

## ROTARY CLUB BALI SEMINYAK BULLETIN 8.29.2018



There was no room for our meeting at our beloved Trans Hotel on Aug 29, so Pres Erika moved our Wed meeting to TS Suites. The location was just a hop, skip and a jump from the Trans...except for those of us who are directionally challenged and are easily and frequently lost. The meeting went off with hardly a hitch and was very well attended.

Our meeting opening quiz was in celebration of World Humanitarian Day and our two quiz questions were:

- 'What country provides the most humanitarian workers and funds across the world?
- 'What day is World Humanitarian day celebrated?



The USA was the correct answer to the first question answered by John T. The date for celebrating this special day is February 19 and Sally got that one right.



We were led in reading The Four Way Test by Patrick L.P.

Sally AGAIN was our Sergeant of Arms. Boo Hoo, Sally is off to Hong Kong for a while and we'll miss her willingness to fill in for anything that needs doing at a meeting.

Jeni's book, Ocean Champions was on display and it's quite wonderful. Seeing the book and the damage plastic does to ocean creatures led to addressing a plastic problem pointed out in this book, particularly plastic straws that are extremely dangerous for ocean creatures. Switch to paper straws and do a fish a favor.

And for those who have an idea for a project including aid to Lombok, the opportunity to apply for Australian Consulate Direct Aid Project Grants is now open until September 21. Go to <https://bali.indonesia.embassy.gov.au/> for information and the project application form. **If you need help completing the project application get in touch with Anita [anitalococo@yahoo.com](mailto:anitalococo@yahoo.com) or Marilyn [marilyninbali@gmail.com](mailto:marilyninbali@gmail.com).**

### **MAKE-UPS**

MANY members have been spending hours and days helping people on Lombok. Some of our members have traveled to the disaster area. Others have collected supplies or raised funds. In Rotary these activities constitute a Make-Up so if you must miss a club meeting, your Make-Up would be equal to attending a meeting. Every month Yohana will ask all of us to report Make-Ups. Just send her a note with the date of your Make-Up and a two or three word description of what you did.

### **SMILE FUNDRAISING WITH DETLEV AND LUSI**

With continued dedication to a great cause, Detlev and Lusi offer brunch just about every Sunday morning. Enjoy a friendly get together and a delicious meal...and leave behind a donation to SMILE. 100% of these donations go to the SMILE Foundation and surgeries for children with clefts.

### **PROJECTS**

Florian's District Grant Seeds to Table continues to move forward successfully. The kids are planting the gardens in spite of less than perfect weather. A little rain doesn't slow down these young learners. We never get to see Florian in the wonderful pictures from this project....he's always behind the camera.

And in Celuk, a few changes in direction were required after the death of the husband leaving his elderly wife to manage on her own. The two piglets turned out to be difficult to care for and will be sold. Proceeds from their sale will purchase additional white chickens and chicken feed. The eggs are selling well at the market and white chickens are always in demand for ceremonial needs.

At last Jeni's gorgeous DAP funded book, Ocean Champions, has arrived from the printers. Jeni brought copies for us to ogle over and distribution to schools and libraries has already begun. Marilyn lucked out and took 18 copies home for elementary schools in Puhu and for local kindergarten teachers who want to read the books aloud to their little ones. Thanks to the Australian Consulate's Direct Aid Program for funding this project!

Pres Erika visited Permaculture Black Gold Foundation in Ubud. Their emphasis is on applying and teaching the three tenets of permaculture: Care for the earth, Care for the people and Fair share.

## **LOMBOK**

Dr. Patrick M reported on what he's encountered while working on Lombok. The situation remains very serious. There are 559 reported deaths but that count excludes unidentified bodies. It could be double the reported number. Almost 78,000 houses are gone leaving over 390,000 homeless.

One hundred ShelterBoxes are now arriving on the island and each ShelterBox can house six people. The box comes with supplies such as blankets, tools and a water purification kit. Top priorities for distribution are women with children, pregnant women and the elderly.

Another promising possibility for housing replacement comes from a private business, AB6. Their plan is to build a simple house for IDR six million at the rapid rate of 10 houses per day. Discussions between AB6 and the Disaster Relief Team are ongoing.

