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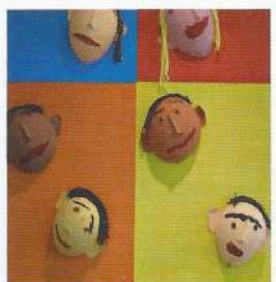
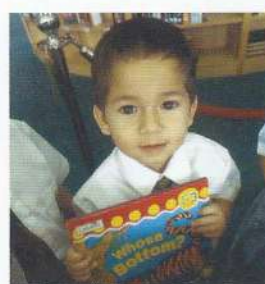
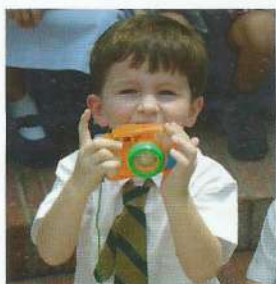
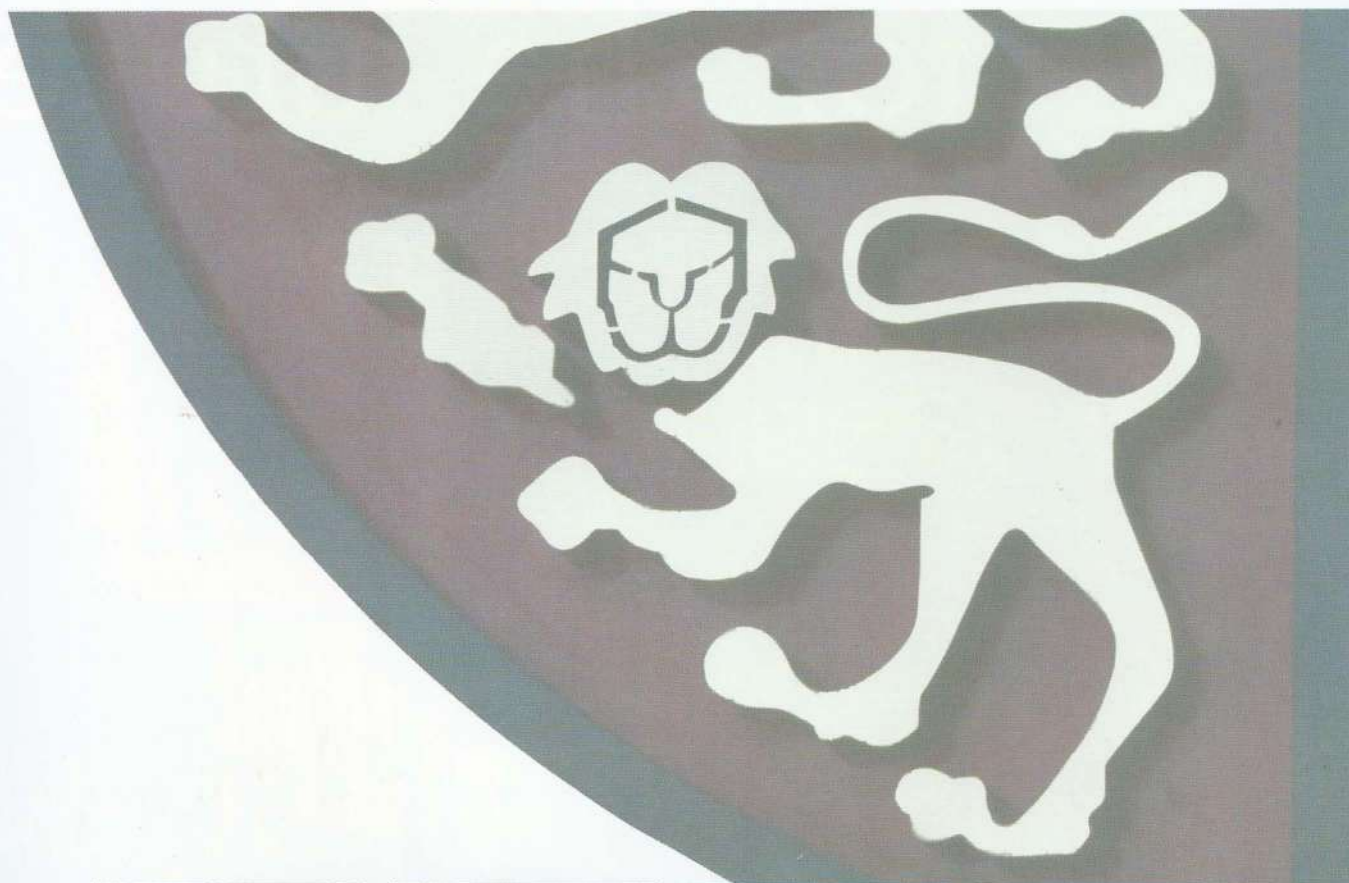
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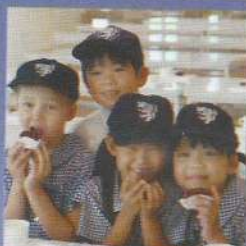
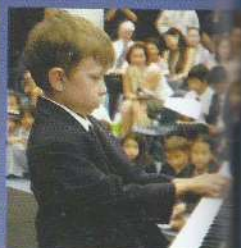
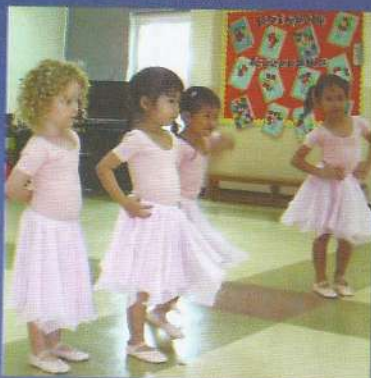
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Goodbye Lord's, hello new Churchill - Development Phase I is proceeding apace - for the latest photos, including a computer rendering of the new Churchill Bar, see pp 26-27.

The strange history of Valentine's Day

Valentine's Day on February 14th has been celebrated as a romantic holiday since the 14th century, but it has deep roots in ancient pagan fertility festivals. In Rome, one such festival was known as *Lupercalia*, and included blood sacrifices, feasting, parades, nudity and licentiousness. In fact, for the Romans, the whole month of February was sacred to *Juno Februata*, Queen of the Roman pantheon and the goddess of women and marriage. February 14th was her festival day of feasting and rites, when eligible young women were said to place their names in a common urn and young men would each draw one out. The couple would then form a temporary liaison for the erotic games to follow, often remaining partners for the following 12 months - sometimes marriages even resulted!

Not surprisingly the burgeoning Christian church was less than thrilled with these annual goings-on and in 496 Pope Gelasius I suppressed *Lupercalia*, declaring February 14 to be the Feast of St. Valentine. Exactly which St. Valentine this early pope intended to honour remains a mystery: according to the *Catholic Encyclopaedia*, there were at least three early Christian saints by that name. One was a priest in Rome, another a bishop in Terni, and of a third St. Valentine almost nothing is known except that he met his end in Africa. Rather suspiciously, all three Valentines were said to have been martyred on February 14th!!

Most scholars believe that the St. Valentine of the holiday was a priest who attracted the disfavour of Roman emperor Claudius II around 269. At this stage, the factual ends and the mythic begins. According to one legend, Claudius II had prohibited marriage for young men, on the basis that bachelors made better soldiers. Valentine continued to secretly perform marriage ceremonies but was eventually apprehended by the Romans and put to death. Another legend has it that Valentine, imprisoned by Claudius, fell in love with the daughter of his jailor. Before he was executed, he allegedly sent her a letter signed "from your Valentine". Probably the most plausible story surrounding St. Valentine is one not focused on eros (passionate love) but on agape (Christian love): he was martyred for refusing to renounce his religion.

The church's attempts to convert February 14th into a saint's day failed miserably and many of the 'pagan' courtship rituals continued and evolved. Tokens were exchanged, surreptitious love-notes passed, and as Christianity spread, so, most probably, the *Lupercalian* customs already being observed on the 14th came to be associated with the name of St Valentine. Following the Dark Ages, the practice of choosing a partner by lottery again appeared in the record of Europe, continuing until well into the 18th century. From the 14th century onwards, during the height of 'courtly love' in Europe, Valentine's Day was for the first time associated with romance and marriage due probably to Chaucer, who wrote a love poem in 1381, to commemorate the engagement of Richard II and Anne of Bohemia, which linked the engagement with the pairing off of birds and Valentine's Day. It's probably some time after this that the romantic myths about St Valentine were created. The elaborate exchanges of poetry, cards, and gifts on Valentine's Day grew ever more popular and have now cemented it as a holiday for the celebration of love in European popular culture. No doubt commercial imperatives will ensure its continuing popularity.

Billy Beefeater

Time enough for love . . .

- The *Tahsaneeya Nava* on the Chao Phraya River. You & your partner could be on it for a Valentine's evening Cruise - see p 8.



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Letter from **the Chair**



Dear Members,

Club Development

Following the appointment of the Project Management Company, Thomson Brandtman Co Ltd, and Profile Interiors as Design and Build contractors, Phase 1 of the development project commenced on January 3rd with the gutting of Lord's Restaurant and a temporary restriction on access through the main doors of the Clubhouse

while construction is in progress. We do apologise to members for the inconvenience this may be causing, but we hope that the conversion of the Lord's Dining Room to the new Churchill Bar, renovation of the Lobby area and the creation of a Membership Services office will all be completed by the middle to end of February. Members should note that, from then on, payment of bills, account enquiries, booking of Club events, etc, will all be handled from the new Membership Services Office.

Following completion of the new Churchill Bar, the old facility will close and work will commence on the new facility, including the creation of a covered, outside terrace. This new multi-functional food & beverage outlet, which members of all age groups can enjoy, is scheduled to take a further six weeks, with total completion of Phase 1 anticipated by the end of March 2007. I am pleased to report that, as at the time of writing, we are on schedule and a little under budget!

It is recognised that there are many members who are saddened by the demise of the existing Churchill Bar (considered by some to be a Bangkok institution!) and do not want to see it go. I deeply empathise with these emotions, having spent more hours in it over the last 18 years than I care to remember, and I, along with many others, will miss it very much. However, I do believe that that the new, more flexible, Clubhouse facility will appeal to and satisfy a much wider group of members and their families and I sincerely hope that we will all become equally fond of the new 'Churchill' in the months and years to come. In order to say goodbye to the old and welcome in the new with style, we are planning two parties in mid-February within a couple of days of each other! The first will be to commemorate the final evening in the existing bar, and the second will be a Grand opening for the new one. Look out for details!

For more news on the development project, and for information regarding plans for Phase 2 (poolside) please see this month's Development Corner on pages 26 and 27

Membership Software programme/Billing

Members will have noticed a change to the format of their monthly statements & invoices last month. The reason for the change is that these are now being generated by our upgraded Club Membership software programme, which after lengthy testing and fine-

tuning, is now fully up and running and providing management with valuable information as well as facilitating our procedures. If you have any questions about your statement in this new format, please contact Simon or Khun Prem.

Club Branding/Promotional Materials/Website/ Discussion Forum

In line with the new Club image and branding exercise recently undertaken, new Club promotional material and communications tools are now in the final stages of completion. Our 'new look' branding includes a refined and consistent Club logo, new promotional brochures, folders, and advertising material all with a consistent and harmonised design strategy.

Part of this exercise also includes an upgrade of the Club's Website, bringing it into line with the new Club image and branding and also linking it with our new membership software programme - with a view to on-line booking of events, etc. We are also looking at a new and more 'user-friendly' format for the 'Discussion Forum' which has seriously lost momentum over the past year. We hope that with the launch of the new site and a new Forum, we will soon be back to the lively and topical on-line debates that used to take place a couple of years ago! We apologise to those of you who are still bravely attempting to post messages (seemingly into a void!) and hope that we will be able to announce the launch of the new Website and Forum in conjunction with the opening of the Churchill Bar in mid-February.

