

To: Members, Dragon Boat Interest Group (DBIG)
From: Camille Tsui, Convenor of DBIG

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2011 International Dragon Boat Regatta at Tsimshatsui East on June 18 & 19.

ONE BOAT, ONE HEART, ONE BEAT... ONE GOAL

It was a scorching 34 degrees on a boiling hot FATHER'S DAY afternoon. One Boat, One Heart, One Beat & One Goal, 19 HKICPA members took part in the very first Fancy Costume Dragon Boat Race (扮野大賽) at this year's **Hong Kong International Dragon Boat Races at Tsim Sha Tsui Promenade** on the 19th June 2011.

The ENTIRE TEAM (both paddlers and supporters) excelled all of the above with Team Spirit from CREATIVITY in creating the fancy outfit from SCRATCH to TEAM WORK BONDING with lighting sewing work in making the outfits to PADDLING IN STYLE in front of tens and thousands of spectators at the venue and millions watching around the world with radiant smile and laughter before, during and after the race.

I am very sure that each and every member who was at the race whether they were on the boat or supporting the team felt that THIS is an AMAZING EXPERIENCE and this TEAM SPIRIT of HKICPA Dragon Boat Team will be carried on for the rest of the season and many many years to come.

I am proud to be a CPA.

Well Done TEAM.

Thanks to Simon to write the above article and he says it all. Yes, we all are proud to be the member of the HKICPA.

Thank you to the team-mates on coming up with loads of good fancy costume ideas and helping on making them. Special thanks to Grace Chan, Cecilia Ng, Vian Cheong & Jeffery (friend of DBIG) on sourcing, designing & technical support.

Also, highly appreciate Simon's great effort of repairing over 10 CFP to be ready for use in this race.

Same as last year, TVB has broadcasted Fancy Costume race & the Professional DB race. You could also watch them by clicking the below links or at DBIG Facebook :

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VE8Z2ec4Yxk> (Fancy Dress)

<http://www.youtube.com/user/phantomyaim2001#p/a/u/0/yhtuxuzTqFA> (Professional Championship - Round 2)

We have excelled ourselves at the final race but faced many strong teams this year, we were the **3rd runner-up at the "Professionals Championship" race**. Even though we didn't win any prize at the Fancy Costume race, most importantly, we all have fun and show our CPA team spirit and playful side to millions!

Congratulations to all paddlers.

Thank you to the following guests who came to cheer and support us:

- Gary 's father, Mr. Lam, Sarah (sister) & Keung who came to support us & be our photographer.
- Our fitness trainer, Mr. & Mrs. Calson Leung
- Pauline, Addia Chan & Tai On Ki

Also thank you to our V.P, Susanna Chiu & SRC Convenor, Gabriel Tam who sent in SMS message to cheer for our team.

Please check out the photos at the following link:

<http://community.webshots.com/user/dbwsig>

Best regards,
Camille

PS: Our next race will be on July 24, 2011 at Sai Kung, please come to join our training very Sunday morning & Wed night.