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# **KIDS CORNER**

## Introducing "SPRY BUDS" (Young Un's Adda)

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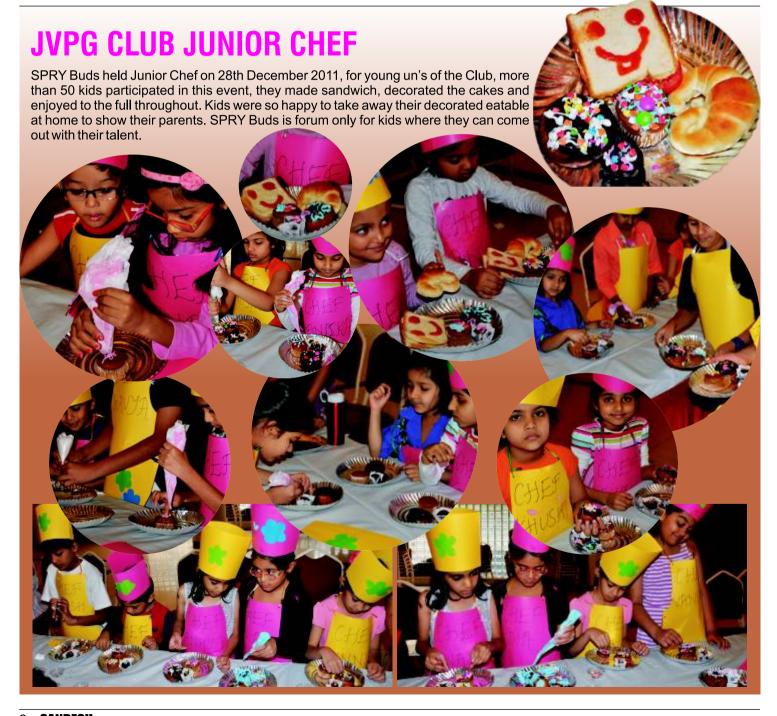
Why do we call it "SPRY BUDS"?

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There would be educative workshops to fun activities every month. We look forward to provide a very encouraging and friendly environment where your child will open up and be communicative, imaginative, articulate and confident!!

Do enroll your child today at the member service desk and be a part of our Young Un's Adda!!



# \_\_ MAKAR SANKRANTI \_\_\_\_\_

Over 1000 years ago, kites were mentioned in song by the composer Santnambe, and numerous classic miniature paintings of typical scenes in the area depict people flying kites. Since Gujarat is at the westernmost edge of India, it is one of the regions where Muslim and Hindu cultures have blended to a great degree in many aspects.

anuary 14 is by far the most colourful date in the festive year in Gujarat. Its the day when the sun begins travelling towards the northern hemisphere (uttara = north, vana = to go) indicating winter's retreat. It is said that the gods, who hibernate throughout winter, awake at this time. Although it has Hindu roots, the festival colourfully cuts across social divisions of religion, caste and wealth.

Kites are believed to have first arrived in India either through Muslim traders coming eastward through Persia or Buddhist pilgrims coming from China in search of sacred texts. Either way, they have a long history in the region. Over 1000 years ago, kites were mentioned in song by the composer Santnambe, and numerous classic miniature paintings of typical scenes in the area depict people flying kites. Since Gujarat is at the westernmost edge of India, it is one of the regions where Muslim and Hindu cultures have blended to a great degree in many aspects. Hence, the development of using kites, probably brought by Muslims, to celebrate Uttarayan, a Hindu festival. Still, no one knows exactly when this tradition began.

All over Gujarat people fly patang (kites) on coloured string (manja) that has been coated in a paste of rice and ground glass which enables flyers to play-fight by cutting and catching each others kites.

In Gujarat since 300 years people celebrate with kites, waving our hands to 'all the Gods esp.-Varoona -the wind god, the direction of the change in direction of the pleasant winds as fresh harvests fill their homes. The SUN now 'travels' north=or the earth turns south to allow the northern hemisphere to face more of sun now, we will have Spring soon and later full summer.

In Gujarat the kite flying has been known since 300 years. Ahemdabad hosts the Annual International Kite flying competition. People visits Ahemadabad from all over the world either to participate or just to enjoy the show.



In cities like Surat, Vadodara, Ahemadabad and Rajkot, people throng shoulder to shoulder to purchase kites and "Manja" or

theread for kites on 13th Jan night from seasonal kite bazar.

During this night you will have

to keep your hands up in the air to keep the kites safe as there will be heavy rush in the market. These kite markets sales kites, firkis and manias whole night.

All though there are many kite makers in Guiarat, still due to heavy demand for purchase of kites so many kite makers



coming to Gujarat from UP, Rampur and other places .So many Muslims still enjoy this with common Indian Gujarati heritage.

