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A Newsletter dedicated to the Kokni Community In Luton



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AS SALAAMU ALAIKUM AND MUHARRAM MUBARAK!

Community News

CONGRATULATIONS:

Congratulations to Waheed Parkar son of Mr and Mrs Sharfuddin Parkar who got engaged to Shaima Petkar of Birmingham recently. Our congratulations also go to others who have got engaged or married since our last newsletter of which we are not aware of.

May Allah subhana wa tala shower His Rahma, Barakah and Khayr on you all. Ameen!!!

Congratulations to Ebrahim Tambe, Saima Dalvi, Shuaib Dalvi, Aliya Dalvi and Alfaz Sheikh for successfully achieving their Silver Badges from the English Amateur Swimming Association

WELCOME

Welcome to new additions in some of our families and we pray that they grow up to be righteous and pious children. Ameen!!!

Inna Lillahi Wa Inna Ilayhi Raji Un

Sadly since our last newsletter there have been a number of deaths in our community. We would like to take this opportunity to pay our respects to the families and our duas are with you. **We pray that Allah subhana wa tala accepts all their ibadah, good deeds and actions, forgives them for their wrongs and grants them a place in Jannat Al Firdous. Ameen!!**

As we have mentioned in previous newsletters, we are very keen to include this type of news in our future newsletters. This is information about births, deaths, marriages, exam results (failure's too, if you want), career moves and so on. This very much depends on you informing us what you want included – so please make an effort to contact the General Secretary or any committee member.

30 Years

2006 marks a milestone in the history of Koknis in Luton as we celebrate 30 years as a Community. So this year we are marking the occasion with a number of events beginning with a celebration dinner after the AGM and then on the Fun day on 22 July. So all are invited. If you have any other ideas on how we should mark this event please let us know.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

11 March 2006 - 2pm sharp at Dallow Road Hall

Forthcoming Events— Dates for your diary

We have a number of events coming up over the next few months:

- 11th March**—AGM Dallow Road Hall from 2 pm onwards with Dinner
- 29th April**—Maktab Function/ Milad Un nabi —Dallow Road Hall from 2 pm onwards
- 22nd July 2006**—Fun Day from 10 am at Challney, lots of fun, games and food

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NEWSFLASH

- AGM on 11th march 2006
- Fun Day on 22nd July
- Challney on Saturdays from 5pm—8 pm and Sundays 10:00—13:00

COMPETITION

The winner of the £10 book voucher is Nazneen bint Abdul Aleem Dalvi

The suggested name for the newsletter is Kokni Voice.

APOLOGIES

We would like to apologise to Saliem Dalvie, for the misspelling his name in our last issue.



RECREATION NEWS

CHALLNEY:

The number of people turning up for Challney on Saturdays has gone into the 90s (including children) on a consistent basis and this is good news. However there a few concerns as parents are still leaving their young ones and disappearing on a regular basis. The biggest problem is swimming—some very

young children are going in the pool **WITH-OUT** a responsible adult. We may have to employ an additional lifeguard and this could mean increase in Challney subscriptions. We have recently bought more mats, training balls and extra weights for the aerobic sessions, which are well attended.

B A D M I N T O N TOURNAMENT

A tournament is being organised and the draw for the matches will take place soon. If you are interested in entering the tournament, please register with Hussein Dalvi ASAP.

HEALTH:

Shake off the Winter blues. What better way to keep yourself fit and healthy than to attend Challney for a swim or some exercise? We have fantastic facilities which members don't make enough use of.

Remember it is our religious obligation to keep ourselves healthy – the Prophet S.A.W himself enjoyed a swim or two.

WEEKLY CHALLNEY ITINERARY

Challney opens at 1700

SATURDAYS

Men/Boys

5pm –5:15pm Walk/jog round field, warm up for circuit training

5:15 pm –6 Circuit training + warm down

5:30 pm –7:15 pm Swimming

7:15 pm—8:15 pm Basket ball upstairs gym

Ladies/ Girls

5pm –5:15pm Walk/jog round field, warm up for circuit training

5:15 pm –5:45pm Net-ball upstairs

5:45 pm –7 pm Aerobics

7:15—8:15 Swimming

Mixed

5:30—8:15 Badminton League basis

7:15—8:15 Football Coaching

SUNDAYS

10:30—12:30 Football Training

CRICKET AND FOOTBALL

CRICKET

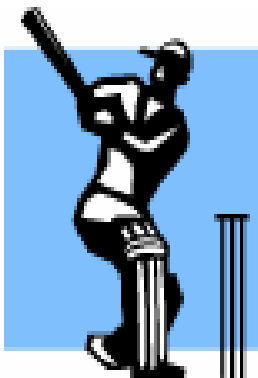
Cricket net session will start at the end of February. More information will be displayed at Challney on Saturdays. A professional Coach will be coming over from India in April to train us all, so you all budding cricket stars come on sign up for cricket this year.

Inter city: we were hoping to host this tournament in Luton this summer, but with all the weddings and other events happening in our community we have not been able to fit it into our schedules. It will once again be hosted by Birmingham, date has yet to be fixed but watch this space!

FOOTBALL

Sunday morning football is more like over 40s football. Where are all our youngsters?????

A couple of Marrieds Vs singles matches have been played and the scores are level. Nihaad Kapadi has started football coaching for the children on Saturdays in the upstairs hall from 7 pm





EDUCATION NEWS

As you all know, its been a momentous year for the Maktab. We finally achieved our dream of having our own premises to hold classes. These have been going bon since last summer. The number of children attending Maktab is growing and currently we have over 30 children coming to Maktab. What is even more pleasing to note that the attendance level is also much better.

