

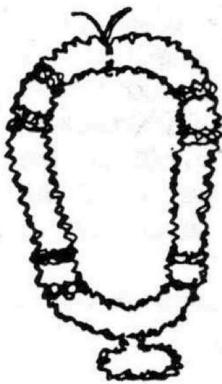
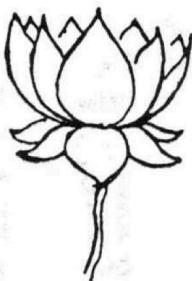


Australian Sabaja Newsletter

17th October '98

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Diwali Puja 1998

23rd-25th October

Waranga - Victoria



FOR THOSE UNABLE TO GET TO NATIONAL DIWALI PUJA IN VICTORIA

There will be a Diwali Puja on
Date
Time
Venue

Saturday Night
24th October
6.00 p.m.
Burwood Ashram

ROSTER:

Set Up	Cook
8. Burwood, Croydon and Concord (Clarence St, Burwood Rd etc)	5. Northern Region (Gosford, Central Coast, Newcastle, Pelaw Main, Muswellbrook etc)
Wash Up	Dismantle
6. North-West Metropolitan (Ryde, Pennant Hills, Galston, Mt Colah, Mt Kuringai, Berowra etc)	7. Strathfield & West to Parramatta (Nicholson St, Torrington Rd, Lidcombe etc)

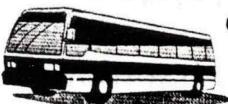
Quote from Adi Shakti Puja 1993

In my Kundalini itself, I catch all your problems. It's painful, that's why after Puja I become very sort of, like a stone I should say, for a while. Reason is I am absorbing all that is within you, like I put you all in My body. You are parts and parcel of My body. Every cell that I have is for you, for your good, and you have to be that subtle to understand that, if we own something or if we have something to be done about Sahaja Yoga or anything, if we want to start an Ashram or anything - immediately, I know. How do I know is because you are inside me.'

H.H. Shri Mataji Nirmala Devi



Reminder: If you wish to travel to Diwali Puja in Victoria by bus
Contact Rakesh Aurora on (02) 94992219 A.S.A.P.I
Cost is \$68 per head (return)



LAKE WARANGA CARAVAN PARK & HOLIDAY CAMP

Camps' Address: Tatura Road, RUSHWORTH, 3612. Phone: 03 5856-1234

Sahaja Telephone for calls to camp during Puja Weekend: 014-854-939.

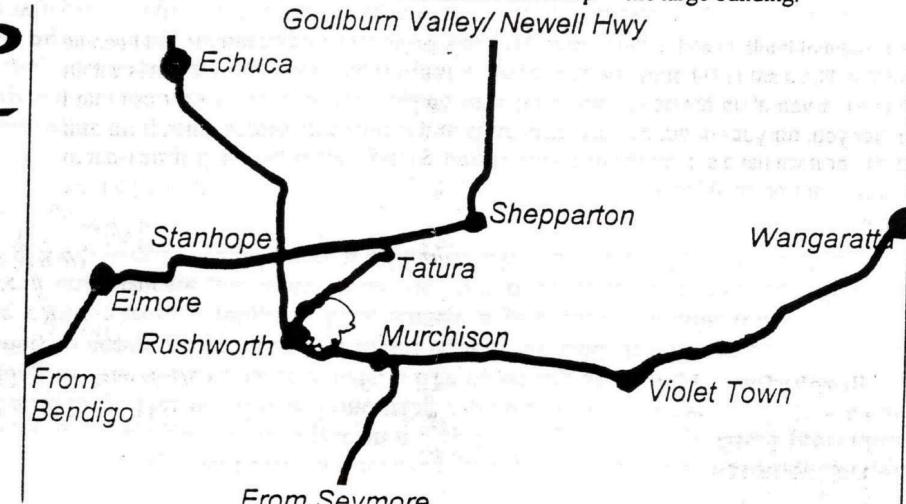
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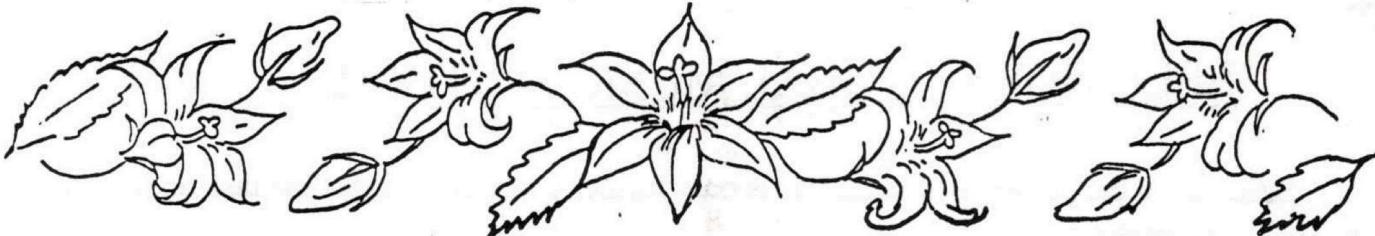
Follow the Hume Highway, after sign to Puckapunyal, take the exit marked "Shepparton" (Goulburn Valley Highway). Take exit and follow through Nagambie (caution - POLICE regularly on either side of township). Continue to "T" intersection and take left-turn to Murchison (caution - bridge on approach to town has sharp bend and can be slippery). Cross over bridge and keep pub on your right. Go to roundabout and turn-right following signs to Waranga Basin, Rushworth. After "Welcome to Rushworth" sign, veer right and pass two 60kph signs. Continue until large sign which reads "Waranga Basin Caravan Park, Picnic Area, Holiday Camp". Turn-right into Waranga basin Road and just before caravan park - at the sign "Holiday Camp", turn-right through gateway and continue a short distance into the camp -- the large building.