The most unique thing in Vadodara kite festival is the FIRE CRACKER SHOW that starts as soon as Sun starts setting. The whole 360 degrees sky is full of showers of great colours. It is the second diwali here for two days. Much more as the whole day goes in the terrace with really "loud" speakers blaring, shouts of "kayapoch chhe"

Guiaratis celebrating this festival not only by whole day flying kites but also enjoying special food on this day. The speciality of this day is Til (sesame seed) laddoos and chikkies, Undhiyoon and jalebifafda. Since most of the families enjoy the festival at roortop or terraces most of the people preferred to order food from hotels and nowadays Pizzas and other fast food had been added in this day's menu.

Some of the Kite fighters don't get down even after sunset. They fly paper kandil with candle and some of the experts fly

multiple Kandil with one kite. After sunset kite with multiple kandils looks fabulous.

The festival of Makar Sankranti traditionally coincides with the beginning of the Sun's northward journey (the UTTARAYAN) when it enters the sign of Makar (the CAPRICORN). It falls on the 14th of



January every year according to the Solar Calendar. This day is celebrated as a festival right from the times of the Aryans and is looked upon as the most auspicious day by the Hindus.

Makar Sankranti marks the commencement of the Sun's

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iourney to the Northern Hemisphere (Makara raasi), signifying the onset of Uttaravana Punyakalam, and is a day of celebration all over the country. The day begins with people taking holy dips in the waters and worshipping the Sun.

The evidence of this festival being lucky is found in our great epic Mahabharat wherein it is told that the great warrior-hero. Bhishma Pitamaha even after being wounded and lying on the bed of arrows, lingered on till Uttaravan set in, to breathe his last. It is believed that the person who dies on this auspicious day of Sankrant escapes the cycle of birth and re-birth and that his soul mingles with the Almighty.

While exchanging tilguls as tokens of goodwill people greet each other saying - "til-gul ghya, god god bola" meaning "accept these tilguls and speak sweet words". The under-lying thought in the exchange of tilguls is to forget the past ill-feelings and hostilities and resolve to speak sweetly and remain friends.

The Indo Gangetic plain begins this day with taking dips in the Ganga and offering water to the Sun god. The dip is said to purify the self and bestow punya. Special puja is offered as a thanksgiving for good harvest. According to folklore, girls who take the holy dip get handsome husbands and boys get beautiful brides. Til and Rice are two important ingredients of this festival. Til or sesame seed contain lot of oil and they therefore have a quality of softness in them. Therefore, firstly the use of til in sweets is good for health and secondly being soft their exchange means exchange of love and tender feelings.

In Maharashtra on the Makar Sankranti day people exchange multi-coloured tilguds made from til (sesame seeds) and sugar and til-laddus made from til and jaggery. Til-polis are offered for lunch and



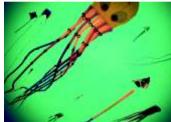
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of Maharashtra. Maharashtrian women are proud of their excellence in preparing these delicacies. While exchanging tilguls as tokens of goodwill people greet each other saying -"til-gul ghya, god god bola" meaning "accept these tilguls and speak sweet words". The under-lying thought in the exchange of tilguls is to forget the past ill-feelings and hostilities and resolve to speak sweetly and remain friends. This is a special day for the women in Maharashtra when married women are invited for a get-together called "Haldi-Kumkoo" and given gifts of any utensil, which the woman of the house purchases on that day

#### INTERNATIONAL KITE FESTIVALS:









Busan International Kite Festival, South Korea throws this one annually on the last week in March.

Dieppe International Kite Festival. Held bi-annually in Canada. Adelaide International Kite Festival held at Australia.

Singapore International Water Festival / This annual event. held annually in late June, features kite flying.

Portsmouth International Kite Festival / In Southsea, Portsmouth, England, held this year August 27-29.

Washington State International Kite Festival / A week-long event held during the third week of August in Long Beach, Washington.



## FORTHCOMING EVENTS \_

## KITES MAKING COMPETITION

Make your own kites and the best kite wins a prize. Venue: Activity Hall, Craft and Art Material to be bought by the child. Age Groups- 6 yrs- 8 yrs, 9 yrs- 11 yrs, 12 yrs- 14 yrs For enrollment kindly contact MSD at the earliest.

#### **LADIES BAR NITE**

Much awaited 3rd edition of the Ladies Bare Nite, this time sponsored by Diageo comes to the Activity Hall 8pm onwards at the club. Passes are limited so please book yours well in advance to avoid disappointment.

Contact Members Service Desk for details and passes.

