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THE ADVENT OF KRISHNA AND BALARAMA

By *Kisori devi dasi*

Krishna appeared on this earth just over 5000 years ago, with his older brother Balarama.

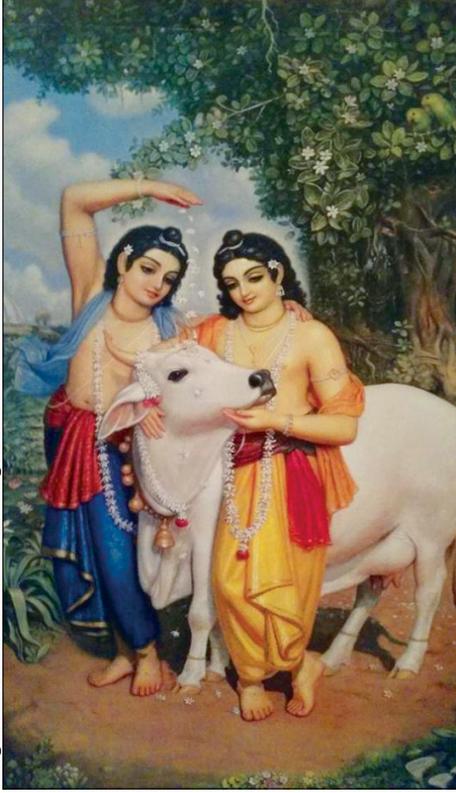


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Balarama and Krishna eternally sport as cowherd boys in Goloka Vrindavana.

The reason for Krishna's advent on Earth was, as stated by Him in the *Bhagavad-gita* 4.8, "To deliver the pious and to annihilate the miscreants, as well as to re-establish the principles of religion, I Myself appear millennium after millennium".

The circumstance prompting Krishna's appearance was a rise of irreligion due to demoniac kings and their armies on Earth, who were becoming unbearable for Bhumi, the Earth deity.

Krishna appeared in His maternal Uncle Kamsa's jail cell in Mathura, where His parents were imprisoned. Vasudeva and Devaki had been incarcerated by the cruel King Kamsa, who was terrified of being killed by Krishna. Therefore he wanted to kill Krishna as soon as He was born.

When Devaki was pregnant with her seventh child, she had what appeared to be a miscarriage. However, what

had actually happened was a mystic embryo transplant from Devaki into Rohini, another of Vasudeva's wives. This seventh son, born of Rohini, was Lord Balarama, Krishna's brother.

Krishna appeared at midnight on a dark, stormy night. Vasudeva carried Him out of the prison, when the guards fell asleep and the prison doors mystically opened. Vasudeva returned with Mother Yasoda's newborn baby girl whom he had exchanged with Krishna. He hoped that Kamsa would spare a female, because the prophecy was that a male child would be the cause of his death.

Kamsa, being merciless, prepared to dash this eighth baby against a rock, but she flew up into the air and manifested her form as Durga devi. She informed Kamsa that Krishna was safe and sound in another place and would certainly kill him.

Krishna and Balarama grew up under the care of Mother Yasoda and Nanda Maharaja, as well as Mother Rohini. This was in Gokula, and then later in Vrindavana. They had a delightful childhood in which they herded calves in the forests with their cowherd friends, and also killed the many demons that Kamsa was sending to kill Krishna. 🙏



Image: krsna-art.com

Balarama and Krishna.

We are celebrating the Divine Appearance Day of Balarama and Sri Krishna at New Govardhana on 11 and 18 August, respectively. Please see page 8 for further details.

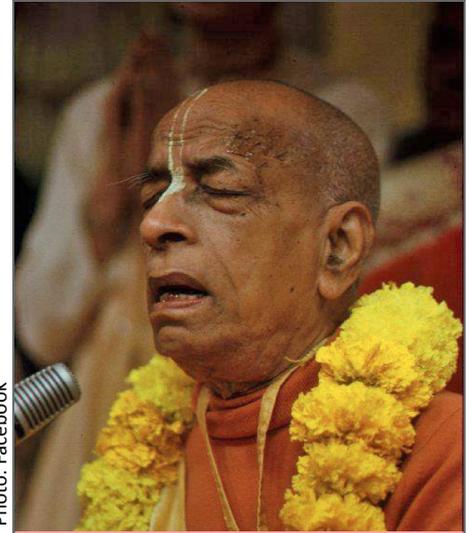


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ISKCON Founder-Acharya His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada

