



Annual Financial Report 2023

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Note from the President- Pakistan Association of Otago (PAO)- AGM

Dear Members,

As we convene for our Annual General Meeting, it is with great pride and gratitude that I reflect on the remarkable year we have experienced at the Pakistan Association of Otago (PAO). Together, we have achieved significant milestones, creating a lasting impact on our community, and fostering a sense of unity and belonging.

The Eid and Chand Raat Festival, a hallmark event, brought together over 1000 attendees, transcending cultural boundaries, and promoting understanding. It is heartening to share that this celebration received special recognition in the Parliament, emphasizing the profound role it plays in shaping our cultural narrative.

Our active participation in the Multicultural Festival, organized by PAO, showcased the rich diversity within our community. The full house at Edgar Centre reflected the resounding success of the Multicultural Festival, and the participation from a large number of performers underscores the great value it holds in fostering cultural exchange and mutual appreciation.

The Pakistan Independence Day Program, a vibrant expression of national pride, resonated with attendees, highlighting our commitment to preserving and celebrating our heritage.

The Conference on Community Governance provided a platform for meaningful discussions, contributing to our collective growth and fostering a sense of community responsibility. Moreover, our dedication to sports and well-being activities, including badminton, hikes, and cricket, reflects our holistic approach to community development.

Our Art and Cultural Exhibition stands as another remarkable achievement, adding immense value to our community and the Otago region. This exhibition not only showcased the artistic talents within our community but also served as a bridge, connecting diverse cultures, and contributing to the cultural vibrancy of Otago.

The collaborative spirit that defines our community, both internally and in collaboration with other communities, has been a driving force behind our success. It is through this unity that we have created events that not only bridge cultures but also contribute to the well-being and identity of our community members.

As we gather to discuss the achievements and future endeavours of PAO, I extend my sincere appreciation to each member of our community and the PAO leadership team. Your unwavering support, active participation, and outstanding contributions have been instrumental in making each event a resounding success. I look forward to building upon these accomplishments and continuing our journey as a positive force that enriches lives, strengthens bonds, and contributes meaningfully to the cultural landscape of Otago.

Thank you for your commitment and dedication.

Warm regards,

Umair Zia

President, Pakistan Association of Otago

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PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF OTAGO

Registered Office:

36 Somerville Street, Andersons Bay, Dunedin, 9013, New Zealand

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30 November 2023

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COMPILATION REPORT

PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF OTAGO

For the year ended 30 November 2023

Compilation Report to the Directors of PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF OTAGO.

Scope

On the basis of information provided and in accordance with Service Engagement Standard 2 Compilation of Financial Information, we have compiled the financial statements of PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF OTAGO for the year ended 30 November 2023.

These statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies described in the Notes to these financial statements.

Responsibilities

The officers are solely responsible for the information contained in the financial statements and have determined that the Special Purpose Reporting Framework used is appropriate to meet your needs and for the purpose that the financial statements were prepared.

The financial statements were prepared exclusively for your benefit. We do not accept responsibility to any other person for the contents of the financial statements.

No Audit or Review Engagement Undertaken

Our procedures use accounting expertise to undertake the compilation of the financial statements from information you provided. Our procedures do not include verification or validation procedures. No audit or review engagement has been performed and accordingly no assurance is expressed.

Independence

We have no involvement with PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF OTAGO other than in the preparation of financial statements and management reports and offering advice based on the financial information provided.

Disclaimer

We have compiled these financial statements based on information provided which has not been subject to an audit or review engagement. Accordingly, we do not accept any responsibility for the reliability, accuracy or completeness of the compiled financial information contained in the financial statements. Nor do we accept any liability of any kind whatsoever, including liability by reason of negligence, to any person for losses incurred as a result of placing reliance on these financial statements.



Veeral Patel
Accountant & Tax Agent

5 Farnol Street, Hillsborough, Auckland 1042

Dated: 26th December 2023



SOCIETY DIRECTORY

PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF OTAGO

For the year ended 30 November 2023

Nature of Business:

Incorporated Society

Registered Office:

36 Somerville Street, Andersons Bay, Dunedin, 9013, New Zealand

Incorporation Number:

50116790

New Zealand Business Number:

9429050764051

Date of incorporation:

11 Aug 2022

Officer(s):

- 1) Junaid Ahmed QURESHI
- 2) Abdul SABOOR
- 3) Muhammad Umair ZIA

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF OTAGO

For the year ended 30 November 2023

Particulars	Notes	Amount
Donation Received		19,500
<u>Expenses:</u>		
Accountant Fees		350
Bank Charges		40
Food & Drink		6,836
Gift Expenses		77
Marketing Expenses		58
Other Function Expenses		2,715
Stationery & Printing		758
Venue Hire		5,584
Website Maintenance		563
Total Expenses		16,982
Surplus/(Deficit)		2,518

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The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF OTAGO

As at 30 November 2023

Particulars	NOTES	Amount
Assets		
<i>Current Assets</i>		
Bank Balance		2,868
Accounts Receivables		-
Total Current Assets		2,868
<i>Non-Current Assets</i>		
Fixed Assets - As per schedule		-
Total Non-Current Assets		-
Total Assets		2,868
Liabilities		
<i>Current Liabilities</i>		
GST Payable		-
Accounts Payable		350
Total Current Liabilities		350
<i>Non-Current Liabilities</i>		
Term Loan		-
Total Non-Current Liabilities		-
Total Liabilities		350
Equity		
Society's Funds		2,518
Total Equity		2,518

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW

PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF OTAGO

For the year ended 30 November 2023

Particulars	Dec-22	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Total
Donation Received	7,000	-	5,000	-	-	5,000	-	2,500	-	-	-	-	19,500
Total Cash Inflow	7,000	-	5,000	-	-	5,000	-	2,500	-	-	-	-	19,500
Cash Outflow													
Bank Charges	-	5	-	5	5	-	5	-	5	5	5	5	40
Food & Drink	-	887	-	1,671	298	2,900	-	160	354	567	-	-	6,836
Gift Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	77	-	-	77
Marketing Expenses	-	-	-	58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	58
Other Function Expenses	-	-	-	2,022	645	-	-	-	49	-	-	-	2,715
Stationery & Printing	-	-	-	564	-	194	-	-	-	-	-	-	758
Venue Hire	240	(100)	-	1,439	200	157	-	-	3,573	75	-	-	5,584
Website Maintenance	-	-	-	288	-	275	-	-	-	-	-	-	563
Total Cash Outflow	240	792	0	6,047	1,147	3,526	5	160	3,981	724	5	5	16,632
Summary													
Opening Balance	-	6,760	5,968	10,968	4,921	3,774	5,248	5,243	7,583	3,602	2,878	2,873	-
Net Cash Flow	6,760	(792)	5,000	(6,047)	(1,147)	1,474	(5)	2,340	(3,981)	(724)	(5)	(5)	2,868
Closing Balance	6,760	5,968	10,968	4,921	3,774	5,248	5,243	7,583	3,602	2,878	2,873	2,868	2,868

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUNDS

PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF OTAGO

For the year ended 30 November 2023

Particulars	Notes	Amount
Opening Balance		-
Add: Current Year Surplus/(Deficit)		2,518
Closing Balance		2,518

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF OTAGO

For the year ended 30 November 2023

1. Statement of Accounting Policies

The financial statements presented here are for PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF OTAGO, a registered incorporated society under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908. PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF OTAGO is a non-for-profit organisation. These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Act 1993 and the Financial Reporting order 1994.

Measurement Base

The information is presented in New Zealand dollars and has been rounded to whole dollars, unless otherwise stated.

Comparative Figures

This is the first year of the society therefore, the comparative figures are not available.

Historical Cost

These financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis. The financial statements are presented in New Zealand dollars (NZ\$) and all values are rounded to the nearest NZ\$, except when otherwise indicated.

Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no changes in accounting policies. Policies have been applied on a consistent basis with those of the previous reporting period.

Revenue Recognition

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable for the sale of goods and services, excluding goods and services tax rebates and discounts, to the extent it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the entity and revenue can be reliably measured. Sales of services are recognised in the period by reference to the stage of completion of the transaction at the end of the reporting period.

Income Tax

N/A

Goods and Services Tax

N/A

2. Audit

These financial statements have not been audited.

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3. Contingent Liabilities

At balance date there are no known, quantifiable contingent liabilities. PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF OTAGO has not granted any securities in respect of liabilities payable by any other party.

4. Related Parties

There were no material transactions with any related parties during the period under review.

5. Securities and Guarantees

There was no overdraft as at balance date nor was any facility arranged.

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MINUTES

PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF OTAGO For the year ended 30 November 2023

Minutes of the 2023 Annual General Meeting of members

by entry in the Minute Book on _____(date)

Pursuant to S23 of the Incorporated Societies Act 1908 by way of entry in the minute book of the Society.

In respect of the year ended 30 November 2023 it is resolved that:

Financial Statements

That the Annual Financial Statements together with the Members' Report thereon, be approved.

Officer's remuneration

The members do not receive remuneration for the year ended 30 November 2023 and for the future period unless otherwise resolved.

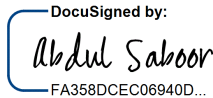
Auditor

That no auditor be appointed for the forthcoming year.

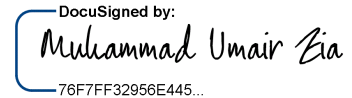
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EVENT REPORT

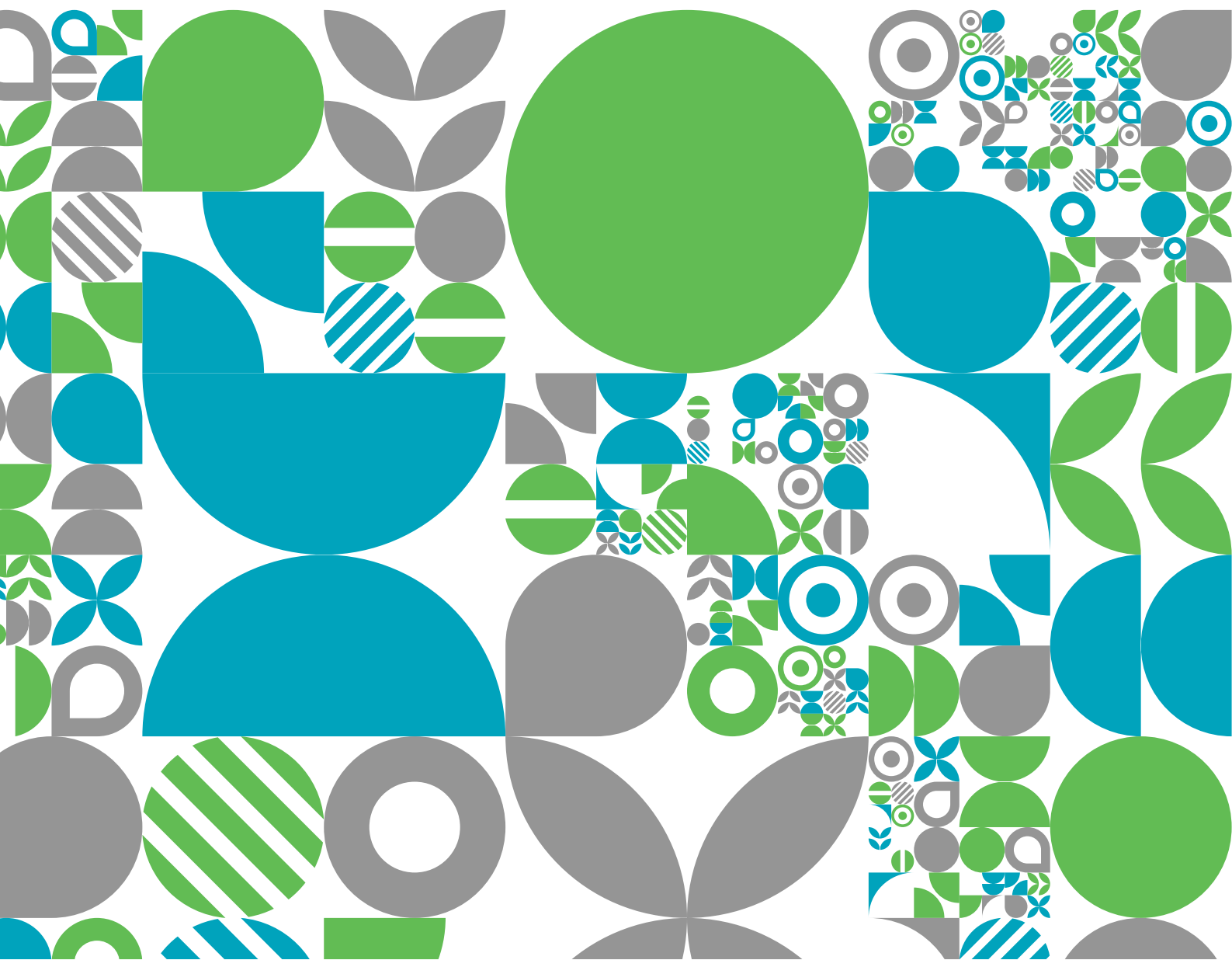
Multicultural Festival

Organized by: Pakistan Association of Otago



PREPARED BY

Umair Zia
President PAO



Multicultural Festival

By Pakistan Association of Otago

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Multicultural Festival

By Pakistan Association of Otago

Introduction:

