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MARCH 1975

The Monthly News

The news from in and around the British Club Bangkok

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South Carolina (AP)
William C. West-
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South Carolina.
who retired from the army in
afternoon news conference at
was little doubt



Picasso heirs win claim

GRASSE, France (AFP)
A Grasse court yesterday
upheld the claim of Claude
and Paloma Ruiz-Picasso
to be the natural children
of the late Pablo Picasso
and to have the right
share in the painters' es-
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- Honorary Secretary* : B.W. Heath
- Club Manager : H.A. Traugott

(* Up to 26 February 1975)

NEWSLETTER FOR MARCH 1975

The new Newsletter cover has been used to mark the beginning of a new club year. This is the last edition issued on behalf of the 1974/75 committee. On 28 February the club will be under new management.

On reflection the 'old firm' made some notable and progressive improvements and changes. Perhaps the most worthy of note (and notice) were the face-lift give to the entrance hall wood work, the refurbishing of the reading room and the garden areas. For this the Club is indebted to Brian Thompson.

The outgoing committee has for the good of the club attempted to plan ahead and will be handing over to the new committee first thoughts on development of the club facilities and an outline entertainment programme for the next twelve months.

The forecast of events on page 7 is published to give you an idea of what is in store but is subject to confirmation by the new entertainment committee.

CLUB NEWS

ASSISTANT TO THE MANAGER

The Committee engaged Mr. Manit in the new post of Assistant to the Manager with effect from Monday 17 February. Mr. Manit will assist the Club Manager particularly in the running of the bar and catering and will act for Mr. Traugott in his absence.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Committee wishes to acknowledge with thanks the prizes and gifts so generously given by the following firms and individuals:-

Tennis Gala

EAGLE SPORTS Company Limited	- Tennis balls
DUNLOP Thailand Limited	- Steel racquet (Raffle: first prize)
AIR SIAM	- Umbrellas and travel bags
TWA	- Travel bags
ANGIO THAI MOTORS Limited	- Motor Service Voucher
DTC Group	- Bic Lighters
Mrs. Joan Docherty	- Tapestry
Messrs: Peter Rider	- Whisky
Jim Perry	- Whisky
Bill Storey	- Ironing table

St Valentines Dance

CHIANG INN (Chieng Mai)	- First prize
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Squash League

CHASE MANHATTAN INVESTMENT COMPANY (Thailand) Limited	- Trophies
NATIONAL OUTDOOR SITES Limited	- Shirts

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COMMITTEE MEETING

- a. The Committee will meet at 5.45 pm on the following evenings in the Office. The Office will be closed during the meeting.

Tuesday 4 March

Tuesday 18 March

- b. New Members. The members of the General Committee will be in the new bar from 5.15 to 5.45 pm on each of these evenings to meet proposed new members.

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NEW MEMBERS

Proposers and seconders of new members are reminded that they:

- a. must have been members of the Club for at least one year.
- b. are responsible for presenting the proposed new member to the Committee at the time and dates set for the purpose.

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WELCOME - NEW MEMBERS

The following new members have joined the club since the issue of the last Newsletter (up to 18 February)

A.C. Bekenn	G.S. Glaister (NV)
A.R. Boyd	B.B. Honan (NV)
J.M. Brown (IP)	T.D. Pike
D.J. Cook	R.P. Reid
P. Cutfield	M.J. Ryan
R.N.B. Chamichael	H.A.J. Staples

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Golf Handicaps

Dear Sir,

In last month's NEWSLETTER there appeared in the Section dealing with Ladies Golf a statement to the effect that

- a. The girls of the LGU abide strictly by the rules.
- and b. In Britain no man has a handicap of more than 24.

Both points are incontrovertible. The BC Golf Committee nevertheless wishes to state that

- a. Given the girls' affiliation to the LGU they would hardly be expected to deviate from the rules of that august body.
- b. The Men's decision to adopt the USGA handicapping system, which permits of handicaps up to a maximum of 36, was not taken without considerable thought and discussion. The decision to adopt this system was based on the belief that it was more appropriate to golfing conditions obtaining in Thailand and that it would encourage players of lesser ability or opportunity to participate more equitably in tournaments organised by the BC.
- and c. The BCGS is, with clarity of conscience and certitude of victory, prepared to play the LGU at any time under any fair and mutually acceptable handicapping system.

