MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION OF THE UK

England & Wales · Charity number 1102653

Details

Other names	MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION OF THE UK LTD
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	04934084
Registered	2004-03-16
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Kerala House 671 Romford Road London E12 5AD
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Activities

Objects: 1. ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION, HEALTH, SOCIAL CARE, WELFARE, LEISURE AND RECREATION, SOCIAL COHESION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON THE MALAYALEE COMMUNITY 2. THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES SUPPORT AND RESOURCES WITH THE OBJECT OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS AND EQUALITY OF LIFE OF PERSONS WHO HAVE NEED FOR SUCH FACILITIES AS AFORESAID BY REASON OF THEIR YOUTH AGE INFIRMITY OR DISABLEMENT POVERTY OR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES UPON TERMS APPROPRIATE TO THEIR MEANS. 3. TO PROMOTE OR ASSIST IN THE PROVISION OF RELIEF OF POVERTY.

Activities: Activities for elders and youngsters such as lunch club run weekly, youth under 16 club,elders womens group,cultural activities, Indian dance classes, Music lessons, Yoga classes. Kerala house renovation project, Our story Onam project - funded by HLF.

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Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED. IN PRACTICE UNITED KINGDOM AND KERALA STATE (INDIA).
- Essex
- Throughout London

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£126,497	£94,691	-	-
2023-12-31	£109,924	£86,155	-	-
2022-12-31	£107,016	£97,988	-	-
2021-12-31	£160,065	£104,660	-	-
2020-12-31	£97,688	£78,809	-	-

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Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
AJI GANGADHARAN		2015-07-12
AJIKUMAR VELU		2015-07-12
ANILKUMAR EDAVANA		2015-07-02
Aloysius Mathew		2021-02-14
Anil Kumar Velu		2019-05-19
JAYAN PILLAI		2015-07-12
MURALEEDHARAN PILLAI		2015-07-12
Mohanadas Madhavanandan		2019-08-18
Nishar Viswanathan Pushpalatha		2024-08-24
RAJESWARI SADASIVAN		2015-07-12
RAMAN SAMBASIVAN		2015-07-12
SREEJITH SREEDHARAN		2023-10-22
Sreekumar Kunjuraman		2016-11-10
Suresh Sukumaran		2021-09-19

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Accounts

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MAUK ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2024

REGISTRATION:

The Malayalee Association of the U.K. (referred to as M.A.U.K.) is a Registered Charity (Charity No. 1102653) and a Company Limited by Guarantee (Company No. 4934084). As such, its Board of Directors holds the dual responsibilities of Charity Trustees and Company Directors. Additionally, M.A.U.K. is registered with the Information Commissioner's Office and the Fundraising Regulator. The association also collaborates closely with the London Borough of Newham

ELECTIONS:

At the last A.G.M. on Sunday, 8 September 2024, the following directors were elected to serve for two consecutive years: Anil Velu, Jayan Pillai, Anil Edavana, Aji Velu, Mohanadas Madhavanandan, Nishar Viswanath, Aloysius Mathew, Ajith Krishnan, Rohoney Dayanand, Subhash Viswanathan and Georgina Karumarathodi.

The following sitting directors will serve until the forthcoming A.G.M. on Sunday, 22 September 2024: Raman Sambasivan, Sreekumar Kunjuraman, Sreejith Sreedharan, Aji Gangadharan, Murali Pillai, Sudha Das, Rajeswari Sadasivan, Suresh Unnithan and Suresh Sukumaran.

Members are invited to apply to join the Director Board. The candidates must be members for over two consecutive years and served as a volunteer for a minimum of one year to be elected as a director. Members at the Annual General Meeting will elect directors.

MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE

In 2024, each director led one or two tasks of their choice and was encouraged to build a team consisting of experts and interested volunteers. This has boosted our volunteer numbers and their participation.

MEMBERSHIP

In 2024, we added 72 new family members to our organisation. Membership is completely processed through online mediums. Yearly subscriptions can now be paid by standing order or direct debit.

Despite financial constraints, the membership fee has remained at £20 since 2012. We encourage all our supporters to inspire your friends, family, and coworkers to join M.A.U.K. – Our Extended Family.

WEBSITE : MAUK.ORG

The website mainly informs members about M.A.U.K. activities and archives our records. Members can also

download M.A.U.K. policies, annual reports and accounts, forms, and other publications.

SOCIAL MEDIA: @MAUKLONDON

M.A.U.K. continues to increase its presence on social media through our Facebook, Instagram, Threads, and YouTube handles under 'mauklondon'.

MEDIA PARTNERS

M.A.U.K. maintains a good rapport with various print, online, and visual media targeted at the Malayalee community. We are grateful for their continued support. We express our gratitude to: UKmalayalee.com, Kerala Link, KaumudiEurope, britishmalayali.com, europemalayali.com, Anand Media, Britishkairali.co.uk, Manoramaonline and Radio Lime.

KERALA HOUSE

Bookings at Kerala House for private functions and community gatherings have significantly increased over the past few years. Community and faith-based groups regularly use Kerala House at preferential rates. Its location, easy access via public transport, and affordable pricing have been the main reasons for this rise in usage.

Kerala House is also available to local community members for wakes, funeral gatherings, and related rituals. Many have made use of this service in the past year, as it is conveniently located near Manor Park Crematorium. While the premises are offered free of charge, all users have generously donated towards the upkeep of Kerala House.

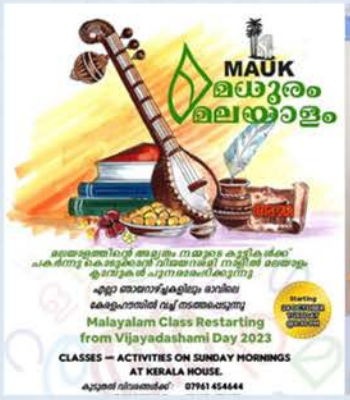
The free booking benefit for life members has been extended until 30 December 2025. Life members who have not yet used their free booking by this date will forfeit the privilege.

LONDON ACADEMY OF DRAVIDIAN ARTS (L.A.D.A.)

L.A.D.A. is M.A.U.K.'s endeavour to nurture and promote Dravidian arts and language in the U.K. Our aim is to work collaboratively with other organisations to preserve and promote Dravidian arts and culture. In 2024, we resumed most of the classes that had been suspended during the pandemic and introduced several new ones. L.A.D.A. is managed by Director Anilkumar Edavana.

MALAYALAM CLASSES

In 1980, M.A.U.K. launched the first Malayalam classes in the U.K. We have resumed Malayalam classes following a temporary suspension during the pandemic. Rebranded as Madhuram Malayalam, the classes restarted on Vijayadashami day in 2024 and are still ongoing. They take place on selected Sundays under the leadership of Sabith Pillai. This initiative aims to familiarise children with the richness and heritage of the Malayalam language while helping them learn the basics.



Join our Malayalam classes for both children and adults at Kerala House on Sundays.

MAUK Launches 'Ezhuthachan Grandhashala' Library

The Malayalee Association of the UK (MAUK) has established a new library named Ezhuthachan Grandhashala, with the primary aim of collecting and archiving books authored by Malayalam writers based in the UK.

In addition to showcasing works by UK-based authors, the library will also feature a curated selection of Malayalam literature from renowned writers in Kerala, India. Members of MAUK will have the opportunity to borrow these books for a nominal rental fee, promoting greater access to Malayalam literary heritage within the community.

CHENDA TROUPE

M.A.U.K. Chenda Troupe, founded in 2011 under the training and guidance of Vinod Navadhara, has grown into one of the leading Chenda troupes in the UK.

In 2024, the troupe performed at many prestigious events, including the chariot festivals of London Sri Murugan Temple, Lakshmi Narayana Temple, Ilford Ganapathi Temple, the Sai Baba festival, Aylesbury Church, and the inauguration of Nagapooshini Temple in Harrow.

CHENDA CLASSES

Chenda classes currently take place at Kerala House on Thursday evenings and Sunday mornings, with 30 students across four classes.

BHARATHANATYAM CLASSES

In June 2024, we resumed Bharatanatyam classes. These classes are designed for children and adults who are beginners or returning to Bharatanatyam after a long break. Through high-quality teaching, students can explore and refine a range of adavus (steps), improve their coordination, and build stamina while learning the fundamentals of movement technique and rhythm. The classes, taught in the Kalakshetra style by Ms Jasline Shimmy Antony, currently have 32 students.

കലാരവം KALAARAVAM 2024

Kalaaravam, the annual celebration of the London Academy of Dravidian Arts (L.A.D.A.), was a vibrant display of rhythm, grace, and cultural richness. Held on 30 June 2024 at Little Ilford School, the event showcased exceptional talent from L.A.D.A. students and the wider community, drawing enthusiastic parents and art lovers alike.

The evening began with the traditional lamp lighting ceremony, conducted by The Rt Hon Sir Stephen Timms MP, sponsor Sheeba Kumar, and distinguished teachers. The event was further honoured by two distinguished guests from Kerala: Gopinath Muthukad, the world-renowned magician, whose extraordinary presence brought an air of enchantment to the evening; and I. M. Vijayan, the celebrated Indian footballer, whose inspirational aura added special significance to the gathering.

Performances included Bharatanatyam, Mohiniyattam, fusion dances, folk performances, poetry, sensational Chenda drumming, and melodic keyboard renditions by young students. Later in the evening, Sir Stephen Timms MP commended MAUK's efforts to preserve Dravidian culture, while MAUK Chairperson Sreejith Sreedharan expressed gratitude to teachers, students, and parents.

Kalaaravam celebrated artistic excellence and reinforced L.A.D.A.'s mission to promote Dravidian classical arts and heritage in London.

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Coffee 'n Poetry

A tribute was held to honour the late British poet, actor, and writer Benjamin Zephaniah, who passed away in December 2024. The event highlighted his literary contributions, including an in-depth discussion of his novel Refugee Boy. There were also detailed discussions on world-renowned films such as Pather Panchali and Bicycle Thieves. Clips from these films were showcased, enriching the conversations.

Matannoor Shankaran Kutty Marar, a distinguished figure in chenda (traditional Kerala percussion), along with his group, gave a performance presentation. The event included a detailed discussion about the various types of chenda ensembles, the instruments used, the major festivals where these performances take place, and his own professional experiences.

On 2 and 3 November 2024, the Festival of Malayalam (Malayalotsavam) was celebrated, with renowned writer Benjamin Zephaniah as the chief guest. The event featured the third National Conference of Malayalee Writers in the UK, a visual arts exhibition by Malayalee artists, and a book exhibition by UK-based Malayalam writers. In December, a painting exhibition and discussion by the renowned artist Nirmala Menon was also organised.

Beginning in November 2024, online literary discussions commenced under the title Thursday Coffee Club @ Zoom. These are held on alternate Thursdays from 7 pm onwards.

PILLERONAM: CHILDREN'S ONAM – 2024

On Saturday, 21 September 2024, M.A.U.K. hosted children from the local community to celebrate Pilleronam (Children's Onam) — M.A.U.K.'s first-ever Onam celebration dedicated to children. Traditionally, children eagerly awaited the arrival of Onam, the festival of 'Oneness'. It was a time of joy and celebration, when families gathered at the ancestral home to exchange gifts, take part in cultural activities, play games, and share extravagant meals. M.A.U.K.'s Pilleronam successfully recreated the spirit of Onam in an interactive, entertaining, and educational way.

The event featured a captivating recital of the story of Mahabali, vibrant cultural performances, traditional Onam games, and a delicious Sadhya (feast) with an exciting twist. It also included a Kalari (martial arts) demonstration and an interactive workshop. To conclude the celebration, every attendee received a special Onam gift.

ONASADHYA 2024

M.A.U.K.'s Onasadhya 2024 took place on Sunday, 8 September 2024, at Little Ilford School, Manor Park, London E12, with programmes scheduled for 1:00 pm, 2:00 pm, and 3:00 pm. The event was a resounding success, continuing a cherished tradition dating back to the mid-1970s.

The meals were uniquely prepared by volunteers both at the venue and in their homes, under the guidance of M.A.U.K. elders. Staying true to tradition, no food was ordered from restaurants, preserving the authentic spirit of home-cooked delicacies.

Celebrated annually by Malayalees in the UK, the event brought together M.A.U.K. members, friends, and the local community, fostering a strong sense of unity and cultural pride. Over 300 participants gathered to share and enjoy the lovingly prepared Onasadhya dishes.

MAUK PONNONAM

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Onam is the celebration of oneness. Since the early 1970s, M.A.U.K. has been celebrating Onam, the harvest festival of Kerala, in grand splendour every year without fail. The celebration has become a much-revered date in the calendar of the U.K. Malayalees and is one of the largest and most significant social gatherings of Malayalees in the U.K.

Ponnonam 2024 was celebrated with great enthusiasm on Saturday, 28 September. The programme was graced by esteemed dignitaries, including the Indian High Commissioner to the UK, Vikram Doraiswami; Sir Stephen Timms (Member of Parliament for East Ham and Minister of State for Social Security and Disability); London Assembly Member Unmesh Desai; and Indian Lok Sabha MP Rajmohan Unnithan.

The event featured a spectacular Ganamela performance by renowned singer Vidhu Prathap and his team, captivating the audience with their stunning acts.

Alongside this, a variety of cultural programmes showcased the incredible talent of M.A.U.K. students and local artists, adding vibrancy to the festivities. The celebration took place at Eastbury Community School, Hulse Avenue, Barking, and proved to be a truly memorable occasion for all who attended, blending tradition and artistry beautifully.

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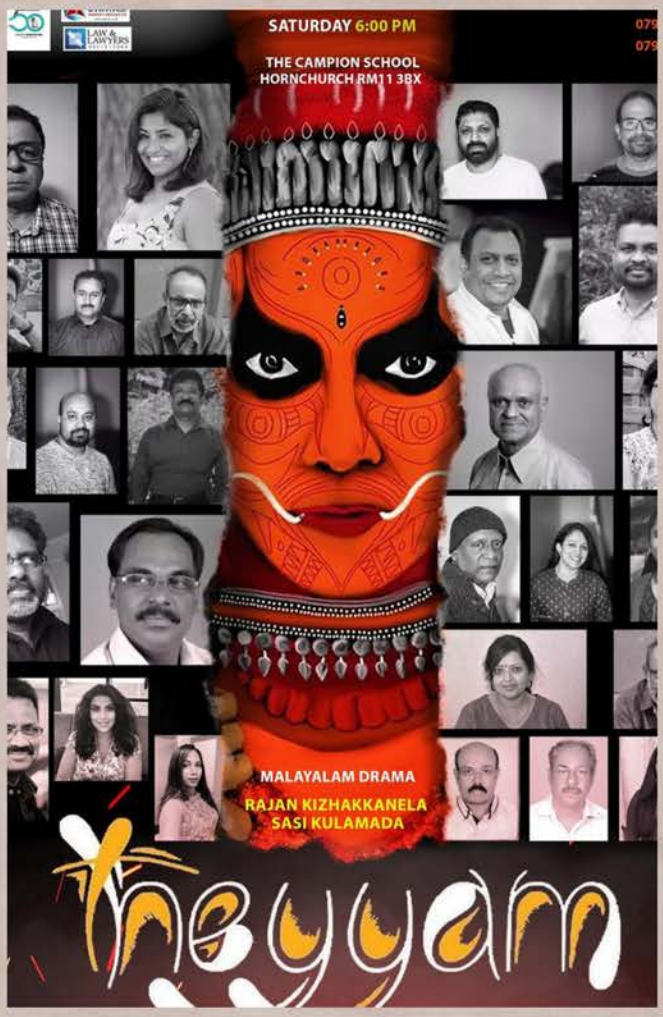
DRISHYAKALA

M.A.U.K. Drishyakala delivered a breathtaking cultural experience with its 22nd production, Theyyam—a tribute to the traditional tribal art form of Northern Kerala. The grand premiere took place on Saturday, 13 April 2024, at the Champion School Auditorium in Hornchurch, where audiences were captivated by the powerful tales of Muchilot Bhagavathi and Maruthiyodan Kurickal—two iconic stories of oppression and revenge brought vividly to life on stage.



A second performance followed on Saturday, 30 November, at 4:00 PM at Featherstone High School, Southall. The event left attendees deeply moved by the richness and intensity of this unique art form.

M.A.U.K. Drishyakala, in association with the British Keralites Association (BKA), proudly presented Theyyam.

On 30 November 2024, Featherstone School in Southall was transformed into the stage for an awe-inspiring cultural spectacle. Audiences were immersed in the gripping narratives of Muchilot Bhagavathi and Maruthiyodan Kurickal, witnessing two timeless tales of oppression and vengeance unfold through breathtaking performances.

FESTIVE SANGAMAM 2024

M.A.U.K. Festive Sangamam 2024 brought the community together in the true spirit of the season on Saturday, 28 December, at Kerala House, London, in support of the MAUK Wayanad Fund.

Guests were treated to a delicious four-course meal specially curated by Chai Kadai, enjoyed mesmerising musical performances by Jose Peter, and took part in lively family games with opportunities to win exciting prizes. From 6:00 PM onwards, the venue buzzed with laughter, warmth, and festive cheer as members came together to celebrate, spread joy, and make a meaningful contribution to a worthy cause.

ELDERS SERVICES CHRISTMAS GATHERING

On Saturday, 14 December 2024, M.A.U.K. proudly hosted the Elders Services Christmas Gathering at Kerala House, London, a special event dedicated to celebrating the festive season while promoting the health and wellbeing of our senior community. Held from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM, the gathering was free for those over 50, ensuring an inclusive and welcoming atmosphere.

Through this initiative, M.A.U.K. reaffirmed its belief that social engagement and cultural celebration are key to elders' well-being, as guests enjoyed a festive meal, interactive games, and performances in the warm company of the community.

MAUK Women's Forum

In 2024, the Women's Forum undertook a series of significant initiatives, beginning with a leadership transition in February, when Sheena assumed the role of coordinator from Swarna. In March, a vibrant celebration of International Women's Day was held at Kerala House, featuring a lively mix of cultural performances, interactive games, discussions, karaoke, and traditional cuisine — all of which helped to foster a strong sense of community cohesion.

In April, the Forum organised a special outing for the Elders' Group to watch the Malayalam film Aadujeevitham. May was marked by a celebratory event recognising those who contributed to the International Women's Day festivities, with an evening of music, food, games, and karaoke.

Throughout July and August, the Forum focused on rehearsals and performances of the Thiruvathira dance, which culminated in vibrant presentations at the annual Onasadhya celebration, Ponnonam 2024, and the cultural exhibition marking India's Independence Day. In recognition of the participants' dedication and efficiency in mastering the dance, the Forum hosted a well-deserved pizza night.

September featured an additional Thiruvathira performance during Ponnonam 2024, adding to the cultural richness of the event. The year's activities concluded in December with a festive Christmas Meet & Greet, which fostered a warm and welcoming atmosphere through the communal sharing of dishes.

Throughout the year, the Women's Forum successfully managed several ongoing clubs, including the Beginners' Thiruvathira Group, Anthakshari, and the Akshara Book Club, further reinforcing its commitment to cultural and social enrichment within the community.

MAUK BADMINTON CLUB

The M.A.U.K. Badminton Club was successfully launched as a new initiative aimed at promoting health and well-being through a fun and engaging activity. Sessions were held every Sunday at Little Ilford School in East London, offering a welcoming environment for both seasoned players and beginners. The club provided a fantastic opportunity to enjoy a lively sport, meet new people, and socialise in a supportive setting.

With support from Sport England, the club also introduced a special offer to enhance inclusivity. A limited number of free spaces were made available for individuals under 18, full-time students, low-income families, and those without access to public funds. This initiative was designed to ensure that more members of the community could benefit from the programme and participate fully in the activities.

The launch of the M.A.U.K. Badminton Club marked a positive step towards building a vibrant community centred on health, fun, and togetherness. Those interested in learning more or reserving a spot were encouraged to contact the club organisers via the phone numbers provided.

M.A.U.K. POOL TOURNAMENT

The M.A.U.K. Pool Tournament, held in February 2024, proved to be a resounding success, attracting pool enthusiasts from across the region to showcase their talent and passion for the game. Organised by M.A.U.K., the event aimed to promote community engagement and sportsmanship, fostering meaningful connections while celebrating the skill and spirit of the game.

The tournament took place at Rising Sun, providing a vibrant and welcoming venue for the competition. The event saw an impressive turnout, with 25 players competing across multiple matches, cheered on by a lively and supportive audience. Participants ranged from seasoned professionals to amateur players, truly reflecting the inclusive and community-focused nature of the event.

SUNDAY WELLNESS MISSION

M.A.U.K. successfully hosted the **Sunday Wellness Mission**, offering a diverse range of free and subsidised activities designed for all age groups—ensuring there was truly something for everyone.

Attendees immersed themselves in Indian dance, honed their skills through badminton practice and coaching, and explored Kerala's rich cultural heritage through Chenda and Kalaripayattu classes. Classic games such as Carroms and Chess encouraged friendly competition, while a variety of wellness activities supported both mental and physical well-being.

The Sunday Wellness Mission not only provided opportunities for learning and recreation but also strengthened community bonds, creating a memorable and meaningful experience for all involved.

HIBI EDEN VISIT

On Sunday, 25 August 2024, Hibi Eden, Member of Parliament for Ernakulam, attended a private reception at Kerala House. During the two-hour session, he engaged directly with the audience, answering questions on key issues affecting the Indian diaspora.

Mr Eden pledged to work closely with M.A.U.K. and other progressive, service-oriented organisations to enhance the welfare of Malayalees around the world.

Nishar Viswanathan, Secretary of M.A.U.K., regarded this impromptu visit as a great honour for the association and committed to supporting Mr Eden's future social initiatives that transcend political, religious, and class boundaries. He also expressed heartfelt gratitude to heandfriends.org for organising the visit.

MAUK ELDERS SERVICES

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The M.A.U.K. Lunch Club, an integral part of M.A.U.K. Elders Services, has been serving the Malayalee community since 1998. This thoughtfully designed initiative offers elders a welcoming space to connect, celebrate cultural heritage, and enjoy communal activities. Participants engage in a wide range of activities, including card and board games, exercise classes, arts and crafts, poetry, film screenings, picnics, and group outings. These are complemented by weekly Kerala-style meals. Supported by Public Health and the London Borough of Newham, the Club also operates as a warm centre, welcoming elders from all local communities.

To sustain this vital service, M.A.U.K. introduced a sponsorship scheme, enabling generous individuals and community-oriented businesses to sponsor a day's operation—whether to honour loved ones, celebrate special occasions, or promote their ventures. In 2024, every Thursday was successfully booked by sponsors for the Lunch Club—a testament to the community's spirit and commitment under the dedicated leadership of Directors R. Sambasivan and Suresh Sukumaran.

M.A.U.K. Befriending Services

The importance and value of this outstanding and compassionate service—run as part of the Elders Service—were especially evident during the pandemic. In addition to helping the housebound take part in online activities, M.A.U.K. volunteers regularly visit them, accompany them to the park, and assist with shopping when needed.

If you know someone who could benefit from this service and improve their well-being, please email their details to info@mauk.org or call us on 07931 207 834. We will be glad to visit them.

M.A.U.K. IN THE COMMUNITY

Repatriation of Mortal Remains

With financial support from the High Commission of India (HCI) and logistical support from N.O.R.K.A., M.A.U.K. successfully repatriated the mortal remains of two Indian nationals to their families in Kerala. Incidents of this nature are on the rise. In response, M.A.U.K. has published a Case Review and Recommendations for Future Incidents, prepared by the team involved in the repatriation process. The document is available at mauk.org/repatriation_case_study.

Increasing social, economic and legal issues in the Malayalee community

The Malayalee community in the UK faces a range of complex challenges that affect their social, economic, and mental well-being. Visa fraud has emerged as a serious concern, leaving victims financially unstable and legally vulnerable. Housing issues—such as overcrowding and discrimination—make it difficult for many to settle comfortably. Unemployment and job insecurity, often caused by the non-recognition of overseas qualifications and workplace bias, contribute to ongoing economic hardship. Domestic violence, particularly among younger generations, highlights intergenerational tensions and evolving cultural values. Mental health concerns, especially among women and children, are exacerbated by isolation and acculturative stress, with alarming reports of suicidal ideation. Additionally, substance abuse, including alcohol and drug misuse, threatens both individual health and family stability.

