Snowball Rally 2013 Charity

It is with huge gratitude that I thank each and every HOG member as well as Harley Davidson Pretoria who supported our Snowball Rally Charity, the Thubelihle Crèche.

During this last weekend, 8 kilometres away from Mont-aux-Sources, we handed over blankets, clothes, toys, crèche mattresses, plastic crockery, food, personal care and cleaning material to the crèche Gogo(grandmother) and her helper. These two woman unselfishly, without complaining and no financial assistance, take care of 20 children – aged 0 to 6 - in a 4 room building with cement floors, while parents go out to work. Each child was also handed a little packet of sweets, a real luxury for these children.

A few of the HOG members joined the handover with their Harleys, riding out on a really terrible road (even for the backup vehicle which transported the goods —thank you Ronnie, Frank and Richard) and the reason why we did not want to take the risk of the whole Snowball Rally group to join the ride out to do the handover. We were received with song and dance, little poems practised for weeks and even a Zulu dance performance by older primary school boys.

I was asked by Gogo Lillian to thank each and every one who contributed to make such an unexpected and generous contribution to her little crèche. In her words: "The people of Pretoria HOG today has given us hope for the future and a memory for our children that will stay with them forever."

I am left humbled by the experience and generosity of our members and thankful for small blessings. Thank you again, you have changed lives forever during this last weekend!

Regards, Cornelle van Graan Charity Officer

