

ROTARY CLUB BALI SEMINYAK 8.8.18

Pres Erika again started us off with one of her dandy quizzes...this one focused on International World's Day for Indigenous Peoples. Americans were pleased to see a Native American headdress featured on Erika's opening slide.

Our first quiz question was to name an indigenous culture in South East Asia and Indo-China...the answers were Dayak in Indonesia and Malay in Indo-China. Adding to our knowledge: there are 5000+ distinct peoples in 70+ countries.



Jeni, with all of us joining in, read Rotary's 4-way test of Things We Think and Do. A good reminder to be open-minded to our world's cultural diversity.

Sally cruised the meeting giving our members the opportunity to meet our guests and learn a bit about them. And here are **OUR GUESTS**.



POD Staff



Tim



Sue



Rtn Shayne



Rtn Mike



Rtn Riska



Rtn Ray



Melida



Efril



Daniel



Graeme



Fitria



Rotaract John Bush



IGAA Inda



Kadek Eka Citrawati



Jeroen



A BIT MORE ABOUT OUR GUESTS

- Melida has attended multiple RCBS meetings. Please join our club Melida?
- Rotaract John is an exchange student and Riska, RC Bali Taman, is his current 'mother'.

- Efril, General Manager at Tijili Seminyak Hotel and brought a generous donation for Lombok. We are grateful.
- Sue is new to Bali and we hope to see her on a regular basis at our meetings.
- Jeroen is our ever ready resource for Navaza Water Filters and a frequent participant in our projects.
- Tim is a former Rotarian and may soon be a Rotarian again.
- Ray is a member of an Australian Rotary club and lives in Bali He does **ALL** of his make-ups with RCBS.
- Rtn Shayne, RC Malvern, Victoria, Australia was quick to donate water filters for medical posts on Lombok. Thank you.
- Guest Speaker Graeme is an honorary member of Shouson Hill Rotary Club, Hong Kong, and will be in Bali for the next two years. We hope to see him often.

And welcome to our very own RCBS members: **Sergeant of Arms Sally, Marilyn, Marie Françoise, Peter, Oliver, Trevor** (who brought MANY guests), **Alex J., Jeni, Sarita, Patrick L.P., Patrick M., Alex P., Erika, Jorg, Patrick V. K., Made, James.**

LAOS FLOOD.



One crisis after another is being dealt with as best we can in our own ways. **Patrick L.P** raised IDR 18,000,000 for Laos where a huge dam failed and flooded the southern part of Laos and even into Cambodia. Search and Rescue continue to assist victims. **Patrick** has family in Laos and is relieved to know they're safe...but so many others are gone or homeless.

LOMBOK EARTHQUAKES

Here in Indonesia the horrific earthquakes on Lombok have the attention of the nation and Rotary Clubs throughout the country have mobilized to help. The first earthquake struck on August 5, registering a 6.9 on the Richter Scale. The island was plunged into darkness with no electricity and no water supply.

The following day, August 6, members from Bali Rotary Clubs flew to Mataram,



Lombok. Our **Pres Erika** was one of those who went. Coordinating with the only Rotary Club on Lombok, the intent was to assess the damage and quickly determine what was most needed. The group made an arduous trip to villages in the north of Lombok, those that were closest to the quake's epicenter. Nothing was left standing.



In Mataram, severe damage everywhere.

One week later Lombok experienced two new major earthquakes...5.8 and 6.1 and, if imagineable, conditions went from bad to worse.



Our club has responded with a massive supply of goods...food, water, towels, sheets, diapers...the list is endless. Other clubs have done the same and clubs in Bali are coordinating their efforts here and with the club on Lombok. Mother Nature has not been kind and seas between Bali and Lombok have been extremely rough...making it difficult to complete deliveries.

We are grateful that cash donations continue to come. Cash is turned into ever more supplies for the desperate people on Lombok.

Rotarians on holiday in Bali have jumped in to help. Here's a story about one of them.



PP Shayne Nash, RC of Malvern, Victoria was also badly shaken by the quake's strength here in Bali. Shayne contacted our club to ask if there was anything he and/or his club could do to help. Moments later a message was received from Pres Erika telling us there was a desperate need for 9 water filters for medical post on Lombok. In a matter of minutes, Shayne donated the 9 water filters.

Lombok will be a long time getting back to anything that resembles 'normal'. The next generation will be hearing stories from parents and grandparents. Rotary will be there for the people of Lombok through the long haul.

BALI CLUB PROJECTS



On a lighter note, we heard about how well **Florian's** District Grant Seeds to Table is progressing. Elementary school children are learning how to do organic farming, composting, preparing healthy food and recycling.

GUEST SPEAKERS



Our first guest speaker was **Graeme Howell**. Graeme is an Honorary Rotarian at RC Shouson Hill in Hong Kong and after seeing his presentation it is clear how that came to be. As Founder of NGO World Wide Action, Graeme and his group partnered with RC Shouson Hill to build school classrooms where major disasters had destroyed them. Sounds lot like Lombok? A unique construction methodology makes the school rooms affordable **and** sturdy!



Inda Trimafo Yudha was our second guest speaker and told us how chocolate was not only a delicious snack but a thriving business. Beginning in 2010, Inda began sourcing cocoa, buying the beans from local farmers and then experimenting with different methods of producing high quality chocolate. It took two years to get the delicious product Inda was aiming for and the first chocolate factory went into operation. By 2016 a second and larger factory was needed. Today there are one hundred and fifty employees. By working closely with cocoa farmers and continually supporting their farming efforts to grow ever higher quality beans, everyone came out winners.

POD chocolate bears the label 'couvertur'. This guarantees an outstanding chocolate product and to prove it, Inda distributed samples to everyone at our club meeting. Delicious! And Inda made a one million rupiah donation to Lombok!



Kadek Eka Citrawati was our final guest speaker. Her splendid beauty products are manufactured with natural materials sourced from local villagers. She was inspired to make beauty products when, as a young girl, her parents successfully treated her skin problems with traditional recipes using all natural materials. Today this 18 year old business exports products to Korea and has an office in Singapore.

Her products include every possible beauty need and are exquisitely packaged. Sorry gentlemen, these are mostly meant for us ladies.



Happy Birthday greetings to Marie Francoise and guest Melida!!



For the second week in a row, **Patrick L.P** was our raffle winner.
(And he's just as sweet and cuddly as that bear!)



Not at the meeting? If you enjoy tender beef, this is another thing you missed.

BUT DON'T MISS THIS

Wednesday, 15 AUG 2018

From 10:00 – 12:00

Pod Chocolate Factory, Mengwi

Pod Bali Chocolate Factory

Jl. Denpasar-Singaraja No.29,

Mengwi, Badung Regency, Bali 8035

Price is IDR 150.000

Price include:

- Entrance Ticket
- Factory tour & Chocolate Making
- Pod Hot chocolate drink & Pastry

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YIR, Marilyn, Jeni and Yohana