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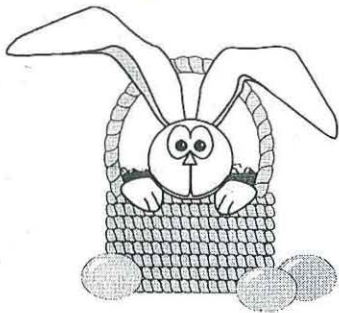
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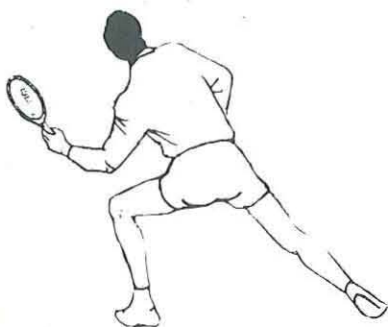




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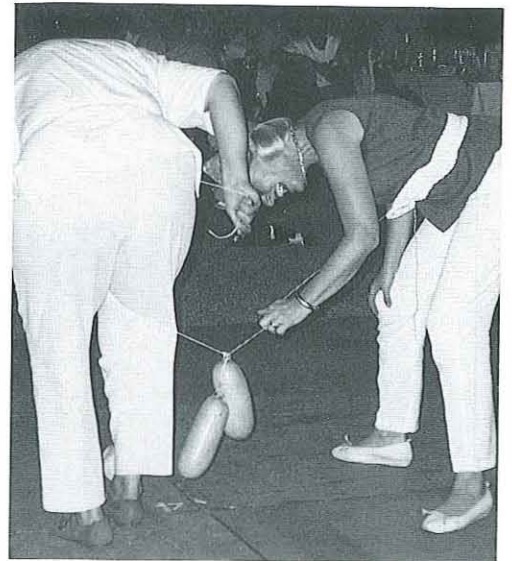
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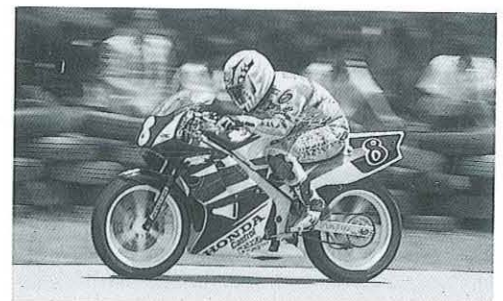
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From the Editor

Dear Members,

Same old boring me back on the photograph, last months photo was donated by Kevin and Jill Chapman who wished to see me in an embarrassing position. If you fell YOU have been embarrassed by me photographically and you own a compromising photograph of the undersigned please do not hesitate to send it to Outpost as we will publish it in next months Outpost.

March in the UK brought lots of snow but Bangkok found itself heating up. Isn't it strange how you can't remember how hot it actually was last year and it comes as a surprise every year again. We arrived here in April 5 years ago and the heat was amazing, even coming from Singapore where we had acclimatised for tropical temperatures for a year. We do try and not use the aircon all day long, because then we feel we never get used to the heat, but I must say it is very tempting and there is no way I can work without aircon.

Songkran coming up this month, should be fun in Bangkok or on the beach or where-ever you may be. Lots of water splashing, gallons of it not just the polite smear of talcum powder mixed with water you receive when visiting the Temple of the Emerald Buddha. Be surprised when traveling in a Tuk Tuk or worse, a motorbike, you could end up completely soaked. My children are already rigging up the hoses and buckets, unfortunate for them we live in a very quiet little, dirty, soi and there are not so many passers by. They have not realised yet they could get quite a soaking from the building site next door, the children there could get up to the 6th level and throw buckets down without ever being soaked back. We have had the No Talent Night and I have managed to sneak in a few pictures in this month's Outpost, although the 10th is well past the deadline. I suppose that is the Editor's prerogative. It was a good night and we collected quite a few pennies for charity and for the Hong Kong Tour. Thank you all very much.



I have received 4 questionnaires back from children, so there are at least 4 of you out there who are interested in Club happenings. None of these children were that happy with what was supplied for them in the Club and they had a few ideas which will be passed on to the General Committee. So please, any youngsters out there, write us a note, this is your last chance, we have waited now for two or three months and we will just assume that all is well!