On the education side, the malims, the malimas and the co-ordinators have been pleased with the progress of the children. Since the last newsletter the Education committee held a Teachers/ parents morning which was very poorly attended. They are hoping to hold another one soon and hope that all parents will make an effort to attend and discuss the progress of their child/children on a one-to-one basis with the teachers.

The education committee would like to apologise for the confusion that occurred during the winter break.

Shakoor Palekar has resigned as Head of Education due to work commitments and the Management Committee is looking for a replacement to Shakoor. The Mangement committee would like to take this opportunity to Thank Shakoor for his hard work during his short tenure as Head of Maktab and wish him all the best in his career.

The Committee is also looking for male volunteers to assist teaching of the boys. So if you can spare a couple of hours either on a Saturday or a Sunday please let us now. The girls side is doing very well, Thanks to the hard worjck and dedication of Hajirah Parkar, Zuleka Tambe and Feroza Dalvi.

The education committee would like to start Islamic lesson for adults and would like your feedback on what areas you would like to be covered. Please pass on your suggestions . to the MC

PROPERTY NEWS

We achieved another milestone last October when Luton Borough Council agreed to grant us **FULL** planning permission for our property. The MC would like to Thank the work of the “three amigos” – **Abdulwahab Parkar, Arshad Dalvi and Abdul Parkar**. The council officers had actually recommended continuing with

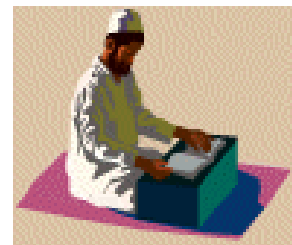
TEMPORARY approval for another year. 99 times out of a hundred, the councillors go with this. However, some serious behind-the-scenes lobbying and research and a speech to councillors by Abdulwahab overturned the objections. The councillors voted **UNANIMOUSLY** in our favour.

Lets use this as a spring-

board to improve the property and hold more events there.

A computer room has already been installed for use by KCL members.

Phase 2 of the refurbishment work is soon to get underway. We will present it to you with the plans at the AGM. Don't miss it!



The Quran is Light.

The word of Allah is the light

Islam is the light

Madressa Timings:

Fridays 5pm—7pm

Saturdays 11am—1pm

Sundays 11am—1pm

Please drop and collect your children from the entrance door on time!!!





2006 SUBSCRIPTION FEES

The 2006 Subscription Fees are **DUE NOW!**. Could you please send your fees to the Treasurer Nazir Parkar or hand them to any member of the Managing Committee. As you can see from this newsletter that we have lots of things to organise and do which require funds, so the sooner you pay your fees the sooner we can get some of the things done. If you cannot send the subs. in, then **please bring your cheque book or cash when you attend the AGM on 11th March**. It will save us a lot of time and effort. Shukran!!! If anyone wishes to give a **donation or niaaz for the Milad Un Nabi** function please give this to the Treasurer or any MC member. Jazakallah!

MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL SECRETARY:

Please provide us with your feedback on the format of this Newsletter—whether you like it or not, what do you want included in future newsletters. We have lots of ideas such as including quizzes for children, a kids corner with poems and stories written by our children, a Letters to the Editor section. To make these a success we need **YOUR** support.

We are at present re-vamping the site. It will in future include latest news and also an opportunity for you to register for the newsletter to be sent to you by email.

Send you comments and suggestions to Anwar Tambe

a.tambe@btinternet.com

VACANCIES

The following positions are vacant: Head of Education, Asst. Treasurer, Education co-ordinators (2 nos.). If anyone is interested in any of the positions contact the General Secretary as soon as possible

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Newsletter

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 11 March 2006 starting at 2pm promptly Dallow Road Hall, Luton

You and your family are invited to attend the **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** to be held on Saturday, March 11th, 2006 at **Dallow Road Church Hall**, starting at 2:00 p.m. promptly. All community members are welcome—members and non-members. Please note that non-members will not be able to vote.

AGENDA

1. Recitation from the Holy Qur'an
2. Welcome Speech from the President
3. Minutes and matters arising from the last meeting.
4. General Secretary's Report
5. Head of Education (Maktab) Report.
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Head of Recreation report
8. Head of Property report.
9. Proposals for members approval
10. A copy of the new constitution will be available at the meeting or download it from our website.
11. Election to fill vacancies on MC.
12. Any Other Business.
13. Presentation of Trophies

DINNER

Please note there will be breaks to allow you to perform your salat. Inshallah

PROPOSAL FOR MEMBERS APPROVAL:

We agree to adopt the new Kokni Community Luton constitution incorporating the changes in the Management Structure approved at the AGM on February 26th, 2005. These are changes to Clause F paragraphs 1 and 2 and Clause I, paragraphs 3 and 5.

Anwar Tambe, General Secretary

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Anyone who wishes to raise an issue at the AGM must put forward their proposal in writing or via e-mail to the General Secretary **7 days** ahead of the meeting.

If you are unable to attend, please fill in and return the proxy vote form attached below to the General Secretary by March 4th, 2006. You can nominate the Chairman of the meeting to vote on your behalf.

APPOINTMENT OF PROXY:

I,(name),
of

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(address), being a member Kokni Community Luton hereby appoint the following as my proxy to vote on my behalf at the AGM to be held on March 11th, 2006.

Mr/Mrs/Miss

Signature:

Address:

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