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Dear Sadh Sangat Ji,

WAHEGURU JI KA KHALSA

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On behalf of SAWA EXCO, I extend my heartiest congratulations to all of you on the Prakash Divas (the Day of Advent) of Guru Nanak Dev Ji. To put humankind back on the righteous path was a challenging task for which Guru Nanak was deputed by the Divine as an answer to the prayers of the suffering humanity at tha time 'dark age'.

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With the blessings of Waheguru, I am grateful to SAWA membership for giving me the opportunity to serve our community for the term 2017-18. The EXCO team for this term was elected unanimously at the AGM held on Sept 30th. I am also thankful to the EXCO team and the whole community for the overwhelming support during the last term and I am confident of the same level of encouragement and support for this new term as well.

We are planning enthusiastically a number of projects to be rolled out in near future.

- *Kitchen extension*
- *Punjabi language in WA Schools*
- *SAWA fundraiser team for Telethon*
- *Many more*

*** details provide on each sections at next pages ***

In recent times, there has been negative publicity in the media in regards to how Punjabi students are obtaining their license, you may have already seen the 'Report on Corruption in Respect of Truck Driving License Applications' presented by Corruption and Crime Commission.

Feedback received from our community as a result of these recent reports, indicate there is a need to provide support to new immigrants and educate them on the correct procedures.

Also keeping in view, the feedback received from our community regarding promotion of cultural activities. A Notice Board will be allocated to display poster/flyer only, all approved items need to be signed by SAWA President or Secretary in order to be displayed. Any kind of ticket sales/ contracts or sale of goods will be prohibited at the Gurdwara Sahib, unless prior approval from the SAWA committee has been granted.

In the end, I am grateful to all the volunteers for performing Kaar Sewa and other duties at Diwali and Gurpurab Diwans.

May Waheguru bless us all with Chardikala.

Regards
Gurdarshan Singh Kailley

Sikh Calendar Events

November 2017

- Sangrand (Maghar) --- 16th Nov
- Parkash Diwas of Guru Nanak Dev ji --- 4th Nov
- Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib --- 23rd Nov

December 2017

- Sangrand (Poh) --- 15th Dec
- Martyrdom of Vade Sahibzadey --- 23rd Dec
- Martyrdom of Chote Sahibzadey --- 28th Dec

January 2018

- Sangrand (Magh) --- 14th Jan

Gurdwara Sahib Opening hours daily (5:00am to 8:30pm)
Morning Nitnem starts at 5:00am
Evening Rehras Sahib starts at 6:30pm followed by Kirtan Sohila and Sukhasan of Sri Guru Granth Sahib ji.

Langgar booking:
Please contact resident Giani Jaswinder Singh **(0449 812 540)**

New Executive Committee 2017/2018

Annual general meeting of Sikh Association of WA took place on 30th September 2017; with Waheguru grace AGM was very peaceful and productive.

New executive committee was formed to serve the community for year 2017-2018. Following members were selected:

1. Mr Gurdarshan Singh Kailley (President)
2. Mr Prem Singh Judge (Vice President)
3. Mr Pushpinder Singh (Secretary)
4. Mr Bahadar Singh Mann (Assistant Secretary)
5. Mrs Juginder Kaur (Assistant Secretary))
6. Mr Paramjit Singh Nagra (Treasurer)
7. Mr Rajinder Singh Bassi (Assistant Treasurer)
8. Mr Shingara Singh (Assistant Treasurer)
9. Mr Ajmer Singh (Committee Member)
10. Mr Amritpal Singh(Committee Member)
11. Mr Manveer Singh (Committee Member)
12. Mr Harbhajan Singh Dhaliwal (Committee Member)
13. Mr Harmeek Singh Kamboj (Committee Member)
14. Mrs Jaskiran Kaur Cheema (Committee Member)
15. Mr Parvender Singh (Parveen) (Committee Member)
16. Mr Ranjit Singh (Committee Member)