Tennis has outdone itself once again this month, they have now managed to put in a special Children's Tennis page to make their total pages 3. So there we go, rules are made to break and maybe it will get more children to join the Junior Tennis Section. As the GM said last month Rugby, Cricket and Football also have a Junior Section, if you are interested please give the people concerned a ring and they will help you along.

On the 29th April the St George's Society is hosting it's annual St George's Ball this time with music from the Queen Elizabeth II Royal Marine Band who play marching, orchestral and big band music for you to dance to! See advertisement elsewhere in this rag. Are there any potential advertisers out there who would like to take out a page in Outpost? Please give me a ring, my telephone numbers are in the front of this magazine.

To keep Outpost running, really the advertising needs to cover the cost of printing etc. which at the moment is not happening, so if you feel the Club needs Outpost, please advertise NOW!

For those of you who are going away for Easter and/or Songkran, have a lovely time on the beach or where-ever you are going and for those who are staying in Bangkok slogging it away at work and through the traffic, it could be worse!

See you around the Club,

Bea Grunwell

From the Manager

Easter and Songkran should satisfy most peoples craving for entertainment this month, especially as the two festivals coincide this year. We can all look forward to munching soggy Easter eggs in 1995!

A new General Committee and some new faces set to take up the challenge of running the Club in 1995/6, the very best of luck to them in their endeavours to keep the membership content this year. From my perspective I must say a big thank you to those outgoing Committee members for their help and guidance whilst in their respective hot seats. I really feel that being on the General Committee of the Club is a pretty thankless task and I am full of admiration to those members who give up so much of their time in this way. Here's to a successful new General Committee year!



We are still getting the occasional complaint from members about various activities or events at the Club which reach the Management's ear long after the incident so it is hard , if not impossible, to do anything about it. Please if you have a concern tell the Duty Manager at the time then action can, and will, be taken. While I personally strongly encourage Members to make comments in either of the Suggestion Books, this being probably the best way to make the General Committee aware of your concerns, if the comment relates to a particular incident or an F&B problem with one particular dish we need to take action at the time of the event, by the time the entry in the Suggestion Book is considered by the Committee it is too late. So please let the Duty Manager know if you have any concerns!

No more pleas for this month! Have a very Happy Easter and an enjoyable Songkran!

