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**To get on to the mail list to receive current
community, event, and activity
announcements,
please join by registering at:
www.qingdaoexpat.com/Register.php**

July & August Events

The Wednesday Expat Lunches

All lunches begin @
12 noon

July 14th

SPR White House Coffee
Surf Plaza
316 XiangGang East Rd.
8889.7162

July 28th

Qingdao Darling Harbour
Qingdao Marina & Olympic
Sailing Center
1 Yanerdao Road
(XinHui Road)
6867.8888

August 11th

La Villa Restaurant
5 XiangGang Middle Rd.
8388.6833

August 25th

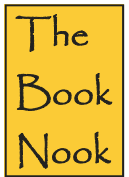
Kilin Crown Hotel
(Best Western)
Revolving Buffet
Restaurant on 35th Floor
non-smoking area!
197 Xianggang East Rd.
8889.1888

Qingdao International Christian Fellowship



All foreign passport holders welcome!
Sunday Mornings 10:00 to 11:30 am
InterContinental Hotel Auditorium 3F 98 Aomen Lu
海尔洲际酒店，三楼，澳门路 98 号
For More Details visit www.qicf.org or e-mail
info.qicf@gmail.com.

Book Nook Book Club



@ The Book Nook
Discussing *Lost on Planet China* on July 19th @ 7 pm
Discuss *The Lacuna* on August 16th @ 7 pm
For more information visit www.thebooknookqingdao.com

Qingdao Business Leaders (QBL)



July 28th and August 25th @ 7 pm
QBL meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month
Crowne Plaza 3F
Cocktails 6:30 to 7:00 pm. Meeting @ 7:00 pm
For more info contact qingdaobusinessleaders@gmail.com

"Culture Club"



Thursday Afternoons 1:00 - 4:00 pm
Walk Inn Japanese Restaurant
4F Xinwen Zhongxin Building
50 Hong Kong Middle Road

Come learn this ancient Chinese game.
Fun & Cultural Entertainment!
Each player donates 20 rmb each week for the
Qingdao Expat Charity.

Book of the Month Club



Meets @ 6 PM on the first Wednesday of each month
at LUIGI'S PIZZA (next to McDonald's in JUSCO)

July 7th: Tell about the latest "thriller" you've read!
August : *River Town* by Peter Hessler

River Town available @ The Book Nook, where you can also find used
books, including dozens of "thrillers" to raise the hair on the back of
our necks before our July meeting!

Questions? Contact John at studentonly@yahoo.com

Weekends in QD



Qingdao Hash House Harriers

E-mail: info@qingdaohhh.com for run dates for July & August.

For all Runs, meet @ 2 pm in the lobby of the Crowne Plaza. Cost: 10 rmb to cover beer and bus
Be sure to visit www.qingdaohhh.com for info on the **2010 All China Nash Hash**, held in Qingdao Sept 3 – 5!



The Book Nook Book & Film Club

Friday, July 16th *Dear John*

Friday, July 30th Read books about penguins & watch *Surf's Up*

Friday, August 13th *Seabiscuit*

Friday, August 27th *Diary of Wimpy Kid*

All Book & Film Clubs are held @ the 100 Nanjing Lu location and begin @ 6:30 pm.

For more information visit www.thebooknookqingdao.com

Events for Little Expats



Qingdao Playgroup

Tuesdays 10 to 11:30 am

e-mail: qingdaoplaygroup@gmail.com



MUSICAL MONKEYS!

Fridays 10:30 to 11:30 am

e-mail: qingdaomusicalmonkeys@gmail.com

For times and locations, be sure to e-mail the Qingdao Playgroup & MUSICAL MONKEYS! The schedules for both activities are more relaxed in summer when many expat families travel. Normal schedules will resume in the Autumn.



Storytelling

@ The Book Nook, 100 Nanjing Lu

Saturdays

Ages 2-4: 9am-9:45 Ages 4-6: 10am-10:45,

Ages 6-9: 11-11:50, Ages 10-12 1-2pm

Sundays

Ages 2-6 10am-11am, 6-12 1pm-2pm

@ SPR Whitehouse Location, 316 Hong Kong East Rd

It's Roald Dahl season! Beginning July 3rd, we'll read Roald Dahl's books @ SPR Whitehouse every Saturday from 1pm to 2:30pm. The first one we do is *Twits!*



These Expat Representatives Will Answer YOUR Questions about living in QD!

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Good Info for Expats to Know...

Did U Know . . .



Google Chrome

Leave it to Google!

Did you know that the Google's web browser "Chrome" can translate web pages? Earlier this year Chrome added a new feature which identifies the language of each web page and lets you translate it (without opening a new page!) If you open a Chinese web page, Chrome will display a prompt asking if you'd like the page to be translated for you using Google Translate.

