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**Hearts for Africa**  
Amani Foundation  
*'Planting a tree that will bear fruit'*

We are dedicated to overcoming poverty by working with local communities towards self-sustainability, irrespective of creed or race. This newsletter is a showcase of good news and the work being undertaken in 2014



**BOUNTIFUL  
RAIN and  
BUMPER  
CROPS**

A letter from Fr John tells of unusually high rainfall in this semi-arid region: "We have been blessed with abundant and



**COMING  
EVENTS**

**Amani  
Community  
Charity Day**

**Saturday 14  
June, 1.30 pm at**

# ROTARY CONTAINER SHIPPED TO TANZANIA

At 7 am 1<sup>st</sup> April the huge 40 ft container acquired by Southport Rotary started its journey from the Gold Coast to Prince of Peace School near the Amani Centre, Tanzania – stacked full with essential and useful items. The photos show coordinator Andrew Middleton with fellow Rotarian Greg Dux about to close the doors and the striking container moving off.

The contents include desks, chairs, cabinets, tools and about 40 computers. Lloyd Fleming, a Sunnybank parishioner and Rotarian, obtained the computers from the charity *Be a Hero Australia* then added software. A last minute donation came from the Springbrook Craft Group - quilts and knitted jumpers. (This was arranged by ex Sunnybank parishioner Annette Robbins when she heard of the shipment to Fr John on Gold Coast local radio).

continuing falls of rain this season.

We are looking forward to a large harvest of maize, sorghum and sunflower. There are six acres of maize, twelve acres of sunflower and also sorghum. There will be a very large task with harvesting this year - all of these crops have to be harvested by hand, head by head. However it will be a happy time for all.

This wet season has been a great blessing. They will not all be like this.”

## AND LOTS OF GRASS

With bountiful rain comes abundant grass growth and opportunity to feed more cattle. The dairy herd has been increased through funds from the USA. There is also a short term opportunity to grow and sell beef weaners on this free feed (cost is about 85 Aussie dollars; selling for maybe five times as much).



## THRIFT SHOP SUPPORT for POP SCHOOL

Growth of The Prince of Peace School has

170 Padstow Road  
Eight Mile Plains.

Auctions, Raffles,  
Stalls, Fashion  
clothing - come  
prepared to fill your car  
boot or ute.

Contact: Tracey Guest  
0401 057 618

## Lunch at Tattersall's Club

Saturday 25  
October

Speaker, auctions,  
entertainment and  
of course a meal.

Stay tuned for more  
details.



## SPECIAL THANKS

- To a generous benefactor whose recent donation ensures that new classrooms needed next year at the POP school can be built.

- To Tarik Menzies,  
now finishing



## A BIGGER BUS

Not too long ago we were pleased to be able to obtain a bus to transport children to school – but it is a small bus and student numbers have grown.

### Fr John reports

“The increase in numbers has strained the ability of our Toyota bus to meet the demand. It is overcrowded. This situation certainly affects enrolments. Many parents at Mvumi Mission say they will not send their children until we have a larger bus. We simply cannot continue as we are. The solution is to (a) replace the present bus with a much larger vehicle or, (b) to retain the present bus and add a larger, medium size bus, a step up from the present one.”

Going with option (b), Fr John has estimated that a 42 seater bus will cost over \$46 000 (AUD) (including purchase, insurance, roadworthy inspection). He adds “I do emphasize that this is an

relied heavily on the efforts of about 30 volunteers at the HFA Thrift Shop at Cooper’s Plains over seven years.

The team led by Anne Donaldson sells goods five days a week to contribute about \$35 000 per year towards POP school. Thank you.

Law/Business studies, who has agreed to become a Director, taking on a fund raising role (more about Tarik in our next newsletter).



Thanks are also due to those who regularly bring items for sale at the Shop.



urgent need. I appeal to all friends to give this need urgent consideration”.



## Would you like to support Amani programs? Here's how -

Our foundation is donation and volunteer based and Amani relies on your support:

- **Support our urgent call for a bigger bus**
- **Sponsor a class of students (this new approach to sponsoring will soon be announced and available on the HFA website); or**
- Pre-School & Primary School \$160 per year (\$13.35 per month), High School \$240 per year (\$20 per month), or College and University (around \$150 per month, this amount will vary according to needs – please enquire)
- **Make a general donation - the support that keeps the wheels of Amani Care turning and comes to the rescue when the wheels fall off.**

### **Donations are simple:**

**Direct Deposit** to: BSB 034 109 A/c 291 927 Westpac Banking Corp

Ring us or send an email confirming your donation details. We will organise a tax-deductible receipt and/or Gift Certificate.

[donations@heartsforafrica.org.au](mailto:donations@heartsforafrica.org.au) or Ian 07 3345 2506

**Cheque:** Hearts for Africa Foundation, PO Box 8160, Sunnybank, Qld. 4109

Telephone: Ian Donaldson 07 3345 2506

## Financial Accountability

When you give to Hearts for Africa, our administration costs are less than 3%. Wise stewardship is important to us, and we work hard to keep administrative costs down so more people can be helped.

Please note that our new website address is: [www.heartsforafrica.org.au](http://www.heartsforafrica.org.au)

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