David Viccars
General Manager



It takes a tiger to catch a dragon

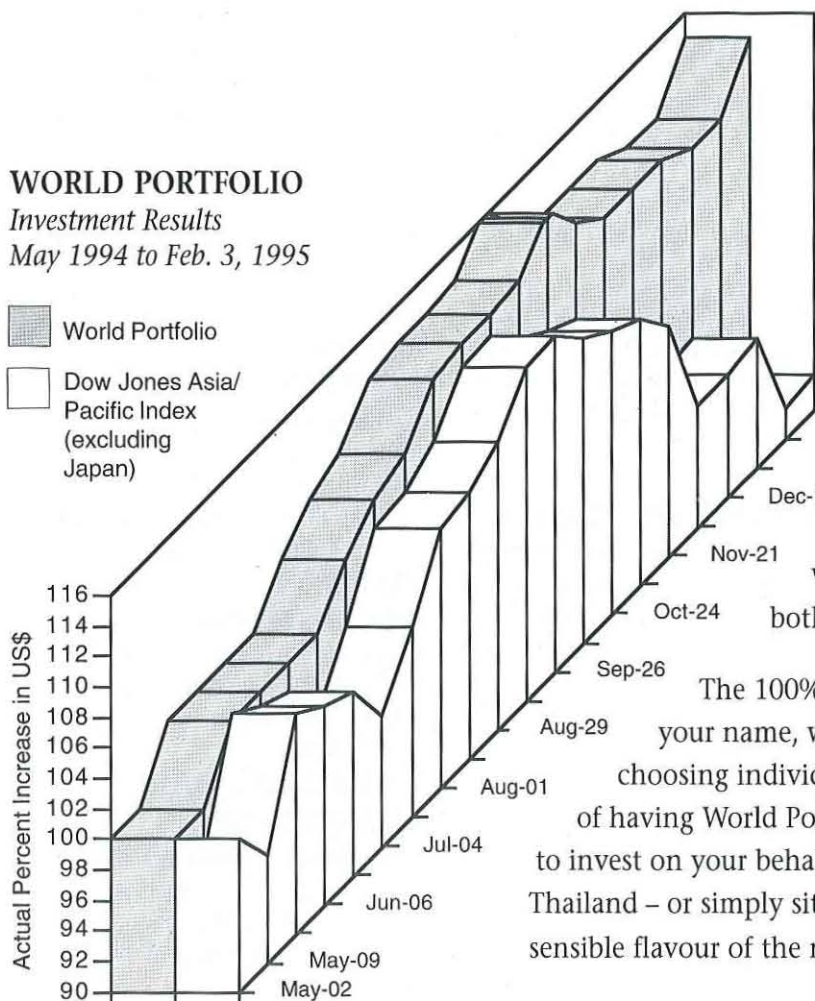


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Management News

CLUB TRIVIA

Herewith a selection of Club Trivia which may interest members:

1. We buy between 6 and 8 toilet seats every month to replace broken ones. We now purchase specially strengthened ones which seem to be surviving better.
2. The staff at the Club numbers some 84 souls - but the number fluctuates each month.
3. On average we use about 25 kegs of Carlsberg each month.
4. We use over B100,000 worth of fresh vegetables in a normal month, 250 cans of baked beans and 135 bottles of tomato ketchup!
5. In February we removed 9 truck loads of accumulated junk from the Club.
6. Sadly, in 1994, we cut down 6 dead trees in the Club grounds.
7. Our average monthly electricity bill is over B100,000.
8. Our average monthly water bill is over B35,000.
9. The news stand does over B30,000 worth of business in a month.

LONG STANDING MEMBERS OF STAFF

The longest serving member of staff is Khun Sarakit, the Maintenance Manager, who joined the Club in July 1966. In May 1977 Khun Appa (Deputy Poolside Service Supervisor) joined and in August 1977 Khun Prateung (Maintenance Department) was employed by the Club. They are the only staff still with us who joined in the 60's. There are a further 8 members of staff at the Club who joined in the 70's and 19 who joined in the 80's. The rest are all 'new'! Congratulations and gratitude to all of the staff and in particular those mentioned.

60 YEARS AT THE BRITISH CLUB

Many, many congratulations to Mr Richard Hempson OBE of Chiang Mai and Mr Eric Morris OBE of Bangkok, both of whom are in their 60th year of membership of the Club. Mr. Hempson joined the Club on January 1 1935, followed by Mr Morris who joined in June 1935. Mr Hempson and Mr Morris will shortly receive a suitable memento in recognition of their achievement. A list of our members of longest standing is:

Mr Richard Hempson OBE who joined on 1/1/1935

Mr Eric Morris OBE - 1/6/1935

Mr William Kinnaird - 1/1/1948

Mr Richard Wood - 1/11/1948

Many, many congratulations to them and all our more venerable members.

TIPPING OF STAFF

The Bar Supervisor recently mentioned to the GM that certain members sometimes tip staff in the Bar. This is very much against Club rules (Rule 54 and Bylaw 14). As part of their salary package the Staff get a share of the F & B take each month in lieu of tips. If members give certain individuals money it puts the staff member in a difficult situation, it could also lead to the service staff to expect a tip and hence work less well if they do not get a tip. The same rules apply to staff working at outside functions and at the Club, PLEASE DO NOT TIP THE STAFF.

STAFF AWARDS IN MARCH

Congratulations to the following staff who gained staff awards for their high quality work in the first quarter of 1995.

Khun Nuan - Chef, Poolside weekend soup kitchen.

Khun Preeda, Club House kitchen cleaner

Khun Boontin - Poolside cleaner

Thanks to those Club members who took the trouble to nominate members of staff for these awards.

THE PHOTOCOPIER AT THE CLUB OFFICE

We now hire our photocopier rather than own one. In consequence we pay a charge to the hire company for each copy made, we therefore pass the charges on to the user for each copy requested, sorry!

STAFF CHANGES

We have some new members of staff in positions important to the membership, these are:

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

Khun Koong started in the job on 1 March, she comes from a secretarial background in the aircraft industry.

