



### Aon Bopha passes National Doctor's Exam



Aon Bopha

Aon Bopha, 19, a top student at NFC who has been studying hard for the National Medical Exam, passed it and ranked 63 out of 290 examinees. Bopha has the good fortune of having an Australian family sponsoring her to attend the University of Health Sciences in Phnom Penh to study Dentistry. She will be living at a Midway house for NFC students. We congratulate her on her achievement and look forward to a bright future for her!

### Excellent Results at NFC!

We are quite pleased to announce that Cheat Hean is the first NFC student to take and pass 2 of the 7 modules of the ICDL exam (see article on the ICDL below). We would like to congratulate him on his pioneering spirit in accepting the challenge of this new program!

Hean, along with Srouen Ratanak and Sao Kosal, also graduated from the last level (of 18 levels total) of English at New World Institute. We congratulate all three on their perseverance and success!

### Student Interview: Chhorn Laluy



Never without his sunny smile and a friendly word of greeting, Chhorn Laluy never fails to find friendship wherever he looks. Endlessly caring and helpful, he consistently places others before himself and does his utmost to ensure their comfort and happiness.

Born in Kandal Province Laluy came to NFC in

2003. Before joining us at the centre, Laluy lived with his mother.

As well as excelling at in his studies at Westline School, Laluy is always keen to develop new skills. He has recently begun assisting Sreyneang (a culinary student at PSE) in the preparation of volunteer's lunches. Laluy greatly enjoys learning to prepare a host of Khmer, Thai and Chinese dishes, and those that he has personally prepared have been met with great approval.

When he graduates from Westline, Laluy would like to study Tourism Management and Interior Design. Though he claims to be too shy to speak about his career goals, he says he would like to work in the tourism industry. Not keen to be a tour guide, however, he says he is aiming ultimately for some form of high-ranking position, though he is not entirely sure what!

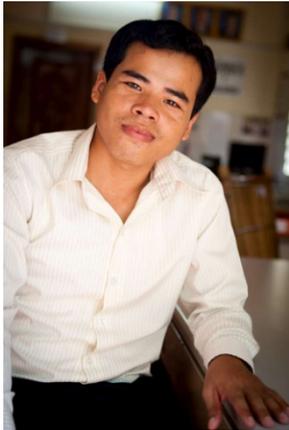
Laluy says he is thankful that he has a place at NFC because the centre is like a family to him. He is glad of the support and encouragement provided, and recognises that the staff wish the best for his future. Laluy says the other students at NFC are his brothers and sisters, and we are sure that they feel the same about him.

### NFC Graduate Employed as Baking and Pastry Chef



NFC graduate Yem Nan has recently gained employment at the popular Sunway Hotel in Phnom Penh. Nan will be baking a variety of goods and pastries for the Hotel's guests. This is a great opportunity and we wish Nan all the best in his new position.

### Dynamic New Education Manager Heads a Great Team!



NFC is thrilled to welcome Som Sornn, as our new Education Manager. Sornn, along with a new Primary School teacher and Computer teacher, joined us at the beginning of November. He is already showing amazing computer skills and dogged dedication in monitoring and encouraging NFC children in their educational progress.

The role of Education Manager at NFC is vital to our children's success and we are pleased to have such a competent and eager leader! We hope Sornn will enjoy working here, and wish him all the best in his career at NFC!

### Khmer/English Primary School Teacher



We are also pleased to welcome Sam Chandara whose daunting task is split between checking and assisting primary age students with their Khmer homework and teaching them English. The students have instantly warmed to Dara's soft and gentle manner, they respect him as a teacher, trust him like a friend, and seem ever-keen to further their English language abilities. Dara is a huge asset to NFC and we are pleased to have him.

Sam Chandara

### Computer Teacher Kong Chandina



Dina graduated from the National University of Management with a degree in Information Technology. He is instructing the students in the ICDL, an internationally recognized computing qualification recently introduced to NFC.

Dina has already created a number of clever quizzes to supplement the ICDL material and has passed 3 of the 7 ICDL module exams.

Kong Chandina

### International Standard ICDL/ECDL Certification Introduced to NFC



Exams on 3 modules of the International (European) Computer Driving License exam have been taken and passed by the Computer

Instructor, two volunteers and one student at NFC. This paves the way for opening it up to all of the children. Computer skills are increasingly important and in demand in today's employment market and we believe that the ICDL will create new opportunities for our students.

### NFC Student Wins Raffle at EZECOM Event!

Pet Sreyrov, a 12 grade student at NFC has won 6 months of EZECOM Internet access at a raffle at a family day event



sponsored by EZECOM. She has kindly donated this to the recently established NFC Midway House. The children at the house, who all attend university, now benefit from increased speeds due to this donation. We wish to thank Pet Sreyrov for her generous donation!

### Midway House 2 - House Warming!

For those who have been following the progress of Midway House 2, we are pleased to announce that the official House Warming was held on 19th November. An evening of music, dancing and excellent food was enjoyed by all. Thanks go to Doch Mnorsen, Clemens Huber, Chris Merritt and the Midway House 2 students who worked to make this a success!

