

## **Part 337 for Cathy's blog**

**Thursday 19th to Sunday 22nd, March, 2026**

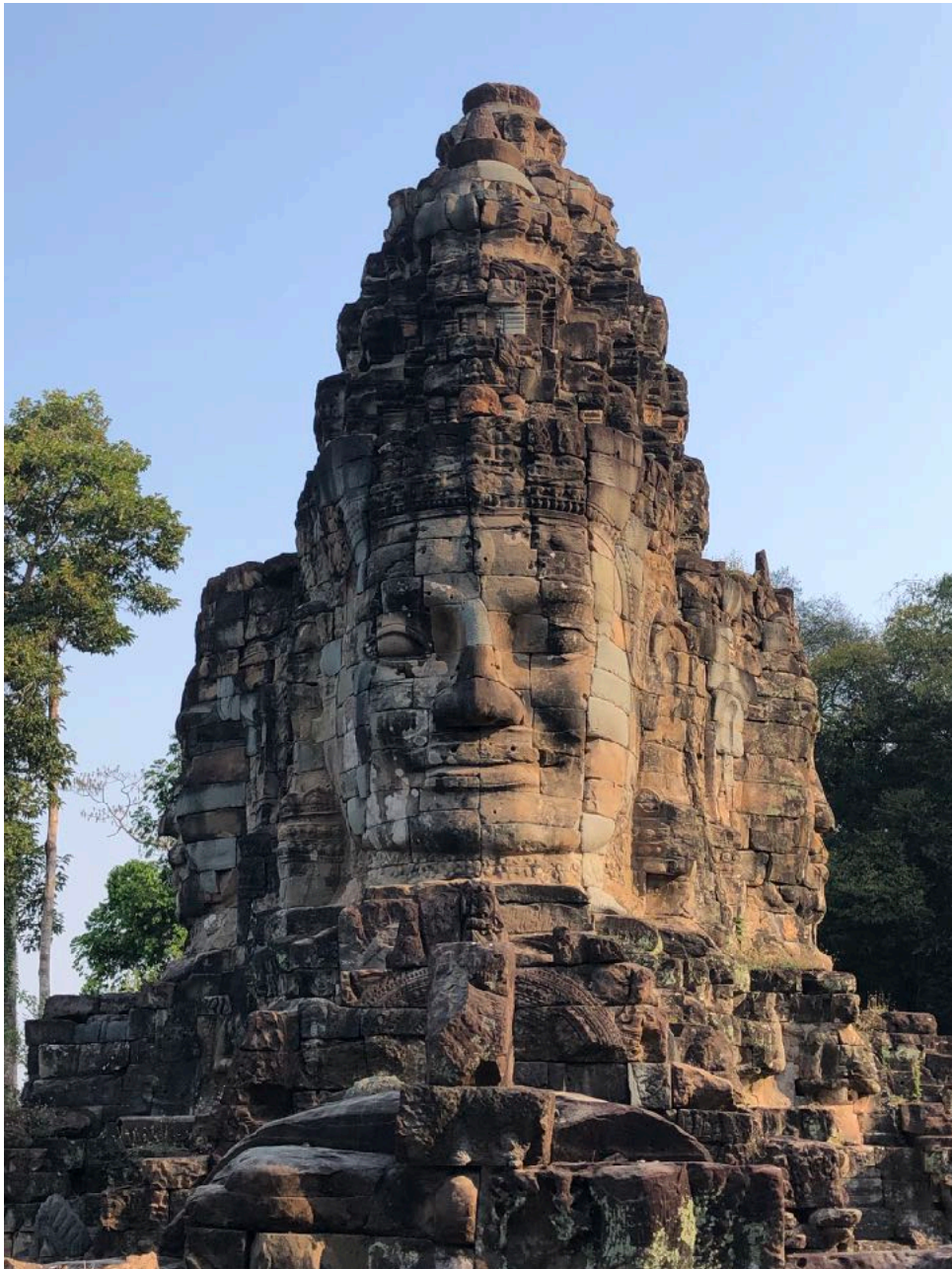
**Thursday 19th March, 2026.**

**Temple Day : West Gate to Prasat Chrung SW Chrung**



**In addition to the usual dogs, today there was a pig!**





**The West Gate in the morning sun.**



**Yellow flowers seem abundant this year.**



**Interesting spider.**



**Interesting long seedpods.**



**This skink was a good size, perhaps 25cm long (slimmer than a blue tongue lizard).**



**I liked the skink, but then we found the snake.**

**He was over the edge of the wall (and I was not going any nearer, anyway!).**



**A green tree snake (harmless, but still... I prefer to keep my distance).**



**He didn't hang around long.**



**We saw lots of these berries.**



**Green must be unripe. But even these blue ones don't seem to be popular with the wildlife.**

**It is quite hot now on our morning outings.**



**Everyone wants to rest in the shade.**



**Having seen the green tree snake at Prasat Chrung SW,  
we get home to find a radiated rat snake by our fence.**



Another harmless one (and useful too), but I still prefer them to move away.



**David's photo. He has just shed his skin.**

**Friday 20th March, 2026.**

**Temple Day : West Gate to NW Chrung**

We stopped at the Bayon corner because today there were geese on the road. You never know what you are going to see.





