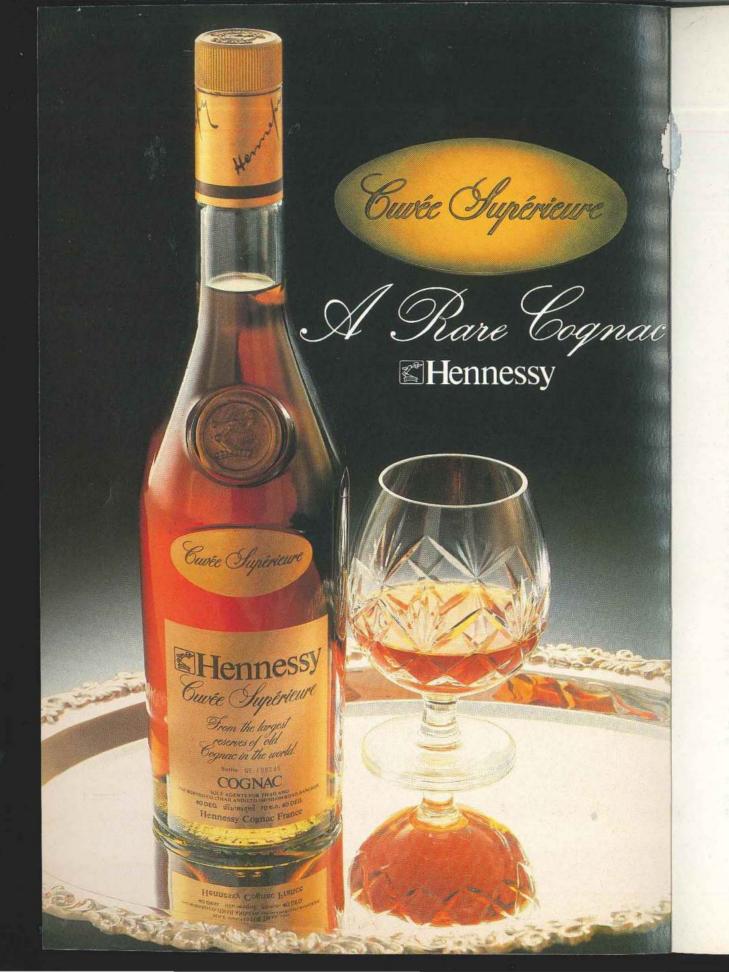
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Editorial

AGM time and many of us are tempted to yawn. That would be a pity because if we do, we may get what we deserve, an apathetic committee, or one which is not in touch with the feelings of membership.

In the not too distant past this Club was accused in the international press of racism and sexism and of being run on autocratic, if not undemocratic lines. Maybe we are guilty to some degree of the first two, but considering those attributes in reality, the first is necessary in order to retain our corporate identity, and the second is true only with regard to Ladies voting rights: in all other respects, Ladies are welcomed with honour and, except for a very few incidents of which most members would be ashamed, respect.

As to the rest, members of the British Club have full democratic means to determine what kind of Club they want: we believe our members enjoy more direct and effective say than in many other similar clubs elsewhere. This is one advantage of being small. A corresponding and inescapable disadvantage is that candidates who the majority would - if they attended - support can be displaced by others with minority views uppermost in their minds supported by their small but complete clique. We must choose, and the only way is to vote!

What are the issues? Racism? Scarcely! Sexism? Could be: not necessarily the direct issue of votes for ladies but the degree to which Ladies, wives and families are made welcome at the Club. Correspondence in Outpost on Ladies' votes during 1982 has indicated much interest in the subject. The silence with which letters in favour were received by those against is not insignificant. We feel strongly that the issue should be decided in open forum and decisions should be based on accurate information made freely available. This cannot be accomplished at one AGM or even one EGM: direct and cooperative liaison between Committee and Membership is necessary. The fact that those against are uncommunicative could mean that under their influence the question, among others, never receives a fair hearing.

So the real issue is communication. Candidates are traditionally shy about identifying themselves before the AGM. Outpost has no more information than any member can glean from conversation in the Club.

But we are clear on the issue of communication. We will vote for those candidates who appear capable of good and effective communication with Members and who intend to bring the wishes of the majority to fulfilment.

Ian Hill - Editor

. Membership . Matters

NEW MEMBERS:

The following were elected to membership of the Club in February 1983:

Ordinary

Mr.	D. A	pps	Australian Embassy
Mr.	B.S.	Hughes	Union Oil Co. of (T) Ltd.
Mr.	M.W.	Pallett	Continental Overseas Corp
Mr.	T.P.	Smith	Coca-Cola Export Corp.
Mr.	C.D.	Stewart	Union Oil Co. of (T) Ltd.
Mr.	D.A.	Warrell	Mahidol University

Non-Voting

Mr. S.M.W. Tapner

Associate

Mr.	A.F. Eberhardt	Letter Ads
Mr.	E. Daniels	Diethelm & Co. Ltd.
Mr.	J. Lawler	Foodland Supermarket Co.

Status of Membership

The current membership status is as follows:

Ordinary		416
Non-Voting		8
Associate		45
Ladies Privi	lege	39
Up-Country		21
Candidates		40
	Total	569
Absent		650
Grand	Total	1219

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Travelogue



"I've won ten days in Paris with the companion of my choice."





Fly was interested to learn that a "late audit adjustment" had increased the surplus of the 1982 accounts by Baht 50,000! He privately complimented the financial wizard on his choice of words describing what Fly would think was quite an ordinary mistake, inevitably made and discovered around this time of year.

A question as to when the promised computer would materialize seemed to be relevant. Would the computer be free from late audit adjustments, Fly wondered? Was the questioner having a privileged dig? It turns out that Chinese New Year in China had also affected dispatching in Hong Kong, but the machinery was expected to arrive in Thailand quite soon. Fly hoped that Chinese New Year in Thailand would occur to Chinese time, not Thai time, so that the effect would not be doubled. Fly was relieved to hear that the software was ready and waiting, so concluded that the computer had a good chance of being ready to handle the 1983 accounts!

Being somewhat unclear as to exactly what 'software' and 'hardware' are, Fly descended to the Club bar where a predominance of bankers, businessmen and the odd engineer might probably enlighten him. After some heavy listening and unfamiliar brainwork, Fly gave up, having come to the conclusion that software being available in quantity in Patpong and hardware being the cash paid for software were not accurate deductions.

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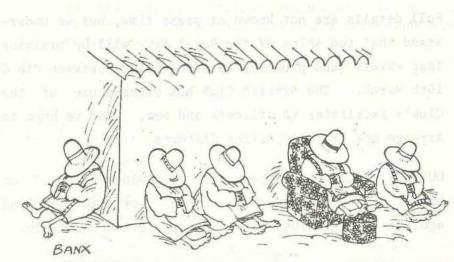
At one stage Fly woke up on hearing the word 'telephone'. He had wondered for years why the Clubhouse phone demanded three Baht while the Poolside phone was happy to perform the same service for only one. Apparently, the latter is public phone supplied and operated by the T.O.T., but the greedy one in the Clubhouse is part of the private Club installation, and the Club is charged rental at the rate of two Baht per call for that instrument. So there is some logic to the apparent anomaly!

Back to Clubhouse improvements: Fly hears that the next stage of the master plan is to be started pretty soon. Partitions and minor rearrangements will be made to the Silom Room, providing a temporary, but better, general office, upstairs toilets, a video room and small function room and reduced sleeping space for the Club Manager (did Fly hear that right?). Then the present office, overlooking the back lawn will be converted into a reading room/library. What will they think of next?

Weekly Club Events

MONDAY	7.30 p.m.	- Bridge
TUESDAY	9.00 - 12.00	- Ladies Squash
	4.00 p.m.	- Swimming Training
WEDNESDAY	4.30 p.m.	- Cricket Nets
THURSDAY	3.00 p.m.	- Ladies Exercise
	4.00 p.m.	- Swimming Training
SUNDAY	12 noon - 2.00 p.m.	- Buffet Lunch, Poolside
	4.30 p.m:	- Cricket Nets
- W	6.00 - 10.00 p.m.	- Buffet Supper, Dining Room

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"I didn't think winning the Pools would change him that much."

NOTICES TO MEMBERS (continued)

British Club Anual General Meeting

In accordance with the Constitution and Rules, Sections 22 - 27 inclusive, the Annual General Meeting will be held in the Suriwongse Room on 30th March 1983

Members are reminded of the requirements of Rule 61.

R.N. SQUADRON VISIT TO SATTAHIP

Full details are not known at press time, but we understand that two ships of the Royal Navy will be visiting Thai waters (and probably watering-holes) between 9th & 15th March. The British Club has offered use of the Club's facilities to officers and men, and we hope to arrange one or two sporting fixtures.

OUTPOST takes this opportunity of saying "Welcome" on behalf of the Club and hopes their visit to Thailand and the British Club will be enjoyable and memorable.

CHANGES OF BYLAWS

Bylaws 8(a), 8(b) and 21.1.1 have been changed by the Committee acting in general session under Rule 17 of the Constitution and Rules. The new Bylaws read as follows:

8 MEMBERS' ACCOUNTS

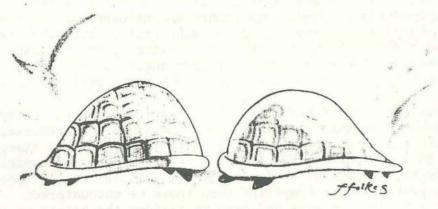
- a) Monthly subscriptions shall normally be paid by the 1st of each month in advance by Banker's Order to the Club's bankers for credit of the Club's Current Account.
- b) Accounts are closed, and fall due, on the 20th each month. Members are required to pay their accounts within two weeks of this date. If a Member's account has not been cleared by this date, credit facilities are automatically suspended and provisions of Rule 61 shall apply.

The Committee may levy a charge as appropriate for each reminder letter sent in respect of overdue Members' accounts.

21 SECTION RULES:

21.1 BILLIARDS AND SNOOKER SECTION

1. The Billiards Room and equipment are available to all categories of members listed in the Constitution, Rule 6, Privileged Ladies and Wives of Members. In the following Bylaws "members" includes all categories of members, Privileged Ladies and wives of members.



"I'll say sorry if you'll say sorry."

St. Goeorge's Society Rub Night

The Suriwongse Room was transformed on the evening of 4th February. It was all there except the sawdust -- including the gor-blimey tout at the door flogging second-hand clothing: Society ties, no less, that members had been waiting for since the days of King Arthur! (Actually they were brand new and we understand the next batch is due next century, so those who didn't attend missed out twice.)