Basic medical assistance is coming from the Medical Disaster Relief Team. This team is reaching out to the hardest hit villages in north and east Lombok.

The help coming from Bali is deeply appreciated and very much needed...keep those supplies coming! It's what's feeding and clothing so many people on Lombok.

## LAOS

Water filters and cash donations are at the Laos Embassy waiting for pick up by a local Laos Rotary Club. Patrick L P's efforts to help flood ravaged Laotians is about to come to fruition.

## FLAG EXCHANGES

Two more flags can be added to this Rotary year's collection.



Past President Jason Wilcox, RC Knox, Melbourne Australia, mailed his flag to Anita who passed it on to Pres Erika. Jason was president of his club for two years in a row! Thank you Jason for mailing your flag to us.



PE James Hay, RC Blouberg, Cape Town South Africa, left his flag with Marilyn (and joined her for lunch in Ubud, too). We have been invited to visit this club for the simple joy of sharing thoughts and information. Anyone up for flying to Cape Town?

## GUEST SPEAKERS



Douglas Bennett Jr. described Indonesian Aid's past efforts in providing 10,000 liter water tanks in the north of Bali. Doug hopes to do the same on Lombok. The foundation does not see itself as a first responder but rather providing help for the long term. In process is fundraising to work with several villages on Lombok after both government and NGO support ends and true recovery begins. In the short term Indonesian Aid is making small loans to local businesses to help them get back on their feet. Using a warehouse in Mataram, they are distributing food, water, blankets and building tools and are specifically asking for children's toys. Douglas, stay in touch and let us know more as your work progresses.



Our good friend Jeroen of Nazava Water Filter fame, reminded us that one in seven people worldwide do not have access to safe drinking water and that diarrhea is the second largest cause of infant mortality.

On Aug 6 RCBS learned that nine water filters were desperately needed at medical posts on Lombok. Within minutes, visiting Rotarian Shayne Nash, RC Malvern, Australia, responded by offering to donate the water filters. Again, within minutes, Shayne and Jeroen were in contact with each other and preparing the filters for shipment to Lombok. This wouldn't be possible without Shayne's Rotarian heart and Jeroen, the man of fast action.

What has Jeroen already accomplished for Lombok and what is the plan?

- A water filter warehouse facility was set up in Mataram Lombok on August 17, 2018.
- We have already supplied 1500 water filter units to Lombok, another 1250 are on their way, many more are needed.
- We provide a mandatory training on the filters and a water filter tracking sheet.
- Life saving and sustainable product. Unlike bottled water. We are here for the long run. Minimum one year before the 500,000 evacuees can return home.
- **Social Impacts' goal: 80% of Lombok evacuation camps will have water filters by end September 2018.**

Keep up the good work Jeroen!!

## BIRTHDAYS



Honorary Member Mary Northmore of the SMILE Foundation celebrated her sparkling birthday with us. And that sparkler just kept sparkling and sparkling and sparkling....just like Mary.

## RAFFLE



The raffle winner was guest David Kurniawan, Chair of New Voyage Advertising Consulting in Hong Kong. The prize was a dinner voucher for two at Warung Bamboo. Helping David to accept his prize were Patrick L. V. and Sally.

Here's our upcoming meeting calendar for September.

Time	5-Sep-18	12-Sep-18	19-Sep-18	26-Sep-18
10:30-12:00			Vocational Program to WIRACANA Hand Fan	Board Meeting
12:00-14:00	Lunch Meeting	Lunch Meeting		Lunch Meeting
	Guest speaker: <b>Ibu Robin Lim, Yayasan Bumi Sehat</b>	Guest speaker: <b>Terje Nilsen, PT Seven Stones Indonesia (Realty)</b>		Guest speaker: <b>Bp Jaya Serataberana, Head of Bali Crisis Center</b>
	Club Overview: Jeni Kardinal	Club Overview		Club Overview

## WORDS OF WISDOM

**Patience, persistence and perspiration make an unbeatable combination for success.**

Yours in Rotary,  
Marilyn and Anita