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## Message from the President

## In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, I bring you greetings from the EXCO of

Stedfast Association of Kuala Lumpur to all our very own members and also to all our brothers and sisters in the various Stedfast establishments worldwide.

The year that pass, 2002 brought an end to another fruitful year for Kuala Lumpur SA with many programmes that were

planned and successfully carried out - both established programmes like AGM, Scholarship, Family Camp and Golf Tournament and new programmes like

Christmas Outreach Share-a-Gift and Members' Nite.

We are also well connected internationally and I have also personally made contacts with Manchester, Liverpool and London SA during my recent trip. The photos from my trip in this newsletter will tell a thousand words. Hopefully, I will also be making personal contacts with our Irish counterparts in the near future.

Many programmes have also being planned for this year and I would like to urge you to take time to participate in all of them. So, may I personally request all of you members to block your diary and to come forward and participate with your families.

Before I end, my sincere appreciation to all our members, EXCO and friends, local and overseas for their continuous unwavering support and encouragement in our efforts to "March on Stedfastly into this new year 2003".

Thank you and May God bless all of you.

## Danny Cheah

President Persatuan Stedfast Kuala Lumpur



Dinner hosted for Danny. (L-R) Alan Fawkes Chairman of Manchester SA, friend of Ron, Ron Kenworthy of Liver pool SA



Special welcome by Peter Parkin from Manchester SA at Manchester Airport

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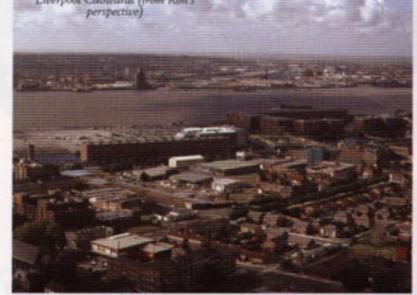
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View of Liverpool City from Top of Liverpool Cathedral ffrom Ron's perspective)





In front of Old Trafford - Danny closing the deal with MU. (L-R: Sir Ron Kenworthy, Gill & Danny)



Alan Fawkers receiving souvenir from SA KL







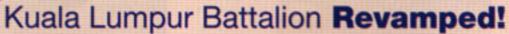
orma Kenworthy with Danny











submitted by : Mr. Chong Yee Meng, KL Battalion Secretary

## Formation of State Councils

With effect from 1st January 2003, all Battalions and District Councils of the The Boysi Brigade in Malaysia (BBM) will be abolished following the passing of the resolution at the 34th Brigade Council Meeting. The formation of the different State Councils is said to be able to counter the previous uneven distribution of Companies at the District level. It is a known fact that certain Districts have more than 20 Companies while the rest have only a handful. Thus the ideal solution was thought to be the reorganisation of the various Districts into the different States. In this manner, tighter control could be exercised since there are lesser number of Companies falling under the State's jurisdiction.

The move to form the State Council is to:

- 1. Overcome the burden of District EXCO in overseeing the affairs of the BB companies in so many states.
- 2. Improve the management and control of BB affairs in the State.

- 3. Have a better co-ordination of BB programmes in the State.
- 4. Motivate the State Councils to work harder in forming more BB Companies, and
- 5. Tap the resources, expertise and assistance provided by Majlis Belia Negeri (State Youth Council), Jabatan Belia Negeri (State Youth Department) and Jabatan Belia & Sukan Persekutuan (Federal Department of Youth & Sports) at the State level.

In place of the Battalions and the District Councils, a new State Committee headed by a State Commissioner ( either elected or appointed ) will be formed. This move was meant to counter the problem where the District Councils have difficulty in electing their District leaders as many of the officers are not willing to take up the responsibility. To lessen the burden, the Company officers can now come together to elect only the head (ie. the State Commissioner)

## The Process of Electing a State Commissioner

The Companies belonging to that particular State

- State Commissioner who shall either be a Captain / Honorary Captain of a particular Company in that State.
- · However where the State has only one Company, the National Executive may appoint the Captain / Honorary Captain from that Company to be the State Commissioner.
- Should the Companies in a particular State fail to elect their State Commissioner within a stipulated time, the Brigade Executive will write to the sponsoring authority for recommendation and consent to appoint a State Commissioner.
- · Each State Commissioner will represent his State with voting rights at the yearly Brigade Council Meeting ( BCM ).

