

President's report – 14th to 20th May



Last Wednesday, 17th May was a busy day. John Bilboe had organised a packing day at his home. Stephen and I were joined by Rotarians from Rotary Club of Glenhaven as we sorted and packed boxes with electronic goods. Over the course of time John had collected some 35 computers and 35 computer CPU for the Philippines.

These computers will be sent to Bacolod City where our partner club, Rotary Club of Metro Bacolod will distribute to educational facilities on the Island of Negros. These computers will be used by those seeking employment in the "call centres" and information technology industry.

Many of the students come from remote areas and, in their late teens and generally under 30 years of age. This training allows those who come from remote areas to gain employment. These students are generally high school graduates and have not the financial resources to go to College (bit like our old College of Advanced Education).



Bacolod City is one of the major training centres within the Philippines. The computers are shipped to the Philippines and the transport cost is paid by the Governor of Negros Occidental. The Governor is delighted for the assistance with the computers as this has helped to attract investment to Bacolod City.