We were aware of the Joanna before the door was reached, and its welcoming sound was augmented on entry by the sight of foaming pints dimly perceived through ever-thickening tobacco smoke, and the desire to get our hands on one was quickly satisfied. Such is the hospitality at the St. George that one is given a pint to sustain life sufficiently for one to reach the bar (no other course is allowed) to stand one's round! They get their priorities right in this pub.

The pianist was invisible from the bar -- surrounded on all sides by bottles, glasses both full and not so full and singers (?) with a succession of suggestions for the pianist -- not all of which were practical, we suspected.

We stumbled into a gaming table where dice were being thrown in that ancient and honorable game, backgammon, and thought Nelson himself would be at home. Being advised in succinct and modern terms to begone (we had inadvertently converted a four and a one to double fives) we moved on. Not too inebriated to miss the Aboriginal accent, we marvelled at how quickly the natives of far-off climes seek to learn the manners of St. George's homeland as well as her pastimes!

Another gaming table was occupied by a group of carousers heavily engaged in Cameroons, or was it plain old Yatzee or that other variety, Balut? We joined in, found out, lost and forgot! Then -- what's this? Shove-ha'penny! A real -- no, two real slate boards with pounce and ha'pennies! Actually, the ha'pennies turned out to be Baht coins, but the tables were sturdy enough to take the extra push necessary to counteract the effect of the raised edges. We lost at this game, too! Two rounds down, we sought to redress the balance.

Circulating to inspect the decor, which conjured up days of chivalry, knights of valour, and mornings of remorse, we heard buxom wenches announcing vittals. Avoiding a stampede, we sized up the wenches first. A pretty bevy of damsels we thought, though of a complexion not familiar to St. George, but probably more compliant than those he encountered! Then the vittals: bangers and mash to gladden the hearts of those

yearning for the delights of Albion, steak and kidney pie to remind the male of his loyalty, and other delights and trimmings to inspire the appetites of master and serf alike.

We found a bench between the darts-boards and the piano graced by lovely ladies and their champions and from this vantage were able to discover the identity of the pianist. Sir Richard Hopkins, diverted from rescuing damsels in distress, it was who provided the incidental, accidental, but truly occidental music in variety and style eminently suited to the occasion and the company. Changing from the tankard, we sampled the wines of the establishment and found them both palatable and compatible.

Adequately - nay, magnificently refreshed, we commandered a darts-board and, throwing down the nearest gauntlet, plopped the middle-for-diddle in the bull. Nonchalantly retrieving the dart, we threw a double top, a treble and an errant single. We dropped our visor to hide our amazement - and probable embarrassment to come. But it didn't. Our opponent fought valiantly but inaccurately and our luck held to win the joust, and the next, in a fashion that really deserves heraldic verse to do it justice. Honour having been restored we went away to ponder why we can never reproduce such feats for the B.C. Darts team!

When the full Company had dined and voices became lustier from full bellies, St. George's Own Songsters distributed song-sheets and gathered round the piano to lead the singing of all the favourites from, well, mostly England but from a fair number from other places, too. Songsters were those well-known stalwarts Stephen Metherill, Rev. Ian Bull, Eric Turner, Graham Millington and Norman Musgrave. The rafters were shaken by the enthusiasm of the singing and tears started at the lyricism and harmony given to the sentimental love-songs. Or was it the tobacco smoke?

Then, in an interval, strange but melodious sounds assailed us? Beautiful, but incomprehensible verses from across the Welsh border, being sung by one Glyn Williams, a champion of St. David's. Word was quickly passed round that his testimonials were in order - he was indeed an honoured guest and his songs were friendly - and we relaxed and were treated to some songs as only the Welsh can sing them.

Carousing continued well into the night, until horses became restive in the stable yard. Final toasts included fond but regretful farewells to Peter and Shiela Bramley, soon to depart, and to the St. George's Society for laying it all on. Also to the British Club management and staff whose attendance was, as usual, excellent.

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Uncle Vit's Column

MANY of my readers have been calling my multi-telephoned establishment recently in states of near panic and confusion over the article in a local newspaper which declared that OAA discounts are out.

Relax

My message to one and all has been the same - don't panic! All it means is that we can't give discounts on discounts any more. If you can work that one out. The ferocious price cutting which beset the travel industry last year (and which caused me to cancel my order for my new Roll's Royce) has been kiboshed!

All smoke-no fire

But that doesn't, of course, mean that the costs of travel have gone up (as most things have) because they haven't. Apex fares haven't changed - you see, airline discounts are still O.K. and the rich and influential are still paying no more for their First Class comforts. For whilst you may not be able to squeeze that last little bit of blood from your travel agency stone, you can still squeeze an awful lot from the airlines - and we can do it for you.

Believe me, the airlines still want your business and they're still falling over themselves to get it. You only have to read their annual reports to see why.

We can't work too many miracles with the APEX fares but, if you have the urge or allocation to fly First or Business Class, the impossible takes us only a few minutes

So sit back and see how we can squeeze the world but not your pocket.

Uncle Vit.

What's happening to Business Class?

Good question. First of all, the airlines (or their advertising agencies) are dreaming up all sorts of fancy names for the middle bit (and sometimes the mezzanine) of their aircraft. More important, they are allocating more space, putting in First-Class type seats, serving real food and things like that. One well-known airline told us the other day that their Business Class is better than-most others' First Class. Give Uncle Vit, a ring and he'll tell you which one. And, whilst you stretch your legs, we'll be glad to stretch your dollar.



"I somehow thought that Britain would be better under the Tories."

Here's a dollar - stretching ex-

For the price of, say, a full Bangkok-London-Bangkok Business Class ticket (some airlines charge a little more for their swanky B.C., but they won't for long) we can still get you more or less around the world, or across the Atlantic on the QE 2, or on a Greek Island Cruise, or European tour. If you've ever done the Pools, you'll know all about permutations.

Of course, if you don't go for all that rich food, or suffer from agrophobia, and prefer the social scene down the back end, you can nip back home a couple of times a year and still have enought left over for a long week-end or two in Penang.

What is Happening Down the Back End?

This is not such a good question because, well, er, at the time of going to press, the answer isnot very much. Still the same busy and lively social scene, still the



depart, and to the St. George's Soc e

ance was, as usual, excellent,

same individually served minihanquets rich in cholesterol and plastic. Still the same friendly chatty gatherings outside the loos, and the same cheerful personalised service from stewardesses with time on their hands.

But the sheer thrill of being able to do it TWICE for the equivalent of a full-economy fare (with a bit left over) may well be worth foregoing the caviar. Especially if you have young children to share the fun and excitement, and to entertain the other passengers with their delightful little antics. After all, statistics show that there must, amongst 350 passengers, be one old duck who likes children.

What is Happening Up The Front?

A reasonable question. Well, ther're getting squeezed a bit. Not (perish the thought) in terms of leg-room, for they can still lie back and enjoy it. But, as the new-exte Business Class travellers move ever forward, so they are lopping off a few seats at the back of the front, so to speak.

Up the Front, is of course, a pretty satisfactory way to fly and, if you are very very keen to fly in that exclusive part of the plane, but don't have quite the allowance, we can tell you h w we can get you First Class on one particular airline for less than Business Class on another (and we're not talking about a rubber-band airline!)

If you asked us what we could do for the price of a First Class home-leave ticket we can't help dishing out that well-worn cliche "the sky's the limit". As scheduled flights to the Moon are not yet available, we suggest you think of a Continent, double it, double it again, and add one - and that's just about the size of it. You might have to slum it in Business Class but that is not exactly a pain nowadays.

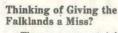
Thinking of Visiting the Falklands?

Now that we know where they are, Khun Pravit has developed a special package for these beautiful islands swept by bracing breezes and inhabited by sheep.

If you want to bend a few elbows at the Goose Green Arms, follow in the footsteps of Britain's first lady P.M., watch the age-old traditional sheep-shearing (sic) ceremonies performed by genuine native Falklanders, this is the package for you.

Also included is an exciting "Tip-toe through the Tulips" torchlight trip round the minefields (guide optional). Other fascinating side-trips include visits to the lonely Ascension islands, Tierra del Fuego and the South Pole.

"We have not been inundated with takers for this one" admits P.P. "but it's just another example of our Global Capability".



Then we can certainly fix you up with equally exoceting trips. Read on.

"Travelling Slowly Unwinds You Faster"

Talking of the Falklands, the Q.E.2 is back with us after a few weeks privately chartered cruise off South America. Completely refurbished, with all dirty bootmarks carefully wiped off with a damp cloth, the famous cruise ship is back on course.

There's no need to go on the World Cruise to find your sea- legs. Back once again is the opportunity to spend the most relazing holiday ever. 6 days and five nights afloat, steaming from Southampton to New York.

Khun P. warns that there are certain specific exclusions from the deal.

NOT INCLUDED are the following - hassles, telephone calls, mail, bill collectors, bank statements, dogs barking at night, club bills, telexes, unwanted visitors and warm beer.

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Expensive, we hear you say. Not at all, we reply.

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- + Sail you Southampton-New York.
 + Fly you back to London
- + And then (believe it or not)
 fly you back to sunny
 Bangkok. (And what's
 more you'll have plenty of
 spare time to put your feet
 up in the States and you
 umbrella up the U.K.).

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AN INTERESTING DAY

It has been my observation that not all travel establishments in this City of Angels are the same or, to put it another way, similar. Some are large and some are small. Some, indeed, are in different parts of the metropolis. Why, I often wonder, is this so?



World famous quasi-tenor Senor P. Purananda sings nightly at his Soi Somkid establishment.
Make the scene. Need I say why?
Need I say more?



The shapely receptionist at Prestige. Hit it, who don't you?

This Rite Twit has to admit that the answer is not easy to find. Of course, there are the bucket shops which abound and which seem to open and close as often as a parrot's beak at feeding time.

I don't normally write about this type of establishment because I normally don't patronise them. Rather, I prefer the larger, more reliable and dependable sort of establishment which gives me what I want, when I want it - and at the right price.

Deciding last week to check out one of this latter type of travel establishment, I took a trip to Soi Somkid which boasts what is perhaps the leading establishment of its kind in town.

Suffice it to say, it only took me a few minutes to get there from my office.

Entering the charming English style gentleman's period residence (set in a lush mature garden with sweeping views over a delightful klong) and noticing the finely polished door handle, I was amazed to come upon a veritable hive of activity.

I, of course, immediately realised that I was in what was obviously a very busy travel agency.

A charming distaff receptionist took my hand and guided me gently to a comfortable chair. Out of the corner of my eye I could see that a welcoming cup of coffee was being swiftly prepared.