Club Security

In January, following a service review and tender, the Club's security operation passed to Inter Guard Group (IGG). We would like to take this opportunity to thank Chubb, the outgoing security providers, for their ten years of service to us. In order to make this a successful transition, we would like to remind members to always present your membership card to the security guards when you enter the Club and to ask your drivers, if arriving without you, to show their Driver Club ID card. We also ask you to make sure that your guests are registered in the sign-in books provided, and if they are arriving ahead of you, that their names are given to security for the Day list. We thank you for your co-operation.

Annual General Meeting 2007

Yes, it's that time again. Our Committee year draws to a close and the AGM date has been set for Tuesday, March 20th, so please put this in your diaries now. The official calling notices will be sent out in due course. I urge all Ordinary & Country members to attend the meeting and participate in the running of your Club. For more details, including information regarding standing for the General Committee, please see page 9.

Best regards,

Angela Daniel
Chairman

BCB General Committee 2006/2007

Postscript by **the CEO**



Dear Members,

There have, unfortunately, been some complaints recently about the inappropriateness of some of the language being used by some members in the Churchill Bar, particularly in the evenings. I would ask every member to be conscious of the feelings of all members of the Club by using accepted standards of behaviour.

Over the coming weeks you may notice food and beverage service training being conducted in the outlets. We have hired an experienced trainer to conduct service workshops for all our service personnel. I would hope that this will aid the continuous improvement in the Club for which we strive.

We are currently putting together a calendar of events for the remainder of the year. If you would like a particular event celebrated or shown on television please let us know. If you have any ideas for new events that may interest the members of the Club we would welcome your input.

By the time you read this edition of the magazine the refurbishment of the Lobby and the creation of Member Services should be close to completion. Additionally, the opening of the new Churchill Bar will be imminent (More details on pp 26-27). Look out for notices announcing the opening party!!

As always, I look forward to seeing you often at the Club.

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And who will be my Valentine?

Dear Members,

We ended last year with our annual New Year's Cruise along the mighty Chao Phraya River. Over 190 members came along and we had a ball - the fireworks at midnight were spectacular. No sooner had the New Year's excitement died down when over 150 members were off to see the one-and-only Eric Clapton in concert, which was of course absolutely brilliant - and we had our regular police escort to whisk us through the Bangkok traffic. The month was rounded off with our first big event at the Club for 2007 - the end-of-January Members' Gathering, which also featured our 20-years-plus members.



The first of February's highlights is Valentine's Day. On February 14th we have booked a romantic evening cruise aboard the beautiful 100-year-old antique rice barge, the *Tahsaneeya Nava*. This is a fantastic cruise with everything laid on. The cost of 3,000 baht per person includes a special Valentine's 10-course traditional Thai buffet, one bottle of wine per couple, a glass of Champagne or Kir Royal for each person, a rose for the ladies, a special Valentine dessert for each couple, and a glass of sweet wine per person, as well as transportation from/to the Club. We meet at the Club at 7.15pm and leave at 7.45 on the short journey to the Si Phraya pier for the 8pm sailing of the *Tahsaneeya Nava* - on board you'll find welcome drinks, delicious food and a superb ambiance that should make for an unforgettable evening.

Coming up on the 18th February we have a Chinese Dim Sum Buffet in the Churchill Bar to celebrate Chinese New Year and welcome in the Year of the Pig. And on February 20th we'll be celebrating Shrove Tuesday with pancake races on the back lawn and a pancake buffet. This event was a great success last year with plenty of pancake thrills and spills, and over 70 members attending.

Looking further ahead we have booked tickets to see The Disney on Ice Show on Saturday 24st March at Muangthong Thani. This year's event is called 'Nemo On Ice', which is a brand new Disney show that has proven very popular with audiences across America. This will be the first performance of the show in Asia and we have reserved excellent seats. We'll leave from the Club at 8.30am for the 10.30am show, which lasts approx 2 hours and has an English sound track. As usual, we have the regular police escort to whisk us in plenty of time to the Impact Arena.

This Banter would not be complete without a thank you to all who helped with our Christmas and New Year's activities for handicapped and underprivileged children. Last month we took the children from the Tungmahamaek Orphanage for a fantastic day out. The money for this trip was raised by members and societies donating money for the deaf children's Christmas Party, but we raised enough to hold two memorable events for two different schools and make 200 children happy. Thanks again to all those who contributed time, effort and baht.

Hope to see you around and about your Club in the near future.

Regards,

Baz,

Barry Osborne
General Manager

WHAT'S GOING ON

Special Events at the Club this month

** DOCTOR WHO - 2005 SERIES

Sunday, 4th February, 11am-1.15pm, Wordsworth Room

Episodes 1, 2 and 3 of the 2005 new series, re-shown by popular demand. For details, see opposite page.

** DETECTIVE VDO NIGHT - MORSE

Thursday, 8th February, 7-9pm, Suriwongse Room

Join us for our latest episode of Morse – DRIVEN TO DISTRACTION: The apparently motiveless murder of two young women points to a psychotic killer – a local garage owner who knew both girls arouses suspicion . . . but there's a twist in the tale. There is no charge for this event but we ask members to please book in advance as this helps us with our seating arrangements. Full F&B service is available.

** DOCTOR WHO - 2005 SERIES

Sunday, 11th February, 11am-12.30pm, Wordsworth Room

Episodes 4 and 5 of the 2005 new series, re-shown by popular demand. For details, see opposite page.

** VALENTINE'S CRUISE

Wednesday, 14th February, Leave BC at 7:45pm

Celebrate Valentine's Day aboard the beautiful 100-year-old antique rice barge, the *Tahsaneeya Nava*, with a romantic evening cruise on the Chao Phraya River. This is a fantastic cruise with everything laid on. The cost of 3,000 baht per person includes a special Valentine's 10-course traditional Thai buffet, one bottle of wine per couple, a glass of Champagne or Kir Royal for each person, a rose for the ladies, a special Valentine dessert for each couple, and a glass of sweet wine per person, as well as transportation from/to the Club. We meet at the Club at 7.15pm and leave at 7.45 for the short journey to the Si Phraya pier. The *Tahsaneeya Nava* sails at 8pm – on board you'll find welcome drinks, delicious food and a superb ambiance that will make your evening unforgettable. We arrive back at Si Phraya at around 10pm and at the BC shortly thereafter. To book please contact Khun Ben or Barry.

** DETECTIVE VDO NIGHT - FROST

Thursday, 15th February, 7-10pm, Suriwongse Room

Join us for a double episode of Frost – LINE OF FIRE (parts 1 & 2): Frost's Christmas is overshadowed by a local power station worker falling to his death in a mysterious accident, shortly after he was burgled; then a young police detective is murdered, and Frost wonders if it really is related to the large investigation he

was working on to uncover a car theft gang. There is no charge for this event but we ask members to please book in advance as this helps us with our seating arrangements. Full F&B service available.

** DOCTOR WHO - 2005 SERIES

Sunday, 18th February, 11am-1.15pm, Wordsworth Room

Episodes 6, 7 and 8 of the 2005 new series, re-shown by popular demand. For details, see opposite page.

** SHROVE TUESDAY - PANCAKE DAY

Tuesday, 20th February, 6pm, Back Lawn

For the second year running, there will be pancake races on the back lawn of the Club to celebrate Shrove Tuesday – Pancake Day. Khun Laak has created a full buffet for the occasion, with a range of different savoury and sweet pancakes. Khun Amnat and Rit have organised a variety of pancake games for all the family. The fun begins at 6pm on the back lawn with Khun Susie in attendance to provide face painting and crafts and of course we will have the Club's bouncy castle. The cost of the event is 100 baht per person for the races, amusements and all kids' activities; and an optional pancake buffet at 300 baht per person. A flippin' good time guaranteed for all! To book, sign up at the Reception or send a fax or email to the Club – for further information contact Khun Ben or Barry.

** QUIZ NIGHT

Tuesday, 20th February, 7:30pm, Suriwongse Room

Due to renovations, a change of scenery for the February Quiz night – this month in the Suriwongse Room. Get a team of friends together and come along to join in the fun. There are 4 rounds of 19 questions, all rounds ending in the dreaded "common denominator". There are also 3 spot rounds where you have the chance to win a bottle of wine sponsored by Crown Worldwide Relocations. The cost to enter is 100 baht per person. Teams of up to six persons.

** MONTHLY WINE TASTING

Friday, 23rd February, 6-9pm, Suriwongse Room

Join us for our monthly wine tasting featuring wines from all over the world. Four companies will be here to let members try unlimited samples of their wines. Members can also purchase wines at specially discounted prices and the Club will create a range of canapes to compliment the wines. What a great way to start the weekend – free wines in the comfort of your Club.

Doctor Who goes "BACK TO THE FUTURE"

A fantastic 32 people watched our showing of the 2006 Christmas Special 'The Runaway Bride' at the Club in January, and several members requested that we reshow the 2005 New Series starring Christopher Eccleston.

Therefore, by popular request we will show all 13 of these episodes over five Sundays in February and March... start time is 11am each Sunday.

Sunday 4th February – 11am-1.15pm

N101: Rose – *Billie Piper takes over as the Doctor's assistant with some Auton help.*

N102: The End of the World – *5 billion years in the future, the Earth dies.*

N103: The Unquiet Dead – *This time the dead do not stay dead.*



The Doctor and Rose

Sunday 11th February – 11am-12.30pm

N104: Aliens of London – *A pig in a spaceship hits Big Ben!*

N105: World War III – *Now repeat after me "Raxacoricofallapatorian".*



The Universe's oldest resident

Sunday 18th February – 11am-1.15pm

N106: Dalek – *Guess who's coming to dinner.*

N107: The Long Game – *Welcome to Floor 500.*

N108: Father's Day – *Peter Allan Tyler RIP.*



Careless talk costs lives

Sunday 11th March – 11am-12.30pm

N109: The Empty Child – *"Are you my Mummy?"*

N110: The Doctor Dances – *Really, he can.*

Sunday 18th March – Noon-2.15pm

(To follow the Australian Grand Prix)

N111: Boomtown – *Surf's up!*

N112: Bad Wolf – *Just who is the Big Bad Wolf?*

N113: The Parting of the Ways – *Anyone for Barcelona?*

All children from 8 to 80 are welcome!

Attention all Ordinary &
Country Members!

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, March 20th, 2007, 7:00 pm

**PLEASE RESERVE THIS IMPORTANT DATE IN YOUR DIARIES
AND GET INVOLVED IN THE RUNNING OF YOUR CLUB!**

We would like to give you plenty of notice that this year's Annual General Meeting will be held in the Suriwongse Room on Tuesday, March 20th at 7:00 pm. All Ordinary or Country members are urged to attend in order to consider and approve: the affairs of the Club, the Club Accounts, the Appointment of Auditors, and to elect a General Committee for the 2006/2007 term.

If you are eligible to vote, but cannot attend the meeting, you may give your proxy vote to another Ordinary or Country member. Proxy forms will be sent along with the official calling notice. Please note that each member may only hold one proxy vote. If you are not sure whether you are eligible to attend the meeting, please contact our CEO, Simon Roberts, or our Membership Department for clarification.

Please also note that members may nominate their spouse to attend the meeting and vote on their behalf, provided that they are paying subscriptions at the rate applicable to married members, and that the spouse is eligible for Ordinary or Country membership in their own right. If you wish to nominate your spouse, an application form must be sent to the Club at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting. These forms will also be distributed to members along with the Official Notice.

