

# OUTPOST

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE BRITISH CLUB

MARCH 1980







## THE BRITISH CLUB

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## EDITORIAL



March 1980

This month an attempt has been made to improve the format of the Newsletter. The easiest way to "improve" a publication is to give it a new name, or in this case merely a name.

Many titles were hung on the line, thrown at the fan, viewed through the green eye-shades - or whatever else is done on these occasions - and the choice was finally narrowed down to two. "OUTPOST"\* prevailed over "LAST POST" in an agonising decision for the editorial committee.

We are also now printing the body (or corpse, as it is known by some) of the magazine at the Club, which hopefully will reduce our expenses, or at least, in these inflationary times, keep the expenses at the same level as last year. It is also planned to improve the layout and presentation of the contents in future editions, although, as amateurs, we have to proceed by the well known system of trial and error. In our case the trial follows the error.

In the end the success of OUTPOST will depend on the material and "news" that is made available for publication. Contributions from members and their families are welcomed, whether written, pictorial or in the form of advertisements personal or commercial, as also are suggestions and comments for further improvements.

Finally we appeal to members to take OUTPOST home (censored if necessary) so that the family may read it and possibly even keep it as a calendar of forthcoming Club events.

\* According to our dictionary, defined as "a detachment on guard at some distance from the main body to prevent surprise".



## MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

### NEW MEMBERS:

The following were elected to membership of the Club in February 1980:

#### Ordinary

Mr. R.W. Armstrong	Dairy Lane
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### NEW MEMBERS NIGHT

New Members will be invited to meet the Committee in the Cinema Room at 5.30 p.m. on the following days:

Tuesday 4 March (Closing date 1 March)

Tuesday 1 April (Closing date 29 March)

Candidates and sponsors are invited to bring their wives to the New Members Night which will take the form of an informal drinks gathering. Dress: Tie (but no jacket) or Safari Suit.

## MEMBERS DEPARTING

We regret to report the imminent departure for Korea of John and Beth Weymouth. John joined the Club in December 1975 and both he and his family have since then been popular and active Club members. John has served on the general committee, chaired the squash section committee and represented the Club at squash and cricket. Beth has been secretary of the swimming section committee for many years and Alexandra and Kimberlie have represented the Club in many swim meets. The Weymouths have also been active participants in most sporting and social activities within the Club and above all it will be their good company which will be missed by so many. On behalf of their many friends we wish them every success in their new posting and hope they will be able to maintain their association with the Club in the future.

## MEMBERS ACCOUNTS

Apologies to any members who may have been confused by the recent change in the manner of presenting the dreaded monthly bill. A simplified accounts and invoicing system has been instituted which saves the Club about \$1000.- per month in stationary alone. The change was planned (with typical thoroughness) many months ago, all ready to implement when the considerable supplies of "old" stationary ran out. Also typically, they ran out before there was chance to warn members of the change. The chits are still being sent with the invoices. The statement does not need to be returned with members' cheques provide the member's name and Club number is printed on the cheque.

## DIRECTORY OF MEMBERS

It is now urgent that members let the office know of any change of address or 'phone numbers' for inclusion in the 1980 directory. Any member who does not wish his address or phone numbers to be included should similarly inform the office immediately.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Any member who is eligible and willing to stand for election to the next general committee and who cannot attend on 25th March at 5.30 is reminded that under the rules he must signify his willingness in writing.



## LEGAL NOTES

Members are reminded that the behaviour of children on the Club premises is the responsibility of the member or parent accompanying the children.

By-law 11 states that children under the age of 18 are not permitted in the main bar and that children under the age of 14 are not allowed in the Club House unless they are accompanied by an adult or attending events specially organised for children.

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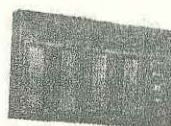
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## CLUB DEVELOPMENT

### KITCHEN RENOVATION

The kitchen renovations are now almost completed. The entire kitchen has been redecorated and new equipment installed enabling a much higher standard of hygiene to be maintained.

### CINEMA ROOM

The renovation work is proceeding with a target completion of 25th March 1980. The glazing of the windows and installation of airconditioning has been completed and removal of the old ceiling, together with the infamous toaster, is in progress. Refurbishing of the original ceiling and walls, rewiring, repairs to the floor, new curtains and provision of new stacking chairs is in hand. When completed the room will be available for functions until the main function rooms (planned for the existing billiards room) are completed.

### NEW OFFICE BUILDING

Part of the klong has been filled in preparation for this project and plans have been drawn up for the phased development of this area of the compound. Completion of this part of the Long Range Plan is necessary before subsequent phases can start. Regrettably it is not worth repairing the carpark until the building work is finished.

### NEW SQUASH COURT

Consultants have been appointed and work on the detailed drawings should start soon.