MEMBERS

ACCOUNTANT

Khun Bo started in the job on 6 March having joined the Club from Alucan Co where she was an Accountant.

CHURCHILL BAR SUPERVISOR

Khun Somchai joined the Club in early March after a spell running bars in cruise ships, he has also been the bar manager at Bobby's Arms.

STORES LOANED TO AND RETURNED BY MEMBERS

With the advent of a proper stores facility at the Club and a properly staffed stores section, members who have ordered stores for collection may now go straight to the stores and collect them from one of the storekeepers. The stores section is located in the new extension next to the Club House

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kitchen. Similarly items for return can simply be handed back at the same place. The head storekeeper for housekeeping items (cutlery, crockery, table linen, tables, chairs etc) is Khun Darat.

THE MYSTERY MEMBER IN MARCH

Well done to Mr Henton for identifying Joy Masood as the mystery member in March. A bottle of Allied Walkers finest wine to the Henton's.

SPORTS SECTIONS CHANGES OF COMMITTEE'S

Following on from various sports section AGM's there have been some changes to some of the Sports committee's, these are:

BADMINTON

Congratulations to Gaynor de Wit as the new Chairman.

SQUASH

Congratulations also to David Turner as the new Chairman supported by Mike O'Connor as the Treasurer (and of the Badminton and Snooker sections as well!), Tom Livingstone as the Secretary, Dick Anwar as the Captain, Marvyn Lewis as the maintenance man, Paul Turner looking after the leagues, Barry Daniel as the 'Outpost' contributor and Barbara Overington taking care of the competitions.

At this point mention should be made of the outgoing Chairpersons for the above two sports, the Overingtons. Thanks to them for all their hard work in keeping the sections active and keeping members sporting interests alive.

RUGBY

Joe Grunwell will continue as Chairman, Andy Davies will be the Club Captain with Alan Lovell as the Barbarians Captain.

CLUB EVENTS IN APRIL

THE NEW LORDS MENU AND A FREE HOLIDAY IN PHUKET AT THE BOATHOUSE

Of course one of the main events at the Club in April will be the introduction of the new menu in Lords, don't forget to try out our new offerings in Lords in the first week of the new menu, you could win a stay at the 'Boathouse' Hotel on Kata Beach, Phuket!

EASTER AT THE BC - SPECIAL EVENTS, 15 AND 16 APRIL

Special Easter menus, the visit of the Lyngby Dance Troupe from Denmark with a super display of gymnastics and dancing on the back lawn on the afternoon of Saturday April 15. An Easter egg hunt for the children with a family brunch on Sunday 16 April these are the high points of Easter (and Songkran!) at the BC. All good reasons to stay and enjoy a tranquil time in Bangkok rather than join the crowds at the coast over the holiday weekend.

THE CASTROL CHARITY MOTOR SHOW EVENING - 27 APRIL

Castrol are hosting a motor show and motor sports evening at the Club on the evening of Thursday

27 April. There will be a display of rally cars and motorbikes, a video show, a buffet supper and a question and answer session with top rally drivers. All profits will be donated to the UKCTC. Adults B100, under 18's B50. Tickets from the Club.

ELEPHANT ROUND UP IN SURIN

Please let us know if you are interested in going to Surin around the 18th November this year. Last year's trip was very successful and the BC is quite willing to organise another trip. We will be travelling up by train on the Friday night and returning to Bangkok on the Sunday morning, so you don't have to miss any time off work. Please call the GM if you and your family are keen to go!

THE 1995 BRITISH CLUB HANDBOOK

Typically on the very day that we completed the members list for inclusion in the 1995 handbook in early February we got about 8 members change of address forms! The details published in the book are correct as of the information given to us at the time of printing. Of course we continue to update the records on the membership computer as we receive notification of changes.

BRITISH CLUB GOLF SECTION

Congratulations to Mr Paul Nears who is the new Captain of the golf section, and thanks to Mr Eric Hudson for all he did on behalf of the Club golfers while he was the Club Golf Captain

New Members

The New Members Night on 6 March in the Churchill Bar (Hallelujah!) was hecticly attended by probably all the 15 prospective new members and their proposers. I wonder if proposers know that they should take "their" new members round to meet the Committee. I often find people hiding away in the no smoking section of the bar waiting for someone to see them, in which case it could happen that they are missed and not met by any Committee Members and definitely not by me being an ardent smoker. Some very interesting people there and a very good night in the bar!



