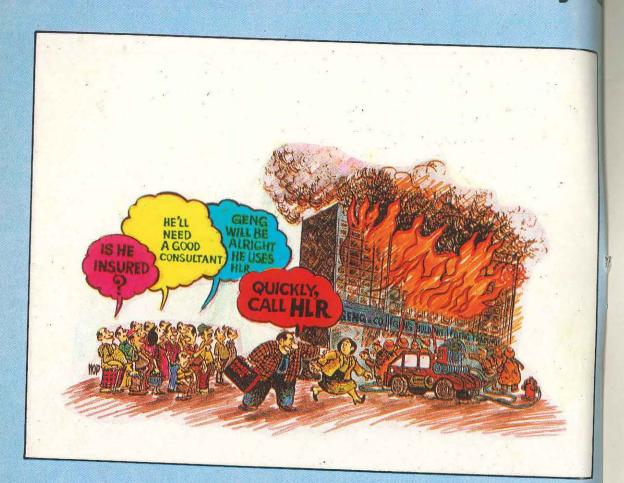


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EDITORIAL

Rules and Regulations. To observe or not to observe. Many members regrettably choose to deliberately run contra to the majority, who fortunately observe.

Among many infringements, the POOL ROOLS are the most flaunted.

PLEASE RESPECT THE 'NO SHOES' AREA

Failure to observe this rule, may well result in 'sheep dip' - type entrances for everybody regardless of users be swimmers, squash players or spectators. The rule is made out of the need to keep the pool water in a clean condition. A simple health and hygiene necessity.

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1985/1986 General Committee

With the Annual General Meeting set for Tuesday, March 19th, 1985 it is time to consider candidates for the General Committee. A list of the Sub-Committees is on Page 3. The General Committee comprises Sub-Committee Chairmen. Next year some will stand again and some will not, as is the usual procedure.

Rather than have a last minute selection on the night, why not take time over a 'pint' to discuss who you would like to see on the Committee next year, and ideally in what capacity.

Killing Fields

Will David Puttnam's latest movie sweep the Oscars this year? Remember his Chariots of Fire and the memorable 'CLUB NIGHT' with David last year.

Membership Matters

NEW MEMBERS

The following were elected to Membership of the Club in January 1985.

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Status of Membership

The current membership status is as follows:

| Honorary | 10 |
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| Ordinary | 348 |
| Non-Voting | 4 |
| Associate | 53 |
| Ladies Privileges | 36 |
| Up-Country | 21 |
| Candidates | 48 |
| TOTAL | 520 |
| Absent | 756 |
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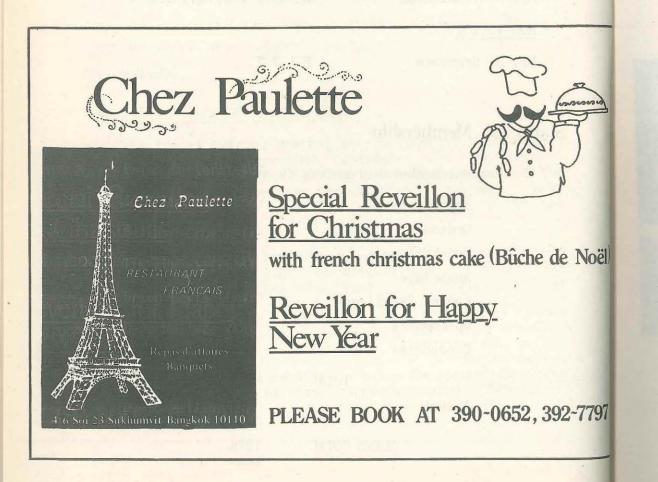
1984 Annual Directory of Members

We are in the final stages of preparation of the Annual Directory of Members. If you have any final changes to your address or particularly your phone number bearing in mind recent exchange number changes, please telephone Khun Sakdep by Tuesday 12th February at the very latest. We will be unable to make any alterations to the proofs after this date.

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D.C. Williamson Manager



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"The Christmas Ball" - by One What Was There

"Write something on the Christmas Ball" they said. "Wot Christmas Ball?" says I. "You know, the one just before Christmas on the Back Lawn with that big band and lights and things. ".... And then it all started to slowly come back "Oh yeh. You mean the one what they said was going to be the best ever, best value in town and all that stuff." "You've got it", they said, "now get on with it!". Well that's easier said then done you see, because anyone who enjoyed themselves as much as I did that night will have a bit of a job remembering much detail after the free knees-up on the front lawn to start with.

Very posh I seem to remember it all was. The BC looked grand with the flood-lights on and all them pretty lights in the trees. The staff was all done-up in their smashing new outfits and all the members and their guests looked real dandy in their dicky bows and long dresses (I seem to remember some was wearing both.. but maybe that were later). Well I'm glad I wasn't footing the bill for that lot I can tell you! Can you imagine how much booze 300 people can guzzle in an hour when its free and shoved under their noses! Anyway it was right good fun and when our Brian the Town Cryer said we all had to go round the back because the nosh was ready, well we was already having a great time!

Coo! If it were pretty round the front, you should've seen it round the back! All lovely lights hanging like pretty fire balls all over the place and tables set just like it were the Palace. That lovely Mister Barrett could see we was all hungry by now so he very quickly said good evening like and then after the band did a nice little job on our National Anthems we all got stuck in.

Well, I have to admit I haven't never had shark before, not what I know of anyway, and I wasn't too sure about the starter, but once the missus popped the first spoonful in my mouth I realised why them Chinese people eats lots of it. It were really good. But then they started bringing in my favourite grub - lovely roast turkey and brussel sprouts and stuffin and bread sauce - the lot! It was super. They told us British Airways flew the turkey all the way from England, but I know that's stupid 'cus turkeys can't fly and we all had a good laugh at that one. But that Mike Evans is good bloke I can tell you. He gave us all a natty little box of chocolates and even a real Christmas cracker with them clever little jokes in. 'What key is furry?'' mine said. ''A donkey'' - couldn't get the Missus to understand it, but I thought it were real funny that. There must be some very



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clever pixies in Father Christmas's Factory making up clever jokes like that. But where was I? Oh yes.... I was a bit surprised when they served cranberry sauce on my Christmas Pud, but I suppose that's how they do it out here in the Orient. But the Mince Pies were really good and they said Mike Evans brought them too. His Missus must have been awful busy making that lot.

We'd all had a bit more to drink by now and I've just remembered that I forgot to tell you that John Cleese nearly botched it all up by letting a bloody great turkey run about all over the place during starters. Lucky he shot the dam thing, I don't think it would ever have made it across Suriwong Road if it had got out in all that traffic with them funny legs it had.

Anyway turns out it weren't John Cleese but our Mike Summers, because he and Brian Baldwin took their costumes off and luckily had left their normal gear on underneath and then they did a funny bit like they do on Two Ronnies. I thought they was a bit rude about some of them hardworking toffs on the Committee but everyone had a good laugh like.