In response to these challenges, M.A.U.K. has launched a number of initiatives aimed at mitigation. By collaborating with local councils and service providers, M.A.U.K. offers practical support and raises awareness within the community—working towards a stronger, healthier, and more integrated Malayalee presence in the UK.

Accounts

The 2024 Accounts, which Haridas Bhaskaran audited, are published along with this report. We sincerely thank Haridas for meticulously completing this painstaking task for the 4th year running.

End of Report

MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION OF THE UK
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Company registration No.4934084, Charity Registration No.1102653
INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

			Year ended 31 December 2024			Year ended 31 December 2023		
	Surplus/(Deficit) from activities	**Notes**	**Income**	**Expenditure**	**Net £**	**Income**	**Expenditure**	**Net £**
1	Bereavement Support		758.40	(9.98)	748.42	996.80	-	996.80
2	Chenda Lessons		4,614.00	(3,180.00)	1,434.00	3,592.00	(2,921.47)	670.53
3	Covid19 (FoodBank)		-	-	-	6,180.00	(10,762.36)	(4,582.36)
4	Dance Classes		6,053.00	(5,585.89)	467.11	3,072.00	(1,911.08)	1,160.92
5	Elders Services		6,697.46	(10,216.48)	(3,519.02)	3,363.00	(9,934.15)	(6,571.15)
6	Equipment Hire		1,015.00	-	1,015.00	435.00	-	435.00
7	Festive Sangaman		1,983.52	(1,066.72)	916.80	5,463.41	(5,568.34)	(104.93)
8	Grand Events - Fundraisers	16	5,659.20	-	5,659.20	8,839.00	-	8,839.00
9	IWD		795.30	(575.39)	219.91	468.00	(409.77)	58.23
10	Janani		-	(189.77)	(189.77)	-	(107.61)	(107.61)
11	Kalaripayattu		1,281.00	(910.70)	370.30	-		-
12	Kattankaapi Kavitha		1,443.50	(2,564.64)	(1,121.14)	-		-
13	Kerala House Events	21	9,394.69	(8,663.95)	730.74	990.00	(13,655.86)	(12,665.86)
14	Keyboard Lessons		902.00	(612.00)	290.00	904.00	(791.42)	112.58
15	Keralolsav		2,338.49	(1,880.07)	458.42	-	(25.00)	(25.00)
16	Malayalam Classes		-	-	-	-	(44.89)	(44.89)
17	Music Performance		271.00	-	271.00	560.00	(200.00)	360.00
18	Music Classes		430.00	(294.00)	136.00	664.00	(446.00)	218.00
19	Onam		35,899.03	(32,548.10)	3,350.93	11,491.94	(12,176.37)	(684.43)
20	Project Grants	18	6,694.22	(6,694.22)	-	8,231.47	(8,231.47)	-
21	Sunday Club		537.36	(2,027.71)	(1,490.35)	-	-	-
22	Womens Forum		886.26	(733.00)	153.26	354.90	(290.00)	64.90
	Total Activities		**87,653.43**	**(77,752.62)**	**9,900.81**	**55,605.52**	**(67,475.79)**	**(11,870.27)**
	Other Income							
23	Charity Fund Inc		590.40	-	590.40	1,660.86	-	1,660.86
24	Donation - Miscellaneous		1,801.14	-	1,801.14	1,832.01	-	1,832.01
25	Grant Inc	20	8,812.00	-	8,812.00	30,559.46	-	30,559.46
26	GiftAid Inc		12,029.98	-	12,029.98	8,372.66	-	8,372.66
27	Kerala House Donation		8,832.15	-	8,832.15	6,812.50	-	6,812.50
28	Miscellaneous - Inc		29.00	-	29.00	-	-	-
29	Membership - Inc		6,749.13	-	6,749.13	5,081.27	-	5,081.27
	Total Other Income		**38,843.80**	**-**	**38,843.80**	**54,318.76**	**-**	**54,318.76**
	Expenditure							
30	Accountany & Audit		-	(700.00)	(700.00)	-	(700.00)	(700.00)
31	Bad Debts Written off	6	-	(499.00)	(499.00)	-	(44.00)	(44.00)
32	Depreciation	19	-	(2,918.24)	(2,918.24)	-	(3,887.87)	(3,887.87)
33	General Expense	10	-	(664.85)	(664.85)	-	(802.56)	(802.56)
34	Insurance		-	(960.17)	(960.17)	-	(856.98)	(856.98)
35	IT & Software		-	(278.64)	(278.64)	-	(373.97)	(373.97)
36	KH Maintenance		-	(2,859.72)	(2,859.72)	-	(4,788.14)	(4,788.14)
37	London Borough of Newham (LBN)	5	-	(691.47)	(691.47)	-	(697.63)	(697.63)
38	Low Value Equipments		-	(328.74)	(328.74)	-		-
39	Phone & Internet		-	(1,029.51)	(1,029.51)	-	(1,000.28)	(1,000.28)
40	Payment Systems		-	(134.55)	(134.55)	-	(17.17)	(17.17)
41	TV License		-	(169.50)	(169.50)	-	(159.00)	(159.00)
42	Utility Bills	4	-	(4,415.71)	(4,415.71)	-	(4,414.76)	(4,414.76)
43	Volunteers		-	(488.66)	(488.66)	-	(180.49)	(180.49)
44	Website		-	(799.80)	(799.80)	-	(756.72)	(756.72)
	Total Expenditure		**-**	**(16,938.56)**	**(16,938.56)**	**-**	**(18,679.57)**	**(18,679.57)**
	Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		**126,497.23**	**(94,691.18)**	**31,806.05**	**109,924.28**	**(86,155.36)**	**23,768.92**
	Designated Funds (movements for the year)							
	(movements for the year)							
45	Charity Fund	11	500.00	-	500.00	2,000.00	(2,430.86)	(430.86)
46	Elder Services Fund	12	2,000.00	-	2,000.00	1,000.00	-	1,000.00
47	General Reserves	17	-	(29,500.00)	(29,500.00)	-	(21,000.00)	(21,000.00)
48	Kerala House Fund	13	11,000.00	-	11,000.00	4,000.00	-	4,000.00
49	Kerala Outreach Fund	14	6,000.00	(6,694.22)	(694.22)	9,000.00	(5,800.61)	3,199.39
50	Mobility Fund	15	10,000.00	-	10,000.00	5,000.00	-	5,000.00
	Total Designated Funds		**29,500.00**	**(36,194.22)**	**(6,694.22)**	**21,000.00**	**(29,231.47)**	**(8,231.47)**
	Net Movement in funds		**155,997.23**	**(130,885.40)**	**25,111.83**	**130,924.28**	**(115,386.83)**	**15,537.45**
	Total Funds/reserves brought forward				**407,718.15**			**392,180.70**
	Total Unrestricted Funds and Reserves carried forward				**432,829.98**			**407,718.15**

MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION OF THE UK

Charity Registration No.1102653 Company registration No.4934084

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024	2023
FIXED ASSETS		**£**	£
Building		317,510.00	317,510.00
Others - Net Value		18,981.59	11,280.24
		336,491.59	**328,790.24**
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	7	2,959.15	3,216.00
Prepayments	8	(316.00)	(1,072.00)
Cash in hand		572.49	816.49
Bank Accounts		101,046.42	80,112.05
		104,262.06	**83,072.54**
LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors - Various		(4,156.00)	(3,391.63)
Accruals	9	(3,767.67)	(753.00)
		(7,923.67)	**(4,144.63)**
NET ASSETS		**432,829.98**	**407,718.15**
FINANCED BY:			
Restricted Funds / Designated Funds			
Charity Fund	11	7,847.48	7,347.48
Elders Services Fund	12	3,920.00	1,920.00
Kerala House Fund	13	40,586.66	29,586.66
Kerala Outreach Fund	14	4,157.11	4,851.33
Mobility Fund	15	24,500.00	14,500.00
Unrestricted Funds			
Building Revaluation Reserve		236,546.00	236,546.00
General Reserves	17	83,466.68	89,197.76
Surplus/(deficit) from income & expenditure		31,806.05	23,768.92
		432,829.98	**407,718.15**

For the year ending 31 December 2024, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

(i) The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

(ii) The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

(iii) These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime

Approved by the Board of Directors on 16th March 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Mr Sreejith Sreedharan
Chair Person

Nishar VP
Company Secretary

Aloysius Mathew
Finance Director

MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION OF THE UK
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS 2024

1 The financial statements have been prepared on the accruals basis in accordance with the 2008 Regulations and the SORP, under the historical cost convention, as modified by the inclusion of fixed asset investments at market value.

2 **Fund accounting**

• **Unrestricted funds** (General fund) are available for use at the discretion of the directors in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Unrestricted funds include a revaluation reserve representing the restatement of investment assets at market values.

• **Designated funds** are unrestricted funds that have been earmarked for a particular purpose by the trustees. The notes to the accounts should explain the purpose of designated funds.

• Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

3 **Directors' Expenses** - No expenses were paid to any of the directors during the year, except to reimburse them for purchases made on behalf of the the company.

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Utility Bills	**2024**	**2023**
Electricity	(3,242.70)	(3,127.13)
Gas	(1,148.01)	(1,247.63)
Water	(25.00)	(40.00)
Total	**(4,415.71)**	**(4,414.76)**

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London Borough of Newham (LBN) expenses are made up of:	**2024**	**2023**
Premises License	(180)	(180)
Council Tax	(511.47)	(517.63)
	(691.47)	**(697.63)**

6

Bad Debts Write Off	**2024**	**2023**
Chenda Group Lessons		44.00
Keyboard Lessons	(225.00)	
Violin Lessons	(209.00)	
FS	(45.00)	
Performances	(20.00)	
Total	**(499.00)**	**44.00**

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Debtors	**2024**	**2023**
Chenda Lessons	92.00	216.00
Dance Lessons	734.00	480.00
Kalarippayattu Lessons	381.00	
Keyboard Lessons		96.00
Music Lessons		64.00
Perfomances	215.00	
Sponsorships	1,537.15	2,500.00
Hire Booking		(140.00)
Total	**2,959.15**	**3,216.00**

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Prepayments	**2024**	
FS25 Venue Hire	240.00	
IWD25 Venue Hire	800.00	
KH Hire deposits	(1,160.00)	
Student Fees	(196.00)	
Total	**(316.00)**	

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Accruals	**2024**	
Accountancy	700.00	
Ponnonam24	300.00	
FS24	940.97	
KH Hire deposits	1,545.00	
Dance Lessons	(131.00)	
Chenda Lessons	(126.00)	
Kalarippayattu Lessons	588.70	
Sunday Club	(200.00)	
Lunch Club	(250.00)	
Total	**3,367.67**	**-**

10 **General expenses mainly consist of the following:**

AGM & Refreshments		44.18
Digital Marketing		156.63
Regulatory Related cost		357.00
Printing, Stationary & Book Club		107.04
Total		**664.85**

11 **Charity Fund** - The surpluses generated from charity fundraising projects are transferred to this restricted fund and will be only used for charitable activities. In 2024, the board decided to setaside additional £500 for this purpose.The releases from this fund is shown in Project Grants activity.

12 **Elder Services Fund** -The funds secured for Elders Services projects are restricted and will be only used for future Elder services activities. In 2024, the board decided the board decided to setaside additional £2000 for this purpose.

13 **Kerala House Fund** - MAUK directors wish to setaside funds periodically from the surpluses, to fund major repairs, maintenance, renovation of Kerala House (KH). In 2024, the board decided to setaside additional £11000 to this fund.

14 **Kerala OutReach Fund** - MAUK directors setaside funds periodically from the surpluses generated from fundraising projects. The designated fund will only be used for Kerala Outreach charity activities. At yearend, the board decided to setaside additional £6000 for this fund**.** The releases from this fund is shown in Project Grants activity in 2024.

15 **Mobility Fund** -Program includes purchase and operation of MiniBus/vehicles for the Elderly community users. In 2024, considering the need the board decided to setaside additional amont of £10000 to this fund.

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Grand Events - FundRaisers	**2024**	**2023**
KOF-House Building Appeal	900.00	8,839.00
KOF-House Disaster Appeal	4,759.20	
Total	**5,659.20**	**8,839.00**

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General Reserves Movements	**2024**	**2023**
Opening Balance	5,885.61	26,885.61
Capital Exp		
Kerala House Fund	(11,000.00)	(4,000.00)
Elder Services Fund	(2,000.00)	(1,000.00)
Kerala OutReach Fund	(6,000.00)	(9,000.00)
Charity Fund	(500.00)	(2,000.00)
MAUK Mobility Fund	(10,000.00)	(5,000.00)
Total	**(23,614.39)**	**5,885.61**

18 **Project Grants**

	2024	2023
KOF Project 7 Trivandrum (completed)	5,734.22	3,887.86
KOF Project 8 Trivandrum (completed)	960.00	1,912.75
Charity Fund Projects 24-27 (completed)		2,430.86
Total	**6,694.22**	**8,231.47**

19 **Depreciation and Net Value of Assets, other than Building**

	Net cost as at 01 Jan 2024	Additions 2024	Cost as at 31 Dec 2024	Depreciation	Net Bal as at 31 Dec 2024
Furniture & Fittings	10,359.86	4,358.61	14,718.47	(2,415.64)	12,302.83
Office Equipments	448.38	-	448.38	(276.78)	171.60
Event Equipments	472.00	1,509.51	1,981.51	(225.82)	1,755.69
Assets Under Construction	-	4,751.47	4,751.47		4,751.47
Total	**11,280.24**	**10,619.59**	**21,899.83**	**(2,918.24)**	**18,981.59**

20 **Grants Income**

	2024
ESC Lottery Fund	8,812.00
Total	**8,812.00**

21 **Kerala House Events**

	Expenditure	Income	Net £	Notes
Theyyam Project	(5,941.77)	8,678.21	2,736.44	
External Cultural Performances		716.48	716.48	
50th Year Logo Event	(1,232.84)		(1,232.84)	MAUK Funded
HCI Foundation Day	(529.30)		(529.30)	MAUK Funded
IID Event	(936.63)		(936.63)	MAUK Funded
Mothers Day	(23.41)		(23.41)	MAUK Funded
Total	**(8,663.95)**	**9,394.69**	**730.74**	

22 **Honorary Audit completed by**
HARIDAS BHASKARAN

Final Accounts signed off by
MAATMANN ACCOUNTANTS, HARLOW

Honorary Audit Summary Report for MA UK (Charity in East London)

Year Ending: 31 December 2024

Acknowledgements

I would like to extend our sincere thanks to Mr. Aloshy, Mr. Sreekumar, and other members of MA UK for their cooperation throughout the audit process. In particular, I express my gratitude to Mr. Aloshy for his detailed explanations, timely responses, and for providing the necessary documents and clarifications that greatly facilitated this honorary audit.

Introduction & Audit Scope

This honorary audit was undertaken to review the financial activities of MA UK for the year ended 31 December 2024. Based on the limited scope of the audit and the sample records examined, no material issues have been identified. Financial records appear to be maintained in an orderly and consistent manner. Testing was performed on selected samples, and no significant discrepancies or irregularities were noted.

This report is intended solely for the internal use of MA UK—its management, executives, and members. It is not for public distribution or reliance by external parties. However, it may be reviewed by MA UK's registered accountant and, if deemed appropriate, countersigned for internal governance.

It is important to note that the responsibility for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements lies entirely with the management and Directors of MA UK. This includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal controls to ensure accuracy and transparency.

I. FINANCIAL OPERATIONS OVERVIEW

Income & Expense Tracking

- **Class Activities (Chenda & Dance):** Revenue and expenses were recorded on an accrual basis. Delays in student payments created a lag in compensating teachers. Expenses, particularly hall rent at Little Ilford School, significantly reduced income for Dance Classes.
- **Community Programs (Elders, Sunday Club, Events):** Volunteer reimbursements and event costs were supported by a mix of grants and internal income. PayPal and card transactions were difficult to verify independently due to bulk payments, though breakdowns were provided upon request.
- **Event Activities (Kerala House, Onam, Keralolsav):** Certain high-value expenses lacked formal documentation—for example, £500 for sound hire. Freelancer payments often lacked formal invoicing, requiring improved audit trails.
- **Grants:** £8,812 was received from Sport England for Sunday Club and similar initiatives.

Updated Governance and Operational Notes (from meeting with Aloshy, Sreekumar & Sreejith dated 4th Jun 2025)

- **Automation & Financial Processing:** All income and expenses made via Bank, PayPal, and Debit Cards are automatically uploaded into FreeAgent and appropriately allocated by the CFO.
- **Board Oversight:** All major expenses are collectively discussed and approved by the Board of Directors—not by individuals. Monthly financial reports, including income and expenditure summaries, are presented by the CFO to the Board for approval.
- **Audit Recommendations:** The Auditor should be invited to witness this monthly presentation process at least once before year-end 2025.
- **Project Control:** Each event is managed by a specific committee appointed by the Board. The Auditor assumed these committee leads present their project reports, budgets, and final cost summaries to the Board. It is recommended that the Auditor witness at least one major event presentation during 2025.

Recommendations

- Implement timely volunteer reimbursement process.

- Maintain visa/passport documentation for volunteers receiving regular reimbursements for transparency and reporting purposes.
- Collect class fees in advance where possible.
- Simplify and clarify the pricing structure for classes.
- Strengthen invoice documentation, especially for event-related and volunteer payments.

II. BALANCE SHEET OVERVIEW

1. Fixed Assets

- **Recorded Assets:**
    - £4,751.47 – Speaker system and Kerala House facade work.
    - £4,358.61 – Furniture & fittings.
    - £1,509.51 – Event equipment.
- **Asset Management:** Asset registers are maintained by a team of volunteer directors. The Auditor is to be granted access to these registers and a physical inspection is recommended before year-end 2025.

2. Debtors

- **System Limitation:** FreeAgent's aged debtor reports included 2025 data due to a reporting glitch. This was mainly due to the report being run after year end, explained CFO
- **Invoicing:** Invoices are often generated after month-end and teacher pay is linked to fee collection.
- **Audit Conclusion:** No major concerns, though monthly advance collection may aid cash flow management.

3. Cash Holdings

- **Year-End Balance:** £572.49 held physically by the CFO in petty cash form.
- **Recommendation:** Perform regular cash counts and year-end reconciliation, though no discrepancies were noted during audit.

4. Accruals

- **Reported Accruals:**
    - Sangamam: £940.97
    - Kerala House Hire Deposits: £1,545.00
- **Recommendation:** All accruals should be clearly documented and reconciled.

III. KEY AUDIT OBSERVATIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS

Internal Control Observations

- Course fee structures are complex but were explained by the CFO and are noted here for transparency.

Recommendations

1. **Interest-Earning Accounts:** Maintain ~£20,000 in the current account and move surplus funds into an easy-access interest-bearing deposit account. Options such as Charity Bank may offer competitive interest rates (~3%). This should be reviewed further by the finance team.
2. **Documentation:** Require formal receipts or invoices for all transactions and expenses.
3. **Fee Management:** Encourage simplified fee structures and advance payments to improve financial planning.
4. **Asset Register:** Maintain and regularly audit the fixed asset register. Physical verification is recommended in 2025.
5. **Management Reporting:** Share utilisation reports for grant funding with both stakeholders and auditors.
6. **Volunteer Reimbursement Process:**
    - Explore faster reimbursement methods, such as mobile submission of expenses at the point of purchase.
    - Appoint an assistant CFO with limited approval authority to expedite smaller claims.
    - Continue using digital submissions backed by proper documentation.

Conclusion

Overall, the honorary audit did not identify any material weaknesses in MA UK's financial operations. However, a number of enhancements to governance, documentation, and internal controls are recommended to support growth and improve future compliance readiness. The auditor looks forward to engaging further with MA UK during 2025 to observe board reviews and event oversight processes as part of the continued audit process.

Report Prepared and Presented By Haridas Bhaskaran for the MA UK Members and Board of Directors

Dated: 5th June 2025

MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION OF THE UK

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Secretary, MAUK

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2023 ANNUAL REPORT
PREPARED AND PRESENTED ON BEHALF OF THE DIRECTOR BOARD
BY NISHAR VISWANATHAN PUSHPALATHA, SECRETARY

REGISTRATION

Malayalee Association of the U. K. (hereafter M.A.U.K.) is a Registered Charity (No. 1102653) and a Company Limited by Guarantee (No. 4934084). Therefore, the Board of Directors is responsible as Charity Trustees and Company Directors. M.A.U.K. is also registered with the Information Commission's Office and the Fundraising Regulator. M.A.U.K also works in partnership with the London Borough of Newham

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ELECTIONS

At the last A.G.M. on Sunday, 24 September 2023, the following directors were elected to serve for two consecutive years: Raman Sambasivan, Sreekumar Kunjuraman, Sreejith Sreedharan, Aji Gangadharan, Murali Pillai, Sudha Das, Rajeswari Sadasivan, Suresh Unnithan and Suresh Sukumaran.

The following sitting directors will serve until the forthcoming A.G.M. on Sunday, 22 September 2024: Anil Velu, Jayan Pillai, Anil Edavana, Aji Velu, Mohanadas Madhavanandan, Nishar Viswanath and Aloysius Mathew.

Members are invited to apply to join the Director Board. The candidates must be members for over two consecutive years and served as a volunteer for a minimum of one year to be elected as a director . Members at the Annual General Meeting will elect directors.

2023 Management Structure

In 2023, each director led one or two tasks of their choice and was encouraged to build a team consisting of experts and interested volunteers. This has boosted our volunteer numbers and their participation.

Membership

In 2023, we added 72 new family members to our organisation. Membership is completely processed through online mediums. Yearly subscription can now be paid by standing order or direct debit.

Despite financial constraints, the membership fee has remained at £20 since 2012. We encourage all our supporters to advocate for M.A.U.K. and inspire your friends, family, and coworkers to join M.A.U.K. – Our Extended Family.

Website - www.mauk.org

The website mainly informs members about M.A.U.K. activities and archives our records. Members can also download M.A.U.K. policies, annual reports and accounts, forms, and other publications.

Social Media : MAUKLONDON

M.A.U.K. continues to increase its presence on social media through our Facebook, Instagram, Threads, and YouTube handles under 'mauklondon'.

Media Partners

M.A.U.K. maintains a good rapport with various print, online, and visual media targeted at the Malayalee community. We are grateful for their continued support. We express our gratitude to: UKmalayalee.com, Kerala Link, KaumudiEurope, britishmalayali.com, europemalayali.com, Anand Media, Britishkairali.co.uk, Manoramaonline and Radio Lime.

Kerala House

Kerala House bookings for private functions and community gatherings have significantly increased over the last few years. Community and faith-based groups use Kerala House regularly at preferential rates. Location, easy access by public transport and affordable rates has been the prime reasons for this increase.

Kerala House is also available for members of the local community for wakes and other funeral gatherings and rituals. Many members have used this service in the last year as it is located within a short distance from Manor Park Crematorium. Although we offer the premises free of charge, all users havee donated money to the up-keeping of Kerala House.

The free booking of Kerala House for life members was extended to 30 December 2023. Any life members who hasnt yet to used their free booking have now lost this privilege.

Arts, Cultural & Social activities

MAUKBharathanatyam Students

MAUK Chilanka: Dancers Forum

MAUK Chilanka was created as a platform for dancers of various genres, mainly Indian Classical, folk and cinematic dance. The influx of students from Kerala has seen a rise in artists seeking opportunities to train, collaborate and perform, which Chilanka hopes to address. In 2023, Chilanka artists performed at major stages, including MAUK Onam Celebrations, KCWA Ponnonam and the High Commision of India's the Independence Day and Foundation Day Celebrations.

Kattankappium Kavithayum (Coffee and Poetry)

M.A.U.K.'s literary group was launched on 08 October 2010 at Kerala House to celebrate the notable poet O.N.V Kurup winning the Jnanpith Award, the highest literary Award in India. It is an independent body headed by Poet Priyavarathan Sathyavrithan and supported by Muralee Mukundan and Manampoor Suresh. It has conducted 142 episodes, during which most of today's Malayalam literary personalities have blessed the gathering with their presence. The Kattankappi team meets regularly online and in person at Kerala House, where participants discuss literary works, current affairs and the and the environment and Famous Malayalam novelist and story writer T D Ramakrishnan, literary critic Dr K Prasannarajan and Magic Planet founder and magician Gopinath Mutukad participated in various events organised by Kattankappiuim Kavithayum in 2023. The year also witnessed a session with Manambur Suresh, a prominent member of Kattankappi, following the release of his book 'Ray Muthal London Festival Vare', viewing and discussions on acclaimed films 'Gandhi' and 'Tokyo Story' and an online poetry reading session.

