



## Australia Indonesia Association

Dear all,

A very big thank you to all of you who supported the AIA Spring Fair held last Saturday, 18 October 2008 at the home of the Consul General Bapak Sudaryomo Hartosudarmo and his wife Ibu Tri. Hundreds gathered on this glorious spring day to enjoy an impressive line up of performances and a fine selection of Indonesian food.

Whether you donated prizes, were a stallholder, helped in the organisation or simply attended the Spring Fair, every one of you contributed to a successful day. Over \$4,000 (net) was raised with all proceeds going to three very worthwhile charities: The Bali Hati School; the Nusa Tenggara Association; and the AIA Education Fund.



Daisy Desembriartista, the Bali Hati Foundation director, has requested that funds raised for the Bali Hati School be used for urgently needed book shelves and computer desks. The Nusa Tenggara Association will use the money to buy school books, contribute to the formation of a library and fund teacher training initiatives in one of the poorest areas in Indonesia. Finally, the Australia Indonesia Association will use its portion of the proceeds for the 'Kompetisi Siswa' (Indonesian studies competition).

*Pak Sudaryomo, AIYEP student Fany Basyari (AIYEP)  
Sue Piper (AIYEP coordinator) and MC Rena Sarumpaet*

A very special thanks to Pak and Ibu Sudaryomo, Pak Pratito Soeharyo, Ibu Yoen, Siobhan Campbell, Pak Soegeng and all the staff at the Consulate General of the Republic of Indonesia; AIA Patron Lottie Maramis who organised a most eclectic and profitable stall; MC Rena Sarumpaet who added charm and sophistication to the event; AIA President Eric de Haas and committee member Miriam Tulevski for doing the important groundwork for the day; Bali Hati representative Paulette Kay for providing vital input and arranging some fabulous prizes; Michael Kramer for keeping tabs on all the finances; AIA vice presidents Neil Smith and Lini Kuhn for organising the food stalls; Jamie Vueti and his team for their help and generosity; and the hardworking raffle ticket sellers.



*The Bona Pasogit group*

The performers undoubtedly made the day. 'Terima kasih banyak' to the Suara Indonesia Dance Group led by Alfira O'Sullivan who performed lively Betawi and Javanese dances; Iis Hidayati and her dance group; Sisca Hunt who taught attendees the graceful art of Balinese dance; the Bona Pasogit group who wowed audiences with a commanding repertoire of Batak songs and dances; and the Australia Indonesia Youth Exchange Program students who performed the highly energetic Acehese clapping dance. The group are

in Australia on an Australian government funded exchange program and we were fortunate to have them and their Australian host families at the Spring Fair.

We kindly ask you all to support our donors: **Netfare Travel**, Kensington; **The Viceroy Hotel**, Ubud; **The Maya Hotel**, Ubud; **Meriton Apartments**; **Periplus Books**; **The Sydney Dance Company**; **Gaia-Oasis Hotel**, north coast of Bali; **Chinta Ria Restaurant**, Cockle Bay; **Salt Slayer** (CarCube) **That Bali Shop**, Narrabeen, **Bali in Profile**, Roseville and Terrey Hills; artist **Jake Soewardie**; **Spa Hati** of the Bali Hati Foundation; the **Batu Collection**, Caringbah; **Jimbaran Restaurant**, Randwick; **Erica Restaurant**, Kingsford; **Toys and Tales**, St Ives, Rouse Hill, Bankstown and Beecroft; **Bebek Bengil Restaurant**, Ubud; **Berkelouw Bookshop**, Rose Bay; and ceramic artist **Judy Ingham**. Also, thanks to our media sponsors: Buletin Indonesia, IndoMedia, Ozindo and Radio Duta Nusantara.



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Hormat saya,

Melanie Morrison  
AIA committee member  
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*Peter Dawson (NTA)*



*Iis Dance Group*



*AIYEP students*