Not a moment later the friendly proprietor bowled along and, giving me a pleasant smile, introduced me to the distaff travel executive who was to look after me.

RITE TWIT RITE TWIT RITE TWIT



One of earth's angels at Prestige. Hit it.



Two of the most fetching travel executives I saw last week.

I thought I would check out the system and so, returning her cheerful greeting with a smile, I said "I'm a Rite Twit and I am thinking of making a return trip to the United Kingdom with my

full economy allowance".

That certainly seemed to start the ball rolling. "Good Heavens", said my charming helper, "an allowance like that could take you more or less round the world!".

"Good Heavens" I replied in like vein and with some incredulity, "do you mean that I could visit other countries and cities and get extra mileage and things like that?"

Suffice it to say that by the time the pleasant interlude drew to a close, I was armed with a variety of itineraries taking me via Lagos, Dacca, Karachi,

Teheran, Beirut and all sorts, of other exciting places.

It never ceases to amaze me the things a really go-ahead travel agency can get you for your money. You can be sure that this Rite Twit will be bending quite a few elbows at the watering holes of quite a few cities round the world this year.

Five Twit Stars go to Prestige (Soi Somkid).



Another good reason to drop in to Prestige. See for yourself.

RITE TWIT RITE TWIT RITE TWIT

THE WEEKEND SPECIAL at Soi Somkid (run by Vit) is ice-cold beer. Drop in Saturdays from 10:30 a.m. No need to buy a ticket on the spot, says Vit. See for yourself.

• IF YOU ARE strikebound when in U.K. why not hop on a European tour. Check the value. 12 days 7 countries for US\$.650. Athens and Greek island cruise 9 days from \$ 1,050. All from Trafalgar's Tours - the best money can buy. Check with Vit and make the scene, why don't you?

THE THREE PASSENGERS eaten by lions on Vit's special Safari package have no need to worry. All three were covered under the new Prestige/Jardine comprehensive insurance policy.

"I'm happy for the passengers" says Vit, "but sadly I doubt whether we'll see to much repeat business from them". 'Nuff said.

THEY TELL ME THAT one of London's grandest watering-holes - right at the end of Pall Mall - is doing good business nowadays. Managed by P.P. (no relation), I hear that Buck's Fizz and free wine after midnight are the order of the day.

Worth bending a coupla elbows at.

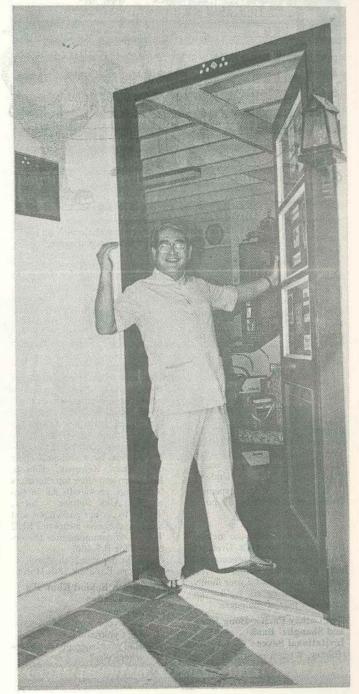
• PRAVIT RUSKINANDA SAID IT.

"There is hardly anything in the world that some man cannot make a little worse and sell a little cheaper and the people who consider price alone are this man's lawful prey".

BUT I DON'T GIVE A TOO-WHIT!

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We'll Tank Ly ton TransaYen just like Year RegaYes, just like year travel broadalong to 18. Set Bornled and we
seek there all over a cap of soft

The shapely doorperson outside a Soi Somkid travel agency. Make the scene.







"It's a traditional melody—telling the people on the mountain that the pound has dropped again."

"Feed and Fly"

Prestige's Special 1983 Offer to Housewives!

Here's a new First in the history of the travel industry - and we're not telling IATA about this one, because it involves FREE TICKETS all the way to U.K. and back. And it's exclusive to Housewives and their families.

Here's how it works.

Simply purchase a shoulder of lamb from budding Butcher-boy Purananda for approximately (depending on weight) B 67,455 and receive in exchange THREE free return tickets to the U.K. (The lamb is cheaper if you're thinking of going Down Under.)

If that sounds a trifle expensive for a shoulder of lamb we'll put it another way.

If you purchase your tickets through Soi Somkid's Greatest Travel Agency, we'll present you with a beautiful shoulder of New Zealand Lamb. And if your family numbers five or six we'll even squeeze a pair of shoulders.

The Cathay Pacific-Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank Invitational Sevens (Blimey, What a mouthful) Here's one you shouldn't miss! Even if you think you fancy the round ball more than the oval, the H.K. 7's are now the most important Rugby Sevens Tournament in the World. And Khun Vit can get you there (and back!) for the almost unbelievable price of B 7,400.

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Flight departs 25th March Return Bangkok 28th March

The Truth Behind Khun P's Visit to London

Have you ever:-

- Lost your baggage?
- Lost your cool?
- Had your baggage sent somewhere else?

 Needed medical cover?
 Needed a personal accident (cover that is)?

 Been delayed for more than 12 hours?

Lost your deposit?

 Had to pay cancellation charges?

- Lost personal cash?

- Taken a swing at someone?

Khun Vit's not-so-secret-visit to London has solved all that. One of the most comprehensive travel insurance packages known to man has been put together by Prestige and Jardines (one of the World's leading insurance brokers). For a very inexpensive premium, all the above comes neatly packaged. How, you may ask, can you insure against losing your cool? Easy. With a package like that it's Jai Yen all the way (Note for newcomers: Jai Yen is not a Japanese bank note).

Woods Wheels and Whit

What goes up must come down. Wheels from Wood's ("We try even harder") have gone up a little this year but, with the pound's pounding, they still start from about B 2,000 per week and come with chassis and body attached, ready to roll.

Where to Park Your Car in London

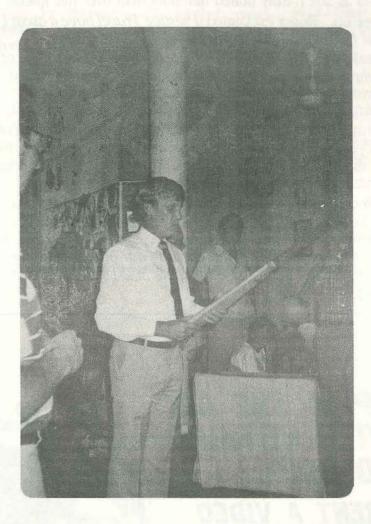
Khun P's recent trip to London netted another First - the answer to parking in the West End! Which is, quite simply, anywhere - but preferably on a double yellow line.

London's ever-obliging police now provide the most sophisticated car valet service in the World. They pick up your car for you, store it in theft free premises and allow you to pick it up whenever you like. The cost of this superb official service, reports Khun P., is £ 36 service charge, £ 10 fine and £ 3 overnight fee (optional).

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Nora said as she hastily pulled her'skirt hem over her knees.

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Nora weakened. She knew she couldn't resist a (Full range of Fords from only £59 per week) request like that. His knee pressed expressively against hers. His (unlimited mileage, A.A. membership, third party insurance, radio etc. etc..) voice became insistent.

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"O.K. Roger, cut the sweet talk" she said with a sigh. "You can book the holiday this year - but only if you use Prestige Travel. They're sure to know which is the best U.K. hire car company." (Too true Nora. Woods of Reigate. He should come to our office at 18 Soi Somkid, Ploenchit or ring one of these numbers 252-1893, 252-7222, 252-7616, 252-7755).

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Maj - Gen Pichit commands the 1st Army in Bangkok and has been personally responsible for recent successes in persuading Communists to surrender to the authorities. His talk will be on the theme of Communist suppression in Thailand. Our guest has recently featured in international news magazines in addition to local ones and his visit to us comes at a most opportune time.

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LADIES' LIAISON GROUP

The Ladies Liaison Group held its annual meeting on 8 February but despite a notice in Outpost and notices around the Club, only four people attended and they were all from last year's organising group. This leads us to believe that there is no call for activities at the moment. The present group will continue to do the following:-

- 1. Monthly "Bring and Buy" sales. These will be held on the first Tuesday of every month from 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon.
- New Members' coffee mornings will be held at approximately three-monthly intervals.
- The Christmas parties will be organised and a pantomime produced.

There will be no further Saturday morning activities or summer holiday activities. However, should anyone wish to organise these, perhaps they could get in touch with me:

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A Crutch of Editors

A rare and Amaritous event occurred at the B.C. in early February when three of the four editors of Outpost converged on the Club Bar to reflect on the development of the magazine and the price paid in anguish as the deadline for each issue approaches. John Walker (1980-81, now in Adelaide), Norman Musgrave (1981-82, in tennis shorts) and Ian Hill (1982-83, inebriated) started by drinking a health to Arthur Hawtin (1979-80, in Japan) who is guilty among other things of choosing the name "Outpost". There follows a heavily edited (thank goodness!) extract of the conversation (?) of these three stalewarts.

J.W. - "Who's shout?"

N.M. & I.H., together - "Yours."

J.W. - "Pommie bastards! Here, I much prefer the brown covers to the blue."

I.H. - "Ok, Ok, so do I - matches my trousers when the Gestetner breaks down. Actually the blue was an experiment of Norman's and I was left with a stock to use up."

N.M. - "I thought the blue was appropriate for some of the copy being sent in at the time."

J.W. - "Should use the copy as well -- you could offer the magazine to the public for sale."

N.M. - 'Maybe, but we could get into trouble with the photographs."

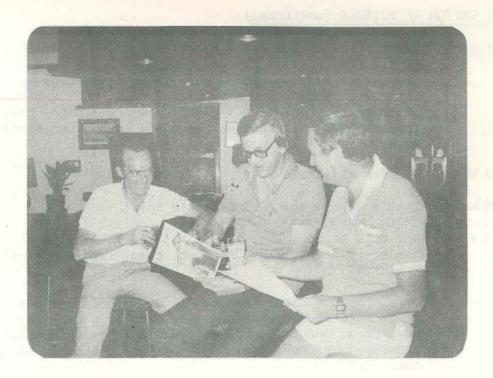
J.W. - "Do you cover your costs, Blue."

I.H. - "Oh yes, and with a healthy surplus, but now we're averaging over 60 pages an issue we could carry more ads which would enable us to go for some pages of colour photos and improve the general quality..."

J.W. - "Ads of insurance and finance companies seem dull -how about advertising massage parlours? Brighten up the pages a bit? In colour. Close-ups...."

N.M. - "Some wives might object!"

I.H. - "We're always looking for general items, too...."



I.H. J.W. N.M.

J.W. - "Like what, Blue?"

I.H. - "A screwdriver."