I'm having a lot of problem to remember what happened after that. I know David Frost stood up and told some real naughty ones what made my Missus blush and go to the ladies to powder her nose, and I know they gave away lots of super raffle prizes to some lucky blighters who looked like they didn't really need anything. And, oh yeh, that super Mike Evans pretended to be Father Christmas and we all had a good laugh because we knew it wasn't the real one because we could see his real hair underneath the cotton wool and anyway the real one was at Central Stores. Anyway he gave away an airplane ticket for 2 to England and all we had to do was write our name on a red'n and bung it in the hat. Some lovely young couple won it and I hope they have a smashing time with my 100 Bahts.

Anyway all's the rest I can remember is that fabulous Chulalongkorn University Band. They played their hearts out, bless'em. They got everyone up on that dance floor jumping and leaping around and having a great to do. They played a few smoochy ones so's we could all have a cuddle with the missus, they did some Victor Silvester stuff for them what's been round a bit longer then they admit, and they did a lot of that Flash Dance stuff which I can tell you takes a bit of doing after 3 bottles of Club white wine. It was great. That smashin' Nicky Summers gave some funny prizes to some very funny people and we even did that. Hokey Cokey until we was all laughing so much it was making our arm-pits all wet.

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Thank You!

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Haah! Haah! Ha-ha-ha-ha ha-ha-haah! haah.....



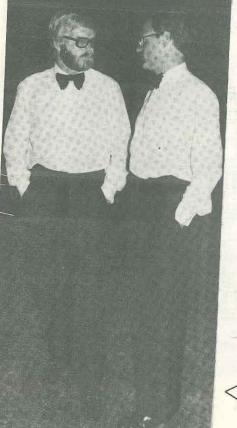
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I don't know what time it finished. I knew some of the young footballers and cricketers were still jumping around at 2.30 and I know some didn't go straight home then. Yes, Thanks for asking me to write something fellas. It was a super do. Thanks BC, thanks British Airways, thanks Mister Manager, thanks all the staff, thanks CU Band, thanks Entertainment Committee, thanks Brian, Mike & Nicky & David, and thanks everyone for coming!





Time-out for Santa.

✓Last to leave again, eh!



Oh! Frosty!

Those jokes ju knock them do in the aisles!

Sanuk maak!

Coming Attractions

VALENTINES DISCO - SATURDAY 16TH FEBRUARY

8 P.M. TILL LATE

Why not bring your valentine or somebody else's to our Valentines Disco extravaganza in the new sala. As always it will be the best value in town and it won't finish until all the smoochin is done!

JAZZ DANCE - SATURDAY 2ND MARCH

9 P.M. TILL 1 A.M.

Following the success of last year's event, we are once again flying in from Holland the Dixieland Pipers. This is an event not to be missed so keep your eyes peeled for the posters and fliers.



SNAKEPIT R.I.P.

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The Bangkok St. George's Society

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The Annual General Meeting of the Bangkok St. George's Society was held recently at which time Mr. A.J. Phillips was elected President for 1985.

Other Council Members are:-

- Mr. B.J. Baldwin Mr. T. Adams Mr. S.C. Harrison Mr. N. Pettinati Mr. D. Frost Mr. V. Chamberlain
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- Entertainment

Persons of English descent living in Thailand wishing to join the Society can contact any of the above or complete an application form available at the British Club.

Note for your diary

The St. George's Day Ball this year will be held on Saturday 20th April.

LETTERS

As from MARDEN RISE 81 MARDEN HILL FETCHAM LEATHERHEAD SURREY

15 January 1985

Dear Mr. Hughes,

I would like to take this opportunity, through the columns of "Outpost", to thank all the Club officials, members and staff for making me feel so at home when returning on my annual visits to Bangkok over the last 15 years.

I first came here as a young Naval Officer in 1945, Ann and I came from Malacca in 1948 to honeymoon here and in Hua Hin and we then had 6 years in Bangkok with Shell Co. in 1951/7 so I have seen quite a number of changes!

In 1945 there was virtually no petrol outside the Services, so transport consisted of buses, trams, pedal samlors and bicycles - no traffic jams! There was no shortage of bars, but very few hotels apart from the Oriental and 2 in Rajadamnoen Avenue. Pattaya was no more than a few fishermen's huts even as late as 1953.

The Club itself has not changed all that much despite the developments in the '60s and it is good always to receive such a warm welcome each year, particularly from the Bridge and Tennis Sections for which I used to be Convenor.

More recently I initiated the reciprocal arrangements between the Club and the Naval Club in London and I do hope that members will make as good use of the UK facilities as I have of these here.

Once more, a very big "Thank You" to everyone as I really do think that this is likely to be my last visit to the East.

Yours sincerely,

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Peter Norman

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Answer to CENSUS puzzle

Of all the combinations of ages multiplying to 36 (e.g. 9, 4, 1; 12, 3, 1 etc.) only two seem to the same total, i.e. 9, 2, 2 and 6, 6, 1 which both sum to 13. Therefore one of these two must be the solution, otherwise when the official looked at the housenumber he would have solved the problem straightaway.

The last clue told the official the answer was 6, 6, 1 because if it had been 9, 2, 2 there would be no "youngest".

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How Dad Ran

His Grocery Store

Condensed from Management Accounting Thomas G. Kress

> Basic management principles haven't changed through time

As I go about my daily efforts, I find it helpful to recall days spent in my father's small family grocery store 40 years ago. Any business organization, no matter how large and complex, deals with the same basic problems and is subject to the same commonsense approaches that were applicable then.

Take inventory control, for example. A few years ago MRP, Material Requirements Planning, appeared on the scene as an advanced concept of inventory control. Then we got even smarter and MRP became Manufacturing Resources Planning. Forty years ago my father used his own simplified version of MRP. For him MRP stood for Mrs. Rosa's Plans. He was in contact with his customers almost every day and spent a signifi-

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cant portion of this contact making sure that his inventory matched their buying patterns. He would make a friendly inquiry whether Mrs. Rosa was going to stay home for Thanksgiving or was going to visit some member of her family. Based on her answer and the replies from other customers to similar questions, Dad could tell the number of turkeys he should stock for the holiday.

My father didn't understand the concepts of safety stock and lead time, but he recognized that if he ran out of a certain product, his customer was going to go down the street and buy it, and he had lost a sale forever. He also knew that he needed a much larger buffer stock for canned goods than for fresh produce. Canned goods were reordered once a month and took two weeks for incoming shipment while produce could be replenished locally on a daily basis.

Dad was no business genius, but he realized that if there were dust on the tops of the cans of peas on his shelves. he was stocking too many peas. He further recognized the wisdom of turning excess inventories into cash. In this regard he employed a very simple expedient. If he had too great an inventory of canned peas, he simply mixed some soap with water and painted a sign on his store window advising his customers that canned peas were on sale. The sale remained in effect until the canned peas inventory was back in balance or until rain washed the sign off the window.

Checking lettuce heads. My father never took a course in statistical quality control, either. However, when he received merchandise from vendors, he always checked it to make sure that we were getting as much as we were paying for. Some vendors were checked more than others because of their past propensity to be short on counts.

