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Phuket bids farewell to Laguna Phuket's James Batt

Phuket turned out in droves to bid farewell to Laguna Phuket Managing Director James Batt and his family at a party held recently at Laguna Beach Resort. Among the luminaries were Phuket Governor Udomsak Usawarangkura; Pongpayome Vasaputi, Director-General of the Disaster Prevention and Mitigation Department, and former Phuket Governor; Dr. Prasit Koysiripong, former Phuket Provincial Administration Organization President; Phummisak Hongsyok, Phuket Real Estate Club President and former Mayor of Phuket Town; Gulu Lalvani, Chairman of international telecoms company Binatone and developer of the Royal Phuket Marina; and John Magee, Publisher of the Phuket Gazette.

James Batt and his guests were entertained by "Nat" Myria Benedetti, whose spectacular performance really got the Phuket party rockin' and rollin' well into the night.



(From left): Angie and James Batt; Phummisak Hongsyok, Phuket Real Estate Club President and former Mayor of Phuket Town; John Magee, Publisher of the Phuket Gazette; Phuket Governor Udomsak Uswarangkura, and Gulu Lalvani, developer of the Royal Phuket Marina, enjoy a few laughs during a presentation onstage.

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James and Angie Batt with Gulu Lalvani, developer of the Royal Phuket Marina

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(From left): Phuket Governor Udomsak Usawarakura; "Nat" Myria Benedetti; James Batt; Pongpayome Vasaputi, Director-General of the Disaster Prevention and Mitigation Department and former Phuket Governor; and Dr. Prasit Koysiripong, former Phuket Provincial Administration Organization President

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"Nat" Myria Benedetti performing at Laguna Beach Resort

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Handover: Outgoing Laguna Phuket Managing Director James Batt (right) receiving a farewell gift from the incoming Laguna Phuket Managing Director Michael Ayling

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Note to the Editor

Laguna Phuket is Asia's finest destination resort comprising five deluxe hotels: Banyan Tree Phuket, Dusit Laguna Resort, Laguna Beach Resort, Sheraton Grande Laguna Phuket and Allamanda Laguna Phuket, which all share 600 acres of tropical parkland and three kilometres of beach frontage with the Laguna Phuket Golf Club, Canal Shopping Village, Banyan Tree Spa, four Angsana Spas, Laguna Wedding Chapel and Quest Laguna Phuket Adventure, a leading corporate training and outdoor recreation facility.