On 11th March 2023, the Metro Direct Lounge at Edgar Centre in Dunedin played host to a Multicultural Festival from 3 PM to 6 PM. The aim of the festival was to provide a unique opportunity to immerse oneself in a diverse range of cultural experiences from around the world, all within the confines of Ōtepoti, Dunedin.



Metro Direct Lounge

Event Description:

The event consisted of a display of flower girl dresses by children, as well as cultural performances, entertainment, and speeches by notable individuals from the area. Participants of all ages from China, Spain, Japan, the Pacific Islands, India, New Zealand, and Pakistan were represented.



Audience enjoying festival

Multicultural Festival

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Event Opening:

The Multicultural Festival commenced with the opening remarks by MC Nimo Elisara-Too, CEO of Pacific Trust Otago. Dr. Asrar Elahi recited verses from the Quran, which were then translated by Haneen Sajjad. The event then proceeded with the playing of the national anthems of both New Zealand and Pakistan.



MC - Nimo Elisara-Too



Asrar Elahi (left) and Haneen Sajjad

Cultural Performances:

Throughout the festival, a variety of multicultural performances took place to represent different cultural aspects and entertain the audience. One such performance was by Te Rōpū Māori Group, comprising students from the University of Otago, who performed Kapa Haka under the guidance of Cultural Officer Ngaroma.



Rōpū Māori Group

Multicultural Festival

By Pakistan Association of Otago

The Dunedin Senior Chinese Association showcased Chinese culture, traditions, and customs through a series of performances. These included a Chinese Gong and Waist Drum performance, a Folk Dance known as "Fan Dance," a Tibetan Dance performance called "Painting You," and a Spanish Skirt Dance performance. The association, led by President Weidi Xu, presented these performances with the aim of sharing and celebrating the richness of Chinese culture with the wider community.



Chinese Gong and Waist Drum performance



Tibetan Dance performance



Chinese Fan Dance

The festival also featured a diverse range of performances, such as the Pasifika Performance, a Kids Flower Girls Show, African Drumming by Koffie, a Japanese O-Taiko performance by Henry Johnson and group, a Chinese Guzheng performance by Melody, and a Dance Performance by the Dunedin Dance Academy. These performances added to the vibrant and dynamic atmosphere of the festival, providing a platform for different cultural expressions and talents to be showcased.

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Kids Flower Girls Dress Show



African Drumming and Dance



Dance Performance of Dunedin Dance Academy



Japanese O-Taiko performance

Pacifika Performance

Multicultural Festival

By Pakistan Association of Otago

The Indian Cultural aspect of the festival was highlighted through a number of performances, including a dance performance by Abhey, an Indo-Pak classical performance by Isha-Victoria Wing, and a Bollywood dance by young Anushka Rajesh from the Dunedin Tamil community.

The Pakistan Association of Otago Kids, including Khirad, Eman, Eshal, Hadeel, Mahad, Safa, Arbab, Anayah, and Anyah, performed an energetic dance to the song "Billo". Dr. Zohaib Rana Amjad Ali also presented a Pakistani song, which was well-received by the audience. Many members of the audience enthusiastically participated in Punjabi and Pakistani Bhangra, making the experience even more enjoyable for all.



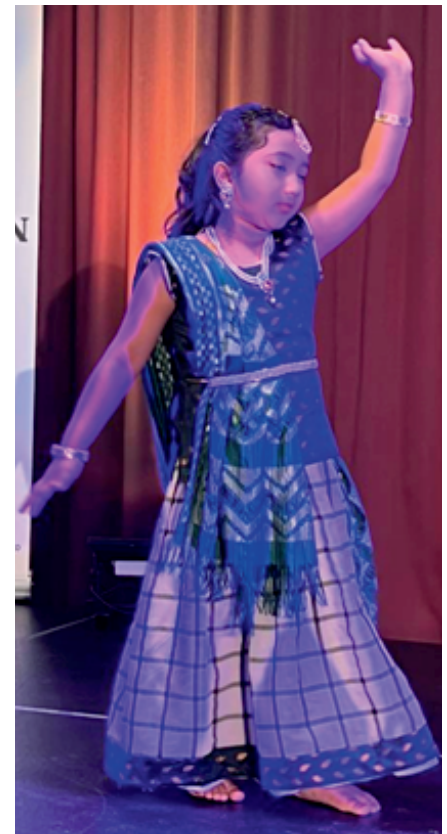
Classical performance by Isha Victoria Wing



Dance on Billo song



Dr Zohaib Rana Amjad Ali Performance



Bollywood dance by Anushka Rajesh

Multicultural Festival

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Keynote Speakers

The presence of various Dunedin administration authorities, public representatives, and professionals at the Multicultural Festival had a positive impact on promoting cultural diversity. The Pakistan Association of Otago (PAO) invited several distinguished guests to express their views and emotions about this multicultural event, including Jules Radich (Mayor of Dunedin), Malcolm Wong (ONZM, Council Chair University of Otago), Michael Woodhouse (MP), Lina Lastra (Diversity and Engagement Adviser for the South), Christine Gary (Councillor and Former Deputy Mayor of Dunedin), Steve Walker (Councillor, Dunedin City Council), Teresa Chan (Lawyer and Chair of Dunedin Shanghai Association), Councillor Sophie Barker (Deputy Mayor of Dunedin), Dr Abrar Khalid (Ophthalmologist at South Canterbury District Health Board), and Ingrid Leary (MP). Their participation further promoted the importance of embracing diversity and cultural exchange within the community.



Jules Radich, Mayor Of Dunedin,



Sophie Barker, Dunedin City Council
Deputy Mayor



Malcolm Wong (ONZM, Council Chair
University of Otago)

Multicultural Festival

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Event Closing:

The Multicultural Festival was concluded with closing remarks from the MC and President of Pakistan Association of Otago (PAO), Umair Zia, as well as the Board Chair, Dr. Junaid Qureshi, Board Member Abdul Saboor, Board Member Sajjad Malik, and the rest of the PAO leadership team. Their efforts and contributions were instrumental in the success of this event, which brought together people from various cultures to celebrate diversity and promote unity.



Members of Pakistan Association of Otago

Food Festival:

The Multicultural Festival ended with a food festival, providing an opportunity for people from diverse backgrounds to come together and experience a wide range of delicious foods from around the world. This event served as a platform for promoting cultural exchange through the universal language of food, further fostering understanding and appreciation of different cultures within the community.

Multicultural Festival

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Audience Feedback & Event Impact:

The event has gained worldwide attention through social media, reflecting the positive response to multicultural gatherings. Here are some of the feedback from the audience:



Jules Radich, Mayor of Dunedin · Mar 12 · 🌐

Yesterday I also had the honour of opening a multicultural show and food festival at the Edgar Centre hosted by the Pakistan Association of Otago.

One of the most energetic performances was of West African drumming.



Dunedin City Council Deputy Mayor Sophie Barker · Follow · Mar 11 · 🌐

Congratulations [Pakistan Association of Otago](#) for a joyful multicultural festival this afternoon.

Here's my speech:... See more



Michael Woodhouse MP ✓ · 12 Mar at 5:55 pm · 🌐

Amazing variety and plenty of entertainment at yesterday's multicultural festival organised by the Pakistan Association of Otago.



Steve Walker is with **Robert Koffie Fugah and Weidi XU** · Follow · Mar 12 · 🌐

Congratulations to the [Pakistan Association of Otago](#) for arranging a hugely successful multicultural festival in Ōtepoti Dun... See more



Ingrid Leary MP · Follow · Mar 11 · 🌐



Thank you [Pakistan Association of Otago](#) for a really important and uplifting day of music, dance and food celebrating diversity and the many cultures in our region.



Rachel Brooking MP is at **New Zealand Parliament**. · 2d · Wellington, New Zealand · 🌐



Rachel Brooking MP
Pakistan Association of Otago cultural event – at **New Zealand Parliament**.

Multicultural Festival

By Pakistan Association of Otago

Good morning Umair,

I am just quickly stopping by to say Well Done for an amazing night on Saturday. Great job in pulling everyone together to celebrate our Diversity and the richness of cultures in our city.

I hope you all got some good rest in the weekend following your busy day on Saturday.

It was lovely meeting you all on Saturday too. Have a wonderful week ahead.

Warm regards,

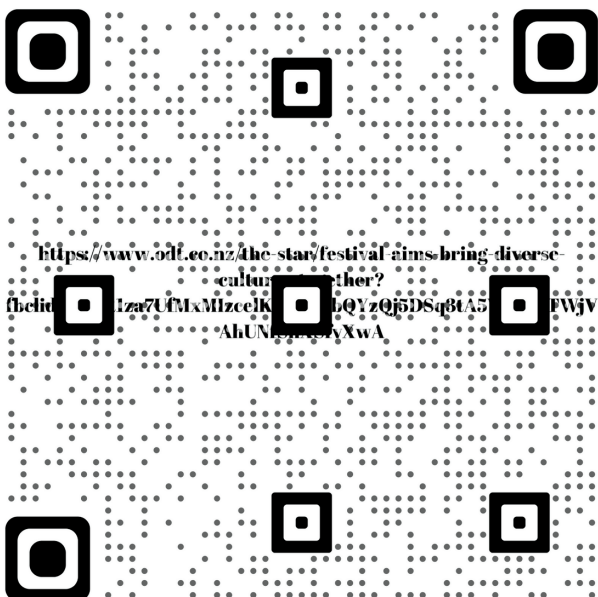
Nimo



Fa'animo Elisara-Too
Chief Executive Officer

Otago Daily Times News:

On March 2, 2023, the Otago Daily Times reported on an upcoming multicultural festival in Dunedin, organized by Pakistan Association of Otago which can be accessed by scanning QR code below.



Thursday, 2 March 2023

Festival aims to bring diverse cultures together

By Simon Henderson

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The Star



Looking forward to cross-cultural collaboration are (from left) Pakistan Association of Otago president Umair Zia, Eshal Umair (9), Aeman Nedeem, carrying Zohan Umair (9 months), Humara Fiaz Sajjad, Pakistan Association of Otago board member Sajjad Malik, Hadeel Sajjad (9) and Mohammad Arbeb (14). PHOTO: SIMON HENDERSON

A free multi-cultural festival aims to bring together nations from around the world under one roof.

