



Newsletter of the Shimshal Trust, January 2011

1. Happy New Year to all our friends and supporters in New Zealand, Pakistan and the world.

2. The Trust has been very busy recently. We have been through another round of scholarships and we awarded 8 scholarships to students from Shimshal studying all over Pakistan. This year we awarded most of the scholarships to college students., as well as paying the costs of two teachers to attend short courses.

3. We sent a third donation of \$2,500 NZ towards building the new craft centre in the village.

4. Pam gave presentations last year to three different branches of Rotary in Wellington and the Hutt Valley and to a travel club. Each talk resulted in some donations or sales of books and cards and of course more people know about the essentially peaceful culture of the Pakistani people.

5. The Trust ran a successful film fund-raiser which made \$1500 for our funds. It was a great evening .

6. In order to sell books to a larger audience we are running a stall at the WOMAD concert. We'll be selling Pakistani jewellery and garments as well as books and cards, so if you are at WOMAD this year, please come and support the stall. We'll be located with the other NGO stalls, near the Buddhist meditation tent.

7. Women of Shimshal now sells for \$25. Please continue to order your copies as gifts for friends and relations. It is an enjoyable read and is well illustrated.

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8.Pam's trip to Pakistan was postponed. If anyone fancies a trek to Shimshal and the Wakhan corridor in June 2011, please get in touch.