

1. Kirkby Reunion 20-22 May 2016- Videos and photos from Siew Lian


Heart-stopping moment - Angeline Chang stepped forward, off the stage! and lay on the floor for just an instant. Next moment she was on her feet, unassisted. Mounted the steps and continued singing and dancing, because through it all Lye Yuen Chew did not skip a beat. He and the others sang on....

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3. Kirkby Reunion 20-22 May 2016- Message from Mahaya

I returned to Penang from KL after the Reunion last night. It was a great break for me! Mahaya has summed up the feelings of Kirkbyites who attended the Reunion. She was very fast in saying, "Thank You!"

I'm forwarding this message to all Kirkbyites for their information.

Thank you, Mahaya!

With very warm regards,

RAMA

THANK YOU ALL

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May 24 at 8:20 AM

A HUGE thank you to the organizers of the KIRKBY REUNION 2016 for all their hard work to make our reunion a tremendous success.

Glitches there will be a few - otherwise we are not human beings - but all things considered **the reunion was a GREAT SUCCESS!!**

I am sure I speak for all when I say that the positive synergy that we get from each other is a much needed boost to our well being.

I returned home energized and full of positive thoughts.

Thank you to everyone who radiated this positive energy at our reunion.

Among my highlights are meeting friends long lost for over 50+ years, a reunion with my cousin Wan Mariam and Rafik Khan, and meeting my seniors who gave me so much inspiration.

In particular I am full of admiration and respect for those who in spite of health issues made a tremendous effort to be with us all.

Cheah Phee Eng 60-61, who is cancer stricken, said in an email to me that he will be there with us even if he had to crawl there. I could not hold back my tears when I read his message.

Others who have multiple health issues, or have just been discharged from hospital (Siti Rohani Baharom) and made the effort to attend are deserving of our respect for their courage to overcome their conditions.

Shookie, my super, super senior who against all odds continue to live a good life was up and dancing. When I saw this I just had to join her on the floor.

We are deeply grateful to these Kirkby sisters and brothers who inspired us with their courage and zest for life.

Thank you to all who made the reunion so very special and in particular, my dancing partner Sasi and Louise Kessler who contributed to many lovely memories.

To Rama, my special Kirkby brother, thank you for keeping us together. The Kirkby family will remain firmly bonded, and together we will send out positive synergy to each and everyone.

May God Bless us all and keep us safe and well. We will meet again for another boost of positive synergy.

Do take care. Eat healing food and stay well. Above all keep moving, please.

With warmest & fondest regards to all.

Mahaya Menon Hassan (60-61)

4. Kirkby Reunion 20-22 May 2016- Message from Rama



Kirkby is an emotional landmark that will not fade away...

2 June 2016

My dear Kirkbyites,

KIRKBY REUNION 2016

1. The Kirkby Reunion Organising Committee under the leadership of Dato V L Kandan must be congratulated for successfully organising a great Kirkby Reunion that brought so many members of the Kirkby family together.

The gathering from May 20 – 22 confirmed the fact that the Kirkby bond was intact and continues to be endearing.

The old Kirkby spirit allowed easy inter-mingling like in those days and there was warmth in the genuine friendship.

There was so much camaraderie, so much chattering, so much catching up to do that when it came to saying “Good-bye” it all seemed too soon to part!

2. The Singapore contingent must be applauded for courageously accepting to organise the next Kirkby Reunion in 2018. They very graciously accepted this responsibility without a whimper!

3. The most difficult part of the Reunion for me was the lavish tribute paid to me. That honour just took my breath away. It had a humbling effect on me.

I have never bothered to mention my social involvement and activities and that part remained unknown to many until Balasubramaniam wrote a write up on me for my 78th birthday on 9 May. I hoped that would be the end of the story.

But on the second night when Dato Kandan read out the tribute it was really too much. It was very emotional for me. In all humility, I thank the Kirkby family for this great honour.

As if this was not enough, a gift voucher was thrown in with the compliments of the Organising Committee for a three-day, two-night stay at The Datai in Langkawi. Poh Yuk and I are overwhelmed by this wonderful gesture and generosity. Thank you, my dear friends.

4. We all went back with a warm glow in our hearts and with grateful thanks to the Almighty that at our age and so many decades after parting from Kirkby we were still able to come together to keep the Kirkby memory alive.

With very warm regards,

RAMA