Perishable items were carefully inspected also. One of the most onerous tasks of my youth was to sort through a crate of lettuce and set aside any heads which were not salable. They were promptly returned to the supplier for credit, and if the vendor continued to deliver poor quality, he was eliminated from my father's mental "approved supplier list."

Formally engineered time standards were not part of our store, but when I was put to the task of transferring potatoes from a 100-pound sack to 10-pound sacks, I could be sure that I would have a visit from my father after I had been at the task for a period of time he considered sufficient to accomplish it.

We had no process engineer at our store, but we used plenty of devices to get repetitive tasks done faster and better. For example, the potatobagging job I just described was speeded up with a complicated binand-chute apparatus.

Dad also recognized that the biggest element in his costs was the purchase price of the goods he handled. Therefore, he devoted a major amount of his personal time to meeting with the salesmen for the large number of supply houses which then serviced grocery store operations. He didn't have any vendor bid file which listed the selling prices of three or more vendors, but you can be assured that when he bought his merchandise, it was from that supplier with the lowest true price. He recognized that some suppliers added freight on top of their quoted price and that some suppliers allowed him a longer time to pay his bills. He knew when to pay a premium for quality. All these factors were carefully calculated into the true cost of the product he put on his shelves.

Dad knew his market. Probably the attribute that my father had which is most often lacking in many managers today was an intense market orientation. He faced his customers every day and was extremely sensitive to their needs. He

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World Executive's Digest How Dad Ran His Grocery Store

realized that if he didn't fulfill those needs, he wouldn't be in business very long. He closely adhered to the homely principle, "There ain't any use, stocking it if nobody wants to buy it."

Dad never read a book on market research, but he certainly practiced many of its techniques on an elementary level. In a real sense, his every working day included an ongoing survey of customer needs and preferences. My father knew what his competition was doing. He carefully checked the newspaper ads of those new supermarkets and the ads on the windows of his neighborhood competitors. He carefully exploited his marketing strengths and attempted to quickly remedy any glaring weaknesses. For example, those new supermarkets were strictly cash-andcarry operations; therefore, the phrases "Free Delivery" and "Your Credit is Good with Us" began to appear in our ads.

My father never would have used the term "return on investment" although he certainly recognized that he had to mark up the cost of a can of floor wax which might sit on the shelf for three months by a much higher percentage than the markup he imposed on a loaf bread which came in

Perfect trust requires no pledges. Indian Proverb the door in the morning and was sold by evening.

Christmas trees on consignment. My father knew which of his customers bought the richest marketing mix, so they got special attention. Dad has his subtle way of doing favors for those customers who were "quick pay" versus those customers who were consistently slow in paving their bills. For example, Mrs. Rosa paid her bill in full every Friday when she cashed her husband's check at our store. She was usually accompanied by her little daughter. Susie. On these occasions, my father invited Susie over to the candy counter to pick out some free candy. This weekly ritual involved much less cost than a 2% discount for prompt payment, but it was much more effective. He also fully understood that if he could get his suppliers to carry part of the cost of his inventory through favorable terms for paying his bills, he would reduce his net investment in running the business.

One holiday season a Christmas tree supplier called on us and offered to supply us with trees on a consignment basis, billing us in February for only the trees sold. My father wasn't a math wizard, but it didn't take him long to figure out that *some* profit divided by *no* investment could only improve his overall return on investment. Christmas trees thus became an annual temporary addition to our product line.

Spindle accounting for cash flow. The thing my father knew best, however, was how to measure his busi-

counting reserves or LIFO inventory valuation. Instead, he walked over to the cash register and counted the money. He knew what he started with, in the morning, and he knew what he had in the cash register at the end of the day. If he had more cash, business had gone well that day. In the short run he made a grudging bow in the direction of accruals in the form of "spindle accounting." Alongside the cash register he put one spindle for bills he owed and another for bills owed him. Then he mentally adjusted his cash figures for those items.

In the long run, cash was Dad's only yardstick for measuring his business. He didn't kid himself by rationalizing that today's insufficient profits were buying future business which would pay off handsomely. He didn't feel that if he let his inventories get out of control a friendly banker would step in and make him a loan which might gloss over a bad situation. He demanded that his business generate cash over a reasonable period of time. Too often today's "sophisticated" managers lose sight of the simple yardstick of cash flow. They don't have the discipline to demand that their businesses be cash self-sufficient in the long run.

Today: more decimal points. These are just a few of Dad's principles for success. Although the decimal places in the numbers I deal with may be three places to the right of those my father dealt with, and my problems are more complex than counting canned peas, the basic

ness. He was not concerned with ac- management skills haven't changed that much. I find that if I can put some of today's seemingly complex problems into the framework of my father's grocery store, the complexities disappear and the solutions often become readily apparent. Perhaps other business managers might find value in this approach. \Box

> Thomas G. Kress is vice-president and treasurer of Sheller-Globe Corporation. Management Accounting (February, 1984). Copyright 1984 by National Association of Accountants, New York, N.Y. 10022. All rights reserved

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A wise man will know what game to play today, and play it. We must not be governed by rigid rules, as by the almanac, but let the season rule us. The moods and thoughts of man are revolving just as steadily and incessantly as nature's. Nothing must be postponed. Henry David Thoreau

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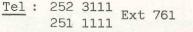
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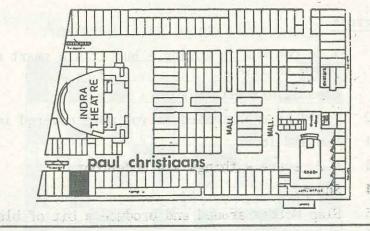
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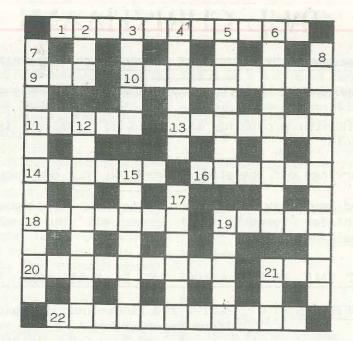
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Club Crossword



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- 9 Doesn't mix with H2/0.
- 10 You'd be embarrassed if you were covered in it.
- 11 Man and Iona.
- 13 P.T. scare things are underfoot.
- 14 Sharp.
- 16 Slap Mother around and produce a bit of blood.
- 18 Where a lover's journey ends, they say.
- 19 Dealt out a Greek letter.
- 20 What Sally Ride was doing for three days in June.
- 21 Sounds like the complete tool.
- 22. Time is, when one has nothing to do (3 words)

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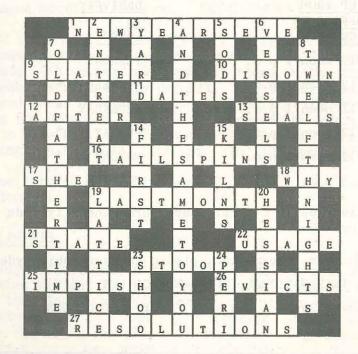
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- 2 Cockney cry for a bird
- 3 ... & some who are nothing at Lords.
- 4 Cane me? that makes a threat!
- 5 If one is one has no side.
- 6 A sun liver, but found everywhere.
- 7 What one might be in en route for Pattaya. (2 words)
- 8 Can be I lapse in confusion but it's impossible to avoid.
- 12 In brittle form but full of rubbish. (2 words)
- 15 Opera lover.
- 17 Fruits that sound most unattractive.
- 19 Follow mother for a principle.
- 21 Lend a hand.