Srila Prabhupada Uvaca

According to expert opinion, Balarama, as the chief of the original quadruple forms, is also the original Sankarsana. Balarama, the first expansion of Krishna, expands Himself in five forms: (1) Maha-sankarsana, (2) Karanabdhisayi, (3) Garbhodakasayi, (4) Ksirodakasayi, and (5) Sesa. These five plenary portions are responsible for both the spiritual and material cosmic manifestations. In these five forms Lord Balarama assists Lord Krishna in His activities. The first four of these forms are responsible for the cosmic manifestations, whereas Sesa is responsible for personal service to the Lord. Sesa is called Ananta, or unlimited, because He assists the Personality of Godhead in His unlimited expansions by performing an unlimited variety of services. Sri Balarama is the servitor Godhead who serves Lord Krishna in all affairs of existence and knowledge. Lord Nityananda Prabhu, who is the same servitor Godhead, Balarama, performs the same service to Lord Gauranga by constant association.

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Front cover image: Trevor Gore

Sri Sri Krishna Balarama from New Govardhana, Australia.

KRISHNA COUTURE

By *Mandakini devi dasi*

Every day, devotees at New Govardhana have the unique opportunity to see Their Lordships, Sri Sri Radha Govardhanadhari, Krishna Balarama, Giriraja and Gaura Nitai.

With the Deities owning more than 50 sets of stunning outfits, the daily *darshana* is a festival of colour and artistic design.

Going back 29 years, Jamal Arjuna dasa and Subhangi devi dasi took on the service of sponsoring all the dresses, which were sewn and hand-embroidered by local talented devotees. Subhangi remembers standing before Their Lordships at that time and vowing to commit to this service for the rest of her life.

For the past 24 years, the sets have been made in a special workshop in Vrindavana set up by Jamal and Subhangi. Three sets are regularly commissioned by them each year, specifically for Nityananda Trayodasi, Gaura Purnima and Govardhana Puja. A set of clothes can take from one to three months to complete, depending



Photo: Trevor Gore

Resplendent Sri Sri Radha Govardhanadhari at New Govardhana.

on the intricacy of the embroidery, which is all done by hand.

Subhangi usually creates the design, with occasional input from other devotees. In setting up the workshop, she personally trained the workers in the importance of cleanliness to incorporate a good standard for Their Lordships pleasure.

This workshop also supplies all dresses for the Los Angeles temple, including one set a year for Lord Jagannatha to wear at the Los Angeles Rathayatra.

On the home front, the New Govardhana Deity department sponsors anything up to four sets a year with Gaura Shakti devi dasi taking responsibility for the design and manufacture.

The Deity Department is co-ordinating with Subhangi to have the dresses completed a year in advance. This facilitates the purchase of jewellery and also material for turbans and sashes. Doing this eases the transcendental burden on Vilasa Manjari devi dasi, as the sets often arrive just before the festival, with lots of fine-tuning to be done. Vilasa is engaged in making the first night set for many years to be offered at Janmastami.

Any devotees wishing to sponsor outfits, please contact Nrsimha Kavaca dasa via email: nrsimha.kavaca@iskcon.org 🐟

NEW GOVARDHANA – AN APPRECIATION

By *Bhakti*

I feel very grateful for discovering New Govardhana. Although I have been a devotee since around 2001, I really struggled with how to introduce my kids to Krishna consciousness and how to maintain my own association with devotees. I was initiated in Vrindavana while living with an Indian Vaishnava family. Since returning to Australia, I didn't know any devotees or anyone from ISKCON except one person I had met in Vrindavana who lived interstate. So I really lacked the essential association with Vaishnavas in Australia to further develop my own understanding of *bhakti*.

One night while surfing the net, I stumbled across the New Govardhana website and realised it wasn't too far away from where I lived, and had accommodation available for holidays. So the next day I booked in with absolutely no idea what to expect. However, I had nothing to



Photo: Bhakti

Rani and Asha like to spend time with the calves when they visit New Govardhana.

fear as everything was beyond my expectations. It has been fabulous as a place to not only have fun, but also to introduce my kids to Krishna and to go beyond my own limited understandings of Vaishnava philosophy.