N.M. - "Scotch and soda. What a grand fellow he is!"

J.W. - "Bloody hell! And they screw us visiting members on these bloody books, too. We should have the option of ante-ing \$500 into the kitty and getting books at full value. And there should be books to the value of \$500 available, too. These don't cover one round with buggers like you lot around."

N.M. - "We had plenty of fun in my year finding suggestive photos of Club personalities and fitting defamatory captions to them."

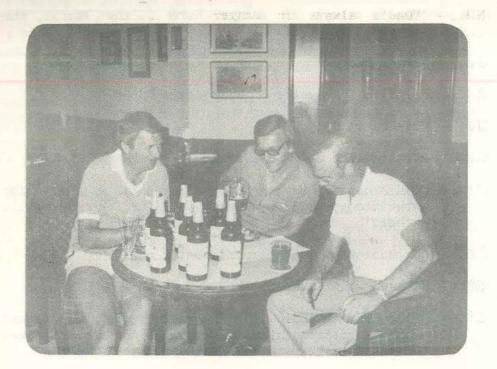
J.W. - "We did articles on local colour such as Christchurch and the Nielson-Hayes Library. We had a history of the British Club on the stocks - what happened to that?"

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A CRUTCH OF EDITORS (continued)

- I.H. "Dunno. Wish I had known about it. I couldn't even find out when the B.C. was founded! Usual story people too lazy to turn out their cupboards... Actually, I've been very pleased with the general articles sent in, and I gather from response that readers have enjoyed them. We don't steal from other magazines much any more."
- J.W. "I never did that!"
- N.M. "That's why your magazine was so thin!"
- J.W. "And nuts to you, too, Blue! I see you still carry the crossword. I used to get them from Margaret Miller."
- I.H. "So did Norman, and so do I. She's marvellous produces topical puzzles at the drop of a hat! Also, one Geof Connor supplies insoluble mathematical puzzles, but nobody minds ... Margaret did a round, once...."
- J.W. "A round?" N.M. "Thanks. Whiskey and soda."
- I.H. "Screwdriver, please. Yes, a round crossword."
- J.W. (Unpublishable)
- N.M. "Isn't he a splendid fellow? Did you have any trouble getting the Sports articles in on time, John?"
- J.W. "Only Simon Brewin's: always late with Bridge got stuck on the Queen of Hearts, I think. Oh, and I'll always remember the "Blanc page" reserved for Squash."
- N.M. "We pushed each Section and at the end of my term they were asking for more pages. Squash is as big as Golf now."
- I.H. "Yes, the interest and enthusiasm is great. Photos, too. But they still tend to forget deadlines. Find myself editing and juggling while half the magazine has already been printed!"
- J.W. "How's your bar bill, Ian? Mine doubled during the year I was Editor."
- I.H. "Yes, well, it's high, but then it was before I got press-ganged: snooker and darts and squash had got me virtually living here. That's how I got caught!"

- N.M. "One's always in danger here"... the Bar ... the chores..."
- J.W. "What chores?"
- N.M. and E.I.H., together, "Same again, John!"
- J.W. "Jeeee z!"
- N.W., (with reverance) "Splendid fellow!"
- J.W. "This place IS dangerous! And then it was one for the klong, half way home ... is the Superstar still there?"
- I.H. "I believe it's bigger and better now."
- N.M. "What's the Superstar?"
- J.W. "I couldn't handle..." (The rest of the sentence and ensuing fifteen minutes' worth was not for publication) "Is Prayoon still doing all the work?"
- I.H. "Yes. The whole thing would probably collapse without her. She nags me all the time. Even-accused me once of drinking! Cheers. We still use the same awful machine for printing."
- J.W. "You're joking! I had noticed that your photos are getting worse."
- I.H. "Yes, I know. It's so annoying when the original material is so good. We're trying to do something about this. The magazine deserves a good printer, now."
- J.W. "Why don't you have a Patpong Correspondent?"
- N.M. "We did once but he tried to cover too many bars one night, then resigned. Believe he joined a missionary society somewhere...."
- J.W. "Copy any good?"
- N.M. "Oh, excellent. But then we had a spot of bother from a few people and we had to tell him to lay off the committee, and then one or two lawsuits.... people have no sense of humour!"



The Editors ... with crutches!

- I.H. "Any reminiscences, John?"
- J.W. "Mainly spending so much time getting the material and then actually producing the bloody thing on time! Mike Dutton's help with the first two issues was marvellous. The increasing interest of readers in what was becoming a real club magazine.... I got a lot of pleasure out of it!"
- N.M. "Me too. It was tremendous fun!"
- I.H. "Still is. But Outpost can only reflect the condition of the Club, and that depends on the members. We've each recorded successive years of healthy development. That's lucky! John, old chap, Norman; one for the klong?"
- J.S. 'My God! I thought you'd never ask! Ge'us a pe'a
- N.M., (sotto voce) "Splen...did fellow....!"

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Our F&B Correspondent Writes

QUESTIONNAIRE

At the time of "going to press", only 12 replies had been received from members, just over 2% by those who received the questionnaire.

Most of the replies were constructive and where adverse criticism was made it was justified and helpful.

A sampling of comments range from adulatory to downright out-raged."

"Hope I haven't gone on too much. The food is great",

"Could the mouse trainer please teach the mouse not to do his nightly sprint during the video - it's so off putting",

"The girls are great"

"What happened to the Australian Wine?"

"Atmosphere in Dining Room is sterile"

"Atmosphere in the Main Bar is good except for someone's laugh in the early evening and snoring in the late evening - you know who I mean"

"The British tradition of warm draft beer is not transferable to Bangkok"

"How about a nice rice pudding - plenty of the stuff in Thailand"

"Could we have more chips...?"

'Must we have chips with everything?"

"Dining Room decor is cold and lighting unimaginative. Suggest babies and unruly children be restricted to Sala and Poolside."

"We need better control over the "wetbacks" on the soft furnishings in the Sala."

Thanks to all those who took the trouble to fill out the questionnaire. Your suggestions have already lead to some action by the General Committee. More to come from the F \S B Sub-Committee when they next meet to analyse your replies in detail.

Crystals in the White Wine

These are harmless and occur when the wine temperature changes. See this month's article on 'Myths about Wine".

Dinner Video

This is proving increasingly popular. Promised in coming weeks is more comedy e.g. "Open to All Hours", "Last of the Summer Wine", "Benny Hill" (groan!) "It will be All Right on the Night". Drama, documentaries and sport are also in the pipeline. Come to the Dining Room any Saturday night at 6.00 p.m. and 8.00 p.m. when the two-hour show will be repeated. You needn't eat the food but we hope you will. You can be assured of a good evening's entertainment.

Note: If you have any good British T.V. tapes (VHS only please), would you contact Ian Fleming at 391 2665 (Home) or 395 4211 (Office) - we need a lot of material to get 8 to 10 hours' good T.V. every month.

Wine List

Three items will have to be removed from the list due to suppliers running out of stock: "Schwarze Katz", "Soave" and "Piat d'or" (Red). Sorry, we will replace them with appropriate equivalents.



"I just said to them, 'Would you like to come to a pyjama party?"

Some Myths About Wine

1. Men can taste wines better than women.

Nonsense. Men are more inclined to make a study of wine and so are often better acquainted with certain terms and concepts. As for the actual tasting itself, women do as well and sometimes better, because cooking and the use of cosmetics have made them more experienced in smelling and tasting. For that matter, anyone with healthy senses can learn to taste wine.

2. The older the wine the better.

Probably as much as 90 percent of all the wine produced in the world is destined to be drunk within the year. Only a small group of wines improves -- or becomes more friendly -- after a period of rest. These include young red wines of high quality from the Bordeaux, Burgundy, Rhone and Cahors regions in France, from the Chianti and Piemonte regions in Italy and from the state of California in the United States.

Remember that with any wine, it is better to drink it far too young than a little too old. A young wine always has the charm of its youth. A wine that is too old will have an exhausted, dull taste.

Red wine should be poured at room temperature.

This idea dates back to the pre-central heating era, when rooms were cooler. So it means about 66 degrees F. rather than 70 or 72 as today. This cooler temperature is still ideal for practically all types of red wine: Bordeaux, Burgundy, Rhone, Rioja and so on. Hence, the term "room temperature" should nowadays be replaced by "just under room temperature." Some red wines, such as Beaujolais, are drunk still cooler.

4. White wine should be drunk cold.

Wrong. It should be drunk slightly chilled. You drink beer cold, white wine (and rosé) cool. Otherwise the wine's bouquet and taste are "frozen." Fifty to 54 degrees F. is the ideal temperature for most white wines. Simply keep the bottle in the refrigerator for an hour and a half, or in a pail with cold water and ice cubes for 10 minutes.

5. The only way to taste wine is with cheese and bread.

At professional wine-tastings, no cheese is served at all because cheese flatters wine. Cream crackers and French baguettes can be useful to neutralize the mouth after tasting a few wines. But the less one eats during wine-tasting, the better one can judge. The mouth can also be freshened with a few sips of water.

6. You must always sniff the cork.

Because you see the waiter doing so? Well, he doesn't smell anything either. In all my visits to restaurants I only once noticed that the waiter thought he smelled something suspicious. The wine, however, was excellent. Every time I was served a wine that was "corked" (meaning stale, with an unpleasant aroma) or had some other defect, the waiter had not noticed anything wrong with the cork.

7. I should complain about crystals.

Sometimes you will see small crystals on the cork or along the inside of the bottle. These are tartaric-acid crystals: completely tasteless and harmless. They are formed from the acids present in the wine -- especially white wine. Changes in temperature stimulate their formation. Wine makers can avoid the formation of these crystals by giving the wine a special treatment -- but that also means a slight deterioration in quality. In fact the crystals are often a good sign: they prove the wine was able to mature in a natural way.

8. Stand the bottle upright and uncork it in good time.

Standing the bottle upright only makes sense if there is sediment in the wine. Otherwise leave the bottle where it is. Uncorking a bottle a little while before serving makes sense only for red wines that have long been stored in a cellar or that could do with a little extra air because of their youthful hardness. It can also make a rather harsh wine a little smoother. In all other cases, just open the bottle and pour. As far as I know, only certain types of Italian wine improve if the bottle is opened a really long time in advance -- even as much as half a day.

9. Expensive wine always tastes better than cheap wine.

Never forget that it is your nose and your tongue that determine what you like. If you enjoy a mild, simple Moselle or a soft, no-nonsense red from the south of France, you will probably have a lot of trouble with a bone-dry, almost metallic Chablis or a great red wine of Bordeaux -- even though they are much more expensive.