CLUB/SECTION EVENTS FOR MARCH 1980

Tue 4	- NEW MEMBERS NIGHT	5.30 p.m.
	- <u>Ladies Golf.</u> Stableford	
Thu 6	- <u>Darts.</u> BC v Hobsons Choice	8.00 p.m.
Sat 8	- Children's Activities	9.00 a.m.
	- <u>Video Tape.*</u> "The Gauntlet"	5 & 8.00 p.m.
Sun 9	- Monthly Swimming Gala	11.30 a.m.
	- <u>Golf.</u> Singles Bogey (Unico)	7.00 a.m.
	- <u>Tennis.</u> BC v OESA	2.00 p.m.
	- <u>Soccer.</u> Soccer Section vs Squash Section	
	- <u>Video Tape.*</u> "The Gauntlet"	2, 5 & 8.00 p.m.
Tue 11	- <u>Ladies Golf.</u> Club Knock-Out (1st Round)	
Thu 13	- <u>Darts.</u> BC v Bobby's Arms	8.00 p.m.
Sat 15	- <u>Video Tape.*</u> "Goldfinger"	5 & 8.00 p.m.
Sun 16	- <u>Video Tape.*</u> "Goldfinger"	2, 5 & 8.00 p.m.
Tue 18	- <u>Ladies Golf.</u> Club Knock-Out (2nd Round)	
Thu 20	- <u>Darts.</u> Rajah v Bobby's Arms	8.00 p.m.
Sat 22	- <u>Video Tape.*</u> "The Long Duel"	5 & 8.00 p.m.
Sun 23	- <u>Golf.</u> Singles Stableford (Rose Garden)	7.00 a.m.
	- <u>Tennis.</u> BC v ESCAP	2.00 p.m.
	- <u>Video Tape.*</u> "The Long Duel"	2, 5 & 8.00 p.m.
Tue 25	- ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (Cinema Room)	5.30 p.m.
	- <u>Ladies Golf.</u> Medal	
Thu 27	- <u>Darts.</u> BC v Amarit-ISB	8.00 p.m.
Sat 29	- <u>Video Tape.*</u> "Coma"	5 & 8.00 p.m.
Sun 30	- <u>Video Tape.*</u> "Coma"	2, 5 & 8.00 p.m.
Tue 1 Apr	- NEW MEMBERS NIGHT	5.30 p.m.
Thu 3 Apr	- <u>Darts.</u> CPA v Bobby's Arms	8.00 p.m.
Sat 5 Apr	- Children's Activities	9.00 a.m.
	- <u>Golf.</u> 4BBB Stableford	7.00 a.m.
	(Siam Country Club)	
	- <u>Video Tape.*</u> "The Mechanic"	5 & 8.00 p.m.
Sun 6 Apr	- Swimming (Easter Gala)	11.30 a.m.
	- <u>Golf.</u> Single Stableford (Sattahip)	7.00 a.m.
	- <u>Video Tape.*</u> "The Mechanic"	2, 5 & 8.00 p.m.
Mon 7 Apr	- <u>Golf.</u> Medal (Siam Country Club)	7.00 a.m.

\* Unfortunately, subject to change without notice.

"GRAND NATIONAL" PUB NIGHT

SAT. MARCH 29TH

8.00 P.M.

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CHAMPIONSHIPS

ENTRIES CLOSE 8.30 P.M. - DOUBLES



PUBLIC HOLIDAYS/SPECIAL DAYS FOR MARCH

3rd March

Makha Bucha Day

WEEKLY CLUB EVENTS

Monday	BRIDGE	7.30 p.m.
	CURRY NIGHT	6.00 p.m.
Tuesday	TENNIS	2.30 p.m.
	SWIMMING TRAINING	4.30 p.m.
Wednesday	TENNIS	2.30 p.m.
Thursday	TENNIS	2.30 p.m.
	SWIMMING TRAINING	4.30 p.m.
Friday	BALLET	2.00 p.m.
Saturday	TENNIS	10.30 a.m.
Sunday	TENNIS	10.30 a.m.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The A.G.M. will be held on TUESDAY 25th MARCH in the CINEMA ROOM at 5.30 p.m.

SOCIETIES EVENTS

St. David's Society Annual Ball	- 15 March
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St. George's Society Annual Ball	- 24 April

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## SOCCER REPORT

This month's report, starts with a sending off. No! not a red card, but a farewell party for that long standing, fleet footed, clean living full back, Chico, who after months of negotiations was transferred to Nottingham Shrubbery c/o Brian Puff.

Despite his official sending off, he turned up for two more games before he took his tankard, and went - we haven't been able to finish anything off lately.

Anyhow, in front of a big crowd (J.R.) a confident B.C. side lined up against I.S.B. who despite having eighteen players available, claimed they were understrength.

The first half saw the B.C. take control of the game, without of course scoring a goal, despite a fine header from John Charlesworth from his first touch of the ball.

Then followed an excellent save by the young I.S.B. goalkeeper from a fiercely hit shot by Stephano Balme, and an equally good save by Bill Appleyard from a Paul Fairbrother back-pass!

Yes, Billy, eyes sparkling behind his new contact lenses, was in good form, as well as voice, and half time came with the score 0-0.

The half time break brought wholesale substitutions on both sides, and soon we were rewarded with the move of the match, when J.C. of the B.C. pushed the ball forward to Roger Winter, who made a lot of ground before centering the ball to our newly returned Captain, and he headed the ball home from close range, despite being surrounded by I.S.B. defenders.