Answers to Last Month's Crosswords





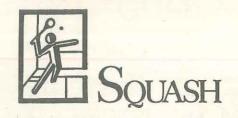
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Roger Sellek

Roger Sellek has returned to give Bangkok Squash players more coaching and once again the lists are filled as soon as they are posted. Without a doubt, his arrival in our city has been a boon to squash with more players taking up the game and seemingly enjoying it more as well!

Ladder Awards

When the new flight system began in October it was decided to award cups and prizes in non-league months to encourage ladder activity at all levels. At the end of October, after some fierce struggles, the cups for those in the top slots went to Len Alexander (A), Paul Welford (B), Fran Hazell (C), and Lee Thorpe (D). Also Drew Wilkins got a prize for making most progress through the ladder (B20 - B9) while Roger Gain and Vicky MacWilliam were rewarded for playing the most ladder challenges. A total of 54 challenges were made, of which exactly half were successful, far more than in any non-league month in the past. GOOD SHOW!!

BUT IN DECEMBER, the story was different. Was it the Christmas spirit which kept people away? Only 24 challenges were made (18 successful) and all those in the top spot on 31 December were there by default, not having been obliged to defend their position at any time during the month. So no cups for December. Prizes will however be given for most games to Drew Wilkins, Pat Murphy and Andrew Morris and for most progress (or gain) to Roger Gain, 10 places A27 to A17.

Lets see lots of action in February. Don't let anyone go unchallenged!!

51st League

The early indications in the 51st squash league leave no doubt that Gillian Bossenger will be the winner in Division 12 and that Roger Gain will emerge the victor in Division 3. In Division 2, it look like Bernard Grogan will win, thereby regaining his place in Division 1. Mike Summers looks like a strong contender for the honors in Division 6. All the other places are still very much in contention.



SWIMMING

January Gala

The Chairman of the Swimming Committee, Mr. Collins, conveys his apologies for his first absence from a Gala in over 3 years, due to a prolonged flight back from the U.K., shivering in -7°C (-24°C in Germany) which left him too shattered to face the mid-day sun. In his absence, Kay Hambleton and the other members of the Committee did a grand job at very short notice.

The Christmas and New Year celebrations took their toll in that we had the least number of improvements recorded for any Gala since January 1984 - six in all and four of these were marginal. Full results will be posted on the Swimming Notice Board. It is obviously time for some concerted training! The only significant improvements were recorded by C.J. Kefford, who gets the Improver of the Month award.

The one width race for Beginners which was introduced at the January Gala attracted 9 swimmers, although no times were recorded, and we propose to continue with this event at future Galas.

GOODBYES to Richard and Stuart McHardy, who are off to Kuala Lumpur soon. Belated goodbye also to David Collins, who planned to return for the January Gala but got stuck in the snow in London and decided to stay for the thaw! Good luck David, and come back and see us (and Dad) some time.

Kay is leaving us at the end of March to return to London with her family, and has decided to hand over the organisation of swimming lessons and badge tests to Mrs. Erica Majer, effective 21st January, so in future please telephone Erica on 252-7492. Queries regarding swimming accounts should be made to Mrs. Lay on 392-2914, NOT to the Office.

PROFICIENCY BADGES: Saturday 9th February, at 9.00 a.m.

NEXT GALA:

Sunday, 10th February, starting at 12 noon, when the strokes will be Free, Back and I.M.

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Match Reports - 6/1, 20/1 1985

The first game of the British Club Golf Section 1985 calendar got under way at Unico Golf Course on Sunday, 6th January in superb golfing conditions, isn't it just great weather for golf and on this club sponsored outing. There was some great golf played to match the beautiful conditions, especially by the "Smith Family". Pam Smith won B flight with 38 points whilst Hubby Des whose putter worked wonders for him, won A flight amassing 42 points. Second spot in A flight went to Hamish MacWilliam. Hamish also won both the Standard Chartered Bank's closest the pin sponsored holes.

David Cadwallader won A flight's best front nine and also won with a mighty drive the Mens longest drive prize, in second nine prize winning position was Ray Jermyn (18 points). The first nine in B flight was won by Wynn Frazer 24 points and Mo Harris came in second with 21 points. Mo also won the ladies longest drive.

Rodney Hyde was our guest of the day. There was only one complaint, which the Committee will take up with the Management of Unico, that was the lack of Kloster Beer, still it should be expected when you play behind those famous guys of the Cocktail Lounge.

WINNERS ON THE DAY

A Group

| | 1st 2nd 1st Nine 2nd Nine | | Des Smith Hamish MacWilliam D. Cadwallader R. Jermyn | 42 39 19 18 | pts. |
|----------------|------------------------------------|---|---|----------------------|-------|
| <u>B Group</u> | Chords Man Mansers | | | | |
| | 1st | - | Pam Smith | | pts. |
| | 2nd | - | Roy Banett | 36 | " (CB |
| | 1st Nine | - | W. Frazer | 24 | 11 |
| | 2nd Nine | - | M. Harris | 21 | 11 |

Closest the Pin

Hole 8 - Hamish MacWilliam 12 - Hamish MacWilliam 25

Sunday, 20th January 1985 - Rose Garden Golf Course

Tee off was delayed by half an hour due to fog but once the game got started it was exciting golf all the way. Our sponsor for the day was Ted Bates ably represented by Mike Ryan and John Guy incidentally Mike finished in number one spot with 43 stableford points. Unfortunately, sponsors cannot win their own prizes, anyway Mike you made the eventual winners very happy with the great prizes you presented. We had 32 golfers including five new members and Bobby D as a guest making up a total of eight groups.

Following are the results:-

| A Division | 1Ron Armstrong36 pts.2M. Ross35 " CB w/D. Frost3D. Smith |
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| B Division | 1 D. Williamson 38 pts. 2 R. Wingfield 32 " |
| C Division | 1Mo Harris36 pts.2Bryan Fraser34 "3R. Banett31 " |
| Closest Pin | Hole 4 Mo Harris Hole 14 E. Allan |
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Longest Drive - Ladies V. MacWilliam Men E. Allan

The next outing will be held at the Don Muang Course on February 3rd, Tee Off Time 07.39 a.m. This will be the first outing under the control of our new Captain, David Frost, and his newly elected Committee.

| Des Smith | Ron Armstrong |
|---------------|---------------|
| Barry Hyde | Eric Turner |
| Ernie Jurgens | Ben Harrold |
| John Dequenne | Mike Ryan |
| | Derek Johnson |

With such a talented Committee we can look forward to an even better year than we all experienced in 1984. Good golfing and thank you all for your support.

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| Ladies | - | Мо | Harris |
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Guest - Rodney Hyde

Future Programme.

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Herewith are details of forthcoming fixtures for your diaries.