Directions: From Sydney via Hume Hwy.

After Benalla, exit Hume Hwy at Violet Town, proceed on to Murchison (caution - bridge on approach to town has sharp bend and can be slippery). Cross over bridge and keep pub on your right. Go to roundabout and turn-right following signs to Waranga Basin, Rushworth. After "Welcome to Rushworth" sign, veer right and pass two 60kph signs. Continue until large sign which reads "Waranga Basin Caravan Park, Picnic Area, Holiday Camp". Turn-right into Waranga basin Road and just before caravan park - at the sign "Holiday Camp", turn-right through gateway and continue a short distance into the camp -- the large building.

Goulburn Valley/ Newell Hwy





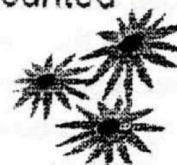
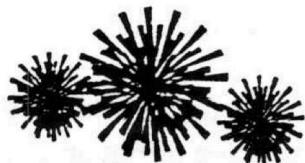
FIJI TRIP



Approx. 6 Australian yogis and some from N.Z. are going to the Fiji Seminar from the 18th -25th November. Its not too late to join us in the idyllic South Seas and help spread Sahaja Yoga.

It is hoped that we can donate some things to help the fledgeling yogis there; such as photos of Shri Mataji (preferably framed or laminated for use in puja and public programmes) also Information, videos and handouts in Hindi would be very useful since most of the new people there are Indians. Alternativeiy money could be collected and a couple of large photos could be produced and mounted.

Please see Graham Brown or Gita Manocha.



FASHION SALE !

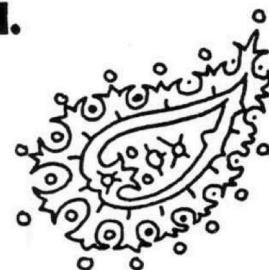
Don't forget our huge fashion sale this weekend

**12.00pm to 4.00pm
EACH DAY!**

A huge 30% off all clothing at the Marquerette Fashion Store at Burwood.

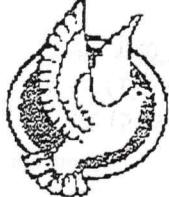
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Help required

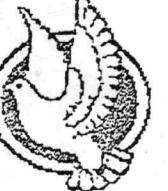


Anyone who would be interested to help in the Burwood video and audio library, with such things as copying pre 1992 audio tapes, taking names of people borrowing videos on Saturday nights (once every few weeks), repairing damaged videos, contacting people with very overdue videos, and anything else that you can think of, please either contact Marcus Rome (02) 9875 5142, or Kim Balkovic (02) 9747 2820.

Cultural and Spiritual Festival



All For Love



"Many Paths - One Journey"

It is with great joy that "With Wings Of Light" invites like minded groups and individuals to join us in a Festival called "All For Love, Many Paths, One Journey" on November 1st, 1998. It will be a day of celebrating the richness of cultural and spiritual diversity. A day of reconciliation and healing, of setting aside barriers of ignorance, intolerance and fear of other cultures, religions, and beliefs, to bring awareness and a sense of connection to Mother Earth and each other in times of great change. "With Wings Of Light" is a non profit organisation of like minded souls, guided at this time to facilitate the healing of humanity and Mother Earth on a global scale through education. Our motto is 'For God We Stand'. We see it as our duty to help bring understanding, tolerance, and unconditional love to all. As with any movement of peace, it must start with individuals, and start now. We are not a cult, not a new religion, just individuals united by unconditional love, concerned with the hatred being generated now to divide humanity, and coming together in a movement of love to heal the rifts within the human race.