This produced the inevitable fight back by the young I.S.B. side who came close to saving the match on several occasions - one of which required a goal line clearance by Eric (No P) Thomson to deny them.

Final Score B.C. 1 - I.S.B. 0

Two weeks, many beers, hours of discussion, but not one touch of the ball later, we faced the Thai German Students.

This match started with a sensation. Tom Farrington picked up a goal line clearance and slammed the ball back into OUR net. (and he's still wondering why he can't get another game)

However, we fought back in true B.C. style when D.C. Cobbett drew the defence with a feint - faint? - well he missed the ball, which ran on to John who tickled it into the goal, despite his injury and his blood alcohol count.

T.G.S. not to be outdone scored again with a long range shot, that spring heeled Billy could not reach.

Do they make platform soled soccer boots? But now, roused by the vociferous support from the touch line, McWallace centred and Roger Sprinter volleyed the ball into the back of the net, from close range, to give us the draw, which we gratefully accepted.

This match was noticeable for the referee's indifference to players handling the ball and the fact that some of our opponents were believed to be students of Campanology rather than Thai German Students.

However, the post mortem voted it a good game despite two players receiving rib injuries. Both players were reported to be "feeling no pain" later that evening.

The next game was played under very hot conditions against the high riding Scandinavians. With just eleven players - not all fit, we adopted a new plan - lets win.

We survived the first ten torrid minutes thanks to a fine save by Big Bill from a fierce ground shot, the woodwork, and an acrobatic goal line clearance by Paul Merryweather.

At the other end our forwards were also playing well, with some good running and incisive passing.

From one perfect cross, Groper went close with an acrobatic header, and this was followed by a burst up field by Roger Sprinter who then wrong footed the Scandy defense, then placed the ball past the keeper for a fine opening goal.

By this time your defensive heroes had the offside trap off to a fine art, and were frustrating the Viking forwards.

Our second goal came from a Richards/Balme soccer ballet when Steve tired of Groper's deliberation, took the ball off him and helped himself to a goal.

This was a session of super soccer and our success had us nervous despite our half time euphoria.

In the second half we stayed on top despite the predicted pressure from our opponents, who used long passes to the wings in breakaway tactics which caused some excitement, but no goals.

Bill remained in fine form, and the ubiquitous Howard Tiffen covered the whole ground, whilst "Astronant" Alan Wade kept running into space.

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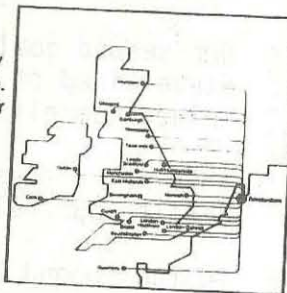


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The match was settled when Steve hit one in from ten metres and Paul Richards hit the fourth with a top spin shot which bounced en route, then skipped past the startled goalkeeper.

Skipper Wallace hit some fierce shots just over the bar, and J.C. not to be outdone skilfully controlled a bouncing ball to steer a lobbed shot just too high to score.

After the match we received the news that there was no water in the showers which meant that we were able to publicise our victory by walking around the pub in full football gear.

Final Score B.C. 4 Scandinavians 0

Don't miss it! Sunday March 9th ---- at the Club  
(ring Mr. Fairbrother & find starting time.)

SOCCER SECTION VS SQUASH SECTION

A Challenge Match featuring

Soccer Darts  
Squash Beer Drinking etc.

AT THE CLUB

(NOT SO) EARLY MORNING BREAKFAST

The worms are quite safe: there aren't enough early birds to justify opening the Poolside kitchen at 7.15; so breakfast at the Poolside will be available from 8.00 a.m. every morning, from 1st March.

MONDAY NIGHT IS CURRY NIGHT

Every Monday from 6.00 p.m. a succulent selection of Thai and Indian dishes, with all the trimmings.



## TENNIS SECTION

February saw the Club Championships finals with many exciting matches. H.E. Ambassador Peter Tripp and Mrs. Tripp graciously presented trophies and prizes on finals day to winners of the following:

<u>Mens Singles</u>	Bill Lenderking	bt	Roy Fordham	6-2	6-4
<u>Ladies Singles</u>	Tuptim Devahasdin	bt	June Walck	1-6	6-4 6-0
<u>Mens Doubles</u>	Bill Lenderking & Roy Fordham	bt	Steven Balme & Len Alexander	8-6	6-4
<u>Ladies Doubles</u>	Sue Balme & Pam Ferguson	bt	June Walck & Tuptim Devahasdin	6-4	9-7
<u>Mixed Doubles</u>	Bill & Susan Lenderking	bt	John & Grace White	6-2	6-2

The Championships attracted over 50 entries demonstrating a much higher standard than previously.

Dunlop (Thailand) Ltd. kindly donated balls and assisted with site screens, score sheets etc.

A full programme of events has been arranged through to May, including matches with OESA, The Stanley Club of Hongkong etc., full details are posted on club notice boards.

