



Y's Voice

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WELCOME - To our Newest IBC link.

Signing ceremony took place at the Asia Area Convention in ROC, Taiwan. PAP Rita, very graciously represented our club.



Message on the IBC Concluding Ceremony

By Chu-Ai Anna Chen - ASD-IBC

It is my privilege to congratulate Wellawatte Club of Sri Lanka, and Kaohsiung – the Port Club of Taiwan on their IBC conclusion. The Wellawatte Club has been looking for an IBC from Taiwan for last 4~5 years.

We wish members of the 2 clubs develop IBC relationship positively, and act as IBC role models. God bless the 2 clubs. Thank you.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

As usual, we will continue to assist those in our Area, Wellawatte -

LANKADHARA INFANTS HOME - Home to 25 Infants aged 2 – 6 years. Will continue to get 15 packets of full cream milk powder monthly (Rs.3,675/-) . One of our benefactors abroad makes it possible for us to continue with this project. Our members provide a meal whenever possible. Meals have been provided in Sept & October. Cost of a meal is Rs.2,500/-. The annual Christmas party will be held on December 9th. A donation from one of our former members in Canada, will enable us to do this projects.

NEW - The Home is building a classroom to conduct pre-school training. This is going to cost Rs.450,000/- Our club will be donating Rs.100,000/-, being the cost of the roof. This has been made possible due to a donation of US\$1500/- from a contact in the U.S.A.

LANKADHARA GIRLS HOME - Home to 65 girls aged 6 – 18. We will continue to support their IT program. 5 girls continue to be sponsored. Sponsorship is Rs.6000/- annually. 50% of the sponsorship amount is deposited in a Savings pass book, which is given to the girl, when she leaves at the age of 18.

NEW - We are considering their request for a keyboard, to train the girls music.

METHODIST ELDERS HOME - Home to 26 Senior ladies. They were visited in the first week of October (Elders week). Afternoon tea was provided followed by fellowship. Individual Christmas gifts will be given. Funds donated by two of our former members now in the USA.

BROHIER MENS HOME - Home to 20 Senior men. One of our members has provided desert to the Home in September. Individual Christmas gifts will be given, again from donation received from our former members in the USA.

OUTREACH - We are considering request for a toilet from a deserving family in Mattakkuliya. This family has two seriously ill twin boys aged 13. Cost of this project will be Rs.30,000/-.

We are also endeavoring to reconnect with the blind colony in Seeduwa, who we were unable to visit in 2009 and 2010.

INTERNATIONAL BROTHER CLUB PROGRAMME

Our club continues to be very active in this Area. As of now we have the following active IBC links -

***CANADA* - Y's men's Club of North York (Toronto)**

***INDIA* - Trivandrum North Y's men's Club**

Sivakasy Y's men's Club

Angamaly Y's men's Club

Hyderabad Y's men's Club

Peppathy Y's men's Club

Manuthy - Trichur Y's men's Club

Ernakulam South Y's men's Club

Bangalore Peenya Y's men's Club

***JAPAN* - Yokohama Y's men's Club**

***PHILLIPINES* - Downtown Metro Y's men's Club**

***ROC - TAIWAN* - Kaohsiung - The Port Y's men's Club**

***THAILAND* - Bangkok Y's men's Club**

This includes three (3) Quadrangles and four (4) Triangles.

Sadly, one of our long standing links, the Oslo, St.Hallvards Y's men's Club, Norway, surrendered their Charter at the end of 2009/10, as they could no longer continue, due to an ageing membership. This Club had been supporting our annual project to give gifts to the children from the slums and low income housing in Wellawatte, for many years. They have very generously sent us a donation for Rs.135,900/-, from funds left over, to enable us to continue with this project in 2010/11 and 2011/12.

During this period one of our members was able to attend a meeting of the North York (Toronto) club, in September. President of the Ernakulam South club was on a brief visit to Sri Lanka and was met by one of our members.

CLUB NEWS

MEETING - Club meets regularly every month for Club and Board Meetings, generally at members homes. Attendance has been good, in spite of five (5) members being out of the island during this period.

MEMBERSHIP - We warmly welcome our two (2) new members - Y's man S. Dharmarajah and Lady Y's man Sharon Herft.

FUND RAISING - A bake sale was held at the Chapel Lane Methodist Church after Sunday Service. A pre-Christmas Sale is planned and also a fund raising dinner in February 2012.

Most funds for our Community Services come from our Brother clubs, former members and well-wishers overseas.

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES - Club Service Directors have been appointed and every effort will be made to meet targets.

NEW CLUBS - Contact maintained with Bambalapitiya and Singing Fish, Batticaloa. Every effort is being made to encourage them.

DISTRICT - One of our members serves as District Governor. We have supported and participated in District activities.

REGION - One of our members is the Regional Director. Four (4) others serve on the Regional Board. We will actively support the Regional Fund raiser in November.

DATES TO REMEMBER -

Saturday 19th November - Regional Sing-A-Long - 7.00 p.m.

Saturday 26th November - WASAL Christmas party - 4.00 p.m.

Friday 9th December - Lankadhara Infants Home Christmas party - 4.00 p.m.

Followed by visits to Methodist Elders and Brohier Homes to give Christmas gifts.

Wednesday 14th December - Club Christmas dinner.— 6.30 p.m.

Saturday 18th December - Caroling (fundraiser)

Saturday 18th February, 2012 - Fundraising Dinner

August 2nd to 5th, 2012 - 70th International Convention