I have been able to read, ask questions and visit the beautiful temple. I felt so happy when my kids quickly started absorbing Krishna consciousness, asking for bead bags and wanting to learn how to chant, go to the temple for *arati* and visit the cows.

Every time we come to the farm, I am able to learn more, little by little, and also enjoy the serenity of the environment. I go home with more energy to tackle not just my mundane domestic tasks but also my *sadhana*, and with more ideas on how to teach my kids about Krishna. I appreciate devotees on the farm who have taken the time to explain to my kids various aspects of Vaishnavism. I feel genuinely grateful that I am being helped with the difficult task of educating my girls about spirituality. The last time I said we were going to the farm, they both started smiling and chanting the *maha mantra*, and I knew that it would never have been possible without being immersed in Krishna consciousness on New Govardhana. Jai Sri Radhe! 🐟

GOSHALLA GOSS WORM FARM PART TWO

By Dean Litherland

The End-products of Worm Farms

A natural by-product gain of windrows (long, ground-based worm farming) is worm juice that naturally seeps into the soil below, exponentially increasing fertility in the soil. Windrows can be placed on key-line contours that have been deep-ripped with a tilling device on the tractor. This turns what was once a depleted, compact, anaerobic area of soil and ordinary dirt, into an abundant bio-mass of aerobic humus, improved pasture and natural mineral balance in the life cycle.

The expanding worm farm project has the capacity to increase the productivity, health and vitality of New Govardhana's pasture and food production projects. It provides the opportunity for purposeful work for devotees, WWOOFers and visitors, who are inclined towards farming and the science of soil, to work with these fertility building geniuses.

The more we can provide a perfect habitation for the worms and help them increase their population numbers, by improving their living conditions, the better. A more productive fertility will return to the rest of sentient life, who basically and wholly rely on these micro-organisms for optimum health in their own life cycle.

The worm farm project is very cheap to maintain, relative to the abundant return that hundreds of thousands of worms will provide. This will improve the top soil, pasture and food production projects on New Govardhana.

After the worms have been set up in the windrows, the only regular non-farm input that is required is agricultural lime to sweeten the bedding in which the worms live, allowing for neutral pH and optimum production conditions.

Other structural materials used to support the worm production and house them in the windrows are Organically Certified. These

have been scientifically proven to have no adverse effect on the soil, organisms or environment. 🐛

THREE DECADES OF BLOOD, SWEAT & TEARS

The Conch caught up with Damodara Pandit dasa who just celebrated a personal ISKCON milestone.

Q: We heard that you recently observed a milestone in your devotional life.

A: Yes, I guess you are referring to my 30-year anniversary in ISKCON.

Q: That's impressive – you kept track of the dates?

A: Well, I remember the day and date, it was 6.00 am on the 6th of the 6th in 1984 (I was into numerology). I knocked on the door of Darlinghurst Temple and asked if I could join ...

Q: So what have you done in 30 years in ISKCON?

A: Done? – well, like most of us – what was needed at the time: fundraising; *pujari* service; cooking; *padayatra*; administration; studying; travelling; writing; teaching; preaching; and performing pilgrimage to the holy places – all the fun stuff.

Q: Have you noticed a change in ISKCON over the past 30 years?

A: Yes, when I joined it was a more monastic-style movement. Everything was based within the four walls of your temple. One of my early Temple Presidents told me, "I don't like 'fringies' [a word we used for devotees who did not live in the temple but resided on the fringe of temple life]. Either you're in or you're out." If anyone moved out of the temple building they had 'blooped' (a word meaning they had dropped back into the material ocean). Also it was rare that an Indian-bodied person would ever visit.

Q: That sounds like it was quite intense?

A: Yes, it was – but we also had a great sense of connection. We lived, ate, worked and played together, with one goal, to spread Krishna consciousness. In a lot of ways it was exciting living with such comradeship, probably like soldiers in a war.

