Part 263 for Cathy's blog

Wednesday May 7 and Thursday May 8th, 2025

Cleaning and Anjali (workshop day)

I did lots of washing. I threw out 1 cushion. I sorted (some of) my material. That is a big job for me!

Yesterday, I finished the latest Kantha bag. It will go to a friend from language school tomorrow. So I need another project now.

Thursday 8th May, 2025.

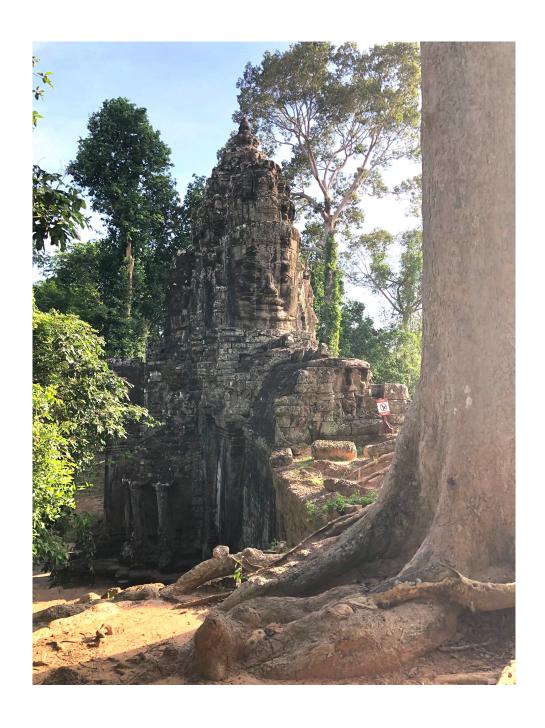
Temple Day: Victory Gate to Gate of the Dead

Today we chose a short walk, along the wall from the Victory Gate to the Gate of the Dead.

We watched the workers and machines digging out a tree stump.



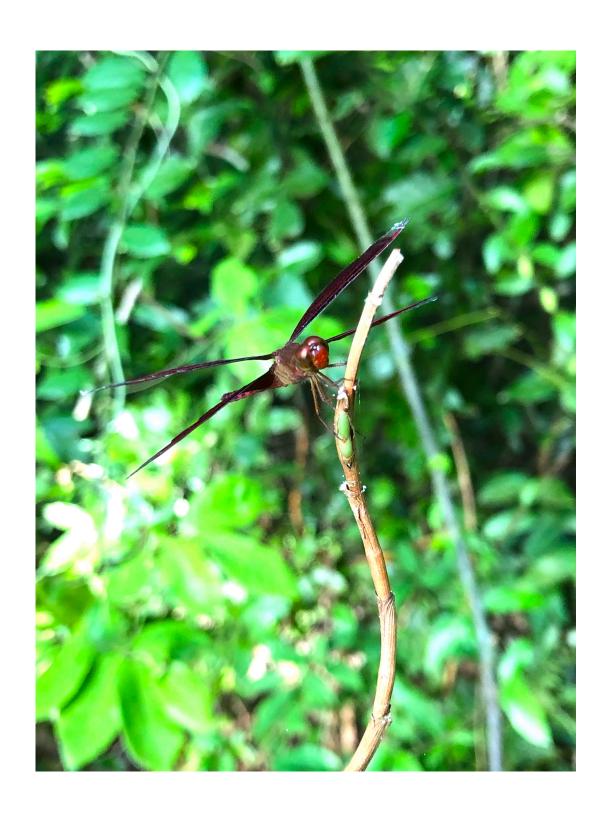
We think the plan is to clear the moat area and reflood it. Once it is all clear and the trees and plants can settle back into growing, it will be fine. It looks very bare at the moment.



Victory Gate and trees in the morning sunshine.



A very different dragonfly, about 4cm long, but so thin.



More common reddish dragonfly.

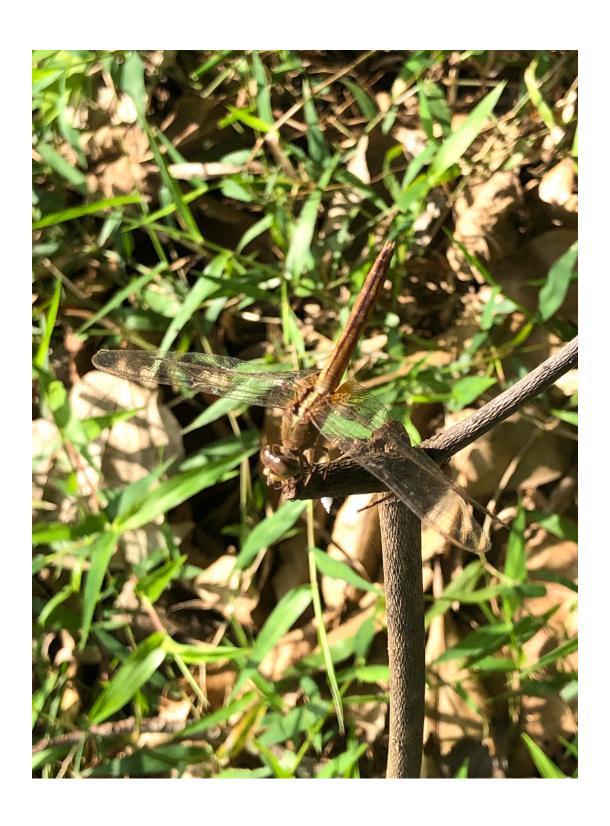


Pretty grasshopper and a pretty blue bug (sorry about the photo, he kept hiding under the leaf as I got near).





This is the common dragonfly. Look how the wings sparkle in the sunshine.



Another dragonfly.



And a pretty little moth, about 1cm long.

Back at home and David took himself off the to "beauty parlour" to have a pedicure. Well worth the money to have his toenails cut and smoothed. (4\$USD)

Then it was exercises and a swim, school (my language class) and out for tea.

Our Laos Noodles man has set up a new cafe (Hana Kitchen) so we went there (but had our favourite... noodle soup).