<http://www.ditii.com/2010/02/26/google-chrome-adds-automatic-web-page-translation-feature/>



See You @ the Movies!

Marina City, the new seaside mega shopping complex located just behind Hisense Plaza, has a lot to offer expats: great eateries, familiar Western shops, and a cinema showing movies in English.

Check out their website to see what's playing @ Broadway Cinemas:

<http://www.b-cinema.cn/c6264/c8672.asp>

(And don't forget to use the translate the page in Google Chrome!)



Local Medical Facility Bids Qingdao Zai Jian

For reasons that are not abundantly clear, the Korean run clinic, Good Family Hospital will shutter its doors this fall. If you or your child have been a patient @ the GF Hospital, be sure to collect your records before September. Call 8801.8275 for an appointment.

Remember, there is medical care for expats available at the International Clinic of Qingdao Municipal Hospital

5 Donghai Zhong Lu.

Call 8593.7690 for an appointment.



Have a valuable tip or piece of info for other expats in QD?

Send it in, we'd love to hear from you!

E-mail: qingdaoexpatstaffwriter@yahoo.com

Subject line: Did U Know

WOB Sailing - Growing a "Welcome On Board" Community in Qingdao

Sailing in Qingdao



"WOB Sailing is all about getting regular fun sailing up and running in Qingdao. It is a joint effort and we will all get out what we all put in." Mark Fullerton

Joining this **regular sailing fun** has never been easier. Just call one of the below listed skippers for more information, or simply meet up in the Olympic Sailing Center on a Sunday at 12 noon.

WOB Skippers	Craig Alcorn	139-5320-3797	Damian Tapley	159-6328-0387
	Mark Fullerton	135-7386-5055	Rick Berger	159-5425-5132
	Robert Woodall	158-9886-5556	Todd Cunningham	150-9205-6750
	WETA Sailing	Jeppe Mortensen	138-8463-7870	

If you have a 4-6 persons' team, but not a person who can skipper the boat - no problem. Just get in touch with Steven Gao in Lennon Bar Restaurant (tel: 1390-639-3298), and he can help to arrange a skipper for you.

Attention Sailors!! Pay attention WOB skippers!

Following on the success of Basic Sailing Rules seminar, WOB Sailing is pleased to offer yet another night of sailing facts and fun! Join us **Thursday July 1st, 7:30pm at the Lennon Bar** for a 1 hour questions/answers session + learn to tie knots! All are welcome, please invite your friends!

The first J/80 has now arrived in Qingdao

Finding a boat that sails well in Qingdao's (predominantly) light wind conditions, but at the same time can provide a thrilling stable ride in the higher wind ranges is not easy. Having looked for the ideal boat during the past 2-3 years, I believe the best answer in the racing, family, day sailing category is the International J/80 one-design class sailboat www.jboats.com/j80

Qingdao's first J/80 arrived in Qingdao on June 7th, and some of you WOB sailors saw it racing in the June 13th WOB Regatta.

For more J/80 information, call 138-8463-7870 (Jeppe)



The 8th China (Qingdao) International Boat Show - August 21-23, 2010

This year's boat show will be held during the 2010 Qingdao International Sailing Week www.qingdaoweek.com

Opening hours Saturday, August 21 09:00 - 16:30
Sunday-Monday, August 22-23 10:00 - 17:30

Venue address Qingdao Olympic Sailing Center Grand Theater
See map on right.

Tickets While entry tickets are being issued for the exhibition, the organizer has also this year confirmed that bringing your name card should get you through the door at no cost.

Don't miss this opportunity to find out what options there are to get out and have fun on the sea in Qingdao!



Qingdao Olympic Sailing Center - Activity Map

Links to previous sailing bulletins:
Qingdao sailing questions?

www.sailweta.com/sb2010
Call 138-8463-7870 (Jeppe) or email <sailweta+info@gmail.com>



Charity Chat

By Marcela Likova

It is now time for some Charity Committee members to leave Qingdao. They have been helping in the charity group – organizing and helping events, meeting children, working in the public relation area. Although from different countries the sense of willingness, the desire to be of use and help in some shape or form is what they have in common. Vicki Peterson and Helene. I guess these names are well known in the Qingdao Expat Group. Thank you Vicki and Helene for your time, energy, creativity and optimism - you have been sharing with needy children and with the members of the Qingdao Expat Group and we wish you all the best in your future lives.



We have managed to compile a short interview with Helene, please let us share with you the moments we have spent together . . .

How long have you been living in Qingdao/China?

We arrived in Qingdao July 2006, this July 2010 we will leave Qingdao and move back to the Netherlands.

