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ESPN STAR Sports Joins Laguna Phuket to Donate to Life Home Project



Laguna Phuket and ESPN STAR Sports donate THB 500,000 to Life Home Project.

<http://www.lagunaresorts.com/~ftpdm/Pictures/LifehomeDonation.jpg>



Jamie Reeves checks out the children's new caps.

High resolution image available at <http://www.lagunaresorts.com/~ftpdm/Pictures/JamieReevesAtLHP.jpg>



The ESPN STAR Sports team at Life Home Project.

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Laguna Phuket and the ESPN STAR Sports football broadcasting team together raised THB 500,000 for Phuket's Life Home Project this past weekend. The Life Home Project is a shelter for mothers who are HIV positive and their children. The proceeds were raised from a charity golf tournament, dinner and quiz night, with an auction of autographed team shirts from Manchester United and Fulham Football Clubs, as well as tickets to an English Premier League game inclusive of roundtrip Phuket-London flights, among other items.

Phuket locals showed great support for this charity event and the opportunity to get up close and personal with TV personalities Andy Penders and Sharkee Tan of Football Crazy; John Dykes of Football Focus and Andrew Leci of Here We Go; ex-Birmingham City's Paul Masefield; highly-respected pundit Jamie Reeves; Malaysian ex-footballer and renowned sports commentator Shebby Singh; former Hong Kong Rangers footballer Derek Currie; and Club EPL's Charlie Webster.

Forty-eight golfers participated in the charity golf tournament at the Laguna Phuket Golf Club on Saturday. Eight of the celebrities played in teams with three other golfers. Later in the evening over 100 guests attended the charity dinner, during which the football quiz, hosted by John Dykes, and the auction were held. Former Scottish professional footballer Murdo MacLeod was a surprise guest speaker at the dinner and regaled dinner guests with anecdotes from his professional football career, which includes playing in two World Cups, drawing laughter and applause throughout his 20 minutes on stage. The winners of the golf tournament were also announced at the dinner, each receiving two-nights' accommodation at the Laguna Holiday Club Resort inclusive of the Sunday BBQ for two at the hotel's @Seventeenth restaurant.

The following morning the ESPN STAR Sports team visited the Life Home Project where they had the opportunity to meet with the women and children living at the shelter as well as the volunteers working at the Project. The ESPN STAR Sports team was warmly received by the children who were thrilled to show them around the Project's new and impressive facilities. The THB 500,000 donation presented to Life Home Project will go towards the purchase of a mini-van to be used as a schoolbus for the children at Life Home Project.

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Note to the Editor

Laguna Phuket is Asia's finest destination resort, a collection of 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.