Fixtures will include American tournaments on March 2nd and April 27th which will give all players, regardless of standard, the opportunity to meet and play with others.

Additionally the singles ladders will start in March, there are vacant places still for anyone to join -- and rules are also posted on club notice boards.

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR FEBRUARY  
BILL YET?

## GETTING THE BEST OUT OF SQUASH

### Two Schools of Thought

#### PART TWO: ON THE OTHER HAND.....

If last month's Squash tips have failed to achieve desired results you may be one of those players who would benefit from an increase in your DIN rating. For some, a high degree of DIN is essential to get the most out of squash and to maximise the number of wins in the league.

DIN, for the uninitiated and where squash is concerned, means "degree of inner nastiness". Everyone has DIN even though they think they haven't. Acquire more DIN and your squash will improve!

It is easy to recognise DIN, it is looking through the wife's and/or girlfriend's handbag the moment a suitable opportunity arises. DIN is not owning up when you have dropped ash in a friend's beer. It is pretending you bought the last round of drinks. It is moaning about other members at the bar and then being the first to offer them a drink when they suddenly turn up. But most of all it is what happens when Bloggs and Soap, best of friends and worst of enemies, meet for their needle match.

The frustration, the niggliness, the envy and jealousy that have wormed into them since they last played explodes in a wonderful, all-purging flatulent release.

When the match hots up a scowl creeps up from somewhere in the region of your purple flash shoes and manifests itself menacingly on your face, you curl your lower lip (that is when you are not hissing) and screw up your eyes when staring at your opponent.

Here are some of the transmogrifications which can take place. Each classification carries a DIN rating. To work out someone else's DIN (remember it is impossible to assess your own), jot down the categories which your opponents qualify for and add up the total.

A DIN rating of under 10 is bad. From 11-20 is poor, 21-30 is average, 31-40 is pretty good, 41-50 is magnificent. Over 50, you should never lose a game.

You have a DIN if.....

.... The ball rolls towards you at the end of a rally (which you lost), but instead of picking it up and handing it to your opponent you pretend not to see it thus forcing him/her to walk over, stoop down and retrieve it. (4 points).



.... When your opponent plays a perfectly good winning shot you ask him/her: "Are you happy with that" and when he/she says yes you roll your eyes inside out and personally go to the front wall to inspect the tin. (5 points).

.... When the service against you is so good you know you won't be able to wrinkle it out of the corner you raise your hand and say you were not ready. (5 points).

You try to put your opponent to shame by wrinkling your nose every time he/she passes to give the impression that he/she has forgotten to wash his kit. (6 points).

.... When your opponent plays a cleverly disguised shot which completely fools you, you emit a low whistle and tell him/her what a fluke it was. (5 points).

.... When you are unable to reach a shot because it is too good, you pick up the ball and start to serve again as though you are claiming your rightful let - even though you have not asked your opponent for one. (3 points).

.... You whistle and sing at crucial moments to break his concentration. (4 points).

.... When your opponent slips and falls you accuse him/her of time wasting. (7 points).

.... When YOU slip or fall you accuse your opponent of tripping you. (7 points).

At the end of the match you try to break your opponent's fingers in the congratulatory handshake. (4 points.)

.... You pocket the ball, even though it belongs to your opponent. (5 points).

You make some excuse to dash off and certainly don't buy your opponent a drink. (5 points).

Work hard NOW to improve your DIN and get amongst the gongs.

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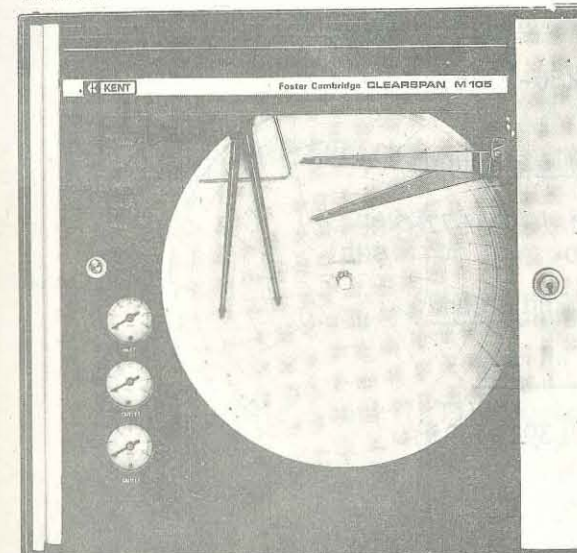
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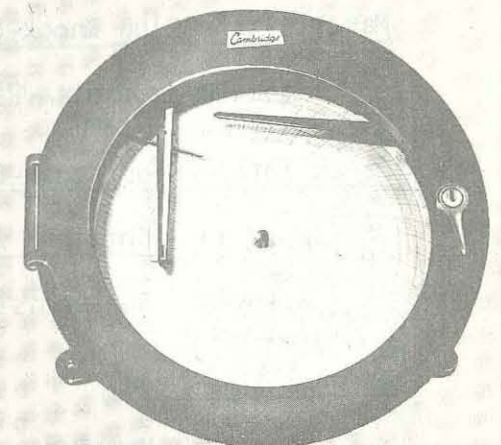
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## LADY GOLFERS

Hearty Congratulations to our Team, Anne Quinn, Jean Taylor and Shan Washington, for their splendid performance in the recent 2nd. Thailand Amateur Ladies Open Golf Championship at Hua Mark. Competing with teams from all over the South East Asia region, they returned a net aggregate of 287, only two strokes behind the third-place team, Jakarta Golf Club. Shan, playing off a handicap of nine, returned a magnificent net 67 to take the best-net prize on the second day and she was also the overall winner in Flight "A" with a two-round score of net 139.

