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## Three more months to CWC 2017!

Time is racing and our lives have become a string of seconds that turn to minutes, minutes to hours, hours to days and so on and so on. Before we know it, another year has passed and we wonder, where the time has gone. My way of slowing down the time is to always have something in the future to look forward to. And the one thing I look most forward to now is the next ride for CWC in February 2017.

"Why?" you may ask. Why do I look forward to spending hours every day for seven days on the hard saddle of a bicycle, exposed to winds, heat (or cold depending...), rain etc. Well, there are indeed many reasons:

There is the joy of doing something extraordinary in the company of exordinary people and to enjoy the cameraderie and the friendships that are formed.

There is the feeling of achievement. In our rides we have a balanced and wide spectrum of people in terms of age, fitness and gender. But everybody feels the same pride, joy and achievement when we reach our destination. And then of course, there is the cause we doing all this for..., to try to do our part in

making a difference in the lives of the less privileged children. This is the food for our souls and hearts! This is what keeps us going on the tour - every day - and what it is all about!

And you - whether you cycle with us or not can be part of this as well. We can only make this work with your support. I am aware that especially this time close to Christmas - you are inundated with requests to donate to charities. And I also know that we all have limitations in how much we can give. So forgive me, please, if I continue to ask for your help and donation for this wonderful cause. Every amount, no matter how small or big, helps. Thank you for your support!

For now, GOD Bless and safe cycling, always...



#### Join the CWC cyclists at Baan Fah Sighy!

This time we will have again an one-day option. This one day option on February 18th, the last day of the CWC 2017 ride is ideal those that can't join the entire trip, but would like to visit Baan Fah Sighy Children Home with the rest of the cyclists. It is perfect for spouses, kids, friends and sponsors of CWC. You can join us and cycle with us the 87 km from Chiang Mai along the Ping river all the way to the Blue Sky Home in Hot town. But for those that do not want to ride at all, there is also an option to travel by private bus to Baan Fah Sighy.

CWC 2017 officially ends at the Baan Fah Sighy Children home and the tour closing ceremony will be held there. It will be an unforgettable experience you shouldn't miss.

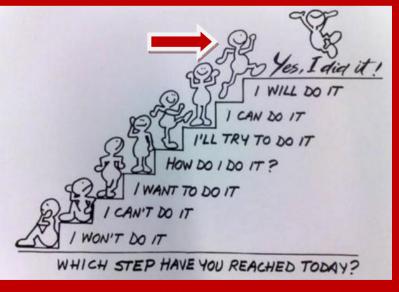
Those interested would need to arrive in Chiang Mai latest on February 17th to join the ride on February 18th. So, why not make it a very special weekend and extraordinary experience.

The link to book it is: http://www.spiceroads.com/specials/cwc\_blue\_skies

For any questions, please mail to: <u>contact4cwc@gmail.com</u>







#### CWC 2017 still has five open slots!

Have you ever thought of joining CWC 2017, of doing something very special, of seeing a beautiful country with different eyes and at the same time do something good for heart, soul and your health? Why not join CWC 2017? Book here or mail to contact4cwc@amail.com! Vol. 2

### Our Appeal to you:



CYCLISTS WITH COMPASSION!



**Cyclists With Compassion** <u>(CWC)</u> is a group of like-minded cycling enthusiasts and was started with the goal to make a difference to underprivileged children in Asia by raising money for better education, which in turn will bring hope for a better, brighter future.

CWC plans and organises long-distance cycling tours to parts of Asia, raising awareness about the needs of children in these areas. By raising money from corporate sponsors as well as donations from friends and family donated in recognition of our mental and physical efforts, we hope to contribute our little part of making their world a little better, a little brighter!

In February 2017 cyclists from around the world will be cycling 700 km in North Thailand in 6 days, starting in Chiang Rai and finishing at the Baan Fah Sighy Children Home app. 100 km south of Chiang Mai. Baan Fah Sighy was established more than 13 years ago by Australian Phil Hohnen and his Thai wife Wanida and has developed into an "oasis of love" for many abandoned and orphaned children who call it home and know it's founders as "Mum & Dad".

The Baan Fah Sighy Children Home is supported by Effective Aid International (EAI), our chosen beneficiary of the ride. For 15 years EAI (<u>www.effectiveaid.org</u>) has been changing the future for displaced, orphaned and abandoned children both in Northern Thailand and Myanmar. For EAI quality education is the single most effective weapon that can be used today, to erase poverty in the future - so education is their key focus. During these past years, EAI has provided more than 13,000 individual years of schooling to children in refugee camps, displaced peoples' villages and children's homes. EAI has employed, trained and empowered hundreds of refugees as teachers in their schools and have provided love, food, safety and shelter to abandoned and orphaned children.

Our ambitious plans can only become reality with the help and support from private and corporate sponsors and I would like to ask your kind support by becoming a sponsor of the CWC ride 2017. There is no minimum donation; no matter how big or small, your contribution matters and will be very much appreciated.

You can donate directly to EAI, using the "<u>Donate</u>" feature on <u>www.effectiveaid.org/cyclists-with-</u> <u>compassion</u>. On the payment page you will also have the possibility to name the cyclist, in whose honour you donate. Australian-based sponsors will be issued with a tax-deductible receipt. For other payment methods and for Corporate Sponsorship, please contact <u>contact4cwc@gmail.com</u>.

Thank you on behalf of all cyclists and organisers of the CWC 2017 ride and the many, many children benefitting from your generosity!

# Thank you! Our Corporate Sponsors!