If you can join us, please put your name on the sign up sheets on the B.C. Notice Board prior to 5.00 p.m. on the Friday before the game is to be played. This will avoid disappointment and also assist your committee with bookings.

By the way, suggestions and new ideas for our outings will be welcome. For example, someone last week thought it may prove interesting some Sunday (not every fixture) to have a compulsory alcoholic refreshment at each kiosk around the course for all participants, which may have a unique equalising effect on handicaps. Such novel ideas maybe welcome or may not be, but please give some thought to some innovational ideas that could make our golf outings more interesting.

It's great to see more and more new faces. By the way your Golf Section is certainly on the up and up but there is still room for more, so bring along guests and/ or friends, and help stimulate those B.C. golfers who still prefer bed to golf on Sunday mornings.

| Date . | Venue | Tee off Time |
|---------|-------------------|--------------|
| 6/1/85 | Unico | 11.00 a.m. |
| 20/1/85 | Rose Garden | 8.30 a.m. |
| 3/2/85 | Don Muang | 11.00 a.m. |
| 17/2/85 | Thai Country Club | 9.00 a.m. |





First of all Happy Golfing New Year to all of you. I hope we all will have a good year of golf!

We have already played 3 rounds of golf since the new committee was elected, all the games being at the Railway Course, as the Army is still under repair and renovation. Maybe by the beginning of February the Army will be open for us again. I will keep you posted!

The new committee for 1985

| Lady Captain | : | Lise Dencker Nielsen | 286 | 8264 |
|--------------------|---|----------------------|-----|------|
| Hon. Secretary | • | Margaret Ross | 286 | 1165 |
| Hon. Treasurer | : | Mo Harris | 391 | 4306 |
| Handicap Secretary | : | Prue Pointer | 391 | 6713 |

New Members

We are very happy to see such a large and keen turn-out early Tuesday mornings and we extend a hearty welcome to our many new members!

| George-Anne Lonsford | Zina King |
|----------------------|---------------|
| Jeanie Finch | Mechas Parker |
| Lavita Hughes | Nicky Summers |
| Diana Wingfield | |

I am working on a new membership roster - and will be asking you all for your up-to-date addresses and telephone numbers!

We wish Sheila Kerr a speedy recovery from a hip and leg ailment - and hope to see you soon out on the fairways!

Very sad to say goodbye to Kay & AL Enterline at the end of last year - they have gone to Dubai - and we wish them all the best. Kay has promised she will be back every few months for a game in Bangkok, and by then she will probably be expert in sand shots! Also a sad goodbye to Wynne Brian Fraser, we hope you get a good golf group together in New Zealand. Good luck and all the best to you both! Missing Joan Jurgens very much; still on the long road to recovery we hope when she's back from ski-ing holidays (in a toboggan? - or Santa's Sleigh?!) she will be swinging with us again in March!

Competition Results:

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January 8th - Better Nines

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| A - Division | | | |
| Best Front Nine | • | Mo Harris | 371/2 |
| Best Back Nine | : | Jean Marett 🔗 | 33 |
| B - Division | | | |
| Best Front Nine | : | Gillian Pallett | 33 |
| Best Back Nine | | Mary Hussey | 37 |
| with a count back from | : | Linda Maxwell | 37 |
| Nearest Pin | •• | Ruth Kennedy | |
| Nearest Pin | • | Vicky MacWilliam | |
| Lowest Putts | • | Wynne Fraser | |
| anuary 15th - B | isc | <u>ue Bogey</u> (2 division | ns) |
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| Winner | a 0 | Prue Pointer | +9 |
| 1st run-up | : | Mo Harris | +6 |
| 2nd run-up | • | Lise Dencker Nielsen | +5 |
| on count back | : | Deanne Boucher | +5 |

B - Division

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| Winner | : | Anne Swankie | +8 |
|------------|---|----------------|----|
| 1st run-up | : | Mary Hussey | +8 |
| 2nd run-up | : | Gillian Pallet | +8 |

These 3 winners were all on count back from each other!

| Nearest Pin | 4 | • | George-Anne | Lonsford | |
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| Nearest Pin | | : | George-Anne | Lonsford | |

Well done George-Anne!

| Under Pars! : | Prue Pointer | 70 |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| | Mo Harris | 71 |
| Contraction of the second | Jeanie Finch | . 71 |
| Forthcoming games at | the Railway Cou | rse |
| January 22nd - | Stableford | |
| January 29th - | L.G.U. medal | |
| | Starter : Lise | 286 8264 |
| Handicap adjustmen | nts: | |
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| Pam Hardy | 23 | |
| Mo Harris | | |
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| Mary Hussey | 40 | in tearlaidh |
| Jean Marett | 28 | |
| Kanda Phillips | 32 | |
| Prue Pointer | 25 | |
| Margaret Ross | 10 | e15713 |
| Nicky Sunners | 40 | |
| Betty Watters | 36 | Allen tel |
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And lastly, just a reminder to all BCLG lady members, it's time for our membership dues, Baht 200.-! Please pay to Mo Harris.

Happy Golfing!

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British Club v AIT, January 5th, 30 overs at AIT. AIT won 14 runs

Jack did it again! He set an unprecidented record of winning the toss twice in one season. The true loyalist who has decided to carry with him a 5 Baht coin with two impressions of the king.

The opposition were sent in to bat on a very suspicious bailless wicket. The latter was to prove too demanding on the hand eye co-ordination. Trying to pull out one stump with the ball in the same hand whilst looking at the thrower and thinking about the previous nights exploits had to provoke some humerous moments. Having juggled with every possible combination Steve Castledine looking for a run out decision was smiled at with great restraint by the umpire. The batsman was heaving on his bat in the process of sleep whilst this impossible act of prestidigitation was taking place.

AIT made a very cautious start which was a portent that runs were going to be difficult to come by. Both the wicket and a superb spell of contained bowling by Tom Ryan, 6 overs for only 9 runs, made the batsman struggle for every run. On a very patchy outfield the ground fielding was excellent but again dropped catches were to prove costly. Through intelligent running between the wickets the batsman began to pile on the runs. All of their batsman were contributing to the total. They were in for a shock though. Jack gave the ball to Alan Stamper that earthy Cumbrian who proceeded to bowl probably the most various assortment of deliveries, since that memorable over by Dave Smith, and finished with the creditable figures of 4 for 24. In the drunken depth of the night he convinced us that it was a controlled spell of tantalising towling. In the sober light of day we knew differently. You can't fool us cricketers Stamps, we play Trivial Pursuits!! The biggest silencer was still to come however. Jeff Parry, that most respected of bowlers, considering he is Australian, let one fly at Henraj the AIT Captain. He stunned us all by taking one step down the wicket and hammered the ball straight past Jeff for 4. It was a shot of International class. Silence pervaded the ground pierced only by the chundering disbelief as Jeff returned to deliver the next ball. The beam that a shot of such magnificence inevitably produces on the batsman's

face was wiped clean as the next ball sent his stumps half way to the third man boundary. The cheek of it - hit Jeff Parry for a straight 4. It's not cricket! After some dogged rearguard batting AIT were 109 for 9 after 30 overs.

