



Message from:



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Activities Officer

Toy Run 2008 Recap

The day began at 1.15pm with all 72 children arriving at **The Singapore Flyer** by buses (kindly sponsored by **Motor Culture Magazine**). The children, together with a crowd of tourists that had curiously formed, waited in anticipation of the arrival of the convoy. They did not have to wait long before the rumble of some 100 bikes filled the air, and before long, the loud and shiny image of the first Harley led by our Road Captain, Hanz,



came roaring in.

Once the bikes were properly parked, the bikers then brought the children over to the Greek Theatre where the rest of the activities were held, and also to have their pictures taken with one of the 6 bikes that have been there since morning.

The kids soon settled into the programme, with the MC of the day, our very own Bear, but not without first picking up their proudly sponsored **Prima Deli pastries**, **KitKat** and **Ben and Jerry's ice cream**. But that was not all, the Singapore Chapter also put together a nice little goody bag, which had stationery sets and a limited edition HOG water bottle for the kids, to bring home.



There were many highlights of the day, and the first was a wonderful Hindi dance performed by kids from Kidsread, who were aged 4 to 7. It was an intricate performance that required grace, timing, and delicacy, traits that some of our members surprisingly shared, when Chris Wesley, Mike Negus, Doug Bell, Klaus Mangold and our HOG Chairman Daman Choy, Bear took to the stage, of course, only under

the careful guidance of the Kidsread kids. It was a phenomenal performance, and from the looks of it, everyone truly enjoyed the performance.

Radio 91.3 has also been a strong supporter of the Chapter's efforts with the Toy Run this year by giving us much media cover by promoting our event on air, and also with **Rod Monteiro**

coming by to give a roving report. But that was not all, the stations' lovely Audrey Lim also led the children through a very fun and interactive story telling session, where 14 children were selected to participate in the story telling. The kids were also presented with High School Musical and Disney Princesses Posters for their participation.



The event was also kindly graced by our Guest of Honor, **Dr Lam Pin Min, MP for Ang Mo Kio GRC** and Exco member of the Central Singapore-Community Development Centre (CS-CDC). And he was there to receive, on behalf of the Kidsread programme, the \$18,800 that we managed to raise for the charity. This was made possible, by YOU, the members of the Singapore Chapter. But special mention must be made to Foster Wheeler for their incredible contribution of \$14,500.

Over the years, one of our dear members had become very much an integral part of our annual Toy Run, but this year, Kaiser was sadly not with us, and we thought it only right that we paid tribute to him. Jas led the HOG group in paying a tribute late friend, and buddy, and the children of our HOG members, Sebastian Kratz, Marie-Charlotte Chalon, Edward Goldman and Gabrielle Guo came forward to present a commemorative photo of Kaiser to his family: Farida, Ashley and Simon.

Every year for the past few years, LOH has also been putting together a calendar where the proceeds go to a chosen charity. This year's calendar featured children of our riders, and the money raised, a total of \$6000, went to MILK (Mainly I Love Kids). This project was made possible with Eastern Carpets kindly sponsored the cost of the printing of the 300 calendars, but also it was through Jaz' tireless efforts that she managed to pull through very tight deadlines and have all the calendars sold out by the morning of the Toy Run!

It was certainly a fantastic event where the children had a great time, and the members too had a blast. The day ended with the bikers saying goodbye to the kids, and then we proceeded on to our LOH Dinner at the Shore Restaurant.

Photographs have since been uploaded and can be found here:
<http://hogsingapore.zenfolio.com/p14177905/>

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- Motor Culture Magazine
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- Ben & Jerry's
- Prim Deli
- Kit Kat
- Eastern Carpets
- HOG Singapore Chapter Members!

Thanks also goes out to the following:

- Dr Lam Min Pin for gracing our event
- CS-CDC for coordinating with Kidsread
- Bear for being our MC
- Bo Kratz and Dennis Quah for the photography
- LOH ladies for lending a hand
- Jaz, Agnes, Warren, and Lindley for planning the day's activities

Message from:



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Website and Photo Galleries

The Singaporehog.com website has just been taken down for (re)construction and it should be ready in a short bit. But the galleries are still available through the link available on the webpage.



We're working hard to bring you a brand new web site.
In the meantime, you can still check out our photos [HERE!](#)

Latest updates available in the galleries:

1. National Bike Week 2008
2. HOG Toy Run 2008
3. LOH Dinner at the Shore Restaurant

Upcoming Events

24-26 January – Major destination ride to Terengganu. Only a few rooms left.
Contact Barney asap at asst_director@singaporehog.com to avoid disappointment

1 February – Chinese New Year Ride – details to follow (this is January MMR)

21 – 22 February – Ride to Desaru – stay overnight if you choose – details to follow. (Feb MMR)