For in-depth reports and activities of Kattankappi, visit http://coffeeandpoetry.org

Malayalam Classes

In 1980, MAUK started the first Malayalam classes in the U.K. After a short break during the pandemic, we have restarted the Malayalam language. Rebranded as 'Madhuram Malayalam' the classes restarted on Vijayadashami day in 2023 and take place on selected Sunday under the leadership of Sabith Pillai. This initiative aims to familiarise children with the richness and heritage of Malayalam language and learn the basics.

Join our Malayalam classes for both children and adults at Kerala House on Sundays.

London Academy of Dravidian Arts (LADA.)

L.A.D.A. is M.A.U.K.'s endeavour to nourish and promote Dravidian Arts and Language in the U.K. Our aim is to work collaboratively with other organisation to preserve and promote Dravidian arts and culture. In 2023, we have restarted most of the classes that were suspended during the pandemic and have start ed new ones. LADA is managed by director Anilkumar Edavana

Chenda Troupe

M.A.U.K. Chenda Troupe, founded in 2011 under the training and guidance of Vinod Navadhara, has grown into the leading Chenda Troupe

In 2023 the Troupe performed at many prestigious events, including the Chariot festivals of London Sri Murugan Temple, Lakshmi Narayana Temple, Ilford Ganapathi Temple, Sai Baba festival, Aylesbury Church and the inauguration of Nagapooshini Temple in Harrow.

Chenda Classes

The Chenda classes currently take place at Kerala House on Thursday evenings and Sunday mornings, with 24 students in 3 classes.

MAUK Chilanka: Dancers Forum

In June 2023 we restarted Bharathanatyam Classes. The classes are designed for children and adults who are beginners or returning to Bharathanatyam after a long time. Through high-quality teaching, students can explore and refine a range of adavu (steps), improve their coordination and build their stamina as they explore the fundamentals of movement technique and rhythm. The class, taught in Kalashethra style by Ms Jasline Shimmy Antony, currently has twenty one stuents.

Janani - MAUK Annual Souvenir

To comply with our commitment to being an environmentally sustainable organisation Janani was published as an e-magazine. The magazine, edited by Gagana Priyan and Priyavarathan Sathyavrithan, can be downloaded from the M.A.U.K. website.

MAUK Chenda students performing at London Tamil Sangam Pongal celebrations.

Akshara: M.A.U.K. Book Club

The book club initiated by Sudha Das on 12 June 2021, intends to promote the Malayalam language and literature and engage its members in discussions, debates and evaluations of literary work through Zoom meetings. Sessions occur every few months, leaving participants time to read the selected text. In 2023, texts discussed included Haridwarle manikal muzhangunnu by M Mukundan, Oru sankeerthanam pole by Perembadavam Sreedharan, Manj by M T Vasudevan Nair, Ini njan urangatte by P K Balakrishnan

Akshara currently has 49 Malayalam enthusiasts from across the globe as active members.

M.A.U.K. OnaSadhaya

Every year, M.A.U.K. volunteers prepare the scrumptious Sadhya we serve under the supervision of the Elders. In 2023, 260 home-cooked Sadhyas were served on Saturday, 03 September, at Trinity Centre in East London. We thank all our volunteers for the hard work each year they have put in to keep this tradition alive.

M.A.U.K. Onasadhya has charity at heart. Every year, we add a nominal fee to the cost of the Sadhya to provide a similar number of Sadhyas in orphanages and care homes in Kerala on the same day. In 2023, we provided over 175 Sadhyas at Nalla Samarayan Asrasam in Kanjirapally, Kottayam. Onasadhya was led by MAUK volunteer Nihas Rawther and the director in charge was Aloysius Mathew

Ponnonam 2023

Onam is the celebration of oneness. Since the early 1970s, M.A.U.K. has been celebrating Onam, the harvest festival of Kerala, in grand splendour every year without fail. The celebration has become a much-revered date in the calendar of the U.K. Malayalees and is one of the largest and most significant social gatherings of Malayalees in the U.K.

The 2023 festivities took place on Sunday, September 17th, 2023, at Redbridge Town Hall in Ilford, drew a crowd of 400 . The event featured captivating performances by visiting artists from Kerala and notable local musicians and dancers. The lineup included Christakala, Santosh Njarakkal, Kalabhavan Joshy Baiju Jose, and Rels Robson. The event was hels as a fundraiser for MAUK Gowri Project an initative by Thanal

The director in charge of the celebration was Aji Gangadharan, and the Volunteer Lead was Praseeda Gopa

BHARATHAYANATYAM: THE NEWHAM CONNECTIONS

In 2023, MAUK collaborated with Newham Heritage Month to explore the role of the London Borough of Newham in popularising Bharatanatyam in the UK.

With funding from the National Lottery Heritage Fund, our volunteers conducted research and documented the spread of the relatively unknown South Indian art form Bharathanatyam in Newham from the mid-1980s to the 1990s. During this period, Bharathanatyam gained popularity in the UK as a leading South Asian art form, with many local artists achieving international recognition through traditional, contemporary, and collaborative productions.

MAUK volunteers researched on how support from local authorities and other statutory bodies helped the classes flourish in community centres and church halls. This support provided opportunities for South Asian youth to learn about their heritage while also instilling discipline and a sense of belonging during a time when racial harassment was all too common in their lives.

MAUK Volunteers conducted interviews with Bharatanatyam exponents and class coordinators to gain a better understanding of the key players and their motivation for propagating the art form in the UK. These archived interviews are available on Newham Heritage Month's website and can be accessed at https://www.newhamheritagemonth.org/records/bharathanatyam-in-newham/.

The show was inaugrated by MAUK Chairperson Anil Edavana, Jan Cullen (Creative Heritage Producer) and James King (Programme Manager) of Newham Heritage Month. The event was hosted by Ajitha Sajeev, MAUK volunteer and receipent of the British Empire Medal.

Photo credits: A Rajeev

As a finale to the Bharathanatyam project, MAUK conducted 'Cultural Newham', which showcased Newham's vibrant multiculturalism through the folk and traditional dances and music of its diverse communities. The event had two segments.

Part 1: 'Dances of Newham' showcased the different dance genres represented in Newham, with a prominent focus on Bharathanatyam.

Part 2: 'Sounds of Newham' featured a dance floor with a live DJ that showcased the influence of ethnic music. This promoted inclusiveness and brought together people from various cultures to dance to a wide range of ethnic musical genres. The DJ teamed up with the MAUK Percussion group to perform live instrumental music alongside the dance tracks, creating a unique and inspiring musical experience.

Festive Sangamam 2023 (FS2023): M.A.U.K. Annual Charity Fundraiser

FS2023 was held on Saturday, 16 December 2023, at the London Venues Manor Park, 30A Church Rd, London E12 6AQ. Entertainment of the evening included dances coordinated by MAUK Women's Forum and dance floor with DJ Azeer. The evening's dinner was catered for by Halal Restaurant, Aldgate. Director **Mohandas Madhavanandan** coordinated the event supported by volunteers Praseeda Gopan. and Nithin Raj

Moving Together

MAUK and the Insitute of Connected Communities, University of East London co-hosted a classical Indian dance workshop and lecture by the renowned dancers Srikanth and Aswathy during their tour of the UK

The free vent took place at Kerala House on 29 October 2023.

MAUK Women's Forum

M.A.U.K Women's Forum (W.F.) aims to empower women by providing them with a platform to speak up, raise awareness of issues faced by women in society and campaign for equality, respect and appreciation of all women. The Forum will also provide a support network for women in the community when required and complement M.A.U.K's charitable work.

International Women's Day (I.W.D.) Celebration

MAUK WF celebrated I.W.D. on Saturday, 25 March, at Kerala House. in Manor Park, London E12. Cultural programmes, interactive talks and Q&A on various topics that affects the day-to-day lives of women and home cooked food were the hightlights of the event which was coordinated by Sheena Nair with the support of other W.F. members.

Discussion Group

This is a Women's Forum initiative focused on discussing topics of significance to women in contemporary society. Discussions run every couple of months and take place virtually.

Thiruvathira Club

The Thiruvathira Club was started by Jayalekha Priyavarathan in 2018. Classes are taught online by a professional tutor, Deepa Sajeev, in Kerala. Classes run fortnightly and are open to people of all ages and abilities. Members of the Club also gather at Kerala House regularly to practice and socialise.

Palla Thulli Peru Vellam

This is a charity project run by the Women's Forum. The idea at the heart of this venture is to make it possible for everyone to contribute to charitable endeavours. People are invited to donate £1 to celebrate a loved one's birthday or other special occasions, and these donations will feed into a collection that supports women's empowerment in Kerala.

Anthakshari

The programme began in May 2021 and meets online every fortnight, where participants play the musical game Anthakshari. On average, there are 10 - 15 participants per event. Participants, especially those housebound eagerly look forward to the meeting as it enables them to interact with other like-minded people.

MAUK Women's Forum 2023 Subcommittee

Coordinator: Jayalekha Priyavarathan, Sub-committee members: Rashme Joi, Radha Rajan, Sudha Das, Sheena Nair, Sumathy Raveendran, Sulatha Sambasivan, Gagana Priyan, Swarna Nair, Indra Raveendran and Rajeswari Sadasivan

To join MAUK WF, please contact on wf@mauk.org / 07412671671

M.A.U.K. Elders Services

M.A.U.K. Thursday Lunch Club

M.A.U.K. Lunch Club, part of M.A.U.K. Elders Services, has been functioning since 1998. This tailor-made service is a unique platform for Elders in our community to meet, chat and share their cultural identity and shared experiences. Club participants enjoy various activities, including card and board games, exercise classes, knitting, arts and crafts, poetry, film, picnics, trips, etc. Kerala lunch is also provided each week. The Clud was supported by Public Health, London Borpugh of Newham to function as a warm centre for local elders from all communities and currently has over 50 regular attendees.

To ensure the smooth operation of this bespoke and essential service, M.A.U.K. has successfully introduced a sponsorship scheme through which kind-hearted individuals and community-spirited businesses can sponsor the cost of running the Lunch Club for a day. People and businesses were given the opportunity to sponsor a day as part of their celebrations of an auspicious occasion, in memory of someone beloved, as a promotion of your business, or to support this essential service.

The elders celebrated Onam with a special feast, games on Saturday, 09 September. The Club's Christmas gathering was hels on Satuday, 9 of December with Christmas dinner and dance performances by the magnificant Gayathri Sasidharan. The Club was managed by directors R Sambasivan and Suresh Sukumaran. Please contact us if you wish to sponsor a day at the Lunch Club

M.A.U.K. Befriending Services

The gravity and value of this outstanding and compassionate service run as part of the Elders Service were highlighted during the pandemic. In addition to getting the housebound to participate in online activities, M.A.U.K. volunteers regularly visit the housebound, accompany them to the park and do their shopping if requested.

If you know anyone who could improve their well-being with this service, please email their details to info@mauk.org or call us on 07931207834, and we will gladly visit them.

60+ Sisters Club

In 2006, a dedicated M.A.U.K. volunteer, Mrs Girija Nair (late), started the Sisters Club to provide friendship and support for women over 60. Activities of the Club.

Saturday 26 May 2023, MAUK 60+ Sisters Club members went on their first group outing, since the Pandemic. On route to Southend seaside, the minibus was lively with chit-chats, jokes, anthakshari and snacks. Six hours later, after a sightseeing tour on an open-top bus, a train ride to the longest pier in the world, lots of sunshine and cool seaside breeze and a scrumptious freshly made fish n chips, the return journey was muted and boring. But everyone had a great, fun-filled day out and is looking forward to the next outing.

Our sincere thanks to the Ford Dunton Community Bus for facilitating the trip.

M.A.U.K. in the Community

FOUNDATION DAY CELEBRATION

MAUK represented Kerala, at the Indian High Commission's Foundation Day Celebration on 3rd November. Cultural programmes from 10 Indian states that was formed in November and food from the respective states were the highlight of the event. MAUK Chilanka artists performed Mohiniattam to mark Keralapravi at the event

MAUK Chilanka artists Shilpa Satheesh & Manjusha Usha with HCI First Minister of Coordination Shri Deepak Chowdhury.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS AT THE HCI

On 12 December 2023, MAUK directors and volunteers joined the High Commissioner and other officials for a Christmas gathering at the India House.

INDIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

As usual, MAUK represented the Malayalee Community at the Independence Day Celebration organised by the High Commission of India, along with Indian Diaspora organisations. The grand celebration was held at Navnat Centre in Hayes, Middlesex on XX August 2023, attracting thousands of Indians and supporters of India from across Europe. The event commenced at 11 AM with the flag hoisting ceremony by the High Commission and finished at 4 PM. MAUK's stall at the event provided freshly cooked dosa and chutney, sweet and savoury snacks, and lime juice throughout the day. MAUK artists Dona Rajesh and Preethy Sukush performed Mohiniattam.

Our sincere thanks to Daily Delight and Thattukada for their wonderful support.

THE LONDON MAYOR'S COMMUNITY WEEKEND

MAUK also became part of the London Mayor's Community Weekend which was held throughout London from Friday, June 23 to Sunday, June 25, 2023. MAUK marked the occasion at Kerala House on Sunday by offering Kerala snacks and drinks to the public, while answering their questions about the organisation and the British Malayalee community from the gazebo at the front of Kerala House.

Passersby were welcomed into Kerala House to participate in various engaging activities to promote inclusivity and enjoy a Kerala-style lunch. Officials from the Mayor's office joined in the fun

Increasing social, economic and legal issues in the Malayalee community

The Malayalee population in the U.K. is growing rapidly, and along with it, their diverse needs and issues. These issues range from visa scams, immigration crimes, employment and accommodation-related concerns, food shortages, and homelessness to domestic violence, loneliness, and mental health problems. M.A.U.K. is at the forefront of addressing these issues, and the number of people seeking help from M.A.U.K. is increasing. To assist those in need, we have assembled a team of experienced volunteers. Currently, on average, our volunteers deal with three to four such cases every week. However, achieving the desired outcomes for the callers is not always possible due to financial, legal, and medical limitations. Nonetheless, we strive to provide a sympathetic, non-judgmental listening ear, which most callers find soothing and reassuring. Sometimes, that's all it takes to help someone through a difficult time.

M.A.U.K. Girija Nair - Volunteer of the Year Award 2023

The Volunteer Award was initiated in 2003 to celebrate, acknowledge and appreciate the instrumental contributions of M.A.U.K. Volunteers. The Award was renamed M.A.U.K. Girija Nair Award in 2014 to honour one of M.A.U.K.'s steadfast and inspirational volunteers.

The 2023 Volunteer of the Year Award was presented to Lali Bharathan for her help, support and weekly commitment at MAUK Food Bank.

Read more at http://mauk.org/girija-nair-volunteer-awards

MAUK Thanal: Charity Endeavours

Repatriation of Mortal Remains

M.A.U.K., with the financial support of the High Commission of India (HCI) and logistical support of N.O.R.K.A., repatriated the mortal remains of 1 Indian nationals back to their families in Kerala. Incidents like this are becoming a regular occourance among our community. Therefore, M.A.U.K. published a 'Case Review and Recommendation for Future Incidents' prepared by MAUK volunteers Mini Raghavan, Balagopal and Sreejith Sreedharan. This document can be accessed at mauk.org/repatriation_case_study

Thanal House Building Projects

MAUK Thanal successfully completed the 8th house-building project for vulnerable families in Kerala. We handed over the keys to Thankamani in Chirakkara Panchayath on 19 Jan 2024.

During his extended holiday in Kerala, Suresh Bhaskaran, a MAUK life member, supervised the construction. Special thanks to Shan from Shan Properties for generously contributing the majority of the funds for this endeavour.

Looking forward to 2024, the 9th house building initiative, the Gowri Project, has been launched to assist an underprivileged family in Paravoor, Kollam. The keys are set to be handed over in spring 2024.

Aji Ganagadran is the director in charge of MAUK Thanal. We sincerly thank all or doners for enabling us to deliver 8 houses deserving families. We prioroitse single parent families with teenage daughter to ensure their safety and security.

The end result of Thankamani Project

Closure of Food Bank

MAUK Food Bank was established on April 3, 2020, during the COVID-19 lockdown to provide assistance to vulnerable families. Since then, we have distributed tens of thousands of meals to hundreds of families. We were one of the founding members of the Newham Food Alliance, which currently supports numerous food banks across Newham. Unfortunately, due to financial constraints and the disproportionate misuse of the large number of food banks serving Newham residents, we have made the difficult decision to cease food bank operations as of June 25, 2023.

The 50+ households that relied on our service were referred to other food banks in the Borough. We sincerely thank Public Health Newham, local businesses, kind-hearted donors and most of all, our volunteers whose support have enabled us to fight food poverty as well as rise up to the challenges of the Pandemic.

R Sambasivan, the director in charge of the food bank was ably supported by 10 directors and volunteers.

Foundation work being done for the Gowri Project

Accounts

The 2023 Accounts, which Haridas Bhaskaran audited, are published along with this report. We sincerely thank Haridas for meticulously completing this painstaking task for the 5th year running.

End of Report

MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION OF THE UK
Kerala House, 671 Romford road, Manor Park, London E12 5AD
Company registration No.4934084, Charity Registration No.1102653
INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

			Year ended 31 December 2023			Year ended 31 December 2022		
	Surplus/(Deficit) from activities	**Notes**	**Income**	**Expenditure**	**Net £**	**Income**	**Expenditure**	**Net £**
1	Bereavement Support		996.80	-	996.80	400.00	(33.00)	367.00
2	Chenda Lessons		3,592.00	(2,921.47)	670.53	3,098.00	(2,286.00)	812.00
3	Covid19 (FoodBank)		6,180.00	(10,762.36)	(4,582.36)	5,764.18	(12,231.02)	(6,466.84)
4	Dance Classes		3,072.00	(1,911.08)	1,160.92	-	-	-
5	Elders Services		3,363.00	(9,934.15)	(6,571.15)	3,772.37	(4,313.19)	(540.82)
6	Equipment Hire		435.00	-	435.00	-	-	-
7	Festive Sangaman		5,463.41	(5,568.34)	(104.93)	2,210.52	(2,378.98)	(168.46)
8	Grand Events - Fundraisers	16	8,839.00	-	8,839.00	1,469.08	-	1,469.08
9	IWD		468.00	(409.77)	58.23	873.50	(881.47)	(7.97)
10	Janani		-	(107.61)	(107.61)	-	(513.72)	(513.72)
11	Kerala House Events	21	990.00	(13,655.86)	(12,665.86)	598.08	(447.08)	151.00
12	Keyboard Lessons		904.00	(791.42)	112.58	-	(355.00)	(355.00)
13	Keralolsav		-	(25.00)	(25.00)	18,740.85	(28,996.56)	(10,255.71)
14	Malayalam Classes		-	(44.89)	(44.89)	-	-	-
15	Music Performance		560.00	(200.00)	360.00	230.00	-	230.00
16	Music Classes		664.00	(446.00)	218.00	-	-	-
17	Onam		11,491.94	(12,176.37)	(684.43)	16,544.68	(16,860.70)	(316.02)
18	Project Grants	18	8,231.47	(8,231.47)	-	10,301.18	(10,301.18)	-
19	Thalamura		-	-	-	400.00	-	400.00
20	UK Coach Trips		-	-	-	945.00	(920.00)	25.00
21	Womens Forum		354.90	(290.00)	64.90	836.90	(790.88)	46.02
	Total Activities		**55,605.52**	**(67,475.79)**	**(11,870.27)**	**66,184.34**	**(81,308.78)**	**(15,124.44)**
	Other Income							
22	Charity Fund Inc		1,660.86	-	1,660.86	2,501.40	-	2,501.40
23	Directors Fund Inc		-	-	-	50.00	-	50.00
24	Donation - Miscellaneous		1,832.01	-	1,832.01	1,767.94	-	1,767.94
25	Grant Inc	20	30,559.46	-	30,559.46	14,005.00	-	14,005.00
26	GiftAid Inc		8,372.66	-	8,372.66	10,052.42	-	10,052.42
27	Kerala House Donation		6,812.50	-	6,812.50	3,935.00	-	3,935.00
28	Miscellaneous - Inc		-	-	-	30.05	-	30.05
29	Membership - Inc		5,081.27	-	5,081.27	4,225.02	-	4,225.02
	Total Other Income		**54,318.76**	**-**	**54,318.76**	**36,566.83**	**-**	**36,566.83**
	Expenditure							
30	Accountany & Audit		-	(700.00)	(700.00)	-	1,260.00	1,260.00
31	Bad Debts Written off	6	-	(44.00)	(44.00)	-	(323.00)	(323.00)
32	Caretaker Expense		-	-	-	-	(30.00)	(30.00)
33	Depreciation	19	-	(3,887.87)	(3,887.87)	-	(3,623.22)	(3,623.22)
34	General Expense	10	-	(802.56)	(802.56)	-	(1,411.63)	(1,411.63)
35	Insurance		-	(856.98)	(856.98)	-	(524.51)	(524.51)
36	IT & Software		-	(373.97)	(373.97)			
37	KH Maintenance		-	(4,788.14)	(4,788.14)	4,265.21	(6,317.02)	(2,051.81)
38	London Borough of Newham (LBN)	5	-	(697.63)	(697.63)	-	(1,165.60)	(1,165.60)
39	Phone & Internet		-	(1,000.28)	(1,000.28)	-	(705.82)	(705.82)
40	Payment Systems		-	(17.17)	(17.17)	-	(3.62)	(3.62)
41	TV License		-	(159.00)	(159.00)	-	(159.00)	(159.00)
42	Utility Bills	4	-	(4,414.76)	(4,414.76)	-	(2,903.44)	(2,903.44)
43	Volunteers		-	(180.49)	(180.49)	-	(18.07)	(18.07)
44	Website		-	(756.72)	(756.72)	-	(754.32)	(754.32)
	Total Expenditure		**-**	**(18,679.57)**	**(18,679.57)**	**4,265.21**	**(16,679.25)**	**(12,414.04)**
	Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		**109,924.28**	**(86,155.36)**	**23,768.92**	**107,016.38**	**(97,988.03)**	**9,028.35**
	Designated Funds (movements for the year)							
	(movements for the year)							
45	Charity Fund	11	2,000.00	(2,430.86)	(430.86)	2,500.00	(3,031.84)	(531.84)
46	Elder Services Fund	12	1,000.00	-	1,000.00	-	(2,000.00)	(2,000.00)
47	General Reserves	17	-	(21,000.00)	(21,000.00)	4,265.21	(9,000.00)	(4,734.79)
48	Kerala House Fund	13	4,000.00	-	4,000.00	500.00	(4,265.21)	(3,765.21)
49	Kerala Outreach Fund	14	9,000.00	(5,800.61)	3,199.39	2,420.00	(7,269.34)	(4,849.34)
50	Mobility Fund	15	5,000.00	-	5,000.00	4,500.00	-	4,500.00
	Total Designated Funds		**21,000.00**	**(29,231.47)**	**(8,231.47)**	**14,185.21**	**(25,566.39)**	**(11,381.18)**
	Net Movement in funds		**130,924.28**	**(115,386.83)**	**15,537.45**	**121,201.59**	**(123,554.42)**	**(2,352.83)**
	Total Funds/reserves brought forward				**392,180.70**			**394,533.53**
	Total Unrestricted Funds and Reserves carried forward				**407,718.15**			**392,180.70**

MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION OF THE UK

Charity Registration No.1102653 Company registration No.4934084

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	2023	2022
FIXED ASSETS		**£**	£
Building		317,510.00	317,510.00
Others - Net Value		11,280.24	13,600.23
		328,790.24	**331,110.23**
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	7	3,216.00	10,161.42
Prepayments	8	(1,072.00)	(736.50)
Cash in hand		816.49	800.36
Bank Accounts		80,112.05	57,065.75
		83,072.54	**67,291.03**
LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors - Various		(3,391.63)	(5,945.56)
Accruals	9	(753.00)	(275.00)
		(4,144.63)	**(6,220.56)**
NET ASSETS		**407,718.15**	**392,180.70**
FINANCED BY:			
Restricted Funds / Designated Funds			
Charity Fund	11	7,347.48	7,778.34
Elders Services Fund	12	1,920.00	920.00
Kerala House Fund	13	29,586.66	25,586.66
Kerala Outreach Fund	14	4,851.33	1,651.94
Mobility Fund	15	14,500.00	9,500.00
Unrestricted Funds			
Building Revaluation Reserve		236,546.00	236,546.00
General Reserves	17	89,197.76	101,169.41
Surplus/(deficit) from income & expenditure		23,768.92	9,028.35
		407,718.15	**392,180.70**

For the year ending 31 December 2023, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

(i) The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

(ii) The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

(iii) These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime

Approved by the Board of Directors on 19th May 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Mr Sreejith Sreedharan
Chair Person

Nishar VP
Company Secretary

Aloysius Mathew
Finance Director

MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION OF THE UK
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS 2023

1 The financial statements have been prepared on the accruals basis in accordance with the 2008 Regulations and the SORP, under the historical cost convention, as modified by the inclusion of fixed asset investments at market value.