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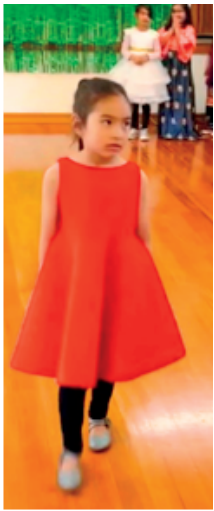
Project Planning, Preparation and Flower Dress Show Rehearsal

On January 7, 2023, the Project Planning and Preparation for the Multicultural Festival and Flower Dress Show Rehearsal took place. This event brought together a team of dedicated individuals who are passionate about celebrating the rich diversity of cultures in our community. The team spent the day planning and preparing for the upcoming festival and rehearsal.



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Project Review Meeting and Team Dinner with Volunteers

On March 15, 2023, a Project Review Meeting and Team Dinner with Volunteers was held to assess the progress of the Multicultural Festival. The team discussed the challenges they faced during the planning and preparation phase and shared feedback on how to improve the festival experience for attendees. The volunteers were recognized and appreciated for their hard work and dedication to the project. The meeting concluded with a team dinner, providing an opportunity for everyone to socialize and celebrate their successes.



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Benefits & Outcomes:

Overall, the Multicultural Festival was a great success in promoting cultural diversity, social cohesion, and mutual understanding among the community. The event showcased the beauty and richness of various cultures from around the world, promoting a more harmonious and inclusive society.

Expenses:

Please find attached at Appendix 1 the comprehensive list of expenses incurred for the arrangement of the festival.

Sponsors & Partners:

The list of sponsors & partners is attached at Appendix 2.

Concluding Remarks:

Thanks to the support of our distinguished guests, talented performers, and generous sponsors, the Multicultural Festival project was a resounding success. Please refer to Appendix 3 for the run sheet of the event.

Multicultural Festival

By Pakistan Association of Otago

Acknowledgment:

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the Ministry of Ethnic Communities for their invaluable contribution towards the successful organization of the Multicultural Festival and Food Festival. Their generous funding and unwavering support have enabled us to bring together people from diverse cultures and backgrounds to celebrate our shared heritage and traditions.

Without the support of the Ministry, we would not have been able to organize such a memorable event that has brought so much joy and happiness to our community. We appreciate the Ministry's commitment to promoting cultural diversity and inclusiveness and look forward to collaborating with them in future events.

Once again, we extend our heartfelt thanks to the Ministry of Ethnic Communities for their unwavering support and partnership in making the Multicultural Festival and Food Festival a resounding success.

Multicultural Festival

By Pakistan Association of Otago

APPENDIX 1

List of Expenses

Sr. No	Expenses	Cost (\$)
Project Planning, Rehearsal, Preparation		
1	Hall Rent	140
2	Decoration and Lighting	50
3	Consumable / Disposables	54.37
4	Food	782.28
Total		1026.65
Multicultural Festival and Food Festival		
1	Hall Rent – Metro Direct Lounge Edgar Centre	1138.50
2	Decoration and Lighting	953.25
3	Poster Design	100
4	Banner – Design	132.42
5	Banner – Printing	290.95
6	Koha	350
7	Facebook Marketing	58.29
8	Food	1,419.96
9	Sound System with Mic for Practice and Rehearsal	718.99
10	Website Design and Hosting	514 (INV TBC)
Total		5,676.43
Project Review Meeting and Team Dinner with Volunteers		
1	Dinner	350.92
Total		350.92

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APPENDIX 2

Sponsors:

1. Ministry of Ethnic Communities
2. Alaina Natural Beauty Products
3. Hums Beauty Clinic - Humera Sajjad
4. QCS - Quality Control Services

Partners:

1. Pacific Trust Otago
2. Gala Events
3. Dunedin Senior Chinese Association
4. Kadodo Music - Drum and Dance School
5. Te Rōpū Māori' Group
6. Dunedin Tamil Society
7. Dunedin Multicultural Council

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APPENDIX 3

Multicultural Festival and Food Festival Run Sheet

S. No.	Performance	Timing	Music Required	Music Arranged
1.	Event Opening by MC - Nimo Elisara-Too, CEO Pacific Trust Otago	3:00 pm	No	N/A
2.	Quran Recitation: Dr Asrar Elahi, Translation: Haneen Sajjad	3:05 pm	No	N/A
3.	National Anthems (Pakistan and New Zealand)	3:10 pm	Yes	Yes
4.	Speech 01 – Jules Radich (Mayor of Dunedin)	3:15 pm	No	N/A
5.	Kapa Haka Performance by ‘Te Rōpū Māori’ Group, led by Ngaroma - Ngaroma is the cultural officer of ‘Te Rōpū Māori’	3:20 pm	No	N/A
6.	Chinese Gong and Waist Drum Performance by Dunedin Senior Chinese Association, President Weidi Xu	3:25 pm	No	N/A
7.	Pasifika Performance	3:30 pm		
8.	Kids Flower Girls Show, sponsored by Alaina Natural Beauty Products	3:35 pm	Yes	Yes
9.	Chinese Folk Dance “Fan Dance” by Dunedin Senior Chinese Association, President Weidi Xu	3:40 pm	Yes	Yes
10.	African Drumming by Robert Koffie Fugah – - African Drumming and Dance Teacher at Ghana International School - Owner and Founder at Kadodo Music – Drum and Dance School	3:50 pm	No	N/A
11.	Speech 02 – Malcolm Wong - Officer of the NZ Order of Merit for services to the community and New Zealand-China relations. - Former Chair of the Dunedin Shanghai Association, - He has chaired the Dunedin Chinese Gardens Trust since 2008. - He is a Trustee of the Otago Community Trust	3:55 pm	No	N/A
12.	Multicultural Song By Peter Keshu, Vice President of Dunedin Multicultural Council	4:00 pm		
13.	Indian Cultural Dance Performance by Abhey (care of Swroopa)	4:05 pm	Yes	
14.	The Tibetan Dance Performance "Painting You" - by Dunedin Senior Chinese Association, President Weidi Xu	4:10 pm	Yes	Yes
15.	Indo-Pak classical performance by Isha Victoria Wing	4:15 pm	Yes	
16.	Japanese O-Taiko performance by Henry Johnson and group	4:25 pm		
17.	Chinese Guzheng performance by Melody	4:30 pm		
18.	Jasmine Song by Omar and Alaina with Melody	4:45 pm		
19.	Spanish Skirt Dance Performance - by Dunedin Senior Chinese Association, President Weidi Xu	4:50 pm	Yes	Yes
20.	Dance Performance by Dunedin Dance Academy - We now have a selection of tap dancers from the studio Dunedin Dance Academy. These students learn tap dancing through private lessons and perform in local and national competitions, as well as sitting their tap-dancing exams. They are taught by teacher and principal, Cat Densham, who has been performing and dancing herself for more than 30 years. Our performers are Lucy, Alice, Pip, Hannah, and Felipe!	4:00 pm	Yes	
21.	Bollywood dance by Anushka Rajesh (from Dunedin Tamil community; she is 8 years old and daughter of Associate Professor Rajesh Katara)	5:05 pm		
22.	Speech 03 – Michael Woodhouse (MP)	5:10 pm	No	N/A
23.	Punjabi Bhangra	5:15 pm	Yes	
24.	Dance Performance on Song “Billo” by Pakistan Association of Otago Kids - Khirad, Eman, Eshal, Hadeel, Mahad, Safa, Arbab, Anayah, Anyah	5:20 pm	Yes	
25.	Speech 04 – Lina Lastra - Diversity and engagement adviser for the south, under the auspices of the Office of Ethnic Communities/Te Tari Matawaka - Lina works to build relationships and increase engagement with Otago and Southland’s ethnic communities, as well as promoting awareness of the Ethnic Communities Development Fund and other opportunities.	5:25 pm	No	N/A
26.	Speech 05 – Christine Gary (Councillor and Former Deputy Mayor of Dunedin)	5:30 pm	No	N/A

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27.	Speech 06 – Steve Walker (Councillor Dunedin City Council)	5:35 pm	No	N/A
28.	Speech 07 – Teresa Chan (Lawyer and Chair of Dunedin Shanghai Association)	5:40 pm	No	N/A
29.	Speech 08 – Councillor Sophie Barker (Deputy Mayor of Dunedin)	5:45 pm	No	N/A
30.	Speech 09 – Dr Abrar Khalid <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ophthalmologist at South Canterbury District Health Board - Medical Doctor completed MBBS, FRCS from Edinburg and Glasgow - Mentor to Pakistani Community in New Zealand 	5:50 pm	Yes	
31.	Pakistani Song by Dr Zohaib Rana Amjad Ali	6:00 pm	Yes	
32.	Pakistani Bhangra Dance Performance	6:10 pm	No	N/A
33.	Speech 10 – Ingrid Leary – Event Closing Speech (MP)		No	N/A
34.	Event Closing by MC and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - President PAO – Umair Zia - Board Chair – Dr Junaid Qureshi - Board Member – Abdul Saboor - Board Member – Sajjad Malik All PAO Leadership Team	6:15 pm	Yes	
35.	Food Festival		Yes	

The Eid and Chand Raat Festival, hosted by the Pakistan Association of Otago, enraptured over 1000 attendees in Dunedin with magic shows, bouncy castles, and diverse community stalls. The Eid Dinner, attended by local dignitaries, showcased cultural unity, and garnered special mention in the Parliament, affirming its role in fostering community cohesion and celebrating diversity. This vibrant event exemplifies the transformative impact of cultural celebrations on societal bonds.

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Umair Zia – President, Pakistan Association of Otago
Thursday, December 28, 2023



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Executive Summary:

The Eid and Chand Raat Festival organized by the Pakistan Association of Otago proved to be a resounding success, attracting over 1000 residents of Dunedin. The event featured a diverse range of activities, including a magic show, bouncy castle, face painting, henna art, and stalls from 20 different communities and vendors, showcasing various products from food and clothing to beauty items. The Eid Dinner was a prestigious affair attended by local Members of Parliament, the Deputy Mayor, and other dignitaries, fostering community cohesion and celebrating diversity.

"Eid Celebrations in Dunedin: A Multifaceted Tapestry of Cultural Enrichment, Community Unity, and Economic Vitality"

The Eid Celebrations in Dunedin, orchestrated by the Pakistan Association of Otago, are proving to be a transformative force, enriching the lives of residents, fostering stronger community bonds, and contributing positively to the city's cultural fabric. By bringing together over 1000 attendees, the celebrations serve as a unifying platform, transcending cultural boundaries and creating an inclusive environment.

These festivities contribute to the residents of Dunedin by providing a unique opportunity for cultural exploration and understanding. Through magic shows, bouncy castles, and diverse community stalls, the celebrations offer an array of experiences that enrich the lives of individuals and families alike. The presence of 20 different communities further enhances the cultural tapestry of Dunedin, creating a vibrant mosaic of diversity.

Communities in Dunedin benefit from the Eid Celebrations as they become a nexus for cross-cultural interactions. The event promotes dialogue, understanding, and appreciation among diverse groups, fostering a sense of unity and shared identity. The inclusion of local dignitaries, such as Members of Parliament and the Deputy Mayor, underscores the significance of these celebrations in the broader community context.

Beyond cultural enrichment, the Eid Celebrations contribute to the overall ambiance of Dunedin. The festivities inject vibrancy into the city, creating a positive and celebratory atmosphere. Additionally, the special recognition of the Eid Celebrations in the Parliament highlights their broader impact, acknowledging their role in shaping the cultural narrative of the city and contributing to the national discourse on multiculturalism.



