



YES QUEST • RUNGAN SARI, KALIMANTAN

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10th Anniversary and first joint venture between SYAI + YQI

The Yes Quest at Rungan Sari, held from July 3 - 14 this year was memorable in that it marked the 10th anniversary of the original Quest and it was the first joint venture between Subud Youth Activities International and YES Quest International.

This collaboration follows the agreement between WSA, SYAI and YQI that the YES Quest should be handed over to SYAI. All parties understand that this process will take a number of years to complete, during which time SYAI will become increasingly active in the project.

FIFTEEN QUEST PARTICIPANTS

There were 15 Quest participants from various countries including: Australia, Indonesia, India, Germany, Canada, Belgium and England. The program was run by three facilitators: Peter Jenkins, Marlena Bassler and David Egege.

The YES Quest was considered to be extremely successful by everyone involved. We all lived and worked at Rungan Sari Eco Village apart from the four day jungle adventure, which included staying at a Dayak Longhouse, trekking and camping in the jungle, being invited to a Tiwa (Dayak bone-cleaning ceremony) and discovering a new waterfall, which the Dayaks have named 'Yes Quest Waterfall'

MANY THANKS TO WSA

We would like to thanks WSA for supporting this YES Quest through making Silvana Caradoc-Evans available to assist with administration and organisation. Silvana has made a very important contribution, not only to the organisation of this YES Quest, but in facilitating and coordinating the involvement of the International Youth team. They in turn have been of special value in communications with and promotion to Subud Youth around the world.

Silvana has also undertaken the task of documenting and streamlining the administrative procedures for the YES Quest, which will be invaluable in the coming years and in particular with the handover.

We have also enjoyed our continuing relationship with Maya Bernades, who has been oiling the wheels of our relationship for some years now and was a key player in helping us set up "Quest @ Congress" in Christchurch, and in facilitating the procedure of grant applications from the International Youth Travel Fund.

ONGOING SUPPORT

Organising both traditional Yes Quests and Quests at Congresses does involve a huge amount of work, one aspect of which is the continual struggle to raise sufficient funds to keep going. Over the years we have received support from the Subud Association and from the Guerrand Hermes Foundation For Peace, who have provided generous and consistent assistance from the outset. The support from WSA has been less regular. We received a very generous grant from WSA when we launched the YES Program, and since then have looked to MSF for funds, sometimes successfully and sometimes not

It would be of enormous help to what we believe is an important Subud program for our young people, if we could come to expect regular funding from the Subud organisation as well as GHFP

"The YES Quest really helps finding your way in life. I would recommend this to anyone." Rainer, Germany



"I have gained self-belief, handling difficult situations ... alot of guidance from facilitators and team friends" Surya, India



"The Yes Quest is a challenging and beautiful experience that teaches you to see the good in yourself and how you can develop that for the benefit of yourself and others." Erica, Canada