A good criterion: will I get my money's worth out of a particular wine? Some people can derive enormous pleasure from a wine that costs \$10 a bottle, whereas others may think it not really pleasant to drink. The nice thing about wine is that there is so much variety.

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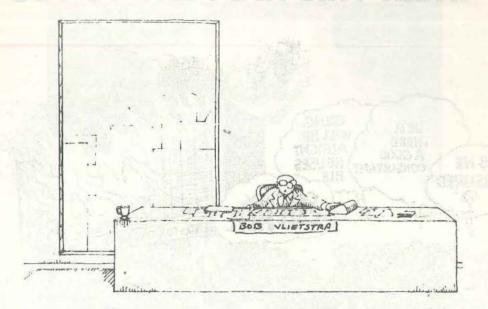
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She has already 'Danced' her way into our hallucinatory senses as we approach 'The Jungles of Jupiter', Toyah readily personifying The Bringer of Jollity, but soon we are 'Castaways' (a dying world left behind?), the music developing a pleasant lyricism when our monitor introduces us to 'The Angel and Me'.

In contrast we experience a touch of drama for 'The Packt' (pact) during an episode wherein the world ends -- almost! -- ('stop war, starvation, disease, poverty'), and there's 'Thunder in the Mountains' as we seem to arrive at the mountains of the moon -- vivid echoing sounds of Toyah's sirenian enticements, if no visible lightning.

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NEW RECORDS (continued)

Suddenly an insistent, exclamatory chant, 'I Want to be Free', but Toyah is never 'fenced in'; so why? She goes on to state that 'We Are' -- we are what? -- 'nous sommes enchante, peutetre, avec Toyah?' -- but time is marching on as the 'Dawn Chorus' introduces the birds, but not the feathered variety, which seems to remind us of more mundane things, and the thought of retracing our steps homeward.

Non Regards .. by Camus

What awaits us on our return? 'A Brave New World?'. No such luck. So when Toyah beckons again we must be ready. Maybe next time we'll never return!

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Sixteenth - Century Gabrielis (Andrea and nephew Giovanni) wrote sacred music, masses, motets, psalms, etc. for the choir of St. Mark's, Venice. Giovanni in particular brought the development of the Venetian polychoral tradition of predecessor Willaert to great heights, often writing for mixed groups of voices and instruments.

Also associated with Saint Mark's, Claudio Monteverdi wrote music in like fashion, and it is around these three composers that Argo have built their attractive 3-record set 'The Glory of Venice', now available on D269D 3. The Monteverdi Choir, Choir of Magdalen College Oxford, Choir for St. John's College Cambridge, and the Philip Jones Brass Ensemble (Giovanni nephew introduced brass to many of his activities) all contribute, the grandeur of the music being fully exemplified during the six sides of the recording, notes and texts supplied.

The well-graduated singing is evident right from the 'Audite Principes', with some excellent part-singing in the 'Quem vidisti pastores', the exultant Monteverdi 'Let the heavens rejoice' and the organ-piece by Gabrieli 'zio' ('Ricercar arioso IV) exemplifying contrasting styles with the overall 'glory'.

Gabrieli nephew treats the listener to some beautifully melodious moments during his 'I am that I am' while the impressive ppp singing and ending to the Monteverdi minorflavoured 'Adoramus Te' with the incisive Philip Jones brass makes delightful hearing.

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The Monteverdi 'Mass for 4 Voices' (1650/1651) ends the recording. The Crucifixus' expresses the words 'Passus et sepultus est' beautifully and simply, and there is genuine excitement in the triple-measure 'Et ressurexit' and later during the sequential phrases of the Benedictus 'Hosanna'.

Venetian music in all its glory. Do not fail to hear this musical treat.

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Numerically rich in instrumentation, the 100-strong Orchestra of King Edward VI School, Chelmsford, has marked its successful career in concert work by recording for Alpha (ACA 508) a programme of English, French, and Russian music.

To mark the orchestra's 50-years in existence, conductor Peter Cross includes such well-known melodies as the Adagio of Spartacus and Phrygia' from 'Khachaturian's ballet suite Spartacus (you'll recognize it as the theme of B.B.C's 'Onedin Line'), the Londonderry Air -- perhaps the greatest of all folk tunes -- and Elgar's 'Pomp & Circumstance March No. 1' (the Land of Hope & Glory one).

Maurice Ravel's difficult 'Tzigane' - soloists Anthony Marwood violin and Timothy Carey - and a somewhat unfamiliar item by Richard Rodney Bennet, the 3-movement 'Serenade', complete the recital which shows the orchestra's multi-mood accomplishments.

The gently-pulsating opening of 'Adagio' denotes the influence of Roman beauty Phrygia on the slave Spartacus; the devilry and panache of the gypsy dance 'Tzigane' (the virtuosity demanded by the solo violinist being well in evidence from Anthony Marwood, the excitement of the second theme built up with enormous intensity by pianist Timothy Carey); the necessary contrasts in tone colour during the Bennet'Serenade' -- Aubade (Morning Song), Siesta (Mid Day Break), the rather unorthodox Nocturne -- a night song that reflects the composer's jazz-influenced tendencies.

And note the happy liaison between the warm, luscious strings and the contrasting French horn in Percy Grainger's arrangement of the lovely 'Londonderry Air'. School orchestral performance to be admired.

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Across

- 1 & 27 That great charmer somehow is a leading lady.
- 5 Short Army Officer for a vessel....
- 8 Make some comments on the passage.
- 9 Agronomist's repository.
- 10 See 21 across.
- 12 Mediocre kind of entertainment?
- 13 Stranger in the land.
- 16 Losing a letter in fire makes for wrath.
- 17 Pan it around and it will colour.
- 20 Creature of pride.
- 21 & 10 Who's 'n old Liar? Predecessor of 1 across.
- 24 Trim at a smart rate.
- Common activity of 10, 26 & 27 across.
- 26 See 7 down.
- 27 See 1 across

Down

- 1 Call from Kitty.
- § 6 Real grand on a roundabout for a leading man.
- 3 No cat I put out, so take it!
- Takes in. 6 See 2 down.
- 7 & 26 across. Opposite number in Thailand of 1 across.
- 11 Consumed with literary cakes.
- 12 Charge!
- 13 Skill for a short American chap.
- 14 Only the best can expect to get it. (2 words)
- 15 Cooking utensil for Peter.
- 16 Could be found in the well.
- 17 Lie cop, somehow...after all, you are one of them!
- 18 He deserves the toughest justice.
- 19 Chips -- fish, eggs -- ham. (2 words)
- Nurse ready with bottle and spoon?
- On board, "Out Port, Home Starboard" is put around to make it classy.



'I come home early, and what do I find? You playing my stereo!'



O'Connell Cup (1982)

This competition started in September, 1982 and was at last concluded on 30th January, 1983. It was necessary to award byes in all rounds leading to the semi-finals, and among others it is regretted that Ian McLean was unable to complete: he would surely have been a finalist. In one semi-final, Ron Armstrong beat Tom Moran but only got clear in the third frame. Scores were 82-134, 120-90 and 125-63. In the other, Brian Brook couldn't get going against Ian Hill who was enjoying a good night! Ian won 84-36 and 155-53. The final seemed a foregone conclusion, but Ron gave Ian the head start calculated for the Donofield Handicap, 75, and found it too much. Ian put the reds away too fast, made best uses of chances to volunteer and won 176-167 and 206-150. So, albeit with sporting assistance, Ian Hill won the Cup!

The Ashes (1982)

The traditional England v. Australia match for the silver urn which may or may not contain the charred remains of cues used in 1956 was played on 31st January with customary refreshments and congeniality. The teams lined up were:

England	Australia
Ian Hill (Capt.)	Ron Armstrong (Capt.)
Maurice Kerr	Don Goodin
Tom Moran	Tom Annas
Roy Barrett	Hans Daniels
Ian Ward-McNally	Eric Turner

Matches were decided in game and numbers as the evening progressed, starting with two snooker singles in which Ron Armstrong beat Maurice Kerr and Ian Hill beat Eric Turner. Doubles then followed, and England won both, Maurice Kerr and Ian Ward-McNally taking two frames to one from Don Goodin and Hans Daniels while Tom Moran and Roy Barrett disposed in similar fashion of Ron Armstrong and Tom Annas. Mr. Annas is no stranger to the table game: a little practice and his real ability would be a challenge to many of the regular players.



Ron Armstrong gets a Runners-up Tankard (for a change) from Mr. Maurice Kerr

At this stage England had three wins to Australia's one so two more games were started; another snooker doubles featuring Ron Armstrong and Eric Turner against Tom Moran and Ian Hill while Ian Ward-McNally took on Hans Daniels at his favourite game, billiards. England won the snooker, but Hans took the billiards for Australia in no uncertain fashion.

So England regained the Ashes, avenging last year's defeat.

Billiards/Snooker A.G.M.

Departing from tradition, the evening of 7th February was, apart from the formalities, one for watching the excellent at the game rather than trying to emulate them on the tables. The elite few who attended were treated to video coverage of the 1982 Embassy world Snooker Championship Competition, beautifully edited (and marketed) by the B.B.C. Your correspondent was pleased to note errors often seen at the British Club, and is convinced that the pockets on the BC tables are more difficult than those used at World level! Balls touching the side cushions dropped in for the champions when for us at the BC they would sit up prettily for our opponents. Excuses, excuses!

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Maurice Kerr presents Koi Armstrong with her well-deserved trophy, the Donofield Cup.

Guests of Honour were Mr. Maurice Kerr, Chairman (and prime mover) of the Billiards and Snooker Control Council of Thailand formed in 1982 and BC Chairman, Mr. Scott Younger.

The Club dining room was commendeered for the evening (leaving the Suriwongse Room free for our Bridge friends) and when the video reached the final stage we drew up our chairs for the AGM. Ian Hill reviewed the 1982 season, recording the excellent performance of Ron Armstrong in the Thai Open Championships, the BC win over OESA, the first Lady Competition winner, Koi Armstrong, and the continuing interest in the table games in the Club.

Mr. Hill having advised those present of a healthy balance in the Section account, his proposal to pay the refreshment bills of allpresent from Section funds was carried unanimously. The only other item on the agenda was election of Section officers for 1983. A proposal that the 1982 sub-committee be re-elected en bloc was unprotested and carried unanimously! Your 1983 sub-committee is therefore:

Ian Hill - Chairman
Ron Armstrong - Treasurer & Hon. Sec.
Ian McLean - B.S.C.C.T. Representative

Tony Dickinson Tom Watson

Formal proceedings over, an excellent buffet including traditional steak and kidney pie was served and enjoyed together with wines and other fluids to individual taste. All free!

