

Newsletter January – June 2014

PUSPADI Bali's New Spirit

By us, for us

For the last 14 years YAKKUM Bali has provided services and assistance to disabled persons in Bali and parts of Eastern Indonesia, during which time there has been numerous challenges, both externally and internally, for YAKKUM Bali to overcome.

The decision to change our name from YAKKUM Bali – to PUSPADI Bali, was a difficult one to make but the time had come when we needed to establish our own identity. After much consideration, finally, on 14th April 2013, YAKKUM Bali officially changed it's name to PUSPADI Bali, (Pusat Pemberdayaan Disabilitas Bali Indonesia – Centre for Empowerment of Persons with Disability, Bali Indonesia). and we started out with renewed enthusiasm and a new office geared to serving disabled persons in Bali and other parts of Indonesia.



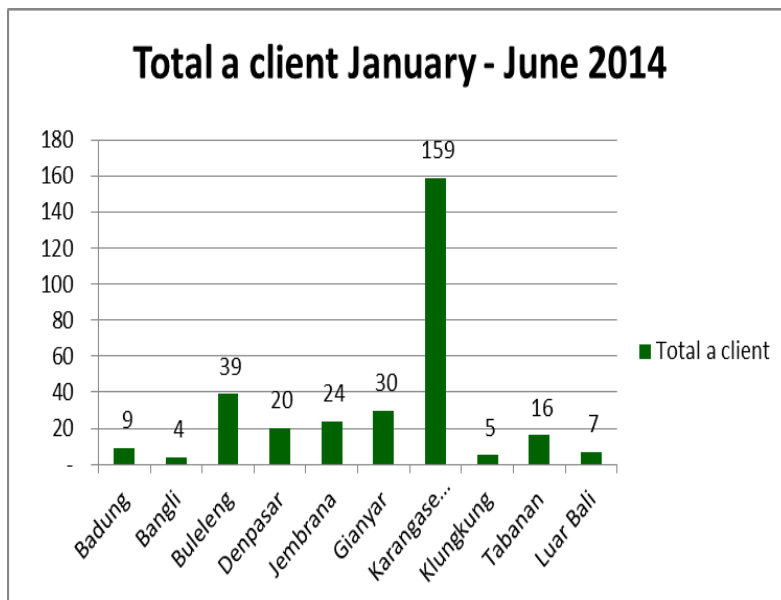
NEW BRAND, New Website.

PUSPADI Bali has a new name and new enthusiasm. Our goal is to develop our own character, with renewed energy, to provide inspiration to all those who come in contact with PUSPADI Bali. Now a Centre for the Empowerment of Disabled Persons in Bali and throughout other parts of Indonesia. Our programmes may be seen by visiting our website, www.puspadibali.org

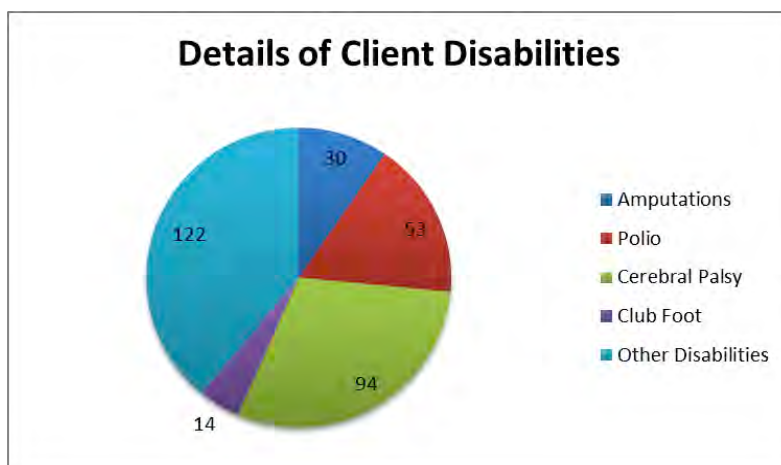
PUSPADI Bali's Programme:

PUSPADI Bali offers a holistic approach to disabled persons. We assist in overcoming difficulties affecting those with disabilities, by providing access to rehabilitation, education, training, and assistance finding employment. We carry out assessments, set up statistics and devise services in accordance with the person's needs. Additionally, throughout 2014 we are carrying out intensive advocacy programmes, which entail specifically focussing on improving awareness of the public towards disabled persons.