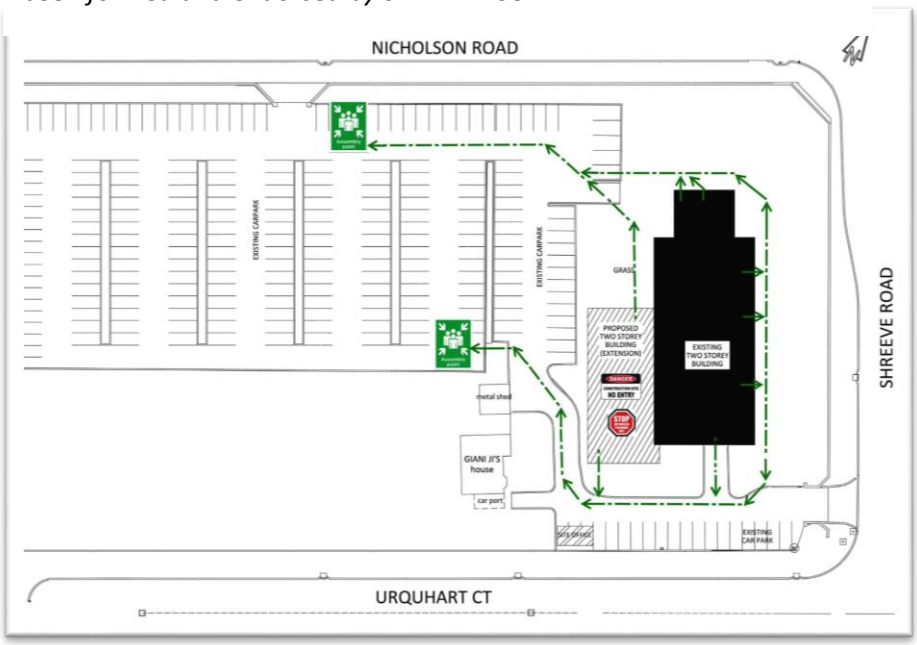
For all queries in regard to Sikh Association of WA, please contact at email: secretary@sikhwa.org.au or Gaini Jaswinder Singh at 0449812540.

SAWA Projects update from President

- *Kitchen extension*

The kitchen extension project is about to commence, all the approvals and contractual documents have been finalised. The evacuation plan has been modified due to adjacent area under construction. The new plan and Muster points are attached in this edition and also displayed in the Gurdwara Sahib Building for your perusal.

As per motion passed during the AGM, a Working Committee has been formed and endorsed by SAWA EXCO.



Portfolio 2017/2018

Religious	Mr Bahadur Singh Mann
	Mr Parveen Singh
	Mr Pushpinder Singh
	Mrs Juginder Kaur
Maintenance	Mr Shingara Singh
	Mr Paramjit Singh Nagra
	Mr Lakhbir Singh
	Mr Darshan Singh
	Mr Bahadur Singh Mann
Governance	Mr Pushpinder Singh
	Mr Gurdashan Singh Kailley
	Mr Bahadur Singh Mann
Darbar Sahib	Mrs Jaskiran Kaur Cheema
	Mrs Rajinder Punia
	Mrs Mala Kaur
	Mrs Sushma Gandhi
	Mrs Hardial Dhillon
Langar	Mr Ranjit Singh
	Mr Harbhajan Singh Dhaliwal
	Mr Jaskiran Kaur Cheema
	Mrs Juginder Kaur
Public Relation	Mr Manveer Singh
	Mr Amritpal Singh
	Mr Harmeek Singh
	Mr Ajmer Singh
School Language Culture	Mrs Nirbir Kaur Mann
	Mrs JaskiranKaur Cheema
Women's Welfare	Mrs Juginder Kaur
	Mrs Jaskiran Kaur Cheema
Building Ext Committee	Mr Gurdashan Singh Kailley
	Mr Paramjit Singh Nagra
	Mr RS Dhillon
	Mr Didar Singh Cheema
	Mr Prem Singh Judge
Police Liason	Mr Gurdashan Singh Kailley
	Mr Puspinder Singh
	Mr Tarunpreet Singh
	Mr Harmeek Singh Kamboj

Note: Please find contact details at noticeboard
Note: Duty rooster and contract details of Exco will be on notice board

Radio Program: Punjabi Awaz Perth
Time 6EBA 95.3FM (Like and Share on Facebook)
Every Tuesday: 6pm – 7pm
Every Thursday: 7am – 8am

SAWA Projects update from President

- *Punjabi language in WA Schools*

This committee will be working toward introducing the Punjabi language in WA Schools. Thanks to Mr Amarjit S. Pabla, Dr Pritam Singh, Satpal S. Rikhraj and Harbhajan S Dhaliwal for their dedication and willingness for this noble cause.