We are grateful to the British Club for their Sponsorship ... the event was much enjoyed by players and spectators alike, and we saw some excellent golf over the three days.

Congratulations too, to Sheila Neville, who won the 1979 LGU Silver Medal, awarded for the aggregate four best returns on Medal days, with a net 297. The Bronze Medals were won by Ape Armistead and Noelene Coulson, who both had net 282.

### PROGRAMME FOR MARCH

#### March 4th - Stableford

Starter: Jean Taylor (286-2346)

#### March 11th - Club Knock-Out (1st Round)

Starter: Loretta Parker (391-5778)

#### March 18th - Club Knock-Out (2nd Round)

##### Combined with "Plate"

Starter: Ape Armistead (391-4399)

#### March 25th - Medal

Starter: Margaret Miller (286-5906)

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Services, Ploenchit, D.K. Book Shop, Siam Square and A.U.A.

## SWIMMING SECTION

This Month's Gala missed out on the drama and excitement of January's Lady de La Mare Cup, although many parents were doubtless willing to forego the thrill of a 7.30 a.m. start for the more civilized hour of 11.30 a.m.

However, each meeting holds its own quota of interest and surprises. Whilst Rachel Hill improved her own freestyle record by over 5 seconds, others, including Jonathan Albright, Harriet Devlin, Dianne Jamieson and Andrew Julius cut their previous I.M. times by between 6 and 11 seconds, with Katherine Walsingham managing a really heroic 14.3 secs. Congratulations to all the children. There were some close finishes when we combined the 11/12 and 13/14 age groups, all participants determined to outdo each other. Finally, we enjoyed watching a very exciting Relay, the teams of which were particularly well matched.

This month we were pleased to welcome some new swimmers to the Tuesday and Thursday training sessions. Whilst on this subject I would like, on behalf of all the Mums who have been stoically carrying on with the training, to thank first Andrew Hurrell, who proved such a help with the older children during the school holidays and also Lesley Brewin, who has given advice on stroke improvement. However, all concerned will undoubtedly be pleased to hear that Khun Choon has kindly agreed to take over the training and started as from 20th February. We much appreciate his willingness to undertake this and are sure the children will benefit from having instruction from someone qualified to teach them again!

Sadly this month we have to say farewell to Beth Weymouth who has done so much for this section. When her job as secretary became vacant, not one but two "volunteers" had to be recruited, both of whom vowed never again to take strong drink at committee meetings. Everyone will miss Beth, especially Hugh and Helen Jamieson with whom she has worked so closely. The children will all miss the strong competition provided by Nicole, Alexandra and Kimberlie, who in the past have contributed many points towards British Club swimming successes.

All in all the Weymouths have contributed enormously to the enjoyment of swimming at the club and will be sorely missed.

The Swimming Section join with me in wishing this popular and energetic family every success and happiness in the future and hope that they will look back with affection at the times spent round the Club pool.



#### IF YOU OWN A DOG YOU SHOULD READ THIS

Toxocara canis is an ascarid commonly known as the large roundworm and is an extremely common gastrointestinal parasite in dogs. These roundworms infect virtually every newborn pup. In late pregnancy, migrating larvae in the bitch become active and infect the puppy before or after birth by migrating through the mammary tissue and ingested milk. Afterwards, infection may result by swallowing eggs that have been passed out with the feces and ingested in food.

The role played by the larvae of Toxocara spp. in the infection known as "visceral larval migrans" in man has been extensively documented by research workers and is considered to be an important public health problem. This syndrome is by no means confined to children as revealed by more recent reports. Damage to the human eye and permanent loss of sight as a result of Toxocara migration is a particularly serious problem.

Extensive surveys carried out in the UK have indicated that 5% of the general human population have experienced infection (a blood test specific for Toxocara canis was used). However, three times as many epileptics react to the test than normal people and similar high figures have been seen for liver and lung disease patients. This strongly suggests that the parasite may be responsible for some of these problems.

The infection in young children, as well as adults, is acquired by direct contact with puppies or through accidental ingestion of ova in soil or sand which has been contaminated by these domestic pets. The eggs may also be found in fecally-contaminated food, particularly in unwashed vegetables or fruit. Children are especially prone to pick up roundworm infections in kennel areas. The fact that roundworm eggs can be spread not only by direct contact with feces of the pet but also from general handling and licking of the dog poses a special problem to parents of small children. Regular deworming of your pets using a safe wormer to kill migrating larvae and recently acquired infections is recommended to reduce this problem.