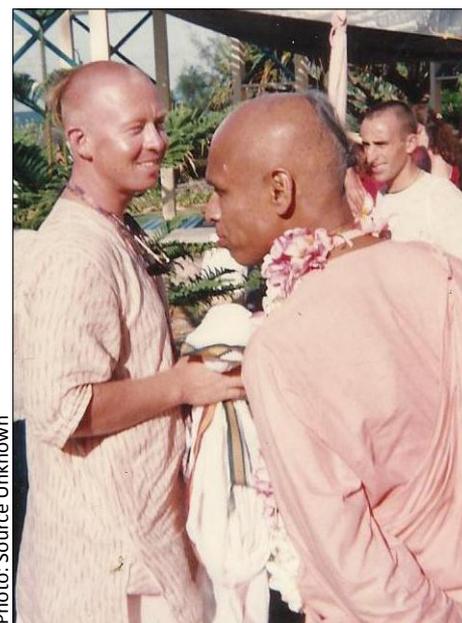
Those relationships were important, because being a Krishna devotee was not understood on the mainstream level back then.

Q: What do you notice is the trend now?

A: Well, devotees dictate their own terms of surrender, and as a movement we have broadened to accommodate all types of devotees and to accept what they can offer. Also, we have a lot more mainstream acceptance and also support from the Indian communities.

Q: Is that a good thing?

A: Definitely it is nice that we can expand to embrace more souls in the Lord's *seva*. I hope the new *bhaktas* and *bhaktines* don't miss out on that 'old style' intensity, that complete surrender to Krishna that we all experienced as being so purifying. That intensity is where the realisation of Krishna comes from – where the magic of *bhakti* feels so (as we used to say) 'ecstatic'. 🐛



Damodara Pandit dasa with His Holiness Lokanatha Swami in the 1990s, and in more recent times (below).



Photo: Trevor Gore

Photo: Source Unknown

FAMILY BHAGAVAD-GITA CLASSES

By Padma devi dasi

All devotees love to read Srila Prabhupada's *Bhagavad-gita As It Is* and listen to classes on the subject. Many ISKCON temples offer *Bhagavad-gita* classes every evening, which is a perfect way to finish the day.

Recently, Ganga devi dasi and Padma devi dasi decided to start up regular *Bhagavad-gita* classes every Saturday evening in the temple room. The classes are advertised as Family *Bhagavad-gita* Classes, because children are welcome to also be in the temple room during the discourse.

Frequently parents with children stay outside the temple room during class due to the noise that their children make – but Ganga and Padma have decided to offer a class in which everyone can attend.

Parents can engage children in colouring-in or doing other fun activities during classes, with any noise that comes from their activities being tolerated. The microphone will help to make classes audible above any noise.

Classes commenced on Saturday, 26 July and will continue every Saturday evening. Winter sessions will run from 4.00 – 5.00 pm, and summer sessions from 5.00 – 6.00 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend these classes, which will finish with cake and a drink being served in front of the temple after each class.

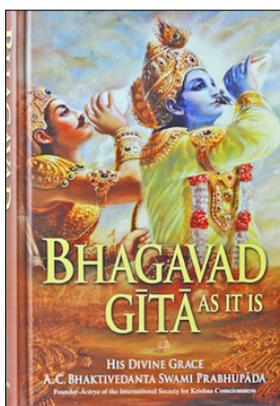


Sri Krishna speaks the Bhagavad-gita to Arjuna on the battlefield.

Please come along and support this initiative. Srila Prabhupada often stressed the importance of studying the *Bhagavad-gita*, so let's do this enthusiastically for him. 🙏

"You can see how great Krsna is simply by considering His *Bhagavad-gita*. Five thousand years have passed since Krsna spoke *Bhagavad-gita*, and still it is accepted as the greatest book of knowledge all over the world ... If you study *Bhagavad-gita* scrutinizingly, you'll understand that Krsna is the Supreme Lord.

(Civilization and Transcendence – BBT)



MENTORSHIP GOES INTERNATIONAL

By Krsnarupa devi dasi (ACBSP)

The Mentor/Mentee Program developed by Padma devi dasi has proven to be a highly successful way for new bhaktines, as well as younger initiated devotees, to receive one-on-one guidance from more experienced Vaishnavis in an informal setting.

We are happy to report a new development with the program. Two senior matajis who reside overseas, but visit New Govardhana annually, have kindly agreed to mentor two of our female devotees through email and possibly skype calls. This will be 'topped up' by further involvement when they visit the farm.

These mentoring Vaishnavis are Narayani devi dasi (a Srila Prabhupada disciple) and Anuradha devi dasi (a disciple of Gaura Govinda Swami).

If you wish to be part of the mentor/mentee program, please contact the director, Padma devi dasi at padmadevidasi@hotmail.com. 🙏

DELECTABLE MUFFINS

by Padma devi dasi

This easy muffin recipe will have your muffins baked and ready to offer in minutes. The original basic recipe was given to me by Radha Shaki devi dasi.