## The Duties of a State Commissioner

- Hold office for a term of two(2) years.
- Represent the State at all National Executive meetings and disseminate all information to the companies in the State.
- Call for a State meeting comprising all Captains belonging to that State at least twice a year.

# 5th Stedfast Golf Tournament

DATE: 18th October, 2002 • VENUE: Templer Park Country Club





The Champion - Hermie Tye (left)

We are indeed happy to note that this Tournament has now become an annual event in the Association's calender and

Scholurship receipients (L-R: Benjamin Chew, Yong Chee Seng, Danny Cheah, Gerald Lopez, Choon Khah Leong

it has also been well participated and supported all these years.

For this tournament, we were priviledged to have the presence of YB Dr. Tan Kee Kwong, Deputy Minister of Land and Cooperative Development to grace the Tournament, someone who is familiar with the objectives of Stedfast and Boys' Brigade. We have also chosen this prestigious golf course to maintain the high standards of our Tournament and to meet the expectancy of our regular golfers.

This annual tournament is meaningful not only because old friends can get together for a good day of golf but that the proceeds will be used to run the many programmes that have

been planned and to help those who are less fortunate than us. The scholarship receipients were also invited for the closing session of the Tournament and they were

presented to the participants so that the receipients will know where the funds came from and vice versa.

Prizes were plentiful from our regular sponsors but unfortunately, no one won the hole -in-one prizes of A Proton Waja and a Rolex watch worth RM15K which we took great effort to organise them.

Anyway, we would like to congratulate Mr. Hermie Tye, the Champion for this year and a big thank you to all those who have participated and assisted for your

> unwavering support in this 5th Stedfast Golf Tournament, and also not forgetting all our sponsors, donors and advertisers who have made this Tournament a resounding success.



Committee comprising of a Deputy State Commissioner, Secretary and Treasurer. Consultation with all the Captains in that State is required immediately after the State meeting.

- Appoint representatives to the various functions when officially invited.
- Coordinate the State's programmes. The State Commissioner may delegate work to the companies under his care.
- Visit each company in the State at least once a year.

## The Future of the Selangor & KL State Councils

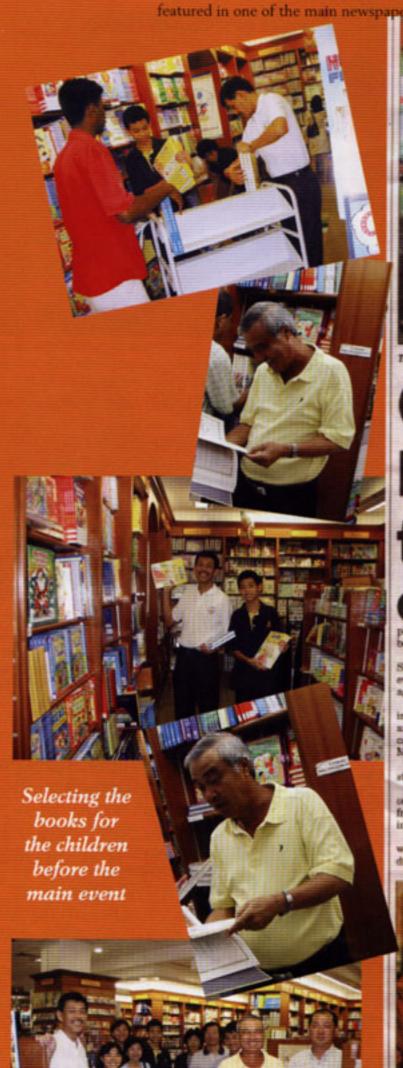
With the recent changes, the KL Battalion has been split into two Sates namely the Selangor State Council and the KL State Council. Todate, the Selangor State Council has been successfully registered with the Registrar of Societies (ROS) while The KL State Council is still awaiting the final approval from ROS.

Although on paper we are two different entities as at 31st December 2002, the leaders from the (former) KL Battalion comprising of officers from the Klang Valley covering both Selangor and KL have agreed in principle to maintain the KL Battalion set up unofficially as it will not be accorded formal recognition by BBM. We believe that this (ie. the former KL Battalion) structure would still serve its purpose and would still be beneficial in fostering better



# Stedfast KL Christmas Share-a-Gift Charity Programme

in Malaysia on 28th December, 2002





The children playing a game with MPH mascot, Smart Kid.