- *SAWA fundraiser team for Telethon*

SAWA EXCO has also formed a SAWA fundraiser team for Telethon. The purpose of this team will be to involve our community in raising money for Telethon 2018. Let's all come together and give back to our wider WA community.

The team consists of Mrs Barjinder Kaur Kailley, Mrs Sarbjit Kaur, Mrs Mehar Kaur, Mrs Rashmi Bagga, Mrs Nirbir Kaur Mann, Dr Parwinder Kaur, Sandeep Kaur Dhillon, Mit Singh Uppal, Gurkamal Singh Kailley and Manvir Singh Kailley.

Once the terms of reference are defined and approved from Telethon, we will be requesting for more volunteers from our community to participate in the programme.

I am hopeful that this initiative would provide our youth an opportunity to get involved in community service and raise our community profile.

Achievement of Gursikh within the WA Horticultural field

SAWA would like to congratulations *Professor Zora Singh for winning 2017 innovator of the year award for his research aimed at extending the shelf-life and reducing post-harvest losses in fruit, vegetables and cut flowers.*

CONGRATULATIONS:

SAWA expresses sincere congratulations to

- Rajpal Singh Bagga and Surinder Kaur Bagga on the birth of their grandson Aarushpal Singh Bagga son of Bhupinder Singh Bagga and Simran Kaur Bagga
- Dr Avtar Singh and Jasleen Kaur on the birth of their grandson Zac Singh, son of Nisha K Singh and Amardeep Singh.
- Prithipal Singh Bart and Keshwinder Kaur Bart on the 21st Birthday of their twin daughters Simran and Sharen.
- Amritdip Singh and Harmeet Kaur Bal on the 21st Birthday of their son Ashtyer Singh Bal
- Simrat Singh Malhotra and Amandeep Kaur Malhotra on the 13th Birthday of their son Jashan Singh Malhotra.
- Jagdish Singh Gill and Kamaljit Kaur on their 40th Wedding Anniversary
- Abtar Singh Kaler and Kuldeep Kaur Kaler on the wedding of their son Amarpreet Singh Kaler to Harvinder Kaur daughter of Sarjit Singh and Harbans Kaur from Malaysia
- Dr Gurdarshan Singh Hans and Savinder Kaur Hans on the wedding of their son Dr Davinder Singh Hans to Dr Jaspreet Kaur Sidhu, daughter of Mr Baljit Singh Sidhu and Mdm Pajan Kaur Tiwana of Klang.
- Ir Ranjit Singh Sandhu and Mrs Gurjit Kaur Sandhu on the wedding of their daughter Devina Kaur Sandhu to Dr. Harminder Singh Randhawa son of DatukDr Shamsher Singh Randhawa and Datin Bachan Kaur Randhawa

Please, note that the condolences and congratulations section are based on the information made available. We apologies for any omissions.

If you would like any info to be published in the next newsletter, please contact secretary@sikhwa.org.au

ISTRI SATSANG

Istri Satsang is held from 2:00pm to 4:30pm every Saturday except when there is a private function at the Gurudwara Sahib. We would like to take the opportunity of thanking all those families who did sewa from January to July 2017. Special thanks are extended to the ladies who regularly offer their services for doing Sukhmani Saheb Path and Kirtan Sewa. We are extremely grateful to Giani Jasvinder Singh Ji as well for helping us out during Satsang.

Thanks to the Sangat for their encouragement and attendance. It is the Sangat that is making this programme so successful. It is a family Satsang and everyone is welcome. May Waheguru Ji bless us all.