This information is issued as a public service by Pfizer, the manufacturer of Canex Plus\*, the safe dog wormer which eliminates roundworms, hookworms and whipworms in a single dose. For details of a recommended worming programme for your dog, please consult your veterinarian or Pfizer's Technical Service Department, Tel. 233-7150-9.

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#### SQUASH SECTION

##### BOOKING SYSTEM AND THIRD COURT

A new booking system which incorporates the decision of the Extraordinary General Meeting of last year started from the 1st March, 1980. Details have been sent to all members and are also posted on the notice board near the pool side bar.

Progress on the third court has not been as fast as expected, however, building permits and plans are being finalised and a date for commencement of construction will be fixed soon.

##### COACHING

At the request of many members, coaching will again be available from the club's top players. Details of this will be posted on notice boards during the next month.

##### FAREWELL

This month will see the departure of John Weymouth, who has been transferred to Korea. We have heard that John has already instituted modifications to an existing Racket Ball Court and will be actively promoting squash amongst the Koreans. John has been on the Squash Sub-Committee for several years and has been the Chairman for the past two years. The Squash Sub-Committee would like to express their thanks and those of all squash playing members to him and wish Bon Voyage and best wishes for his future.

##### OUTSIDE CATERING

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## HOW TO KILL AN ASSOCIATION

These are the rules:

- \* Never attend any events;
- \* If you must attend, arrive late;
- \* If the weather is bad, don't go;
- \* If you happen to attend, find fault with the work of the committee;
- \* Never accept nomination for office. It is so much easier to criticise than to devote your time to assist fellow members;
- \* If you do not get elected to a committee, snub those who are. But if you do get elected by sure not to attend their meetings;
- \* When asked for an opinion, tell the chairman you have nothing to say. But don't forget to tell all and sundry after the meeting how it should be done;
- \* Never do more than is absolutely necessary; and
- \* Let your mates roll up their sleeves and pitch in to help the association. Then howl that the association is run by a clique...

### KLOSTERED!

Following the recent brewery price increases of Amarit and Singha, Kloster have now announced increases. The new bar prices will be £40 and £21 as from 1st March.

\*\*\* a whisper has also been heard of impending price increases in the popular Club buffets.

## DARTS NEWS

The Lillywhites are flourishing! These days Captain Roy Regan has to give more thought to selecting a team from the 10 or 11 eligible players who turn up every week than to finding excuses for our defeats.

The Wonder Ladies, who keep changing their name to confuse the wives of British Club members, trounced the Club 14-3 on 24th January. Our only points came from John Sill and Brian Heath in the singles, and from the team game which Arthur clinched with a double 4. Tons came from Terry (2) and Brian.

The following week the British Club bar sizzled with the nearest we've ever had to a grudge match. Arthur, Chris, and Bryan won their matches to level the singles score at 3-3 against Haus Munchen, but with only Doug and Dave Frost winning in the doubles, the Lillywhites were 7-5 down going into the triples. Doug, John and Ingrid levelled the scores when Doug closed double 4, and the sweet victory came when Bryan, partnered by Terry and Arthur finished with double 19. When Doug capped it all with a double 15 in the team game, the bar nearly ran out of beer! (Tons came from Terry, Dave, Arthur (2) and John (3)).

The second game in a row against a team in a higher division also ended in victory when the Joker/B T audio team visited the Club on 7th February.

Our only singles wins were from Arthur and Roy, but the score was evened up when John and Bryan and Bill and Roy won their doubles games. The triples were split with Roy, partnered by Bill and Chris, closing with double 2, and super-finisher John closed with double 15 to give us the all-deciding team game Bryan (100) Chris (135) and Bill (138) scored tons in the 9-8 victory.

Then we relaxed against one of the top league teams "Relax" and were beaten 12-5. Our only points came from John and Terry in the Singles, John, Bill and Terry in the triples, and the team game which Roy closed double 6. Tons came from Bryan and Arthur (2).



## GOLF SECTION

The 1980 golfing year with the British Club started with two outings at Unico on 13 and 27 January which as a venue is not quite up to the standard of Hua Mark or Rose Garden.

### Unico (13th January 1980)

21 golfers contested a singles stableford competition to take proud ownership of a sheepskin kindly donated by H.E. the New Zealand Ambassador, Richard Taylor. There was only one flight and Leon Van der Watt (40 points) took the honours from Derek Watson (39 points). Bob Goninon won the 1st nine with 21 points and Ken Long kept his name in the prize winners with 19 points. There was no show of strength with the longest drive but Ward Washington and Dennis Quinn fired the accurate shots on the short holes.

### Unico (27th January 1980)

29 golfers turned out in perfect conditions at the Unico to contest a medal competition.

Clive Miller made an instant impact on the 1980 golfing year by winning the medal with a net 67 narrowly from Ian McLean with a net 68.

We were pleased to have two guests Mario Polistena and Tom Annas.

### Rose Garden (10th February 1980)

Despite the indecent starting time of 6:24 a.m., twenty four golfers managed to find their way through the murk and gloom to the Rose Garden. It was still dark when the two groups in front of the British Club teed off, so dawn had broken by the time our first golfer put his ball in the klong!