# Gifts for 1,500 kids - thanks to bookstore

ed to an afternoon of merry-making at the Share-A-Gift party which took place at the Dorsett Regency Hotel five days before Christmas.

The party was the grand finale of the Share-A-Gift charity programme, an annual event initiated by MPH Bookstores 11 years ago and has become its Christmas trudition.

Through this programme, customers are invited to send gifts to orphans whose names are chosen from the many heart-shaped ds hung on Christmas trees at all 24

MPH outlets.

These gifts are then wrapped by MPH staff and delivered to the designated homes. This year, about 1,600 children from 29 orphanages nationwide received the gifts from the public, mostly in the form of read-

Response from the public has been over whelming, with stores running out of chil-dren's names just days within the start of

Share-A-Gift every year and it's good to see so many children benefiting from the gen-erosity of the public. We would like to thank all donors for their support," says Donald Kee, marketing manager of MPH Book-

The highlight of the day was the presenting of gifts to representatives from the homes. This year, Coca-Cola and Stodfast Association Kunia Lumpur (which is an extension of the oldest uniform organisation

in the world – The Boys' Brigade) chipped in with more books for the homes.

Dorsett Regency Hotel, which sponsored the venue and refreshments for the party. also had the band entertain the children with Christmas carols.

The party ended with a delicious spread prepared by the Dorsett Regency team, a Christmas carol and farewells to all - until



Spotlight on 10th/LCoy

10th Kuala Lumpur was born in 1998. It has been growing from strength to strength ever since then. 10th KL was initiated by the principle of Sekolah Menengah Sri Sempurna, Mrs Girlie Tan who eventually became the Chaplain of 10th Kuala Lumpur.

As a school-based organization, we started with more than 100 eager boys and girls joining this uniformed body. As a new company, we had the help from 1st Kuala Lumpur and 3rd Kuala Lumpur to help kick-start our company. The NCO's were seconded to our company week after week to help with our drill as well as some of the Badge Classes. It has been very encouraging for a new company as we see how the more established companies rally round to help us out.

10th Kuala Lumpur started with a team of school teachers chosen to be Officers of the 10th KL Officers Council volunteered by two moms. Currently, we have our Captain Tan Koon Hai (school teacher) assisted by his team of angels Lt Hong (School teacher), Lt. Shoah (school administrator), Lt Robin (school teacher), Lt. Tracy (school teacher), W/O Ivy (school teacher), W/O Issac (school teacher), Lt. Angie (working mom) and Lt. Magdalene (working mom).

Being established for the past 5 years, we have indeed come a long way. There has been much sweat and even tears in putting this company together. As one body of Christ, the Officers Council know that we have to work together with a united heart and mind and indeed praise God for such an achievement which we can see in 10th KL.

In 10th KL we adopt the following mission statement:

## **Mission Statement**

#### **One Vision**

We are an Outstanding and Expanding BB Company in Malaysia.

## **One Mission**

We recruit and nurture young people and children, winning them into the Kingdom of Christ. We work hard to expand to be the Largest Company by Year 2005 - with many platoons from all over the needy areas of Klang Valley.

## One Voice

Our voice is our culture. We are United and Caring. We will compete in good spirit and faith to be The Best in all forms of Competition, and we support and participate in the Company, State



Sgt. Alina Eè – Won the Best Commander Award in the Drill Competition in Year 2002

Officers and Members of 10th Kuala Lumpur Company

## **OUR ACHIEVEMENTS**

Being such a new company, we pride ourselves in achieving in the following competition:

- A) Drill Competition 2000
   Sgt. Alina won the Best Commander
- B) Drill Competition 2002 Results Summary

CATEGORY	JUNIOR	SENIOR
Uniform	10th KL	1st KL
Commander: 1st	10th KL	10th KL (A)
Commander: 2nd	1st KL	1st KL
Commander: 3rd	3rd KL	10th KL
Overall: 1st	10th KL	10th KL (A)
Overall: 2nd	1st KL	1st KL
Overall: 3rd	2nd SJ	3rd KL

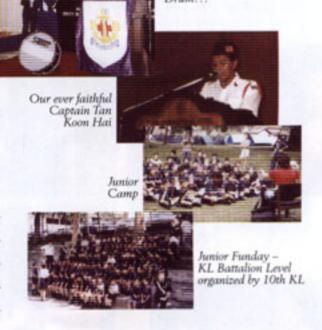
C) KUL Games – 2001 10th KL Junior Section emerged as Champion in the Street Soccer Competition.