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In essence, the Eid Celebrations in Dunedin go beyond a singular cultural event; they are a catalyst for positive change, promoting inclusivity, understanding, and community pride. These celebrations actively contribute to the well-being of residents, strengthen community ties, add to the rich cultural tapestry that makes Dunedin a diverse and dynamic city, and extend their positive impact by actively supporting local businesses. The inclusion of diverse community stalls, numbering 20, not only enriches the cultural experience for attendees but also provides a valuable platform for local vendors, ranging from food and clothing to beauty products.

The celebration's vibrant atmosphere creates an ideal setting for local businesses to showcase their products and services, fostering economic development within the community. The event serves as a marketplace for entrepreneurs, enabling them to connect with a diverse customer base and potentially expand their reach beyond the immediate vicinity.

In this way, the Eid Celebrations not only enhance cultural unity and community cohesion but also actively contribute to the local economy. By supporting and promoting local businesses, these celebrations become a catalyst for economic growth and prosperity in Dunedin, further solidifying their role as a multifaceted and positive force within the city.

Event Highlights:

Chand Raat Festival:

- Attended by more than 1000 residents of Dunedin.
- Featured a mesmerizing magic show that captivated audiences.
- Inflatable fun with a bouncy castle for children.
- Artistic expression through face painting and henna art.
- 20 different community stalls and vendors, promoting inclusivity.
- Diverse range of products, including food, clothing, and beauty items.

Eid Dinner:

- Presence of local Members of Parliament and the Deputy Mayor.
- Dignitaries included the President of Dunedin Senior Chinese Association, the President of Dunedin Syrian Society, and the Deputy CEO of the Ministry for Ethnic Communities.
- A platform for cultural exchange and community building.



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Participants:

Chand Raat Festival:

- Over 1000 residents of Dunedin.
- Families and individuals from diverse backgrounds.
- Enthusiastic participation from 20 different communities.

Eid Dinner:

- Local Members of Parliament.
- Deputy Mayor of Dunedin.
- President of Dunedin Senior Chinese Association.
- President of Dunedin Syrian Society.

Achievements:

Community Engagement:

- Fostering connections and understanding among diverse communities.
- Strengthening the social fabric of Dunedin.

Cultural Celebration:

- Showcasing the rich cultural tapestry of Pakistan and other participating communities.
- Promoting cross-cultural awareness and appreciation.

Dignitary Participation:

- Presence of esteemed dignitaries emphasized the significance of cultural inclusivity.
- Encouraged collaboration and support for future community events.

Parliamentary Recognition:

- The Eid Celebrations were specifically acknowledged in the Eid Dinner organized by the Minister in the Parliament.
- Recognition highlights the importance of cultural diversity in national discourse.



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Conclusion:

The Eid and Chand Raat Festival organized by the Pakistan Association of Otago successfully brought together the residents of Dunedin in a celebration of cultural diversity and inclusivity. The event's positive impact was reflected in the enthusiastic participation of the community, the diverse range of activities, and the distinguished presence of local dignitaries. The Eid Celebrations' special mention in the Parliament further underscores the significance of such cultural events in promoting unity and understanding within our multicultural society.

In essence, the Eid Celebrations in Dunedin go beyond a singular cultural event; they are a catalyst for positive change, promoting inclusivity, understanding, and community pride. These celebrations actively contribute to the well-being of residents, strengthen community ties, and add to the rich cultural tapestry that makes Dunedin a diverse and dynamic city.

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Event Photographs



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Multi-Culture Eid Chand Raat Carnival



Attractions

- Foods Stalls
- Henna Stalls
- Face Painting
- Kids Magic Show
- Bouncy Castle
- Cultural Dress Stalls

Friday 21st April 2023
5:30 pm



Alhambra Union Hall
541 Great King Street,
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Hey kids, we have some amazing news! Video Tech (<https://www.videotech.co.nz/>), which is a famous company that rents out awesome party equipment like bouncy castles, is going to be a part of our Eid Chaand Raat event on Friday, April 21st, 2023, at 5:00 pm. They're going to provide us with a bouncy castle that will be there for the whole event from 4:00 pm until 11:00 pm, which means you can jump, play and have a blast all day long! Video Tech is super good at what they do, a... See more

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Hey there, are you ready for some serious fun?! We have some super exciting news! Fun Faces Face Painting, a company that's famous for transforming faces into amazing works of art, will be joining us for our Eid Chaand Raat event on Friday, April 21st, 2023 at 5:00 pm. These artists are so talented and they can create any design you can imagine, from superheroes to princesses and even animals! We're so lucky to have them join us and add some extra fun and excitement to our pa... See more



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Hey kids, get ready for an amazing surprise! Jay the Juggler and Magician (<https://jayjugglerandmagician.com/>) will be joining us for our Eid Chaand Raat event on Friday, April 21st, 2023 at 6:30 pm!
Jay is a superstar in the world of magic and juggling, and he's going to put on an incredible show for us! You'll be mesmerized by his amazing tricks and awesome juggling skills. We're so excited to have him share his talents with us and bring some extra fun and excitement to our... See more



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Feedback Received from the Ministry, Dignitaries, and Community



Ministry for Ethnic Communities
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With the sighting of the crescent shaped moon last week, the holy month of Ramadan drew to an end and marked the beginning of Eid celebrations across the world and in New Zealand. During the weekend Christchurch, Dunedin, Auckland and Wellington witnessed a wide variety of Eid celebrations:

- Multicultural hotspot, Riverside Market in central Christchurch marked the occasion with a large Eid wall decoration.
- Eid Al Fitr Festival was hosted by Asturlab in Hagley Park, Christchurch.
- The Eid Chand Raat Carnival was hosted by the Pakistan Association of Otago.
- Several Eid-al-Fitr celebrations were hosted by the following groups: Pakistan Association of Otago, the Palestinian Community in Dunedin and Pakistanis in Otago.



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Thank you **Dunedin City Council Deputy Mayor Sophie Barker** for joining us in Eid Al-Fitr celebrations, it was indeed a privilege and honour to have you with us. We will ensure you get all the photographs we have in our possession. Thanks and Eid Mubarak 🎉❤️

Dunedin City Councillor Sophie Barker is at Edgar Centre.
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What a huge honour and privilege to be invited to celebrate Eid ul Fitr with the **Pakistan Association of Otago**. A lovely, warm event with a vibrant community. Su... See more

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Thank you [Ingrid Leary MP](#) for your continuous support for local communities. Thanks for sharing your words at our event.

Ingrid Leary MP
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Eid Mubarak! Thank you to the two organisations which kindly hosted me for Eid-al-Fitr celebrations: the [@Pakistanis in Otago](#) and then [Pakistan Association of Otago](#)

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List of Expenses

S. No.	Expenses	Cost (\$)
1.	Chand Raat Venue	300
2.	Chand Raat Planning / Iftar Potluck	44.50
3.	Chand Raat Planning / Iftar Potluck/ Banner	104.50
4.	Cand Raat / Bouncy Castle Hire + Delivery Setup / Wind up	350
5.	Chand Raat Planning / Iftar Potluck / Disposable	85.50
6.	Chand Raat Planning / Iftar Potluck / Disposable / Naan Drinks	106.99
7.	Chand Raat / Fun Face Entertainment Hire	170
8.	Chand Raat / Magic Show	280
9.	Eid Dinner / Edgar Centre / Venue + Food	2900
10.	Eid Poster Design + 14 August Poster Design	194.18
11.	Eid Al Adha Potluck Disposable	159.86
12.	Eid Adha Project Review Meeting	157
13.	Misc.	147.47
Total		5000



Events' Report for
Community Governance Workshop,
Arts and Cultural Exhibition, and
Independence Day Celebrations

Dil Dil Pakistan, Jaan Jaan New Zealand



Organised by

Pakistan Association of Otago

on 12 August 2023 at the Metro Direct Lounge, Edgar Centre, Dunedin

INTRODUCTION

1. In an era defined by globalization and interconnectedness, the vitality of fostering strong communal bonds and celebrating cultural diversity cannot be overstated.
2. It is within this context that the Pakistan Association of Otago proudly presented a trifecta of remarkable events on the 12th of August 2023, at the splendid Metro Direct Lounge, nestled within the iconic Edgar Centre in Dunedin.
3. This tripartite extravaganza encompassed a visionary Community Governance Workshop, an enthralling Arts and Cultural Exhibition, and a jubilant Independence Day Celebrations, collectively encapsulating the essence of unity, creativity, and patriotism.
4. The Pakistan Association of Otago (PAO) has consistently proven itself as a beacon of cultural celebration and inclusivity within the vibrant fabric of the Dunedin community.
5. With its unwavering commitment to fostering cross-cultural understanding and providing a platform for the exchange of ideas, the PAO has once again risen to the occasion by curating an exceptional series of events that not only entertain but also enrich the minds and hearts of all those who attended.
6. The upcoming points provide some brief description into each of the events that were executed on 12 August 2023.
7. It should be noted that the Community Governance Workshop lasted from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., while the Arts and Cultural Exhibition and Independence Day Celebrations lasted concurrently from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Community Governance Workshop: Nurturing the Seeds of Participation

8. At the heart of a thriving community lies effective governance that echoes the voices of all its members.
9. The Community Governance Workshop stood as a testament to the PAO's dedication to empowering its community through knowledge and engagement.
10. Distinguished speakers, both local and international, converged to share their insights on diverse governance models, shedding light on how the principles of democracy and participation can be woven into the very fabric of community life.
11. Workshops and interactive sessions delved into the nuances of community decision-making, fostering an atmosphere of collaboration and consensus-building.
12. The event's success lay not only in its informative nature but also in its ability to inspire attendees to actively engage in the governance processes that underpin their community.

Arts and Cultural Exhibition: Colours of Pakistan

13. Culture is a kaleidoscope of stories, traditions, and expressions that bind a community together.
14. The Arts and Cultural Exhibition, a resplendent tableau of artistic ingenuity, captured the essence of this sentiment with unparalleled finesse.
15. Visitors were treated to a mesmerizing array of visual arts, traditional crafts, and performances that traversed the rich tapestry of Pakistan's heritage.
16. Each exhibit was a testament to the mastery of artists who skilfully blended tradition with innovation, resulting in an evocative showcase that transcended boundaries and resonated with the collective human experience.

17. Through this exhibition, the PAO celebrated the power of creativity as a bridge between cultures, fostering an environment where differences become threads that weave a stronger social fabric.

