

Hearing Project

On the 25th July 2007, Lions Keith Langley, Dennis Lippincott and Joan McClymont, along with helpers John McClymont and Gai, visited Keith's local village school to screen the 100 or so children for hearing problems.



The first stage was to carry out a group screening using an audiometer supplied to Bangkok Cosmopolitan Lions Club (Jomtien Branch) by Hasting Lions in the UK. The children were tested in groups of about 20 and sat with their backs to the testing equipment with their eyes closed so that they could not see each others' responses. The audiometer produced sounds of various frequencies through a loudspeaker, and when a child could

hear the note, they raised their hands.

After all the children had been screened, six were found who merited further study. Lion Dennis examined each child's ears for signs of physical injury or infection, and all were then examined individually with a second audiometer fitted with headphones. It was determined that four children were showing some hearing impairment and that they would benefit from medical examination.



Arrangements were made to visit Khun Mukda Pattana-aneek's DMED Hearing Clinic on Sukhumvit Road with these children on 10th August 2007. Khun Mukda is a hearing specialist and has helped with our Lions hearing project in the past. She is also a fellow Lion in the Chonburi Bangsaen Lions Club.



After testing at the DMED Hearing Clinic, the group was taken to the ENT department of the Bangkok-Pattaya Hospital for further examination. Of the four children examined, one was suffering from cognitive impairment due to autism, another had a problem with wax, and a third showed signs of an allergic reaction. The latter two were prescribed with courses of treatment, which

they were supplied with by The Jomtien Lions.

We hope that this will lead to the development of future joint hearing projects between The Bangkok Cosmopolitan Lions of Jomtien and Khun Mukda Pattana-aneek of The Chonburi Bangsaen Lions.