



# *Shree Mandhata Samaj, Dudley.*

**2017 AMSUK Sports Festival – 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> August.**

The fun-filled and eventful AMSUK Sports Festival 2017 was concluded late on Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> August 2017.

On behalf of AMSUK, I wish to thank hosts Dudley for organising a memorable event, despite numerous delays and contentious issues during the week-end.

A special thank you to the Sports Festival Co-Ordinator Pravin and his team of dedicated volunteers, who worked very hard to make this event happen. Team Dudley did Dudley and our Samaj proud.

Also, a big thank you to all the sponsors, donors and volunteers for their valuable contribution and support.

Thanks also to all the participants from Birmingham, Bolton, Dudley, Leicester, Loughborough, Walsall, Wembley, West-Bromwich, Wolverhampton and Yorkshire.

There was a total of 380 participants. Over 425 people attended the evening entertainment.

I personally have attended and taken part in a number of Sports Festivals and I cannot recall seeing such appalling behavior from participants and spectators which included parents of participants; the junior and senior rounders is a prime example. The spirit of the competition was lost. The umpires had to put up with verbal accusations and the senior's final in particular, appeared to stop every 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> ball as players queried umpires' decisions.

I am sure we will have learnt a lot from this event. We should all collectively reflect on the positives and negatives and try our very best to improve in the future and compete in the spirit of sportsmanship and fair play, remembering the whole purpose of the Sports Festival.

Ultimately the spirit of the competition must be maintained. The participants must trust and respect the decisions made by the officials and management team. The fun element of the Sports Festival is huge and we must ensure that it is not lost on the attitude of "winning at all costs".

## The overall results were as follows:

Overall Winner: Wembley  
Overall Runner-Up: Leicester  
Overall Third Place: Walsall  
Sportsperson of 2017 Sports Festival: Kirti Patel from Leicester.

## Special recognition from Kho Kho Federation, England (KKFE) – Best Players of the 2017 Sports Festival:

Junior Best Players: Naya Patel (Leicester), Jayen (West Bromwich), Dil Patel (Leicester)  
Senior Best Players: Jessica Patel, Karishma, Aaron, Rohit, Priten, Jiten

## The Winners of the Raffle Draw were as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize - £200 – White Ticket 345 (AC8H LZ4N) – CLAIMED  
2<sup>nd</sup> Prize - £150 – Green Ticket 287 (AS 113123) - CLAIMED  
3<sup>rd</sup> Prize - £100 – Pink Ticket 274 (AS 113112) - CLAIMED  
4<sup>th</sup> Prize - £50 – Yellow Ticket 313 (AR89 HA4Y) – CLAIMED  
5<sup>th</sup> Prize - £25 – Yellow Ticket 355 (AR89 HA4Y) – CLAIMED

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