Hi everybody!

Gosh, its been a long time, and coming back to SWWS is a bit nostalgic.

I am sure you all know that last year had been a very busy year for all! There were a lots of activities carried out and some of you had been kept busy with CPL and OSCC, etc. etc... Everybody deserves a big pat on the back and a BIG THANK YOU for all the support given to SWWS.

This time around, we feel members should be kept up the date with news, no matter how busy we may be!!! So here I am, having volunteered to do my first job for year 2000.

I am not at all creative neither am I good with words, so anyone out there with an interest of doing SWWS newsletter, please contact Alvaena... maybe its our resolution at SWWS this year that: every members be informed of what is happening and every member BE INVOLVED with what's happening.

AGM was held at Supreme Hotel on 25.02.2000. There was a dinner before AGM - SWWS decided to give members the treat for all the good work alone over the years AND (hint!!! hint!!) hoping more good work to come in the new year! Anyway a BIG THANK YOU TO THE (1998-1999) committee members as usual, new committee was elected, so for the next 2 years, we have the following committee:

President : ROSTY DONALD
Vice President : MARGARET BEDUS
Secretary : PATRICIA AK NAYOI
Asst Secretary : YAP CHIEW PHIN
Treasurer : VERA TAN TECK LAN
Asst.Treasurer : ANNE SAMUEL
CPL : MARIANA YUSUF
OSCC : ITA LING
 : DIANA CAROL
 : LYN TEO

Some names are familiar, some are new... well a blend of the old and new.

2. First Committee Meeting - the first meeting was held on 13.03.2000 at DIC. Apart from the usual briefing on hand over of jobs, the committee discussed activities for this year!
(I) Fund Raising
The sound of the alarm has been raised again!!! Thanks ANNE and LYN for volunteering to lead the FUND RAISING committee! They have come up with the brilliant idea of having Fund Raising Dinner!!! Some of us have volunteered to assist them, but we still need more people to come forward and especially those with experience in this kind of thing........ the first meeting is coming soon, in case you miss that one, there will still be many more meeting to come, so contact Alvaena and leave your number, we will call you! It has been decided a few fund raising activities will be carried out through out this year and the next!!!!. So everyone out there with other ideas of doing fund raising, come forward please!!!!! Alvaena has been an excellent coordinator, we don’t want to lose her !!!! So keep the money rolling in !!!! We want to keep Alvaena and our NC.

(II) Keep Safe Programme
I presume you all know about this project- well, things are moving and Education Department has given us dated to work towards !!! We are doing the video again - in Bahasa this time. After that there will be the training side of it etc...... So anyone interested in working in this area, please come forward! Call Alvaena or myself at 440426. I have volunteered to help Angie.

(III) CPL/OSCC Volunteers
The next training will be sometime in late April or early May. Gill and Ita are coordinating this. Do you know anyone who would be keen? The first sessions would be and intro to SWWS - to inform anyone interested in SWWS ( not necessarily be on CPL or OSCC ) to join the session - we welcome women to be part of SWWS!!!!. Check out the date!!!

(IV) Seminars / Workshops - anyone interested to find out, contact Alvaena at DIC

3. In keeping with SWWS tradition, committee meetings are opened to all members - you are welcome to attend and the committee will be more than glad to hear any views and any suggestions members have for SWWS to take up! Maybe on building skills for those interested to join our trainers team or ASSERTIVENESS or even SELF AWARENESS on our own biases!!!!!! Check with Alvaena or anyone of us for dates (or leave your name) of meetings.............

Guess thats all for now, Cheers!!!!!!!!!!!!!