

Holi celebrated with colours and fun in Sydney

By: Hindu Council of Australia (NSW Chapter).

The Holi Festival, organized by Hindu Council of Australia (HCA) was celebrated at Civic Park, Pendle Hill in the city of Sydney on Sunday 24th March with great zeal and fanfare by approximately 8000 people.



It was officially opened by Cumberland Hon. Councillor Suman Saha on behalf of Mayor Hon. Greg Cummings & Hindu Council of Australia National President Prakash Mehta, State President Jay Raman and National Vice President & Director Surinder Jain by playing ceremonial Holi on the main stage along with other VIP's, to name a few of the Hon. Members - Acting Consul General of India in Sydney Hon. Chandru Appar, Mr Harish Velji representing Michelle Rowland Shadow Minister for Communication, Clr Reena Jethi representing MP Julian Leeser member for Berowra, Parramatta Lord Mayor Andrew Wilson, Cumberland Deputy Councillor Glen Elmore, Clr Lisa Lake, Clr Moninder Singh.

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This was followed by playing Holi with beautiful colours in the dedicated colour playing area. The environment was filled with scintillating Cultural Programs by scintillating music and performances, Punjabi dhol (drums), DJ music lead by Sydney Punjabi School. To add to the flavor, HCA provided free rides for kids and free photo booth for everyone.

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This is the 2nd year of celebrating Holi by Hindu Council catering to all age groups, at the same venue on popular demand, supported by Cumberland Council and the general public. Kids had a very joyous time enjoying different activities in the park. The Cricket NSW Sydney Thunder Bus was onsite for kids to refresh their cricketing skills and for talent search to encourage youngsters to play cricket. There was a variety of mouthwatering and tingling Indian delicacies catered by the food stalls. The general stalls in the event were also a big attraction. HCA would like to thank all involved - dedicated, sincere volunteers, including the support received

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from Cumberland Council, stall holders, rides and all Holi enthusiasts. Making it a BIG success and set a new benchmark.



Hindu Council thanks the Media who supported and attended - Indian Link, Punjab Times, Fiji Times, Indus Age, Desi Australia and SBS Radio.

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