Photo: bingimages.com

Great for kids' birthday parties, picnics, for when you are travelling or just for an extra snack. The muffins always come out perfectly.

PREPARATION TIME: 5 minutes

BAKING TIME: 20 minutes

INGREDIENTS: (to make 24 medium-sized muffins)

4 cups self-raising flour

200 grams melted butter

2 cups milk

1½ cups sugar (either raw or white)

METHOD:

Melt butter and stir in sugar. When sugar is dissolved, add milk and mix. Pour onto flour and mix all ingredients until they turn into a smooth batter. Spoon the mixture into small paper muffin cups and place on baking tray. Cook in a pre-heated oven on 180 degrees Celsius for exactly 20 minutes.

Here are some ideas of extra ingredients that can also be added to make different varieties of muffins. Just add one of the following combinations of extra ingredients to the above basic recipe:

Grated orange-rind (from 2 oranges) and 1 cup of blackcurrants.

1 cup walnuts and 250 grams frozen blueberries (they should be frozen when you mix them into the dough).

1 cup chopped dates or sultanas.

Offer to Krishna with love and devotion. Enjoy! 🙏

THE ISKCON ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

By Arya devi dasi

The ISKCON Oral History Project is a project of the Oxford Centre for Hindu Studies, an independent academic centre of Oxford University, directed and run by devotees. The project aims to document ISKCON's early history by interviewing its earliest members.

The ISKCON Oral History Project was started in 2003 and Ambarish dasa (Alfred Ford) supplied the initial funding. Interestingly, it was in the Australian *yatra* that I first trialled my interview questions and method, by interviewing 27 disciples of Srila Prabhupada in 2004. A few months later, I was offered a round-the-world ticket by a generous devotee, so that I could travel and collect interviews. Within a few months I was on my way, travelling to Vrindavana, Mayapur, Mumbai, Australia, New Zealand, Fiji and the US. In 2004 I was also offered an opportunity to undertake a PhD based on the project. I decided to focus my interviews on the period after Srila Prabhupada's departure in 1977, when ISKCON dealt with the issue of succession, otherwise known as the "zonal *acharya* system" and the "guru reform movement".

To date, 180 interviews have been completed, but I would like to see that number expand. I am enthusiastic to see other devotees conduct their own oral history projects. For example, it would be a fun project for children to hear and record the stories of members of their community. The possibilities for documenting our history as a movement and a worldwide community are unlimited, and future generations will no doubt appreciate our efforts. 🙏

Anyone who is interested in contributing to the ISKCON Oral History Project in any way, or who would like to undertake their own oral history project, please contact Arya at arya@ochs.org.uk

DID YOU KNOW ... FROM HARRODS TO HARI – ALLAN'S STORY

Words and photo by Govardhana Seva dasa

Born in Amersham, Buckinghamshire, England in 1974.

Allan Comper (known as 'Geezer'), lived and worked there for the first 22 years of his life. Did you know that while living there he worked in a fabric company and was part of a team making tea towels for the world famous Harrods of London? He also worked as a postman, but was eventually sacked because he kept putting the letters in the wrong boxes!

He emigrated to Australia in 1996, worked in many different jobs and while doing so was introduced to Krishna consciousness in 1999. This was mainly due to his involvement with the Food for Life Restaurant and the local Sunday Feasts.

He came to New Govardhana in 2003 where he stayed and worked until 2005 and then moved on to Perth, WA. He stayed there for two years, performing service at the local temple, before deciding to move back to the UK in order to get some steady work. He stayed in the UK for two years, where he lost contact with Krishna consciousness, before once again returning to Australia. This time he went to Brisbane where he worked for a year, then moved back to New Govardhana in 2009. Here he performed many services, including managing the Bliss Ball manufacturing, distribution and sales for a time.