Khun Patchanee (yes, she was hiding in the non smoking area) is Thai and owns a paper import and export company named Huakee. Her family own the Narai Hotel. She has a daughter of 13 called Wanaporn, which means Lady. She enjoys playing tennis and squash.



Bruce and Joan McNab told me how very honoured they are being honorary members of the British new Vicar of Christchurch and also the first American Vicar here ever! Joan is a Deacon and Bruce is a priest so they will compliment each other nicely in a very busy church community. They have been here for 3 weeks, straight from Denver, Colorado and find Bangkok a city of great cultural diversity and contrast. There are 12 nationalities represented in Christchurch. Bruce enjoys swimming but both of them are too busy to get into sports, so they'll mainly use the club for social occasions.



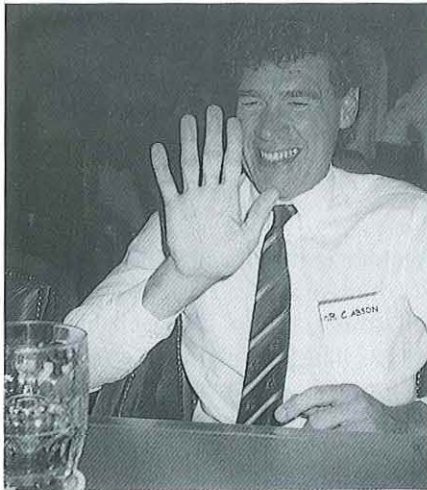
Khun Anusorn is the Editor for Student Weekly and the Bangkok Post Weekly Review. He is married to Auratai and has two children aged 16 and 20. He used to play squash and hopes joining the BC will push him into participating in more sporting activities. He also likes Badminton and is a keen photographer. I did ask him to edit Outpost and make some photo's for us, so we'll wait and see.

New Members



Karim Zaki-Khalil is here as a Legal Consultant for Future Dimensions a Hong Kong based company. He is also a part time lecturer in Business Law at Stanford University which has just been credited. He is also a business consultant for Hills International and Focus Armour who in conjunction with British Aerospace produce ballistic helmets and the blue berets for the U.N. He stressed he only works for companies producing life saving equipment and non destructive equipment. Karim was borne in Vienna and has Egyptian grandparents and is married to Usa who is from Thailand. Usa is the Assistant Director of Sales at the Embassy Suites Hotel and was away on business in Stockholm. She is a badminton player

and a very good swimmer and Karim enjoys tennis and soccer.

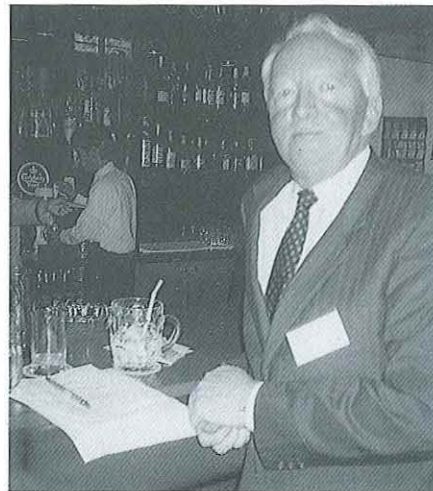


Craig Abson is a Project manager for Betonmast who produce Power Transmission Lines (I am sure I have

that wrong somewhere but Mai Pen Rai). His hobbies include visiting the Bulls Head, Rugby, Golf and Sailing. He is single, been here since November and promised he'll come to the No Talent Night of the Rugby Section.



Leif Rasmussen and his wife Helen from Denmark and Australia resp have been here 26 years on and off. They arrived for the first time in 1968 and left and came back for more again and again. He is here with Louis T Leonowens. Helen is involved with the Museum Volunteers and although Leif told me she is a very active lady she would not let me write down anything she enjoyed apart from the Museum Group. Leif likes squash, tennis and snooker. They have children in Australia.