2 **Fund accounting**

• **Unrestricted funds** (General fund) are available for use at the discretion of the directors in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Unrestricted funds include a revaluation reserve representing the restatement of investment assets at market values.

• **Designated funds** are unrestricted funds that have been earmarked for a particular purpose by the trustees. The notes to the accounts should explain the purpose of designated funds.

• **Restricted funds** are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

3 **Directors' Expenses** - No expenses were paid to any of the directors during the year, except to reimburse them for purchases made on behalf of the the company.

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Utility Bills	**2023**	**2022**
Electricity	(3,127.13)	(2,618.93)
Gas	(1,247.63)	(193.05)
Water	(40.00)	(91.46)
Total	**(4,414.76)**	**(2,903.44)**

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London Borough of Newham (LBN) expenses are made up of:	**2023**	**2022**
Premises License	(180)	(180)
Council Tax	(517.63)	(985.60)
	(697.63)	**(1,165.60)**

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Bad Debts Write Off	**2023**	**2022**
Chenda Group Lessons	44.00	(98.00)
Keyboard Lessons		(225.00)
Total	**44.00**	**(323.00)**

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Debtors	**2023**	**2022**
Chenda Lessons	216.00	874.00
Dance Lessons	480.00	-
Keyboard Lessons	96.00	-
Music Lessons	64.00	-
Sponsorships	2,500.00	-
Hire Booking	(140.00)	(765.00)
HMRC GiftAid		10,052.42
Total	**3,216.00**	**10,161.42**

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Prepayments	**2023**	**2022**
Chenda Tutor Fees		97.50
Sponsorships	1,000.00	1,000.00
KH Hall deposits		(375.00)
Ponnonam 2023		(250.00)
Student Fees	72.00	264.00
Total	**1,072.00**	**736.50**

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Accruals	**2023**	**2022**
Accountancy	(700.00)	
Ponnonam		(200.00)
Festive Sangamam	147.00	
Dance Lessons Premises hire	(200.00)	
Design Cost		(75.00)
Total	**(753.00)**	**(275.00)**

10 **General expenses mainly consist of the following:**

AGM & Refreshments		351.23
Digital Marketing		47.05
Digital Media Production		261.25
Regulatory Related cost		63.00
Printing & Stationary		80.03
Total		**802.56**

11 **Charity Fund** - The surpluses generated from charity fundraising projects are transferred to this restricted fund and will be only used for charitable activities. In 2023, the board decided to setaside additional £2000 for this purpose.The releases from this fund is shown in Project Grants activity.

12 **Elder Services Fund** -The surpluses generated from Elders Services projects are transferred to this restricted fund and will be only used for future Elder services activities. In 2023, the board decided to release £1000 towards restarting and supporting elder services from this fund.

13 **Kerala House Fund** - MAUK directors wish to setaside funds periodically from the surpluses, to fund major repairs, maintenance, renovation of Kerala House (KH). In 2023, the board decided to setaside additional £4000 to this fund.

14 **Kerala OutReach Fund** - MAUK directors setaside funds periodically from the surpluses generated from fundraising projects. The designated fund will only be used for Kerala Outreach charity activities. At yearend, the board decided to setaside additional £9000 for this fund**.** The releases from this fund is shown in Project Grants activity in 2023.

15 **Mobility Fund** -Program includes purchase and operation of MiniBus/vehicles for the Elderly community users. In 2023, considering the need the board decided to setaside additional amont of £5000 to this fund.

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Grand Events - FundRaisers	**2023**	**2022**
KOF-House Building Appeal	8,839.00	1,469.08
Total	**8,839.00**	**1,469.08**

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General Reserves Movements	**2023**	**2022**
Opening Balance	26,885.61	31,620.40
Capital Exp		4265.21
Kerala House Fund	(4,000.00)	(500.00)
Elder Services Fund	(1,000.00)	-
Kerala OutReach Fund	(9,000.00)	(1,500.00)
Charity Fund	(2,000.00)	(2,500.00)
MAUK Mobility Fund	(5,000.00)	(4,500.00)
Total	**5,885.61**	**26,885.61**

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Project Grants	**2023**	**2022**
KOF Project 7 Trivandrum (on going)	3,887.86	
KOF Project 8 Trivandrum (on going)	1,912.75	
Charity Fund Projects 24-27 (Completed)	2,430.86	3,031.84
Total	**8,231.47**	**3,031.84**

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Depreciation and Net Value of Assets, other than Building	**Net cost as at 01 Jan 2022**	**Additions 2023**	**Cost as at 31 Dec 2023**	**Depreciation**	**Net Bal as at 31 Dec 2023**
Furniture & Fittings	12,483.84	977.88	13,461.72	(3,101.86)	10,359.86
Office Equipments	820.70	-	820.70	(372.32)	448.38
Music Instruments	27.00	-	27.00	(27.00)	-
Event Equipments	268.69	590.00	858.69	(386.69)	472.00
Assets Under Construction	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**13,600.23**	**1,567.88**	**15,168.11**	**(3,887.87)**	**11,280.24**

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Grants Income	**2023**
LBN - Newham Heritage Month Grant	7,200.00
LBN - Warm Hevean and Community Meals Grant	8,000.00
NFA Household Support Fund	10,000.00
Food Club Grants	3,359.46
Mayors Weekend Grant	1,500.00
Kings Coronation Grant	500.00
Total	**30,559.46**

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Kerala House Events	**Expenditure**	**Income**	**Net £**	**Notes**
HCI Foundation Day	(69.96)		(69.96)	MAUK Funded
IID Celebrations Event	(711.98)	250.00	(461.98)	MAUK Funded
Kings Coronation Day Event	(355.54)		(355.54)	Grant Funded
Mayors Weekend Event	(615.44)		(615.44)	Grant Funded
Newham Civic Performance Day	(160.00)	240.00	80.00	
Newham Heritage Month Event	(8,086.11)		(8,086.11)	Grant Funded 89%
Directors Fundraisers	(275.97)	500.00	224.03	
Theyyam Project	(3,380.86)		(3,380.86)	Staging in 2024
Total	**(13,655.86)**	**990.00**	**(12,665.86)**	

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Honorary Audit completed by
HARIDAS BHASKARAN

Final Accounts signed off by
MAATMANN ACCOUNTANTS, HARLOW

The Board of Directors
Malayalee Association of the UK (MA UK)
Honorary Audit Report
For the Year Ended 31 December 2023

Date: 10 August 2024

Introduction

I am pleased to present the Honorary Audit Report for the Malayalee Association of the UK (MA UK) for the fiscal year ended 31 December 2023. This report is based on the financial information provided and summarizes my observations and findings from the audit process. As this is an honorary audit, it is important to note that the procedures performed were limited in scope and were not conducted in accordance with full professional audit standards.

Scope of the Audit

The scope of this honorary audit involved reviewing key financial statements, transactions, and internal control procedures of MA UK for the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023. The objective was to provide limited assurance regarding the accuracy and reliability of the financial information disclosed by the charity.

Management Responsibilities

The responsibility for maintaining accurate financial records and preparing reliable financial statements rests with the Board of Directors of MA UK. My honorary audit does not relieve the Board of these responsibilities, and the findings herein are based on the limited scope of the procedures performed.

Audit Findings

1. **Financial Statements**

   Upon review of the financial statements of MA UK for the year ended 31 December 2023, no material misstatements or inaccuracies were identified. The financial statements present a fair and accurate reflection of the charity's financial position as of 31 December 2023.

2. **Income and Expenditure**

   A review of over 300 income and expenditure transactions was conducted during the audit period. These transactions were supported by appropriate documentation and properly recorded in the accounting system. However, there is a need to enhance the

clarity of narratives and references in the ledgers and bank statements to improve transparency and traceability.

3. **Compliance with Legal and Regulatory Requirements**

   My review indicates that MA UK has generally complied with applicable legal and regulatory requirements relevant to its operations. However, given the honorary nature of this audit, detailed compliance testing was not performed, and this assessment is based on the information provided.

4. **Internal Controls**

   The internal controls in place at MA UK appear to be adequate for a charity of its size and nature. Nevertheless, given the limited scope of this audit, full assurance on the effectiveness of internal controls cannot be provided.

Observations & Recommendations

While the honorary audit did not uncover any significant issues, I would like to suggest the following recommendations to further strengthen financial practices and enhance transparency:

1. **Regular Review of Financial Records**
   - It is recommended that the income and expenditure entries in the ledgers be regularly reviewed and reconciled with corresponding bank statement transactions. From an audit perspective, all transactions should be easily traceable to the bank statements. Some challenges were encountered in reconciling selected samples during the audit, and a meeting is being organised to review the systems at the earliest convenience.
2. **Training on Financial Systems**
   - On-site training and a thorough understanding of the Free-Agent accounting system are recommended for all individuals involved in the financial management of MA UK, including auditors. This will help ensure consistency and accuracy in financial reporting.
3. **Clear Narratives in Cash Books**
   - Cash book narratives should be clear and include cross-references to related documents. This will aid in the transparency and accuracy of financial records, as noted in Observation 1.
   - **Kerala Projects:** I understand that MA UK is completing its existing commitments and has not undertaken any new projects this year. I have requested a schedule of outstanding commitments for these projects. As an audit sample, MA UK is to provide the project proposal, payment schedule, and current outstanding commitment for the Chirakkara Project.
4. **Documentation for Major Events and Projects**
   - It is considered good practice to provide a proposal form, budget, and final reconciliation for all major events and projects. This ensures financial accountability and transparency.
5. **Rationale for Fund Allocation**
   - Each year, the Board of Directors allocates funds to various projects, such as Elder Services, the Kerala House Fund, and Mobility Funds, etc. While the

notes to the accounts state the amounts set aside each year, it would be beneficial from an audit perspective to understand the rationale behind each decision.

6. **Access to Online Accounting Systems**
    - Auditors should be granted access to the online accounting system to view the audit trail of documentation. This will facilitate more effective auditing and improve oversight.

Conclusion

Based on my honorary audit, MA UK has demonstrated responsible financial management and general compliance with applicable laws and regulations. The financial statements provide a reliable representation of the charity's financial position as of 31 December 2023.

Sincerely,

Haridas Bhaskaran

MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION OF THE UK

England & Wales - Charity number 1102653

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Malayalee Association of the UK

2022 ANNUAL REPORT
PREPARED AND PRESENTED ON BEHALF OF THE DIRECTOR BOARD BY SREEJITH SREEDHARAN, SECRETARY

REGISTRATION

Malayalee Association of the U. K. (hereafter M.A.U.K.) is a Registered Charity (No. 1102653) and a Company Limited by Guarantee (No. 4934084). Therefore, the Board of Directors is responsible as Charity Trustees and Company Directors. M.A.U.K. is also registered with the Information Commission's Office and the Fundraising Regulator. M.A.U.K also works in partnership with the London Borough of Newham

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ELECTIONS

At the last A.G.M. on Sunday, 28 August 2022, the following directors were elected to serve for two consecutive years: Anil Velu, Jayan Pillai, Anil Edavana, Aji Velu, Mohanadas Madhavanandan, Nishar Viswanath and Aloysius Mathew.

The following sitting directors will serve until the forthcoming A.G.M. on Sunday, 24 September 2023: Raman Sambasivan, Sreekumar Kunjuraman, Sreejith Sreedharan, Aji Gangadharan, Murali Pillai, Subash Viswanathan and Rohoney Dayanand.

Members are invited to apply to join the Director Board. The candidates must be members for over two consecutive years to be elected as a director. They must have served as a volunteer for a minimum of one year. Members at the Annual General Meeting will elect directors

Resignation

The following Directors resigned from the Board in 2022.

Subash Viswanathan – Personal reasons
Rohoney Dayanand – Personal reasons

2022 Management Structure

In 2022, each director led one or two tasks of their choice and was encouraged to build a team consisting of experts and interested volunteers. This has boosted our volunteer numbers and their participation.

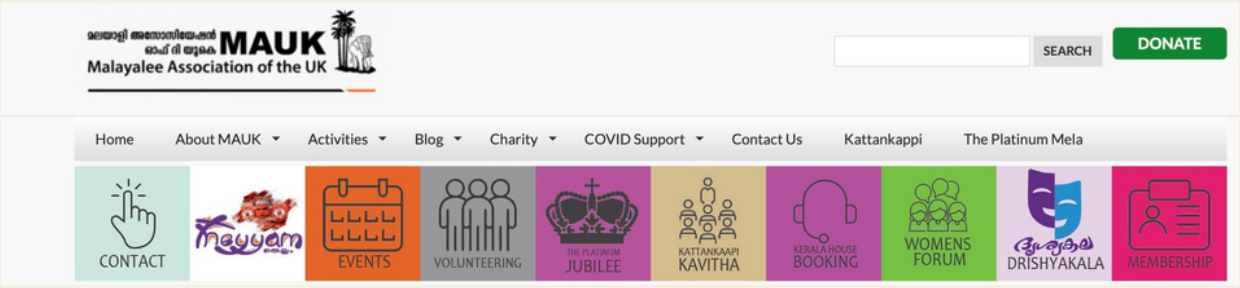
MEMBERSHIP

In 2022 we added 18 new family members to our organisation. Membership requests are mainly received through online mediums. We have simplified and made obtaining membership through our website much more straightforward and have introduced direct debit as an option to pay your yearly subscription.

Despite the financial pressure, the membership fee was held at £20 for the eighth consecutive year. We urge all our supporters to promote M.A.U.K. and encourage your friends, family, and colleagues to become part of M.A.U.K. - Our Extended Family.

Joint Secretary Sreekumar Kunjuraman is the Director in Charge of the Membership. Visit our membership pages for more info – https://mauk.org/membership/why-be-a-member

Website - www.mauk.org



The website is used mainly to inform members about M.A.U.K. activities and archive our records. Members can also download M.A.U.K. policies, annual reports and accounts, forms, and other publications.

Social Media : MAUKLONDON

M.A.U.K. continues to increase its presence on social media through our Facebook, Instagram, Threads, and YouTube handles under 'mauklondon'.

Media Partners

M.A.U.K. maintains a good rapport with various print, online, and visual media targeted at the Malayalee community. We are grateful for their continued support. We express our gratitude to: UKmalayalee.com, Kerala Link, KaumudiEurope, britishmalayali.com, europemalayali.com, Anand Media, Britishkairali.co.uk, Manoramaonline and Radio Lime.

Kerala House

Kerala House bookings for private functions and community gatherings have significantly increased over the last few years. Community and faith-based groups use Kerala House regularly at preferential rates. Location, easy access by public transport and affordable rates has been the prime reasons for this increase.

Kerala House is also available for members of the local community for wakes and other funeral gatherings and rituals. Many members have used this service in the last year as it is located within a short distance from Manor Park Crematorium. Although we offer the premises free of charge, all users have donated money to the up-keeping of Kerala House.

Due to the restrictions imposed due to the pandemic, the Board has decided to extend the deadline for the free booking of Kerala House for life members to 30 December 2023. Any life member who has yet to use their free booking will lose the privilege after this date.

Directors Murali Pillai and Mohanadas Madhavanandan oversee managing the Kerala House.

Arts, Cultural & Social activities

Participnts of Mega Thiruvathirakali organised as part of The PlatinumMela

London Academy of Dravidian Arts (L.A.D.A.)

L.A.D.A. is M.A.U.K.'s endeavour to nourish and promote Dravidian Arts and Language in the U.K. Our priority is to restart all our cultural and language classes that were suspended during the pandemic as well as start new ones under the remit of L.A.D.A. and work collaboratively with other organisation to preserve and promote Dravidian arts and culture.

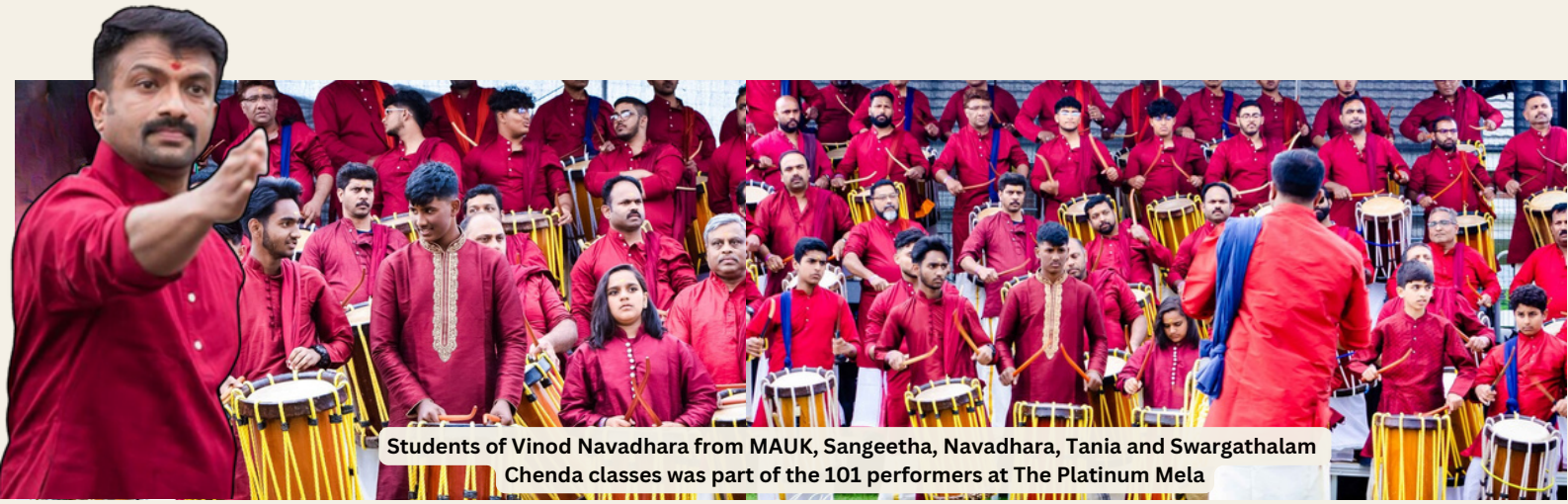
Chenda Troupe

M.A.U.K. Chenda Troupe, founded in 2011 under the training and guidance of Vinod Navadhara, has grown into the leading Chenda Troupe

In 2022 the Troupe performed at many prestigious events, including the Chariot festivals of London Sri Murugan Temple, Lakshmi Narayana Temple, Ilford Ganapathi Temple, Sai Baba festival, Aylesbury Church and the inauguration of Nagapooshini Temple in Harrow.

Chenda Classes

In 2022, M.A.U.K. reintroduced the Chenda classes suspended due to the pandemic. The Chenda classes currently occur on Thursday evenings and Sunday mornings, with 26 students in 3 classes.



Students of Vinod Navadhara from MAUK, Sangeetha, Navadhara, Tania and Swargathalam Chenda classes was part of the 101 performers at The Platinum Mela

Dancers of MAUK Chilanka

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Motherly bond: Chilanka dancer Anjali being congratulated by her son after her performance

MAUK Chilanka: Dancers Forum

MAUK Chilanka was created as a platform for dancers of various genres, mainly Indian Classical, folk and cinematic dance. The influx of students from Kerala has seen a rise in artists seeking opportunities to train, collaborate and perform, which Chilanka hopes to address. In 2022, Chilanka artists performed at major stages, including the Platinum Mela, MAUK Onam Celebrations, KCWA Ponnonam, UUKMA Boat Race, Keleeravam: CM Diaspora Meet and Limelight 2022 Stage show.

Chilanka performances can be booked at a reasonable cost for private and community events. To book, please contact on 07960212334.

Promotion of Traditional Kerala Arts

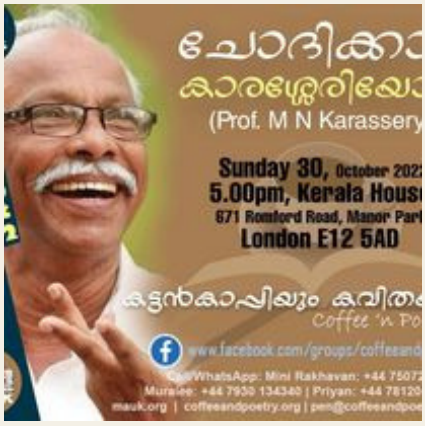
M.A.U.K. is deeply committed to promoting Kerala arts and culture in the U.K. In 2017, we additionally committed to advancing Kerala's diverse ritual, folk and ancient art forms. M.A.U.K. is morally obligated to preserve these declining art forms as they are integral to Kerala's heritage. In addition, this commitment also provides opportunities for the community to experience these invaluable art forms. As part of this commitment, we have showcased Ottanthullal by Jishnu Rajesh at the Onam Celebration.

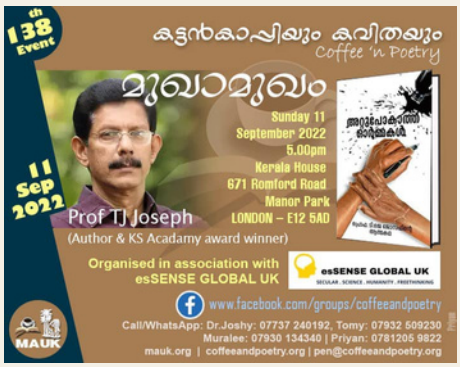
Ottanthullal by Jishnu Rajesh

Sir Stephen Timms, MP for East Ham, inaugurating Ponnonam 2022 ticket sales at Kerala House in the presence of sponsors (Anil Kumar, Swayam Property Services & Sasi Nair, Neil Travel and Tours) and M.A.U.K. directors .

Kattankappiuma Kavithayum (Coffee and Poetry)

M.A.U.K.'s literary group was launched on 08 October 2010 at Kerala House to celebrate the notable poet O.N.V Kurup winning the Jnanpith Award, the highest literary Award in India. It is an independent body headed by Poet Priyavarathan Sathyavrithan and supported by Muralee Mukundan and Manampoor Suresh. It has conducted 142 episodes, during which most of today's Malayalam literary personalities have blessed the gathering with their presence. The Kattankappi team meets regularly online and in person at Kerala House, where participants discuss literary works, current affairs, the environment and the arts.





In January 2020, months before COVID gripped the U.K., the Kattankappi team launched their cyber world activities to spread its message wider and attract global participation. This foresight has given Kattankappi an advantage in bringing people together during the pandemic, and its online presence has since strengthened.

In 2022, Kattankappi organised six online events and three meet-ups at Kerala House in which Academy Award winners and writers Paul Zacharia, Prof. T J Joseph and Prof. M. N. Karassery participated.

For in-depth reports and activities of Kattankappi, visit http://coffeeandpoetry.org

Janani - MAUK Annual Souvenir

Janani, a literary marvel to the world by MAUK, took birth as a quarterly newsletter in 1997. Currently published annually, it aims to promote the thoughts and creativity of Non-resident Keralites.

After a two-year break due to the Pandemic, Janani 2022, M.A.U.K. annual souvenir was published at the Ponnonam stage. To comply with our commitment to being an environmentally sustainable organisation, only 100 hard copies were printed. The magazine, edited by Gagana Priyan and Priyavarathan Sathyavrithan, can be downloaded from the M.A.U.K. website.

https://mauk.org/publications/janani-2022-2

To watch the publication of Janani 2022 at the Ponnonam stage, visit: https://youtu.be/nF2-qMDtPGo

M.A.U.K. OnaSadhaya

Every year, M.A.U.K. volunteers prepare the scrumptious Sadhya we serve under the supervision of the Elders. This year, 210 home-cooked Sadhyas on Saturday, 03 September, at Trinity Centre in East London. We thank all our volunteers for the hard work each year they have put in to keep this tradition alive.