Mr. Maurice Kerr then took over to present trophies (and small replicas) to winners of the 1982 tournaments, and bronze tankards to runners-up. These proceedings were accompanied by much conviviality and photography.

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A delighted Tony Bekenn with FOUR tankards! Two were for his partner, Ernie Ure.

(Sorry about the light fitting, Tony, but we couldn't resist your smile! - Ed.)



Ian Hill presents the OUTPOST TROPHY to Mr. Scott Younger

Mr. Hill then explained to those present that handicap competitions would give more players a chance of winning and on this premise presented to Mr. Scott Younger a new trophy to be known as the "Outpost Trophy" for annual handicap snooker singles competition to be presented to winners by the Editor of OUTPOST. Receiving the new trophy on behalf of the Club, Mr. Younger complimented Mr. Hill, his sub-committee and the Section on their success as a thriving Club activity.

Being well fed and watered, we were by now in excellent mood to watch the final of the world championship on video, which Mr. Higgin's won again, and which finishes with a most entertaining selection of errors and humorous events cleverly edited without commentary set to the piano music of Scott Joplin.

Next - This - Season

It's proposed to start with the Leonowens Memorial Trophy for volunteer singles, to be played over one, two or three evenings, depending on number of entries, in late March. Watch the notice-board!

Another event for March/April will be the annual three-sport match with our friends of O.E.S.A. The British Club will be host this year for an evening of snooker, darts, dice and congeniality assisted by rather more liquid refreshment than usual. Members will be advised well in advance of this event.

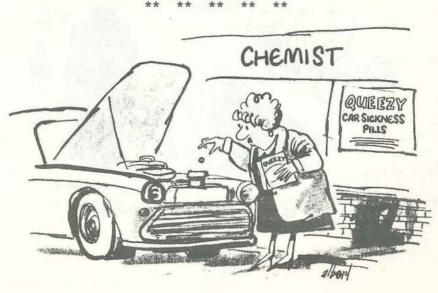


DARTS

The 18th Bangkok Darts League wound its way to a rather unsteady close (at double one) with a banquet at the New Imperial at which prizes were given to those who had and those who had not sat and drunk Kloster. The faithful six from your favourite club were undisturbed until the announcement for the Sportsmanship Award was made when the news that BC2 had come second was overshadowed only by the applause for the worthy winners from Jusmag. Lady luck was however, with us when the ever popular Bryan Baldwin received, in absentia, the Caltex Plate for most scores of three and under in regular play.

Enough of 18 and on to 19 which should start sometime this month but we are not sure when. It looks as though we will only be able to field one team this time around unless there is a sudden explosion of hidden talent within the silent majority but we do not wish to make hasty decisions. We have therefore arranged practices on Thursday evenings in the Club bar and anyone who either knows which way the pointed bit of a dart should go or who just likes a social evening out once a week is most welcome to come along. The Bangkok Darts League in general and the BC team in particular is very friendly and good fun. There is no sexual discrimination so just come along and bend your elbow.

Anyone unable to attend over the next two weeks but who is keen to play on a regular or occasional basis should contact Chris Staddon on 319 5575 Apt. 9 or leave a note on the notice board.





GOLF

Hi there golfers, well we made our place in the Sports section again but perhaps only because we have one match to report on, that was the match played at the Railway links on February 6th.

The golf course was in fair condition with lightening fast greens, however some high scores were recorded in this medal play match with the Man of the Match in Flight A with a 72 was David Frost of TV Rentals fame who will be sponsoring the match to be played on February 20th at Hua Mark. Don Goodin shot a 73 to finish second. The front nine was won by Ben Harrold with a 35 and the back nine by Ernie Jurgens with a 37.

Flight B: and a first time winner was Koi Armstrong who shot a fantastic 72. Richard Edmunds finished in second spot also with a 72 but was piped on count back.

Muriel Harrold had a 38 to win the B Flight front nine and Peter Speed a 34 to win the back nine.



"I wish you'd pray for rain, Reverend. The fairways are in terrible shape."

Nearest the pin on hole 8 was the Match winner David Frost and on hole 14 Roy Barrett took the honours.

This outing was sponsored by the Chartered Bank, and saw four new members take part, His Excellency the British Ambassador Justin Staples, Charles Amos, Brian Hyde and Brian Deson; guests were Peter O'Brien, Reg Laville and John Dequenne and General Alistair Dennis who all enjoyed a great game.

Next outing will be sponsored by TV Rentals at Hua Mark on February 20th.



LADIES' GOLF

Perhaps the fine golfing weather is the reason, but whatever, we certainly are having a good turnout on Tuesday mornings. The first round of the Astral Cup was played at the Army Course on 1st February and afterwards we joined with the ladies of FLOGG to give a farewell luncheon at the New Great Shanghai Restaurant for Ann Johnstone and Phyl Dunn. About twenty ladies attended and all were in accord that Jenny, in whose capable hands we had bestowed the ordering, had made an excellent selection. Our Lady Captain presented Ann and Phyl each with a keepsake from the group and wished them both well in the future. During this function Eileen took the opportunity of presenting L.G.U. brooches to two of our members. Joan Jurgens won the Silver Division (handicaps 0-18) and Ann Johnstone won the Bronze Division (handicaps 19-36) a fitting finish to Ann's golfing days in Bangkok -- she won't get many in Doha!

The second round of the Astral Cup was played under ideal conditions on 8th February which resulted in some fine scores. The winner was Muriel Harrold with a total nett score of 139 and she was presented with the Astral Cup and a Sony Radio/Cassette Player generously donated by Lever Brothers (T) Ltd. Runner-up was Jenny Holt with a total nett score of 140 (on a countback with Pat Dodsworth). The prize-giving was at the home of the Lady Captain and was followed by a grand buffet lunch. It was a pleasure to see Margaret Miller who had come along to this get-together, not as a player, but just to keep in touch with our group. Nice to see you, Margaret.



All the 'Hopefuls' at the start of the Astral Trophy

Further Results (and on facing page)

January 25 - L.G.U.

Winner (Silver Division): Joan Jurgens nett 75
Runner-up ": Phyl Dun nett 76
Winner (Bronze Division): Pam Hardy nett 68
Runner-up ": Lise Dencker-Nielsen nett 69

Longest Drive : Kerstin Persson

February 15 - Stableford

Winner : Eileen Ford 35 points
R/Up : Joan Jurgens 34 points

(on countback from Sheila Kerr)

Longest Drive : Sheila Kerr Nearest Pin : Sheila Kerr



Before they knew it, but here are Muriel and Jenny at the start of the 1st Round of the Astral, and the eventual winner and runner-up. Playing with Sally Lamb who was a guest on this day but we are delighted now to welcome her as a member of the B.W. Golfers.

February 1 & 8 - Astral Cup

Winner: Muriel Harrold - 139 nett
Runner-up: Jenny Holt - 140 nett
Best nett 1st day: Eileen Ford - 68 nett
Best nett 2nd day: Pat Dodsworth - 71 nett
Longest Drive 1st & 2nd days: Kerstin Persson

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Nearest Pin 1st day: Sheila Kerr

Nearest Pin 2nd Day: Little Howatson

A reminder of forthcoming fixtures

March 1 Bisque Bogey at Army Course

March 8 Four Ball Best Ball at Army Course

Starter - Muriel Harrold 250 1166

March 15 1st Round Gestetner Trophy (Stableford) at Navatanee Course

March 22 2nd Round Gestetner Trophy ('') at Navatanee Course

March 29 L.G.U. at Army Course

Starter - Ella Mallaret 391 1596

April 5 T's and F's at Army Course

Starter - Eileen Ford 252 2074

Although we have just lost two staunch members we are fortunate in having Penny Whalley and Sally Lamb join the section. Sally played her first game on the Army Course in the first round of the Astral and little did she know then that she was playing with the eventual winner and runner-up as the photo shows. Let's hope that soon we'll be seeing Sally's name in the winners list. Penny has not yet played with our group but is getting in lots of practise and when she feels ready I think we'll all have to look out.



"I'll take the lot!"



"Harry of Millwall offers a Chelsea supporter's head—and wants a Doctor Marten boot with a Sheffield Wednesday supporter's leg in it!"



"I suppose it had to happen— Scottish tennis fans!"



Having received Outpost's golden biro award last month, one rather unfortunate game of cricket this month provides little scope for an inspired follow-up. But never mind, this will have to do.

Saturday 29th January - BC vs Indian CC 40 overs Thailand Cricket League

So much depended on the gravitational destiny of a shiny Rattanakosin 5 Baht coin tossed expectantly into the cloudless but humid skies hanging over RBSC. As the sun glinted fiercely off the gaping beak of the mythical Garuda it was inevitable that the team condemned to patrol the bumpy wastes of RBSC's hockey and soccer fields for the first 40 overs, was going to be faced with a bicentennial's worth of runs when their own exhausted turn came to bat. His Royal Highness King Bumphidol gazed westward, apparently unmoved by the disastrous consequences. 'Heads' - it was Us who were destined to suffer!

In the circumstances, therefore, the British Club did extraordinarily well to dismiss 7 Indian batsmen for a mere 53 runs during the last 15 overs of their innings. This feat looked even better when compared with the 53 runs we scored during the first 15 overs of our innings whilst losing only 3 batsmen.

We knew we were really in trouble however, when "Silly Point" -- our colourful Nation reporter -- refused a 6th bottle of Kloster and insisted on leaving an inebriated flannelled gathering later that day, at the unheard of early hour of 6.30 p.m. We had failed to prevent the remainder of the match details from ruining every BC cricket lover's porridge the following morning, and it could hardly have been worse. "Indian CC Exposes BC Weaknesses" screamed the headlines across 4 columns of that English language daily's Sports Page.

Silly point appeared to revel in revealing that the Indians had indeed notched up a bicentennial score thanks to a little matter of 151 for 2 being put on the board during their first 25 overs. We, on the other hand, had added only another 54 runs to our total after the 15th over, and had lost all of our remaining wickets in doing so.

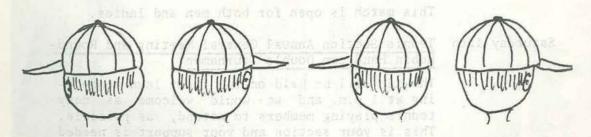
There really isn't much point in going into the sordid details -- if we didn't manage to destroy every remaining copy of the Nation on Sunday 30th, you'll find them there. Our bowling was not as tight as in previous games, although Don Goodin came back to take 4 for 40 after an expensive opening spell. Paul Eastaway was most effective with 2 for 23 off 8 overs, and Phil Diprose (2 for 36) and John Coghill (1 for 38) took the remaining wickets. Paul Eastaway took two splendid catches in the covers, and the Indians scored 204 for 9.

