

"VASUDHAIVA KUTUMBAKAM"

HINDU HERITAGE AND CULTURAL VALUES

Year end Newsletter



"संगच्छध्वं"

December 2021

With the holidays upon us our young supporters and Volunteers are looking forward to a chance to slow the pace and rejuvenate ready for a very productive 2022

Next Year let's start with our wishes polished and with extra pride to do the right thing and learn and enjoy life in a more positive way

VHP Australia 2021 Overview
Yearend Picnic-VHP SS
January Registration - VHPSS
Hindu Dharma Scripture-SRE
Hayagriva & Saraswathi Poojai-2022

VHP Australia 2021 Overview



Vishva Hindu Parishad of Australia 2021 (World Hindu Council of Australia Inc)

Together we grow and we are stronger

- * Strives for the ideal of *Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam* – The world is one family.
- * Working for the community in NSW, Melbourne, South Australia, Western Australia, and Queensland.
- * Support the community through knowledge and service-based projects.
- * Proudly have Lot of women, men and young adults involved in managing all our Various Events and projects.
- * Projects supported by local, state and federal governments, in collaboration with other community organisations.

Pandemic didn't stop VHP Australia all the possible workshops, support celebrations and learning are been organised and carried out in a great way by all our VHP families in, NSW, Victoria, South Australia, Queensland and Western Australia.

Hats off to all the teams. Many possible events are been live telecasted in the Facebook, and YouTube. VHP Australia is doing great through social media and the new website has also been playing a vital role in supporting all our activities. All credits to all of us and our amazing team.

Starting with NSW: - Though the year started with some freedom eventually got us to lockdown, but none of our events or activities stopped.

- Spiritual start seeking the blessing of the Bhagawan Hayagriva, VHP Walk was initiated to bring together all the VHP Branches families and friends for a healthy funwalk by HYA., The International Yoga Day, Vaccination awareness programs, more assistance in terms of grocery purchase, rent payment, etc are being provided to the needy families, VHP also conducted Ganesh Chaturthi contest.

VHP Australia has more than 255 teachers, teaching in 80 schools in various suburbs, who volunteer their time every week to prepare and teach children about their Hindu dharma.

- **Green party Vs VHP Australia- A Perfect example of Dharma winning over Adharma, and the strength of our unity**, special HOTA meeting was held on 28th March addressing the allegations made by Mr. David Shoebridge. Prepared a joint resolution letter to NSW Multicultural Minister which was signed by 40 + organizations. This joint resolution letter enabled the matter being taken up in the NSW parliament on 12th May 2021 to overrule the allegations made by Mr. David Shoebridge. The motion was unanimously passed by the speaker following joint representation from the members of Liberal, Labor and One Nation parties.
- **LALITHA SAHASRANAAMA LAKSHAARCHANA**, Vishnu Sahasra Naamaavali & Lakshmi Ashtottra Archana by VCCA. VCCA is also organising online group chanting for ever Pradhosam, Shasti and Pournami and conducting Veda classes and Adult Pravesha and Vishnu Sahasranaamam classes.

- VCCA purchased a land in Marsden Park (North West suburb) for building a Community Centre. An Architect has been hired to prepare plans for submission to Council.
- Exploring Hinduism for Teens and Parents – By Hindu University of America teamed up with VHP, 10 weeks with 2 online sessions per week, lot of our volunteers and Hindu Dharma teachers are participating.
- Annual HOTA Forum was hosted by ISKCON in May which was attended by 55 representatives from Temples, Organizations and Associations. The chief guests were Hon Kevin Conolly, state MP for Riverstone and Ms. Durga Owen, representing Hon Julie Owens Federal Labor MP for Parramatta.

Qld Chapter- They been actively celebrating all the festivals in a traditional way and also explaining the significance of each festival to the children.

- Pongal and Makarasankranti Celebrations Hayagriva Puja, Mahashivarathi - Shivalinga abhishek, Holi, Sri Ramanavami, Mother's Day - Celebrated by children performing 'Pada Puja' to their mothers, Sri Krishna Janmastami, India Independence Day - Fancy dress competition for children, Ganesha Chaturthi celebrations by making and learning and distributing clay ganesha.
- Other than Dharma celebrations - Various Leadership Program by Yuva Samskara Kendra, like Introduction to Time Management, Confidence building workshop.
- Hindu Women Forum - emphasis on family health, a Sleep.
- VCCA organises - Lalithasahasranamam on Fridays, full moon days.
- Qld has launched **Dhanavanti Medical Aid Program** as a part of **HEART (Hindu Emergency and Relief Team)** provides medication for diabetes and heart related issues to the needy.