Independence Day Celebrations: Honouring Heritage, Embracing Unity

18. Amid the festivities that adorned the day, the Independence Day Celebrations were a poignant reminder of the sacrifices made for freedom and the significance of unity in diversity.
19. The event paid homage to Pakistan's journey towards sovereignty, evoking a sense of pride and patriotism among attendees.
20. Through captivating performances, heartfelt speeches, and symbolic displays, the celebrations reinforced the importance of preserving cultural identity while embracing the values that bind humanity together.
21. As the venue reverberated with joyous chants and harmonious melodies, it was evident that the PAO had successfully orchestrated an event that not only commemorated a historic milestone but also nurtured the spirit of togetherness that is crucial for a harmonious society.
22. The convergence of these three events – the Community Governance Workshop, the Arts and Cultural Exhibition, and the Independence Day Celebrations – epitomized the Pakistan Association of Otago's mission to promote a sense of belonging, foster dialogue, and celebrate diversity.
23. The Metro Direct Lounge at the Edgar Centre served as a fitting backdrop, its spaciousness and elegance providing the ideal canvas for these multifaceted celebrations.
24. In the following pages of this report, we shall delve into the intricate details of each event, capturing the essence of the workshops, performances, and displays that captivated the hearts of attendees.
25. Through vivid narratives and insightful analysis, this report aims to immortalize the remarkable efforts of the Pakistan Association of Otago and the indelible impact these events had on the community of Dunedin.
26. Finally, this report includes annexes which are comprised of snippets of pictures obtained during the respective events.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

27. The Pakistan Association of Otago (PAO) orchestrated a triumphant display of community spirit, cultural diversity, and governance prowess on August 12, 2023.
28. The compelling trifecta of events – the Community Governance Workshop, Arts and Cultural Exhibition, and Independence Day Celebrations – showcased the PAO's unwavering commitment to fostering inclusivity, creativity, and patriotism within the Dunedin community.
29. **The Community Governance Workshop** emerged as an enlightening platform for discourse on democratic principles and community engagement. Distinguished speakers, both local and international, delivered insightful presentations and facilitated interactive sessions, inspiring attendees to actively participate in shaping the future of their community.
30. **The Arts and Cultural Exhibition** offered a captivating panorama of artistic expression, seamlessly interweaving tradition with innovation. Visual arts, traditional crafts, and performances harmoniously celebrated Pakistan's rich heritage, highlighting the transcendent power of creativity to bridge cultural divides.
31. **The Independence Day Celebrations** exuberantly commemorated Pakistan's journey to sovereignty, accentuating the significance of unity amid diversity.
32. Through spirited performances, speeches, and symbolic displays, the event underscored the importance of preserving cultural identity while nurturing a sense of shared humanity.
33. Held at the elegant Metro Direct Lounge within the iconic Edgar Centre, the events resonated deeply with the attendees, exemplifying the PAO's mission to forge connections, promote dialogue, and celebrate differences.
34. This report meticulously encapsulates the essence of each event, chronicling the workshops, performances, and displays that left an indelible mark on the Dunedin community.
35. Through detailed narratives and astute analysis, the report captures the profound impact of the PAO's efforts in nurturing an environment where culture, governance, and unity intertwine harmoniously.
36. On this momentous occasion of Independence Day, we are thrilled to unveil an innovative and inspiring event that brilliantly intertwines the themes of liberation, community governance, and the liberating power of art. As we gather to celebrate our nation's freedom, we recognize that independence is not just a historical achievement, but an ongoing journey toward self-governance and self-expression.
37. Our carefully curated event is a testament to the parallelism between the liberation we commemorate on Independence Day and the liberation we seek through community governance and artistic expression. Community governance, much like our struggle for independence, empowers us to shape our collective destiny, make impactful decisions, and foster a sense of unity and belonging. It is a reflection of our determination to break free from constraints and actively participate in the creation of our communal narrative.
38. Likewise, the art exhibition featured at our event acts as a powerful form of self-expression, a channel through which individuals liberate their thoughts, emotions, and perspectives. Art, in its myriad forms, serves as a reminder that creativity knows no bounds, much like the aspirations and potential of our community. By showcasing the work of local artists, we celebrate the diversity of voices that contribute to our collective identity.
39. What truly sets our event apart is the seamless integration of these concepts into actionable workshops. We believe in not only talking about independence and community governance but also taking tangible steps toward their realization. Through interactive workshops, participants will

engage in lively discussions on community decision-making, learn about the principles of self-governance, and explore how art can be a catalyst for social change and individual empowerment.

40. As we come together to honour Independence Day, let us remember that the spirit of liberation extends beyond the historical pages of our past. It lives on through our commitment to community governance and artistic expression, both of which empower us to shape our present and future. Join us in this remarkable journey of exploration, learning, and action, as we weave the threads of independence, community, and art into a vibrant tapestry of progress and possibility.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

41. In the spirit of recognizing and celebrating the remarkable individuals who have played pivotal roles in bringing our vision to life, it is with great honor that we extend our heartfelt appreciation to the extraordinary women leaders at the heart of our event.
42. Sidra Iqbal, our esteemed Community Engagement Head, has poured her dedication, creativity, and unwavering commitment into every facet of this event. Her tireless efforts have been the driving force behind the seamless organization and execution, ensuring that every detail has been carefully attended to. Sidra's leadership exemplifies the spirit of initiative and collaboration that lies at the core of our community.
43. Guidance and wisdom have been our guiding lights throughout this journey, and we extend our deepest gratitude to Humera Fiaz, our Vice President, and Maimona Saboor, our General Secretary. Their sage counsel, strategic insights, and profound understanding of community dynamics have been instrumental in shaping the event's direction and impact. Their roles as coordinators have truly exemplified the essence of effective leadership, guiding us toward a vision of unity and empowerment.
44. These women leaders not only embody the ideals of dedication, inclusivity, and progress but also serve as beacons of inspiration for us all. Their contributions remind us that true leadership transcends titles – it's about nurturing growth, fostering unity, and empowering individuals to thrive. As we gather to commemorate Independence Day and celebrate the intersection of community governance and art, we pay tribute to these exceptional leaders whose efforts have elevated our event from concept to reality.
45. Let us take a moment to acknowledge and applaud Sidra Iqbal, Humera Fiaz, and Maimona Saboor, and Aeman Asrar, for their outstanding contributions, selfless dedication, and relentless pursuit of a stronger, more vibrant community. Their leadership and unwavering commitment remind us that our collective journey toward liberation, self-expression, and community governance is guided by the strength and resilience of our diverse and inspiring leaders.

THEME

46. "Dil Dil Pakistan, Jaan Jaan New Zealand," beautifully captures the essence of the event and the connections it seeks to foster. This slogan not only pays homage to our roots but also symbolizes the heartfelt bond between two nations, Pakistan and New Zealand.
47. "Dil Dil Pakistan, Jaan Jaan New Zealand," serves as a powerful reminder that while we honor our heritage, we also embrace the opportunities and growth that come with being a part of a diverse and vibrant community in New Zealand. This theme not only strengthens our story but also resonates deeply with the spirit of unity, friendship, and progress.
48. As we celebrate Independence Day and the confluence of community governance, art, and cross-cultural connections, this theme provides a compelling narrative thread that ties together the various elements of the event. It underscores our shared values, celebrates our cultural richness, and highlights the aspirations of a united community working towards a brighter future.

COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE WORKSHOP

49. The resounding success of the Community Governance Conference, held on August 12, 2023, at the Metro Direct Lounge within the Edgar Centre, Dunedin, stands as a testament to the power of collaboration, knowledge sharing, and a shared vision for the enhancement of Not-for-Profit (NFP) organizations.
50. This event was the brainchild of Dr. Junaid Ahmed Qureshi, Board Chairman of the Pakistan Association of Otago. It commenced with the beautiful recitation of the holy Qur'an by Dr Asrar Elahi, head of the arts and culture wing.



Dr Asrar Elahi reading verses of the Holy Quran to open the ceremony.

51. Following this, Mr Arthur Chin had the gracious honour of delivering a keynote speech.



Mr Arthur Chin delivering the first address of the day.

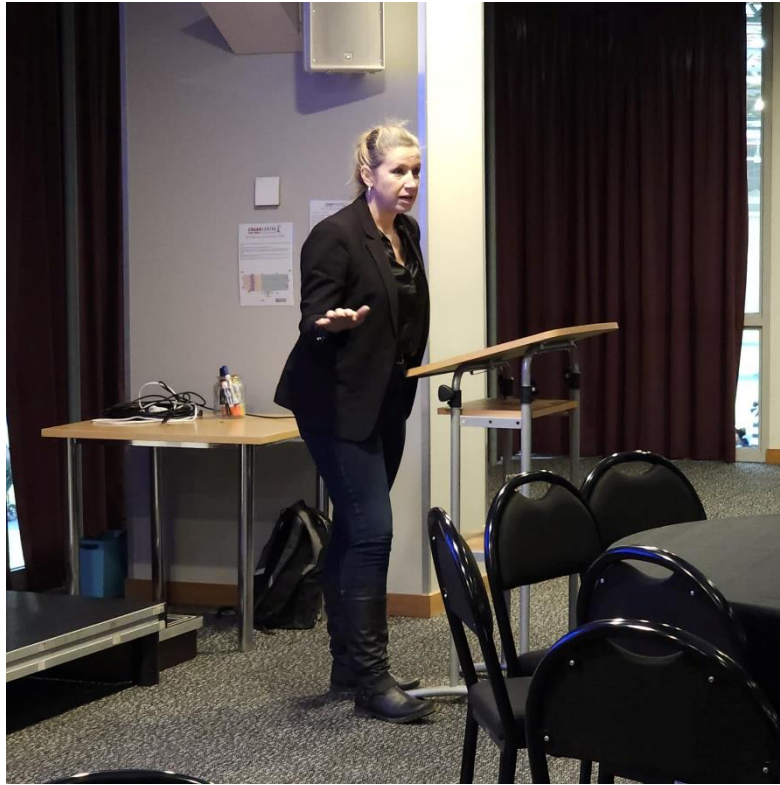
52. This remarkable event, jointly organized by the Pakistan Association of Otago, Community Governance Aotearoa, and United Care Trust, brought together passionate individuals from diverse backgrounds to explore, learn, and collectively shape the future of NFP governance.
53. The Community Governance Conference emerged as a beacon of insight and inspiration, providing a dynamic platform for participants committed to elevating the governance practices of NFP organizations.



Dr Junaid Ahmed Qureshi delivering his speech.



Rose Hiha-Agnew, delivering her enlightening speech.



Hannah Doney providing her insights in a warm speech.



Executive member Abdul Saboor shares his thoughts in a panel Q&A session.



President of Pakistan Association of Otago Umair Zia shares more about the dedication of Board Chairman Dr Junaid Ahmed Qureshi at the conclusion of the Community Governance event.

54. With a meticulously curated program, the conference offered a blend of engaging sessions, thought-provoking panel discussions, and expert insights, empowering attendees with actionable knowledge and tools essential for steering the success of their organizations.
55. The event encapsulated a journey of discovery, fostering an atmosphere where expertise, experience, and enthusiasm converged.
56. The conference owed its exceptional impact to a lineup of distinguished speakers who generously shared their expertise, experiences, and insights, ensuring an enriching and transformative experience for all participants:
 - a. **Dr Muhammad Hassan, MC and Head of Multi-Ethnic and Business Wing at Pakistan Association of Otago:** A guiding presence throughout the event, Hassan's wisdom and insights resonated deeply, setting the tone for the day's proceedings.
 - b. **Dr. Asrar Elahi:** With a recitation of the Quran emphasizing the significance of justice, Dr. Elahi offered a thought-provoking introduction, underscoring the values that underpin effective governance.
 - c. **Arthur Chin, Deputy Chief Executive of Ministry for Ethnic Communities:** Chin's opening address inaugurated the conference with a focus on collaboration and learning, emphasizing the importance of good governance in NFP organizations.
 - d. **Dr. Junaid Ahmed Qureshi, Board Chair of Pakistan Association of Otago and Executive Director of United Care Trust:** Dr. Qureshi's insights into changes to the incorporated societies act and the conference's background provided a contextual foundation for the day's discussions.
 - e. **Rose Hiha-Agnew, Chief Executive of Community Governance Aotearoa:** Leading an engaging workshop on good governance codes, Hiha-Agnew facilitated interactive discussions, promoting a deeper understanding of governance essentials.
 - f. **Hannah Doney, Managing Partner at Decipher Group and Deputy Chair of Institute of Directors Canterbury Branch:** Doney's invaluable insights into governance careers and board appointments inspired participants to consider their roles as stewards of effective governance.



Head of Student and Youth Wing Irfaan Ariffin interacts with Rose Hiha-Agnew, Chief Executive of Community Governance Aotearoa.

