERS	PASSOVER
BASEBALL	GREEN	PUDDLE
BLOOM	GROW	RAINBOW
BUNNY	HATCH	RAINCOAT
BUTTERFLY	JUNE	SEEDS
CHICK	MARCH	SHOWERS
EASTER	MAY	SPRING
EGGS	NEST	UMBRELLA

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Signs of Spring



This spring Peony is going on a field trip with her class to the state park. Her teacher gave the class a list of things to look for in the woods and meadows, but the words got all mixed up. Can you help Peony unscramble her list?

1. OFGR _ _ _ _ _
2. FEUYRBTLT _ _ _ _ _
3. SRSGA _ _ _ _ _
4. ORMHTARWE _ _ _ _ _
5. SNTGLHUI _ _ _ _ _
6. UDB _ _ _ _
7. DDNLIAENO _ _ _ _ _
8. ORELWF _ _ _ _ _
9. EBE _ _ _ _
10. GLBDYAU _ _ _ _ _
11. OMLOB _ _ _ _ _
12. ERGEN _ _ _ _ _

Riddle Me This.....

I fall, but I don't get hurt. I pour,
 but I'm not a jug. I help plants
 grow, but I'm not the sun. What
 am I?