After meeting HH Janananda Goswami, aspiring to become his disciple, Allan eventually received first initiation in June 2014 and was given the name Akincana Krishna dasa. Others initiated were:

Mohit Dhawan (Gold Coast) – First initiation, who received the name Madhu Vanananda dasa. The others were Syamasundara dasa (New Govardhana); Loka Bandhu dasa; and Laksmi Priya devi dasi (Brisbane), all received second initiation. 🙏



IN FOCUS: MANDAKINI DEVI DASI

By Mukunda Goswami

Mandakini devi dasi was born in Liverpool, England, on 2 August 1939, migrating to Australia in 1970. Well known to most devotees in Australia, Mandakini and her husband, Aravinda dasa, travelled to many countries fundraising, including Bahrain, New Caledonia, Oman, Israel, Kuwait and Abu Dhabi. In a period of 20 years, they collected just over \$5m gross.

And that is only part of her story. Mandakini has also been featured in a soon-to-be-aired UK TV documentary, which refers to her as the 'Granny Rapper'. Over the years, she has written, produced and directed many dramas for New Govardhana celebrations, particularly on Visnu-tattva observances.

Taking on one of the most difficult services, her responsibility is to help with the roster for the New Govardhana Deity program; she also personally performs Deity worship. In connection with the roster service, she sometimes receives phone calls late at night and very early in the morning and has to make the required last-minute changes.

Currently, she is also a highly active member of *The Conch* editorial board, writing many feature articles.

Mandakini began her devotional life in March 1973 and the couple first met Srila Prabhupada in Melbourne in 1974.

At present, she is active in the film industry, appearing in major motion pictures and television commercials.

Mandakini describes her favourite activity as studying Srila Prabhupada's books. She also enjoys swimming and dancing, as well as participating in and directing dramas. 🙏



Photo: Dhriti Gopi devi dasi

At 75, Mandakini devi dasi is a highly active devotee.

COWS, COWS AND MORE COWS

By Venu Gopal dasa

The plan for the cow-breeding program is proceeding nicely on New Govardhana. A concerted effort is being made using two particular breeds, Indian Gir and Holstein Fresians, which we have been concentrating on for a few years. On New Govardhana at present there are two purebred Gir bulls and one purebred Fresian bull and they have sired excellent calves. There is also a base of five purebred Gir cows and six purebred Fresian cows.

We have to be careful about the risk of overstocking the property. In the 1980s, the cow herd numbers blew out to 180 and we were forced to adjust 40 head on other properties. Now we have strict breeding guidelines in place to make sure that this doesn't happen again. For example, six years ago we started with approximately 80 head and at present we still have 80 head, so the program is staying within its parameters. We have also vastly improved the quality of our herd and are making progress toward the creation of two beautiful purebred herds for Radha Govardhanadhari.

Many positive things are being achieved in the realm of cow protection for our community and it will continue to do so, provided it goes ahead in a careful and controlled fashion.

All cows belong to Krishna and there is so much variety: Eastern breeds; Western breeds; Long horns; shorthorns; no horns. They come in all kinds of colours, some are short-haired and some long-haired. There are those who are black hoofed, those white hoofed ... just name it! Everything about them is *sattvic*, so auspicious and so useful. But the

most wonderful thing of all is that they are meant for pleasing Govinda, just like Tulasi devi. One pleases Krishna simply by placing her at His feet. Similarly one also pleases Him by simply bringing cows back into His service.

The question can be asked, "Does Krsna have a favourite breed? It is believed that He would have, and it is also suspected He had a bit of a hand in bringing the Gir breed to New Govardhana. Among all the different breeds of cows, these Girs are so special. They seem to be the ideal preachers for cow protection and due to their special qualities they easily fulfil the aspiration to understand and love them. They are such wonderful creatures, yet they are so rare.

Now it's up to us ... they must be preserved! 🐄

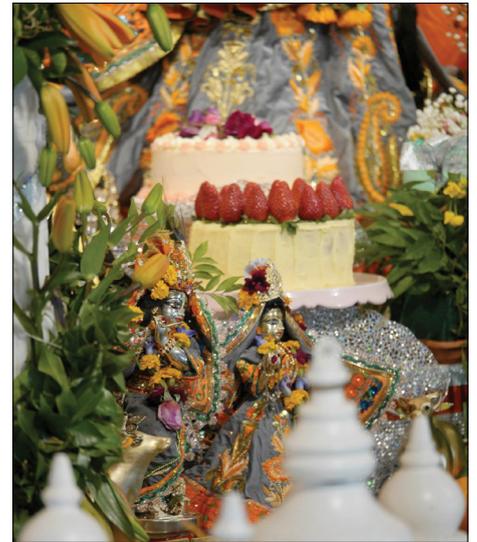


Padma is a Gir.



