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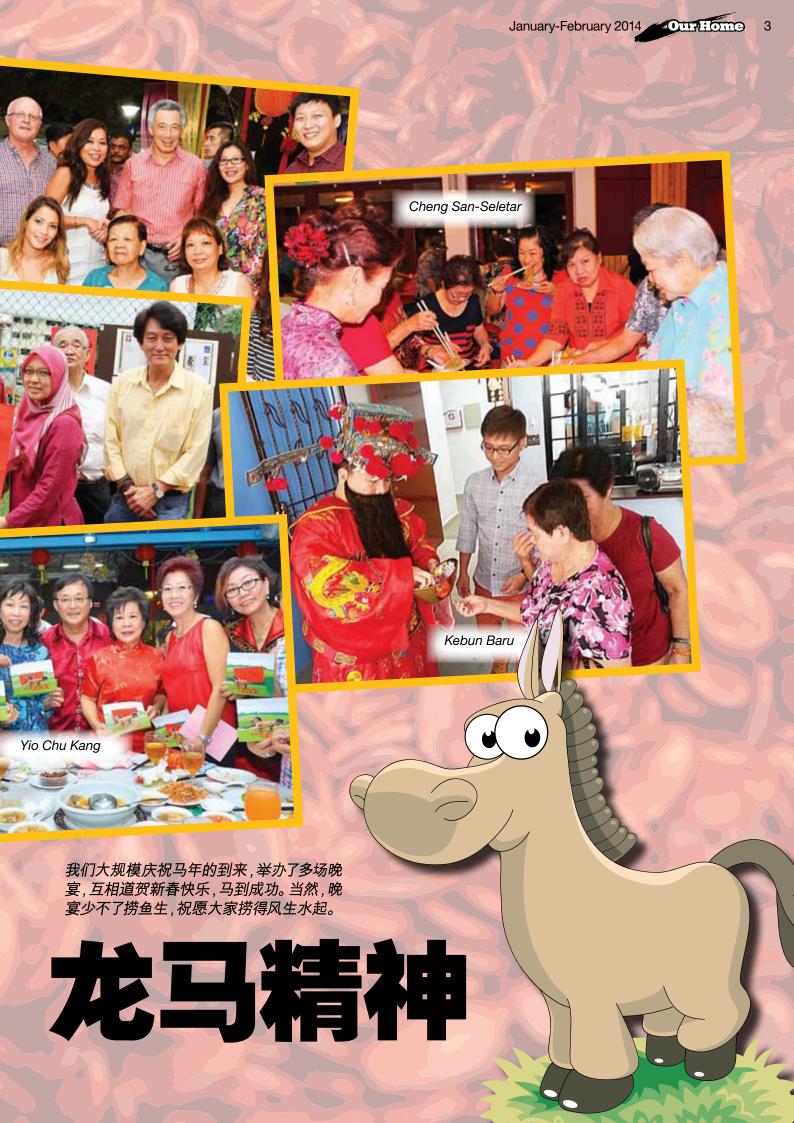
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We held big celebrations for the year of the horse. We had dinners, of course, and cheered ourselves hoarse. We had messy lo hei, and without remorse – it was all for good fortune, and we wish you yours.

# Celebrating the year of the Horse



#### Seventh in a "Share It" series:

Come brooms, rags, deter-Ogent - and three hundred pairs of young hands - will put a shine on anything. These students from Anderson Secondary helped dozens of households get ready for Chinese New Year in January. Split into modest teams, they cleaned up the Thye Hwa Kuan Senior Activity centre and the homes of the elderly in need, in five blocks around the neighbourhood.

Anywhere the students saw dirt, dust or grease, they attacked with a vengeance. Even years of cooking grime were no match for their hands. Just look at the pictures below anyone would think those tiles came brown to begin with!

The seniors who benefitted had nothing but praise for their merry yellow helpers. And the students ended their day quite understandably exhausted, yet beaming from ear to ear.

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This is definitely a worthwhile activity for I put a smile on an old man's face.