The scores were good, paying credit to the best kept course in Thailand. The number present merited two flights and the winners were as follows:-

	<u>Flight A</u>	<u>Flight B</u>
Winner	J. Watson	M. Douglas
Runner-up	D. Pott	R. Jameson
Front Nine	D. Frost	Sally Voravarn
Back Nine	H. Daniels	C. Miller

The nearest the pin contests were won by Mike Lamb and Ian McLean.

Some of the first round matches in the Dunlop competition were played and the fortunes of this 4 Ball Better Ball match-play competition can be followed on the Club notice board.

We were pleased to welcome Mike Lamb as a new golfing member who moved straight into the prize lists and two guests Paul Lamb and Mario Polistena.

## U.K. TAXATION INVESTMENT FOR THE EXPATRIATE

The majority of those who go abroad to work are able to enjoy a substantial level of income without the disadvantage of high tax rates. In these circumstances, it is surprising that many fail to take full advantage of the opportunities that exist to profit from a temporary freedom from U.K. taxation. This article endeavours to summarise some of the relevant considerations and to explain the advantages of certain types of investment which are particularly appropriate to the expatriate.

### RESIDENCE STATUS

These comments do not apply to the shorter term expatriate whose period of employment overseas is insufficient to render him non resident for tax purposes. Even those who qualify for the 100% tax free exemption on salaries but remain resident in the U.K. must choose U.K. or overseas investments on the basis that the income will remain fully liable to tax.

A resident of the U.K. will not achieve full non-resident status unless he or she is proceeding abroad either for full time overseas employment, or for more or less permanent residence. Having established the status of not resident and not ordinarily resident the position will be maintained until one of the following occurs:-

- A return to the U.K. with the intention of remaining permanently or for a number of years, or
- a stay of more than six months in the U.K. in any one tax year, or
- "habitual and substantial" visits, i.e. an average of 90 days per annum spent in the U.K. over any period of four consecutive tax years, or
- a visit when a place of abode is available for occupation in the U.K. at a time when there is no full time overseas employment.



It is significant, particularly with regard to "d" above, that husband and wife are regarded separately for this purpose and often each has a different residence status. In formulating joint investment policy an income tax advantage can be gained by ensuring, for example, that a resident wife, with a normal year's tax free allowances available, receives a certain amount of income from taxable sources. Use can also be made of relief for life assurance premiums, which is available to the wife who remains resident but denied to the non resident husband.

A period of non-residence also involves a temporary escape from Capital Gains Tax. In making investment changes the opportunity should be taken to dispose of any existing investments which are heavy with accrued gains and, on reinvestment of the proceeds, regard should be had to the likely timing of return to the U.K. and the opportunity to "cream off" any gains before actually re-entering the tax net.

Any overseas deposit accounts should normally be closed before arrival in the U.K. so that none of the interest arising will require inclusion in U.K. tax returns.

#### OBJECTIVES

Obviously, anyone entitled to freedom from U.K. tax for a limited period should re-arrange his assets to take advantage of this. Monies deposited with a U.K. Bank can be switched to a branch in the Channel Islands to ensure that the interest accrues free of tax. Unless one is maintaining a Building Society account with a view to obtaining a mortgage later on, this becomes a patently unsuitable home for liquid capital since the tax suffered by the Societies cannot be recovered. Capital invested in U.K. equities or fixed interest stocks - the income from which continues to suffer tax deduction at source - can be switched into Government securities on which exemption will normally be due whilst the recipient remains not ordinarily resident.

Overseas investments will produce income not liable to U.K. taxation and, depending upon where the monies are invested, there may also be exemption or minimal withholding taxes in the country of origin. Many expatriates will take the opportunity to obtain a greater spread of investment by allocating some part of their earnings to an overseas currency as well as to different geographical areas. A convenient means of doing this is through "Off-shore" Unit Trusts run by well-established U.K. institutions, with funds invested in foreign markets and denominated in currencies other than sterling.

All the above considerations benefit the non resident who aims to take the maximum advantage of his overseas posting to accrue a substantial lump sum by the time he returns. He may then wish to realise the investments for some specific purpose, perhaps the purchase or improvement of his U.K. property. For most people, however, there is an opportunity to go rather further than this by exploiting the limited period of non-residence to achieve a permanent tax advantage. Two methods of doing this are examined in the following paragraphs.

#### "OFFSHORE" SINGLE PREMIUM BONDS

U.K. based Single Premium Bonds are widely available and, whilst written technically as life assurance policies, behave more in the manner of unit trusts. The company invests the premium in a managed fund of stocks and shares, properties, fixed interest securities etc., and, depending upon the performance of the fund, the value of the units to which the policy is linked can rise or fall. For tax purposes, however, the bonds produce no income as such since all the dividends, rents and interest received by the fund are reinvested and go to enhance the unit value. When income is required it can be provided by regular withdrawals from the policy. These payments are exempt from basic rate tax and, even for the higher rate tax payer, there are special provisions which enable tax free withdrawals to be made for a period of up to 20 years.