What has made you feel at home and comfortable living here?

The first year it was quite hard because I had problems finding new friends, and felt quite lonely at times. I went to the Wednesday lunches, and slowly started meeting new people. I started helping at QISS because my children attended there. Through people I heard about the existence of a charity group. A year later the Panto started up, the events that allowed me to be involved in the community made me feel more and more at home.

How did you find the Qingdao Expat Charity Group; how long have you been a charity member? What has been your role/ responsibility in the Qingdao charity group?

In the beginning of 2007, I started attending the charity group meetings. Later, together with another member, I started organizing the agenda and the minutes. Because it took us quite a long time to understand all the happenings in the charity group, we tried to keep a record of the information and events going on, so that it was easier for new members to understand and start getting involved quickly. From that we started the webpage, and the brochure. More and more members joined, and it was nice to see that we had quite a stable group. With some people leaving there was always new people joining. I really feel connected with the hospital and heart surgery aid for the less fortunate among us, which we started in 2007. I had a very good talk with the hospital staff, they gave me a good feeling about the knowledge and the surgeries performed.

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Every year the charity has a set amount of children that we support at different schools, this costs a set amount of money, all the surplus money is used to pay for more surgeries. Because more people knew about the charity, more people helped out and donated; we could therefore help more children.

So my role was basically organizing the meetings and to be the contact person for the hospital that perform the heart surgeries.

Have you worked for another charity group before?

Yes, in Nanjing I started up a group called Hopeful Hearts (www.hopefulhearts.org).

I worked in Nanjing at the orphanage, and I found a little baby on the street that had heart deformities. He passed away after two months; this opened my eyes to the fact that there are more children in the orphanage with heart problems. With this knowledge we started a group with the goal to help at least 10 children, with the same problem, in the orphanage. We discovered that there were really a lot of very nice people who were willing to help. We got a lot of support from companies, friends, the orphanage, and the hospital. All the help enabled us to give these children a better future. This gave me great satisfaction and made it worthwhile for me to spend so much of my time for the charity group.

What do you like about working for charity?

I love to be closer with the Chinese way of life, to have a deeper and more meaningful experience with the people in China.

Is there something you would like to say before “closing this chapter in your life”?

I will always remember Qingdao with the beautiful sea and mountains. I hope that the charity will carry on their important job and improve upon themselves to keep helping the children in need.

My wish is that everyone will see, or carry on seeing, that helping in the charity is a worthwhile spending of your time, that can create a life changing change for both you and for other people. A small act of kindness can improve the life of another person significantly.

I would like to thank everyone who has worked together with me, and have made my time in Qingdao memorable.



Expat Birthdays in July

1. Fausto CASAGRANDE, Mi Kyeung UM
2. Trevor WESTON, Johanna AKESSON
3. Jung Suk PARK
4. Moon Mo KANG, Asanda NJEMLA
5. Regina SCHULZ, Kang Hee SON ('01)
6. Kyung Wha CHEE
8. Adele KAVALIAUSKAITE ('05)
10. Lansing CHEN
11. Dong Gu HAN ('91), Ajit KHAN
12. Karin BARTAL, Luis CERVANTES
13. Jan ANDERSEN, Jana TRENKEL, Jongsun PARK, Hochan JEONG ('88)
15. Olivia CHRISTENSEN ('08), Lianne FOX ('96), Arianne MARQUIS ('07), Ian WASHBURN Qiu Hua (Angela) ZHANG,
16. Tim GUO, Hyang Sun ROO, Akito TOBITA ('91), Pontus TINNERT
17. Angus CARGILL, Chloé MOSLENER ('02)
18. Kathrine LIU, Moon Hye KANG ('88)
19. Gimmler TINO
20. Patrick REGAN, Yalin YU, Hyun Jin LEE Norton ISRAELSSON ('99)
21. Heng FAN
22. Bill DUNWOODY JR. ('06), Reinhart PANKOW, Elyse STONE
23. Peter GIGANTE, Nathan COLGAN
24. Marivic HEDRICK, Kyun Sook LEE, Robert ERHARD
25. Klaus AMTHAUER
26. Grace CAMPBELL ('06)
27. Thomas PETERSSON, Bruce CASEY, Sue TURRENTINE, Ghassan "Gus" WATHAIFI
28. Ezra WAN, Lir BARTAL ('03)
29. Danny BARTAL

Sheng Ri Kuai Le!