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Again the British Club fell into the pit of complacency and apart from Craig Price (27), Steve Bolton (24), Alan Stumper (15) and a resiliant 11 from Jack Dunford the batting was abysmal. AIT bowled very tightly and we were all out for 95. So close to winning but a lack of application from batsmen who should score runs let the team down.

Defeat is not so bitter however when you witness the sheer joy of the AIT side when the last wicket fell. It was an interesting days cricket and AIT were worthy winners.

British Club v AIT, 50 overs. Polo ground, 20th January. British Club won by 48 runs.

Although having three key players missing it was with an air of revenge that the B.C. took the field against AIT. Steve Bolton, acting captain, took the positive decision to bat on a wicket that looked full of runs. The footballing foursome, still recovering from a mauling by the Indian Cougars had to adjust rather quickly to the more sedate but pressurised milieu of batting. Steve Bolton opened with Terry Adams and they made a very sound start. The wicket was easy paced and Terry was looking particularly comfortable, as indeed he always does, but this time he was scoring runs quickly. They made a promising start but Steve was caught napping by one that cut back slightly and Craig joined Terry at the wicket. There is always an air of expectancy when Craig goes into bat. He is capable of scoring runs against the best of bowlers. The combination was perfect for a long stand but Terry was bowled by a quicker delivery from Ravi who took 5 for 24. He batted with much more confidence and scored 18 elegant runs. Steve Castledine stayed at the wicket long enough to say 'Good morning' to Craig and was out caught at silly point fancily pushing forward to a very ordinary ball.

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Alan Stamper joined Craig and they made a very gently stand of 86. Without either batsman looking particularly comfortable they adapted well to some very tight bowling. Just as 'Stamps' was beginning to open up he was bowled for 31 and Craig followed shortly afterwards for a very creditable 69. The tail gave their wickets away too easily and did not capitalise on a sound start. Malcolm Sayer batting with renewed confidence scored 11 and 'Thommo' chipped in with a craggy 8. We were all out for 163, a total that was lower than anticipated but still a reasonable score against some very tight bowling.

Without our two recognised opening bowlers Malcolm Sayer took the new ball and certainly made the best use of it. The batsmen were never comfortable and with Steve Castledine bowling a good line and length from the other end the opposition were sppm 5 fpr 15. The highlight of this period was a marvellously entertaining catch at mid off by Geoff Thompson. Summing up all his stage craft timing he held onto the ball absorbing it into his soft mid rib with all the passion of a first love. Having not had the best of luck in the field this season we all prayed as the ball hoved in towards his ever cupped hands. The sight of the players plus umpire jumping up in the air with sheer relief summed up the feelings of all of us. Retire at the top Geoff and go down to reclusive pastures of deep fine leg.

There was a mini revival by AIT but the BC were well on top. The introduction of Mike Evans into the attack was a pleasure to all. A genuine wrist spin bowler pushing the ball through at a varying pace will always give the best of batsmen problems. There was a slightly controversial decision following a run out. Thommo pulling two stumps out of the ground with both batsmen in the opposite crease glowered at the umpire with all the tension of a hunter after a kill. The umpire gave not out on a wrongly interpreted technicality. Bloody brave umpire that's all I can say. Thommo still had a stump in one hand!

Good catching and fielding (helped by Dave Smith who talked Dave Hall and Steve Castledine out of a nasty collision when going for a catch at deep mid off) soon dismissed the tail and the opposition were all out for 115. The BC gaining 19 well deserved points. It was a win that demonstrated a depth of talent in the cricket squad. Steve Bolton captained the side very intelligently. Well done to all the players for a good days cricket.



This was after a victory of course so don't be deceived. It's not always so jolly!

The keener follower of BC cricket will have noticed that there is a missing match report between the two above accounts. This is to be explained by the modesty of the star performer in this match who found it beyond himself to write adequately about his own stardom. For the second time in two months therefore your old scribe is forced to put pen to paper to ensure that the records are complete for posterity's sake.

British Club vs Thai CC, 30 Over League. BC won by 42 runs

After the disappointment of the pre- and post- Christmas defeats it was a slightly unsure BC team which took on the might of the Thai National Team on the auspicious 13th. The toss was once again brilliantly won by the skipper although since the Thais, being the true gentlemen they are, always ask the opposition to bat first on this occasion it was probably superfluous.

Jeff Parry sported a rather unlikely bruise up the back of his leg and announced himself unfit to bowl since he could no longer get it Over. Since this made him otherwise redundant he was sent in to open the batting with the dashing Steve Bolton, and before the rest of the team had tied up their shoe-laces and checked their jock-straps he was back in the pavilion apparently convinced he'd done his bit for the day. Alan Stamper failed at number 3 and David Hall demolished his own stumps in an attempt to execute a shot which only he can explain. Fortunately Steve was having a merry knock at the other end but when he was out for a useful 23 the score was far from impressive at 50 for 4. One ball later it 51 for 5, Jack Dunford having returned from action without even facing a ball. Strange things happen in cricket but rarely can a batsman have been so unlucky to be run out by a direct throw from the boundary by a Thai cricketer with only one stump to aim at! Things were looking bad. But by this point Steve Castledine was already looking decidedly enthusiastic with the bat and he was joined by exnumber 11 Mac Sayer who of late had been demonstrating better understanding of the basic techniques of batting than most of our batsmen. Steve went on the rampage, belting anything short of a length to the leg-side boundary and Mac proved the perfect foil pushing singles and never looking in trouble. They put on 88 runs in about an hour and when Steve fell to a fine catch for 69 which included ten 4's and a 6, BC was back in the driving seat. After 30 overs the score was 158 for 6 with Mac Sayer on 35 not out and maximum batting points in the bag.

We felt we must surely win but the Thai openers were in no trouble against our opening attack and when they reached 50 off 12 overs things were beginning to look a bit dicy. However when Castledine and Dunford came into the attack with their mysterious crafts of flight and length the picture suddenly changed. Runs dried up and wickets tumbled and the score crumbled to 70 for 6 off 23 overs. Dunford 3 for 14 and Castledine 3 for 13 reluctantly withdrew after their 6 over entitlements and although the match was won BC were denied the complete satisfaction of maximum points as the Thais finished on a creditable 116 for 7. A good win in a game played in good spirits. "Castledine shines" screemed The Nation headlines. And so he did.

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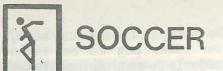
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Cushy Castledine, mid-field dynamo and team heart-throb pumps iron to reach the "wall".

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Innocent Schoolboys Blitzkrieged BC SS vs ISB January 6th 8-0

The ISB team is always hovering on the brink of great things, but never quite falls over the edge. In several games this season they've looked almost the part - enthusiastic, talented, and reasonably well-organised. And in contrast to most other Farang League teams all their players are fit and young and virtuous. But somehow, they always seem to lack the spirit, the determination to keep on pushing themselves from first minute to last. Must be all that heroin, I suppose.

