

YPK Bali Newsletter

October 2009-January 2010

To all the families and friends of YPK Bali,

We hope you have had an enjoyable festive season and have had a great start to 2010!

Over the past few months, YPK patients and staff have participated in a variety of activities, from having a day out at the beach to joining Rotary Nusa Dua and hundreds of Balinese children at the Conrad Hotel for Christmas lunch. YPK would also like to share with you some exciting news regarding donations and sponsorship and how this added support will influence the future of our foundation.

Thank you for taking the time to read the YPK newsletter. If you have any questions or feedback we would love to hear from you info@ypkbali.org

From The Team at YPK Bali.

Play Day at the Beach

On Saturday 3 October, 7 children from the YPK Children's Education Program, along with their families, YPK staff and members of the Bali women's group, Ibu Ibu PKB, went on a 'play day' outing to the beach. After meeting at YPK, the children and their families were transported by members of Ibu Ibu PKB to Karang Beach, Sanur, where the children enjoyed playing with each other, making sandcastles and splashing around in the water. It was great to see bonds

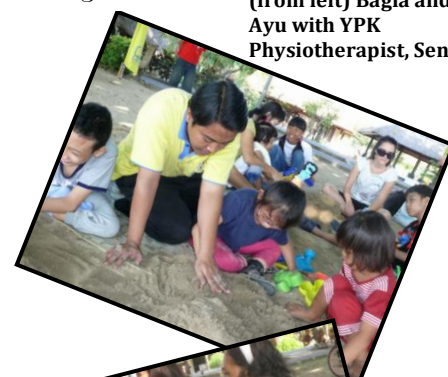
YPK CHILDREN'S CHARITY EVENT 2010

We are proud to announce that the YPK Children's Charity Event will go ahead on Saturday 6th February at Villa Dampati, Sanur. By holding this event, we hope to raise awareness of the state of disabilities in Bali while also raising money which can be put towards the expansion of the Children's Education Program. The night is set to be lots of fun with free flowing drinks, gourmet finger food, live music and great company! Thanks to generous sponsors of the event, there will also be a wonderful selection of raffle prizes and auction items up for grabs, ranging from accommodation at a 5 star hotel in Nusa Dua, to cooking classes, jewellery, fine dining vouchers and more! Don't miss out on your ticket for Rp. 200,000. Please see the attached invitation for further information.

forming between the children and also to watch their confidence grow as the morning progressed.

A big thank you to Ibu Ibu PKB for providing transport, snacks and lunch during the outing!

(from left) Bagia and Ayu with YPK Physiotherapist, Seno.



Mega, enjoying the sand!

Dentist and Doctor Check Up

During November, all YPK patients had the opportunity to have a general health check-up with Dr. Julita and dental check-up with Dr. Letty. The

majority of YPK patients cannot afford to go to a doctor or dentist and therefore rely on this free service offered by YPK. A dental examination with Dr. Letty showed that almost all of the 19 child patient's teeth were in bad condition and that both the children and their parents did not know how to clean their teeth properly. Dr. Letty ensured all patients and parents were taught and

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understood correct tooth hygiene and brushing methods.



Kadek Piki having their teeth checked by Dr. Letty.

Christmas Lunch at the Conrad Hotel

On 18 December, 10 YPK children along with one parent each, were invited by Rotary Nusa Dua to attend a children's Christmas celebration at the Conrad Hotel, Nusa Dua.



All children joined in a wonderful day of eating, drinking, watching performers and playing games with each other. They were also given the opportunity to ride horses and sit in the back of a horse-drawn carriage. Needless to say, it was a fun-filled day for all!



YPK children riding a horse and sitting in a horse-drawn carriage at the Conrad Hilton, Nusa Dua.

BIWA Visit

Members of the charity group, BIWA (Bali International Women's Association), paid YPK a visit last November to discuss YPK services and ways in which they may be able to help our Children's Education Program. Following this meeting, BIWA generously donated Rp. 5,000,000 and proclaimed their dedication to supporting YPK on an ongoing basis.