M.A.U.K. Onasadhya has charity at heart. Every year, we add a nominal fee to the cost of the Sadhya we serve here in the U.K. to provide a similar number of Sadhyas in orphanages and care homes in Kerala on the same day. Last year, we provided over 200 Sadhyas at Dr Ambedkar Memorial Rehabilitation Centre in Attingal, Thiruvananthapuram.

The directors in charge of the project were Murali Pillai and Subash Viswanathan.

Ponnonam 2022

Onam is the celebration of oneness. Since the early 1970s, M.A.U.K. has been celebrating Onam, the harvest festival of Kerala, in grand splendour every year without fail. The celebration has become a much-revered date in the calendar of the U.K. Malayalees and is one of the largest and most significant social gatherings of Malayalees in the U.K.

The 2022 celebrations planned for Sunday, 16 September 2022, at Redbridge Town Hall in Ilford were postponed to Sunday, 16 October 2022, due to the demise of H.M. The Queen. The rescheduled celebrations took place at the newly built Little Ilford School Auditorium in Manor Park, London E12 was attended by 360 people, which was the venue's maximum capacity. Highlights included a refreshing Thiruvathira by mums and daughters of M.A.U.K. Thiruvathira Club, energetic cinematic and folk dances by M.A.U.K. Chilanka artists, the stunning harvest dance by Rani & Team, Ottanthullal by Jishnu Rajesh and the ganamela by visiting playback singers Chithra Arun, Abhijith Vijayan and Gokul Harshan alongside M.A.U.K. Nisari musicians.

The director in charge of the celebration was Mohandas Madhavananadan, and the Volunteer Lead for the event was Nihas Rawther.

Festive Sangamam 2022 (FS2022): M.A.U.K. Annual Charity Fundraiser

FS2022 was held on Saturday, 17 December 2022, at the Well Centre in East Ham, London E6. Entertainment of the evening included Karaoke by Music Mojo fame Gokulraj Govind and Gismi Subash and dances by Jyothi Davangere Sangyanaik, followed by DJ Abs of Vibrantz, London. Aswathy Sasidharan hosted the gathering. Halal Restaurant, Aldgate, served the scrumptious three-course North Indian dinner.

Director Nishar V P coordinated the event supported by volunteers Nithin Raj, Arjun Murali and Akash M Francis

The significance of M.A.U.K.'s role as the leading organisation in propagating Kerala arts and culture in the U.K. was highlighted when N.O.R.K.A. (a Kerala government entity) tasked M.A.U.K. to plan and coordinate the cultural gathering that coincided the visit of Kerala Chief Minister Shri Pinarayi Vijayan to the U.K.

N.O.R.K.A. officials selected M.A.U.K. for this task because of its uncompromising apolitical and non-religious track record in serving the U.K. Malayalee community since its inception in the 70s. Focusing on the rich cultural heritage of the Keralite diaspora, M.A.U.K. flawlessly executed the cultural show aptly titled Keleeravam.

Within constrained time, M.A.U.K. pooled together top artists from across the U.K. to present a two-and-a-half-hour show of traditional, folk and classical art forms of Kerala. The event on 09 October at Tudor Park in Feltham, West London, was attended by over 400 people. Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan, other State ministers and community leaders in the U.K. addressed the audience before the cultural extravaganza commenced.

Keleeravam opening ceremony choreographed by Kalabhavan Nice

The Keleeravam team consisted of prominent, experienced and skilled members from across the U.K. Led by M.A.U.K. secretary Sreejith Sreedharan; the team consisted of M.A.U.K. Chair Anilkumar Edavana (Ilford), Balagopal Balakrishnan (Kent), Bijini Jayaprakash (Belfast, Northern Ireland) Cllr. Manju Shaul-Ahmed (Croydon), Faisal Nalakath (West London), Jasline of Shimmy Antony (Chelmsford), Leenumol Chacko (Birmingham), Nidhin Chand (Edinburgh, Scotland), Mini Raghavan (Hayes), Cllr. Philip Abrahim (Epping), Priya Alice (Working), Sandra Dinesh (Cardiff, Wales).

Audience at MAUK Udaya Platinum Mela

UDAYA The Platinum Mela (TPM)

Arguably the highlight of M.A.U.K. in 2022 was the M.A.U.K. Udaya Platinum Mela held at Flanders Field in East London on Friday, 03 June 2022, the additional Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday allocated to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of HM The Queen.

The consultation meeting held on 19 February was attended by 42 people at Kerala House and 31 people online.

After months of preparations, working closely with multiple statutory agencies, putting together pages of project management plans and risk assessment documents, arranging programmes, and obtaining licences, the strenuous and time-consuming work by M.A.U.K. volunteers yielded spectacular results, with over 5000 people attending the all-day event

The Mela, which brought together over 250 artists from across the U.K., celebrated the outstanding diversity and vibrant multiculturalism of Great Britain.

The multi-dimensional celebration included cultural programmes, an art exhibition and competition, Asian street food stalls with live cooking, ethnic jewellery & cloth stalls, fun and games for children and adults, including inflatables and go-carts, a charity cricket match, tug-of-war competition, raffles and much more.

UKMCL V LSL Charity Match: Winnwers UKMCL

Key attractions of the celebration included 30 feet high hoarding of the Queen at the entrance to the venue, Thiruvathira (traditional Kerala dance) by 70 ladies dressed in Platinum Jubilee colours, 70 children singing the National Anthem, and Chendamelam (Kerala drum composition) by 101 drummers.

Mohiniattam: Ranjitha Chowalloor

TPM Set designed by Ignatious Gomes & Team

The free event, which cost nearly £29K to organise, was funded through a £10K grant from the National Lottery Award for All and business sponsorship.

Bollywood dances by Dance 'n' Beats

The chief guests at the Mela included Sir Stephen Timms (M.P. for East Ham), Unmesh Desai (London Assembly Member), Rokhsana Fiaz (Mayor of Newham) and dignitaries from the art and business field.

TPM also attained wide media coverage in local and national media, including in the B.B.C., Guardian and Recorder group of papers. Online community news portals and radio stations also covered Mela extensively.

M.A.U.K. extends its sincere gratitude to the Staff at London Borough of Newham, Event Safety Advisory Group, Newham, all our volunteers, performers and sponsors for their part in making the Mela part go down in history as one of the largest, outstanding and memorable Platinum Jubilee Celebration. M.A.U.K. created a dedicated website to preserve the legacy of the celebrations, where you will find videos of cultural programmes, art exhibits, photo galleries, etc.

TPM presenter Sheena Nair with young performer

BBC News anchor interviewing Jasline Antony, Choreographer of Mega Thiruvathira

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Welcome desk volunteers

MP Sir Stephen Timms (left) London AM Unmesh Desai (Right) with MAUK Chair Anil Edavana

TPM was led by Sreejith Sreedharan, with directors Anil Kumar Edavana, Sreekumar Kunjuraman, Aloysius Mathew, Mohanadas Madhavanandan and volunteers Jasline Shimmy Antony, Ani Gomez, Sheena Nair, Soumya Shaiju and Jashwin Liju Antony playing key roles.

Our sincere thanlks to the MET Police for their support and guidance

Dances by Alakal, choreographed by Meera Rajesh

Main Funder of TPM

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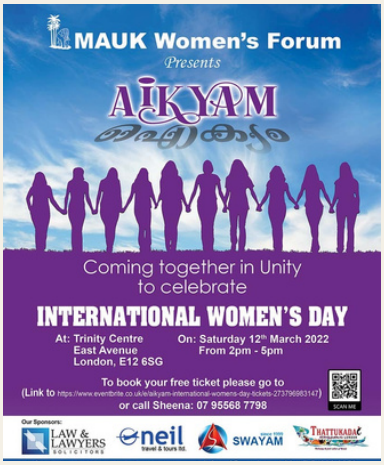
National Anthem by 70 children was coordinated by Sowmya Shaiju

Margam Kali by The Bollywood Folk Fusion Dance Company

Bollywood Fusion Dance by The Bollywood Folk Fusion Dance Company was viewed by over 444K on YouTube

The Mega Thiruvathira by 70 ladies was choreographed and coordinated by Jasline Shimmy Antony

M.A.U.K. Women's Forum



Aikyam: International Women's Day (I.W.D.) Celebration

MAUK WF celebrated I.W.D. on Saturday, 12 March, at Trinity Centre in Manor Park, London E12. This year's celebrations were named Aikyam (Malayalam word meaning Unity) to show solidarity with oppressed women in the community. Cultural programmes, interactive talks and Q&A on LBGTQ+ awareness, benefits of Yoga, menopause and mental well-being, demonstrations in self-defence and Thiruvathira (Kerala traditional dance) were the celebration's highlights. The event, attended by over 150 people, was coordinated by Sheena Nair with the support of other W.F. members.

Sangeetha Sayahnam

The programme began in May 2021 and meets online every fortnight, where participants play the musical game Anthakshari. On average, there are 10 - 15 participants per event. Participants, especially those housebound eagerly look forward to the meeting as it enables them to interact with other like-minded people.

Discussion Group

This is a Women's Forum initiative focused on discussing topics of significance to women in contemporary society. Discussions run every couple of months and take place virtually.

Thiruvathira Club

Thiruvathira Club used to be known as Sunday Club before the pandemic when women got together at Kerala House to practice Thiruvathira. Classes are taught online by a professional dancer, Deepa Sajeev, in Kerala. Classes run fortnightly and are open to people of all ages and abilities. Members of the Club also gather at Kerala House regularly to practice and socialise.

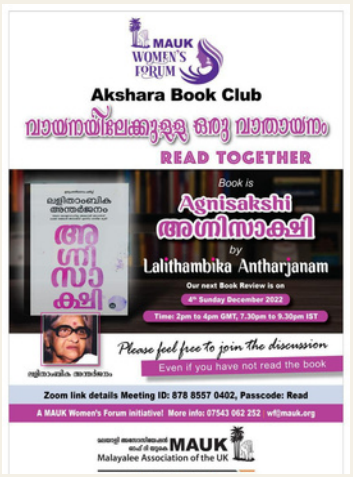
Palla Thulli Peru Vellam

This is a charity project run by the Women's Forum. The idea at the heart of this venture is to make it possible for everyone to contribute to charitable endeavours. People are invited to donate £1 to celebrate a loved one's birthday or other special occasions, and these donations will feed into a collection that supports women's empowerment efforts in Kerala.

Akshara: M.A.U.K. Book Club

The book club initiated by Sudha Das on 12 June 2021 as part of WF intends to promote the Malayalam language and literature and engage its members in discussions, debates and evaluations of literary work through Zoom meetings. Sessions occur every few months, leaving participants time to read the selected text. In 2022, texts discussed included Randidangazhi by Thakazhi Sivashankara Pillai and Isakkinte Ithihasam by O. V. Vijayan.

The Club currently has 49 Malayalam enthusiasts from across the globe as active members.



Walking Club

This Club began to allow people to get together and walk, taking care of their emotional and physical health as we moved out of tighter COVID restrictions. Members of the Women's Forum organised walks in parks and woodlands near their homes, mainly within the boroughs of Newham and Barking and Dagenham, allowing the local Malayalee community to get together in spaces of proximity to their homes.

W.F. 2022 Subcommittee

Special mention to the W.F. coordinator Jayalekha Priyan and sub-committee members Rashme Joi, Radha Rajan, Sudha Das, Sheena Nair, Sumathy Raveendran, Sulatha Sambasivan, Gagana Priyan, Mallika Rajan, Swarna Nair, Indra Raveendran and Rajeswari Sadasivan, for the exemplary and noble services undertaken.

To join MAUK WF, please contact on wf@mauk.org / 07955687798

Thanal: Charity Endeavours

Bake A Difference: Christmas Cakes for Charities

Led by M.A.U.K. volunteer Ignatius Gomes, M.A.U.K. provided Christmas cakes for 2000 residents and services users of 12 charities in Thiruvananthapuram District in Kerala, India. The cakes baked by the famous bakery chain Ambrosia were packed in custom-made covers specially designed for M.A.U.K. by Romansons Printers.

Thanal House Building Projects

MAUK Thanal completed two more house-building projects for vulnerable families in Kerala. The Chengunnur Project and Pulari Project in Attingal were completed in 2022. This brings the total number of houses built by Thanal since 2018 to seven. Director Aji Gangadharan coordinates Thanal's Kerala Projects.

The Pulari project in Attingal

M.A.U.K. Food Club

After recognising the severe impact of COVID-19 on the local community, M.A.U.K. started a Food Bank on 03 April 2020 to support those struggling with food shortages. This situation was exacerbated by the loss of income caused by the national lockdown. The subsequent cost of living crisis deepened the need for this service to continue. From 01 May 2021, M.A.U.K. Food Bank was transformed into a Food Club (F.C.) to focus primarily on low-income families and undocumented migrants. The Food Club is part of Newham Food Alliance (NFA) and serves between 50 and 60 families.

In 2022, M.A.U.K. Food Bank operated on Sundays from 15:00 to 16:00, serving around 50 local families in the E12 and E6 areas. In addition to food sourced through NFA stakeholders, M.A.U.K. spent, on average, £800 per month purchasing food items suitable for the large ethnic service user base.

In 20222, the Food Bank operations were managed by director R Sambasivan, assisted by fellow directors Jayan Pillai, Anil Velu, Sreekumar Kunjuraman, Anilkumar Edavana, Mohandas Madhavanandan, Murali Pillai and volunteers Aswathy Sasidharan, Lali Bharathan and Jasline Antony.

We sincerely thank Public Health, London Borough of Newham, FareShare and The Felix Project for their financial and logistical support.

Volunteers preparing food kit at Kerala House

M.A.U.K. Elders Services

60+ Sisters Club

In 2006, a dedicated M.A.U.K. volunteer, Mrs Girija Nair (late), started the Sisters Club to provide friendship and support for women over 60. Activities of the Club, which take place on Tuesdays from 1 PM to 4 PM, include singing, poetry, dancing, light exercise sessions, food tasting, training for cultural shows, day trips, etc. In 2022, the Club did not meet due to a lack of participants as concerns about COVID prevailed.

M.A.U.K. Thursday Lunch Club

M.A.U.K. Lunch Club, part of M.A.U.K. Elders Services, has been functioning since 1998. This tailor-made service is a unique platform for Elders in our community to meet, chat and share their cultural identity and shared experiences. Club participants enjoy various activities, including card and board games, exercise classes, knitting, arts and crafts, poetry, film, picnics, trips, etc. Kerala lunch is also provided each week.

To ensure the smooth operation of this bespoke and essential service, M.A.U.K. has successfully introduced a sponsorship scheme through which kind-hearted individuals and community-spirited businesses can sponsor the cost of running the Lunch Club for a day. People and businesses were given the opportunity to sponsor a day as part of their celebrations of an auspicious occasion, in memory of someone beloved, as a promotion of your business, or to support this essential service.

The Lunch Club returned to normal functioning at Kerala House in April 2022. It meets every Thursday from 10 AM to 2 PM with its regular activities and has over 40 Elders from the local community attending regularly.

Please contact us if you wish to sponsor a day at the Lunch Club.

M.A.U.K. Befriending Services

The gravity and value of this outstanding and compassionate service run as part of the Elders Service were highlighted during the pandemic. In addition to getting the housebound to participate in online activities, M.A.U.K. volunteers regularly visit the housebound, accompany them to the park and do their shopping if requested.

If you know anyone who could improve their well-being with this service, please email their details to info@mauk.org or call us on 07931207834, and we will gladly visit them.

M.A.U.K. in the Community

Repatriation of Mortal Remains

M.A.U.K., with the financial support of the High Commission of India (HCI) and logistical support of N.O.R.K.A., repatriated the mortal remains of 2 Indian nationals back to their families in Kerala. Incidents like this are increasing. Therefore, M.A.U.K. published a 'Case Review and Recommendation for Future Incidents' prepared by the team that dealt with repatriation. This document can be accessed at mauk.org/repatriation_case_study

Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

M.A.U.K., upon invitation from the Indian High Commission, participated in the 76th Indian Independence Day Celebration held at the Navnat Centre in Hayes on 21/08/2022. M.A.U.K. Chilanka artists; Krishna Preethy, Arathy Nair and Anjali Nair performed Jugalbandi and volunteers at the M.A.U.K. stall served freshly made lime juice, sarbath and idiyappam and sambal for the thousands who took part in the celebration.

M.A.U.K. Girija Nair - Volunteer of the Year Award 2021

The Volunteer Award was initiated in 2003 to celebrate, acknowledge and appreciate the instrumental contributions of M.A.U.K. Volunteers. The Award was renamed M.A.U.K. Girija Nair Award in 2014 to honour one of M.A.U.K.'s steadfast and inspirational volunteers.

The 2021 Volunteer of the Year Award was presented to Gagana Priyan for her contribution to Women's Forum activities and for leading the editorial Board of Janani, M.A.U.K. annual souvenir.

Read more at http://mauk.org/girija-nair-volunteer-awards

Educational Awards

M.A.U.K.'s long-running awards for outstanding results in G.C.S.E. and A-Level examinations were presented at the Ponnonam 2022 stage. The winners were Lovin Jose for G.C.S.E. and Atul Siburanj and Neena Maria for A-levels.

Increasing social, economic and legal issues in the Malayalee community

The Malayalee population in the U.K. is increasing rapidly, as are their diverse needs and issues. These issues range from visa scams, immigration crimes, employment and accommodation-related issues, food shortages, and homelessness to domestic violence, loneliness and mental health problems. M.A.U.K. is at the forefront of dealing with such issues, and the number of people approaching M.A.U.K. is ever-increasing. Hence, we have assembled a team of experienced volunteers to assist those desperately reaching out. However, it is not always possible for M.A.U.K. to achieve the desired outcome for the callers due to financial, legal and medical limitations and restrictions. We still endeavour to lend a sympathetic, non-judgemental listening ear, which most callers find soothing and reassuring. And sometimes, that's all it takes to bring someone back from the brink of mental breakdown and suicidal thoughts.

Accounts

The 2022 Accounts, which Haridas Bhaskaran audited, are published along with this report. We sincerely thank Haridas for meticulously completing this painstaking task for the 4th year running.

End of Report

We acknowledge the invaluable support and express our sincere gratitude to all our sponsors.

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Company registration No.4934084, Charity Registration No.1102653
INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

			Year ended 31 December 2022			Year ended 31 December 2021		
	Surplus/(Deficit) from activities	**Notes**	**Income**	**Expenditure**	**Net £**	**Income**	**Expenditure**	**Net £**
1	Bereavement Support		400.00	(33.00)	367.00	1,250.00	-	1,250.00
2	Chenda Lessons		3,098.00	(2,286.00)	812.00	754.00	(564.00)	190.00
3	Music Performance		230.00	-	230.00	710.00	(500.00)	210.00
4	Covid19 (FoodBank)		5,764.18	(12,231.02)	(6,466.84)	4,814.00	(11,676.85)	(6,862.85)
5	Elders Services		3,772.37	(4,313.19)	(540.82)	581.98	(530.21)	51.77
6	Equipment Hire		-	-	-	65.00	-	65.00
7	Grand Events - Fundraisers	16	1,469.08	-	1,469.08	21,818.47	(5,302.30)	16,516.17
8	IWD		873.50	(881.47)	(7.97)	325.00	(262.39)	62.61
9	Janani		-	(513.72)	(513.72)	-	(19.51)	(19.51)
10	Kerala House Events		598.08	(447.08)	151.00			-
11	Keyboard Lessons		-	(355.00)	(355.00)	680.00	(544.00)	136.00
12	Keralolsav (TPM)		18,740.85	(28,996.56)	(10,255.71)			-
13	Onam		16,544.68	(16,860.70)	(316.02)	6,235.34	(4,995.14)	1,240.20
14	Project Grants	18	10,301.18	(10,301.18)	-	43,838.18	(43,838.18)	-
15	Festive Sangaman		2,210.52	(2,378.98)	(168.46)	200.00	(225.93)	(25.93)
16	Thalamura		400.00	-	400.00			-
17	UK Coach Trips		945.00	(920.00)	25.00	17,675.00	(16,891.65)	783.35
18	Womens Forum		836.90	(790.88)	46.02	1,418.00	(119.01)	1,298.99
	Total Activities		**66,184.34**	**(81,308.78)**	**(15,124.44)**	**100,364.97**	**(85,469.17)**	**14,895.80**
	Other Income							
19	Charity Fund Inc		2,501.40	-	2,501.40	540.00	-	540.00
20	Directors Fund Inc		50.00	-	50.00	3.54	-	3.54
21	Donation - Miscellaneous		1,767.94	-	1,767.94	5,984.01	-	5,984.01
22	Grant Inc	20	14,005.00	-	14,005.00	31,323.61	-	31,323.61
23	GiftAid Inc		10,052.42	-	10,052.42	9,721.78	-	9,721.78
24	Kerala House Donation		3,935.00	-	3,935.00	740.00	-	740.00
25	Miscellaneous - Inc		30.05	-	30.05	5.00		5.00
26	Membership - Inc		4,225.02	-	4,225.02	4,054.26	-	4,054.26
	Total Other Income		**36,566.83**	**-**	**36,566.83**	**52,372.20**	**-**	**52,372.20**
	Expenditure							
27	Accountany & Audit		-	1,260.00	1,260.00	-	(875.00)	(875.00)
28	Bad Debts Written off	6	-	(323.00)	(323.00)	-	(534.00)	(534.00)
29	Caretaker Expense		-	(30.00)	(30.00)	-	(120.00)	(120.00)
30	Depreciation	19	-	(3,623.22)	(3,623.22)	-	(1,841.18)	(1,841.18)
31	General Expense	10	-	(1,411.63)	(1,411.63)	-	(1,350.72)	(1,350.72)
32	Insurance		-	(524.51)	(524.51)	-	(512.08)	(512.08)
33	KH Maintenance	13	4,265.21	(6,317.02)	(2,051.81)	7,328.41	(8,560.94)	(1,232.53)
34	London Borough of Newham (LBN)	5	-	(1,165.60)	(1,165.60)	-	(777.09)	(777.09)
35	Phone & Internet		-	(705.82)	(705.82)	-	(655.78)	(655.78)
36	Payment Systems		-	(3.62)	(3.62)	-	(131.60)	(131.60)
37	TV License		-	(159.00)	(159.00)	-	(159.00)	(159.00)
38	Utility Bills	4	-	(2,903.44)	(2,903.44)	-	(2,463.17)	(2,463.17)
39	Volunteers		-	(18.07)	(18.07)	-	(299.47)	(299.47)
40	Website		-	(754.32)	(754.32)	-	(911.78)	(911.78)
	Total Expenditure		**4,265.21**	**(16,679.25)**	**(12,414.04)**	**7,328.41**	**(19,191.81)**	**(11,863.40)**
	Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		**107,016.38**	**(97,988.03)**	**9,028.35**	**160,065.58**	**(104,660.98)**	**55,404.60**
	Designated Funds (movements for the year)							
	(movements for the year)							
41	Charity Fund	11	2,500.00	(3,031.84)	(531.84)	3,220.11	(5,724.60)	(2,504.49)
42	Elder Services Fund	12		(2,000.00)	(2,000.00)	1,000.00	(500.00)	500.00
43	General Reserves	17	4,265.21	(9,000.00)	(4,734.79)	7,328.41	(47,000.00)	(39,671.59)
44	Kerala House Fund	13	500.00	(4,265.21)	(3,765.21)	18,000.00	(17,328.41)	671.59
45	Kerala Outreach Fund	14	2,420.00	(7,269.34)	(4,849.34)	30,000.00	(38,113.58)	(8,113.58)
46	Mobility Fund	15	4,500.00		4,500.00	5,000.00	-	5,000.00
	Total Designated Funds		**14,185.21**	**(25,566.39)**	**(11,381.18)**	**64,548.52**	**(108,666.59)**	**(44,118.07)**
	Net Movement in funds		**121,201.59**	**(123,554.42)**	**(2,352.83)**	**224,614.10**	**(213,327.57)**	**11,286.53**
	Total Funds/reserves brought forward				**394,533.53**			**383,247.00**
	Total Unrestricted Funds and Reserves carried forward				**392,180.70**			**394,533.53**

MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION OF THE UK

Charity Registration No.1102653 Company registration No.4934084

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

		2022	2021
FIXED ASSETS	**Notes**	**£**	£
Building		317,510.00	317,510.00
Others - Net Value		13,600.23	12,529.24
		331,110.23	**330,039.24**
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	7	10,161.42	1,680.00
Prepayments	8	(736.50)	2,355.00
Cash in hand		800.36	673.90
Bank Accounts		57,065.75	62,578.76
		67,291.03	**67,287.66**
LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors - Various		(5,945.56)	(213.37)
Accruals	9	(275.00)	(2,580.00)
		(6,220.56)	**(2,793.37)**
NET ASSETS		**392,180.70**	**394,533.53**
FINANCED BY:			
Restricted Funds / Designated Funds			
Charity Fund	11	7,778.34	8,310.18
Elders Services Fund	12	920.00	2,920.00
Kerala House Fund	13	25,586.66	29,351.87
Kerala Outreach Fund	14	1,651.94	6,501.28
Mobility Fund	15	9,500.00	5,000.00
Unrestricted Funds			
Building Revaluation Reserve		236,546.00	236,546.00
General Reserves	17	101,169.41	50,499.60
Surplus/(deficit) from income & expenditure		9,028.35	55,404.60
		392,180.70	**394,533.53**

For the year ending 31 December 2022, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

(i) The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

(ii) The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

(iii) These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime

Approved by the Board of Directors on 22nd July 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

Anil Edavana
Chair Person

Mr Sreejith Sreedharan
Company Secretary

Aloysius Mathew
Finance Director

MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION OF THE UK
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS 2022

1 The financial statements have been prepared on the accruals basis in accordance with the 2008 Regulations and the SORP, under the historical cost convention, as modified by the inclusion of fixed asset investments at market value.