313 New Clients were registered with PUSPADI Bali from January 2014 to June 2014



313 new clients were registered with PUSPADI Bali, this year, bringing the total number of clients since our beginning as YAKKUM Bali, up to June 2014, to 2,947, either having received service, still receiving services or awaiting services. The 313 new clients originate from Badung Regency 9 persons, Bangli Regency 4 persons, Buleleng Regency 39 persons, Denpasar 20 persons, Jembrana 24 persons, Gianyar 30 persons, Karangasem 159 persons, Klungkung 5 persons, Tabanan 16 persons and from outside Bali 7 persons.



Of the 313 new clients 30 are amputees, 53 are Polio victims, 94 are Cerebral Palsy patients, 14 have Club foot disabilities, and the remaining 122 persons suffer various other disabilities

From January to June 2014, of the 313 persons registered for services by PUSPADI Bali, making a total of 2.947 persons up to June 2014, 65% require or have been provided with, wheelchairs.



168 artificial legs, braces or Ankle Foot Orthotics distributed between January - June 2014

The PUSPADI team over the above period, distributed a total of 60 artificial legs, 6 braces, 94 Ankle Foot Orthotics and 8 other mobility aids. With our more readily accessible building, and in particular, our mobility aid workshop, PUSPADI Bali is delighted to be enabled to assist more disabled persons with mobility aids. Separate rooms for measuring clients, processing aids, and fitting the finished products have made it easier to control and process client's needs and progress.

For this, PUSPADI Bali is most grateful to ALF (Anika Linden Foundation) for supplying such excellent equipment and facilities for our workshop team.



118 artificial legs, braces, and AFO's repaired by PUSPADI BALI team.

Throughout January - June of 2014, PUSPADI Bali' team have repaired 118 mobility devices (48 artificial legs, 38 braces and 32 AFO's.). With a renewed spirit, we are serving the people with disability who need repairment for their mobility devices. Mostly of PUSPADI Bali a client come to office every 3 or 6 month.



220 Wheelchairs and Tripods Distributed

Between January and June 2014, 218 wheelchairs and 2 tripods were distributed throughout Bali, the highest numbers being in the Badung Regency 16, Bangli 14, Buleleng Regency 23, Denpasar 18, Jembrana 15, Gianyar 9, Karangaem 44, Klungkung 2 and Tabanan 11, and a further 68 in the Eastern islands of Indonesia. This distribution was successfully carried out thanks to the support of UCP (United Cerebral Palsy, Wheels for Humanity) Yogyakarta, and PUSPADI's partners, the District Governments of Karangasem and Buleleng. A huge thank you to all partners for enabling us to bring relief to physically disabled persons in Bali and other areas.



Not only work, but we serve with heart

We may not deny the fact that a very large percentage of PUSPADI's clients come from impoverished families, who find it impossible to come to PUSPADI's centre. To overcome these family's difficulties the PUSPADI team goes to them, often via extremely difficult terrain, inaccessible to any kind of transport. No challenge is too great for our team, as we understand and have an empathy for the extreme difficulties of physically disabled persons living in isolated areas of Bali, and other areas, and their desperate needs. We believe in helping them just as we ourselves have been, or would wish to be helped.



Consultations made easier for clients, because our staff are disabled themselves.

It is easier for us to plan our strategies in serving physically disabled persons, and to provide consultations, because almost 80% of our team are physically disabled and have experienced similar difficulties to our clients. This means we have a more complete perception and understanding of client's feelings and what they are experiencing.



The Puspadi bali team carrying out assessment, consultation and motivation with client.