In our reply, John Coghill (15), Jeff Parry (12) and Don Goodin (10) all reached double figures and Eastaway with 9 not out at clickety-click appeared to be trying to make a point about the batting order. We scored 107 all out, and lost by 97 runs.

Before moving on, however, we must also make special mention of the contribution of our star of FM107 in this match. Diminutive Craig Price was actually invisible during the first 120 runs of the Indian innings, which not only left us with 10 fielders, but also necessitated some unusual tactics in the deployment of our reserve wicket keepers. He then managed to score only 43 out of our first 67 runs, and get out just when we needed another quick 100 from him! To be fair though, he was the only batsman who looked capable of coming to terms with the task set us, and was in full flow when he was unfortunate enough to get out.

A much happier occasion to report was the Cricket Section barbecue held at Jeff Parry's home on 22nd January. This was a most enjoyable afternoon/evening, and in extending our thanks to Jeff and family for their hospitality, we look forward to another similar event before long.

We are at the moment having an extended rest from action on the field, but as from 26 February we will be seeing pretty regular action through to the end of April. Very shortly we will be requiring firm commitments for our next weekend in Chiang Mai scheduled for 2nd and 3rd April.



Well bowled ... well played well caught ... hard luck!



After the excitement of the Borg visit and the opening of our two raised courts, the Tennis Sub-Committee have now prepared a programme of activities, which it is hoped will attract many members to make use of our tennis facilities on a regular basis.

All four courts are now in playable condition and everything is being done to bring them up to top condition. You can help by playing on them, the more they are used the quicker they will settle.

In order to encourage you to play at weekends and on holidays all courts will remain unbookable on those days. This means that singles play will not be allowed if other members are waiting to play and all doubles matches must be terminated after one short set (6-5) and the court vacated if other members are waiting to play. Notices to this effect will be posted on the courts.

On Weekdays, all courts may be booked from 8 a.m. until dusk and reservations may be made in the book at the poolside. Reservation periods are limited to one hour per player and only one reservation at a time may be made, up to one week in advance.

The following activities have been planned for March:

Sunday 6th

Interclub Match with Royal Bangkok Sports Club from 8.30-11.30 a.m. at their courts (Nos 1-7)

All members able to play a game of doubles are invited to participate. Names should be entered in the list provided at the Reception Desk and players are asked to come to the RBSC at the time indicated and report to Roy Fordham.

This match is open for both men and ladies.

Saturday 12th Tennis Section Annual General Meeting and Round-Robin Handicap Double Tournament

> The AGM will be held on the front lawn commencing at 1 p.m. and we would welcome as many tennis playing members to attend, as possible. This is your section and your support is needed to make it successful.

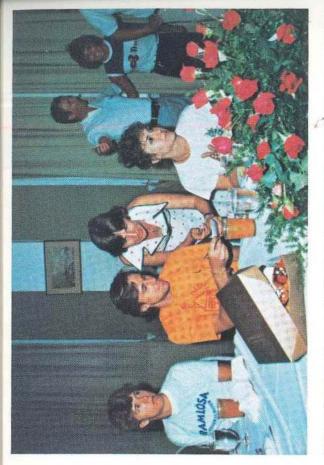
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Immediately following the AGM we will have another of our popular round-robin tournaments.

Please enter your name in the book at the Reception Desk if you intend to play. There will be an entry fee of \$60 to cover cost of balls and tea, soft drinks etc., which will be provided.

Monday 7th

- SINGLES LEAGUE TOURNAMENTS

Players who are interested in playing singles on a regular basis, averaging one match a week over the next 3 months, are invited to enter the Men's or Ladies' Singles League Tournaments. Entry lists and regulations are at the Reception Desk.

The number of divisions will depend upon the number of entries received, but it is hoped to commence with 'A' and 'B' Men's and a Ladies Division on 7th March.

Players of any standard are welcome to enter and will be placed in an appropriate division. Entry fee will be \$50.

Every Thursday (a.m.)

- LADIES TENNIS MORNING

All ladies are invited to come along for a game any Thursday morning from 8 a.m. onwards. Take this opportunity to make new friends and enjoy some good tennis.

Every second Tuesday (p.m.)

- ORGANISED TENNIS EVENING

Everyone interested in playing friendly tennis is invited to come along on the late afternoons of Tuesday March 8th and 22nd, from 4.30 p.m. Committee members will be present to organise rotation of play.

As soon as we are able to evaluate the regular playing strength of the section, a programme of events for the remainder of the season will be prepared. We plan to arrange several tournaments and inter-club events and hope that the support given to the activities scheduled for March will enable us to put a full programme in hand without delay.



SQUASH

Squash AGM 1983

Security was low keyed but effective as the candidates went before a festive, footstomping electorate in the Suriwongse Room right after the Rod Carter Shield event.

Up to 80 various sizes of feet were counted by our attendance registrar who was forced to re-lick his pencil when it was noticed that some of the more feverish voters had 4 feet on the floor at the same time.

Carefully avoiding the napalm-filled balloons and gaily coloured detonator cords looking so cleverly like ribbons, the outgoing squash committee nodded to the bomb disposal squad and took their places on the podium.

Barely heard above the massed bands the outgoing Chairman thanked his fearless cadres, otherwise known as committee persons and pledged his undying support for the squash movement in general and the BCB squash cell in particular.

Then with re-election looking a sure thing Jack Crunchford threw caution to the winds and successfully got Brian "Bruiser" Brook to all his feet for the treasurers report. It took a good eye to catch the almost imperceptible nod from Secretary Bernie "Breath-on-em" Grogan to the marshals but, what the eye can't see the votes can count.

No objections were recorded to Brian's random figures scratched on the back of an unaudited beer mat so the 1982 squash accounts now show a healthy profit. Thanks Brian.

The marshals were busy for "Low slung" Lynn Cook when the ladies report, endorsed by comrade "High rise" Sue Edmunds, was fed to the multitude.

The punch bowl was under heavy attack by the time anything was found to say about publicity. Nothing was said about publicity however because "Dirty Dick" Souter had absented himself to draw up the 1981 squash AGM poster.

About when the AGM completely disintergrated some of the crowd reported hearing a triumphant outgoing committee reelecting themselves for another year. No one is sure if that was done before or after "Lance their kneecaps" Len Alexander tried to present his novel motion to paint all the court floorboards beige. Still our top ideologist.

Before sweeping downstairs to demand free drinks our 1983 committee graciously accepted fawning thanks from a general committee stooge known to be their shadow treasurer one "Excuse me I have a phone call" Barrett.

Even though his best squash days are behind him, Bob "Wheel-barrow" Vlietstra received a mention in dispatches from Chairman Jack which will no doubt warm Bob and his staff throughout 1983.

We did manage to get a brief glimpse of the new line-up the following Wednesday when the first committee meeting was held in a secret place somewhere in the club bar.

Here's how it looks for 1983:

Chairman - Jack Dunford

Secretary - Bill Friel

Treasurer - Brian Brook

Club Captain - Len Alexander

Ladies Reps - Lynn Cook

Sue Edmunds

Publicity - Dick Souter

TSRA - Colin Hastings
Squash Courts - Bill Cox

League/Ladder - Jack Dunford

Coordinators - Brian Brook

Tony Bohan Lynn Cook

Andy Dunlop

Rod Carter Shield 1982

For those who missed it in the Bangkok Post in February the result of this event was that the British Club was reluctantly forced to turn over the Shield to Samkan Sankavanija. Our Len met his match against a very cool playing Samkan and should have taken the first game but the pre-AGM crowd saw remorseless squash and a deserving winner taking it out 3-0 in just under 40 minutes. Entries for the 1983 Rod Carter Shield received in 1983 will be ignored as everyone knows this will be held in 1985.

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Hong Kong Football Club Visit

Full of jokes like: Lady Astor to Churchill: "If you were my husband I'd poison your coffee!", Churchill: "If you were my wife I would drink it!", the HKFC descended on BCB in mid-February. Our lads were in no joking mood as they took the field to uphold the honour of Patpong vs Wanchai. Something must not be slipping in Patpong these days because only one HKFC failed to show and this gave Steve Tapner an effortless win. Steve and reserve Nick White could only sit in the gallery and mourn over our performance. The good news first; Aubrey Clements and Bernie Grogan won their matches. Now we are left with the bad news so lets get on with the scores:

Aubrey Clements	beat	Fraser Smith	3-0
Bernie Grogan	beat	Peter Griffiths	3-1
Terry Zander	beat	Len Alexander	3-0
Phil Wood	beat	Rod Carter	3-1
David Nicol	beat	Ian Kent	3-0
Mark Fisher	beat	Colin Hastings	3-0

The ladies were good hosts too because they each sportingly refused to take more than one game off their opponents. Scores were:

Bobbie McGraw	beat	Colleen Perry	3-1
Heather Deayton	beat	Marj Rennie	3-1
Ros Hetreed	beat	Carolyn Tarrant	3-1

Those who missed seeing the glossy HKFC magazine printed purely for their Bangkok expedition may catch various excerpts on the notice boards around Court 1. Imagine a complete magazine for a squash tour!

39th League

Being the January league it was surprising the number of entries for this reached 110 players. Maybe not so surprising but dangerous if caught by a brooding league coordinator, were the number of defectors who dropped out without telling anyone of their change of plans.

New league players snatched away cup hopes of the regulars in Divs. 5,10,11 and 12. What's more, these bolters all had 100% win records in their respective divisions. We are told that if they have the gall to apply in the March league they will be given tennis racquets and upgraded 3 divisions each.

Commisserations to Judith in Div. 15 and Maren in Div. 16. The coordinators think its a plot so they want to deter imitators by moving both girls up 2 divisions each.

Results of each division were:

DIVISION 1		DIVISION 2	
1. Len Alexander 2. Ian Kent	9 pts 4 "	1. Colin Hastings 2. Steve Tapner	12 pts 9 "
DIVISION 3		DIVISION 4	
1. Nick White 2. Daniel Verpillot	14 pts 11 "		12 pts 10 "
DIVISION 5		DIVISION 6	
1. Greg Henderson 2. Colleen Perry	12 pts 9 "	그리고 하는 그리고 하면 하는 것 같아. 그리고 있다면 하는 것 같아.	14 pts 14 "
DIVISION 7		DIVISION 8	
1. Maurice Broughton 2. Geoff Connor	12 pts 8 "	1. Howard Debenham 2. Steve Cook	10 pts 9 "
DIVISION 9		DIVISION 10	
1. Pat Murphy 2. Nigel Ashton	14 pts 11 "		15 pts 13 "
DIVISION 11		DIVISION 12	
1. Charles Amos 2. David Gillett	12 pts 10 "		12 pts 10 "
DIVISION 13		DIVISION 14	
1. David Baillie 2. Lynn Cook	11 pts 9 "	1. Geoffrey Thorpe 2. Sue Edmunds	12 pts 10 "
DIVISION 15		DIVISION 16	
1. Helen Demery 2. Stuart Matthews	9 pts 8 "	1. Heather Passmore 2. Constantine Annas	
DIVISION 17		DIVISION 18	
1. Apple Chotiwan 2. Jenny Baillie	9 pts 7 "		15 pts 14 "

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Chiangmai Gymkhana Club

Saturday morning 19 February at BCB and Bob Molloy has brought the top talent from the North to challenge BCB Club Captain, Len Alexander, to produce our best team.