E.C. HOWELL

SPORTS SHORTS

Football: Results

25 Jan	v	German All Stars	Won	3 - 0
3 Feb	v	Visiting RN Ship	Won	7 - 4
9 Feb	v	Swiss Mountaineers	Drew	2 - 2
15 Feb	v	German All Stars	Won	4 - 3
16 Feb	v	Ruam Rudee School	Won	9 - 0

Football: Fixtures

Sun 9 Mar	v	Scan Dutch	(Soi 15)	2.30 pm
Sat 15 Mar	v	Farang League Cup Final	(Soi 15)	4.30 pm
		Cup Final Party		7.00 pm

The Football team has managed to hold on to second place in the league and has now qualified for the final play off on 15 March.

Cricket: Bangkok Cricket League

At the time of going to press the Cavaliers have entered the semi final stage in which they are due to play the RBSC (Rugby section).

During the competition two batsmen have put up best in the league performances which will be hard to beat.

Brian Thompson Scored 62 out of 115 against Crusaders(20 overs)
John Dickerson Scored 73 out of 190 against Nakon Sawan CC
(25 overs)

Cricket Fixtures

1 March	-	BCL Final	
		Two innings match at RBSC commencing 9.30 am	
8 March	-	Champions v The Rest (at RBSC)	

Darts: Bangkok Darts League

As at 18 February the BC Darts team was in sixth position in the A Division of the league having won five of their nine games.

Cricket: Result

Cavaliers beat Nakhon Sawan CC by 73 Runs

Scores

BC	190 for 5 wickets	Dickerson	73
		Clover	60
Nakhon Sawan	113 for 5 wickets	Dickerson	1 for 17
		Hignett	1 for 28

SWIMMING NEWS

A new interest for the Swimming Group is Waterpolo played every Thursday at 4.30 pm with much enthusiasm. Swimmers not in the Swimming Squad are very welcome to join in the fun. There are 2 age groups 9-10 years and under and 9-10 years and over.

The March Monthly Gala will be held on Sunday 2 March. The strokes will be breast fly and I.M. All children are encouraged to participate.

The Annual General Meeting will be held after the Gala at 2.30 pm. All interested parents are very welcome.

Once again the Swimming Group have had to say goodbye to one of their families. With the Ramsay family go our thanks for all they have contributed to our group - not only the children but Mum and Dad too and we wish them well.

Ian Launder has been elected Chairman of the Swimming Group replacing Ross Ramsay. Also coopted to the committee are Peter Comerford and Hugh Jamieson.

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Forthcoming Fixtures

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| March 1 - 2 | Societies' Tournament | Hua Hin |
| 16 | Medal | Rose Garden 8.00 am |
| 30 | Stableford Aggregate | Hua Mark 8.30 am |

Dunlop Match Play Trophy

Noel Bond and Paul Huey were worthy winners of the Dunlop Trophy. In the semi-final at Hua Mark they beat Eric Howell and Derek Pott by 4 and 3 when after taking a commanding lead at the start - Noel getting a birdie 3 on the first hole and Paul a birdie 3 on the second - they were never really in trouble and held on comfortably to win.

In the Final at the Railway Course in unusual wet January weather Noel and Paul had an even better start by going 4 up after the first 4 holes against the Scots Combination of Duncan Byars and Ken I'Anson. Despite being 5 down at the turn and despite torrential rain the Scots agreed to carry on and were eventually defeated by 5 + 4 - the coup de grace being administered on the 14th hole where Noel holed out for a birdie two.

Congratulations to the Aussie - Irish Combination ... and thanks to Dunlop (in the persons of John and Hisako) for giving this tournament their usual support ...

Four Ball Better Ball

This competition was declared cancelled after 9 holes had been played at the Railway Course due to unusual inclement weather conditions. The greens became water logged after torrential rain and it was not even possible to declare front nine winners. The pundits still find it hard to believe that rain could interfere with BC Golf - in JANUARY !!!

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GOLF (Continued)

Against Par

At Hua Mark on 2 February a motley of visiting Aussies, new Club members and Club Stalwarts played against Par. Winning Scores were rather better than usual with John Bradshaw, + 7, leading the field and closely followed by commercial colleague Tim Martin, + 6. Congratulations to these worthy prize winners whose handicaps were subsequently trimmed...