General Committee Member Nominations

Please do consider contributing some of your time for the benefit of the Club and its members this year. If you would like more information regarding time commitment or responsibilities, please contact the Chairman, Angela Daniel, or any other current General Committee member. In brief, if elected you would need to devote a few evenings a month to meetings at the Club, and should anticipate assuming responsibility for one or more key areas such as Strategy & Development, Food & Beverage, Treasury, House & Grounds, Communications, Constitution & Rules, etc. The basic ethos is that the General Committee determines policy while Management controls the daily operation of the Club.

If you do decide to stand for the GC, please ask our CEO for an application form. You will need a Proposer and Secunder, who are either Ordinary or Country members, to sign the form. Nominees can also stand from the floor during the AGM. However, we would like to circulate the list of candidates ahead of the meeting, so if possible please submit your application for the attention of our CEO, Simon Roberts, no later than Friday, February 23rd, 2007.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

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For the May production of

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Bangkok Community Theatre is holding open auditions for English-speaking adults aged 17 - 70 interested in performing in the May 2007 production of the children's participation play "The Emperor's New Clothes". Auditions will be held on Sunday, February 25th & Monday, February 26th, 2007 at the British Club.

If you are interested in auditioning or in helping out behind the scenes, please email emperor@sala.net with your full name and contact details. We will get back to you with information about the roles, audition times, etc. Please visit the BCT website www.bct-th.org for more information about the show and BCT as well.

Thank you! We hope to hear from you!

Bangkok Community Theatre (BCT)



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AMS Migration Services, which is an Australian registered migration agency based in Perth WA, will be visiting Bangkok between **Friday 23 February to Sunday 25 February** (inclusive) to meet with all interested parties who meet the above criteria and would like to explore the possibility of migration to Australia.

In order to arrange an appointment please contact Bill or his partner Rosalie on one of the following options:-

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I look forward to hearing from you.

FINAL

DOGGIE DESTINY

Pisces (February 20 - March 21)

Keywords: Empathetic, Gentle, Kind (+)
Introverted, Neurotic, Vague (-)

If your Pisces pet looks like they're a little confused, they probably are. Pisces dogs are the most sensitive in the zodiac – it's like they have little built-in antennae that pick up everything around them, including their owner's thoughts and feelings. The problem is, Pisces pooches often aren't that good at processing all the incoming data and can easily get overloaded and confused. This explains their well-deserved reputation for being vague and indecisive. It is not unusual to see them pacing between the fire, the basket and the bowl. Although they are undoubtedly the softest, sweetest pets in the world they can be alarmingly vague and at times will completely ignore you like they are deaf . . . but actually they are just off on one of their many tangents . . . The sensitivity of the Piscean pooch can definitely be useful: their inexplicable howling or agitation may well give you advance warning of impending peril and, like President George W, they instinctively know who are the evildoers. Trust their judgment. And this is a very accommodating pet too - your Pisces dog doesn't need a big garden . . . they want to be close to you. It makes them happy to follow you like a shadow, and it makes them even happier to please you. What more could you ask for?



Survival Tip: The Pisces pooch feels most comfortable in a quiet, tranquil environment. Don't stress them out with discord, upheaval, and constant noise - and don't lay heavy numbers on them. This goes especially for argumentative Aries, snappy Gemini, and heavy-duty Scorpio owners. Pisces are easily excited and often take on the feelings of others, not even knowing they have done so. To help calm these sensitive creatures, take them for a walk in the woods, preferably near water, or play them soft soothing spacey music.

Outlook for 2007: With Pisces' ruler, the mystic Neptune, holed up in Aquarius all year, your Pisces pooch is definitely going to be reaching out to the neighbours, joining doggie support groups, neighbourhood howling groups, and generally doing their bit for doggie solidarity. With their self-deprecating manner, they have a knack of charming almost any dog to do anything, including persuading the neighbourhood soi-bully to try a gentler approach when leading the pack. Water plays a big part in the Piscean's life this year, both symbolically and in reality. Hoses, sprinklers, muddy puddles and smelly khlongs all have a magnetic attraction to your Pisces water dog. Don't fight it, just channel it! Take your dog to the nearest beach or lake and let them go wild in the water - they'll love you for it.

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MONDAYS Wordsworth Lounge

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BWG Mahjong

TUESDAYS Churchill Bar

8:30pm-late

Spoofing

WEDNESDAYS Churchill Bar

7:00pm and 8:00pm

PERNOD RICARD ACCUMULATOR

Any member could win from Bt 5,000 to Bt 25,000 - prize increases each week.

CHIVAS REGAL BOTTLE DRAW - somebody present in the Bar will win a bottle of whisky, tequila, vodka or gin.

7:30pm

THURSDAYS Churchill Bar

6:00-9:00pm

Chess

Silom Sala

7:00pm and 9:00pm

Kids' VDO It's free. Includes free Nestle Sundaes for the kids.

SUNDAYS

Silom Room

1:30-3:30pm

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES. Games, videos, crafts, soft drinks and snacks with Khun Susie. Cost: FREE

Suriwongse Room

3:00pm onwards

Bridge tournament

NOTE: Due to renovations, the regular Buffets are not available in February *unless* advertised at the Club. Please check Club notice boards for the latest information.

Official Opening Times

10:00am - 11:00pm

Churchill Bar

7:30am - 10:00pm

Poolside Bar (last food orders - 9:30pm)

6:00am - 10:00pm

Fitness Centre (Mon-Fri)

6:00am - 9:00pm

Fitness Centre (weekends)

9:00am - 6:00pm

Thai Massage (Tues-Sun)



The Union Buffet

We celebrated the Union of Scotland and England in style here at the Club on January 16th with a delicious buffet laid on by Khun Laak and her team, consisting of Scotch Broth, Roast Rib of

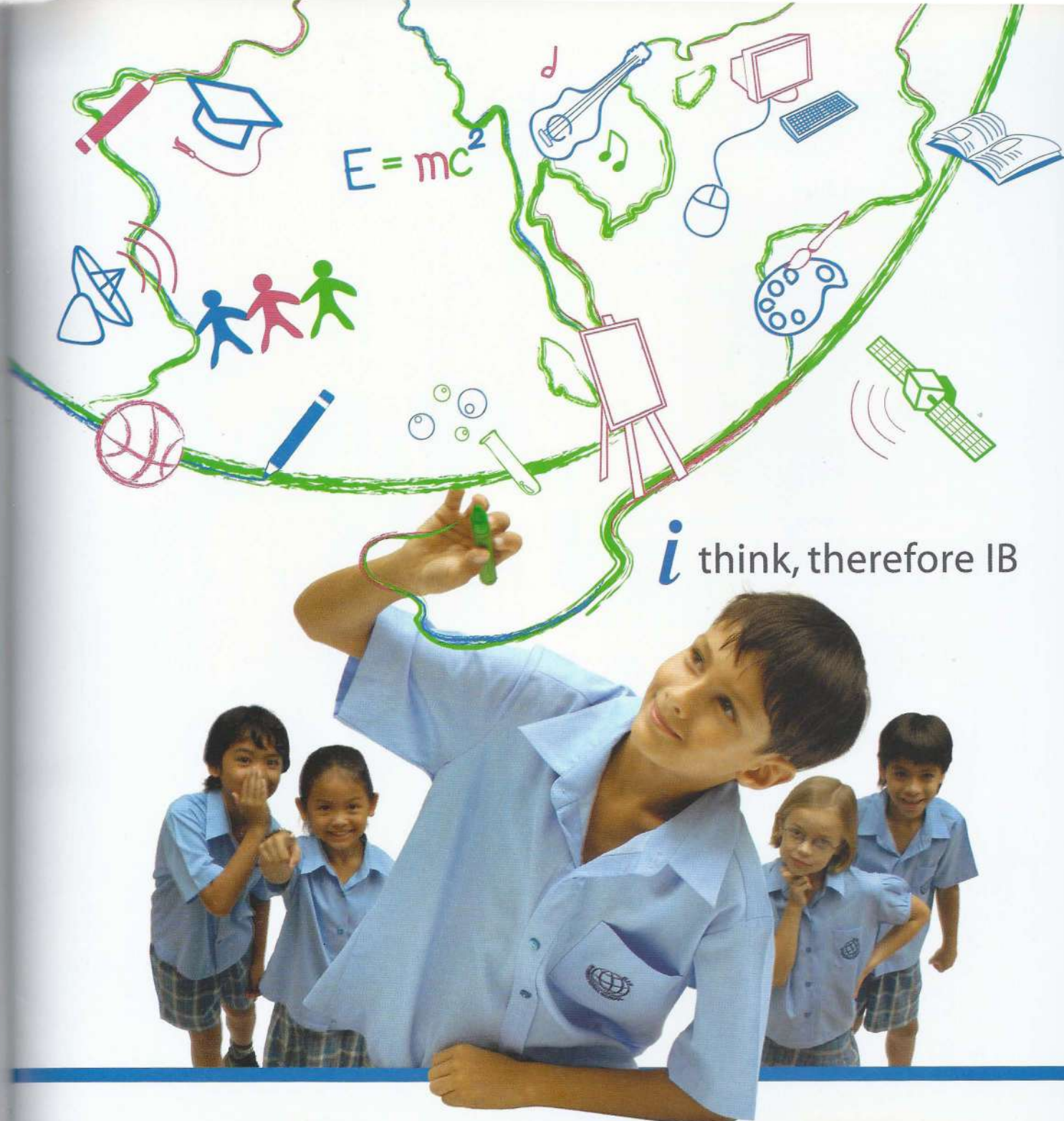


Beef, Scotch Eggs, Mini Steak & Kidney Pies . . . even our Scottish members raved about the Scotch Broth, Dundee Cake and Black Bun! Not bad for Khun Laak who comes from the bonnie highlands of Sisaket!! Many thanks to Sheena Gibson who kindly bought us our Scottish cookbook.

The Bar was gaily decorated for the occasion and the staff wore union flag waistcoats. Members also had the choice of over a dozen different kinds of Scotch whisky and we had a promotional price of 100 baht per glass for our newest arrival - Glenmorangie 10-year-old single malt. With all the whisky-sampling going on, calls of 'Slainte!' could be heard periodically, which I'm told is short for 'Slainte Mhath!' - the Scottish version of "Cheers".

Many members commented that this was our best buffet yet. Next up in March will be our St David's Day buffet and our green food buffet for St Patrick's Day, maybe with more drinks promotions . . . Ooggy-wawa! ('cheers' in Zulu).

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DINO SOAP

It's hard to resist a fun project that promotes cleaning up. Make decorative soaps for a fun look at dinosaurs.

You will need:

- Clear glycerine soap
- Coloured glycerine soap
- Soap moulds
- Plastic dinosaurs
- Microwave
- Glass measuring cups
- Sharp knife
- Optional: glitter and fragrance oil



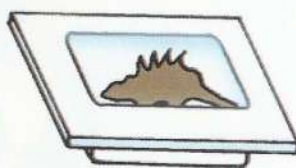
Instructions:

Have an adult cut clear glycerine soap into 1" cubes and coloured glycerine soap into 1/4" cubes. Place into glass measuring cups and heat in the microwave on high for 15 seconds at a time. Check between times. Do not overheat soap, just melt it.

1. Place dinosaurs into the moulds, pour clear glycerine over them, and place small coloured pieces of glycerine into the mould around the dinosaur.
2. Allow soap to cool 1-2 hours, or place in refrigerator for 30 minutes. Lightly twist mould and remove soaps from mould.
3. Soaps can be placed in a clear cellophane bag and decorated with stickers for gift giving.



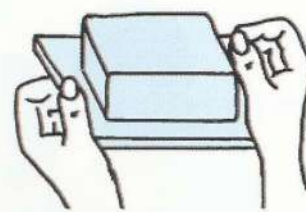
Place soap cubes in microwave safe container.



Place plastic animal into mould before adding soap.