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#### **JVPG Club Annual** Interdepartmental 7A-Side. T-20 Underarm Cricket Tournament

JVPG Club Annual Interdepartmental 7A-Side, T-20 Underarm Cricket Tournament will be held on Thursday, the 26th January, 2012 from 8 am to 10 pm at M.M. Ground. There will be Senior, Junior (U-15) & Ladies/Girls Teams. Preliminary rounds of Juniors & Ladies/Girls event will be held on Sunday 22nd January 2012. Members' interested in participating in this tournament are requested to submit their names to the respective departments. Last date of submission of teams Sunday, 20th January, 2012 to the Chairman of Cricket Sub-Comm./Office. Note: Members who are interested to sponsor / put banners contact chairman cricket sub-comm. / office.

27th to 29th Jan. 2012

#### Juhu Vile Parle Gymkhana Club **Jr. Promotional Table Tennis Tournament 2012**

Juhu Vile Parle Gymkhana Club Junior Promotional Table Tennis Tournament 2012 (Under the auspices of Mumbai District Table Tennis association) will be held on 27th to 29th January 2012. There will be 8 categories of Jr. Boys/Girls Singles, Sub Jr. Boys/Girls Singles, Cadet Boys/Girls Singles and Midget Boys/Girls Singles. The entry forms will be available from 2nd week of January in the club and on MSDTTA site "www.msdtta.org"

## JVPG CLUB OFFICE BEARERS for the year 2011-201



President





Vice President

**Anil Sampat** Hon. Secretary



Hon. Treasurer

Dr. Ojas Dave Hon, Jt. Secretary

At the last Managing Committee the Team led by President Anil Mahesh, Vice President Rajesh Shah, Hon. Secretary Anil Sampat, Hon. Treasurer Satish P. Shah and Hon. Jt. Secretary Dr. Ojas Dave were elected unopposed for their respective posts for the year 2011-12

### **Library Lecture by** Feb. 2012 Dr. Subramaniam Swamy

Dr. Subramanian did doctoral research from Havard University, he was elected member of Parliament 5 Swamy times, will speak on "Is India on track to being a superpower by 2020". Venue: Mariegold Terrace Time: 7 PM.

## Sun. 12th Life is here and now Feb. 2012 Living in the present

Todays stressful environment puts many demands on our day to day lives. How to overcome this in simple effective ways Discourse - Meditation - Q & A Time: 10:30 am-12:30 at Jasmine Hall, Organised by Sr. Citizen Forum.



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## SPORTS

## **LAWN TENNIS HOME TOURNAMENT**

Tennis Home Tournament always generates a good deal of excitement and this year was no different. There were more than 100 entries in different events. In the Mens Final Manan Vora was pitted against Rahul Parekh. Much was expected in the finals, but it turned out to be a damp squib as Manan, with his fluent strokes easily prevailed over Sahil in straight sets. He also scalped Under 18 Boys Title and reached Semi-finals of Men's Doubles. Other results are:





Men's Singles Winner Manan Vora

Runner-up Krisha Palreja Akshat Ajmera Aakash Gandhi Aahan Shah Sach Chabria Dhairya Shah Ivana Shah Karan Choksi Rajesh Shah & Sahil Parekh Sahil Parekh



Dr. Tejas Parekh presenting Medal & Certificate to Winner Girls U/8 Tiyana Kapadia



Men's Doubles Winners Nikhil Rao & Rushabh Shah

#### JVPG CLUB CRICKET TEAM WON GHORDHANDAS CRICKET TOURNAMENT

1st Round Match Against Appolo Cricket Club On 08.01.2011 Score: JVPG Club 266/5 - Haresh Tank93 - Siddharth Zaveri 51 Appolo Cricket Club214 - All Out



Swimming Pool: Master Veer Mehta Participated in the Lower Age Group Swim Meet conducted by Greater Mumbai Amateur Aquatic Association (GMAAA) AT Khar Gymkhana and on his debut appearance won following medals in Boys 5 years &Under category.

25M Butterfly stroke - Bronze Medal 25M Back stroke - Bronze Medal iii) 25M free Style - Bronze Medal



Billiards & Snooker: Our Marker Mahadeo Bhogle reached Quarter finals in the 4th Pro Classic 6-Red Snooker Tournament for Markers organized and hosted by the Islam Gymkhana.