Direktur PUSPADI Bali dan salah satu tim bengkel Puspadi Bali ke Cambodia School of Prostetic and Ortotic

From 13th to `17th January, the Director of PUSPADI Bali and Tanty Iswara from our workshop team visited the Cambodian School of Prosthetics and Orthotics and tied up an agreement between the Cambodian Trust and PUSPADI Bali to work together providing I.C.R.C. components. These components are made with recycled materials, Polypropylene plastic processed using high technological methods resulting in reasonable costs suitable for use in developing countries



PUSPADI Bali goes mobile from 15th January to 4th March, 2014, in Kubu

Our new programme started in 2013, and was carried out in an area previously agreed upon. From January to March 2014, the Mobile PUSPADI Bali unit was based in the area of Kubu District, where 156 persons were seen and added to our data base. Of these, 68 persons were registered with PUSPADI Bali for services, either requiring mobility aids or educational courses.



Mobile PUSPADI Bali, May to July 2014

3 members of PUSPADI Bali's team were delegated to focus on PUSPADI Bali's Mobile unit activities. From May to July the team was based in the Abang District, Karangasem Regency. Abang District is made up of 14 villages, covering a total area of 134.05 square kilometres (with a density of approximately 431 persons per Square km,) and 93 Traditional Banjars or village councils. The PUSPADI Bali team believes there are still numbers of physically disabled persons tucked away in the more isolated areas of this district. Our team will continue to pursue and seek out physically disabled persons until all have been placed on our data base. From these findings PUSPADI Bali will ascertain what assistance is needed, and prepare a programme based on requirements.



Mobile Rehabilitation Unit/UPSK (Mobile Social Services Unit)

PUSPADI Bali is routinely included in activities carried out by the UPSK (Unit Pelayanan Sosial Keliling – or Mobile Rehabilitation Unit), operated jointly by the Provincial Department of Social Affairs and the Regional Department of Social Affairs. This service involves the disciplines of Physiotherapy and Health, with PUSPADI Bali acting in the role of consultant in the field of Physical Disability. During the year PUSPADI Bali has worked with the Regional Governments of Gianyar and Jembrana, and together with UPSK carried out activities in the Regency of Gianyar from 18 – 20 June 2014 and the Regency of Jembrana in the District of Negara from 23 – 25 June, 2014.

PUSPADI Bali is grateful to the Provincial Department of Social Affairs Bali, as through these activities we have been able to reach out to more disabled persons throughout Bali, so increasing the numbers we have served.



Distribution of mobility aids in Singaraja.

On a rare occasion for a person with disability, I. Gede Arnawa, recipient of an artificial leg, had the opportunity of doubling on his motor cycle, the Number 1 man of Singaraja, the Head of the Regency of Buleleng. This opportunity came his way after Arnawa received his artificial leg, made by Puspadi Bali, via the Director General of the



Ministry of Social Affairs. His new limb was presented on February 22nd, 2014, in the village of Sudaji in front of an audience of 1,850. Bali can be proud of receiving acknowledgement from the Ministry of Social Affairs during their programme Kemanusiaan Lintas Batas (Humanity Across Borders), extending from Aceh in North Sumatra to Kupang in Timor, and encompassing 16 Provinces. During the occasion at Sudaji PUSPADI Bali presented 5 wheelchairs and 4 prosthetic legs.



Socialisation by the Minister in Kupang, Timor

On another rare occasion, I Nengah Latra, Director of PUSPADI Bali, had the privilege of travelling on the same air craft as the Minister of Social Affairs and his entourage, on 26 February, 2014, after PUSPADI Bali received an invitation to attend the Closing of the Humanitarian programme 2014. The programme was carried out by the Ministry of Social Affairs Republic of Indonesia, which took place starting 25th January in Eastern Aceh, Sumatra and closed 26th February in Kupang Timor.

During the closing ceremony Mr Latra spoke directly with the Minister of Social Affairs, The Governor of the Province, The Head of the Regional Police Department for NTT, the Head of the Regency, the Mayor and other dignitaries and public of NTT. He gave a brief presentation on the programs of PUSPADI Bali and requested the continued support of the Government in the future to facilitate PUSPADI Bali in servicing more Disabled persons in Bali and the Eastern Islands of Indonesia.