We look forward to a growing and long lasting relationship with BIWA!

Visit to Foundation Sjaki-Tari-U

On 23rd November, 2009, YPK Director, Pak Purnawan, along with YPK volunteers, Lizzie and Sophie, visited Foundation Sjaki-Tari-U in Ubud, Bali. Sjaki-Tari-U is a wonderful Dutch founded non-profit organisation which provides "play-learn" classes for mentally disabled children and learning activities for young adults. The foundation also has a fantastic warung where you can eat food prepared by mentally disabled young adults who have been trained to cook Indonesian specialties.



Children at Sjaki-Tari-U playing a game with a parachute.

It is always great to see what other Yayasan (foundations) in Bali are up to and we certainly took away some great ideas for our own children's education classes.

For more information about Sjaki-Tari-U, please see <http://www.sjakitarius.nl/eng/index.html>

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Temporary Closing of the Evening Clinic

Until further notice, YPK has had to close the evening physiotherapy clinic. The clinic was established with the purpose of generating an 'income' for YPK which could be put directly towards the operational costs of providing a free service for those who cannot afford to pay. Additionally, the clinic was also designed to be a useful learning tool for YPK physiotherapists who could develop and refine their manual therapy skills under the guidance and supervision of Lizzie, Australian trained volunteer physiotherapist. While the evening clinic was very popular with both the Indonesian and expat community alike, after 6 months we were still unable to find a suitable local physiotherapist to be trained by Lizzie to take over the clinic. YPK will continue to actively seek a local physiotherapist to fill this role, but in the meantime, regrettably, the evening clinic will not be operating.

24 Month Funding From Schmitz-Hille-Stiftung & Partners

YPK is extremely pleased to announce that Schmitz-Hille-Stiftung & Partners have agreed to provide YPK with funding totaling EUR 33,300 over the next 24 months. This funding will go towards rent for the rehabilitation centre in Renon and cover part of the operational costs of YPK. We are truly thankful to Schmitz-Hille-Stiftung & Partners for their dedication to helping YPK provide its valuable services to the community.



Thank You to YPK's Supporters

YPK would like to send out a heartfelt thank you to the following organisations and individuals who have supported our work over the past few months.

- The Australian Consulate, Bali - DAP (Direct Aid Program)

- John and Anne Bastian
- Phily Gebbie
- YPK Event sponsors

In November last year, the **Australian Consulate in Bali**, via the **Direct Aid Program**, donated over Rp. 49,000,000 worth of new physiotherapy equipment, including crutches, walking sticks, floor mats, portable TENS and a running machine. Most of the equipment will be used in our 'Mobile Physiotherapy Clinic' which we hope to have up and running by the end of 2010.

Private donors from Australia, **John and Anne Bastian**, donated USD\$1000 which YPK has decided to put towards redeveloping the YPK website and logo. By professionalising and re-writing YPK's website and logo, we hope to increase our ability to attract funding and support as well enable information about YPK to be easily communicated and understood.

YPK Evening Clinic patient and Bali resident, **Phily Gebbie**, donated a wonderfully comfortable treatment table which has already been used extensively for manual therapy.

YPK appreciates contributions from local businesses and companies towards the YPK Children's Charity Event. With all the wonderful prizes we have received from the below confirmed sponsors, the event will no doubt be a huge success!

- The Conrad Hotel, Nusa Dua
- KuDeTa, Seminyak
- Mozaic Restaurant, Ubud
- Bali Pilates Studio - The Breezes Resort and Spa, Seminyak
- Massimo Restaurant, Sanur
- Saraswati Papers, Kerobakan
- Semara, Shop Bali Online, Sanur
- Sayan Aesthetic Institute, Ubud
- The Hidden Paradise Hotel, Amed
- Singaraja Wine