## **SQUASH HOME TOURNAMENT**

Squash Home tournament was held from 9th to 11th Dec. 2011 In the Men's handicap open finals Sameer Mistry prevailed over former Maharashtra Player, Amitpal Kohli in three sets. In the women's open category Urvi Pandya got better of Era Bhatt in finals. Other results are as under:

Shivam Mehta

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EVENT	WINNER
Boys U/13	Kahan Doshi
Boys U/17	Rahul Deora
Mens Open	Sameer Mistry
Women Open	Urvi Pandya
Mens Doubles	Nilay Dalal



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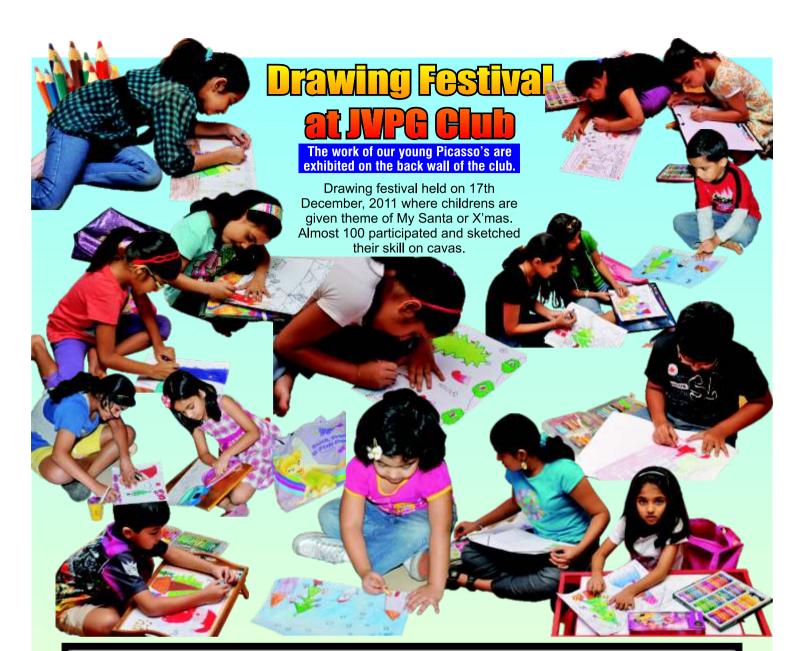
Era Bhatt

Arjun Toteja



Men Open Winner Sameer Mistry in action with Amitpal Kohli Runner-up

Women Open Winner Urvi Pandya with President Anil Mahesh





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### 1ST FLOOR KITCHEN OPENING.....

Renovated kitchen was inaugurated on 27th December, 2011 at 5 P.M. It gives real pleasure to announce that the heart of restaurant admeasuring around 2500 sq ft is in full swing since then. The ambience of the restaurant is appealing, attractive and now this renovated kitchen with a facility of separate Veg and Non-veg cooking area is an option to all the Members.















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### LECTURE ON OBSTETRICS & GYNECOLOGY

Renowned doctors from SevenHills Dr. Vinita S. Salvi, MD DNB FCPS DGO DFP, professor and head of unit. department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology officer in charge and principal investigator, regional centre for clinical research in human reproduction (Indian Council of Medical Research) Dr. K K Panicker MD, MBBS, Armed Forces Medical College, Pune University, advanced course in Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Armed Forces Medical College, Pune, Dr. Snehal Sriram, cosmetic dermatologist with 13 years of experience, MBBS diplomate of national board (DNB) - dermatology & venereology, diploma in venereology & dermatology (DVD). Dr. Chitwan Dubey MBBS, from King Georges Medical College, Lucknow, MS Grant Medical College, Mumbai. The doctors gave brief on type of skin, skin care, hygiene. ladies health related problem along with detailed question answer session.



Dr. Snehal Sriram cosmetic dermatologist from SevenHills Hospital explaining members about skin care

## Aadhaar Card at JVPG Club by IDBI Bank Ltd.

Aadhar Registration camp at the JVPG club premises was initiated and organised BY IDBI Bank for the members of the Club. This camp was for the period from 19th Dec. to 26th Dec. 2011. IDBI Bank has taken special approval for JVPG Club members. More than 550 members availed this facility. IDBI officials were involved in the entire process of registration.



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## **CLEOPATRA SPA CLOSED**

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# **CLUB CORNER**

## **JVPG Club Foundation Day**







Commemorating the founding of Juhu Gymkhana Club, foundation day is celebrated every year on December 16. This year, present at the function were Honorable Treasurer Mr. Satish P. Shah and his wife to perform the rituals.

#### ORTHOPEDIC PROBLEMS IN ELDERLY POPULATION

Senior Citizen Forum Lecture was attended by almost 50 members on 04.12.2011 at Jasmine Hall, Dr. Gautam Zaveri an Orthopedic and Neuro Surgeon for Spine who is attached with Jaslok, Harkisandas Narotamdas & Lilavati Hospitals spoke on various health related problems like Arthritis. Knee problems etc which are commonly faced by elderly people. The lecture was followed by an interactive question and answer session. At the end of lecture Birthday and Anniversary of Senior Citizen members falling in the month of Dec. 2011 were celebrated.







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