Expat Birthdays in August

1. Daniel LEE
2. Anja VAN PUT - BREUR
3. Banafsheh LAHOOTI, Peter BAMBERG,
Anja MUSPER, Candace ELLETT, Edith RUBY
4. Kerry YU
5. Warwick PRESTON, Kent HELLQVIST,
Tristan MIYASHITA ('98)
8. Ian BURNS, Aleksander ROMANOV
9. Philippe VAN CAUWENBERGE, James HEARLEY
10. Shu Chang TING ('92), Taek Joon SHIN
12. Keiko AOKI, Nicoline KRISTENSEN ('03)
13. Heather SCHLESINGER, Thomas HAEUSELER,
Man Sun HAN, Anais BARFOD ('02),
Humberto RAMIREZ, Rachel COPE
14. Corne OOMS
15. Ikuo NISHIGAKI, Jongsuk PARK
16. William TAN ('99), Emma LUND GEERTSEN ('06),
Jonathan HAKIM, Michael XU, Jina HONG
17. Steven FONG
18. Noga LEVIN
19. Juliane VON HINUEBER-JIN, Linden BENTLEY,
Jayden LIAO
20. Marianela DORADO ('90), Denise LEE
Andee ASHELMAN ('01)
21. Thomas MAYNARD, Brian CARMICHAEL ('92)
22. Nancy WU, Jesper PEDERSEN
23. Ruby SUN, Hua LI, Connie CHONG,
Y. S. Tony CHICK, Sune RYDAL, Denise LEE
24. Alice WANG, Fei WANG, Xian Yu KIM,
In Sook CHOE
26. Robert WOODALL
27. Ken CARDELL, NanNan LECHÈRE,
Vidhi LIN BRORSEN, Kazuko SHIOKAWA
28. Dochko DRENSKA, Jackson SMITH ('02),
Jason BIBEAU
29. Jules OOMS ('04)
30. Yi Ping YEH, Hanna ISRAELSSON ('96),
Hazel CHUM ('93)
31. Faye CHEN

The Qingdao Expat Magazine is searching for volunteers to help with our community publication.

Article submissions for the following topics will be considered:

Out & About in Qingdao

Places of interest to expats, and things to do in Qingdao

Choices in Qingdao

Comparing several varieties of goods or services in the Sailing City

Doing Business in Qingdao

Expats give some background on the work their company is doing in QD

Expat Stages

From arrival, short-term stays, long-term stays, and repatriation, expats share their own experiences at various stages of the expat existence

Expat Travel

Info about places to travel to within China

Living in Qingdao with Children

Tips and advice for others with little ones

Did U Know

Info that's good to know, tips and tidbits

What's Cooking in Qingdao?

Recipes submitted by expats for expats, with ingredients readers can find easily at grocery stores & markets in QD.

Have a great photo of Qingdao you would like to submit for the cover of QEM? Send it in for consideration!

E-mail your submission to:

**info@qingdaoexpat.com or
qingdaoexpatstaffwriter@yahoo.com**



CLASSIFIEDS

Looking for something? Have something for sale that would be of interest to other expats? Then, send your classified ad to qingdaoexpatstaffwriter@yahoo.com
Classified ads are based on available space, and must be of a personal (not business) nature.

SEEKING PLASTICS PRODUCT DESIGN DFMA 6 SIGMA DFSS PATENT CONSULTING WORK

Expat with over 10 years experience in Silicon Valley looking for consulting work related to plastics injection molding, product design and development (especially biotech and medical device), Design for Manufacturing/Assembly, Six Sigma / DFSS, and patent (IP) strategies and searches. If you need some help in any of these areas, **please send e-mail to** qfpolosky@yahoo.com.

HOMEMADE FOODS

Available Again Mid-August
Natural peanut butter, Crunchy 500g 16 yuan, Creamy 500g 15 yuan. Tortillas: Corn or White small 10 for 10 yuan, large 10 for 15 yuan, Whole Wheat small 6 for 10 yuan and 10 for 15 yuan. New!! Whole Wheat flour: 500g for 4 yuan. Contact **Stephanie 134.5523.4817**.

RESOURCE FOR MUMS

La Leche League
Monthly meetings for breastfeeding mothers. To join the mailing list contact local La Leche leader Valerie @ llinqingdao@gmail.com

JOG STROLLER FOR SALE

Baby Trend Expedition LX in black and grey. Great for walking and jogging along the beach with your baby or toddler. 200 RMB or best offer. Call **137.9328.1677**

KITCHEN TABLE & CHAIRS FOR SALE

Orange and White Kitchen table with two drop leaves, seats 4 -6 and two white dining chairs for sale. 400 RMB all in. (Transportation to your home included.)
Contact Sean @ 137.9328.1677

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www.qingdaoexpat.com

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www.qingdaoexpat.com/Register.php

If YOU want to volunteer for any upcoming activity or need more info, please email info@qingdaoexpat.com