## **COMPANY ACHIEVEMENT**

#### BRASS BAND FORMATION

In year 2001, 10th KL miraculouslyraised more than RM100,000 to
purchase our brass instruments. God has
definitely been the mastermind behind
this fund raising event. Parents who
came with a heart to only pledge
RM1000 eventually pledge more than
the amount as they were prompted by
the Holy Spirit to give. Indeed, we can
only give all glory to God for this
miracle. HE HAS MADE IT POSSIBLE
FOR US TO RAISE THAT AMOUNT
OF MONEY.

Last year 2002, the BandMaster mentioned that we would



TUBA that would cost us RM9000 and yes, the first question that came to the Officer's mind is "Where do we obtain our fund?" We were all reminded again of how faithful God is. During our Awards Day, we raised fund for this piece of instrument and within 15 minutes we got our RM9000. (no more, no less) Yes, our God is a faithful God and this is an achievement for 10th Kuala Lumpur once again. God is our Provider.

### Our current direction

In view of our mission to expand to be the largest Company by Year 2005 - with many platoons from all over the needy areas of Klang Valley, we have worked together with our Sponsoring Authority – Full Gospel Assembly Church , KL (Tamil Dept) to send children from the slums. We are in the midst of training these "core leaders" so that they can in turn bring BB into the slums of KL and bring the gospel and even the discipline into their own community. Praise God that our first batch of about 10 members came and we are looking forward to another 10 members.

In summary, we would like to say that God has been good in carrying our Company through for the past 5 years and we have never, never lack in all that

# Fun, Relax & Refreshed!

## **Stedfast Family Camp**

Palm Springs Resort, Port Dickson • 2nd - 4th November, 2002.

What a fun-tastic camp it was! If you're not there, you've missed on the most relax camp in the history of Stedfast Association Of Kuala Lumpur. This year's camp was even better with the participation of 1st Kuala Lumpur Boys' Brigade officers. The camp was all about getting away from the hussle and bussle of the city, to relax and to have fun. We had lot's of free time for the members to get to know each other as well as time for the family. Felt so refreshed after the camp. So if you've never been to one or missed out on the previous camps, don't let the next camp pass you by. Check it out in our next newsletter!



Brothers and Sisters, I welcome you to the camp...



Youngest winner!



What a holiday? The Chow Family



One BIG HAPPY FAMILY!!!



As usual, a golf (closed) tournament was also organised during the Family Camp and we saw the President making way for the Secretary to become Champion.

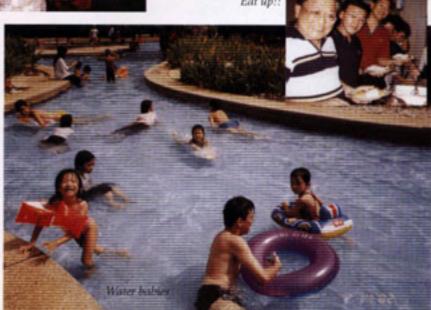
The results are as follow:

Champion : Michael Yei Runner-up : Danny Cheah Third : M.F. Leong

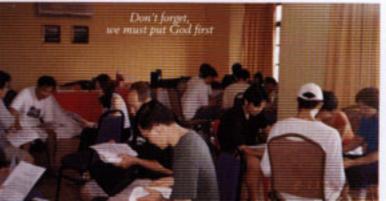


The Kuan Family









## STEDFAST BBQ NITE

It's was on November 16, 2002, the KL Stedfast Membership Committee organised a

**BBQ** Nite for Members & Friends at the Dwelling Café located at the YMCA Kuala Lumpur. About 55

members and their family joined this event. There was time of fellowship and of course "makaning". We had Grilled Lamb. Steak, Hong Kong Chicken, Satay, wide spread of salad and many more. We started the mood for Christmas by

singing some carols. Of course at every event we will not forget our President, Mr. Danny Cheah for his "short"speech. The most important thing about this BBQ Nite was to meet with "OLD" friends and meeting new friends. This was the objective of the BBQ Nite. If

you have missed this one, don't worry, there will be one coming this year. So keep this tentative date free -NOVEMBER 15, 2003. We hope that more would join us at the next BBQ Nite.