- Sec 4/5 Rachel Ann Matthews

Everyone worked together as a team to get the job done!

- Sec 4/5 Natalie Loh

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# Anderson Cleans Up!



# **Cosy Celebrations**

our things for a great party: food, company, music and laughter. And on 6 February, our Chinese New Year celebrations at the void deck of Block 601 Hougang Avenue 4 had the perfect mix of these.

As friends and neighbours from every walk of life you can imagine, we came together to sing, clap, cheer, and of course, eat our way through a most pleasant evening.

Three cheers for our organising RCs!



Prizes were given to the oldest resident...





...the youngest...



...and the tallest, for which these two almost tied!

When it comes to charity, one naturally thinks of satay. Fine, not really. However, Swee Satay at Block 644 Hougang Avenue 8 showed us the two are a perfect match. By selling tickets for \$10, which got you fifteen sticks of satay and a ketupat, they raised \$4,000 for the NKF Dialysis centre nearby. Swee Satay deserves a salute!

# Satay Samaritan





# Here's to a brighter Teck Ghee

Chairman of our Town Council, Dr Lam Pin Min, and Adviser to Teck Ghee grassroots, Dr S. Vasoo, were the guests of honour when polling opened on 11 January for the Neighbourhood Renewal Programme at Blocks 461 to 470 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 10. Final plans for the NRP were on display in a tent beside Block 466. And the Town Council had laid on all kinds of games to keep the kids happy while we checked out those plans. There was even a boating pool for them to splash about in!

It was quite a party. But the NRP plans were what earned the biggest smiles. We're going to have three new drop-off porches, a huge covered multi-purpose plaza, covered seating for the BBQ pits, and revamped community garden, landscaping, play-grounds fitness corners, you name it









Pongali

ongal means overflowing milk, and Pongalo Pongal! is what you shout as you watch the milk in the pongal pot boil over. With all that abundance of pongal, your year will be overflowing with prosperity!

We learned that, and all sorts of other interesting things from our elders squealing kids in the traditional game of tag called Kabadi, while keeping clear of the Uri Adi taking place at the other end of the court. That's when you blindfold somebody, spin them around, give them a big stick and get the heck out of the way while



# **Event Space for**



The largest multi-purpose hall in the AMK-Hougang division, 648A Hougang Avenue 8 sees plenty of use through the year. The Arts and Culture Club also organises an arts performance on the last Sunday of each month.

Banquets. Weddings. Wakes. Block parties. Festive celebrations of every kind. Exhibitions. Tournaments. You've probably seen the many multi-purpose halls across our town put to all these uses and then some.

If you're looking for the comfort of air-conditioning, that's available too, at the multi-purpose halls at our CCs. All the space you could want, indoors or al fresco – the only limit to what you can do is your imagination.

All you need to book a hall is to be a resident of our town. Visit any Town Council office (or CC if that's where you want to book) with your IC to get started!



Mind Game, hosted at the Kebun Baru CC Hall. Seniors from all across our town gathered to play old friends and make new ones.



The hall at Block 439 Sengkang West Avenue is used for everything from health checkups to Chinese New Year gatherings. And quite often, a quick game of badminton, out of the afternoon sun.

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At our halls, people come together as friends. The Teck Ghee CC Hall took it a step further and brought families together – just about a hundred in all – for Baby Singapore 2013.



The hall at Block 985 Buangkok Crescent has been host to weddings, wakes, a job fair – and even a pomelo peeling contest during the Mid-Autumn Festival. Oh, the stories it could tell.



Ang Mo Kio Central stage, being massive and, well, central, has made great successes of huge carnivals like Youth Time. Thousands have come together here, and thousands more will!



Bringing people from all walks of life together under one roof, the hall at Block 424A Ang Mo Kio Street 42 hosted a Chinese New Year get-together recently. There was singing, food and many a huat ah.