Pour liquid soap into mould. Allow to harden.



Twist mould to remove piece of soap.

SQUISH BALLS

Squish them, roll them, toss them. These balls are fun to make and even more fun to play with! They are made with balloons and birdseed.

Materials:

For each ball you will need:

- Two balloons of different colors
- Birdseed
- Scissors
- A funnel



Instructions:

Place the spout of the funnel inside the neck of one of the balloons. Fill the balloon with birdseed. Press the birdseed down into the balloon to make sure it is filled well. Do not fill the neck of the balloon.

Remove the funnel and cut off the necks of the filled balloon and the unfilled balloon. Cut a few other small holes in the unfilled balloon. Be sure not to cut the holes too large as they will stretch. Stretch the unfilled balloon at the neck and fit it over the filled balloon, positioning the unfilled balloon to cover the neck hole of the filled balloon.

Now you can squish it and play with it. Have fun!

JOKE Kids Can Tell

Mr. Gordon posted a sign in the classroom stating: "Because of a conference, Mr. Clark will not be teaching his classes tomorrow." One of his smart-alecky students erased the "c" in classes.

Aware of such student pranks, Mr. Clark then erased the "l".

TEACHER: "What is a synonym?"

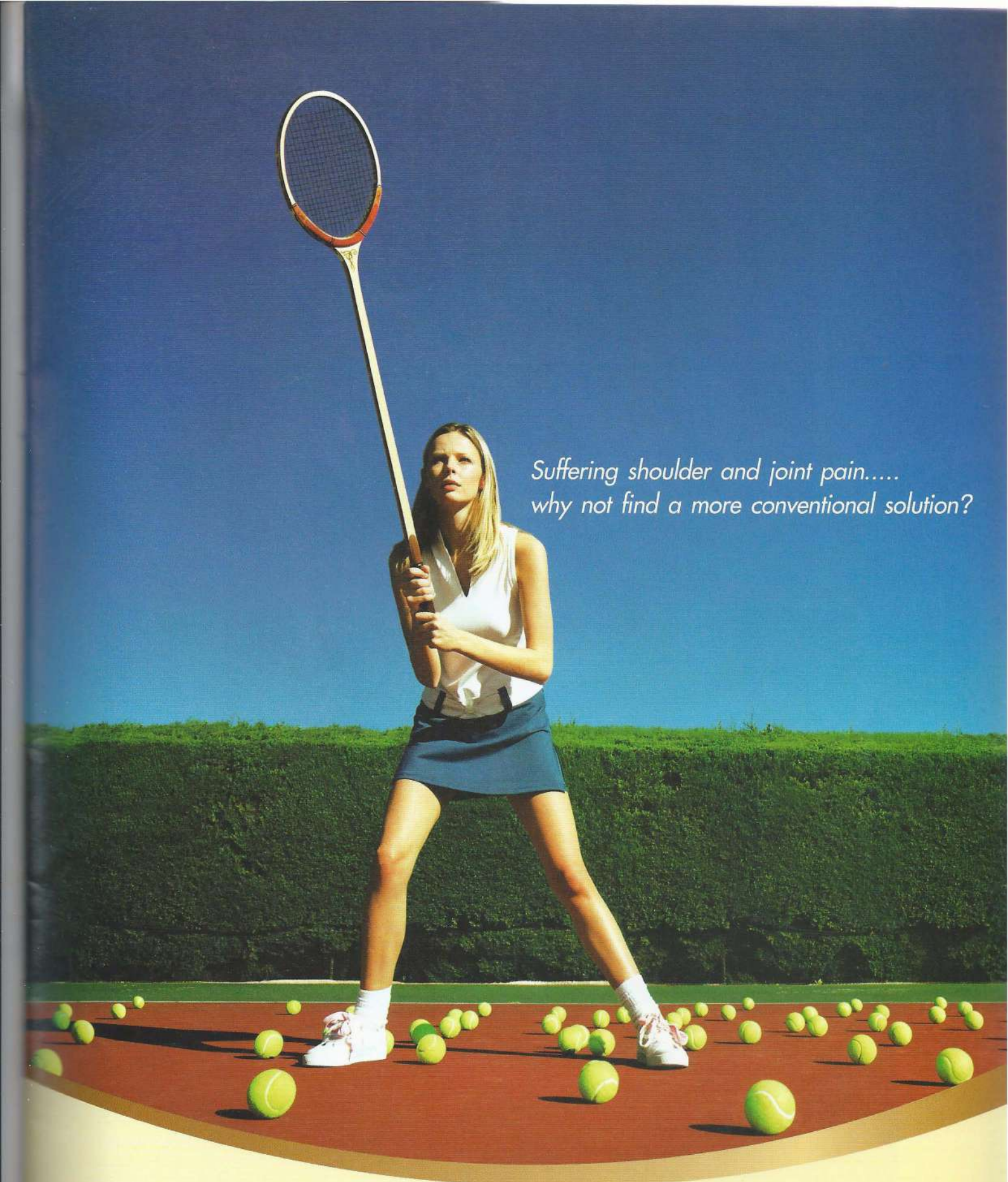
STUDENT: "A synonym is the word you use when you can't spell the other one."

First Student: "How old is Professor Smith?"

Second Student: "Pretty old. They say he used to teach Shakespeare."

An 8 year old was giving his kid brother some advice as the younger one was off to school for the first time.

"Don't learn how to spell 'car', because if you do, the words just keep getting harder and harder!"

A woman with blonde hair, wearing a white sleeveless top and a dark blue tennis skirt, stands on a red clay tennis court. She is holding a tennis racket with a very long handle, which is nearly as tall as she is. The racket is held vertically, with the head pointing towards the top of the frame. She is looking upwards at the racket head. The court is surrounded by a green hedge, and the sky is a clear, bright blue. Numerous yellow tennis balls are scattered across the red clay surface.

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LOOKING BACK





Is Harry's birthday really on Christmas Day?



Winner of the Outpost Christmas Art Competition, Kit Zellerbach, with prizes



Outpost Christmas Art Competition runner-up, Mimi Thomson

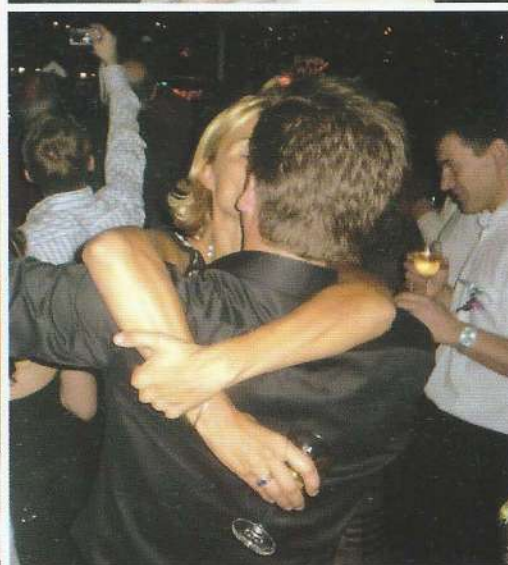
This Christmas at the Club was the busiest in living memory, with over 230 members sitting down to Christmas lunch! Wow, what a day! There were diners in the Lords, diners in the Churchill Bar and we even had 100 diners seated outside in 'the pavilion'. But somehow it all seemed to come together thanks to an extra effort from the BC staff.

Khun Laak and her team did an amazing job catering not only the three beautiful Christmas buffets, but also two outside functions and 20+ members' turkey orders! This year the buffet featured turkey, beef, honey glazed hams, cranberry and chicken salad, quiches, smoked salmon, Christmas puddings, mini carrot cakes, mini mango and sticky rice desserts and yet more of those mince pies. This year we cooked over 3000 mince pies - and over a ton of turkey!!!

The first guests arrived at 11.30am and at 6pm members were still here, just relaxing and enjoying the ambiance. There was plenty of activities to keep the kids amused including pony rides, arts and crafts, a walk around magician, football, and of course the Club's bouncy castle. Santa made a visit at around 2pm bearing gifts for all. Feed back from members was fantastic but the credit must go to the staff from all the departments who worked so hard to create a great Christmas for all.

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Happy New Year!





This year around 200 members joined us aboard our new boat the *Chaophraya Cruise* to celebrate the New Year in style. The boat was beautifully decorated and the Filipino band was in full swing entertaining the members who were in the mood to party.

There was plenty of delicious food from Japan and Thailand on offer, and the British Club also catered its turkeys, hams, mince pies and a range of festive goodies.

As the band played on there was no shortage of lively music for members to dance the night away to, and for those who wanted a bit of peace from the music, there was our own private terrace on the bow.

All too soon midnight struck and the fireworks commenced in spectacular fashion, lasting 20 minutes and lighting up the sky of this vibrant city. The partying continued until 1 am when we docked back at River City, where most members disembarked – except for a few diehards who stayed on board even though we weren't going anywhere and continued on until just after 2am.

I would like to thank all members who once again supported the Club and joined us for another successful party. Now there's only one thing left to do – get those bookings in for the 2007/8 cruise!

Barry Osborne

BC CALENDAR FEBRUARY – The Month at a Glance

Sunday



4 10:30am-2:15pm
Squash Mix-in

Wordsworth Room
11:00am-1:15pm
DOCTOR WHO –
2005 SERIES

Silom Room
1:00-3:30pm
Children's Activities

Churchill Bar
3:00pm
Bridge Tournament

4:00-6:00pm
Tennis Mix-in

11 **Back Lawn**
10:00am-12noon
LITTLE LEAGUE
SOCCER CARNIVAL

Wordsworth Room
11:00am-12:30pm
DOCTOR WHO –
2005 SERIES



Monday

5 9:00am-12noon
BWG Mahjong

6:00-10:00pm
Tennis Match Play

12 9:00am-12noon
BWG Mahjong

Tuesday

6 8:00-11:00am
Tennis Ladies Mix-In

7:00-9:00pm
Football Practice

Churchill Bar
8:30pm-late
Spoofing

13 8:00-11:00am
Tennis Ladies Mix-In

Wednesday

7 6:00-10:00pm
Tennis Mix-in

6:00-8:30pm
Cricket Practice

Churchill Bar
7:00 & 8:00pm
PERNOD RICARD
ACCUMULATOR
7:30pm Chivas Regal
Bottle Draw
CHIVAS