2 **Fund accounting**

• **Unrestricted funds** (General fund) are available for use at the discretion of the directors in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Unrestricted funds include a revaluation reserve representing the restatement of investment assets at market values.

• **Designated funds** are unrestricted funds that have been earmarked for a particular purpose by the trustees. The notes to the accounts should explain the purpose of designated funds.

• **Restricted funds** are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

3 **Directors' Expenses** - No expenses were paid to any of the directors during the year, except to reimburse them for purchases made on behalf of the the company.

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Utility Bills	**2022**	**2021**
Electricity	(2,618.93)	(1,856.08)
Gas	(193.05)	(344.20)
Water	(91.46)	(262.89)
Total	**(2,903.44)**	**(2,463.17)**

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London Borough of Newham (LBN) expenses are made up of:	**2022**	**2021**
Premises License	(180)	(180)
Council Tax	(985.60)	(597.09)
	(1,165.60)	**(777.09)**

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Bad Debts Write Off	**2022**	**2021**
Chenda Group Lessons	(98.00)	(104.00)
Keyboard Lessons	(225.00)	(430.00)
Total	**(323.00)**	**(534.00)**

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Debtors	**2022**	**2021**
Chenda Lessons	874.00	810.00
Keyboard Lessons	-	195.00
Mridangam Lessons	-	10.00
Sponsorships	-	700.00
Hire Booking	(765.00)	(35.00)
HMRC GiftAid	10,052.42	-
Total	**10,161.42**	**1,680.00**

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Prepayments	**2022**	**2021**
Chenda Tutor Fees	97.50	2,286.00
Sponsorships	1,000.00	
Caretaker Charges		180.00
KH Hall deposits	(375.00)	
Ponnonam 2023	(250.00)	
Student Fees	264.00	(111.00)
Total	**736.50**	**2,355.00**

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Accruals	**2022**	**2021**
Ponnonam 2022	(200.00)	1,660.00
Design Cost	(75.00)	920.00
Total	**(275.00)**	**2,580.00**

10 **General expenses mainly consist of the following:**

Refreshments & AGM		83.57
Digital Media Production		1,112.13
Regulatory Licence		189.90
Printing & Stationary		26.13
Total		**1,411.73**

11 **Charity Fund** - The surpluses generated from charity fundraising projects are transferred to this restricted fund and will be only used for charitable activities. In 2022, the board decided to setaside additional £2500 for this purpose.The releases from this fund is shown in Project Grants activity.

12 **Elder Services Fund** -The surpluses generated from Elders Services projects are transferred to this restricted fund and will be only used for future Elder services activities. In 2022, the board decided to release £2000 towards restarting and supporting elder services from this fund.

13 **Kerala House Fund** - MAUK directors wish to setaside funds periodically from the surpluses, to fund major repairs, maintenance, renovation of Kerala House (KH). In 2022, the board decided to setaside additional £500 to this fund. A release of £4265.21 was made towards Kitchen Refit in the year

14 **Kerala OutReach Fund** - MAUK directors setaside funds periodically from the surpluses generated from fundraising projects. The designated fund will only be used for Kerala Outreach charity activities. At yearend, the board decided to setaside additional £1500 for this fund**.** The releases from this fund is shown in Project Grants activity in 2022.

15 **Mobility Fund** -Program includes purchase and operation of MiniBus/vehicles for the Elderly community users. In 2022, considering the need the board decided to setaside additional amont of £5000 to this fund.

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Grand Events - FundRaisers	**2022**	**2021**
KOF-House Building Appeal	1,469.08	344.11
Total	**1,469.08**	**344.11**

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General Reserves Movements	**2022**	**2021**
Opening Balance	31,620.40	71,291.99
Capital Exp	4,265.21	7328.41
Kerala House Fund	(500.00)	(18,000.00)
Elder Services Fund	-	(1,000.00)
Kerala OutReach Fund	(1,500.00)	(20,000.00)
Charity Fund	(2,500.00)	(3,000.00)
MAUK Mobility Fund	(4,500.00)	(5,000.00)
Total	**26,885.61**	**31,620.40**

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Project Grants	**2022**	**2021**
KOF Project 1 (completed) Trivandrum	956.51	
KOF Project 3 (completed) Chenganoor	1,263.56	6,795.26
KOF Project 6 (completed) Atingal	5,049.27	1,008.55
Charity Fund Projects 3-16 (Completed)		5,724.60
Charity Fund Projects 17-23(Completed)	3,031.84	
Total	**10,301.18**	**13,528.41**

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Depreciation and Net Value of Assets, other than Building	**Net cost as at 01 Jan 2022**	**Additions 2022**	**Cost as at 31 Dec 2022**	**Depreciation**	**Net Bal as at 31 Dec 2022**
Furniture & Fittings	3,845.40	11,593.62	15,439.02	(2,955.18)	12,483.84
Office Equipments	764.03	429.00	1,193.03	(372.33)	820.70
Music Instruments	54.00	-	54.00	(27.00)	27.00
Event Equipments	537.40	-	537.40	(268.71)	268.69
Assets Under Construction	7,328.41	(7,328.41)	-		-
Total	**5,200.83**	**12,022.62**	**17,223.45**	**(3,623.22)**	**13,600.23**

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Grants Income	**2022**
LBN - NFA Household Support Fund Grant	4,005.00
Mains Grant - THE PLATINUM MELA GRANT	10,000.00
Total	**14,005.00**

The Board of Directors
Malayalee Association of the UK

Honorary Audit Report – For the Year Ended 31-Dec 2022

22nd July 2023

Introduction:

I am pleased to present this honorary audit report for **MA UK** for the fiscal year ending 31st December 2022. This report has been prepared based on the information provided to me and represents a summary of my observations and findings during the audit process. As an honorary audit, it is important to note that the procedures performed were limited in scope and were not conducted in accordance with full audit standards.

Scope of the Audit:

The honorary audit focused on reviewing key financial statements, transactions, and internal control procedures of MA UK for the period from 1st January 2022 to 31st December 2022. The objective was to provide a limited assurance on the accuracy and reliability of financial information disclosed by the charity.

Management Responsibilities:

The responsibility for the financial records and the accuracy of financial statements lies with the management of **MA UK**. My honorary audit does not relieve management of these responsibilities.

Audit Findings:

1. **Financial Statements:**

I have reviewed the financial statements of **MA UK** for the fiscal year ending 31st December 2022. Based on my limited review, I did not identify any material misstatements or inaccuracies in the financial reports provided. The financial statements present a fair and accurate view of the financial position of the charity as of 31st December 2022.

2. **Income and Expenditure:**

During the audit period, I examined over 200 samples of the income and expenditure records of the charity. The transactions were found to be supported by appropriate documentation and were properly recorded in the accounting system.

3. **Compliance with Legal and Regulatory Requirements:**

My review indicates that **MA UK** has complied with applicable legal and regulatory requirements relevant to its operations. However, as an honorary audit, I did not perform detailed compliance testing, and this statement is based on the information provided to me.

4. **Internal Controls:**

The internal controls of **MA UK** appeared to be adequate for a charity of its size and nature. However, my review was limited in scope, and I cannot provide full assurance on the effectiveness of internal controls.

Recommendations:

While my honorary audit did not identify any significant issues, we would like to suggest a few recommendations to strengthen financial practices and ensure transparency:

1. Regularly review and reconcile bank statements to ensure accurate recording of financial transactions.
2. Conduct periodic training for staff and volunteers involved in financial activities to improve understanding of financial policies and procedures.
3. Enhance documentation practices to maintain a clear audit trail for all financial transactions.
4. Cash book narratives should be clear with cross references
5. Membership register should be maintained and updated regularly. I am aware that a new system is in the process of being implemented.
6. General Expenses should be limited to miscellaneous items only
7. As mentioned in previous years, Kerala projects from an Audit point of view is uncomfortable. Mainly fund transfers. I am given to understand that the Indian Law do not allow UK Charities to transfer funds directly to an India Charitable Organisation.
8. It is a good practice to provide a proposal form, budget and final reconciliation for all major events and projects.
9. Auditors should be given access to the online accounting system to view documentation audit trail.

Conclusion:

Based on my honorary audit, **MA UK** has demonstrated responsible financial management and compliance with applicable laws and regulations. The financial statements provide a reliable representation of the charity's financial position.

I would like to express my gratitude in particular to Aloshy, Aji and Sreekumar for their hard work, cooperation and assistance during the audit process.

Please note that this is an honorary audit report and does not constitute a full audit opinion. It should not be used for external reporting or regulatory purposes.

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,
Hari Bhaskaran
Haridas Bhaskaran

MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION OF THE UK

England & Wales - Charity number 1102653

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Discussion Group

This is a Women's Forum initiative focused on discussing topics of significance to women in contemporary society. Discussions take place virtually every couple of months.

Thiruvathira Club

Thiruvathira Club used to be known as Sunday Club before the Pandemic when women got together at Kerala House to practice Thiruvathira. Recently, in January 2022 Women's Forum began online Thiruvathira classes taught by a professional dancer, Deepa Sajeev, in Kerala. Classes run fortnightly and are open to people of all ages and abilities.

Pala Thulli Peru Vellam (PTPV)

Pala Thulli Peru Vellam (PTPV) is a charity run by Women's Forum. The idea at the heart of this venture is to make it possible for everyone to contribute to charitable endeavours. People are invited to donate £1 to celebrate a loved one's birthday or other special occasion and these donations will feed into a collection that supports women's empowerment efforts in Kerala. In 2021, Women's Forum raised £718 through PTPV.

For more details, visit www.mauk.org.

Walking Club

This club began to give people a chance to get together and walk, taking care of their emotional and physical health as we moved out of tighter COVID restrictions. Members of the Women's Forum organised walks in parks and woodlands near their homes, largely within the boroughs of Newham and Barking and Dagenham, allowing the local Malayalee community to get together in spaces of close proximity to their homes.

Historic Scotland Tour

Due to overwhelming demand from members for group trips and tours, M.A.U.K. organised its first coach trip last year, since the Pandemic, once the restrictions were eased. The four-day family trip to Scotland took place from Thursday 29th July – Sunday 1st August. The trip was a great success with 55 participants, including children, enjoying the experience thoroughly with many suggestions for more trips in the coming years.

Elders Services

Online activities

As the Pandemic situation dictated, M.A.U.K. shifted most of its services to online platforms. Our dedicated volunteers were adamant to reach out to those affected by the Pandemic and find innovative means to ensure the mental and physical wellbeing of our community members. As part of our COVID relief operations, we have started many online activities, including regular Yoga classes, cookery shows, mental wellbeing seminars, discussion forums, etc. Our volunteers trained and facilitated provisions for many Elders to get online and be confident using this unthought of medium. The testimonials from our service users are evidence that our prompt, thoughtful and bold actions have immensely contributed to their welfare during this very difficult period.

60+ Sisters Club

In 2006, Mrs Girija Nair (late), who was a dedicated M.A.U.K. volunteer, started the Sisters Club with a vision to provide friendship and support for women over the age of 60.

The Club, which takes place on Tuesday from 1pm to 4pm, was operational with its regular activities during the first couple of months in 2020, providing its regular activities including singing, poetry, dancing, light exercise sessions, food tasting, training for cultural shows, day trips, etc.

Members of the Club have formed a strong bond and are a support network for each other. Hence, it was inevitable that M.A.U.K. volunteers had to improvise to keep them connected during the shutdown and self-quarantine. This has led to our volunteers going the extra mile to remotely train Elders to take part in online meetups and shows. We have introduced the online platform Zoom to thirty-two Elders who were total novices to the idea before the Pandemic.

M.A.U.K. Lunch Club

M.A.U.K. Lunch Club, which is part of M.A.U.K. Elders Services has been functioning since 1998. This tailor-made service is a unique platform for Elders in our community to meet, chat and share their cultural identity and shared experiences. Participants of the Club enjoy a variety of activities, including card and board games, exercise classes, knitting, arts and crafts, poetry, film, picnics, trips, etc. Kerala lunch is also provided each week.

To ensure the smooth operation of this bespoke and essential service, M.A.U.K. has successfully introduced a sponsorship scheme through which kind-hearted individuals and community-spirited businesses can sponsor the cost of running the Lunch Club for a day. People and businesses were given the opportunity to sponsor a day as part of your celebrations of an auspicious occasion, in memory of someone beloved, as a promotion of your business, or to support this essential service. Despite having sponsors for the entire year, in 2020, the Club only operated for the first two months before the spread of COVID-19 forced us to suspend its services.

M.A.U.K. implemented a phased approach to restart the Elders Service in 2021, by opening the service once a month. The first session was held on Saturday 17th July 2021 at Trinity Centre.

If you wish to sponsor a day at the Lunch Club, please contact us.

See the list of M.A.U.K. Lunch Club sponsors of 2019 at www.mauk.org/elders/

150Club

150Club is an exercise-based prevention programme for members of the local community who are at risk of being Diabetic. The 150Club scheme is an initiative by N.H.S. Newham Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), Newham Council and the 150Club partnership - made up of the West Ham United Foundation working with the council's leisure trust ActiveNewham and the Staywell Partnership, which includes M.A.U.K.

150Club exercise programme took place every Tuesday at Kerala House but was suspended due to COVID-19 since March 2020.

M.A.U.K. Befriending Services

The gravity and value of this outstanding and compassionate service that is run as part of the Elders Service were highlighted during the Pandemic. In addition to getting the housebound to participate in online activities, M.A.U.K. volunteers regularly checked in on over 60 regular users of M.A.U.K. Elders Service. During the initial chaos and uncertainty of the first national lockdown, M.A.U.K. volunteers have done weekly shopping for those self-isolating or in quarantine. We then arranged shopping slots for many elderly households but continued to deliver Asian groceries for many more months.

If you know of anyone who could improve their wellbeing by this service, please email their details to info@mauk.org or call us on 07961454644, and we will be happy to visit them.

Educational Services

Chenda, Tabla, Keyboard, Guitar and Malayalam Classes were paused at the start of the national lockdown in 2020. Chenda and keyboard classes restarted in October; however, the number of attendees for Tabla, Keyboard and Guitar fell sharply.

After the opening of classes, M.A.U.K. was unfortunate to find a teacher to take Malayalam Classes. Many of the teachers that were considered preferred online classes. As a result, the re-opening of Malayalam Classes have been put on hold.

M.A.U.K. Thanal - Charitable Endeavours

M.A.U.K., being a strong-rooted organisation, has always been at the forefront of coordinating the response of U.K. Malayalees whenever Kerala needed a helping hand. This tradition continued during the Great Floods of 2018 and now, the Pandemic. We have been able to rise to the challenges the Pandemic has posed to our community here in the U.K. and our brethren in Kerala. In 2021, during the second wave of COVID, we have undertaken over 18 humanitarian projects in Kerala, with the generosity of U.K. Malayalees.

Charitable Projects in Kerala

House Building Project - Completed

Following the completion of the Nirmala Rajan House Building project, M.A.U.K. proudly announced the Key Handover Ceremony of three more houses in Kerala.

M.A.U.K. Thanal's house building initiatives in Kerala has succeeded in putting a roof over 4 impoverished families, in less than two years. We would like to wholeheartedly express our sincere gratitude for your invaluable support for our charity endeavours to date and humbly seek your continued support.

Aleppey Project

M.A.U.K. gifted a renovated house in 2.5 cents of land for a beneficiary in Ambalapuzha, Alappuzha district in Kerala. We are humbled that we have managed to give the family, including their elderly mother and teenage daughter a house to secure their future.

We thank M.A.U.K. Life Member Suresh Bhaskaran, who brought our attention to the vulnerable situation of this family. Our sincere gratitude to Suresh K Jageswaran and Ashok Kumar for managing the day-to-day aspects of this project. Our thanks to Joseph Mathew for his continued support.

Seethathod Project

M.A.U.K. succeeded another house building project for a beneficiary in Seethathod, Pathanamthitta district in Kerala.

We thank M.A.U.K. Life Member Pushkas Vasu, who brought our attention to this opportunity. Our sincere gratitude to Jince K Umman (Engineer) and Manoj Pathanamthitta for managing the day-to-day aspects of this project.

Chengannoor Project

Our fourth successful house building project was for a family in Chenganoor, Alappuzha district in Kerala.

We thank Joseph Mathew, for reaching out to us, to take on this project. Our sincere gratitude to Santhosh (Engineer) and Chandralekha for managing the day-to-day aspects of this project. Our thanks to Joseph Mathew for his continued support.

House Building Project – Ongoing

The Pulari Project

Pulari Muraleedharan is a 33 year old homemaker from Attingal, Thiruvananthapurum district in Kerala. She lives with her husband, two children aged 5 and 10 and her elderly mother-in-law. Her husband suffers from cancer and is a patient of Regional Cancer Centre (RCC) Thiruvananthapuram. One of her children suffers from severe asthma and requires a high level of care. Her elderly mother-in-law is too frail and deteriorating so cannot work. This family are in a vulnerable position because they do not have any savings to fall back on or any relatives who could support them. Their only asset is the five cents of land inherited from her mother-in-law, where they built a crumbling house with a makeshift roof.

During the recent heavy rainfall, the inevitable happened as this fragile home totally collapsed. As a result, the family currently live in rented accommodation paid for by the Parent Teachers Association of their children's school.

The plight of the family was brought to our attention by Biju B. G, a Hindi teacher at Pulari's son's school. Biju, who has volunteered to oversee the project on behalf of M.A.U.K. Thanal, has already used his contacts to prepare a plan to build a 430 SQFT home. The modest plan consists of two bedrooms, a lounge kitchen and a toilet. The estimated cost of building the house is 600,000 INR (approx. £6K).

Bhoothakulam Project

M.A.U.K. supported towards a house maintenance project for a family in Bhoothakulam, Kollam district in Kerala. The maintenance involved replacing the roof and repairing a damaged wall.

COVID RELIEF EFFORTS IN INDIA - 10 projects worth 2,000,000 INR in 10 days

M.A.U.K., with its commendable response during the Kerala Floods, once again came to the forefront to help those who were indiscriminately affected by the second wave of Pandemic in Kerala.

During the crisis, motivated by the generous response of its members, M.A.U.K. extended its helping hand to many relief projects across Kerala and paved the way for other UK based community organisations to stand up for Kerala.

M.A.U.K. through its partners, organisations and volunteers in Kerala have facilitated:

1. 800,000 INR worth of medical equipment in Pattambi, Palakkad
2. Cooked meal and Food kits for a week to 300 people in care homes, low income families and destitute in Kottayam
3. Food kits for 260 families in Thannemukku Panchayat in Allapuzha
4. Food kits PPE and medical supplies to 250 residents in Chennilode village in Thiruvananthapuram
5. Food kits and cooked food parcels to 300 residents in Thottakkad in Thiruvananthapuram
6. Provisions to purchase second-hand ambulance in Kattapana in Idukki
7. Provisions to purchase second-hand ambulance in Karavaram in Thiruvananthapuram
8. Medical equipment at a palliative care centre in Koyilandi in Kozhikode
9. Distribution of 10,000 N95 masks donated by Ford Motor Company to frontline police and KSRTC staff through our volunteers, residents in coastal areas through local churches in Thiruvananthapuram.
10. Mobile phones to aid with the education of 16 students from Below Poverty Line (BPL) families in Sishuvihar Upper Primary School, Thiruvananthapuram.

M.A.U.K. distributed face masks donated by Ford Dagenham Engine Plant.

M.A.U.K.'s charitable endeavours even caught the attention of the Plant Manager at Dagenham Engine Plant, Ford Motor Company, who kindly donated 10,000 masks. We express our sincere gratitude to Paul Neighbour, Plant Manager of Dagenham Engine Plant and Richard Martin, Area Manager Dagenham Ford for their support for M.A.U.K.'s Appeal.

Our sincere thanks also goes out to Jose Mathews of Thiruvananthapuram District Social Welfare Cooperative Society and Kanakaraj for coordinating the distribution of the masks in Kerala, India.

Through our volunteers, M.A.U.K. distributed 15,000 face masks to frontline staff at Thiruvananthapuram Medical College, Kerala State Road Transport Corporation and to the coastal areas of Thiruvananthapuram in partnership with Cheriyathura Parish Church.

Kerala Floods 2021

The torrential rain and devastating floods had struck Kerala again and have caused death and misery to many of our brethren. Many people lost their lives while thousands more lost their homes and livelihoods. In Mundakkayam, Kottayam District, one of the worst hit areas, many families have been moved to two makeshift camps, where there is a dire need for emergency relief supplies. The urgency of the situation required prompt and thoughtful actions. Hence, M.A.U.K. had teamed up with Snehakoodu Abhayamandiram, a reputable charity based in Kottayam, to supply medicines, clothes and blankets at these camps and have released initial funds to purchase supply.

M.A.U.K. launched a fundraising appeal and raised £1630 to help the people in distress.

Benevolence

On 5th September 2021, one of M.A.U.K's life members contributed funds through us, to provide lunch for the residents of Karunalayam (Attingal, Thiruvananthapurum district), on the death anniversary of her late mother.

M.A.U.K. works and maintains close relationship with vetted and reputable charity institutions across Kerala. Should M.A.U.K. members wish to use these contacts for benevolence on their special occasions or essential dates, M.A.U.K. will be more than happy to arrange this for you through our dedicated volunteers in Kerala.

Community

Thalamura Club

Members of the Thalamura Club have negotiated a special deal to use Kerala House for their activities every Friday from 1pm to 7pm. Thalamura provides a platform for like-minded people to meet up, share their common experiences, take part in social activities, and enjoy delicacies made on the premises by food enthusiasts.

If you wish to join Thalamura, please contact - 07740248993.

M.A.U.K. / Girija Nair - Volunteer of the Year Award 2021

The Volunteer Award was initiated in 2003 to celebrate, acknowledge and appreciate the instrumental contributions of M.A.U.K. Volunteers. The Award was renamed M.A.U.K. Girija Nair Award in 2014 to honour one of M.A.U.K.'s steadfast and inspirational volunteers.

The 2021 Volunteer of the Year Award was presented to Team Thattukada, for their steadfast help and support in setting up M.A.U.K. Food Bank at the start of the Pandemic in 2020.

Read more at http://mauk.org/girija-nair-volunteer-awards

Accounts

The 2021 Accounts, audited by Hari Bhaskaran, is attached in the next section of this report.