Ladies first



How are you? Long time no see!



## London Guests in Town

KL Stedfast played host to the founder of 1st Sungei Petani Company, widely travelled, envious by many people and a die-hard BB thru' and thru' - the great and evergreen Mr Paul Juby and his wife from London Stedfast Association on 28th February, 2003.

Even though we only have a short time with him due to his tight schedule, we would like to thank Mr & Mrs Paul Juby for their time as many views were shared and discussed on subjects pertaining to none other than Boy' Brigade and Stedfast Association.

## In the news!

Two of our Stedfast KL Life Members, namely Mr Peter Yap and Mr Robinson Pan were in the news recently when they signed an agreement to cement their partnership with American International

Assurance (AIA). The caption and photo below which was taken from the business section of The Sun newspaper on 23rd January, 2003 is selfexplanatory.



Strategic partnership

# 8th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING cum FELLOWSHIP DINNER

Saturday, 19th April, 2003 • 6.30 pm at The Dwelling Cafe, YMCA, Jalan Brickfields, Kuala Lumpur.

this is the time of the year where the various reports of the Association will be presented to all our mbers. However, there will

will be presented to all our members. However, there will be no election of office-bearers as their current term will only expire next year. Members who want to raise any matters or to amend the Constitution are kindly requested to write to the Secretariat or email to

stedfastkl@yahoo.com. A light fellowship dinner will be served (free-ofcharge) after the AGM. Members are therefore requested to confirm their attendance for AGM and dinner to facilitate the necessary preparation.



# 5th International Convention of Stedfast Associations

Here we Come!!!

We all know that it is going to be in New Zealand and early reports have indicated that it will be held in Christchurch, 17th - 21st March, 2004.

So, at the recent EXCO meeting, the Council have decided to plan early and a Fund has been launched to enable more members to participate in this international event.

It will also be presented again at the next Annual General Meeting for the sanction from our general membership.

Look out for more details in the next issue.

## **Programmes 2003**

- 14 Feb CNY cum Valentine's Fellowship
- 19 Apr 8th Annual General Meeting
- Apr/May Scholarship Awards
- 19 Sept 6th Stedfast Golf Tournament
- 24-26 Oct Family Camp / Golf Outreach (Closed)
- \$ 15 Nov Members' BBQ Nite
- 10-14 Dec BB Pesta in Malacca
- 9 19 Dec Christmas Outreach
- Visitation Games
- Stedfast Nite Last Saturday of April, July and September (26th April, 26th July and 27th September)

## **BB PESTA**

BB Pesta is the biggest event in the BBM calender – an event no boy should ever miss going at least once. This is the time where all the Boys' Brigade Companies from the whole country will come together for a few days of competitions.

together for a few days of competitions (band, drill, talentime, games, etc.) and a time of fellowship.

This year, the BB Pesta will be held in Ayer Keroh, Malacca from 10th to 14th December, 2003.

Please contact the Secretariat if you are keen to be there and the Association will try to make a block booking.

Watch out for the next Stedfast



Family Camp -24th to 26th

October. Possible venue: Sebana Cove Resort!

### Subscriptions

Members will also like to know that during the Annual General Meeting, we take the opportunity to collect the subscription for the year. Members are encouraged to upgrade their membership to Life Membership.

### International Stedfast Association AGM

April SA New Zealand

14 April SA Manchester

25 May SA Falkirk & District

18 Sept SA New South Wales

25 Oct SA London

### **News of Historical Event**

The coming together of Stedfast
Association from the United
Kingdom and the Republic of
Ireland and they will officially be
forming the "Federation of Stedfast
Association" soon. With this
formation, it is hoped that the
Federation will improve
communication between Stedfast
branches at home and abroad.

## Membership Update for 2003

New Associate Member

1. Androo Sung Jin Sheng

Renewal of Associate Memberships

- 1. M.F. Leong
- 2. Paul Long

## Scholarship Awards'03

Applications for the Stedfast Scholarship Awards 2003 will be opened for the whole month of April and

shortlisted applicants will be invited for an interview conducted by Mr. Yong Chee Seng who is the Chairman of the Association's Human Resource and Social Development Committee.

Only current members of Boys' Brigade and Stedfast members are eligible to apply and the application forms are obtainable from your Captains or the Stedfast Association Secretariat. The