# Study Hard, Play Hard

ome like the pomp and fuss of Oceremony, but in Yio Chu Kang, we quite like to have fun. We blended the two, and held our YIO Carnival together

at the end of 2013. Right after receiving their bursaries, our students jumped



Corridor Obstruction Lifts



Ve had a Town Hall Meeting in Sengkang West on 19 January. It started with the launch of a new bus service, number 654, by our MPs, Dr Lam Pin Min and Mr Ang Hin Kee.

Upgrading Facilities

Maintenance

An alternative to the MRT during morning and evening rush hours, 654 gives us direct and fast connection between Anchorvale and the Central Business District.

Then, after the presentation of Ang Mo Kio-in-Bloom awards, we got down to some lively discussions. Questions covered everything from the CPF to the PCF. From "Where can I get reasonably priced childcare?" to "When will we have more services for seniors?"

Dr Lam pointed out that certain issues can be solved quickly. Others, because of budget constraints or complexity, take longer. And he said the priorities in Sengkang West were for child care, preschool and infant care. Because ours are new estates with young couples, and not as many senior citizens as other parts of Singapore.



"Thanks for getting the timing improved on those traffic lights!" Dr Lam said it was a good example of the need for feedback from residents. The LTA can often fix a problem if you tell them about it.



"Can we share the footpaths with cyclists?" Dr Lam said it was doable, but not in a hurry. The pathways have to be wide enough. The authorities will have to study which pathways need to be made wider here. It will take time.

# Steps of Fortune

In Jalan Kayu, we attempted to get the god of fortune in shape over two days in January, with Chinese New Year walk-a-jogs. The big red man didn't get very far with his weight loss, but we did get some nice pictures out of it!





# Frontline Firefighters

We all know you can put out a fire with a fire extinguisher, but how often is an extinguisher handy when a fire breaks out? And if the fire is in a rubbish chute??

he Kebun Baru Community Emergency and Engagement Committee (C2E) realised something simple could be done to make an extinguisher handy when a rubbish chute fire is discovered.

The people who usually discover these fires are our conservancy workers. So the C2E put fire extinguishers on the battery-operated carts these

The "Fire Extinguisher-on-the-Move" idea was launched by Mr Inderjit Singh at our Emergency Preparedness Day on 11 January.

And then we watched just how well the idea would work when the SCDF, Police, volunteers and the Town Council workers put out a fire that started among discarded items in the carpark. First on the scene were the conservancy workers who were able

to do more than call in the emergency response teams, they were able to control the spread of the blaze with their extinguisher.

A great demonstration of a great idea!







# Caption Contest

Wha'ts going on here? Aren't you supposed to admire the moon, not the mooncakes? Why don't you tell us what's going on here with a caption below? In English, and within 30 words, please. Add your name and address (it must be an HDB block in our Town!) and post your entry to:

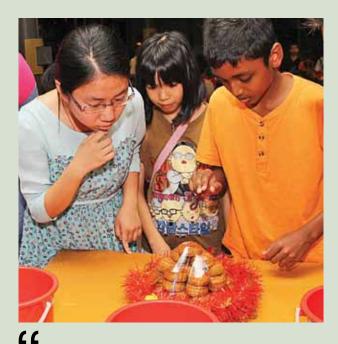
**Our Home** Caption Contest, Blk 342 Ang Mo Kio Ave 1, #01-1561 Singapore 560342

Your entry must be delivered by **20 April, 2013.** The three best entries will each win NTUC vouchers worth \$20.00. The judges' decisions are final.

My Name:

My NRIC No: Phone No:

My Address:



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**Congratulations** to the winners of the Quiz in the last issue of **Our Home**: Ching Mui Gek (Sxxxx588I), Li Zhen Ming (Sxxxx532B), and Goh Cai Hui (Sxxxx915B).



### Wanton Wantons

Thai-style wanton noodles? Satisfy your curiosity about the unusual dish all you want when you visit Soi 19 at the coffeeshop at Block 151 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 5. But go easy on the chilli powder. Authentically Thai, it's boosted sales at the drinks stall many a time.