2021 Annual Accounts

MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION OF THE UK
Kerala House, 671 Romford road, Manor Park, London E12 5AD
Company registration No.4934084, Charity Registration No.1102653
INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

			Year ended 31 December 2021			Year ended 31 December 2020		
	Surplus/(Deficit) from activities	**Notes**	**Income**	**Expenditure**	**Net £**	**Income**	**Expenditure**	**Net £**
1	Bereavement Support		1,250.00	-	1,250.00	150.00	(50.00)	100.00
2	Chenda Individual Lessons		10.00	-	10.00	180.00	(112.00)	68.00
3	Chenda Group Lessons		744.00	(564.00)	180.00	1,542.00	(1,296.78)	245.22
4	Chenda Performance		710.00	(500.00)	210.00	347.00	(226.88)	120.12
5	Christmas		200.00	(225.93)	(25.93)			
6	Covid19 (FoodBank)		4,814.00	(11,676.85)	(6,862.85)	39,728.56	(37,811.22)	1,917.34
7	Elders Services		581.98	(530.21)	51.77	2,336.00	(501.14)	1,834.86
8	Equipment Hire		65.00	-	65.00	10.00	-	10.00
9	Grand Events - Fundraisers	16	21,818.47	(5,302.30)	16,516.17	1,599.35	(21.78)	1,577.57
10	IWD		325.00	(262.39)	62.61	1,280.00	(693.28)	586.72
11	Janani		-	(19.51)	(19.51)	-	-	-
12	Kattankaapi Kavitha				-	201.00	-	201.00
13	Kerala House Events				-	2,505.20	(3,648.54)	(1,143.34)
14	Keyboard Lessons		680.00	(544.00)	136.00	960.00	(584.00)	376.00
15	Malayalam Lessons for Adults				-	-	-	-
16	Malayalam Lessons				-	355.00	(135.00)	220.00
17	Mridangam Lessons				-	20.00	(12.00)	8.00
18	Onam		6,235.34	(4,995.14)	1,240.20	-	-	-
19	Project Grants	18	43,838.18	(43,838.18)	-	19,003.91	(19,003.91)	-
20	Tabla Class				-	30.00	(18.00)	12.00
21	Thalamura				-	400.00	-	400.00
22	UK Coach Trips		17,675.00	(16,891.65)	783.35			-
23	Womens Forum		1,418.00	(119.01)	1,298.99			-
	Total Activities		**100,364.97**	**(85,469.17)**	**14,895.80**	**70,648.02**	**(64,114.53)**	**6,533.49**
	Other Income							
24	Charity Fund Inc		540.00	-	540.00	4,228.88	-	4,228.88
25	Directors Fund Inc		3.54	-	3.54	270.00	-	270.00
26	Donation - Miscellaneous		5,984.01	-	5,984.01	1,544.27	-	1,544.27
27	Grant Inc (LBN)		31,323.61	-	31,323.61	11,000.00	-	11,000.00
28	GiftAid Inc		9,721.78	-	9,721.78	1,361.78	-	1,361.78
29	Kerala House Donation		740.00	-	740.00	1,080.00	-	1,080.00
30	Miscellaneous - Inc		5.00	-	5.00			-
31	Membership - Inc		4,054.26	-	4,054.26	3,705.10	-	3,705.10
	Total Other Income		**52,372.20**	**-**	**52,372.20**	**23,190.03**	**-**	**23,190.03**
	Expenditure							
32	Accountany & Audit		-	(875.00)	(875.00)	-	(400.00)	(400.00)
33	Bad Debts Written off	6	-	(534.00)	(534.00)	-	(220.00)	(220.00)
34	Caretaker Expense		-	(120.00)	(120.00)	-	(500.00)	(500.00)
35	Depreciation	19	-	(1,841.18)	(1,841.18)	-	(1,841.18)	(1,841.18)
36	General Expense	10	-	(1,350.72)	(1,350.72)	-	(801.00)	(801.00)
37	Insurance		-	(512.08)	(512.08)	-	(499.96)	(499.96)
38	KH Maintenance	13	7,328.41	(8,560.94)	(1,232.53)	3,850.00	(4,593.87)	(743.87)
39	London Borough of Newham (LBN)	5	-	(777.09)	(777.09)	-	(180.00)	(180.00)
40	Phone & Internet		-	(655.78)	(655.78)	-	(955.22)	(955.22)
41	Payment Systems		-	(131.60)	(131.60)	-	(348.57)	(348.57)
42	TV License		-	(159.00)	(159.00)	-	(157.50)	(157.50)
43	Utility Bills	4	-	(2,463.17)	(2,463.17)	-	(3,194.95)	(3,194.95)
44	Volunteers		-	(299.47)	(299.47)	-	-	-
45	Website		-	(911.78)	(911.78)	-	(1,002.07)	(1,002.07)
	Total Expenditure		**7,328.41**	**(19,191.81)**	**(11,863.40)**	**3,850.00**	**(14,694.32)**	**(10,844.32)**
	Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		**160,065.58**	**(104,660.98)**	**55,404.60**	**97,688.05**	**(78,808.85)**	**18,879.20**
	Designated Funds (movements for the year)							
	(movements for the year)							
46	Charity Fund	11	3,220.11	(5,724.60)	(2,504.49)	4,500.00	(1,031.08)	3,468.92
47	Elder Services Fund	12	1,000.00	(500.00)	500.00	220.00	-	220.00
48	General Reserves	17	7,328.41	(47,000.00)	(39,671.59)	-	(14,320.00)	(14,320.00)
49	Kerala House Fund	13	18,000.00	(17,328.41)	671.59	8,000.00	(3,850.00)	4,150.00
50	Kerala Outreach Fund	14	30,000.00	(38,113.58)	(8,113.58)	1,600.00	(18,892.83)	(17,292.83)
51	Mobility Fund	15	5,000.00	-	5,000.00	-	-	-
	Total Designated Funds		**64,548.52**	**(108,666.59)**	**(44,118.07)**	**14,320.00**	**(38,093.91)**	**(23,773.91)**
	Net Movement in funds		**224,614.10**	**(213,327.57)**	**11,286.53**	**112,008.05**	**(116,902.76)**	**(4,894.71)**
	Total Funds/reserves brought forward				**383,247.00**			**388,141.71**
	Total Unrestricted Funds and Reserves carried forward				**394,533.53**			**383,247.00**

MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION OF THE UK

Charity Registration No.1102653 Company registration No.4934084

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	2021	2020
FIXED ASSETS		**£**	£
Building		317,510.00	317,510.00
Others - Net Value		12,529.24	7,042.01
		330,039.24	**324,552.01**
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	7	1,680.00	1,981.00
Prepayments	8	2,355.00	3,643.00
Cash in hand		673.90	240.00
Bank Accounts		62,578.76	54,510.99
		67,287.66	**60,374.99**
LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors - Various		(213.37)	-
Accruals	9	(2,580.00)	(1,680.00)
		(2,793.37)	**(1,680.00)**
NET ASSETS		**394,533.53**	**383,247.00**
FINANCED BY:			
Restricted Funds / Designated Funds			
Charity Fund	11	8,310.18	10,814.67
Elders Services Fund	12	2,920.00	2,420.00
Kerala House Fund	13	29,351.87	28,680.28
Kerala Outreach Fund	14	6,501.28	14,614.86
Mobility Fund	15	5,000.00	-
Unrestricted Funds			
Building Revaluation Reserve		236,546.00	236,546.00
General Reserves	17	50,499.60	71,291.99
Surplus/(deficit) from income & expenditure		55,404.60	18,879.20
		394,533.53	**383,247.00**

For the year ending 31 December 2020, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

(i) The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

(ii) The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

(iii) These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime

Approved by the Board of Directors on 26 March 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

Anil Edavana	Mrs Rohoney Dayanand	Aloysius Mathew
Chair Person	**Company Secretary**	**Finance Director**

MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION OF THE UK
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS 2021

1 The financial statements have been prepared on the accruals basis in accordance with the 2008 Regulations and the SORP, under the historical cost convention, as modified by the inclusion of fixed asset investments at market value.

2 **Fund accounting**

• **Unrestricted funds** (General fund) are available for use at the discretion of the directors in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Unrestricted funds include a revaluation reserve representing the restatement of investment assets at market values.

• **Designated funds** are unrestricted funds that have been earmarked for a particular purpose by the trustees. The notes to the accounts should explain the purpose of designated funds.

• **Restricted funds** are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

3 **Directors' Expenses** - No expenses were paid to any of the directors during the year, except to reimburse them for purchases made on behalf of the the company.

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Utility Bills	**2021**	**2020**
Electricity	(1,856.08)	(961.69)
Gas	(344.20)	(1,020.49)
Water	(262.89)	(1,212.77)
Total	**(2,463.17)**	**(3,194.95)**

5

London Borough of Newham (LBN) expenses are made up of:	**2021**	**2020**
Premises License	(180)	(180)
Council Tax	(597.09)	-
	(777.09)	**(180.00)**

6

Bad Debts Write Off	**2021**	**2020**
Chenda Group Lessons	(104.00)	(138.00)
Keyboard Lessons	(430.00)	(62.00)
Kerala Carnival		(20.00)
Total	**(534.00)**	**(220.00)**

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Debtors	**2021**	**2020**
Chenda Lessons	810.00	1,226.00
Keyboard Lessons	195.00	735.00
Mridangam Lessons	10.00	20.00
Sponsorships	700.00	
Hire Booking	(35.00)	
Total	**1,680.00**	**1,981.00**

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Prepayments	**2021**	**2020**
Chenda Tutor Fees	2,286.00	2,850.00
Keyboard Tutor Fees		619.00
Caretaker Charges	180.00	300.00
Student Fees	(111.00)	(126.00)
Total	**2,355.00**	**3,643.00**

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Accruals	**2021**	**2020**
Accountancy Fees 2019	360.00	360.00
Accountancy Fees 2020	400.00	400.00
Accountancy Fees 2021	900.00	
KOF Project 1	920.00	920.00
Total	**2,580.00**	**1,680.00**

10 **General expenses mainly consist of the following:**

Refreshments		354.03
Utensils & Devices		100.23
Regulatory Licence		599.00
Printing & Stationary		297.46
Total		**1,350.72**

11 **Charity Fund** - The surpluses generated from charity fundraising projects are transferred to this restricted fund and will be only used for charitable activities. In 2021, the board decided to setaside £3000 for this purpose.
The releases from this fund is shown in Project Grants activity.

12 **Elder Services Fund** -The surpluses generated from Elders Services projects are transferred to this restricted fund and will be only used for future Elder services activities. In 2021, the board decided to increase fund and setaside £1000 for this purpose.

13 **Kerala House Fund** - MAUK directors wish to setaside funds periodically from the surpluses, to fund major repairs, maintenance, renovation of Kerala House (KH). In 2021, the board decided to allocate £10000 towards covid19 relief. For yearend board setaside additional £18000 to this fund. In 2021, a fund release of £7328 was used for the kitchen renovation and refit.

14 **Kerala OutReach Fund** - MAUK directors setaside funds periodically from the surpluses generated from fundraising projects. The designated fund will only be used for Kerala Outreach charity activities. During the year the fund was bolstered by £10000 for covid19 relief from Kerala House Fund. At yearend, the board decided to setaside additional £20000 for this fund**.**
The releases from this fund is shown in Project Grants activity in 2021.

15 **Mobility Fund** -In 2021, considering the need of the community the board decided to develop a new fund to enhance the mobility requirements of Elders and its members. Program includes purchase and operation of MiniBus/vehicles. Multiple fundaraisers were held during the year and generated £3990. Additonaly the board decided to setaside £1010 for this fund making it a total of £5000.

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Grand Events - FundRaisers	**2021**	**2020**
Disaster Management Fund (DMF)		
KOF-House Building Appeal	3,982.76	1,577.57
KOF-Kerala Flood Appeal	1,630.00	
KOF-Covid19 India Appeal	10,903.41	
Total	**16,516.17**	**1,577.57**

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General Reserves Movements	**2021**	**2020**
Opening Balance	90,171.19	85,611.99
Capital Exp	7,328.41	
Kerala House Fund	(18,000.00)	(8,000.00)
Elder Services Fund	(1,000.00)	(220.00)
Kerala OutReach Fund	(20,000.00)	(1,600.00)
Charity Fund	(3,000.00)	(4,500.00)
MAUK Mobility Fund	(5,000.00)	
Total	**50,499.60**	**71,291.99**

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Project Grants	**2021**	**2020**
KOF Project 1 (completed) Trivandrum		9,870.41
KOF Project 2 (completed) Aleppy	1,009.05	8,102.42
KOF Project 3 (ongoing) Chenganoor	6,795.26	
KOF Project 4 (completed) Seethathodu	6,159.82	
KOF Project 5 (completed) Bhothakulam	904.24	
KOF Project 6 (ongoing) Atingal	1,008.55	
KOF Covid19 Projects 1-17 (completed)	21,236.66	
KOF Project Mundakkayam Flood (completed)	1,000.00	
Charity Fund Projects 1-2 (Completed)		1,031.08
Charity Fund Projects 3-16 (Completed)	5,724.60	
Total	**43,838.18**	**19,003.91**

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Depreciation and Net Value of Assets, other than Building	**Net cost as at 01 Jan 2021**	**Additions 2021**	**Cost as at 31 Dec 2021**	**Depreciation**	**Net Bal as at 31 Dec 2021**
Furniture & Fittings	5,061.54	-	5,061.54	(1,216.14)	3,845.40
Office Equipments	1,050.56	-	1,050.56	(286.53)	764.03
Music Instruments	81.00	-	81.00	(27.00)	54.00
Event Equipments	848.91	-	848.91	(311.51)	537.40
Assets Under Construction (KH Kitchen Refit)		7,328.41	7,328.41	-	7,328.41
Total	**7,042.01**	**7,328.41**	**14,370.42**	**(1,841.18)**	**12,529.24**

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Director Board Report for the Year 2020

Director Board

Malayalee Association of the U.K (hereafter M.A.U.K.) is a Registered Charity and a Company Limited by Guarantee. Therefore, the Board of Directors has the responsibility as Charity Trustees and as Company Directors.

Elections

At the last A.G.M. (22/11/2020), the following directors were elected to serve for two consecutive years: Anil Velu, Jayan Pillai, Shiny Benu, Anil Edavana, Aji Velu, Mohandas Madhavanandan, Rajeswari Sadhasivan, Pushkas Vasu, Shola Dilep & Nishar Viswanath.

The following sitting directors will serve until the forthcoming A.G.M. on Sunday, 19 September 2020: Raman Sambasivan, Sreekumar Kunjuraman, Sreejith Sreedharan, Aji Gangadharan, Murali Pillai, Nihas Rawther, Subash Viswanathan and Rohoney Dayanand. In addition, Aloysius Mathew was coopted into the Board and will serve until the forthcoming A.G.M.

As usual, the Annual General Meeting will be electing only the required number of directors to the Board. The first meeting of the Board will then select the officials and decide on the roles and responsibilities of the various directors.

2020 Management Structure

The Board opted for a change in the format used in the previous years where directors were grouped into three generic teams with a Lead to oversee the activities of each team. In 2020, each director was given one or two tasks of their choice and encouraged to build their team consisting of experts and interested volunteers.

Membership

In 2020 we added twelve new family members to our organisation. Membership requests are mainly received through online mediums. We have simplified and made it much easier to obtain membership through our website. We urge all our supporters to promote M.A.U.K. and encourage your friends, family, and colleagues to become part of M.A.U.K. - Our Extended Family.

Visit our membership pages for more info – www.mauk.org/category/membership

Website – www.mauk.org

The website is used mainly to inform members about M.A.U.K. activities and archive our records. Members can also download M.A.U.K. policies, annual reports and accounts, forms, and other publications. Regular updates and maintenance are done by CloudEco Systems Ltd, with whom we have a contract for three years starting in

2021. The site is hosted on a cloud-based server to enhance security, thereby preventing data loss.

Social Media

M.A.U.K. continues to increase its presence on social media, with our Facebook page www.fb.com/mauklondon being our primary means of publicity. This page regularly updates the details of M.A.U.K. events, activities, reports, and photos of main events. Our F.B. page has also become one of the main mediums for people from many parts of the world to communicate with M.A.U.K. We are also present on Twitter - @mauklondon and YouTube – mauklondon

Media Partners

M.A.U.K. maintains a good rapport with various print, online, and visual media targeted at the Malayalee community. On almost all occasions, our press releases and reports have been published unedited by our media partners, and we are grateful for their continued support. We express our gratitude to Anand Media, UKmalayalee.com, Kerala Link, KaumudiEurope, Britishmalayali.com, KeralaVision TV, Europemalayali.com and Manoramaonline.

Administrative Tools

M.A.U.K. have long relied on electronic mediums to ensure efficient and timely communication and promote its activities to the wider community. In 2020, we obtained the 'Microsoft 365 Business' package free of charge as part of Microsoft's commitment to supporting not-for-profit organisations.

M.A.U.K. Mission Statement

To reflect the humanitarian work M.A.U.K. is focused on, the director board had adopted the below Mission Statement. We hope that the statement will capture the true spirit of M.A.U.K.'s current activities and vision for the future.

Collaborate with other organisations in pursuit of community cohesion and social inclusion while promoting an equal, just, and harmonious society based on the ancient Indian philosophy of 'Vasudaiva Kutumbakam' - The World is One Family.

Kerala House

Due to the Pandemic restrictions, the Board has decided to extend the free hire of Kerala House for life members to 30 December 2022. Due to the Pandemic, the use of Kerala House was restricted to our Food Bank operations and meetings.

Arts & Cultural Services

Chenda Troupe

M.A.U.K. Chenda Troupe, founded in 2011 under the training and guidance of Vinod Navadhara, has grown into the leading Chenda Troupe in the country.

In 2020 before the Pandemic struck, our Troupe had the blessing to perform for five days, from 23 to 27 January, for the Vigraha prathistta and Mahakumbhabhishekam at Barnet Temple

DrishyaKala – Live F.B. discussion

Drishyakala, M.A.U.K. Drama Troupe was preparing for their new production when the Pandemic stuck. Hence, we postponed our plans. To keep the M.A.U.K. artists and Malayalam drama enthusiasts engaged, we held twenty-five weekly episodes of Live F.B. discussion by prominent drama artists from Dhrishyakala fraternity as well as Kerala drama field.

Promotion of Traditional Kerala Arts

M.A.U.K. is deeply committed to promoting Kerala arts and culture in the U.K. In 2017 we made an additional commitment to advancing the diverse ritual, folk and ancient art form of Kerala. M.A.U.K. has a moral obligation to preserve these declining art forms as it is an integral part of Kerala heritage. In addition, this commitment also provides opportunities for the community to experience these invaluable art forms. As part of this commitment, we have showcased the ancient Kerala martial artform Kalaripayatt by HindostanKalari Sangam --- and Sopanasangeetham by the leading artist Ngerulath Hari Govindan at our Ponnonam@Home celebrations.

Kattankappium Kavaithaum (Coffee and Poetry)

The Pandemic brought added value to the concept and activities of the literary group Kattankappium Kavithaum (Coffee and Poetry), initiated by M.A.U.K. in 2012. In January, months before COVID griped the U.K, Kattankappi team launched their activities on the cyber world with the hope of spreading its message wider and attracting global participation. This foresight has given Kattankappi an advantage in bringing people together during the restrictions imposed by the Pandemic.

In 2020, Kattankappi conducted 21 episodes through Facebook Live broadcast, with the aim of keeping people occupied, entertained, and enlightened while they awaited normalcy. Topics coved by Kattankappi episodes included creative writing, storytelling, poetry, travelogue, introduction to books, mental wellbeing, environment, climate change challenges, classes on story-writing and poem writing, etc. Over 100 speakers from the social, art and literary world contributed to 2020 Kattankappi episodes. This included prominent personalities such as K P Ramanunni (Novelist & winner of Kerala State Sahithya Academi Awards), Dr. Punalur Somarajan (Humaitarian & Founder and Managing Trustee of Gandhai Bhavan, Kerala) Girish Menon (CEO Action Aid, U.K), Dr. Hena Vijayan (Child Consultant and Adolescent Psychiatrist), Dr Shafi Muthalif (Consultant Psychiatrist at NHS), Dr Gopakumar Nair (Director at NHS England and NHS Improvement), Dr. S Ramkumar (Dean at Rajiv Gandhai University of Veterinary Education and research), Sister Lucy (Social Activist) Ngeralath Hari Govindan (Musician), Prof. N M Kakkaserry (Orator, Author and Social Activist), Leela Santosh (Film Director and Activist), M Nandakumar (Short story writer), V. T Sebestain (Environmental Activist), Adv. Harish Vasudevan (Green Activist), Prof. Thankam Arun (University of Essex), Unnikrishnan Divakaran Nair (Head of Climate Change at Commonwealth Secretariat), Sreekumar K (Writer and Critic).

M.A.U.K. NiSaRi Niswanam …a light in the darkness

The ground-breaking fundraising online event organised by NiSaRi - the Music Troupe of M.A.U.K., was held on 19 July 2020 at Trinity Centre. The live musical concert was held to thank the frontline staff and provide solace to those stuck at home due to the Pandemic restrictions. It brought together the top-rated Malayalee singers and musicians from across the U.K. and was viewed by over 23000 people. Niswanam also inspired many organisations and individuals to follow suit and start online events to keep community members engaged and entertained throughout the Pandemic. However, the greatest achievement of Niswanam was that it highlighted the extraordinary talents of budding young singers among the U.K. Malayalee community, whose mesmerising performance captivated the viewers. The show was a testament that although COVID-19 restricted our scope

and forced us to change our practices, it wasn't going to stop M.A.U.K. from fulfilling its core objectives as a social and cultural organisation. We are grateful to Infinity Financial Services and Muthoot for their financial support for this exciting project.

Watch Niswanam on MAUK FB Page - https://fb.watch/7C9IDDpmxQ/

Ponnonam@Home - Celebrating Onam with a difference…
(Onam – Harvest Festival of Kerala)

The Pandemic was not going to stop M.A.U.K. celebrating Onam either. M.A.U.K. has been celebrating Onam in grand splendour in the U.K. since the mid-1970s. This year, we held our first-ever virtual Onam celebration on 13 September, connecting Malayalees from across the globe, educating and entertaining them while encouraging a sense of normalcy. To enable the community to share the spirit of Onam, we conducted - Ponnonam@Home; a three-hour online show including dance, music, drama and a virtual Athappoo competition. The part live show broadcasted from Kerala House gave U.K. talents an opportunity to showcase their creativity. The show also featured Kelikottu, Kalaripayatu, Sopana Sangeetham and Naadan Pattu as part of our commitment to promote traditional folk and ritual art forms of Kerala. The show was viewed by over 5000 people from across the globe.

Watch Ponnonam@Home: https://fb.watch/7BPoF-wxss/

Annual Onasadhya

The COVID restrictions meant that we were unable to hold our much-revered Onasadhya, so on Pooradam day, we delivered special Onam Food Kits to all our Elders Services users who were shielding and distributed further 120 kits from M.A.U.K. Food Bank the following day. We also provided special kits for Eid and Vishu.

Social, Sports and Leisure Services

U.K. Malayalee Cricket League (U.K.M.C.L.)

The U.K.M.C.L. was set up by M.A.U.K., Kerala Catholic Association and Kerala Cultural and Welfare Association in 2004 to cater to the growing needs of Malayalee Cricketers and provide them with specialised services. U.K.M.C.L. matches were suspended due to the Pandemic; however, U.K.M.C.L. volunteers and financial support played a vital role in MAUK COVID relief operations.

M.A.U.K. Women's Forum (W.F.)

Paryaptha #Each for Equal - M.A.U.K. IWD Celebrations

M.A.U.K. celebrated the 2020 International Women's Day in grand splendour on Saturday, 07 March at Trinity Centre in East London. This year's celebrations, aptly named 'Paryapta' #Each for Equal, highlighted the achievements of the copious, competent and enlightened woman in the local community through various cultural programmes and activities. The free event also raised awareness of more mundane and contemporary issues such as domestic violence, mental health awareness and equality through powerful presentations and sensational speeches by renowned speakers.

Traditional Indian arts Bharathanatyam and Mohiniattam, Bollywood dance performance and workshop, poetry, live music, and audience-interactive sessions were used to convey the theme of 2020 I.W.D. - #EachforEqual and to keep the 200 plus audience entertained during the five-hour show.

The Chief Guest of the event, Newham Mayor Roksana Fiaz, reminisced about her upbringing in the Borough during a culturally and socially challenging time and how she drew courage and inspiration from women of her mum's network to challenge inequality, division, and bias. Newham councillors addressed the audience during the event.

Public Health England's advice on how to prevent the spread of the Coronavirus was promoted during the event through posters, slideshows, and one-to-one advice by medical professionals. Our volunteers took extensive precautions to mitigate any risk of the virus spreading by providing hand gels and deep cleaning the venue.

