The Ayui Foundation is a non-religious, non-government organisation that provides a home, educational opportunities and future pathways for disadvantaged Akha hilltribe teenagers.

## Ayui Foundation NEWSLETTER



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## FROM THE DIRECTOR

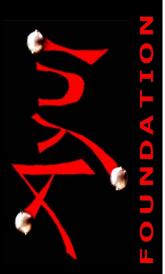
Welcome to the start of a new school year! It was great to see all the children back again after the long summer holidays. For this school year we accepted six new girls, including one who will move in next term due to document issues at her current school. I am pleased to say that all the new students have found sponsors for the year. From L to R is Suthida (college), Monnopha (Grade 9), Duangdao (Grade 7) and Pennapa (Grade 7). Not in the picture is Aphichaya (Grade 4).

We also had our first lot of volunteers for the year, from Malaysia.





I am also pleased to announce that our recent college graduate, Onanong (May) Ahyi, who did Accounting, is our new Housemother. May was a student living at Ayui since we first opened so she much everything knows pretty there is to know about the workings of the foundation. Unlike our previous Housemothers, her generation can also type on the computer, and use the Internet and printer so she is not only reliable but very capable, too.



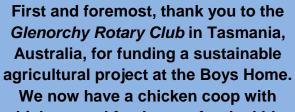
## **OUR VOLUNTEERS**

For one week towards the end of June, we had three volunteers from Malaysia. They were former volunteer Siang Yew and his friend Evelyn Gan and her 14-year old son Esmond. They all spent the evenings playing games with the students, such as Jenga and Soduku, and Evelyn also did an impromptu art lesson, teaching the girls how to do a pencil drawing of an eye. Over the weekend, they organized games and put the kids into drama groups to put on a short play in English. Even though their time here was very brief, everyone had lots of fun.



## THANK YOU!





chickens and fresh eggs for the kids.



Thank you to Swiss donors Heinz Feldmann for donating to our girls clothes that his daughters had grown out of, and Dominik Jedelen for donating some of his old clothes to our boys again.







Also, thanks to Melanie and Pattama in Bangkok for sending us a big box of school materials, just in time for the start of the new school year.

THANK YOU to our new child sponsors in Melbourne, Australia – Sophie Tayton (sponsoring Duangdao) and Hedy and Jill Mameghan (sponsoring Pennapa) Welcome to the Ayui Family!



If you would like to VISIT, FUNDRAISE, VOLUNTEER or DONATE please email us at Ayui.foundation@gmail.com www.ayuifoundation.org

If anyone is able to support the foundation for a month at a time our average monthly expenditure is B80,000.

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