Victoria Chapter- This chapter focuses on Youth community, developing our next generation of leaders within our community through youth leadership and skills development workshops like - 'Be the Change', Vedic lecture series, Learn to Lead workshops,

- HYA with VHP and state government facilitated a workshop event to bring together both adults and youth in our community to promote connections, course information, career guidance, and to showcase the culture of the Hindu community - dubbed the 4C's.
- The HYA Victoria also facilitates a parent's forum - a separate forum for discussing issues and challenges of parenthood.
- International Women's Day is celebrated globally to mark and highlight the economic, political and social achievements of women and their contribution to make this world a better place.
- VCCA – Sri Ram Navami Virtual Japa, Pournami Chanting.

WA Chapter- Well planned events face to face enjoying freedom and their efforts to get all of together.

Makar Sankranti International Day of Yoga full day at the school, Independence Day of India, a huge parade planned by the Indian Consulate with over 25 organisations participated. Contingent comprising of over 35 people and WA VHP represented all of us at the city centre parade with banners etc.

- HYA Leadership workshop with leadership coach focusing goal setting, problem solving, communicating with empathy and self-awareness.
- 7th Australian National Hindu Conference- planned in WA was postponed due to interstate travel restrictions in place. A lot of work towards making it a success had been done by the entire WA team.

SA Chapter- Busy with a full set of different supporting activities.

- Makarsankranti celebrating Uttarayan, Annadanam (Food Offering) Project- 3RD year, vegetarian soul food to senior citizen of South Australian community.
- Hindu Helpline and Hindu Youth Australia serving Australia during COVID-19 in many ways.
- Hindu Economic Forum of South Australia (HEF SA)- intends to bring all Hindu entrepreneur and larger Hindu society in Australia together to fulfil the vision of the organisation, for wellbeing of united Hindu community.
- Hindu Premier League- organised HPL cricket tournament with four teams playing for 10 weeks from January 2021 to March 2021 played at Paddocks and Park 21.
- Australian Army in association with Vishva Hindu Parishad of Australia Inc., South Australian Chapter- 44 people attended and 18% (8) applied in the 1st information session.
- VHP SA have been conducting regular physical training sessions for the past few months at various locations in Adelaide by current Army Reserve Personnel.



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YEAR END PICNIC- VHP SS

2021 has certainly been a busy year for all of us have made learned different routines, new skills and developed maturity and independence along with the new normal.



SRE- Hindu Dharma & VHP Volunteers

Any changes or updates will be emailed to all our volunteers, till then the existing Public Health Order requiring mandatory vaccination for education and care workers, any work undertaken at a government school or non-government school (this includes work by teachers, support staff, corporate employees, contractors, volunteers and students on student placement)

Every one of is encouraged to have your Vaccination proof handy, you will need to attest that you are fully vaccinated against COVID-19. You will then be asked by a responsible person (such as the principal) to show evidence of vaccination.

Evidence of vaccination includes:

Fully vaccinated:

- an online immunisation history statement [External link](#) or
- a COVID-19 digital certificate from the Australian Immunisation Register [External link](#).

Medical contraindication:

a medical contraindication certificate from a medical practitioner in a form approved by the Chief Medical Officer [External link](#), that specifies the medical contraindication.

You may not be allowed onto a school without showing evidence of fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

We encourage all those eligible over 5 to talk to your GP and get Vaccinated.

Covid /Delta/omicron

< 5 Years Consult your GP -Get Vaccinated -Be more stronger



HAYAGRIVA & SARASWATHI POOJA VHP Sanskrit School Open Day & Information Day 2022



Date: 29 January 2022, Saturday
@ 0500 pm
Venue: Quakers Hill Community
Centre, 7 Lalor Road,
Quakers Hill NSW

*Family Event
Registration required*

Contact
Jayanthi Thilak
0414 349 196
Ramarathinam
0418 407 843

Materials Required: Pooja Plate, flowers and fruits
Vishva Hindu Parishad of Australia Inc.
(World Hindu Council of Australia)

<https://form.jotform.com/VHPAustraliaNSW/hayagriva-2022>

Click and open the above link for Registration for 29-01-2022

Community Language Program

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VHP Australia Sanskrit School

4 years to 18 years Of age
Various Venues within Sydney

Smt.Akila 0450 117 372 ← **Contact** → 0414 349 196 Smt.Jayanthi

Reading Writing Speaking Sanskrit

Excursions Camps and other Cultural activities

Learn... Slokams Stories Poems

Learn Sanskrit from scratch

Approved by Dept. of Education

Thank you to all our wonderful supporters and the Hindu community throughout
our journey of changes in this pandemic.
Looking forward for all you support in the future too ...

TOGETHER WE ARE STRONGER.

नवीन वर्षाच्या शुभेच्छा

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VHP Australia wishes

*warmth of love, care, health and happiness
illuminates all our path of life*

Happy New year



2022

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Wales Chapter



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