Healing of old wounds will not begin in an atmosphere of hatred, negativity and fear, such as is being projected into society now. We feel that our role as a facilitator of understanding and peace is to help negate such active attempts to divide humanity, and degrade the environment. We will need the active cooperation of many from all cultural groups, religions, beliefs, and aspects of society to make this day a success. Global healing is at stake here, healing of Nations, and this ailing planet, and your contribution, the power of one, could make all the difference.

The way forward is essentially a journey of love that leads us to a brighter tomorrow, and although individual, all paths ultimately lead home. It is love that opens closed doors, minds, and hearts to a greater appreciation of the true beauty of living in a multi-cultural, multi-faceted society. The 1998 "All For Love Festival" will be a day of song, dance, presentations, and demonstrations, a day of joy and celebration. We are pleased to announce that this years Festival will be held on the 1st of November 1998 at Picton NSW, and we look forward to your participation.

How can you help? Perhaps as a cultural group you may have displays of dance, music, traditional food or costume, or narrative skills which would be of value in helping others open to your beliefs and culture. If you are of a religion or belief system which values God, you may like to share your beliefs in a non confrontational

Diwali

Diwali is the celebration of the birth of Shri Laxmi, born out of the primordial ocean. It is also the time of the birth of Lord Jesus on the darkest night. This is why lamps are lit followed by the celebrations of the new year of the ancient Indian calendar (Shalivahanas). After Shri Laxmi was born the moon was also born (as a two day old moon) from the same ocean. This is the moon that was placed on Shri Siva's head to cool him down after he drank all the poison that had come out during the churning of the primordial ocean that produced Shri Laxmi and the crescent moon, as well as many other wonders.

The five day festival of Diwali takes place towards the end of the twenty day period following Dussehra, the time when Lord Rama slew Ravana at the end of Navratri:



Day 3 - Dipawali (15th day of the moon)
This day is the celebration of Rama's return to his kingdom and his coronation. It is also the darkest night when there is no moon. Lord Jesus (MahaVisnu) was born at 2 am on this darkest of nights. On this night lights are to be lit in every room of the house and a Shri Laxmi puja celebrated. That is why this day is called Dipawali - Festival of lights.

Day 4 - New Year (1st day of the new moon)
In Maharashtra, the forefathers of Shri Mataji, the Shalivanas, celebrate the new year from this day. There is a custom in Maharashtra of putting a shawl and a kumbha (water-pot) on the end of a pole outside the house on that day.

Day 5 - Bhaubeej (2nd day of the new moon)
This day celebrates the birth of the moon from the primordial ocean. He is the brother of Shri Laxmi because he was born at the same time. So for us he is our maternal uncle and he is recognised as the brother of all the Goddesses. On this day Rakhi sisters from Raksha Bandhan honour their brothers.

Sahaja Yogis might like to celebrate Diwali with lights lit outside their houses, on the doorsteps, during the five day period. Or set off firecrackers to send the demons back to Hell on the darkest night. Or put up the kumbha and shawl. Or all of the above. But the gift for the Gruha Laxmi should not be seen as an option

Bolo Bhagawati Shri Lakshmi Vishnu
Shri Adi Shakti Mataji
Shri Nirmala Devi
Ki Jai

WOODFORD FESTIVAL

The Woodford festival is on again! 27th December 1998 to 1st January 1999 are the dates. Sahaja Yoga will once again be represented at this festival and the Queensland yogis need help. Please contact Uncle Albert if you are interested in attending the costs are as follows:-

Adults(5 days/6 nights):-	\$150
Youth(13yrs-17yrs):-	\$100
Child(up to 12 yrs):-	\$free

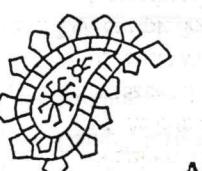
These prices are for tickets purchased before 14th November. The costs after this date are \$20 more for adults and \$10 more for youths. The tickets are not refundable or replaceable. Money orders should be sent to Uncle Albert. If staying at Wamuran there is an additional cost of \$7 per day for food etc.



her creations you may wish to put on a display, to give a talk, a visual presentation, all would help. This is a day of honouring each other and Mother Earth. It is a day of learning to flow around other beliefs, a day of setting aside old mind-sets in an open manner, to accept all as valid and loved equally by God. It will not be a recruitment drive coming from a religious bias, simply a celebration of life. It is time to step forward and educate humanity to the richness of creation, and your contribution of your gift of energies would make it all the richer. "One For All, All For One, All For Love".

