



ROTARY CLUB OF BALI SEMINYAK BULLETIN- JULY 22, 2018

This meeting was a field trip (Vocational Tour) to **Puspadi Foundation**, located at Annika Linden Centre in Desa Kesiman Kertalangu, Denpasar. This is the same organization to which RCBS donated a bus last term for the disabled.

REMEMBER THIS BUS ? HOW CAN WE FORGET IT! As PAG Marilyn says, "It was white magic." That's a good name for it too! "White Magic Bus".



We were all graciously welcomed by Pak Latra (our old friend and Director of Puspadi Foundation), and Stephanie Fitzpatrick (Communications, PR and Advocacy Coordinator).



Pres. Erika welcomed the members attending the meeting: Rtns. Manfred, Steinar, Mario, Patrick, Jeni, Alex P., Florian, Marie Francois, Anita, Ray, and Trevor. It was a pleasure too that Jerome, Frederick, Raoul, and Janita joined also as guests.



Stephanie escorted us to the meeting room, where the Power Point about Puspadi Foundation was presented. **The Power Point is attached to this Bulletin.**

Touring the Areas

SOAP FOR HOPE- Recycled soap

The process of making soap, which through Tim of Diversity has set up with Puspadi, already has 150 hotels donating their unused soap to be recycled. It has been a positive project with the disabled making the soap and really enjoying it. Now they have already made 1,000 bars of soap and looking for more improved ways to produce and distribute more.

The process:

1. Clean the soap since it is recycled
2. Cutting the soap into small pieces
3. Sanitize the soap with an alkaline based phosphorus
4. Put in the mold and you get a bar of SOAP.



Thanks to IPP Alex for initiating this project.

PRODUCING AND MANUFACTURING PROSTHETICS AND CUSTOMIZED WHEELCHAIRS AT PUSPADI



Yayasan Puspadi is where so many of our disabled community members go for help... at no cost. It is a lifetime commitment that Puspadi helps its patients with regular fittings of prosthetics. They also produce 450 wheelchairs per year and last year 1,810 wheelchairs were distributed. They have programs of internship for the disabled with rehab, skills training, education and advocacy. Puspadi finds solutions for cultural stigmas of the disabled, negative attitudes, reaching inaccessible areas, lack of policy and funding and regulated laws.

It is no wonder that Puspadi has a shelf-full of awards, including being the #1 NGO in Indonesia !!!

SOME FACTS ABOUT PUSPADI FOUNDATION

PUSPADI Bali is the only NGO providing combined quality rehabilitation and skills training programs to more than 5,200 people with disabilities living in some of the most remote, impoverished and inaccessible areas of Bali and East Indonesia.

The people it supports have experienced extreme hardship from either becoming paralyzed after a workplace or motorbike accident or losing a limb or becoming clubfeet due to a congenital birth defect or other factors. PUSPADI Bali restores dignity and independence in their lives by providing them with corrective surgery, an appropriately fitted prosthetic, orthotic, wheelchair or corrective surgery.

Our team regularly travels long distances across Bali, Lombok, Atambua and Sumba so it can give quality life to people with a disability, enabling them to work, study or travel. Without corrective surgery, a prosthetic,

orthotic or wheelchair, their life is extremely limited and increases the chances that they'll remain confined in their homes, with no access to basic health care services.

About 15% of the world's population lives with some form of disability, of whom 2 - 4 % experience significant difficulties in functioning. Furthermore, people with disabilities face entrenched discrimination which creates barriers when they are looking for jobs or study opportunities.

The PUSPADI Bali team reaches out to more people with disabilities in Bali and East Indonesia, by:

- providing quality life to more than 5,200 people
- travelling to remote areas to provide them with immediate support
- Clubfeet: Handling With Ponseti Method
- producing its own high quality prosthetics and orthotics
- distributing wheelchairs onsite and in rural communities
- offering a Soft and Hard Skills Training Program for jobseekers
- advocating for regulations for a disability rights law

WHAT A GREAT DAY THAT WAS !! THANK YOU
MEMBERS WHO ATTENDED AND THANK YOU
TO THOSE WHO READ THE BULLETIN.



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