Bob has a squad of 8 men so keen to win they dropped all previous notions of inviting along a ladies team. This being the reciprocal visit after Len's inaugural trip to Chiangmai last year, Bob is out to repeat their slaughter of the BCB which would have been called the Chiangmai massacre if it hadn't have been ole "Breath-on-em" being the sole winner of the day up there.

Alas for the Highlanders they struck a BCB team of teetotallers steeled from an earlier clash in the week with the Wanchai Wanderers or HKFC as sometimes known. Anyway it was a Saturday morning, so who wanted to hang around too long teetotalling. The result went to BCB as the home team but everyone enjoyed the competition and fighting spirit of CGC and no doubt these clashes between our two clubs will become a regular and popular feature in the future.

Scores were:

BCB		CGC		
1.	Len Alexander	0	Bob Molloy	3
2.	Rod Carter	3	Stuart Robertson	1
3.	Bernard Grogan	3	Gary Tullidge	1
4.	Steven Tapner	3	Charlie Graham	2
5.	Bill Friel	0	Dom Hamilton	3
6.	Chris Platt	3	Pranida	1
7.	Aubrey Clements	3	Ray Blignant	1
8.	Dougal Forrest	3	John Beghi	0

Match result BCB won by 16 rubbers to 2.

Fun Day 20 March

Most people would have caught at least one of these events during the two Fun Days held in 1982. As the name says just turn up and have fun. Wear any old squash gear except toes sticking out of old favoured footwear. All footwear should be non marking. Uncle Len and his devious friends enjoy themselves on Fun Days by holding strange competitions like serve in the basket, speed handicaps, blindfolded referee etc. A leaflet giving the day's activities, prizes and timing will be out in due course.

BCB 1983 Squash Handicap - April

Early warning alert on this event which is the best squash event of the year for all players. No fixed date at this stage but look out for next Outpost to have details. Note that every player has a handicap based on league/ladder position and scoring is USA style i.e. every point counts so whoever makes a mistake loses a point as in tennis. Last year's winner was Ken Little (now back in Canada) off a handicap of +12 and he took the title from playing Rod Carter off -7 in best of 3 games. Ken was playing around Divs. 5 & 6 at the time so the handicap system works very well to give everyone a chance. Games are scored to 25 and handicaps of +23 are not uncommon.

TSRA

The Thailand Squash Racquets Association finals were completed in February and how did our 10 teams go?

Well, with the ladies there is no such thing as A coming before B in the English alphabet. In the TSRA Div. 4 finals British Club B beat BC 'A' by 2 rubbers to one. Messrs. Lyn Cook, Sue Edmunds and Amnuay Alexander were the successful BC 'B' team.

Who wants to know the rest of the news? If you insist then of the other 8 teams we fielded 2 'A' teams in the division 2 and division 3 finals but both attempts were unsuccessful.

Results:

DIVISION 3: Shell B beat BC 'A' 2-1

our winner was Tony Laven:other team members were Peter Smith and Prasong.

DIVISION 2: RBSC A beat BC 'A' 2-1

our winner was Bill Friel: other team members were Richard Evans and Roy Barrett.

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Tur swimmers recorded many "best" performances, for which cases Knun Suparb received a chark you deremontal "ducking to his much appreciated training efforts.



SWIMMING

Special Report: The Third Friendship Gala on 6 February 1983.

Hosts: The Lions Club of Nonthaburi (LC)

Between: The International Social & Recreation Club (ISRC)

The British Club (BCB)

The hosts

This, the third such triangular swimming meet, was held at the Lions Club's Soi Timland pool, set in the grounds of the home of their president, Khun Sangad Patamachaiyant. The convivial surrounds and warm reception of our hosts ensured a memorable day of sporting and friendly competition for the magnificent medals, Outstanding Swimmer's Cups and the Lions Cup trophy.

The Governor of Nonthaburi Province, Khun Chalong Wongsa, formally declared the meet "open" soon after 0800 and the British Club chairman, Mr. Scott Younger, thanked our hosts for their invitation and emphasized in his address the friendship and enjoyment aspects of the meet for the partaking children and their supporting parents and friends. Plaques were exchanged and the meet was underway.

Results

Overall, our BCB swimmers won more medals and cups, and scored more points, than in the previous two meets.

Points Scored	1st Meet	2nd Meet	3rd Meet
Lions Club	602	562	596
ISRC	417	478	431
British Club	257	264	293
BCB Medals won	42	49	58

Our swimmers recorded many "best" performances, for which coach Khun Suparb received a thank you ceremonial "ducking" for his much appreciated training efforts.





Our Magnificent Under -7's -- and their proud coach, Khun Suparp

SWIMMING (continued)

Some performances that deserve mention are as follows:

The Under 7s

In the closest fought of the age group battles, our magnificent Under 7's came away with the honours.

1	Points	Golds	Silvers	Bronzes	Outstanding Swimmers
BCB	86	6	6	5	Girls (shared)
ISRC	83	2	8	6	-
LC	81	9	2	5	Boys, Girls (shared)

Special congratulations must go to <u>Cassidy Smith</u> who won our 2 individual Golds and led our free style relay team of Melinda Laing, Susie Rennie and Jack McConnell to a nailbiting win, due in no small way to our vociferous supporters.

The pressure on Cassidy pushed her to the following new BCB record times and the "Outstanding Swimmer's Cup; - 7 Girls."

- * Butterfly 22.9 seconds (BCB record 23.4)
- * Backstroke 24.6 seconds (BCB record 26.4)

Alexander Fleming collected 1 Silver and 2 Bronzes whilst Christopher Whalley, on his first outing, well earned his backstroke Bronze.

Well done, Cassidy, Alexander and our Under 7's team.

The Under 9s

The BCB's next best age group performance was in the Under 9's, taking second place with 68 points to the ISRC (137 points), ahead of the LC (63 points).

David Collins (1 Silver, 3 Bronzes), Murray Dick (1 Silver, 1 Bronze) and Gillian Rennie (1 Silver) were our individual medal winners with their Medley Relay team (with Sarah Gillette) winning the Silver and their Freestyle Relay team (with Jeannie Collins) winning the Bronze positions.

David's 51.0 second Butterfly (BCB record 48.8) and Murray's/David's 41.8 / 42.2 second Freestyle (BCB record 38.5) times were major personal improvements (of 2-3 seconds).

Keep training for the records! Well done the Under 9's.



CASSIDY SMITH
Outstanding Swimmer - 7 yrs, Girls
(Cutey Melinda supporting!)



SELINLA COLLINS
Outstanding Swimmer - 13 yrs, Girls

WELL DONE, GIRLS!

Other Outstanding Performances

- * Selinla Collins must head the list of the over 9 year old performances with 2 Golds and 1 Silver and the "Outstanding Swimmer's Cup; -13 Girls." She also led her age group freestyle relay team (with Sharee Laing, Justin Matthews and Mark Gillette) to the Silver position.
- * Laura Dunlop, just 4 days into the -15 age group, did very well to win 2 Silver and 2 Bronze medals and end as runner-up for the "Outstanding Swimmers Cup; -15 Girls." With training, those early leads Laura can be turned to Gold.
- * Seksan Collins (1 Silver, 3 Bronzes), swimming against the Lion Club's president's son, Thanawat (Thai Champion), continued to produce personal best performances in line with his BCB "Improver of the Year, 1982" award. Sekson was runner up to Thanawat for the "Outstanding Swimmers Cup; -15 Boys." He ended the day with a thrilling freestyle relay finish (with Laura Dunlop, Lisa Laing & Selinla Collins) to snatch the Bronze position in the last lap.
- * Mark Gillette (1 Bronze, 11 points) fought well against the top class Lion's swimmers in his -11 age group (missing Michael Hodgson's support) whilst the Laings (Lisa -1 Bronze, 10 points; Sharee 1 Bronze, 6 points; Melinda -1 Bronze, 7 points), the Rennies (Gillian 1 Silver, 7 points; Susie 7 points), Jack McConnell (6 points), Sarah Gillette (6 points), Jeannie Collins (4 points) and Justin Matthews (4 points) gave of their very best and earned valuable BCB points.

The "Thank Yous": So many, but definitely to:

- * Helen & Hugh Jamieson for their pre-meet preparations and the "salmon sandwich" home meetings.
- * The Swimming Committee
- * The coach Khun Suparp (and Khun Choon)
- * but most of all to the BCB swimmers and their Mums & Dads.

With the next meet planned for May/June at the ISRC, we can only continue our current trend of improved times, earning more points/medals/cups, with regular training and full parental support.

= Next BCB Gala on Sunday, March 6th starting 11.30

See you at the pool.



Murray Dick and David Collins
Improving with every Gala - Well done, Boys!



Laura Dunlop - medals (2 Silver, 2 Bronze) on her first outing in the -15's!



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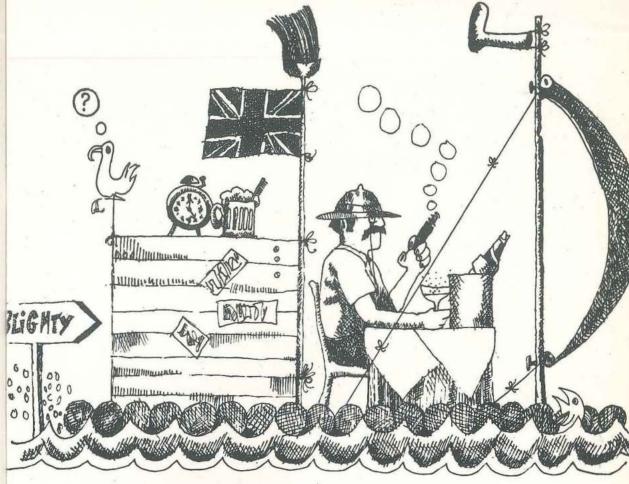
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