Baby Kishori and her mother Malika are both Fresians.

SNAPSHOTS



The New Govardhana community recently celebrated the 35th anniversary of the installation of Sri Sri Radha Govardhanadhari. Chota Radha Govardhanadhari are pictured above.



Cakes were the highlight of the offerings made to the Deities at the recent 35th installation anniversary of Sri Sri Radha Govardhanadhari.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Jhulana Yatra

Thursday 7 – Monday 11 August, 2014

Daily during the morning program

7.00 am	Darshana
7.05 am	Guru puja
7.15 am	Swing Festival
7.40 am	Srimad Bhagavatam Class

Sunday feast program

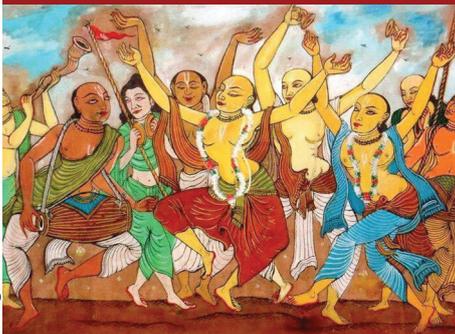
3.30 pm	Bhajan
4.00 pm	Class and arati
5.00 pm	Kirtana/Swing Festival
6.00 pm	Feast

Balarama Purnima

Monday 11 August 2014

9.30 am	Bhajan
10.00 am	Class
10.45 am	Abhiseka
11.30 am	Gift opening
12.00 pm	Arati and kirtana
12.30 pm	Children's activities – Transcendental treasure hunt
1.00 pm	Feast

HARINAMA SANKIRTANA KI JAYA



Wednesdays 10.30 am

Byron Bay *harinama* at the park opposite the Post Office. For further details and transport information, contact
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Friday Evenings 6.30 pm

Bhakti Centre Surfers Paradise
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Sunday Mornings

Northern NSW & Gold Coast
folkkrishna.com/program.htm
Isvara dasa 0411 825 549

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Sri Janmastami

Monday, 18 August 2014

5.00 pm	Bhajan
6.00 pm	Gurukula dramas
6.30 pm	Sandhya arati
7.15 pm	Swing festival
8.30 pm	Class
9:00 pm	Abhiseka
10.30 pm	Drama
10.45 pm	Odissi dance
10.30 pm	Deities curtains close
10.30 pm	Kirtana in temple
12.00 pm	Arati
12.30 pm	Feast

Srila Prabhupada Vyaspuja

Tuesday, 19 August 2014

7.00 am	Darshana
8.30 am	SB class by Srila Prabhupada Homages/readings
9.30 am	Abhiseka of Srila Prabhupada
11.00 am	Feast offered to Srila Prabhupada
11.45 am	Puspanjali/gurupuja
12.00 pm	Feast

Sponsorship options

Feast	\$1,008
Flowers and decoration for Srila Prabhupada's vyasasana	\$251
New silk set	\$108
Srila Prabhupada's Arati Tray	\$51
Puspanjali flowers	\$108
Garlands for Srila Prabhupada	\$501

New cushions and bolster set sponsored by Sri Hari Bhakti Devi Dasi

Contact Nrsimha Kavaca dasa

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12.00 pm	Arati and kirtana
12.30 pm	Children's activities Transcendental treasure hunt
1.00 pm	Feast

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AUGUST CALENDAR

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7 Thu	Fasting for Pavitropana Ekadasi Radha Govinda Jhulana Yatra begins
8 Fri	Dvadasi break fast 6.24 am – 10.02 am Srila Rupa Gosvami – Disappearance Sri Gauridasa Pandita – Disappearance
10 Sun	Last day of the first Caturmasya month
11 Mon	Jhulana Yatra ends Lord Balarama – Appearance (fast today) Srila Prabhupada's departure for the USA Second month of Caturmasya begins (yogurt fast for one month)
18 Mon	Sri Krsna Janmastami: Appearance of Lord Sri Krsna (fast today)
19 Tue	Nandotsava Srila Prabhupada – Appearance
21 Thu	Fasting for Annada Ekadasi
22 Fri	Dvadasi break fast 6.11 am – 9.56 am
31 Sun	Srimati Sita Thakurani (Sri Advaita's consort) – Appearance