The result of this intermittent loss of concentration is that the game is usually contested competitively throughout but the opposition trots in a couple of goals as soon as ISB slackens off. The SS, of course, is not a charitable institution. It didn't get where it is today by making mistakes - it got there by punishing other teams' mistakes. So each ISB mistake was duly punished. No quarter was given and we ended up winning both halfs. The forwards relished their role in this massacre with Wilkins (3), Morton (2) and Childs, Howley, Thompson (one apiece) administering shots to the back of the neck, er...net.

Alan "Member" Morton got the Cinderella, with his little toes twinkling up and down the touchline, whizzing past youths half his age. How much longer can this man continue?

Dissension in the Ranks

The past year has seen a significant increase in the number of dregs of the British community in Bangkok. In fact, they must have scraped several large barrels, and more probably some huge vats, to produce the recent horrible collection of new arrivals. Now it is an accepted fact (particularly amongst rival sports sections) that the SS is a haven for ruffians, itinerants, n'er-do-wells and, worse, people from Liverpool and Scotland. (Actually, when you think about it, the SS is fairly representative of the British Club membership as a whole.) Naturally enough, having floated through the BC membership filter, these dregs descend quickly through all levels of Bangkok British Society and settle right down at their own level, the British Club Soccer Section - the dreaded SS. And why ever not? No social pretensions here, no archaic protocols to observe, no lower peg to be taken down to. But there is great cameraderie - good mates always willing to take you down the strip, to share a new joke or girl with you, to tell you a story so heavily embellished you don't remember telling it to them the night before.

Consequently recruitment for the SS is at an all-time high, and competition for match places is fierce. So fierce that the half-remembered, tasteless bad jokes are being replaced by infinitely boring accounts of "When I was Accrington Choir Boys B unbeatable centre-half" or "The day I scored two against Morpeth Comprehensive Reserves". There have even been voices heard questioning the wisdom of team selection. Would these be the voices of Accrington Choir B team? Or Morpeth Comp. Seconds? Could these foolish voices be lobbying for a first team slot? Do they think they could possibly do a better job of choosing eleven from twenty-four?

Are they dealing with a full deck?

Team selection is more difficult this year than ever before. Dissension in the ranks does not help - it unsettles everyone. Last year we voted Dave Wallace in as Obergruppenfuhrer, the best man for the job. Let's leave him to do it.

Mafeking Indians get in the way

BC vs Indian Cougars January 20th 0-1

An 8.30 a.m. kick-off, and believe it or not, the SS had all eleven players and reserves sober, on time, in full kit and ready for action. This must be a Club record. But it didn't do us any good.

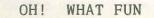
We had the vast majority of play, mainly in their half, often in their penalty area. We hit the crossbar, the posts, we scraped the paint off the wood, we rocked the stanchions. We went up the wings, down the middle, along the bye-line, into the klong and practically round the bend. We had their goalie on one leg, one eye, on the floor, in the air and holding on to his hat - but we couldn't stop him holding on to the ball. We played desperately in attack trying everything we knew but it was not smart enough. We were ineffective in mid-field, moving up to help the forwards (to no avail) and thereby relinquishing control of the mid-field to the Indians and their star player. We were controlled in defence, sweeping up everything smoothly apart from one free run through they had from mid-field. And they scored from this unopposed break-out.

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As Daimler Benz beat the Indians (by packing the team with ringers, so the rumour goes), we're still in the running, but only just. We can't afford to drop another point, nor to concede another goal. From here on in, no Mafeking about.

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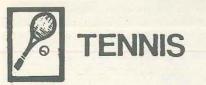
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The tennis courts were in good condition and well-used during January. Centre Court gave the most even bounce but wore rather fast, Court I threw a deceptive, high bounce on the backhand Surawongse end, but Court 3 looked like a bowling green and had a more even bounce than has been recorded in recent years on the lower courts. The net on Court I sagged a little but one learned to mention this just prior to an opponent's serve. Court I was also plagued by a diabolic bleeping from a new construction lift on the building site next door and one player even claimed to have heard sparks as the chains from the crane stroked the electricity cable running parallel to the Court.

None of the above prevented good tennis. A mixed doubles handicap tournament was held on Sunday, January 13th. Play started at 1.00 p.m. (or would have done if the Committee had the tent ready). After one hundred and five matches of sixteen points, the scores were totalled up by the light of Kasem Nakprasert's torch, (does he go home so late that he needs this apparatus with him or was he a Boy Scout?), and after the mysterious rites of the Fordham formula were acted out in the semi-darkness, the winners were none other than this correspondent and his wife. Runners-up by one handicap point were Derek Johnson and Christina Wilson-Johnson with the third prize being taken by the handy duo Judith Strange and Greg Ross. Our photograph shows most of the contestants. The purpose of this photograph is firstly as propaganda to convince our General Committee of the rebirth of British Club tennis and secondly to allow players to select tennis partners from this cardre of keen players.

Please make a note in your diary that the next Mixed Doubles handicap tournaments will be held on:

| Sunday, | February 10th | at | 1.00 p.m. |
|---------|---------------|----|-----------|
| Sunday, | March 10th | at | 1.00 p.m. |
| | April 14th | at | 1.00 p.m. |
| | May 12th | at | 1.00 p.m. |

Booking sheets will be put out at reception some weeks in advance of round robins so please watch that place and try to book early if you want to play because total numbers of players cannot exceed 32.



WHAT AN 'APPY LOT



Another Frosty Joke from our M.C.

The Singles League have been running since January 21st on all three courts during weekday evenings. The League is scheduled to finish on February 28th. Courts are reserved for matches at the British Club but it is recognised that work or family commitments will some times prevent use of booked courts. It has therefore been an exceptional league tournament condition that matches may be played elsewhere in advance if both players agree. Court fees will only be charged for matches played at the British Club or for matches unplayed by the deadline. Would all league players remember to report results on the poolside tennis board.

To improve court use, a new court booking system has been in operation since January 21st, allowing all three courts to be booked on an hourly basis at the Poolside Bar. Bookings may be made by telephone. Only one booking per player is allowed at a time. For telephone booking members should telephone 234-2592 and ask for Amporn. Amporn will check the booking record and reserve your court if the slot is available. Once a court is reserved it must be paid for (Bht. 20 per hour) utilised or not. Cancellation is not permitted. Booking sheets will be available for the next seven day period. Good tennis.



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Mabbatt Cup

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The playdown of the Mabbatt Cup was completed on the 9th of January to establish a challenger for last years champion, Ian McLean.

A good turnout of twelve players battled gamely for $5\frac{1}{2}$ hours with Ron Armstrong finishing on top, winning all 4 of his matches in 2 straight games.

