

SUPPORT CAMBODIA

Charity Number 1160483

Helping Communities in North-West Cambodia



MANGO NEWS

December 2020



THANK YOU

This past year has been a very challenging one for us all. In January, Katie and David represented the charity on our annual visit to Cambodia without Bob, and amid the growing spread of the global pandemic. Following the visit, and the sadness of Bob's death at the end of April, the Trustees decided to review all aspects of the work of the charity in order to maximise its effectiveness moving forward. Craft sales and garden stalls brought in some much-needed income and we were able to support a number of projects in Cambodia. News reached us of the flooding in the country and we launched an Emergency Appeal immediately.

As we look forward positively to what the New Year will bring, we would like to say 'Thank You' to each one of you for your continued support during the past twelve months - your messages and practical support have kept us going - we genuinely couldn't have done it without you!

Emergency Flood Appeal



The response to the Emergency Flood Appeal has been a phenomenal **£7,867.88** - far, far greater than expected. Thanks to the wonderfully generous response from so many people, we have been able to send immediate help to two areas - **Sneung, Laem** and a number of other **rural locations** in **Pailin Province** plus **Nikum, Chomnaom** and

Tampung, all in Battambang Province.

Food packs, formula milk and chickens to replace those lost in the flood have been distributed to over 100 families in total. Two other centres have requested help but wish to wait and assess the situation later. As one of our contacts put it, *“As usual, there is much attention to the victims in the beginning, but they will forget them afterwards. Then, the help will be needed to build their lives again”*



So, all the remaining Appeal money will be allocated exactly for this purpose, to replant ruined crops and rebuild homes damaged by the water. These are not luxuries, but essentials for rural families to survive and they don't have the savings to do it themselves. Pictures of how the money has been spent will appear on our website when we have them. 'Thank you' is far too inadequate for generosity on this scale, but on behalf of both the Trustee Board and all the beneficiaries in Cambodia, **'Thank you all so much for your amazing help'**.

Quiz Night

A huge thank you to **Peter Thomson** and his family for a really fun quiz evening on the night of Saturday 21st November. Peter had clearly put an enormous amount of work into making the event such a resounding success as 64 intrepid quizzers from far and wide paid to participate - and join in the accompanying banter that ensued. Everybody really entered into the spirit of the evening and Peter dealt valiantly with the traditional heckling. A fantastic **£290** was raised for the Emergency Appeal. Thanks again, Peter - and to all who took part.

News in Brief



Hygiene Bags

235 Hygiene Bags, lovingly crafted by our wonderful 'sewists', have gone to Siem Reap



by DHL [via Leipzig, Bangkok and Phnom Penh!] and arrived safely on December 1st. Huge thanks to our friends at the Safe Water Trust (www.grifaid.org) for organising the shipment. We will bring you up to date with this project in the next issue.

New Play Equipment

The first pictures of the **new play equipment** at **Rohal Primary School** [between Svay Sisophon and Siem Reap] funded by **Support Cambodia** as part of the school's Health Education Programme. More in the next issue.



Coins For Cambodia

Grateful thanks to all **Coins for Cambodia** jar holders both for your contributions and for completing the re-registration forms. If you are one of the few who have yet to respond, please get in touch!!

Cambodian Crafts

Cambodian Crafts make great Christmas presents, help the charity and are available to purchase. Please contact Katie on +44 1263 577784 or katie@supportcambodia.org.uk



Gift Aid

If you are a **UK Tax Payer** and registered for **Gift Aid** with **SUPPORT CAMBODIA** BEFORE December 2019, we will shortly be asking you to complete a new form which will be available on our website or as a paper copy. This does not affect those who registered in 2020 or donations made through our online VirginMoneyGiving platform. Gift Aid increases your donation by 25% and helps enormously. Thank you.

Dates for 2021 (subject to restrictions)

AGM - April 2021

The AGM will take place in April [moved from December 2020] on a date to be decided.

Plant Sale - May 15th or 22nd(tbc)

Saturday May 15th or 22nd[tbc]: Plant Sale [North Walsham] 9am - 1pm

Table Top Sales - June 5th & July 3rd

Saturdays 5th June & 3rd July: Table Top Sales [Aylsham]

Other dates tbd: see the website/Facebook for latest news.

The Trustee Board would like to wish all our 'Supporters', sponsors and friends, wherever you are in the world.....



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Would you like to know more about Support Cambodia? We can offer illustrated talks on both Cambodia and the work of the Charity. There is no charge but donations are welcome

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