PUSPADI Bali in Collaboration with Rotary International and UCPRUK-(United Cerebral Palsy Wheels for Humanity) Yogyakarta

PUSPADI Bali distributed wheelchairs in two areas. The first in the Karangasem Regency, (in the area of the most impoverished villages of Bali – the district of Kubu) on 28th May 2014, where the Head of the Regency of Karangasem provided the venue. and the second presentation was made in the Annika Linden Centre, Denpasar on 29th May 2014. Rotary International was represented by AL Bergsma (Past District Governor). Of the partnership between UCP Yogyakarta and PUSPADI Bali Al remarked “now we understand where the money goes?. In the future I hope to be able to help more people with disabilities”.

At Annika Linden Centre, The Head of the Provincial Department of Social Affairs and the Head of the Badung Regency Department of

Social Affairs observed the results of our collaboration and thanked us sincerely. They stated that without an organisation which cares about people with disabilities the government could not do this, because there are so many problems to overcome, not just with the disabled persons. They expressed their appreciation and were impressed that PUSPADI Bali and team could work well together with the Government, Rotary and other organisations.

At Annika Linden Centre PUSPADI Bali distributed 25 wheelchairs to clients, who were all very enthusiastic and excited to be receiving wheelchairs. The father of one of the recipients, Mr Subagia of Tabanan, stated “Now I can take my daughter around much more easily than



previously. I will be able to wheel her up the road and take her to the beach. She is going to be very happy; she loves to be taken out and asks so many questions about things she sees or people she meets. The wheelchair provided by PUSPADI Bali will bring much comfort to her. I would like to say thank you to PUSPADI Bali because this is going to change my daughter's life, she will no longer have to stay at home. I know from now on her life is going to improve".

Our programme for ADVOCACY

ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC PLACES FOR DISABLED # 1"

"Let's make Right Real for People with Disability" 10 Januari 2014

We are convinced that only by taking action can we assist in bringing about awareness and change. The Adaptive Wheelchair Division of PUSPADI Bali, along with 25 clients, volunteers and staff, held a Wheelchair "parade" on January 10th, 2014, using the Sarbagita bus transport. Starting out at 1pm from the Annika Linden Centre in Jl Bakung, Kesiman, Tohpati, Denpasar Timur, the team headed for the Bali Galleria Mall. The Sarbagita bus was chosen for transport, since it was started by the local government as a cheap method of mass transport, in the hopes of it becoming a partial solution to the problem of traffic jams. PUSPADI Bali's objective was to experience the conditions of existing public facilities, and assess the accessibility or otherwise for disabled persons, who are a significant part of the population with the same rights as non-disabled persons



Disability VS the Law

“The law is dark,” said Damai, one of the participants of the discussion when asked about his opinion about the law.

PUSPADI Bali, together with SIGAB (Sasana Integrasi Dan Advokasi Difabled) - an organisation for Integration and Advocacy for Disabled, held a discussion regarding the rights of disabled in the eyes of the law, identifying the problems faced regarding the official rights of disabled, in an attempt to find solutions.

The workshop was attended by more than 40 persons with various disabilities including Blind, Deaf and mute, and physically disabled. All brought out their experiences, such as Damai who stated the law was a black or grey area, when he attempted to make application for a motor cycle driving license, but found no-one could inform him of the process through which he should go in order to obtain one.



Sosilisation driver licences

One positive outcome of the workshop “ disability VS Law was that a decision was taken for disabled persons to unite in lobbying for information on obtaining SIM D to be made available to persons with disabilities

The goal being to make widely known the official procedure required to obtain a SIM D (motor cycle licence) for disabled, since certain Regencies do not issue licences for disabled persons.

PUSPADI Bali will monitor progress on the socialization of the licensing regulations and processes to assist facilitate the issue of licenses to disabled. This will enable disabled persons to feel more secure and have more positive mobility on the roads.

PUSPADI Bali and Bakti Rahayu Hospital have defined the physical conditions to be met before application for a license, and in the near future PUSPADI Bali, Bakti Rahayu Hospital and the KAPOLDA (Head of the District Police), will sign a Memorandum of Understanding, for the issue of SIM D licenses.