Results of matches:

| M. Summers over D. Hall | 32-30, 36-61, 57-50 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| R. Armstrong over K. Ross | 59-27, 78-35 |
| Dick Anwar over I. Carmichael | 88-26, 56-26 |
| R. Armstrong over M. Summers | 69-19, 47-34 |
| D. Guy over M. Bawden | 25-49, 56-42, 53-39 |
| R. Nunn over H. Mercer | 39-52, 47-36, 48-25 |
| R. Armstrong over D. Guy | 63-33, 70-53 |
| D. Anwar over Roy Nunn | 53-45, 45-32 |
| D. Anwar over Robin Nunn | 64-42, 58-23 |
| R. Armstrong over D. Anwar | 77-17, 54-38 FINAL |
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Following the playdown, a best of five final began between Ian McLean and Ron Armstrong. Three games were played with two more played on January 17th. The results were as follows:

| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | |
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| IAN | McLEAN | 54 | 31 | 55 | 33 | 42 | |
| RON | ARMSTRONG | 52 | 45 | 24 | 79 | 49 | |

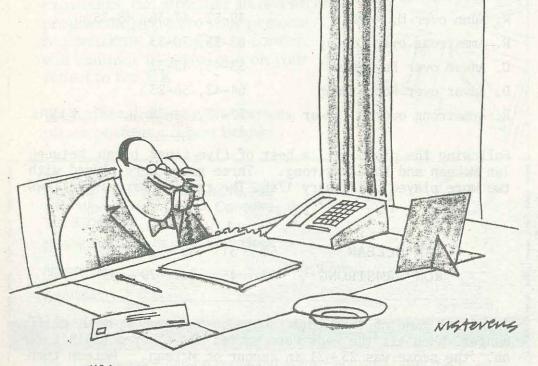
The final game of this club championship was a real cliff hanger. When all the reds were potted and colored balls were on, the score was 23-21 in favour of McLean. McLean then potted yellow, green and brown to give him a 32-21 advantage. Each player had two shots at the blue and finally Armstrong made three perfect shots potting blue, banking the pink in the corner pocket and playing uncanny position on the black, had an easy tap in to win the game and match.

This was a superb final series - unfortunately very few people saw it. These two top seeded players in the club have had many great series over the past three years. One never knows who the winner will be as the talent is very closely matched.

Congratulations to both Ron and Ian.

Dates to note:

- 6th February O'Connell & Leonowens Trophies. Handicap Volunteer Snooker Singles.
- 20th February Les Collings Trophy. The Club Championship for Snooker Doubles.
 6th March The Ashes - Australians vs Brits.
- 20th March Annual General Meeting and Presentation of Trophies.



"It's me, sweetheart-the madman you married in 1946."



DARTS

As all dartful club Members will know, the first official (?) dartists meeting held in the past 7 years (to my knowledge) took place on 17th January to determine our pigbristle policy for the future. The outcome of this meeting, plus the analysis of 20 returned questionnaires out of the 50 or so distributed was as follows:-

1. It is about time we shocked the pants off other teams in the forthcoming 22nd Johnnie Walker Bangkok Darts League by winning something other than the sportsmanship trophy for a change, so the team will be selected on merit (if we can find any) each week.

- 2. Team selection will be in the hands of the new Captain Terrible Adams (NAI 14) and the Captain of Vice Mike Majer. Selected players will be telephoned every week by Erika Majer which should give the men the best possible incentive to improve their performance.
- 3. The following have asked to be registered for the 22nd Johnnie Walker Bangkok Darts League:-
 - Terry Adams Mike Majer Mike Evans David Wallace Bryan Baldwin Brian Heath Peter Tinson Andrew Kefford

Phil Baker Ian Boulton Keith Davison Jack Garvey John Sill Chris Andrews Erika Majer Orin Kongmee Linda Tinson Thalia Adams Jantje Davison

These players and any others we've missed should pay their \$100 registration fee to Terry Adams as soon as possible.

| Terry Adams | - | Office | 517 | 0136 | Home | 286 | 0356 | |
|-------------|---|--------|-----|------|------|-----|------|--|
| Mike Majer | - | Office | 513 | 1970 | Home | 252 | 7492 | |

4. It was agreed that we do not have enough people to run 2 teams because of work, travelling, home leave etc. However, those not selected to play on Thursdays need to have the chance to play socially and competitively. We are therefore trying to rearrange the siting of the 2 club Boards so that the 'reserves' can play on the second board at home matches, and can meet in the bar anyway when the lucky lillywhites are playing away. (Since the meeting it has been suggested that we arrange a club darts ladder open to all club Members. Linda Tinson will organise the "reserves" Meetings and administer the ladder. Initial positions will be determined according to the results of the Captain's cup knockout competition, and the names of players registered in the Johnnie Walker Bangkok Darts League will be flagged so that their progress comes to the attention of the team selectors). 6

- 5. New darts sports shirt designs will be prepared for consideration.
- 6. A new cup will be donated by Castrol so that the ladies can have their own knockout competition.

Well, how about that lot?

Captain's Cup

The Meeting was followed by the annual play off for the Captain's Cup, with some players nervous enough to cut down on the usual Kloster level. Bryan Baldwin reached the semi-finals after narrow victories against Nicky Summers and Linda Tinson, where he met Mike Evans in supersonic form after wins against Lazy Malcolmby (I've been trying to get that one in for weeks) and John Sill. Mike was then brave enough to beat Bryan by 2-0 in the first semi-final despite threats not to travel British Airways in future!

In the bottom half of the draw Mike Majer nearly got beaten to the double 1 by Orin who scored a couple of tons in their first round match. Mike was then beaten 2-1 by Terry Adams who faced Peter Tinson in the second semi-final. Peter had won a couple of close matches against Dave Wallace and Mike Summers to reach semi-final with Terry. Well, the new Captain beat the old one 2-1 to go into the final with Mike Evans. Mike got away to a flying start in the deciding 3rd game with 140 and 100 and Terry couldn't catch up.

So a full evening ended with Mike Evans being presented with the Captain's Cup. Well done Mike! for most of us the only way to get your name on a British Club trophy is to donate one!



The St. David's Society Bangkok

At the Annual General Meeting of the St. Davids Society of Bangkok, Mr. Peter Price was elected Bard for 1984/85. Other committee members elected were Mrs. Mai Butterworth, Vice Bard; Mr. Leighton Fowles, Hon. Treasurer; Mr. Martin Bawden, Hon. Secretary; Mr. Phillip Baker, Mr. Nigel Johns and Mr. Richard Hopkins.

Anyone interested in joining the society, please contact The Bard, c/o The British Club.

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| Bridge | Geoff Crittenden | 391 | 4849 |
| Cricket | Jack Dunford | 234 | 0098 |
| Darts | Peter Tinson | 235 | 7074 |
| Golf | Hamish MacWilliam | 234 | 0821 |
| Ladies' Golf | Mrs. L. Dencker Nielsen | 286 | 8264 |
| Rugby | Terry Smith | 233 | 1481 |
| Soccer | David Wallace | 235 | 3551 |
| Squash | Les Currie | 314 | 7434 |
| Swimming Practice (Khun Choon) | Erica Majer | | 7492 |
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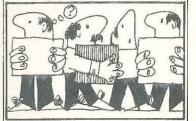
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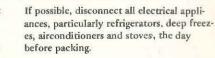
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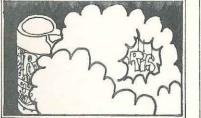




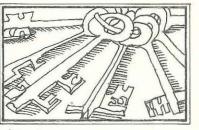
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