Such funds do suffer income tax in the hands of the U.K. life assurance company but the non-resident has access to similar policies with non-U.K. companies. There are a number of highly reputable fund managers providing "offshore" policies and the fund in which the monies are invested can be denominated in sterling or foreign currency and linked to assets which produce tax free income. The investor can choose from funds of overseas stocks and shares (dividends from which suffer only withholding tax in the country of origin) or U.K. Government securities, the interest from which does not attract liability to U.K. tax.

Whilst the investor could purchase either of the above investments in his own name, the tax position would change immediately he became resident for tax purposes. Having purchased an "off-shore" bond, however, the income from the underlying investment will continue to roll up gross irrespective of the bondholder's residence status.

#### "OFFSHORE" QUALIFYING POLICIES

The "offshore" Single Premium Bond is thus very effective, particularly for the investor who will on retirement be liable only to basic rate tax. However, anyone with substantial income or assets might be better advised to purchase a regular premium policy linked to similar "offshore" funds.



By paying regular premiums on such a policy over a ten year period, one achieves complete exemption from all U.K. taxes on the proceeds. The latter need not be taken in cash, but can be used to generate a completely tax free income indefinitely. As with the single premium policy there is a choice of suitable investment areas to which the value of the units can be linked, and there are facilities for switching between funds as requirements change.

An investor intending to return to the U.K. in ten years time might, for example, purchase a policy linked to North American or Far Eastern equities in the hope of achieving substantial capital appreciation before retirement. On returning to the U.K. he might require a high level of secure sterling income. This can be arranged by switching at that stage to a fund investing in exempt Government securities and, by choosing the qualifying policy route, an income of say 10% per annum can be enjoyed completely free of tax for the remainder of his life. Indeed, the policy can be effected on a joint life and survivor basis to enable a married couple to continue the arrangement until the second death.

Policies of this type may even be suitable for expatriates who can not be sure of completing a further 10 years overseas service, particularly if on returning home they will be paying tax at higher rates. Detailed planning is however necessary to ensure that premature return will not prevent the investor from completing payment of premiums.

It should be borne in mind that both single premium bonds and qualifying policies written outside the U.K. involve a considerable tax advantage, and it is essential when making such investments to have regard to legislation available to the Inland Revenue to counter tax avoidance. These provisions do not apply to genuine non residents who effect such policies whilst still overseas, but in order to profit fully from the opportunity any changes should, wherever possible, be carried out before return to the U.K.

An article of this nature can do no more than refer briefly to points of general interest. Circumstances and objectives of non-resident investors vary so much that specific advice on an individual basis is a real necessity. Whilst there may be no shortage of advice from sources which perhaps lack either expertise or impartiality, it is well worth seeking out competent professional advisors who will provide unbiased guidance on such complex matters. These will probably be found in the U.K. where the ever changing tax laws are enacted. Obtaining this help may cost very little, but neglecting to do so could prove expensive.

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## THE ANNUAL REPORT AND DIRECTORY OF MEMBERS

The Annual Report and Directory of Members is being prepared and a new feature will be a short directory of useful telephone numbers - Embassies, major banks, doctors etc. If you have any suggestions or requests for the inclusion of particular institutions or services, please tell the Manager as soon as possible.



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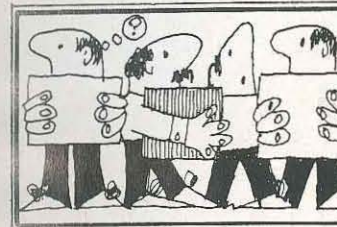
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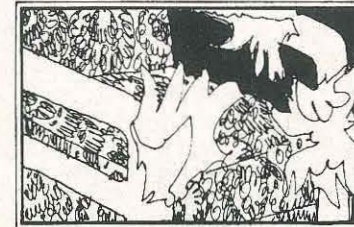
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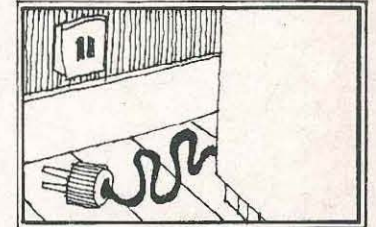
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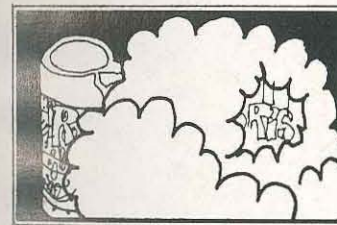
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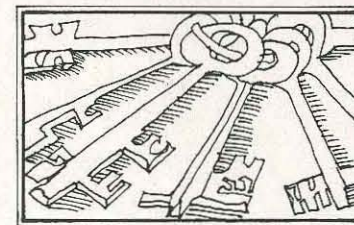
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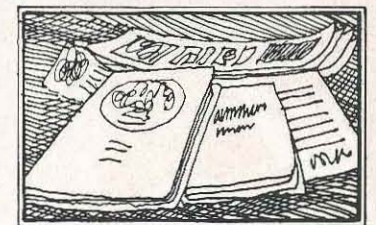
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