Mr Ng Sing Chow and his wife run the stall, and named it after where he learned to cook the noodles in Thailand. He told us the big difference between the local and Thai versions of wanton noodles was that the Thai noodles are not served with a lot of sauce. "We bring out the flavour of the noodles without relying on sauce," he said. We found their noodles to be delightfully dry indeed. Served with fresh veggies and good char siew, it actually has our vote over the local version. Try it, and see what you think.

Open 7am - 4.30pm, and closed randomly. Find out when they close on their Facebook Page!

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#### Yio Chu Kang

For further information, please call the Yio Chu Kang Community Club, 50 Ang Mo Kio Street 61, on 64570414

#### **Baby Singapore 2014**

on Saturday, 18 May, 9am-1pm at the YCK MPH

#### **WEC Cosplay Event: Pokemon**

on Saturday, 8 June, 10am-6pm at the YCK MPH

AMK-Hougang For further information, please call the Ci Yuan Community Centre, Blk 662 Hougang Ave 4, on 63879012

Community Sports Festival on Sunday, 16 March, 7am-12noon Breakfast Gathering (Traditional Toast Set) at Anchorvale CC & Water Venture Park on Sunday, 23 March, 8-9.30am at the Kopitiam @ Hougang One

**Breakfast With Residents** at the Blk 940 void deck, Hougang Street 92 on Sunday, 6 April, 7.30-9am

#### **Teck Ghee**

For further information, please call the Teck Ghee Community Club, 861 Ang Mo Kio Ave 10, on 64567124 or 64567123 or the Ang Mo Kio Community Centre, 795 Ang Mo Kio Ave 1, on 64529644 or 64566536

#### Ang Mo Kio GRC and Sengkang West **SMC Citizenship Ceremony**

on Saturday, 29 March, 10am-1pm, 3pm-5.30pm at the Teck Ghee CC

**Jalan Kayu**For further information, please call the Hwi Yoh Community Centre, Blk 535 Serangoon North Ave 4,

## **Community Sports Festival**

on Sunday, 16 March, 8-11.30am at Anchorvale CC

# Jalan Kayu INC Dialogue

on Saturday, 22 March, 3-6pm INC BBQ Night on Saturday, 22 March, 6-10pm at Jalan Kayu Hall at Walk @ Buangkok

#### **Kebun Baru**

For further information, please call the Kebun Baru Community Club, 216 Ang Mo Kio Ave 4 on 64577379

## Kebun Baru Annual Road Run

at the Car Park next to Blk 177 Ang Mo Kio Ave 4 on Sunday, 23 March, 8am Kebun Baru Got Talent Finals on Saturday, 5 April, 6.30-9.30pm at Kebun Baru CC Hall

#### Sengkang West

For further information, please call the Anchorvale Community Club, 59 Anchorvale Road, on 64894959

#### Briskwalk

on Sunday, 13 April, 7-8.30am starts at Anchorvale CC Plaza

#### Citi-Tsao Foundation Financial **Planning for Mature Women**

on Saturday, 3 May, 2-5pm at Anchorvale CC

## Cheng San-Seletar

For further information, please call the Cheng San Community Club, 6 Ang Mo Kio Street 53 on 64588222

#### **Dining Etiquette for Singles** on Saturday, 29 March, 7-10pm

at Bliss restaurant, Cheng San CC

## YEC Blood Donation

on Saturday, 26 April, 10am-4pm at the Cheng San CC MPH

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#### Ang Mo Kio-Hougang 宏茂桥-后港 MP Yeo Guat Kwang 杨木光议员

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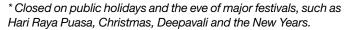
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+ On the first Thursday of every month, there will be a rotation of MPs for Ang Mo Kio GRC. + Registration starts before 8pm.

\*公共假期休息 + 宏茂桥集选区的国会议员将在每个月的第一个 星期四轮流到其他选区 + 将在8时之前开始登记



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PM Lee Hsien Loong

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