If you would like to do Kirtan Sewa during Satsang or make a booking, Please contact Giani Jasvinder Singh ji, Tel 94557220 or Juginder Kaur, Tel 92763923

Some of the photos during Istri Satsang below

CONDOLENCES:

SAWA expresses sincere and heartfelt condolences to

- Charanjit Kaur and family on the demise of her mother Mata Nasib Kaur Ji who was visiting her families in Perth but unfortunately passed away suddenly on 1st August, 2017.
- Bhajan Kaur (June) and her family on the demise of her husband Avtar Singh Ji Sandhu.
- Devinder Kular and Ragbir Kular on the demise of their mother Mdm Bhagwan Kaur, wife of the late Gurpal Singh Ji of Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- Sonam Goplani and her family on the demise of her eldest brother Shri Ashok Kumar Hingorani, son of the Late Shri Naraindas Hingorani and Nanki Devi Hingorani Ji.
- Jasbir Singh Mann and family on the demise of his mother Mata Hardev Kaur Ji Mann, wife of the Late Joginder Singh Mann. She was visiting her daughter in Canbrra where she breathed her last.
- Surjit Singh Khandeja and Gurdeep Singh Khandeja on the Akal Chalana of their Taya Ji, S. Narinder Singh Khandeja at Ahmedabad in India.
- Harpreet Singh Khalsa and his family on the Akal Chalana of his father Bhai Gurbir Singh Ji, a Sikh Missionary from Punjab in India.

May Waheguru give peace to thedeparted souls and strength to the families to bear this loss.

FORTHCOMING DIWANS – NOV TO DEC 2017

FOR YOUR DIARY: Please make a note of these programs so that you don't miss any of these Special Diwans.

04 November	Saturday	6:00 – 8:30pm Evening Prog. **Siri Guru Nanak Dev Ji's Parkash Diwas**
10 November	Friday	6:30am : **Start Akhand Path**
11 November	Saturday	**Akhand Path Continues**
12 November	Sunday	8:00-8:30am **Akhand Path Bhog** **followed by Kirtan Prog from** **9:30am – 12:30pm**
16 November	Thursday	6:30 – 8:00 pm Evening Prog. Sangrand (Maghar)
18 November	Saturday	2:00-4:30pm Istri Satsang
23 November	Thursday	6:30 – 8:30pm Evening Prog. **Guru Teg Bahadur Sahib Ji - Shahidi**
25 November	Saturday	2:00-4:30pm Istri Satsang
26 November	Sunday	Sahej Path Bhog and Kirtan, Katha devoted to Guru Teg bahadur Sahib Ji's Shahidi
02 December	Saturday	2:00-4:30pm Istri Satsang
07 December	Thursday	6:00 – 8:00pm Evening Prog. Katha by Giani Balbir Singh Ji, UK Walle 6:30 – 7:30pm

09 December	Saturday	2:00-4:30pm Istri Satsang
10 December	Sunday	Katha by Giani Balbir Singh Ji, UK Walle 11:00am – 12 Noon
15 December	Friday	6:00 – 8:00 pm Evening Prog. –Sangrand **Kirtan by Bhai Hardeep Singh Ji & Baba** **Ranjodh Singh Ji Jatha 6:15 – 7:45pm**
16 December	Saturday	2:00-4:30pm Istri Satsang
16 December	Saturday	6:00 – 8:00 pm Evening Prog **Kirtan by Bhai Hardeep Singh Ji & Baba** **Ranjodh Singh Ji Jatha 6:30 – 7:45pm**
17 December	Sunday	Kirtan by Bhai Hardeep Singh Ji & Baba Ranjodh Singh Ji Jatha 11:00 – 12:00 noon
20 December	Wednesday	6:00 – 8:00pm Evening Prog. Katha by Singh Sahib Giani Jaswant Singh Ji : Head Kathawachak Shri Darbar Sahib 6:45 – 7:45pm
23 December	Saturday	6:00 – 8:00pm Evening Prog. Katha by Singh Sahib Giani Jaswant Singh Ji : Head Kathawachak Shri Darbar Sahib 6:45 – 7:45pm
24 December	Sunday	Katha by Singh Sahib Giani Jaswant Singh Ji : Head Kathawachak Shri Darbar Sahib 11am – 12 Noon
31 December	Sunday	**New Year Eve Kirtan Darbar** **7:00pm – 12 midnight**