

'Echos van Shangri La'

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On Saturday 24th September 2011, Vrienden van Tibet (Friends of Tibet) organised 'Echos van Shangri La'; a day of cultural events.

They invited all the support groups to meet together and display information about their activities. There were some NGOs and other individual projects as well. In future, we hope that NGOs and support groups will work together



more often and keep each other informed of their activities. There are many such groups in Belgium and it is great to see that we might all work together rather than each alone in their little corner. We are very grateful to Vrienden van Tibet for organizing this event; may the excellent organisation of the day prove to be an inspiration to all Tibetans in Belgium. We lack experience in this regard; we tend to work independently and not support/encourage each other. We need to begin working



together if we want to get substantial results.

The weather was perfect and a lot of activities took place outdoors.

REWA had the opportunity to have a fundraising stand where we sold T-shirts, door curtains, bags and various other articles and displayed information about our activities. This was the first time we sold goods made by Tibetans in India.



REWA was asked by Friends of Tibet to give workshops in Momo making and Lungta printing. REWA provided all the necessary ingredients and materials.



Lungta printing: Rewa held a workshop for children who wanted to print Lungtas. Children are always enthusiastic to print different coloured Lungtas. Everyone had a good time and produced beautiful hand made Lungtas which they took home. These brightly coloured Lungtas are now fluttering in various gardens.

Momo making: Momos are the most popular Tibetan dish. For some people this was the first chance they got to learn how to make them. Making momos is



not an easy skill to acquire. Some of those momos didn't quite achieve the required shape. A lot of practice is needed! But everyone had a good time and the momos were delicious, this is the most important thing.

Food: the Tibetan culture center and Le Tibet restaurant prepared buffets with lots of different dishes to choose from.

Thanks: to Friends of Tibet and everyone who helped make this day such a success and thanks to Rewa's volunteers. We look forward to the next great event!

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