57. The other guests were Dr. Mai Tamimi, Community Development Team Leader at Dunedin City Council; Abdul Saboor, Board Chair of United Care Trust, and Pakistan Association of Otago; Tracy Saunders, GM Digital Transformation at Aurora Energy; and Rose Hiha-Agnew. Their participation in a panel discussion, moderated by Dr. Junaid Qureshi, offered diverse perspectives on governance challenges, strategies, and opportunities.
58. It is therefore timely to make mention of the involvement of Mr. Muhammad Umair Zia, President of Pakistan Association of Otago. Mr Umair Zia's impactful closing remarks resonated with attendees, underscoring the importance of the collective journey ahead.
59. Beyond its informational depth, the conference served as an unparalleled platform for networking, enabling like-minded individuals to connect, exchange ideas, and cultivate lasting relationships.
60. As participants engaged in vibrant discussions, shared experiences, and formed meaningful connections, the event's impact extended far beyond the day's proceedings.
61. The Community Governance Conference concluded on a note of optimism and empowerment.
62. Participants departed with a renewed sense of purpose, armed with insights, tools, and connections that are poised to drive transformative changes within NFP organizations.
63. The event's impact is poised to ripple through the community as attendees integrate newfound knowledge into their roles as governance stewards.



Pakistan Association of Otago executives, along with other guests and special dignitaries pose for a photo at the end of the Community Governance Workshop

64. As we move forward, inspired by the Community Governance Conference, we embark on a collective journey to shape a future where NFP organizations thrive, creating enduring impacts that enrich lives, support communities, and champion positive change.
65. With gratitude for the insightful discussions, shared experiences, and collaborative spirit that defined the conference, we stand poised to shape a brighter future for NFP governance in New Zealand and beyond.

ARTS & CULTURE EXHIBITION

66. The Arts and Culture Exhibition unfurled as a radiant celebration of creativity, capturing the essence of cultures that interweave harmoniously within the vibrant tapestry of Dunedin's community.



Head of the Arts and Culture Wing, Dr Asrar Elahi, poses with a preminent painting. It reads “Dil Dil Pakistan, Jaan Jaan New Zealand” which means “Heart, Heart, Pakistan; Life, life, New Zealand”, highlighting the unity between the peoples of Pakistan and of New Zealand and of the Pakistani brethren who live in New Zealand.

67. This exhibition is the brainchild of Dr. Asrar Elahi, Head of the Arts and Culture Wing of the Pakistan Association of Otago. This captivating event brought together a symphony of visual arts, traditional crafts, and performances, offering attendees a sensory journey that traversed continents and epochs.



Dr Asrar Elahi interacts with Hon. Rachael Brooking MP, Minister for Oceans and Fisheries and Minister for Food Safety.

68. The exhibition's immersive ambiance invited visitors to delve into the heart of artistic expression, experiencing firsthand the narratives and emotions woven into each piece.
69. The presence of distinguished guests, including Minister Racheal Brookling MP, Dunedin's Deputy Mayor Sophie Barker, Ingrid Leary MP, Michael Woodhouse MP, Mr. Matthew French, and other notable personalities, was a testament to the event's significance and resonance within the community.
70. Their dedication to participating in the exhibition underscored their commitment to promoting cultural dialogue and fostering connections through the medium of art.
71. The Arts and Culture Exhibition featured an eclectic array of exhibits, each a testament to the boundless creativity of artists who artfully merged tradition and innovation.



A proud father and son moment as Dr Asrar Elahi and son poses in front of a highlight of the Pakistan Association of Otago's Arts Exhibition.

72. Attendees marvelled at visual artworks ranging from paintings and sculptures to photography and digital art, each piece conveying a unique perspective on culture, identity, and human experiences.
73. Traditional crafts, meticulously crafted and steeped in history, provided a tactile link to heritage, while performances—dance, music, and theatre—enveloped the space in a mesmerizing tapestry of sounds and movements.
74. Beyond its aesthetic allure, the exhibition served as a bridge for cross-cultural dialogue, enabling participants to engage with diverse artistic expressions and engage in meaningful conversations.
75. Attendees were empowered to transcend preconceived notions, embrace new perspectives, and forge connections that transcended cultural boundaries. As visitors shared insights, exchanged stories, and immersed themselves in the creative ethos, the exhibition served as a catalyst for understanding and unity.
76. The success of the Arts and Culture Exhibition is a testament to the dedication and collaboration of countless individuals.

77. The Pakistan Association of Otago extends its heartfelt gratitude to the esteemed guests, distinguished personalities, artists, volunteers, and partners who played pivotal roles in bringing this vibrant celebration to life.
78. Their contributions ensured that the event resonated deeply within the community, leaving an indelible mark on all who attended.
79. As the echoes of the Arts and Culture Exhibition continue to reverberate, its impact extends beyond the confines of the event.



Dr Asrar Elahi provides an enlightenment to Christine Garey, Dunedin City Councillor.

80. The celebration of diversity, unity, and artistic expression acts as a catalyst for continued cross-cultural engagement, fostering an environment where differences are celebrated, and connections are cultivated.
81. This exhibition stands as a testament to the power of art to transcend boundaries, illuminate shared experiences, and pave the way for a future where cultural diversity is not just acknowledged, but embraced as a source of strength and enrichment.
82. In the spirit of the Arts and Culture Exhibition, let us embark on a collective journey to foster a community where artistic expression flourishes, cultures intertwine, and understanding flourishes. The event's legacy is an enduring call to celebrate our shared humanity through the kaleidoscope of creative expression.



National Party candidate for Taieri Matthew French admires a painting done by a young member of our Pakistan Association of Otago.



President Umair Zia shares more about a painting of the Grand Mosque Al-Masjid Al-Haram in Mecca with Dunedin city councillor Christine Garey

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATIONS

83. The echoes of jubilant chants, harmonious melodies, and resounding applause lingered long after the curtains fell on the Independence Day Celebrations, a grand spectacle held on the 12th of August 2023, at the Metro Direct Lounge within the Edgar Centre, Dunedin.



Dunedin city council deputy Mayor Sophie Barker delivers her address.



Mr Malcolm Wong, ONZM, delivers his speech.



President Umair Zia and guests share a moment with Deputy Mayor Sophie Barker and Dunedin Senior Chinese Association President, Weidi Xu and other members of the Chinese community.

84. The event was a collective teamwork of the Association's executive leadership team which benefitted from the guidance of Dr. Junaid Ahmed Qureshi and the stewardship of Mr. Muhammad Umair Zia.
85. This exuberant event, meticulously orchestrated by the Pakistan Association of Otago (PAO), stood as a testament to the unwavering spirit of unity, the vibrancy of cultural heritage, and the unyielding patriotism that binds the Pakistani community in New Zealand.



Member of Parliament for East Taieri Ingrid Leary delivers a speech at the Pakistan Independence Day ceremony.

86. As the sun dipped below the horizon, the Metro Direct Lounge transformed into a vibrant tapestry of colours, echoing the vivacity of Pakistan's cultural mosaic. The event exuded an atmosphere of excitement and anticipation, and the dedication and hard work invested in its creation were palpable.



Minister for Oceans and Fisheries Rachael Brooking delivers her speech.

87. This event, like the Arts and Culture event, were attended by the same distinguished guests.



List Member of Parliament for Dunedin Michael Woodhouse shares his insights and thoughtful words of commendation in his speech.

88. The evening unfolded as a splendid celebration of unity, culture, and patriotism, underscoring the PAO's commitment to nurturing a sense of belonging and togetherness within the community.
89. In the vibrant tapestry of our Independence Day event, a resounding theme emerges – one of unity, cultural exchange, and a shared commitment to building bridges that connect us with other communities. At the heart of our celebration lies a profound dedication to learning and embracing the diverse cultures that enrich our lives.



Pakistani children singing to Dil Dil Pakistan, Jaan Jaan New Zealand in a performance led by Head of Sports and Well-Being, Dr Zohaib Rana Amjad Ali.

90. Amidst the jubilant festivities, a captivating sight unfolded as Alaina graced the stage with a mesmerizing Chinese dance. Her graceful movements and the eloquent story told through her dance encapsulated the essence of cultural appreciation. In a remarkable display of harmony, young voices joined in a heartfelt rendition of a Chinese song, paying homage to the exquisite jasmine – a flower that bridges our nations symbolically and resonates with our collective spirit.



Performance of Alaina.

91. We would also like to thank Ms. Weidi Xu from the Dunedin Senior Chinese Association for the kind guidance for the young members of our community to sing the chinese song “Mo Li Hua”.



Pakistani children performing to “Mo Li Hua”.

92. But the celebration of unity didn't stop there. Amidst a chorus of joy and shared melodies, a poignant moment emerged as the stage came alive with the collaboration between the community's young torchbearers and an inspiring performance. As the heartwarming notes of "Dil Dil Pakistan, Jaan Jaan New Zealand" filled the air, it became evident that the future of our community is in capable hands. The children, our budding leaders, united in song, proudly embody the event's core values of unity, growth, and mutual respect.

93. Through these captivating images, we find ourselves at the crossroads of cultures, witnessing firsthand the power of connection and exchange. The photographs serve as visual testaments to the fervent desire of our community to engage with the world, learn from each other, and celebrate the unique threads that weave our global tapestry.

94. As we reflect upon the captivating moments that graced our event, we recognize that we are not merely commemorating a historic occasion, but forging a path forward. A path that champions understanding, embraces diversity, and nurtures the seeds of leadership in our youngest members. Our commitment to building bridges remains unwavering, as we embark on a journey that celebrates unity and strives for a world where cultural appreciation and mutual respect are the cornerstones of progress.

95. As the event was a resounding success, this segment of the report may be seen as an acknowledgement of gratitude to the relevant persons within our Association for their individually wonderful roles in ensuring the fruition of this event.



Chief Executive Officer of Community Governance Rose Hiha-Agnew speaks at the Independence Day festivities.



Mr. Matthew French, National Party candidate for Taieri, delivering his speech.



Mr. Wasim Askar delivering his speech.



Ms. Weidi Xu delivering her speech

96. Dr. Junaid Ahmed Qureshi's visionary leadership steered the Independence Day Celebrations to their resplendent fruition. His dedication to uplifting the community and fostering a sense of pride and identity was evident in every facet of the event.
97. Dr. Qureshi's role as a beacon of inspiration to the youth resonated strongly, as his unwavering passion and commitment set a shining example for the generations to come.



Dr. Junaid Ahmed Qureshi

98. Muhammad Umair Zia, as President of the PAO, played a pivotal role in ensuring the grandeur of the Independence Day Celebrations. His unyielding commitment, tireless efforts, and visionary approach added an unparalleled essence to the event.
99. His mentorship for the youth, his dedication to creating platforms for them to shine, and his role in fostering unity within the community were nothing short of exemplary.
100. The event unfolded as a riveting journey through Pakistan's history, culture, and spirit. Performances resonated with the vitality of the nation's independence, showcasing the incredible talent within the PAO community.



Pakistan Association of Otago young girls perform to "Welcome to all of you" at the commencement of the event.

101. Each performance, from dance to music to theater, was a harmonious blend of cultural expressions, underscoring the collective strength and unity that defines the Pakistani identity.
102. Dr. Zohaib Rana Amjad's exceptional efforts as the driving force behind the Sports and Wellbeing division were profoundly appreciated. His dedication and tenacity, even in the face of challenges, showcased his unwavering commitment to the community's holistic development.
103. A special note of appreciation must also be extended to Ms. Sidra Iqbal, whose dedication to community engagement ensured seamless coordination and active participation of attendees.
104. Mr Ifthekar Ahmed's role as Chief Peoples Officer was instrumental in the event's seamless execution. His tireless efforts ensured that every aspect of the celebrations ran smoothly, leaving an indelible impression on all who attended.
105. Ahmed's dedication and attention to detail contributed significantly to the event's success.



