



# Novi Survat

## Charitable Organisation

(New Beginnings – for the destitute of Goa)

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### **Newsletter 024 September 2009.**

Regrettably we have not enjoyed a very good summer in Devon although I understand the East of the country fared much better. June saw dry and sunny weather but during July and August we had more than our fair share of rain and high winds.

One bright note is that we won back the Ashes from Australia.

The weather in Goa has not been as expected. They started with good rains early in the monsoon season but then the rains ceased and there was concern that if heavy rains do not return the rice harvest will be badly affected but fortunately the heavy rains returned at the end of August.

Find Liam – Following our appeal to ‘find Liam’ in the June newsletter I am pleased to say that one of our sponsors knew him and we were able to write and thank him for his donation.

#### **Damedem.**

Sania one of the youngest girls has tested negative for HIV and will shortly be leaving to join her adoptive parents in Panjim.

Unfortunately the new building is not ready for occupation and the monsoon rains have once again found their way through the poor roofing of the current home. As a result the children are being accommodated in three different houses causing greater strain on the Sisters and Hazel.

Arrangements are being made for two of the older boys to be enrolled on a computer course. Hazel will be returning to the U.K. at the end of October as she has to renew her visa.

#### **Starting Point.**

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Jane gave birth to a baby boy by Caesarean section on August 2<sup>nd</sup> 2009 four days before her own birthday. After a month of deliberation they have now decided on his name – Aron Christon. Next month we will be buying two computers for the school and at the end of October two volunteers Catherine and Theresa will be arriving to spend six months teaching the children basic computer skills.

Thank you Rozie & Monica for buying and sending goods for us to sell in the U.K.

#### **Day Care Centre.**

Dr Mina had a fall and broke her arm but I am happy to say that she is well on the mend.

We now have 18 children being treated at the centre which is the maximum we can accommodate at present.

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The new minibus is proving very useful saving us money on public transport costs and ensuring that the patients attend regularly.

Dr Ashika has been offered a post at the GMC hospital as from November 2009 and we will therefore be looking to replace her in the near future. We will miss her very much but wish her every success in her new post.

### **Educational Sponsorships.**

A big welcome to those of you who have recently undertaken sponsorships and our thanks to all of you who have been sponsoring children over the past seven years. Some of you are able to visit your child whilst on holiday in Goa and will appreciate how vital sponsorship is and for those who do not have the opportunity please be assured that your sponsorship is 'life changing' and without your financial help these children would have a very bleak future.

We have three children who still need sponsors

I will be in Goa for two weeks from 16<sup>th</sup> October and one of my objectives will be to visit each of the 44 children who attend St Teresa's and Little Flower School to ensure they are all progressing satisfactorily. Where possible I will obtain copies of their latest school reports and an up to date photo to send to their sponsors.

### **Fundraising / sponsors.**

Grateful thanks to all who donate, fundraise or sponsor – without your support we would not be able to carry on. Space will not allow me to mention all individually so here are a few that come to mind:

Sophie's Restaurant Exmouth for the use of their premises to hold a Quiz Night, to David Prentice the quizmaster and all who participated raising over £100 for our Charity.

Thank you to all those supplying books, videos, cd's and bric-a-brac for sale on our stall in the Exmouth Indoor Market and to Carol Buckley for knitting/making items that are very popular.

Also to Mrs E Charles who provided lunch for the 'Ottery Walkers' walking group following one of their days out and donated the proceeds to us.

To the staff of Exmouth Town Hall for raising money at an office bring and buy sale.

Mrs Webber for her collection of over 100 miniature oil lamps and Mrs Vanstone for her collection of figurines.

To Jo & Tim of 'Just Cards' for looking after the stall when we have no one available. Best wishes to Tim who is to undergo an operation on September 15<sup>th</sup>.

To Bob & Jean of Launceston – our champion raffle ticket sellers!

The nights are drawing in heralding the autumn – this year seems to be going quicker than previous years, in fact I note that some shops are already selling Christmas cards, wrapping paper etc!!!

Best wishes,

Clive.