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2020 is already proving to be an exciting year in Vietnam!

The most exciting news is that we welcomed a beautiful baby girl named Ava to Sophie Le and her husband, Phil Johns. We thank Sophie for continuing to give so much of her time and attention to our programs in Vietnam to ensure successful outcomes.

Our new **Program Co-Ordinator, Elvy Tran** has also had a busy month. Elvy supported Liz Ellinger in Course 2 for the Youth Union at Vinh Long and then went on to assist Tim Kemp with a new AUSTSWIM TWSS course at the College of Pedogogy in Nha Trang for 47 candidates. Two Presenters from Swim Vietnam also assisted.

The Vinh Long programs for the Youth Union have proven to be very successful, thanks to thorough and early planning by Sophie Le. Liz Ellenger stepped into the role of Team Leader together with Sophie Le and was assisted by Charlotte Duke and Kyran Trower. Two x ten day teacher training courses were conducted at two different locations, Tra On and Binh Minh. 120 children were involved in the two programs.



Under the guidance and supervision of Liz all volunteers presented components of the course in the hope that these young teachers could possibly step up into trainer roles in the future. Thank you Liz for your tireless effort over the four weeks!

The Summer Kids Swimming Program at Ho Tram continues to provide fun and learning for local kids. These 10 day programs run for the entire school holidays with intakes every two weeks. Volunteers Kieran Rickards and Lavinia Stella from City of Yarra, assisted with the first course with Mr. Men, Mr. Tuan and Mr Tuan. Kyran Trower and Megan Alexandra Christenson then followed and Megan Raine and Alexandra completed the last of the courses before children prepare to go back to school.

Kyran and Alexandra recently conducted two CPR sessions for new Sanctuary staff and local People's Committee members requested by Chantelle Stork, HR Manager of the Resort. This means that more adults will know more about CPR in this small hamlet in Vietnam.



Jan Williams went to Phan Theit, (Mui Ne) where she received great support from ex-patriots who had requested a children's holiday swim program in June. Jan conducted teacher training as part of the course. Most of the candidates were Blue Ocean Resort staff.



Fundraising : Our **Ladies Lunch at Doyle’s Bridge Hotel** was scheduled again for October, 2019 but due to several clashes of dates, it was decided to postpone it and concentrate on other areas of fundraising.

We received an amazing donation provided by Lilli Cowan and friends at Geelong Grammar School who had a Go-Fund-Me page and raised \$558.33. Thank you so much, girls.

Loyal supporters (both individuals and companies) continue to make **donations and pledges** and we sincerely thank you all. Again we received a wonderful gift of \$10,000 from the Fox Family Foundation and \$1,000 from C. & C. Kimberley.

We continue to receive **donations of bathers and board shorts** from such places as Life Saving Victoria, Ocean Grove SLSC, the Gough family of Ivanhoe and St. Bernadettes Primary School, several opportunity shops and many friends.

WSV’s policy has always been one of sustainability, and a positive development towards this is that Mr. Chinh has set up the Xuyen Moc Swimming Consortium and invited WSV to be a member. Mr. Chinh uses WSV trained teachers and their requests are for bus fares and pool entrance fees. He requested that WSV assist with bus fares and pool entrance fees for a further two new programs at Hoa Hoi Secondary (200 kids) and Bung Rieng H.S. (120 kids). Local school teachers, trained by WSV conducted the program in November at three suitable local pools.

Elvy Tran has been very capably supporting our programs in Vietnam and represented WSV at the 3rd

National Conference on Injury Prevention held in Hanoi and Sophie Le was the guest speaker at a morning tea for Expatriate Women in HCMC to promote the work we do in Vietnam. We are extremely lucky to have the assistance of these two ladies working to support what we are doing in Vietnam.

Marilla Gorman and Pam Sherpa assisted Mr. Men and Mr. Tuan to conduct programs for three Kindergartens and Phuoc Tuan Sec. School for 100 kids. Thank you Elvy Tran for your great work as teacher and interpreter both in and out of the pool.

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- **Mail your cheque** to Robyn Lain, WSV Administrative Manager, at Unit 11/18-20 Fewster Rd. Hampton Vic. 3188.

Include your name and mailing address and all donations will be acknowledged.

Please don’t forget if you make a donation prior to 30th June, via RAWCS you will get a tax receipt to be included in your tax return.

Through Sophie Le we received an offer of bathers through the Western University in Sydney. Also through a Swimming Gear Drive in Hong Kong we received donation from the International Montessori School and Hong Kong International School which were sent direct to Vietnam.

Please know that the kids in Vietnam love these ‘gifts’.

WSV is a **Rotary International Project** and so for large amounts, tax deductibility is possible if the donation is made through **Rotary Australia World Community Service. (RAWCS)**. Please phone Robyn for details on 0413 493 893

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