14 6:00-10:00pm
Tennis Mix-in

6:00-8:30pm
Cricket Practice



Thursday

1 8:00-11:00am
Tennis Ladies Mix-in

5:15-9:00pm
Squash Mix-in

7:00-9:00pm
Rugby Practice

9:00-11:00pm
Hockey Practice

Churchill Bar
6:00-9:00pm Chess

8 8:00-11:00am
Tennis Ladies Mix-in

5:15-9:00pm
Squash Mix-in

7:00-9:00pm
Rugby Practice

9:00-11:00pm
Hockey Practice

Churchill Bar
6:00-9:00pm Chess

Suriwongse Room
7:00-9:00pm
DETECTIVE VDO
NIGHT Morse



15 8:00-11:00am
Tennis Ladies Mix-in

5:15-9:00pm
Squash Mix-in

7:00-9:00pm
Rugby Practice

Friday

2 2:00-5:30pm
Junior Swimming
Classes

5:00-6:30pm
Junior Tennis

6:00-10:00pm
Tennis Mix-in

Silom Sala
7:00-9:00pm **Kid's VDO**

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Junior Swimming
Classes

5:00-6:30pm
Junior Tennis

6:00-10:00pm
Tennis Mix-In

Silom Sala
7:00-9:00pm **Kid's VDO**

16 2:00-5:30pm
Junior Swimming
Classes

5:00-6:30pm
Junior Tennis



Saturday

3 7:00-9:00am
Adult Tennis Classes

9:00am-1:30pm
Junior Swimming
Classes

Wordsworth Lounge
1:00-2:00pm Yoga

10 7:00-9:00am
Adult Tennis Classes

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Classes

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<p>9:00-11:00pm Hockey Practice</p> <p>Churchill Bar 6:00-9:00pm Chess</p> <p>Suriwongse Room 7:00-10:00pm DETECTIVE VDO NIGHT Frost</p>	<p>22 8:00-11:00am Tennis Ladies Mix-in</p> <p>5:15-9:00pm Squash Mix-in</p> <p>7:00-9:00pm Rugby Practice</p>	<p>9:00-11:00pm Hockey Practice</p> <p>Churchill Bar 6:00-9:00pm Chess</p>	
<p>6:00-10:00pm Tennis Mix-in</p> <p>Silom Sala 7:00-9:00pm Kid's VDO</p>	<p>23 2:00-5:30pm Junior Swimming Classes</p> <p>5:00-6:30pm Junior Tennis</p> 	<p>6:00-10:00pm Tennis Mix-in</p> <p>Suriwongse Room 6:00-9:00pm WINE TASTING</p> <p>Silom Sala 7:00-9:00pm Kid's VDO</p>	 <p>Europcar</p> <p>www.europcar.co.th</p>
<p>Wordsworth Lounge 1:00-2:00pm Yoga</p>	<p>24 7:00-9:00am Adult Tennis Classes</p> <p>9:00am-2:00pm Junior Swimming Classes</p>	<p>Wordsworth Lounge 1:00-2:00pm Yoga</p>	<p>Why settle for the second, when you already have the BEST!!</p> <p>Door to door service of vehicle with Chauffeur and Short Term rental, Long Term rental or full maintenance leasing for company executives with irresistible rates.</p> <p>All new fleet of late 2006 Reservation: 02 696 8240 reservation@europcar.co.th</p> <p>Lumphini Station </p>

On the menu . . .

Pancakes!

There will be pancakes galore at the Club on Tuesday, February 20th to celebrate Shrove Tuesday - Pancake Day. Khun Laak has created a full buffet for the occasion, with a range of different savoury and sweet pancakes. Last year, some of the weirder creations included 'Lamb & Avocado', 'Strawberry and Mango', and 'Penang Curry' pancakes. Will this year produce more taste sensations? There will also be fun and pancake games for all the family - A flippin' good time guaranteed for all! Just 100 baht admission and 300 baht for the pancake buffet (optional).



To celebrate pancake day, here are three slightly unusual but very delicious pancake recipes . . .



Banana & Toffee pancakes

Preparation time - less than 30 mins

Cooking time - 10 to 30 mins

Ingredients:

For the Batter

225g/8oz plain flour

2 medium eggs

up to 500ml/17fl oz milk

For the Filling

250g/9oz good quality butter toffee (broken up if in a block)

3 tbsp milk

6-8 (one per person) ripe bananas, sliced

Method:

Sieve the flour and beat in the eggs. Beat in the milk a little at a time until the batter has the consistency of single cream. Leave to stand for at least half an hour before making the pancakes.

Put the toffee and 3 tbsp milk in a heavy pan. Stir consistently over a low heat until the toffee has melted and the sauce is smooth. It doesn't have to boil but should be nice and hot.

Fry the pancakes in a lightly oiled non-stick pan. When bubbles appear (after about 1-1½ minutes) flip or turn the pancake. Stack them up and keep them warm while you cook the rest.

Place slices of banana down the middle of each pancake and pour over a generous amount of toffee sauce. Fold over each side of the pancake into the middle. Decorate with more slices of banana and an extra drizzle of toffee sauce



Duck Pancakes with Hoisin Sauce

Preparation time - less than 30 mins

Cooking time - less than 10 mins

Ingredients:

4 duck breasts, about 175g/6oz each, skin removed

1/2 tsp Chinese five spice

freshly ground black pepper

2 tbsp sesame oil

100ml/3½fl oz hoisin sauce

8-10 Chinese pancakes, warmed

1 bunch spring onions, cut into matchsticks

1/2 cucumber, halved, seeds removed and cut into matchsticks

Method:

1. Cut the duck into thin strips and toss in the five spice and pepper. Heat the sesame oil in a frying pan or wok and add the duck. Stir-fry for 3-4 minutes until cooked through, then add the hoisin sauce. Continue to cook for about 1 minute, until the duck is thickly coated with the sauce.

2. Transfer the duck to a warmed dish, arrange the spring onions and cucumber in a bowl, unwrap the warmed pancakes and allow everyone to dig in and help themselves. The pancakes should be topped with some duck, spring onions and cucumber, then rolled up to resemble the Chinese classic.

Tip:

Chinese pancakes are available from most large supermarkets, but if you can't find them use mini flour tortillas instead, as they're about the same size and taste almost identical.



Cod and Mushroom Pancakes

Ingredients:

1lb (450 g) fresh cod, skinned and cut into 2 or 3 pieces
 2 1/3 cup (175 g) mushrooms, sliced
 3 tbsp (1 1/2 oz) 40 g butter
 1/3 cup (1 1/2 oz) 40 g flour
 1 1/4 cup (1/2 pint) 300 ml milk
 small can anchovies, drained and chopped
 8x8 inch (20 cm) pancakes (see below)
 freshly ground black pepper
 little melted butter

Method:

1. Put the cod and 1/4 pint (150 ml) of the milk into a saucepan and simmer for about 5 minutes until the fish flakes. Drain and reserve the liquid.
2. Simmer the mushrooms in the same liquid for about 3 minutes. Drain and reserve the liquid again. Rinse the pan, add the butter and melt. Add the flour and cook for a minute or two, stirring continuously. Gradually add the reserved liquid and remaining 1/4 pint (150 ml) milk and bring to the boil, stirring until the sauce thickens. Add the chopped anchovies and black pepper and mix well. Allow to cool. Flake fish into a medium-sized bowl, removing any bones. Add the mushrooms, then the sauce.
3. Meanwhile, heat the oven to 425°F (220°C) gas mark 7. When the fish mixture is cool, lay out pancakes and divide the mixture equally between them and season lightly. Roll up pancakes and place in an ovenproof dish.
4. To serve, brush with a little melted butter and heat through in the oven for about 20 - 30 minutes until crispy.

Pancake mix

8 oz (225 g) plain white flour
 10 fl oz (300 ml) liquid (water, milk or flavoured liquid)
 1 teaspoon oil
 Pinch of salt

1. Combine the flour and salt, stir in the egg and mix.
2. Beat in the liquid until the consistency is like single cream. Add the oil, stir, and leave to rest for up to 30 minutes.
3. Heat a heavy pan and oil it lightly. Pour a ladle of batter into the pan and swirl around.
4. When bubbles appear, after 1 1/2 - 2 minutes, flip or turn the pancake and cook for 1 minute more.



Laab Moo (Larb)

Laab, also known as Larb and Laap, is a northeastern food. Normally, larb is accompanied by fresh vegetables like cabbage, green beans, Thai basil and Thai water spinach. For a fuller meal, larb is eaten with sticky rice.

For 1-2 Servings:

1 tablespoon toasted rice
 1/4 shallot, thinly sliced
 1-2 limes
 1/2 lb ground pork
 1/4 tablespoon ground dried chili pepper
 3 tablespoons fish sauce
 5 sprigs cilantro, sliced
 3 sprigs spearmint (optional)
 1 green onion, sliced (optional)

Tips and substitutions

Substitute any ground meat for ground pork. Substitute red onion or just onion for shallot if you like. The spearmint adds zing to the laab.

Squeeze juice from 1/3 of the lime onto the ground pork. Mix well and let it marinate for just a couple of minutes until you are ready to cook it.

Heat up a pan on high until it is very hot. Add two tablespoons of water and then immediately add your marinated pork and stir. The pork will stick to the pan at first, but then the juice will come out and the meat will loosen from the bottom. Keep stirring until the pork is well done.

Put the pork in a bowl for mixing that will hold all the ingredients. Add fish sauce, green onion, shallot, cilantro, the rest of the lime juice, ground chili pepper and almost all of the toasted rice into the bowl. Save some toasted rice to sprinkle on top for garnish. Mix well and taste. It should be a little bit hot. You should be able to taste tartness and the fish sauce. If you need to add more fish sauce or lime juice, don't be afraid. Getting the flavor balance right is a trial and error process.

Put the mixed ingredients in a serving bowl, garnish with spearmint and sprinkle the rest of toasted rice on top. Serve with vegetables like cabbage, green beans, lettuce and Thai basil.

Cocktail of the Month - February

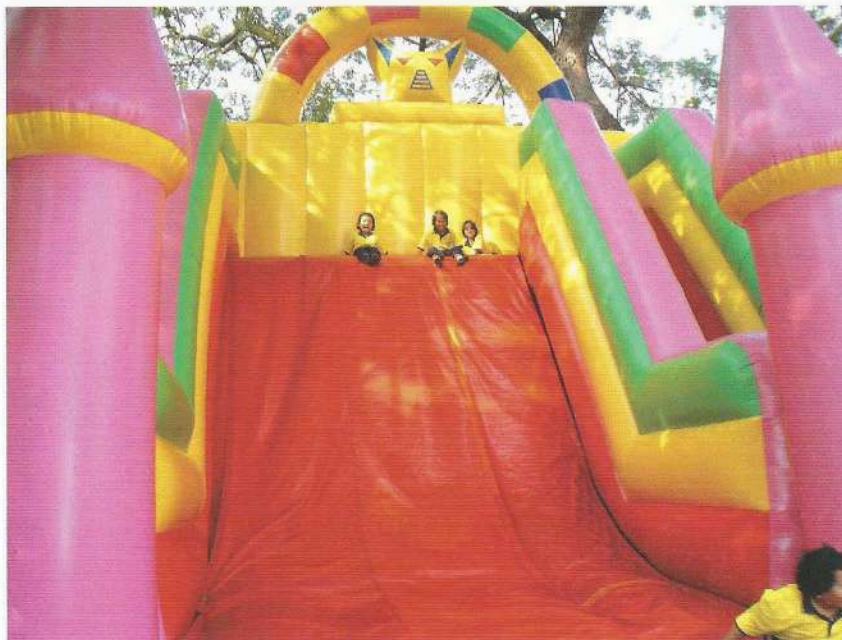
Cupid's Bow

1	oz	Beefeater Gin
1/2	oz	Peach Liqueur
1/4	oz	Galliano
3	oz	Orange Juice
1	oz	Lemon Juice
1/4	oz	Grenadine Syrup

Shake all ingredients and pour into wine glass. Garnish with a slice of orange.



Deaf Children's Xmas Party





Having just completed the Club's biggest ever Children's Christmas Party on the 18th December, the next day we repeated the whole party all over again, this time for the children from the Suthisan School for the Deaf.

The kids had no sooner arrived than they were racing around the many attractions set up all over the back lawn. They enjoyed a magic show, dog show, and a puppet show and then tucked into a buffet supper of sausages, fries, fried chicken, lots of coke and more candy floss. The pony rides proved popular as well as the giant slide. It was a colourful affair with lots of painted faces munching pink wads of candy floss in a sea of yellow shirts punctuated by multicoloured balloon creations. The highlight, as usual, was the arrival of Santa in his tuk-tuk bearing beautifully wrapped gifts . . .

Many thanks to the St Georges Society, the British Women's Group, Tesco Lotus, NETsolutions Asia, Diethelm travel, and all the other sponsors of this event including the Club staff who also donated money, goods, food and gifts. Thanks also to the intrepid ladies from the BWG and St George's who came along and helped out.

The kids had a blast and left with huge smiles on their faces and arms laden with gifts. This is a great event and what truly makes Christmas special. This year we managed to raise enough money to also take another 100 kids for a day out . . . more in a future issue!