A moment of unity at the cake cutting ceremony.

106. We must also thank the Head of Business and Multiethnic Wings, Dr. Muhammad Hassan for his heartfelt address on Mr. Allama Iqbal.



Dr. Mai Tamimi delivers a speech.

107. The Independence Day Celebrations truly encapsulated the essence of Pakistan's independence and its rich cultural heritage. Performances, speeches, and activities resonated with the fervor of patriotism, drawing the community closer and reinforcing the spirit of togetherness that defines the PAO.
108. The dedication of Dr. Asrar Elahi to the arts was celebrated, underscoring the importance of cultural expression and its role in fostering community connections.
109. Heartfelt gratitude extended to all contributors, organizers, volunteers, and partners whose extraordinary efforts culminated in an event of such significance. Their dedication unquestionably strengthened community bonds and left an enduring positive impact on all attendees.



Pakistani Association members' children singing to tunes of patriotism and love to Pakistan and New Zealand.

110. The Independence Day Celebrations marked not just a commemoration of the past, but a celebration of the present and a hopeful gaze toward the future. The younger generation of our association membership, represented by the talented performers, emerged as the vanguard of the association and the community, embodying the aspirations and dreams that drive the nation forward.



Pakistan and New Zealand flag-themed cakes are prepared and readied for the cake-cutting ceremony.

111. As the echoes of "Pakistan Zindabaad" and "New Zealand Paindabaad" reverberate, they serve as a rallying cry, binding hearts and spirits across borders.
112. The Independence Day Celebrations were not merely an event; they were a proclamation of unity, culture, and shared values that resonate far beyond the confines of a single evening, igniting a collective journey toward a brighter and more connected future.

MESSAGE FROM HIGH COMMISSIONER OF PAKISTAN TO NEW ZEALAND

113. High Commissioner of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan to New Zealand, HE Mr Murad Asaf Januja sent a video recording of his message on the occasion of the Pakistan Association of Otago Independence Day.



Message from High Commissioner Murad Ashraf Januja is posted on Pakistan Association of Otago's channels.

FEEDBACK FROM GUESTS

114. The feedback provided by our esteemed guests of honour truly reflects the impact and success of the event.



Michael Woodhouse MP 12 August at 19:47

Congratulations to the Pakistan Association of Otago for their great celebration of the 76th anniversary of Pakistan independence, and thanks for allowing me to be a part of it.

The post features a collage of five photographs from the event. The top-left photo shows a group of young girls in pink dresses performing on stage. The top-right photo shows a group of children in traditional attire performing. The middle-right photo shows a group of children on stage with a man playing an acoustic guitar. The bottom-left photo shows Michael Woodhouse MP speaking at a podium. The bottom-right photo shows a group of people on stage, including a man in a suit and a woman in a red sari, standing near a table with a cake.

Muhammad Umair Zia and 9 others 3 shares

Michael Woodhouse provides some encouraging messages after attending the event.

115. Their thoughtful remarks not only recognize the meticulous planning and execution but also highlight the meaningful connections and engagements that were fostered.



Dunedin's city council deputy mayor Sophie Barker shared about her independence day celebration experience in a Facebook post.

116. It's incredibly gratifying to witness their positive impressions and words of encouragement, as they underscore the dedication and hard work put into making the occasion exceptional.



National Party candidate Matthew French posts a performance of the lovely young girls at the independence day celebrations.

117. Their feedback serves as a testament to the collaborative efforts of all involved and fuels our commitment to continuing to deliver outstanding experiences in the future.

118. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the distinguished guests of honour whose presence graced our event. Your insightful feedback resonates deeply and validates the dedication we poured into creating a memorable experience.

119. Your kind words motivate us to constantly raise the bar and ensure that each endeavour surpasses expectations. Thank you for your unwavering support and for being an integral part of our journey towards excellence. We look forward to the opportunity to welcome you once again in the future.

CONCLUSION

120. Organized by the Pakistan Association of Otago (PAO) in collaboration with esteemed partners, these events brought together diverse elements of governance, creativity, and patriotism, fostering connections that left a lasting impact. The series of events aimed to celebrate the spirit of unity, diversity, and cultural heritage within the Dunedin community.
121. The Community Governance Conference sought to enhance governance practices within Not-for-Profit organizations, the Arts and Culture Exhibition showcased the richness of artistic expression across cultures, and the Independence Day Celebrations paid tribute to Pakistan's journey to sovereignty while fostering cross-cultural understanding.
122. Lessons learned include the following:
 - a. Effective Communication: Clear and timely communication among organizers, partners, and participants is crucial for a successful event series.
 - b. Flexibility and Adaptability: Being prepared for unforeseen challenges and having contingency plans in place enhances the event's resilience.
 - c. Community Engagement: Engaging local leaders, experts, and the youth strengthens the event's impact and promotes wider participation.
123. The success of these events would not have been possible without the collective efforts, dedication, and commitment of numerous individuals and organizations.
124. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all participants, speakers, artists, volunteers, partners, and community members who contributed to the success of the Community Governance Conference, Arts and Culture Exhibition, and Independence Day Celebrations.
125. We would like to again, specifically acknowledge the leadership and vision of Dr. Junaid Ahmed Qureshi, whose guidance was instrumental in shaping the events. Muhammad Umair Zia's unwavering commitment as President of PAO, Dr. Zohaib Rana Amjad's efforts in spearheading the Sports and Wellbeing division, and Iftekhhar Ahmed's role as Chief Peoples Officer played vital roles in the events' execution.
126. Furthermore, we extend our deepest appreciation to the distinguished guests, including Minister Racheal Brookling MP, Dunedin's Deputy Mayor Sophie Barker, Ingrid Leary MP, Michael Woodhouse MP, City Councillor Matthew French, and others, for their participation and dedication.
127. The Community Governance Conference, Arts and Culture Exhibition, and Independence Day Celebrations embodied the spirit of unity, culture, and patriotism, weaving a tapestry of meaningful connections within the Dunedin community.
128. As we reflect on the successes, challenges, and lessons learned from this remarkable series of events, we are inspired to continue nurturing a community where diversity thrives, governance excels, artistic expressions flourish, and unity prevails.
129. As we look to the future, we are filled with anticipation for the next chapter in our journey of community empowerment, cultural celebration, and unity.
130. We end this document with a quote from Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah: "There is **no** power on this earth that can undo Pakistan."

This report was completed on 14 August 2023 by:
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Pakistan Association of Otago

Pakistan Independence Day Celebrations

By Pakistan Association of Otago

List of Expenses

S. No.	Expenses	Cost (\$)
1.	Rehearsal / Food for participants	87
2.	Rehearsal / Food for participants	66.98
3.	Rehearsal Venue /Dunedin Community House	75
4.	Independence Day Cake Entice by Kaz	200
5.	Stage Decor	78.22
6.	Edgar Centre Venue / Food	3420
7.	Art Exhibition Décor	48.75
8.	Independence Day Project Review Meeting	567
9.	Rehearsal Venue / Dunedin Community House	75
10.	Kids goody bags / quiz competition gifts	77.05
11.	PAO Annual Financial Statements	350
Total		5045



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Freedom	06-0901-0818512-00	2,867.66

Freedom

Account name	PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF OTAGO INC
Account number	06-0901-0818512-00
Statement number	00007
Statement period	17 Oct 2023 - 15 Dec 2023

Date	Transaction type and details	Withdrawals	Deposits	Balance
17 Oct	Opening balance			2,877.66
31 Oct	MONTHLY ACCOUNT FEE	5.00		2,872.66
30 Nov	MONTHLY ACCOUNT FEE	5.00		2,867.66
Totals at end of page		\$10.00	\$0.00	\$2,867.66
Totals at end of period		\$10.00	\$0.00	\$2,867.66

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Account number	06-0901-0818512-00
Statement number	00006
Statement period	17 Aug 2023 - 16 Oct 2023

Date	Transaction type and details	Withdrawals	Deposits	Balance
17 Aug	Opening balance			7,153.68
21 Aug	BP Sidra Iqbal PAO-2023 Ind Day Stage,Goody	78.22		7,075.46
24 Aug	BP Edgar Center PakAssOtago 12Aug23 Func Inv15856	3,420.00		3,655.46
31 Aug	MONTHLY ACCOUNT FEE	5.00		3,650.46
31 Aug	BP Asrar Elahi PAO-2023 Ind Day Art - Decor	48.75		3,601.71
20 Sep	BP ASABOOR 14Aug23 PostDinner	567.00		3,034.71
25 Sep	BP A. Saboor PAO 14AugFunc KidsGift	77.05		2,957.66
25 Sep	BP Dunedin Community Ho INV-234422 Rehearsal Room Booking	75.00		2,882.66
29 Sep	MONTHLY ACCOUNT FEE	5.00		2,877.66
Totals at end of page		\$4,276.02	\$0.00	\$2,877.66
Totals at end of period		\$4,276.02	\$0.00	\$2,877.66

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Account number	06-0901-0818512-00
Statement number	00005
Statement period	17 Jun 2023 - 16 Aug 2023

Date	Transaction type and details	Withdrawals	Deposits	Balance
17 Jun	Opening balance			5,247.52
30 Jun	MONTHLY ACCOUNT FEE	5.00		5,242.52
03 Jul	BP Aeman Nadeem Potluck 2023 Eid Al Adha Disposable	159.86		5,082.66
31 Jul	DC OTAGOCOMTRUST 26006		2,500.00	7,582.66
02 Aug	BP Aeman Nadeem Independence Day Food Rehearsal	87.00		7,495.66
07 Aug	BP Aeman Nadeem Independence Rehearsal Lunch 2023	66.98		7,428.68
07 Aug	BP Dunedin Community Ho INV-2344342 Rehearsal Room Booking	75.00		7,353.68
16 Aug	BP Cake Entice By Kaz 12 August Cake Independence	200.00		7,153.68
Totals at end of page		\$593.84	\$2,500.00	\$7,153.68
Totals at end of period		\$593.84	\$2,500.00	\$7,153.68

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Account number	06-0901-0818512-00
Statement number	00004
Statement period	17 Apr 2023 - 16 Jun 2023

Date	Transaction type and details	Withdrawals	Deposits	Balance
17 Apr	Opening balance			4,572.19
17 Apr	BP A. Saboor PotluckIftar 2April Disposables	86.50		4,485.69
17 Apr	BP Aeman Nadeem PotluckIftar Disposables Naan-Drinks	106.99		4,378.70
17 Apr	BP Fun Face Entertainme 2023 - 020 21 April Pakistan-PAO	170.00		4,208.70
19 Apr	BP P. Kepa BouncyCastle Delivery ChandRaas23	150.00		4,058.70
24 Apr	BP Jay Glubb Magic Show Balloon Show 21April2023	280.00		3,778.70
28 Apr	MONTHLY ACCOUNT FEE	5.00		3,773.70
01 May	BP Aeman Nadeem WebsiteDev Fees Payment	275.00		3,498.70
12 May	DC 59773 12RMGCMs1205 69907		5,000.00	8,498.70
15 May	BP Edgar Centre Eid Festival Dinner Inv-15502	2,900.00		5,598.70
22 May	BP Aeman Nadeem Eid Poster Eid Report 14Aug-Poster	194.18		5,404.52
29 May	BP St Clair Golf Club Venue Hire BudgetDialog INV-4006	157.00		5,247.52
Totals at end of page		\$4,324.67	\$5,000.00	\$5,247.52
Totals at end of period		\$4,324.67	\$5,000.00	\$5,247.52