We were guided some time ago to begin this movement of love, and told it would begin to spread across the country and around the globe, so if you belong to a group which honours God and are unable to attend this Festival in Picton, perhaps you may like to begin your own movement of love, called "All For Love", in country areas, others states, or perhaps in another country. For this is how this movement of love will start, with individuals first, and then all of humanity. Please contact us if you wish to do so, and we may be able to offer some advice.

If you wish to participate in this years festival, would you please fill in the form attached to this letter of invitation, and either mail or fax it to us. If you have any inquiries feel free to contact us on 02 46 831581 or fax 02 46 81 9950. We look forward to hearing from you soon. All of our love goes with you, walk in the light, and keep smiling.



Love and Light from the Committee and Members of "With Wings Of Light."

Address: P.O. Box EEE, TAHMOOR NSW AUSTRALIA 2573.

The Wollongong Collective would like to invite all Yogis (especially the musicians/Bhajan group) to express their interest in attending The 1998 "All For Love Festival" on 1st November at Picton. See above for details...

Reminder: All contributions for the Newsletter MUST be received by the Deadline of Friday night. Anything not received by then will not be published until the following week!

Burwood now has Email. If you have any items for the Newsletter and are unable to fax you can now Email to Sahaja@eagles.com.au



BELLINGEN GLOBAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

Sometimes the presence of obstacles is only further confirmation that the task ahead is a worthwhile undertaking....

Over the long weekend (3rd to 5th Oct.) a group of yogis converged on the peaceful environs of the mid North coast for the Bellingen Festival, staying with Helena, Grahame and family. Any doubts about the practicality of travelling this far for a weekend were soon overcome as the first sounds of festival activity greeted us in the town of Bellingen.

The experience was further testimony to the potential that can be achieved through pure desire. As anyone who has ventured into the field to pass on realisation will agree, the vibrations were blessed upon us allowing much work to be done and fun to be had. It is a reminder of the beauty to be experienced through giving realisation and sharing the collective spirit.

Fortunately the Festival was free from the myriad of other avenues for seeking so that the vibration was quite light with a broadly balanced cross section of people, some from local surrounds, some from far afield. It always seems slightly ironic to travel a days journey to talk to people from your own locality! Bellingen is quite a progressive community with many people seeking a balance between an alternative life style and being responsible as a member of society.

As the concert sound saturated the atmosphere we were reminded that it is possible to achieve a peaceful state of meditation amidst clamour. We were somewhat over-whelmed on Sunday night however, as the drumming parade gathered momentum and moved past the meditation tent. The temptation to dance was too much for those giving realisation.

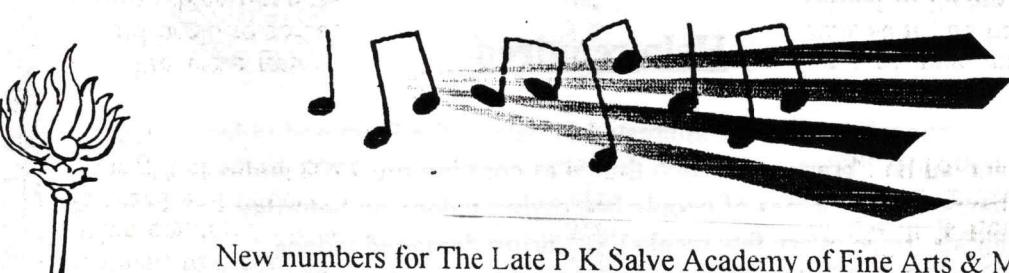
A steady trickle of seekers moved through the tent over the duration with many returning for a second meditation session and to ask further questions. It's helpful to know when to put an end to rational conversation for the focus of experiencing yoga!

Through the experience of nature and the celebration of arts from different cultures, there was a great opportunity to deepen friendships especially with our brothers and sisters from Qld.

Travel always brings a feeling of change with the allegory of the internal and external journey. Some of us perhaps have dealt with questions of where they should be heading or where their priorities should be. Others perhaps just experienced some time out from the routine.

A big thanks to Grahame and Helena for their hospitality and good cheer.

Jai Shri Mataji!



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