Barry Osborne

DEVELOPMENT PHASE I

As we mentioned in our letter dated 6th December 2006, work on Phase I of the Development Plan commenced at 10am on 3rd January 2007. Obviously ripping up floors and demolishing false ceilings was an anxious moment as it meant there was no turning back. Discovery of woodworm, wet & mouldy plastering, beautiful cornices (which will be used as a feature in the new Churchill Bar) and rotten window frames all added to the excitement!

At the time of writing (18th January – thanks Billy for the extension!) the contractors were on schedule and the project as a whole was coming in under budget.

We are expecting the new Churchill Bar to be open around the 19th February and by the time you receive this edition of *Outpost* the Member Services and Lobby will be almost complete. Look out for details of the parties: "Last Night in

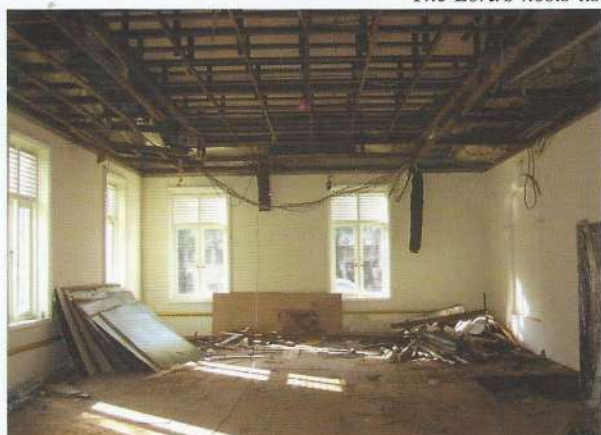
the Churchill Bar" followed very closely by "First Night in the Churchill Bar". We shall be receiving the support of our beer and wine suppliers to ensure that these two parties are both memorable occasions.

Once the hangovers have worn off the demolition of the current Churchill Bar will commence. Inconvenience to members will not be as great as in the first part of Phase I and we would like to thank you for your continued patience until the opening of the new Café Bar (name to be announced on 1st February) around 31st March 2007.

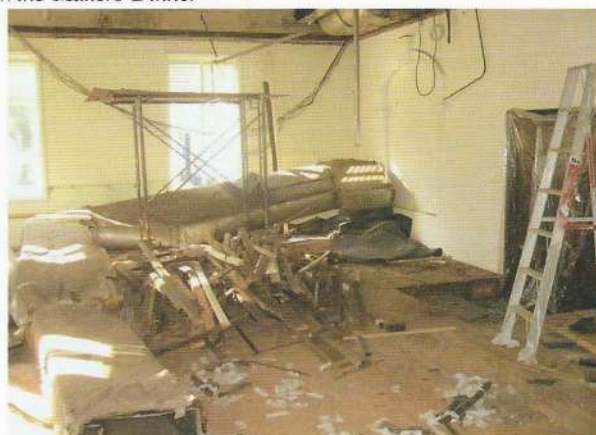
The photos below show the sequence of events thus far and the last picture is a computer rendering of what the Churchill Bar will look like when complete. We sincerely hope you enjoy the new Churchill Bar as much as you have enjoyed the old Churchill Bar.



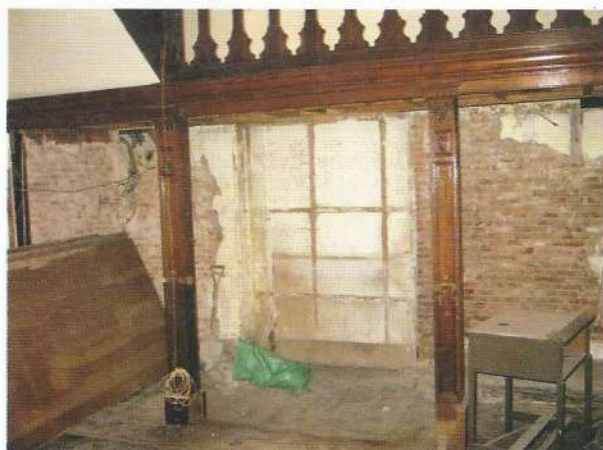
The Lord's hosts its last Wine Makers Dinner



Demolition underway



Out comes the ducting



Reception disappears!



Cornices exposed



Starting to rebuild



In goes the wiring



The new Churchill Bar (computer rendering)

DEVELOPMENT PHASE II

The DRSC has already started work on proposals for the funding of Phase II of the Development and, as always, we shall keep you fully apprised of details and timelines. Any input that you may have will always be greatly appreciated.

Simon Roberts

OLD ALLEYNIANs in Thailand



Dulwich College facade — same architecture as the UK Houses of Parliament



Edward Alleyn
(1566-1626)

Get thee to my feast

Ned's portrait — we usually bring his wooden cutout replica to our dinners, to toast



H.E. Anand Panyarachun congratulates BC chef, Khun Laak

Edward Alleyn

They don't sign signatures like this any more!



Group photo after a Christmas dinner at the BC, on the front lawn



The school crest — 'Gods Gift' (... to girls, as the schoolboys used to say ...)

EDWARD ALLEYN — aka 'Ned' in the movie 'Shakespeare in Love', as played by Ben Affleck — was the greatest actor of early 1600s London, when Shakespeare was the greatest playwright. Ned and Will probably knew each other well. They both worked the boards in London, though with different companies of players and in different theatres.

Ned was also a successful entrepreneur. He owned the manorial estate of Dulwich in south-east London, and also ran some morally dubious (by today's standards) operations, such as bear-baiting pits. It is thought that he wanted to atone for such by offering in 1619 a 'Gift to God', in the form of a college to educate twelve poor scholars in the ways of the Lord.

Flash forward 400 years . . . 'Dulwich College

of God's Gift' today has some 1500 boys, of whom about 10% are boarders, mostly from outside the UK. It consistently ranks near the top for academic achievement among UK public schools. Some famous 'Old Alleynians' (OAs) as alumni are known, are Ernest Shackleton (explorer), P.G. Wodehouse (writer), Raymond Chandler (writer), C.S. Forester (writer), Leslie Howard (actor), Bob Monkhouse (comedian), Trevor Bailey (sportsman), Anand Panyarachun (statesman) . . . and others.

Here in Thailand are about 40 OAs, of whom about half are usually free to come and enjoy our quarterly dinner reunions. OA Hon Chairman H.E. Anand Panyarachun, twice former Prime Minister of Thailand, presides. OA dinners are held at various good restaurants around town — but, at Christmastime, there's no place like the British Club.

BRIDGE LESSONS

The Bridge Section of the British Club is organising an Introductory Class for Bridge, covering both the Basics & Intermediate Levels of the game:

Introductory Course. Bridge: Basics & Beyond.

Instructor: Mr. Jeremy Watson.

Mr. Watson is the Chairman of the Bridge Section, and also an accredited tournament director of the American Contract Bridge League, having represented the Malaysian National team during 1979-1985, and the Thai National Team during 1999-2001. Mr. Watson is also the Open Pairs Champion at the Royal Bangkok Sports Club for 2003-2004.

Course Fee: Bt1,750 per person (payment through the British Club)

Duration: 5 weekly lessons. Each lesson will be about 3 hours, consisting of 1 hour lecture followed by 2 hours of prepared hands practice plays.

Time: Tuesday evenings, starting on 27th February 2007.

Place: British Club.

The course requires a minimum of 8 participants. Interested parties may sign up at the Reception counter of the British Club, or contact the organisers for further information:

Mr. Winlock Hsu Tel: 0-2977-7150 (office), or Email: winlock@gmail.com

Mrs. Charlene Wang Tel: 0-2921-6040 (office)

NEW THIS ISSUE!!

SUDOKU PUZZLE

Each Sudoku has a unique solution that can be reached logically without guessing. Enter digits from 1 to 9 into the blank spaces. Every row must contain one of each digit. So must every column, as must every 3x3 square.

For our first Sudoku puzzle, we've thrown you in the deep end - it's rated 'super-difficult'! Solution times range from 30 minutes or less (Sudoku freaks & geniuses) to 90 minutes (average) to giving up after 3 hours or more, then tearing the puzzle up into little tiny pieces and flushing it down the toilet (Billy Beefeater and other Sudoku no-hopers).

Good Luck! The first correct entry to reach Barry or Khun Ben wins a bottle of house wine.

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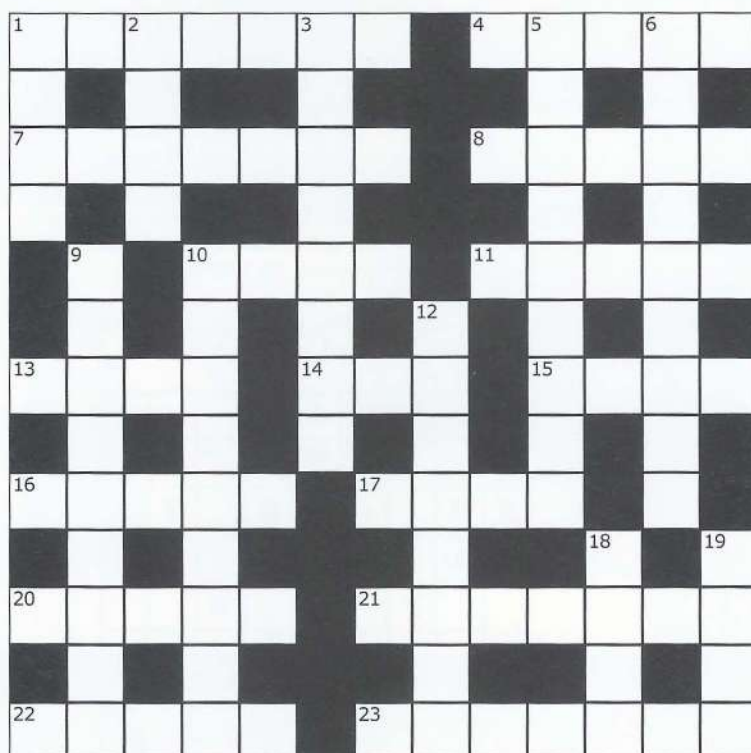
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Crossword Competition

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



January Solution

Across: 2 Wrinkly, 7 Lava, 8 Oily, 9 Rushing, 10 City, 12 Agog, 15 Rye, 16 Repeat, 18 Seaman, 20 Icicle, 22 Collie, 23 Leo, 24 Logo, 27 Brag, 29 Pavlova, 30 Flea, 31 Rank, 32 Lantern.

Down: 1 Sari, 2 Wary, 3 Insert, 4 Knives, 5 Yoga, 6 Also, 10 Cordial, 11 Tipping, 13 Gambler, 14 Ginseng, 17 All, 19 Ego, 21 Eleven, 22 Coyote, 25 Owls, 26 Opal, 27 Barn, 28 Aunt.

Clues

Across

- 1 Royal Navy is the Senior.
- 4 Applauds the peals of thunder.
- 7 Where to find the swarm . . .
- 8 . . . dodge it!
- 10 Half of an American prison!
- 11 Somehow armed for one on a Midsummer Night.
- 13 Land mass on our planet.
- 14 This grain makes American whiskey.
- 15 Cook here . . .
- 16 . . . or here.
- 17 An account for Mr. Sykes.
- 20 Dance in the Highlands.
- 21 A boasting fellow.
- 22 Somehow means a clergyman's home.
- 23 Fateful Goddess.

Down

- 1 The crazy boss cries aloud.
- 2 Another 20 Across.
- 3 City where you are sent in silence.
- 5 O prove I'll make another city.
- 6 An illegal ship of war.
- 9 Another 13 Across.
- 10 Last rings for some birds.
- 12 Ripe edge for the lineage.
- 18 Deepest male voice.
- 19 Little ones!