The staff of East London branches of Barclays bank supported the event.

View photos of I.W.D. 2020 -
https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?vanity=mauklondon&set=a.4268269469865469

Online cookery show

To keep the community members engaged and occupied during the lockdown and to introduce the diverse flavours of Kerala cuisine to the wider community MAUK WF organised regular online cookery shows. Sunny Lopez, Ajitha Sajeev, Usha Kumari, Nihas Rawther, Hena Vijayan were among the chefs who have contributed to this show.

Republic Day Fundraising event

MAUK WF organised a fundraising gathering at Kerala House on Indian Republic Day on Sunday, 26 January. Music, Poetry, street food and stalls were the highlights of the day.

Women of Independent India

On 16 August, MAUK WF organised an online discussion to highlight the stature women hold in Indian society and raise awareness of the treatment women are subjected to in some sections of Indian society. Guest speakers and W.F. members contributed to the discussion.

Elders Services

Online activities

As the Pandemic situation dictated, M.A.U.K. shifted most of its services to online platforms. Our dedicated volunteers were adamant to reach out to those affected by the Pandemic and find innovative means to ensure the mental and physical wellbeing of our community members. As part of our COVID relief operations, we have started many online activities, including regular Yoga classes, cookery shows, mental wellbeing seminars, discussion forums, etc. Our volunteers trained and facilitated provisions for many Elders to get online and be confident using this unthought of medium. The testimonials from our service users are evidence that our prompt, thoughtful and bold actions have immensely contributed to their welfare during this very difficult period.

60+ Sisters Club

In 2006, Mrs Girija Nair (late), who was a dedicated M.A.U.K. volunteer, started the Sisters Club with a vision to provide friendship and support for women over the age of 60.

The Club, which takes place on Tuesday from 1 PM to 4 PM, was operational with its regular activities during the first couple of months in 2020, providing its regular activities including singing, poetry, dancing, light exercise sessions, food tasting, training for cultural shows, day trips, etc.

Members of the Club have formed a strong bond and are a support network for each other. Hence, it was inevitable that M.A.U.K. volunteers had to improvise to keep them connected during the shutdown and self-quarantine. This has led to our volunteers going the extra mile to remotely train Elders to take part in online meetups and shows. We have introduced the online platform Zoom to thirty-two Elders who were total novices to the idea before the Pandemic.

M.A.U.K. Lunch Club

M.A.U.K. Lunch Club, which is part of M.A.U.K. Elders Services has been functioning since 1998. This tailor-made service is a unique platform for Elders in our community to meet, chat and share their cultural identity and shared experiences. Participants of the Club enjoy a variety of activities, including card and board games, exercise classes, knitting, arts and crafts, poetry, film, picnics, trips, etc. Kerala lunch is also provided each week. We express our sincere gratitude to Ananthapuri Restaurant, Manor Park, for providing the lunch at a subsidised price.

To ensure the smooth operation of this bespoke and essential service, M.A.U.K. has successfully introduced a sponsorship scheme through which kind-hearted individuals and community-spirited businesses can sponsor the cost of running the Lunch Club for a day. People and businesses were given the opportunity to sponsor a day as part of your celebrations of an auspicious occasion, in memory of someone beloved, as a promotion of your business, or to support this essential service. Despite having sponsors for the entire year, in 2020, the Club only operated for the first two months before the spread of COVID-19 forced us to suspend its services.

The Lunch Club meets every Thursday at Kerala House from 10 AM to 5 PM and is open to all members of the local community. Depending on the COVID situation, we will be restarting the services of the Lunch Club soon. If you wish to sponsor a day at the Lunch Club, please contact us.

See the list of M.A.U.K. Lunch Club sponsors of 2019 at www.mauk.org/elders/

150Club

150Club is an exercise-based prevention programme for members of the local community who are at risk of being Diabetic. The 150Club scheme is an initiative by N.H.S. Newham Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), Newham Council and the 150Club partnership - made up of the West Ham United Foundation working with the council's leisure trust ActiveNewham and the Staywell Partnership, which includes M.A.U.K.

150Club exercise programme takes place every Tuesday at Kerala House but is currently suspended. Members of the local community who wish to join 150Club activities when it restarts should request their G.P.s to enrol on the programme.

M.A.U.K. Befriending Services

The gravity and value of this outstanding and compassionate service that is run as part of the Elders Service

were highlighted during the Pandemic. In addition to getting the housebound to participate in online activities, M.A.U.K. volunteers regularly checked in on over 60 regular users of M.A.U.K. Elders Service. During the initial chaos and uncertainty of the first national lockdown, M.A.U.K. volunteers have done weekly shopping for those self-isolating or in quarantine. We then arranged shopping slots for many elderly households but continued to deliver Asian groceries for many more months.

If you know of anyone who could improve their wellbeing by this service, please email their details to info@mauk.org or call us on 07961454644, and we will be happy to visit them.

Educational Services

Chenda, Tabala, Keyboard, Guitar and Malayalam Classes were paused at the start of the national lockdown in March. The classes were restarted online from May; however, the number of attendees fell sharply.

M.A.U.K. Thanal - Charitable Endeavors

M.A.U.K., being a strong-rooted organisation, has always been at the forefront of coordinating the response of U.K. Malayalees whenever Kerala needed a helping hand. This tradition continued during the Great Floods of 2018 and now, the Pandemic. We have been able to rise to the challenges the Pandemic has posed to our community here in the U.K. and our brethren in Kerala. In 2021, during the second wave of COVID, we have undertaken over 18 humanitarian projects in Kerala, with the generosity of U.K. Malayalees.

Charitable Projects in Kerala

In 2020, M.A.U.K. contributed towards the Education Fund set up for the children of Mr Unnikannan , Cherthala. The money was initially collected for the treatment of Bindu Unnikannan for her brain surgery, but sadly Bindu passed away, leaving her children aged 15 & 12 in a difficult situation. Hence, it was decided to set up a fund to ensure a brighter future for the children.

M.A.U.K. also supported Amma Charity Trust based in Southampton with their charity endeavours in Kerala among those affected by the Great Floods of 2018.

House Building Project

In 2019, M.A.U.K. also commenced building a house for Nirmala Rajan, a 64-year-old labourer in Kazhakuttam. The £10K project was expected to be completed by March 2020; however, COVID restrictions meant that we are only able to complete the project and handed over the key in October. The key handing over ceremony was held on 19/10/2020 by the Chief Guest, Mr K Sreekumar, honourable Mayor of Thiruvanathapurum City.

Watch videos of Nirmala Rajan House Building project – www.mauk.org/thanal/nirmalarajan

Despite the restrictions of the Pandemic, M.A.U.K. has embarked on building three more houses for deserving families who cannot afford a decent roof over their head due to no fault of their own. Following extensive research and vetting by our volunteers and social workers on the ground, we have prioritised families with young female children to ensure their safety and wellbeing. Sandhya in Alapuzha, Ananthamani in Chengunur and Lekshmi Ramachandran in Seethathood are the beneficiaries of the houses we are currently building.

COVID Relief Operations

The world, as we knew, was turned on its head by COVID-19. We are living through unprecedented times that require an equally thoughtful and responsible response from individuals, governments, and N.G.O.s. It is the deeds of individuals and organisations during such challenging times that justifies their existence. As the Pandemic challenged the survival of humanity, the resolve of the human spirit also strengthened, with compassionate people from all walks joining hands to beat this indiscriminate invisible enemy. Like any other reputable community organisation, M.A.U.K. rose to the challenge posed by the Pandemic.

Realising the gravity of the issue, M.A.U.K. sprang into action, cancelling its regular activities to focus on helping those who are affected by COVID-19. We started by taking care of the wellbeing of the users of our Elders Services. Even before the government declared a national lockdown on 21 March 2020, M.A.U.K. encouraged our elders and vulnerable members of our community to self-isolate for their safety. During the initial days of confusion and disarray, we did their regular shopping and delivered essential items to their doorsteps. We then trained them to do online shopping and arranged delivery slots with local supermarkets and speciality grocery shops. We started checking up on them every week and later remotely trained them to participate in weekly online activities, including mindfulness, yoga, cooking shows, social meetings, etc.

We have teamed up with Loka Kerala Sabha and other prominent organisations to provide nationwide support, including food, advice and reassurance to international students and undocumented migrants who have been severely affected by the crisis but have no recourse to the public fund. We became a referral partner of the British Red Cross Hardship Fund and referred 58 venerable families to receive up to £1080 over three months.

We have been referred to as a key service provider by the High Commission of India's website, and our services have been tweeted and highlighted in the Houses of Parliament by our local MP Stephen Timms.

Working at the grassroots level, we were able to recognise the severe impact of COVID-19 on the local community. Hence, we started a Food Bank as early as the first week of April to support those struggling with food shortages, a situation that was exacerbated by the loss of income caused by the national lockdown. During the height of the lockdown, over 600 people were regularly queuing up to collect food from M.A.U.K. Food Bank, and on 19 May, we served an astonishing 664 people in a single day. Our humble endeavour even caught the attention of B.B.C. news and was featured on 6 PM and 10 PM on 05 May. This news coverage helped us to raise around £40K to continue with our Food Bank operations. M.A.U.K. Food Bank is still functioning from Kerala House every Sunday as part of Newham Food Alliance, a body set up by the London Borough of Newham.

We have been at the forefront of serving the essential and changing needs of the community since the crisis began. In this dynamic and uncertain environment, we have adapted, built on our strengths, and found innovative ways to deliver our services to more significant and diverse beneficiaries.

From the initial chaos to the gradual realisation of the severity of the Pandemic, we were working in an evolving and unpredictable situation that required a responsible common-sense approach and prompt and, at times, bold decision making. As a team, we have strived our best to do everything possible for an organisation of our size and calibre in a fair and dignified manner. We thank the community-spirited individuals and businesses for their valuable time, financial contributions, encouragement, and appreciation. We proudly accept all the approbation

It is only apt that we acknowledge the invaluable contribution of many kind-hearted individuals and the following organisations who have empowered M.A.U.K. to rise to the challenges the Pandemic posed…

Thattukada-East Ham, Law & Lawyers Solicitors, Neil Travels, Kerala Catholic Association, Ananthapuri Restaurant, Manjeet Singh, Woking Malayalee Association, Woking Malayalee Cultural Association, Cherthala

Sangamam, Public Health-London Borough of Newham, Fareshare, The Felix Project, Lathif & M I Thaslivala, Global Study Link, Inked Peps, Udaya Restaurant, London Sports League, Docklands and Carpenters Centre, U.K. Malayalee Cricket League, GreenStop Groceries, Fairlop Lions Club, SyroMalabar Community, Woking, Prathyasha Charitable Trust, Woking, AMMA Charity Trust, Southampton.

Community

Thalamura Club

Members of the Thalamura Club have negotiated a special deal to use Kerala House for their activities every Friday from 1 PM to 7 PM. Thalamura provides a platform for like-minded people to meet up, share their common experiences, take part in social activities, and enjoy delicacies made on the premises by food enthusiasts. If you wish to join Thalamura, please contact Suresh on 07740248993

MAUK / Girija Nair - Volunteer of the Year Award 2019

The Volunteer Award was initiated in 2003 to celebrate, acknowledge and appreciate the instrumental contributions of M.A.U.K. Volunteers. The Award was renamed M.A.U.K. Girija Nair Award in 2014 to honour one of M.A.U.K.'s steadfast and inspirational volunteers.

The 2020 Volunteer of the Year Award was presented to Sudharsanan Karunakaran, who is a regular volunteer at M.A.U.K. events.

Read more at http://mauk.org/girija-nair-volunteer-awards

Accounts

The 2020 Accounts, which was audited by Haridas Bhaskaran with the support of Aaron Sudershanan, is attached to this report.

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INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

			Year ended 31 December 2020			Year ended 31 December 2019		
	Surplus/(Deficit) from activities	**Note**	**Income**	**Expenditure**	**Net £**	**Income**	**Expenditure**	**Net £**
1	Bereavement Support		150.00	(50.00)	100.00	901.00	(1,000.00)	(99.00)
2	Chenda Individual Lessons		180.00	(112.00)	68.00	900.00	(280.00)	620.00
3	Chenda Group Lessons		1,542.00	(1,296.78)	245.22	3,014.00	(2,889.00)	125.00
4	Chenda Performance		347.00	(226.88)	120.12	968.00	(500.00)	468.00
5	Covid19 (FoodBank)		39,728.56	(37,811.22)	1,917.34	-	-	-
6	Elders Services	3	2,336.00	(501.14)	1,834.86	11,620.00	(5,747.67)	5,872.33
7	Equipment Hire		10.00	-	10.00	325.00	-	325.00
8	Grand Events - Fundraisers	16	1,599.35	(21.78)	1,577.57	24,337.10	(6,816.74)	17,520.36
9	IWD		1,280.00	(693.28)	586.72	465.00	(406.36)	58.64
10	Janani		-	-	-	985.00	(1,176.92)	(191.92)
11	Kathakali		-	-	-	79.25	(158.20)	(78.95)
12	Kattankaapi Kavitha		201.00	-	201.00	420.00	(500.00)	(80.00)
13	Kerala House Events		2,505.20	(3,648.54)	(1,143.34)	855.00	(603.54)	251.46
14	Keyboard Lessons		960.00	(584.00)	376.00	3,370.00	(2,399.00)	971.00
15	Malayalam Lessons for Adults		-	-	-	70.02	-	70.02
16	Malayalam Lessons		355.00	(135.00)	220.00	95.00	(596.59)	(501.59)
17	Mridangam Lessons		20.00	(12.00)	8.00	-	-	-
18	Onam		-	-	-	29,573.52	(27,790.81)	1,782.71
19	Project Grants	18	19,003.91	(19,003.91)	-	-	-	-
20	Tabla Class		30.00	(18.00)	12.00	100.00	(14.00)	86.00
21	Thalamura		400.00	-	400.00	300.00	-	300.00
	Total Activities		**70,648.02**	**(64,114.53)**	**6,533.49**	**78,377.89**	**(50,878.83)**	**27,499.06**
	Other Income							
22	Charity Fund Inc		4,228.88	-	4,228.88	-	-	-
23	Directors Fund Inc		270.00	-	270.00	427.00	(375.00)	52.00
24	Donation - Miscellaneous		1,544.27	-	1,544.27	195.00	-	195.00
25	Grant Inc (LBN)		11,000.00	-	11,000.00	-	-	-
26	GiftAid Inc		1,361.78	-	1,361.78	-	-	-
27	Kerala House Donation		1,080.00	-	1,080.00	2,145.00	(140.79)	2,004.21
28	Membership		3,705.10	-	3,705.10	3,862.00	-	3,862.00
	Total Other Income		**23,190.03**	**-**	**23,190.03**	**6,629.00**	**(515.79)**	**6,113.21**
	Expenditure							
29	Accountany & Audit		-	(400.00)	(400.00)	-	(423.00)	(423.00)
30	Bad Debts Written off	7	-	(220.00)	(220.00)	-	(436.00)	(436.00)
31	Caretaker Expense		-	(500.00)	(500.00)	-	(2,030.00)	(2,030.00)
32	Depreciation	19	-	(1,841.18)	(1,841.18)	-	(1,099.00)	(1,099.00)
33	General Expense	4	-	(801.00)	(801.00)	-	(1,140.71)	(1,140.71)
34	Insurance		-	(499.96)	(499.96)	-	(1,428.64)	(1,428.64)
35	KH Maintenance	14	3,850.00	(4,593.87)	(743.87)	-	-	-
36	London Borough of Newham (LBN)	6	-	(180.00)	(180.00)	-	(2,734.74)	(2,734.74)
37	Phone & Internet		-	(955.22)	(955.22)	-	(856.56)	(856.56)
38	Payzone		-	(348.57)	(348.57)	-	(111.12)	(111.12)
39	TV License		-	(157.50)	(157.50)	-	(154.50)	(154.50)
40	Utility Bills	5	-	(3,194.95)	(3,194.95)	-	(2,989.87)	(2,989.87)
41	Volunteers		-	-	-	-	(399.06)	(399.06)
42	Website		-	(1,002.07)	(1,002.07)	-	(560.67)	(560.67)
	Total Expenditure		**3,850.00**	**(14,694.32)**	**(10,844.32)**	**-**	**(14,363.87)**	**(14,363.87)**
	Net Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		**97,688.05**	**(78,808.85)**	**18,879.20**	**85,006.89**	**(65,758.49)**	**19,248.40**
	Designated Funds (movements for the year)							
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43	Charity Fund	12	4,500.00	(1,031.08)	3,468.92	5,783.01	(1,518.91)	4,264.10
44	Elder Services Fund	13	220.00	-	220.00	200.00	-	200.00
45	General Fund	17	-	(14,320.00)	(14,320.00)	7,000.00	(13,700.00)	(6,700.00)
46	Kerala House Fund	14	8,000.00	(3,850.00)	4,150.00	400.00	(7,917.45)	(7,517.45)
47	Kerala Outreach Fund	15	1,600.00	(18,892.83)	(17,292.83)	10,454.40	(14,166.66)	(3,712.26)
	Total Designated Funds		**14,320.00**	**(38,093.91)**	**(23,773.91)**	**23,837.41**	**(37,303.02)**	**(13,465.61)**
	Net Movement in funds		**112,008.05**	**(116,902.76)**	**(4,894.71)**	**108,844.30**	**(103,061.51)**	**5,782.79**
	Total Funds/reserves brought forward				**388,141.71**			**382,358.92**
	Total Unrestricted Funds and Reserves carried forward				**383,247.00**			**388,141.71**

MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION OF THE UK

Charity Registration No.1102653 Company registration No.4934084

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

		2020	2019
FIXED ASSETS	**Notes**	**£**	£
Building		317,510.00	317,510.00
Others - Net Value		7,042.01	4,395.41
		324,552.01	**321,905.41**
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	9	1,981.00	3,069.40
Prepayments	10	3,643.00	
Cash in hand		240.00	240.00
Bank Accounts		54,510.99	63,286.90
		60,374.99	**66,596.30**
LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors - Various		-	(360.00)
Accruals	11	(1,680.00)	
		(1,680.00)	**(360.00)**
NET ASSETS		**383,247.00**	**388,141.71**
FINANCED BY:			
Restricted Funds / Designated Funds			
Charity Fund	12	10,814.67	7,345.75
Elders Services Fund	13	2,420.00	2,200.00
Kerala House Fund	14	28,680.28	24,530.28
Kerala Outreach Fund	15	14,614.86	31,907.69
Unrestricted Funds			
Building Revaluation Reserve		236,546.00	236,546.00
General Fund	17	71,291.99	66,363.59
Surplus/(deficit) from income & expenditure		18,879.20	19,248.40
		383,247.00	**388,141.71**

For the year ending 31 December 2020, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

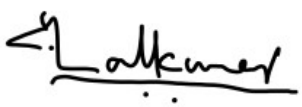
(i) The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

(ii) The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

(iii) These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime

Approved by the Board of Directors on 11 July 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

Chair Person



Company Secretary

Finance Director

MALAYALEE ASSOCIATION OF THE UK
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS 2020

1 The financial statements have been prepared on the accruals basis in accordance with the 2008 Regulations and the SORP, under the historical cost convention, as modified by the inclusion of fixed asset investments at market value.

2 **Fund accounting**

• **Unrestricted funds** (General fund) are available for use at the discretion of the directors in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity. Unrestricted funds include a revaluation reserve representing the restatement of investment assets at market values.

• **Designated funds** are unrestricted funds that have been earmarked for a particular purpose by the trustees. The notes to the accounts should explain the purpose of designated funds.

• **Restricted funds** are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor or through the terms of an appeal.

3		2020	2019
	Elders Services	**£**	**£**
	Donations & contributions from users		240.00
	Club 150	386.00	(1,108.51)
	Lunch Club	1,448.86	6,740.84
	Net	1,834.86	5,872.33

4 **General expenses mainly consist of the following:**

Refreshments		310.46
Utensils		129.83
Stationary		183.43
Regulatory Licence		50.00
Parking Permits		24.00
Printing & Stationary		103.28
Total		**801.00**

5	**Utility Bills**	**2020**	**2019**
	Electricity	(961.69)	(687.98)
	Gas	(1,020.49)	(849.46)
	Water	(1,212.77)	(1,452.43)
	Total	**(3,194.95)**	**(2,989.87)**

6	**London Borough of Newham (LBN) expenses are made up of:**	**2020**	**2019**
	Premises License	180	180
	Council Tax	-	1,393
	Bin Waste Collection	-	1,162
		180	2,735

7	**Bad Debts Write Off**	**2020**	**2019**
	Chenda Group Lessons	(138.00)	(40.00)
	Keyboard Lessons	(62.00)	(396.00)
	Kerala Carnival	(20.00)	
	Total	**(220.00)**	**(436.00)**

8 **Directors' Expenses** - No expenses were paid to any of the directors during the year, except to reimburse them for purchases made on behalf of the the company.

9	**Debtors**	**2020**	**2019**
	Chenda Individual Lessons	510.00	490.00
	Chenda Group Lessons	716.00	598.00
	Kerala Carnival 2017		20.00
	Keyboard Lessons	735.00	607.00
	Chenda Tutor Fees		400.00
	Match Funding (NRHBP)		954.40
	Mridangam Lessons	20.00	
	Total	**1,981.00**	**3,069.40**

10	**Prepayments**	**2020**	**2019**
	Chenda Tutor Fees	2,850.00	
	Keyboard Tutor Fees	619.00	
	Caretaker Charges	300.00	
	Student Fees	(126.00)	
	Total	**3,643.00**	**-**

11	**Accruals**	**2020**	**2019**
	Accountancy Fees 2019	360.00	
	Accountancy Fees 2020	400.00	
	KOF Project 1	920.00	
	Total	**1,680.00**	**-**

12 **Charity Fund** - The surpluses generated from charity fundraising projects are transferred to this restricted fund and will be only used for future charitable activities. In 2020, the board decided to setaside additional £4500 for this purpose. The releases from this fund is shown in Project Grants activity in 2020.

13 **Elder Services Fund** -The surpluses generated from Elders Services projects are transferred to this restricted fund and will be only used for future Elder services activities. In 2020, the board decided to increase fund by 10% and setaside additional £220 for this purpose.

14 **Kerala House Fund** - MAUK directors wish to setaside funds periodically from the surpluses, to fund major repairs, maintenance, renovation of Kerala House (KH). In 2020 the board decided to setaside additional £8000 for this purpose**.** In 2020 a fund release of £3850 was used for the planned work to update KH roofing work and install KH rear shutter.

15 **Kerala OutReach Fund** - MAUK directors setaside funds periodically from the surpluses generated from fundraising projects. The designated fund will only be used for Kerala Outreach charity activities. In 2020, the board decided to setaside additional £1600 for this purpose**.**
The releases from this fund is shown in Project Grants activity in 2020.

16	**Grand Events - FundRaisers**	**2020**	**2019**
	Disaster Management Fund (DMF)		3,767.00
	House Building Fund	1,577.57	8,047.91
	Kerala Flood Funds		5,705.45
	Total	**1,577.57**	**17,520.36**

17	**General Fund Movements**	**2020**	**2019**
	Opening Balance	85,611.99	73,063.59
	Moved to Kerala House Fund	(8,000.00)	7,000.00
	Moved to Elder Services Fund	(220.00)	(200.00)
	Moved to Kerala OutReach Fund	(1,600.00)	(9,500.00)
	Moved to Charity Fund	(4,500.00)	(4,000.00)
	Total	**71,291.99**	**66,363.59**

18	**Project Grants**	**2020**	**2019**
	KOF Project 1	9,870.41	
	KOF Project 2	8,102.42	
	Charity Fund Project 1	513.55	
	Charity Fund Project 2	517.53	
	Total	**19,003.91**	**-**

19 **Depreciation and Net Value of Assets, other than Building**	**Net cost as at 01 Jan 2020**	**Additions 2020**	**Cost as at 31 Dec 2020**	**Depreciation**	**Net Bal as at 31 Dec 2020**
Furniture & Fittings	2,744.88	3,532.80	6,277.68	1,216.17	5,061.51
Office Equipments	382.11	954.98	1,337.09	286.50	1,050.59
Music Instruments	108.00	-	108.00	27.00	81.00
Event Equipments	1,160.42	-	1,160.42	311.51	848.91
Total	**4,395.25**	**4,487.78**	**8,883.19**	**1,841.18**	**7,042.01**