### Improvements to NFC Property



Re-tiling to stop leaks penetrating the ceilings on floors below bathrooms in the girl's dorm has finally been completed and we are very pleased with the results! We are sure you will all agree that, besides fixing the problem with leaks, it is worth having bathroom facilities which are hygienic and pleasant to use!

Improvements have also been made to teacher Long Ang's classroom, formerly used as a car garage, by re-tiling a section of the floor.

### InterVol Volunteers from the University of Birmingham get Hands-On Experience!



A visit from the University of Birmingham's InterVol volunteer group has seen the completion of a fantastic set of wall murals, as well as the installation of a new fence to

protect our football pitch from unwanted canine visitors! A vegetable garden was also begun which, when completed, will be used by NFC students for the development of valuable skills.

### ECCC Presentation on Khmer Rouge Trial at NFC

Sarah Andrews, from the Khmer Rouge Tribunal Center, recently visited NFC to do a presentation to the children on the trials currently underway of the former Khmer Rouge leaders. Sarah spoke about the historical reasons for the trials and the current status of the proceedings. The children, who have a great interest in both Cambodian history and current affairs, listened intently to her presentation. We wish to thank Sarah for sparing her precious time to educate our children.



### Learning Habitat Kindergarten in Hong Kong Donates 2 Motorbikes to Transport NFC Students to Westline Branch



A generous donation of two motorcycles from the Learning Habitat Educational Fund in Hong Kong means that 4 NFC 12th grade children are able to travel to and from a remote branch of Westline School where this grade level is taught. We would like to thank this Hong Kong group for their generous donation!

### Donation of Kitchen / Restaurant Items by Michael Gainger and Intan Kosem



NFC has received a donation of a lawnmower, rice cooker, gas range, crockery, cutlery and glasses from two generous donors! These items have been split between the NFC Midway House and NFC center. They mean a lot to the children, who will benefit from having good quality cookers, crockery, utensils and a well mown football field! We wish to thank Michael and Intan for their generosity!

### Ian Aldred - Computer Lab Administrator Extraordinaire!



Ian joined NFC as a long-term volunteer in mid-July 2011. He has over 42 years of computer and technology experience. Little did we know the extent of his talents and the warm personality that embraces them!

Ian's cheerful demeanor greets any task with enthusiasm, dedication and a helpful dose of humor. He has conquered long standing computer lab problems with his vast knowledge, his logical approach and his endless persistence, all the while entertaining us with his British wit.

Ian came to Cambodia during a career break in order to help support a charitable organization in a developing country. "I have had a good life and career so far and want to give something back". We are so lucky he chose us! We are thankful to Ian for all of his talents, enthusiasm and humor and for his willingness to share them with us all!

### Thoughts from Chris - How 2 Years at NFC Turned into 4 & more!

I am beginning my 5th year at New Future for Children and reflect back on my self-made commitment to volunteer for 2 years at NFC and my subsequent continuation into year 5. There have been some amazing challenges and some amazing achievements working with the students, staff and volunteers at NFC in Cambodia!

When I first came to NFC I called the residents "children", but now I prefer to honor and encourage them with the term "students". They are all studying towards a new future and the opportunities and challenges abound! We have the good problem of struggling to find time to schedule special events and workshops!

I think what has kept me glued at NFC for four years and counting (besides the wonderful children!) is the ability to work with staff and volunteers towards constant improvement towards a bright future for these young students.

### \$7200 Raised by 3rd Annual Cycle Challenge for New Future for Children !!!



Bike Route from London to Leeds      Joe Wadsworth

We are thankful to Tony Sparrow for organizing the 3rd annual Cycle Challenge to raise funds for New Future for Children! Howard Sansom and Joe Wadsworth completed the journey between the Telefonica offices in Slough (near London) and Leeds (in the north of England) over the weekend of 1-2 October 2011, with Tony providing support.



Joe and Howard on the road      Howard Sansom

The riders started in the dark at 6.30 a.m. and finished the first day's segment 12 hours later at 6.30 p.m.

They continued the next day arriving at the finish point in Leeds at 5.30 p.m. on the Sunday - averaging an awesome speed of 15 mph!

It was a herculean effort by Howard and Joe to complete the 250 miles in 2 days despite scorching heat of up to 29° C (84°F)! It was unusually warm in the UK for that time of year.

The donations made by friends, family and colleagues at Telefonica came to over £2500, and with UK Gift Aid and Charity Matching from Telefonica added, the total is over £4600 (\$7200).

Now that the soreness is healing, we're already planning next year's challenge!

## NFC's Financial Status

Sincere thanks to all those who have been helping us during these tough economic times! We've been able to meet our bills so far! We continue to need donations for our monthly budget so any donations are greatly needed and appreciated! Please note there is an easy way to donate, by Credit Card or PayPal! See information below.

### In the UK & wish to Donate?

Please contact Mr Tony Sparrow:

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