BRIDGE NOTES

Virginia and Bernard Watkins have now left for Malaysia, and a presentation by the regular members of the bridge group was made on Wednesday 29 January at their farewell appearance.

While it is intended to continue "as before" on most Wednesdays, i.e. to play the usual rubber bridge, on one occasion each month a special evening will be organised in which duplicate, chicago, or single movement scoring will be played.

At present there are about four tables at each session, but it is certain that lots of other members of the club play bridge. Why not come along on a Wednesday evening? Do not let the standard of your bridge be a cause of any inhibitions about attendance. The atmosphere is very relaxed.

Another match has been arranged against our perennial opponents The Dutch Club, probably for 19 March. This time they will play hosts.

The new organiser, in succession to Bernard Watkins, is James Davidson Tel. 862942 house or 518291 office. Please address any queries or suggestions regarding play on Wednesdays to him, either at the club or at Shell House.

SQUASH NEWS

League

The 6th League ended 31 January following a final two weeks of frenzied activity. The results are listed below:

DIVISION ONE	PTS	DIVISION TWO	PTS
John Ruwald	30	Adrian Lamb	27
Rod Carter	27	Brian Thompson	25
Dave Mason	24	Bill Brandon	23
		Jim Perry	23
DIVISION THREE	PTS	DIVISION FOUR	PTS
Jim O'Shea	24	Mark Ellis	17
David Brunwin	22	Pat Gabbett	11
John Sharland	22	David Workman	9
DIVISION FIVE	PTS	DIVISION SIX	PTS
David Sims	28	Colin Mortimer	24
Bernard Grogan	27	James Davidson	22
Mike Ward	25	Geoff Smith	19
DIVISION SEVEN	PTS	DIVISION EIGHT	PTS
John Gandy	24	Chris King	17
David Cobbett	24	Gordon Mason	16
Peter Cummings	20	Brian Barclay	15
DIVISION NINE	PTS		
Ann Workman	17		
Stephen Walker	11		
Walter Ford	10		

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SQUASH (Continued)

For the statistically minded, 97 entrants were originally accepted for a projected games total of 482. Five players were withdrawn and three retired hurt during the course of the League, reducing the games total to 405. Of those, 318 games were actually played to a result, (78.5%), there were 33 walkovers awarded (8.2%), and 54 games remained unplayed and unclaimed (13.3%). That 13.3% could easily be reduced to zero if all the League participants take an active interest in playing their games.

Round Robin - 25 January

In the morning session, John Dickerson yet again walked away with the cup, which with his two previous wins thereby makes him eligible for div. 1 status and handicap. And if that fails to stop him, the organisers will be standing by with a cricket bat and pads to exchange for his racquet.

In the afternoon Bernard Grogan won through and eventually beat Colin Mortimer in the playoff.

TENNIS NOTES

The Annual Tournament and the Gala Day on Sunday 9 February was a great success. The Tennis section wish to thank club members and friends for their support. The highlight of the Gala Day was the exhibition match between Somparn and Felix Boutista the Thailand national players. Felix's sister Seda and Dow joined in a mixed doubles exhibition.

Fixtures

Sat	1	Mar	-	versus	ISB
Sun	2	Mar	-	versus	SEATO
Easter Weekend	-		-		Singapore Cricket Club (?)
(29 - 31 Mar)					

Courts

Court No. 3 has had to be taken out of service for another two months and we hope that we can restore the playing surface to its 1974 standard but the rains have been very cruel to the courts generally.

TENNIS (Continued)

Club Championship Results

Men Singles John Cox over Noel Bond

Ladies Doubles Colleen Perry over Helen Bergstrom

(Colleen having won this now three times keeps the cup and Fleming Kinnaird has very kindly said he will donate a new cup for the 1976 tournament).

Men Doubles John Cox and Noel Bond
over
Jim Perry and John Davis

Ladies Doubles Colleen Perry and Norma Rudder
over
Helen Bergstrom and Margaret Lamb

Mixed Doubles Jim and Colleen Perry
over
Roy Fordham and Norma Rudder

Plate Singles Jim O'Shea

Plate Mixed Doubles Mr. and Mrs. John Gibson

Mrs. Docherty graciously presented the prizes including small mementos to the exhibition players.

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Classified Ads should be handed to the Club Manager by the closing date for entries published in the Newsletter.
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