Partnership with YAYASAN HARAPAN SUMBA (Foundation of Hope) Sumba Island

In early May our Workshop Manager travelled to the island of Sumba to deliver and fit prosthetic legs and AFOs (Ankle Foot Orthotics) which had been made for clients from Sumba following an earlier visit in 2013. The delight on the faces of the children who received mobility aids and their enthusiasm in using their limbs and practising walking with them was wonderful. In the future PUSPADI Bali hopes to assist more disabled persons in the Eastern islands of Indonesia.



Free Promotion

PUSPADI Bali exhibited at the Werdi Budaya Art Centre for 1 month

The provincial Bali Government holds an Arts Festival annually during the major school holidays, and this year it ran from 13th June to 12th July. The Festival showcases a wide variety of activities, including parades, traditional dance and music performances, competitions, photography and documentation.

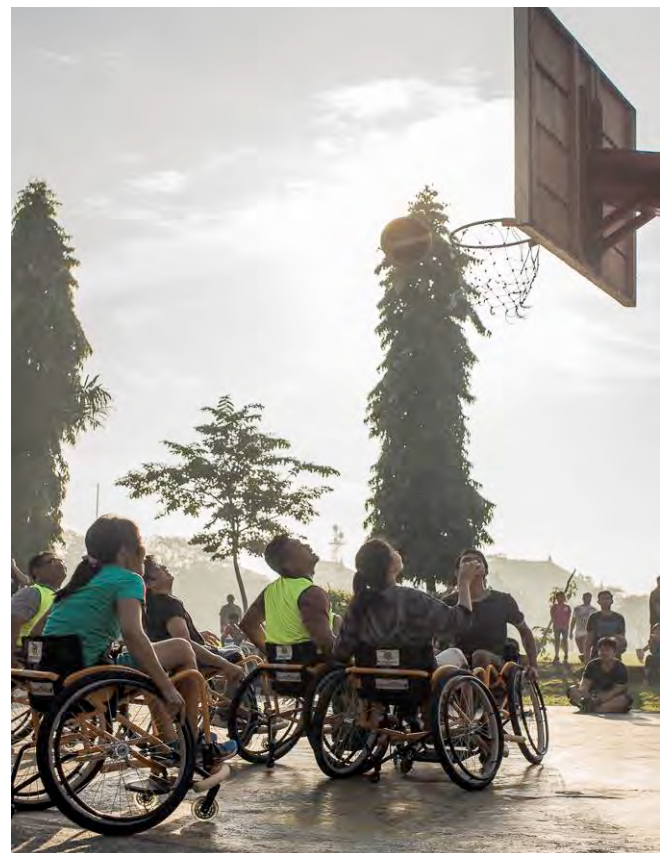
Interestingly this year, the 36th year of the Arts Festival, PUSPADI Bali in collaboration with the Government of the Regency of Badung, was given the opportunity to exhibit and promote services in a stand provided free of charge. This enabled the public to learn about the facilities and service provided by PUSPADI Bali, and visitors with disabled members of their families, requiring mobility aids could contact PUSPADI Bali.

This was the first time PUSPADI Bali has had this opportunity, and was due to the co-operation of the Regional Government of Badung. Our thanks go to the Pemerintah Kabupaten Badung – Regional Government of Badung who entrusted us with this wonderful opportunity.



Let's Do More. Talk Less

In an effort to reduce the negative perception of people towards disabled persons, the Wheelchair team from PUSPADI Bali carried out a programme targeted at increasing awareness of the public via wheelchair Basketball. The event took place on 25th May 2014, at the Puputan Square in Renon Denpasar. This particular venue was selected since more than 2000 people use this space for sports. The public showed enthusiasm and anyone interested in joining the team were invited to sit in a wheelchair and participate in the game. This enabled them to have a different perception and a better understanding of the challenges faced by disabled persons in wheelchairs.



Goodbye to Tanty and Candra

PUSPADI Bali bids goodbye to Tanty and Candra and wishes them well for their future. Tanty and Candra left PUSPADI Bali for Thailand where they will take their education to a higher level in prosthetic and orthotic making. Tanty and Candra, you have both contributed a great deal to the Prosthetic and Orthotic team at PUSPADI Bali.

These two have shared their knowledge to the benefit of our Workshop staff.

We send our best wishes to Tanty and Candra, may their dreams be realized.

