

The Observatory 'Under the Same Sky' Reunion Dinner

The Observatory Staff Association

A lot of changes and turnover of events could happen in a decade since the last major reunion activity in celebration of the 120th anniversary of the Observatory ten years ago.

The Observatory's 130th anniversary 'Under the Same Sky' reunion dinner on 3 November 2013 was a meaningful time-marker with current and former colleagues bringing their friends and relatives to the fun-filled occasion. Around 250 guests attended the dinner, including ex-Directors and retired staff living abroad who came all the way back to Hong Kong to renew acquaintance, sharing stories and memories of the good times at the big family.

The programmes for the evening offered a rare opportunity for all to appreciate the hidden talents not normally shown by our hard-working colleagues. We took a trip down memory lane looking at historical photos, tested our inside knowledge in a quiz about classic Observatory legends and myths, and sang our hearts out in the obligatory singing contest at the end!

*Through 130 years baptized with tumultuous storms, we have made great strides with you;
Through 130 years sustained with unflinching effort, we shall move further forward with you.*

Looking forward to the next reunion!



Along with guests attending the 130th anniversary 'Under the Same Sky' reunion dinner, Mr SHUN Chi-ming, Director of the Hong Kong Observatory (2nd from left standing at the front), toasting with Ms Veronica Heywood, daughter of ex-Director Mr Graham Heywood, and other former Directors.

25th Anniversary of the Hong Kong Meteorological Society

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The Observatory and the Hong Kong Meteorological Society, together with the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, the Chinese University of Hong Kong, Chinese-American Oceanic and Atmospheric Association and World Green Organization jointly organized the 5th Conference on East Asia and Western Pacific Meteorology and Climate on from 2 to 4 November 2013 to celebrate the **25th Anniversary of the Hong Kong Meteorological Society**. More than 100 meteorologists from Hong Kong, mainland China, Taiwan and around the world, including renowned meteorologists who contributed to the establishment of the Hong Kong Meteorological Society, participated in this vibrant and, at times, nostalgic event. A wide range of topics was discussed at the Conference, including climate change and extreme weather. Representatives from a number of meteorological societies in Asia were also present to explore ways to promote education of meteorology and climate change in the communities in an effort to cultivate a better living environment on Earth.