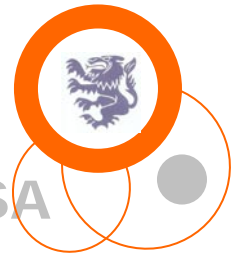


NOVEMBER 2009

Supporting KGV's Core Values:

Honesty before Glory
Community
Respect

The KGV PTSA



Upcoming Dates:

2 December	Third meeting of PTSA Executive Committee
3-5 December	A Christmas Carol (pm)
8 December	Teacher's Lunch
16 December	Christmas Lunchtime Sausage Sizzle (1.25-2.10)
17 December	Christmas Carol Concert (pm)

The second PTSA Executive Committee meeting was held on 4th November to which Colleen Melvin and Chris Hattam were invited. Thanks to Colleen for explaining her role as the KGV Business Manager and to Chris for giving us some background on the 2009 Pedal Kart event which was held at Victoria Park on 14th-15th November.

Peter Lau and Emily Bao, our Y13 student representatives informed the committee that the students had chosen "Fairy Tales" for the theme of the 2010 Night Market (12 March 6-9pm at the school). The Committee voted to allocate the funds raised from the raffle and from the Night Market to replacing chairs and tables used for examinations.

Executive Committee 2009-2010

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PTSA DATES – If you can help with any of these events, please contact Frances Lai-27606660!

3-5 December: A Christmas Carol

There will be drinks available in the interval of the school production and we are looking for parents to help serve drinks

8 December – Teacher's Lunch

The PTSA show their appreciation to the teachers by hosting a lunch. We are looking for parents to provide either a sweet or savoury cooked dish for this event

16 December 2009 (1.25-2.10)

We are looking for small home-made items of food to sell eg cookies, cakes, biscuits, brownies for our lunchtime Christmas stall

17 December (pm) CAROL CONCERT

The PTSA will serve drinks and food during the interval. We are looking for donations of home-made items eg biscuits, cookies, brownies, small savoury items etc. We are also looking for parents to help with the bar



FRIDAY 12 MARCH 2010
The PTSA Fairy Tale Night
Market!

We are seeking sponsors for RAFFLE PRIZES so if you can help with this please contact Frances Lai, PTSA Administrator

PTSA Public Spirit Prize

The PTSA sponsor a Public Spirit Prize each year which is awarded to the student who has made a significant contribution to a PTSA fundraising event. The prize was presented at Speech Day, November 20th 2009 and this year, it was given to Amelia Lintern-Smith, Y13, who was the driving force behind the amazing decorations in the hall for the Arabian Night Market in March 2009. Everyone commented on how wonderful the transformation was from a school hall to a souk complete with camels, flying carpets and spectacular skyline! Amelia would like to share her future plans with the PTSA as follows:

After KGV, I'm intending to study either Illustration and Graphic Design, or international relations and philosophy. I'm having trouble deciding between my two favorite subject areas - Art and Philosophy! To help make this decision, I'm considering a gap year in which I hope to spend some time in either China or France to pick up the languages, learn to fly a small plane, and make a sketchbook with my observations. I will be aiding the PTSA again this year for the Night Market, which, from what I understand, has a proposed 'fairy tale' theme. This leaves a lot of room for ideas.

Thank you Amelia L-S

PTSA and the KGV ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

THE NEW MILLENIUM: CAREER CHALLENGES - 26th NOVEMBER

Thanks to all parents, students, teaching staff and alumni who attended this first joint event organized by the **PTSA and the KGV Alumni Association**. Eleanor Sackett, Chair of the KGV Alumni Association and Sarah Cook, Chair of the KGV PTSA welcomed everyone to the event. Chris Mackreth, KGV Alumni, was the facilitator for the evening and introduced a panel of KGV Alumni professionals who spoke about their experiences and career pathways since leaving KGV. They gave advice to Y11-13 students on what it takes to become successful in today's increasingly competitive workplace.

There was a lively discussion after the presentations at a question and answer session and then everyone adjourned to the SSC lounge for refreshments, provided by Sodexhu.

Our thanks go to the following KGV Alumni who contributed to the success of the evening and it is hoped that this type of forum will be a fixture on the school calendar in the future.

Bob McKirdy

– Information Technology

Lynne Poelmann

– Corporate Interior Designer

Hiroshi Ikegaya – Town Planning

James Marshall – Architect

Facilitator:

Chris Mackreth

Chair KGV Alumni Association

Eleanor Sackett

PTSA RETAIL OUTLETS

KGV PTSA STUDENT ID CARD – DISCOUNTS AT RETAIL OUTLETS

When you pay your PTSA Annual membership fees then a student ID card is issued. With this card, you get discounts at many outlets, eg.:

SWINDON'S BOOK SHOP: We are pleased to inform you that Swindon's Book Shop can offer 10% discount to KGV Students when they purchase with us. Students must produce their valid school identification when they settle the payment at cashier counter. Please note that this offer cannot be applied to the following items.

Textbooks and special price books
Special Orders
Magazines, Stationery and Souvenirs
Hong Kong Government Publications
Tapes, cassettes, video, laser disk, CD and software

UA CINEMAS 10% discount but different locations have different pricing student should ask when buying cinema tickets.