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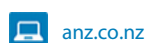
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Statement number	00003
Statement period	17 Feb 2023 - 14 Apr 2023

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17 Feb	Opening balance			5,968.25
22 Feb	DC 51813 12MCGCMS2202 67827		5,000.00	10,968.25
07 Mar	BP Impressions AV ImpressionAV Adv Payment Lighting	200.00		10,768.25
14 Mar	BP Ms F Elisara TokenofLove Multiculture Koha	200.00		10,568.25
14 Mar	BP Robert Fugah TokenofLove Koha Multiculture	150.00		10,418.25
15 Mar	BP Sidra Iqbal PAO-2023 MC-11-March Food60People	525.00		9,893.25
16 Mar	BP Impressions AV ImpressionAV FinalPayment Lighting	753.25		9,140.00
16 Mar	BP A Dolan MC-11March Food voucher Payment	95.00		9,045.00
17 Mar	BP A. Saboor MC-11 March Proj-Review DinnerPaymen	325.92		8,719.08
17 Mar	BP Edgar Centre Multiculture Festival Inv-15345	1,138.50		7,580.58
17 Mar	BP Junaid Ahmed Qureshi MC-11March WaterBottles Payment	39.96		7,540.62
17 Mar	BP Asrar Elahi MC-11 March BsbosaRsm lai Payment	110.00		7,430.62
17 Mar	BP A. Saboor MC-11 March FoodVoucher Payment	185.00		7,245.62
17 Mar	BP A. Saboor MC-11 March PullupBanner Payment	290.95		6,954.67
20 Mar	BP Hums Beauty Clinic MC-11March FoodVoucher Payment	90.00		6,864.67
20 Mar	BP Aeman Nadeem MC-11March PakorayDrink Payment	100.00		6,764.67
20 Mar	BP Asrar Elahi MC-11March PosterDesign Payment	100.00		6,664.67
20 Mar	BP Muhammad Hassan MC-11March Chinese Food Payment	200.00		6,464.67
21 Mar	BP Aeman Nadeem MC-11March Facebook Marketing	58.29		6,406.38
21 Mar	BP Aeman Nadeem MC-11March BannerDesign PixelDesign	132.42		6,273.96
22 Mar	BP Manoj K. Rathi MC- 11 March PostageFee SindhiCultur	40.50		6,233.46
27 Mar	BP A. Saboor MC-11 March Rehearsal MusicSystem	718.99		5,514.47
Totals at end of page		\$5,453.78	\$5,000.00	\$5,514.47

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Freedom - continued

Date	Transaction type and details	Withdrawals	Deposits	Balance
Balance brought forward from previous page				5,514.47
29 Mar	BP Aeman Nadeem Website Domain2Yrs PAO.CO.NZ	87.38		5,427.09
29 Mar	BP Alhambra-Union RFC ChatRaata VenueBooking 21stApril23	300.00		5,127.09
30 Mar	BP Aeman Nadeem PAO Website Hosting 3Yrs Inv. Payment	200.90		4,926.19
31 Mar	MONTHLY ACCOUNT FEE	5.00		4,921.19
06 Apr	BP Hums Beauty Clinic ChaandRaata23 Planning IftarExpense	44.50		4,876.69
11 Apr	BP Hums Beauty Clinic BouncyCastle HirePayment ChandRaata	200.00		4,676.69
11 Apr	BP Aeman Nadeem PotluckIftar NaanBanner Exp-Payment	104.50		4,572.19
Totals at end of page		\$942.28	\$0.00	\$4,572.19
Totals at end of period		\$6,396.06	\$5,000.00	\$4,572.19

Your available credit is **\$4,572.19** as at the closing date of this statement.

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Statement of Accounts

Your accounts at a glance as at 16 February 2023

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PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF OTAGO INC
36 SOMERVILLE STREET
ANDERSONS BAY
DUNEDIN 9013

Today's statements

Account type	Account number	Balance
Freedom	06-0901-0818512-00	5,968.25

Freedom

Account name	PAKISTAN ASSOCIATION OF OTAGO INC
Account number	06-0901-0818512-00
Statement number	00002
Statement period	17 Dec 2022 - 16 Feb 2023

Date	Transaction type and details	Withdrawals	Deposits	Balance
17 Dec	Opening balance			0.00
21 Dec	DC 48323 12NMGCMS2112 67338		7,000.00	7,000.00
29 Dec	BP Green Island Cub PAO Cultural Rehearsal Show07Jan	240.00		6,760.00
09 Jan	DC Green Island Bowling GIBC Bond refund		100.00	6,860.00
09 Jan	BP Muhammad Umair Zia PAO-2023 MC-QD-NY Cake Payment	85.98		6,774.02
09 Jan	BP Sajjad Malik PAO-2023 MC-QD-NY ColdDrinks	22.30		6,751.72
09 Jan	BP Muhammad Umair Zia PAO-2023 MC-QD-NY Disposables	54.37		6,697.35
09 Jan	BP Asrar Elahi PAO-2023 MC-QD-NY Food/Decor	264.10		6,433.25
09 Jan	BP Sidra Iqbal PAO-2023 MC-QD-NY Food60People	460.00		5,973.25
31 Jan	MONTHLY ACCOUNT FEE	5.00		5,968.25
Totals at end of page		\$1,131.75	\$7,100.00	\$5,968.25
Totals at end of period		\$1,131.75	\$7,100.00	\$5,968.25

Your available credit is **\$5,968.25** as at the closing date of this statement.

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Feedback and Questions from the Community During AGM

1. How much amount has been received from the sponsor?
 - a. PAO has not received anything in case or cash equivalent or gifts in monetary terms from the sponsors. However, PAO has received goods and services (in non-monetary terms) which we can use them during the events, such as Alaina Beauty Products sponsored the dresses for the kids for the Floral Dress Show. That was the generous contribution towards the community.
 - b. HumS Beauty Clinic generously contributed by letting the community use their premises during rehearsals.
 - c. QCS sponsored by providing the logistics to the participants of the events.
2. Where is your new year roadmap? Has the Urdu classes been made a priority.
 - a. PAO tentative calendar of events is published on the website, however, to conduct Urdu classes needs the contribution and ownership from the wider community. We will organise a community feedback session in the new year to seek suggestion from the community about the implementation of this suggestion. This project needs careful planning and consideration.
3. Acknowledgement of Credentials of Pakistan Students.
 - a. We need to organize a session to understand exactly what we can do to support this goal. It is crucial to clarify PAO's role in this issue, as some matters may fall outside the scope of PAO's responsibilities.

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Meeting Minutes: PAO AGM 2023

Date: 28 December 2023

Time: 5.00 pm NZT


Location: SuperGrans Dunedin & Virtual Zoom

Attendees:

- Dr. Tahir Suleman
- Dr. Saadia Qureshi
- Dr Arshad Ali
- Dr Junaid Qureshi
- Mr. Habibullah Chaudhary
- Dr Asrar Elahi
- Dr. Zohaib Rana Amjad Ali
- Mr. Umair Zia
- Ms. Humara Sajjad
- Mr. Sajjad Malik
- Mr. Arsalan Akhtar
- Mr. Iftekhhar Ahmed
- Dr. Anam Nawaz
- Mr. Abdul Saboor
- Dr. Sidra Iqbal
- Ms. Tooba Junaid
- Dr Aimen Asrar
- Ms. Maimoona Saboor
- Ms. Ruqayya Hassan
- Ms. Aeman Nadeem
- Mr. Irfaan Aariffin

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1. Opening and Welcome:

The President of the Pakistan Association of Otago (PAO), Umair Zia, commenced the Annual General Meeting with a solemn beginning, reciting verses from the Holy Quran (tilawat) and leading the attendees in a heartfelt prayer (dua). The spiritual commencement set a positive tone for the meeting, aligning the association with its values and traditions.

2. Presentation of Financial Documents:

Umair Zia, in his capacity as President, presented a comprehensive overview of the financial documents, taking the members through the association's financial journey over the past year. Detailed reports on income, expenditures, and investments were shared, fostering transparency, and understanding among the members.

3. Sponsor Display Suggestions:

The crucial topic of acknowledging and appreciating PAO sponsors prompted a vibrant discussion among members. Various creative suggestions were put forth to ensure sponsors receive due recognition for their support. Ideas included prominently displaying sponsor logos at events, dedicating a section on the PAO website, and organizing special acknowledgment ceremonies.

4. Accessibility of AGM Documents:

Recognizing the importance of informed decision-making, members discussed the need to make AGM documents more accessible. It was proposed and agreed upon that distributing relevant documents a week before the AGM would allow members ample time for review, reflection, and preparation, fostering a more engaged and participatory AGM.


5. Feedback and Agenda Review:


Umair Zia took a proactive approach in engaging with members' feedback, acknowledging the importance of continuous improvement. A visual representation of the meeting agenda was shared through screenshots, enabling members to familiarize themselves with the flow of the meeting and actively contribute to the discussions.

6. Goal to "Create Leaders from Everyone":

Head of Sports and Well Being Wing, Dr. Zohaib Rana Amjad Ali, recognizing the potential within the community, passionately recommended a collective effort to achieve the association's noble goal of "creating leaders from

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everyone." The discussion delved into strategies to identify and nurture leadership qualities, ensuring that every member has the opportunity to contribute and lead within the PAO community.

7. Corporate Governance Workshop:

Dr. Tahir Suleman's announcement of a forthcoming corporate governance workshop sparked enthusiasm among the members. The workshop was envisioned as a practical step toward enhancing the association's governance practices, fostering transparency, accountability, and effective decision-making.

8. Urdu Classes for Children:

Dr. Tahir's suggestion of introducing Urdu classes for children garnered widespread support. Members emphasized the cultural and linguistic significance of preserving the Urdu language within the Pakistani diaspora, and discussions ensued regarding the logistics and potential benefits of such a program for the younger generation.

9. Financial Statements Display:

General Secretary and Head of Student and Youth Wing Irfaan Ariffin underscored the importance of transparency in financial matters by proposing the public display of financial statements during the AGM. This suggestion aimed to uphold the integrity of the association's financial processes, providing members with a firsthand look at the financial health of PAO.

10. Empowering Event Proposals:

Irfaan Ariffin proposed an empowering initiative, suggesting that those who bring forward event suggestions should not hesitate to plan a detailed proposal and discuss it with the relevant heads. The PAO Executives would provide full, honest and fair guidance and assistance to the proposer for the execution of the proposal. This approach was aimed at fostering a sense of ownership and initiative among members, encouraging them to actively contribute to the planning and execution of events.

11. Constitution Accessibility:

It was reiterated that the PAO constitution is readily available on the association's website for members to access at their convenience. Members were encouraged to review the document, ensuring a shared understanding of the governing principles that guide PAO's activities. The Constitution is already available for all on PAO website and Facebook channels.

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12. Recognition of Pakistani Students' Credentials:

Dr. Sadiyah Qureshi's insightful suggestion to explore further recognition of Pakistani students' credentials prompted a thoughtful discussion. Members acknowledged the importance of supporting educational pursuits and vowed to revisit and delve deeper into this matter in future deliberations.

13. Community Engagement Sessions:

Recognizing the strength in diversity, a proposal was made to organize community engagement sessions. These sessions would serve as a platform to gather valuable suggestions on how to advance the interests of the association and incorporate a broader spectrum of voices in decision-making processes. The idea was met with enthusiasm, and members expressed their commitment to fostering an inclusive and participatory community.

14. Closing:

The Annual General Meeting concluded with heartfelt gratitude expressed by Umair Zia, thanking all attendees for their active participation, valuable insights, and commitment to the growth and success of the Pakistan Association of Otago.

Prepared by:

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General Secretary & Head of Student and Youth Wing

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