**The West Gate from the north.**



**Company on our walk.**



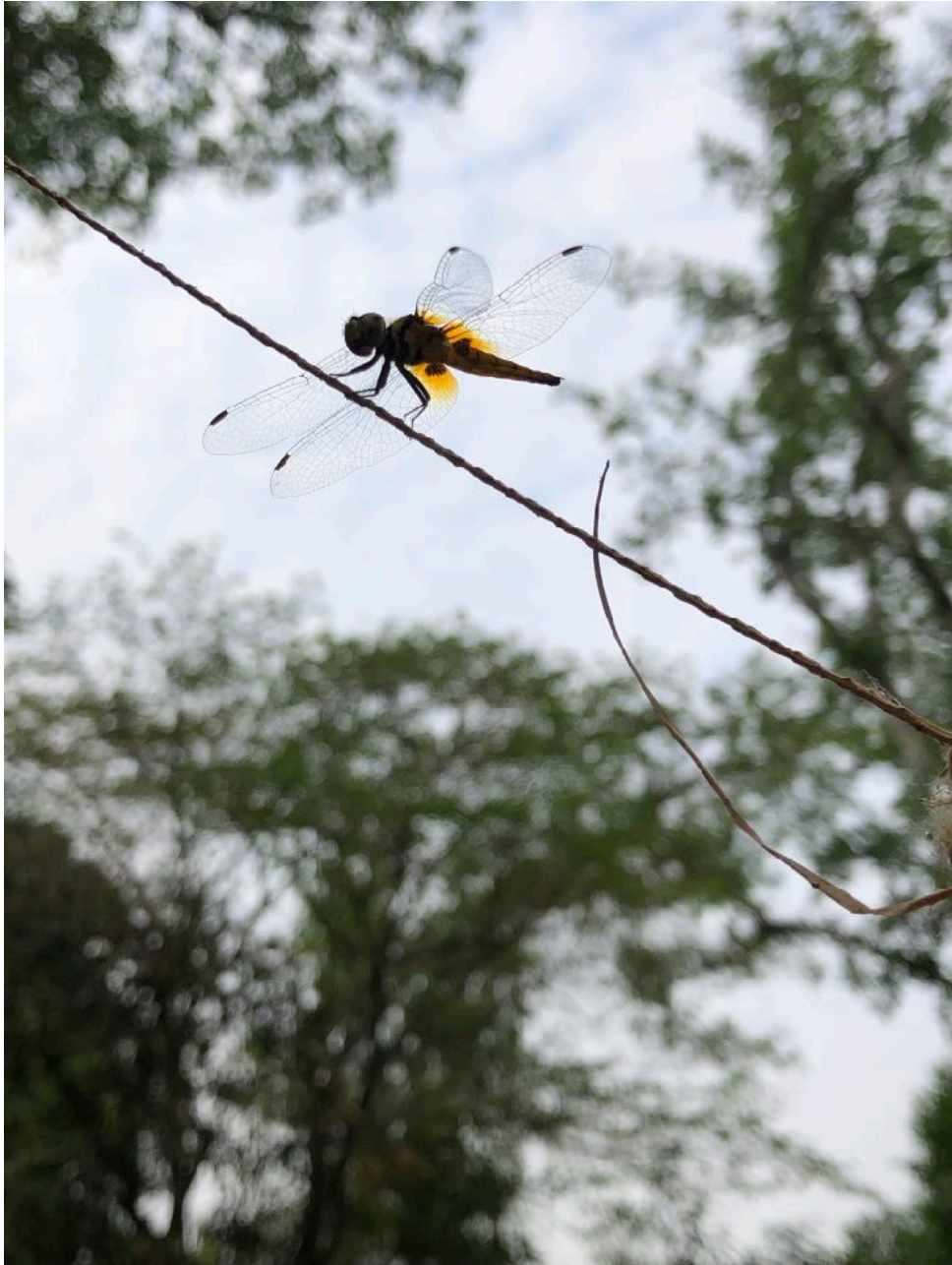
**These are squishy berries. Apparently, you can eat them. (Not for me.)**



**A different shaped seed, still using wind for dispersal.**



**Fallen fruit. The ants will get this one.**



**Silhouette.**



**These are smaller dragonflies, quite common.**



**We had company for all of our walk.**

**This is Guido. He is like a guide. He is also quite famous in the local Siem Reap culture. Some regular walkers carry hard boiled eggs for the dogs.**



**More yellow berries and the path along the top of the wall.**



**Our new, other friend.**

A quick stop on the way back past the Bayon gave us the opportunity to see the hornbills.



**Photo** from the video of this one flying from its nesting tree (across the road to another tree).



**We also stopped to photograph the gardenias that grow along the road to Angkor Wat. More yellow flowers.**

We went to a very different place for tea.  
We had seen the sign several times on our rides (taking a “backroad”).

Mr Beans for tea.

It is run by a trained chef from India. He runs it all himself, no waiting staff or kitchen staff. And he was quite thorough in determining our level of “heat” and “spice” for our orders.

It did take a long time to cook, but worth the wait.

Then it was the weekend again.

**Saturday 21st March, 2026.**

Our regular trip to Angkor market by Tuktuk.

**Sunday 22nd March, 2026.**

Catch up on cleaning, sewing and language study (and exercises, swimming and tv).

Then weekend is gone!