MCL CINEMAS around 20% discount
Any other places that require purchasing tickets e.g. Ocean Park, Karaoke, public swimming pools, MTR

DYMOCKS Harbour Centre
Shop 105-113 Harbour Centre, 25 Harbour Road, Wanchai T: (852) 2511 8080

KGV ALUMNI Life Membership Card Benefits:

DINING

Arirang Korean Restaurant 10% off
Shop G07, Ground Floor, Ocean Terminal, Kowloon, Hong Kong Tel: 2956 3288 Fax: 2730 4119 1105 Food Forum, 1 Matheson Street, Hong Kong Tel: 2506 3298 Fax: 2506 4284
<http://www.arirang.com.hk/restau.php>

Gourmet Aladdin
Special Discounts on Indian cuisine
Block E, 9th Floor, Chung King Mansion, Tsim Sha Tsui
Tel: 23660117 (Ask for Mr. Manikam)

Igor Group of Restaurants
15% discount
<http://www.igors.com/index.html>

SHOPPING

Brian Seed Fine Art Exclusive discounts for KGV Alumni Assoc. Life Members
Antique Maps & Historical Engravings
Purchase through the internet:
www.BrianSeed.com

Town House 15% off exclusive silverware
210 Prince's Building, Central Tel: 2845 0633

Asian Artworks Gallery 10% off furniture, arts & crafts
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Central Shop G101, The Repulse Bay Tel: 2606 7093 Website:
www.asiasnartworks.com.hk

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Guardian Fragrances Special Discounts on enquiry
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- our store reserves final rights on the offer

PTSA Sponsorship

HHYC 24 Hour Charity Dinghy Race 2009

This year's race was without a doubt the best yet in terms of sailing and racing due to the fabulous wind conditions and the fact that there were sustained winds through the night. The evidence of this is clear to see by the results where the winning boat "Hebe Dragons" completed 104 laps of the course during the 24 hours. The second boat, our "KGV Racing Team", was very close behind completing 103 laps.

In previous years the "norm" has been somewhere around 60 – 65 laps so this year the distance sailed increased by approximately 70% or looking at it another way, we had 70% more wind!

We had three boats again, 1 Laser Stratos, 1 Lazer 2000 and a Bahia – a new class in the event and a surprisingly fast boat. The non-racing teams this year were split into Juniors – the "Mariners" in the Laser 2000, and Seniors – the "Cruisers" in the Bahia. They completed 61 laps and 75 laps respectively and had a lot of fun in the process.

In all we had 69 participants, a few less than last year although this worked out well as it gave our keen sailors more time in the boats.

We hope to have raised over \$60,000 during the weekend which is a good contribution towards HHYC's target of over \$1million for the event. There are four beneficiary charities this year; Children's Cancer foundation; Enlighten Action for Epilepsy; Senior Citizens Home Safety and Ideal which supports Mental Health.

Credit again goes to Peter Austin who was the primary organiser at school, and to Mui Thomas who helped out during the weekend. Further thanks to "Doyle Sail Makers" for sponsoring the racing team again **and of course to the PTSA for sponsoring the race entry fees for the 3 boats.**

Best Regards

Andy Narramore

24 Hour PEDAL KART GRAND PRIX 2009

The 24 hour Pedal Kart Grand Prix was a huge success for both the competitors and the many charities that benefit from the sponsor money raised.

KGV was very proud to be the largest team, fielding six karts, bigger than all the large companies represented including; Cathay Pacific, MTR and Hong Kong Electric. The team consisted of a male student elite team where 12 boys pedalled, a female student elite team where 15 girls pedalled, two fun kart teams that were hugely popular and gave over 100 students the opportunity to get out on the track. We also ran male and female staff teams.

Our elite boys team were beaten to the schools trophy by Renaissance College, it was neck and neck for a considerable time but a breakdown in the middle of the night saw RC HK pull away and take a well deserved win. The male staff team won the Formula 88 trophy, a fantastic achievement. KGV were also awarded the Sportsmanship Trophy.

This trophy was awarded because of our support of a local school. Prior to the race we gave our original kart, (20 years old) to the HKBUAS Wong Kam Fai Secondary & Primary School from Ma On Shan. They were desperately trying to get started in the event, but were struggling to raise the money required to build a kart. As there is no culture of pedal kart in the school and most of the students didn't really know what a pedal kart was, it would always be a struggle to get started. Our kart has helped them build momentum. Unfortunately after a few crashes, by 2.00 am the old kart was struggling with a seriously twisted frame. Roundtable kindly stepped in and loaned them another kart. Hopefully, with some more technical support we will see them racing next year.

Many thanks to the KGV PTSA for their kind \$2000 sponsorship. This money went towards the cost of buying the team shirts. It was another extremely hectic pre-race run in with the production of two brand new karts taking a huge amount of time to construct. Consequently the promotion of the event was a little later than we would of hoped. Hopefully, next year we will notify parents earlier and give you the opportunity to pedal in one of the karts. This event relies upon a massive time commitment from a dedicated group of staff and students. Special thanks should be given to the design and build group of Y12 and Y13 students who came down every week to help. The contribution that Mr Draeger, Mr Cohen and Mr Croce made was outstanding, without their dedication this event would not of been possible.

Next year the race is booked for the 20th and 21st November, hopefully we will see some parents pedalling. Many thanks for your support.

Chris Hattam