Be the first person to submit the correct entry for this month's puzzle to Barry or Khun Ben and receive a bottle of wine.

The crossword 'holiday blues' are STILL upon us! There was no correct entry for the January crossword, so a second bottle of wine has gone begging . . . Is there anybody out there?



Regular Sports, Games & Activities

Aerobics

Monday 10:30-11:30
Wednesday 10:30-11:30

Aqua Aerobics

Tuesday 10:30-11:30
Thursday 10:30-11:30

Chess

Thursday 6:00-9:00pm - Churchill Bar

Cricket

Wednesday 6:00-8:30pm Practice - Back lawn

Football

Tuesday 7:00-9:00pm Practice on the Tennis Court

Hockey

Thursday 9:00-11:00pm Practice on the Tennis Court

Rugby

Thursday 7:00-9:00pm Practice on the Tennis court

Snooking

Tuesday 8:30pm until late - Churchill Bar

Squash

Thursday 5.15-9.00pm Mix-in
And 1st Sunday of every month 10:30am-2:15pm

Swimming

Friday 2:00-5:30pm junior classes
Saturday 9:00am-2:00pm junior classes

Tennis

Match Play

Monday 6:00-10:00pm
Mix-in All Standards
Wednesday 6:00-10:00pm
Friday 6:00-10:00pm
Sunday 4:00-6:00pm

Ladies Mix-in

Tuesday 8:00-11:00am
Thursday 8:00-11:00am

Tennis Coaching

With Nelson Thein . . .
Friday 4:00-6:30pm: Junior tennis
Saturday 7:00-9:00am: Adult tennis

Yoga

Saturday 1:00-2:00pm in Wordsworth Room

Sports/Activities Price List

Aerobics

Aqua Aerobics

Cricket

Massage

Squash

Squash courts

Swimming

Tennis

Adult Tennis

Junior Tennis

Tennis courts

Tennis knockers

Yoga

Bt 4,000 for 10 sessions; drop-in Bt 500 per session
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Use of cricket nets - Bt 300 day/Bt 600 evening if lights needed
Thai massage/foot massage - Bt 250 per hourly session
Private coaching with David Lines - Bt 700 for 1 hour; group session
Bt 1200 per 45 min
Bt 50 per 45 min
Classes with Bangkok Dolphins - Bt 3,500 for 10 lessons of 30 min
Private coaching with Nelson Thein - Bt 800/hour
Private coaching with Khun Jang - Bt 550/hour
Bt 3,500 for 10 lessons (Saturday morning - beginner to advanced)
Bt 3,000 for 10 lessons (Friday)
Bt 30 per hour am/Bt 90 per hour pm
Hourly knocking sessions with - Khun Kaew (Bt 500), Khun Tom (Bt 400),
Khun Phon (Bt 300), Khun Champ (Bt 250)
Bt 1,000/month; Bt 300 per lesson

PLEASE NOTE: For all sports and activities, members are requested to please BOOK IN ADVANCE. Just 'showing up' may result in disappointment . . .

All sporting activities can be booked through the Fitness Centre. For Churchill Bar games - just show up!

Squashy Bits

Well, the Ashes didn't quite work out the way it was intended, but we spent a nice New Year Down Under with lots of friendly locals who were all very generous and gracious with their sympathy ... "Bad luck chaps, but well played" ... that sort of thing. Frankly it would be heaven if the Welsh could beat them at rugby!

BCB vs The Teachers, 9th December

I've hardly been at the Club since the last Squashy Bits, but just before Christmas I did roll down to the Club to see our boys take on "The Teachers". I was pretty curious since I could hardly imagine my teachers playing tiddlywinks, let alone squash.

My school days were shortly after WW2 and most of my teachers were survivors; the war-wounded, nutters or psychopaths. Not unlike Hogwarts. Most were ancient and probably unemployable in any other profession, starting with our headmaster "Korky" who had a wooden leg and was rarely seen except at morning assembly. He spent most of his time in his little room where he kept a cane to whack errant pupils. But he was well past his sell-by date and nobody was really scared of him.

"Charlie" and "Bott" were the two who terrorised us. Charlie, our maths teacher, had a dramatic and enormous crater along his bald scull, and Bott, French and geography, walked with a pronounced limp. They competed with each other to strike fear into us impressionable lads with bizarre spanking routines. Charlie would go into a rage, send the biggest boy to get a 'dap' from his locker and, whilst waiting, stride to each row of desks heaving the first one back so that we all concertinaed up to the back of the room against the radiator pipes like railway trucks. We sat there in hushed expectation, breathless with a desk pushing hard in our ribs, our hearts beating hard as we watched the victim being bent over and his blazer pulled up. Charlie would make a great show of bending and testing the dap for rigidity, and would then administer the punishment off a 6 pace run. I must admit a strange sense of sadistic pleasure as my mates got what they usually deserved ... and it sure beat calculus.

Bott was more subtle. He went through a similar routine but had to avoid the run-up due to his dodgy leg. He was much crueller verbally though, usually reminding his victim that the classroom was adjacent to a cemetery where many of our naughty forebears had ended up. His *pièce de résistance* was carefully straightening the trousers over the backside so that no wrinkle or fold could lessen the effect. I

always felt that his impact from a standing position was much more effective than Charlie off his long run up.

Charlie and Bott excelled at morning assembly when we would all file in, in class order and stand before our teachers for a hymn, a bible reading and the day's orders. On one infamous morning, "Chinky" the pianist struck up "All things bright and beautiful" only to discover that someone had put drawing pins in all of the hammers on the piano, producing a wonderful honky-tonk effect. Of course we all collapsed in laughter ... and Charlie went berserk. We were ordered to stand in silence until somebody owned up whilst he marched up and down between the rows like a mad sergeant major ... staring into our eyes, daring one of us to admit it was us. This went on for an agonising hour, a mixture of fear and a desperate urge to laugh ... until news came through that actually someone from the girls school had done it and we were all grumpily dismissed.

"Chinky", was our English teacher in the second form. He was about 95 and took it upon himself to be our moral advisor from time to time. There was no sex education in those days of course and all we knew about the birds and bees was learned behind the bicycle sheds or in the boy's toilets. This was probably not the best preparation for mature relationships with the fairer sex ... and probably explains a lot! On one memorable day when one of my class mates had been caught doing something disgusting, Chinky launched into a wonderful soliloquy about when we had feelings like that we were supposed to think about our mothers. We were all totally bemused and I have often wondered since, how many romantic moments were ruined by "What's up Darling?" ... "Oh nothing Sweetheart ... I'm just thinking about my mother".

To be fair, not all the teachers were old as new teachers were beginning to emerge from the teacher's training colleges. The one we all had a teenage crush on was another maths teacher, Miss Charles, 20 something and very pretty. We really didn't quite know how to behave with a normal person and to my dying day I will remember her crushing "Dunford! You are a very small boy, but you make a lot of noise!" I was a very sensitive 16 or so at the time.

So as I rolled up at the Club I was rather looking forward to seeing our boys mauled by a bunch of misfits, but they all turned out to be disappointingly normal and much too young. Captain Charles Whitely, history teacher at Pattana, would have been the only one not looking out of place in my teacher's room thanks to his distinguished hair-style and splendid

moustache. But unfortunately he is otherwise boringly ordinary most of the time, only occasionally becoming a nutter when he has a squash racket in his hand

First off were Ross and Marvyn. Ross had a brilliant game against a young player probably half his age ... surely the P.E. teacher. I'm not sure how old Ross is because he's probably ten years younger than his hair-style, but if he hadn't played at his best, he could have been walloped. But his was the crispest performance of the day. Marvyn forgot to give a copy of the Welsh SRA rules to the marker before his game and got involved in some ugly disputes over perfectly good calls going against him, much to the



BLUE GRAMMAR SCHOOL, WELLS
MAY 1959

considerable amusement of the gallery, but eventually won a typically dour fight with an impressive selection of 'frying pan' shots for which his opponent had no answer.

Peter Corney had the bad luck of coming up against another youthful, wristy, unorthodox player who was extremely fit and at times played a mixture of badminton, basketball and tennis ... but rarely squash. Peter held out for a while, but eventually sunk in confusion.

Nick Mellor is one of the players to have benefited from David Lines' coaching and was far too strong for his opponent, winning 3-0 and Neil Evans won a good battle against Charles who was not at his best, perhaps a little over-awed by his responsibility as Captain against his own Club. He was in kamikaze mode smashing many a winner into the tin after each of which he stared wide-eyed, muttering, ever-so-slightly nuttily, into and beyond the gallery.

By the time skipper David took to the courts the match was already won. His opponent found the floor slippery and could hardly stand up during the first game which David won in the blink of an eye. But he came back to win a great second game with a pair of his mate's shoes on. But David was playing good squash and his opponent didn't have the discipline to keep up the pressure, smashing too many unforced errors into the tin.

Well done lads! Well done David for a 100% record so far as Club captain. Thanks Charles and the Teachers for another very sociable match. And kids, if you want to learn squash, get down to the Club after school where the real masters are!



Barmy Army!



Barmy, but not the Army!

Rod Carter Open 2006

Somehow the report on the Rod Carter Open and Plate Squash Championships missed last month's Outpost. It was sponsored by ACA Pacific Group, commenced on 30 October 2006



Dark Clouds over England

and the finals were played on Sunday 12th November. Peter Corney reports:

"There were 48 entrants from 13 different clubs. There was a particularly good turnout from the Thai Yippon Sports Centre with 13 entries and there were 11 from BCB. Thai Number 1, Chatchawin, entered for the first time having previously been studying overseas whenever it was played.

In the second round the elderly David Lines and the younger (much younger) Gillem Tulloch (runner up in the King's Cup and tournament number 2 seed) played a superb match in which David proved to be the fitter and came out the surprise winner.

The Rod Carter Plate was won 3-0 by Santi from Witsanu. This was a hard fought match with Santi being the steadier of the two players. Santi received a trophy and 3,000 Baht and Witsanu received a trophy and 1,500 Baht.

The Open was won by Chatchawin against James Quinn. 9-5, 9-4, 9-1. James put up a good fight but his inexperience at this intensity was the deciding factor. James just doesn't get the opportunity to play the top players on a regular basis, but the fact that he got through to the finals in a field which was as strong as the Kings's Cup shows he has the skill level, fitness and speed to match the best players. He just needs more court time against them. Chatchawin is a class above everyone else in

Thailand but James still matched him at various times throughout the match especially the first game when he was 7-1 down and clawed his way back to 7-5 before losing 9-5. James received a trophy and 4,000 Baht as runner up and Chatchawin received 8,000 Baht and a trophy as the 2006 champion. The losing semi finalists, Supich and Nattakit, each received 2,000 Baht, all cash prizes being donated by ACA Pacific Group.

David Lines won player of the tournament with his fine efforts against the number 2 seed, Gillem and a future Thai National, Nattakit. David is a great match player and gives everything. To quote Chatchawin "he leaves it all on the court".

Of note was the fact that every match had a referee - a big thanks to Steve Tostevin, David Lines and Charles Whiteley who helped with the marking. This was the most successful Rod Carter Open that we have held at the BCB for many a year and certainly enhanced our reputation with the other clubs.

League Winners

Congratulations to the winners of December League # 214: Division 1 **Ja Chaturan**, Division 2 **Charles Whiteley**, Division 3 **Johan Baselius**

The Section is off to Chiang Mai to play both squash and cricket over the weekend of January 20/21 and all will be revealed next month.

Happy Squashing

Jack Dunford



The Teachers

LITTLE LEAGUE

Soccer Carnival

Come and have a taste of
the soccer revolution that
is Little League Soccer



- SUNDAY 11TH FEBRUARY 2007
- 10am to 12noon
- British Club, Bangkok field
- Open to children between the ages of 4 and 12 years and their families
- Children & families can join in the FREE SOCCER FUN GAMES
- Have a go at the soccer competitions to win cool prizes
- Meet the international coaches
- Sign up for our soccer clinics – with the chance to be coached by Steve McMahon (Liverpool FC and England International player)



Quote of the month:

“ When in doubt of a call, call it in... it makes the victory worthwhile and the defeat honorable. ”

Bangkok Mixed Doubles Interclub Tennis Tournament

Held on Saturday, 16th December 2006
Asia Tennis Academy @ Muang Thongthani

This annual all-day interclub mixed doubles tournament has been arranged and sponsored over many years by Kn. Surin and Chalutip Dunnvatanachit and continues to be the highlight mixed doubles tournament of the Bangkok Clubs' tennis year.

This year's event proved to be outstanding in every respect, from the choice of a perfect venue, the quality of the tennis played and the generosity of our hosts in providing prodigious amounts of food and drink throughout the day for players and their supporters. As was to be expected, the weather turned out to be ideal too with cool breezes to keep us all refreshed.

Participating Clubs were RBSC 'A' Team and RBSC 'B' Team, British Club, Japanese Association, Armed Services Team and Health Ministry Team. Six teams in all with a maximum of 15 players in each from which 5 pairs were chosen for each match played. Pairs were selected on a combined age basis of 70, 80, 90, 100 and 110 respectively, with minimum ages for men of 35 years and for ladies 30 years.

The format consisted of 2 groups of 3 teams, each group playing 'round robin' with group winners going on to a finals playoff and 1st and 2nd runners-up from each group vying for the remaining 4 positions.

With the festive season upon us, amazingly we still managed to turn out quite a strong team with a number of our top players in attendance. Playing for the BC were Team Captain Phairoj, Enrique, James Y., Andrew R., Bernie and Bruce G., more than ably supported by ladies, Yubharet, Eileen, Mam, Tip and Ruedee.

Outstanding performances came from Team Captain Phairoj who won all four of his matches with the best BC lady players being Eileen Rutledge and Ruedee Vance who both won 3 of 4 played. Ruedee, a new team member back in her native Thailand after many years in the US, is sure to make her mark in future BC and



outside tennis events. Another noteworthy performance came from our Mexican master, Enrique.

Having won our own Group 'B' we then played 1st runner up in Group 'A', the highly fancied Japanese Association and this we lost by 4 games to 1. This effectively put us out of the running for the top two positions but with a chance to clinch 3rd place. To do this we had to win our next match against the Armed Services Team, which was just a little more than we could manage on the day. In a very closely fought last match James and Eileen finally had to give way,



BC just losing out at 3-2. RBSC 'A' Team scored a close 3-2 win over Japanese Association for first place with Armed Services coming 3rd, BC 4th, RBSC 'B' Team 5th and MOH taking the last place.

Magnificent trophies and prizes were presented to all participating teams by our hosts Kn. Surin and Chalutip together with baskets laden with goodies from RC Cola and other sponsors, for sharing amongst team members. In this august company BC's 4th place was no mean achievement and we all came away well satisfied with our performance but all determined to do even better next year!! Clearly the best Bangkok Vets event of the year and the best ever Interclub Mixed Doubles Event.

Our thanks are copiously due to both Surin and Chalutip for providing us all with one of the most enjoyable tennis days of our lives.

"An event that will remain in all our memories long into the future and on."



Tennis Section Vice Chairman Bruce Gordon is presented with the BC's trophy by Khun Surin, the main tournament sponsor.

Enrique's Tip of the Month:

Whenever you and your partner have the opponents playing on the defense, it is time to **move forward ...**

When you or your partner hit a great shot and recognize your opponents are moving back, stretching for that wide or low ball, it is very important that you anticipate and **move forward** and **be aggressive**.

When a player is pushed back behind the baseline and stretched out wide off the court, they typically will hit something weak and short back. This is why it is so important to anticipate this type of shot from your opponents in these situations and look to **move forward and take the ball early**. This helps you and your partner establish better court position, inside the court and closer to the net. Also, by recognizing these situations, it helps to cut down on your opponents' recovery time.

So good luck and **remember to move forward** when you have your opponents on the defense!

Special thanks to Bruce Gordon for his invaluable contribution to this report.

Marilyn August

Reciprocal Club Benefits

As an active British Club Member, you are entitled to enjoy the full use of other associated Club facilities around the world. This month we feature the reciprocal club . . .



Singapore Cricket Club



southern wings added in 1922 to provide a sizable facility that embraces the entire southern end of the Padang.

The SCC today has over 8,000 members, an active and vibrant social calendar, and no fewer than 13 sports sections, the most popular of which is golf. Cricket, rugby, soccer and field hockey are played on the Padang, and the Club also has facilities for squash, tennis, lawn bowls, billiards and snooker. The Club has played host to many international cricket events over the years and it also holds annual international competitions for Rugby Sevens, Soccer Sevens and Hockey Sixes.

Any visitor to Singapore cannot fail to notice the Singapore Cricket Club. One of the premier sports and social clubs in Singapore, the SCC was established in 1852 and stands on the edge of the Padang at the centre of the city's colonial heart. Over the years, the Club has had three clubhouse buildings, the third of which, built in 1884, forms the core of the present-day clubhouse. It was extended in 1907, and the northern and

Club amenities include: Main Lounge, Padang Restaurant (a la carte), The Oval & Verandah (casual dining), Men's Bar & Billiards Room, Stumps, The Deli (bar & snacks), Jackpot Room (slot machines), Gilmour Room and Gilmour Terrace (functions), Gymnasium.

Website: <http://www.scc.org.sg/>



Anyone for cricket?

Great views from Gilmour Terrace



The Padang Restaurant for fine dining . . .



'Stumps' sports bar



Al fresco casual dining on the Verandah or inside at The Oval

For more information please contact the Membership Department at membership@britishclubbangkok.org

If you regularly visit an overseas club that is not already reciprocal with the British Club, please do let the Club know and we will see if reciprocation can be arranged.

HELLOS and GOODBYES

Welcome Aboard!

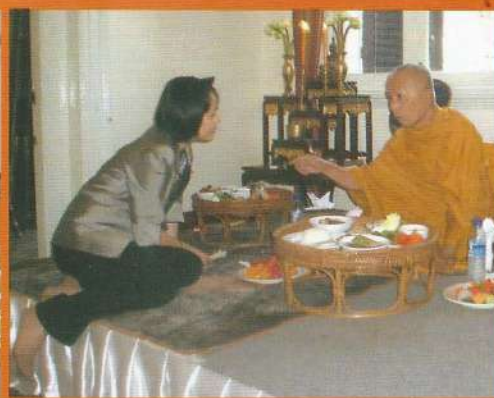
Please join us in welcoming the following new members and their families. We look forward to seeing them around the Club.

1. Antony Chapman
2. Neville & Valerie Coates
3. Timothy Tsang & Etta Wong
4. Mark & Kusuma Hall
5. Xavier Maulave & Wachiraporn Promchinwong
6. Anuntana Praserttratanakul
7. Andrew & Ruedee Vance

Farewell and best wishes to . . .

1. Andrew & Udomlaksa Maule
2. Stewart Cairns & Clare Kenwood
3. Geraint & Elizabeth Davies
4. James & Claire Harding
5. Andrew & Kerry Guthrie
6. Peter & Caroline Scott-Bowden
7. Tim Joynt
8. Michael & Esther Baker

A Blessing on the Club



On 15th January, around 50 staff, General Committee and Ordinary members attended a special ceremony in the Suriwongse Room to bless the Club and its spirit house. The nine monks in attendance also blessed Khun Noo, the Club's former Engineer, on the first anniversary of his tragic death. The ceremony lasted approximately one hour and concluded with a perambulatory blessing of whole Club and its grounds. Hopefully the spiritual energy generated will ensure an accident-free year. The monks' blessing of the Club will now become an annual event.



Getting in touch

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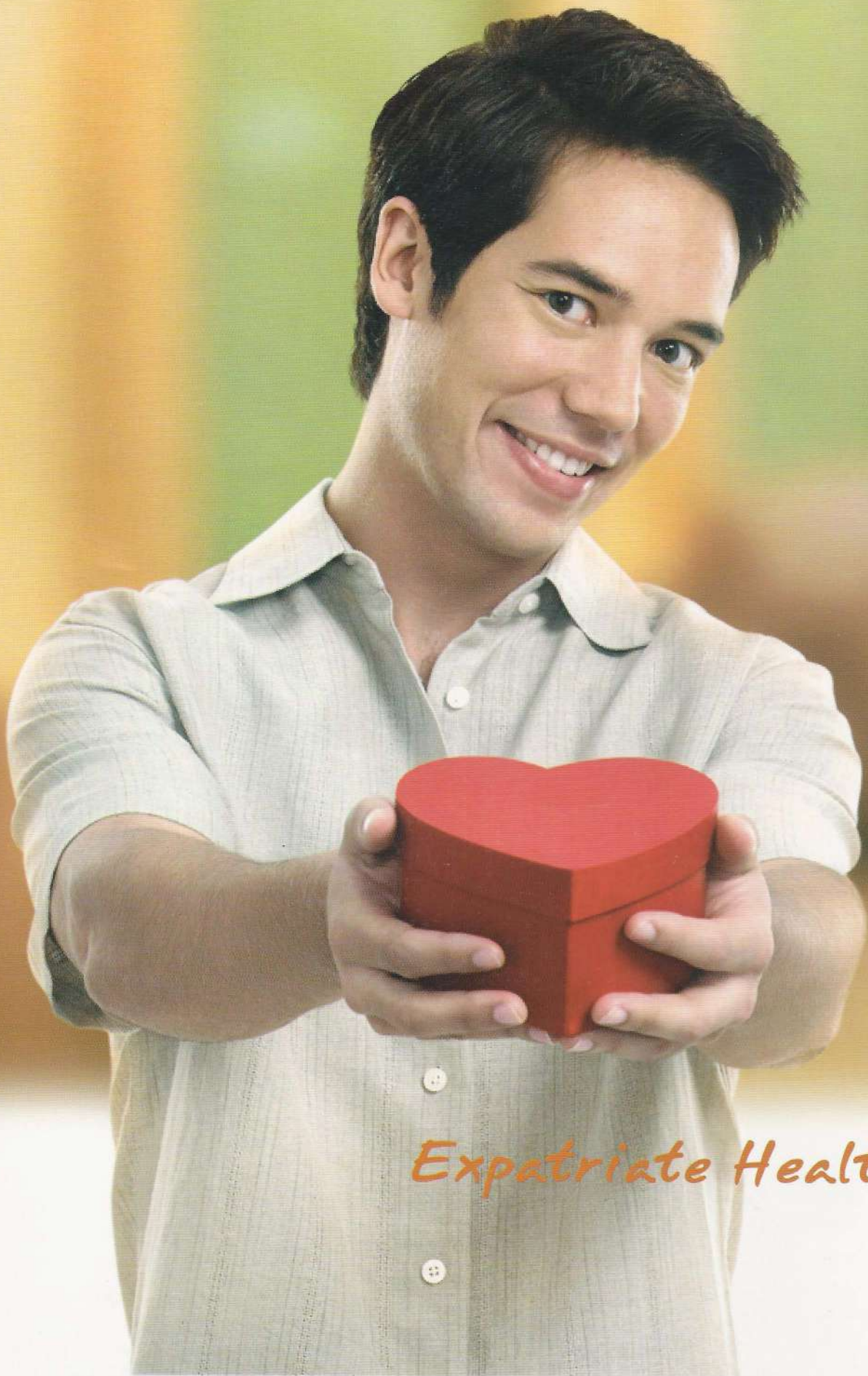
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