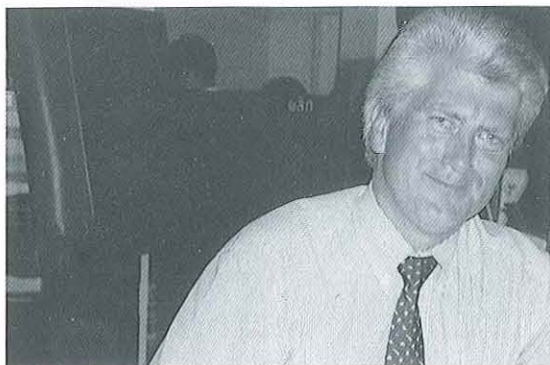
John MacDonald a real life Scot and is into shipping with a new company called SV Marine. He has been here for 3 months and came from Hong Kong. He plays golf and has no time for anything else as he travels a lot.

New Members



Peter Hutton ... has been around the Club quite a lot and has finally managed to join. He first appeared in the Goon Show and it took him 4 hours to get back from Pataya. He has

been here for 2 years, playing rugby, cricket and working for CSSL a major computer software company. He was in Singapore before and his girlfriend is called Susie. He lived in 17 different countries and played international rugby for 4 of them. Peter Young says he cannot play cricket to save his life but he has the best collection of dirty jokes in the world and wants to start a company called Dial-a-Joke. Other hobbies include talking to me on the New Members Night. (PS just ignore all of the above the only things that are right are Susie and CSSL and the cricket).



Knut Bjornebye is from Norway and is in shipping with a company called Barwill. His wife Ingrid was not around at the NMN as she was singing with the Adelades. They have 4 children, the oldest is 19 and studies in Bournemouth, the other are 15, 11 and 7 and are in Bangkok. They lived in the UK for 7 years and were last in Milton Keynes. Knut enjoys snow skiing and golf and Ingrid likes skiing, singing and bridge. They have been here for 7 months.



Poul Breindal-Nielsen another Scandinavian new member from Denmark is here with EAC and works for their graphics division where he sells printing machines. His fiancée Dorthe is here as well.

He plays football for the Scandinavians in the Farang League but hopes to join the BC team, he also likes tennis, squash and badminton. Dorthe plays tennis.



Pul Williams is a Welshman with a voice and a guitar, he admitted it himself (mistake) who was immediately signed up for the No Talent Night. He lived in Hong Kong, China and Manchester before and is an urban transport planner on a 2 year contract with MVA Asia Ltd. He is probably going to be here for life. He is available, plays football, tennis, and likes rock and roll and has a dream he is with Lou Reid and Velvet Underground where Lou loses his voice and asks him to perform. Dream on Paul

New Members



The last two new members confused me so much that I lost their write-ups somewhere. I remember they have been friends in England for 10 years and it is total coincidence that they are in Bangkok together.

Charles Kitson has been in Bangkok for a while and works for Jardine Services (T). Christian Parker is here with International Legal Counselors and is following Frank Kucera and Phil Charlton around the world. Christian reckons Charles is a good golfer and has obviously still not forgiven him for not turning up for his wedding. Charles described Christian as a small cigar smoker and thinks his wife Jane is very nice.

So look at Christian on the top and Charles on the bottom and hope you meet them soon.

Community News

Thai Craft Sale

Date: Saturday, April 22, 1995

Place: Queen Sirikit National Convention Centre 60 New Ratchadapisek Road

Time: 10:00am - 1:00pm

Thai Craft sale featuring wide selection of traditional Thai and Hilltribe handicrafts at reasonable prices for your home leave. If you are leaving Thailand an excellent opportunity to do your shopping under one location. Proceeds benefit the crafts people of Thailand

The Thai Craft Shop

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American Women's Club Thrift Shop

Date: Wednesdays

Place: Queen Sirikit National Convention Centre 60 New Ratchadapisek Road, 2nd floor Section D.

Time: 9:30am - 12:00am

The American Women's Club of Thailand operates a Thrift shop. The shop is open to the General Public and offers a wide variety of goods often unavailable in Thailand.

For more information call AWC or Janie Kuch, Thrift Shop Manager,
229-3159 or 229-3102

Siam Silhouette

Date: May 20

Place: Dusit Thani Hotel Napalai Room

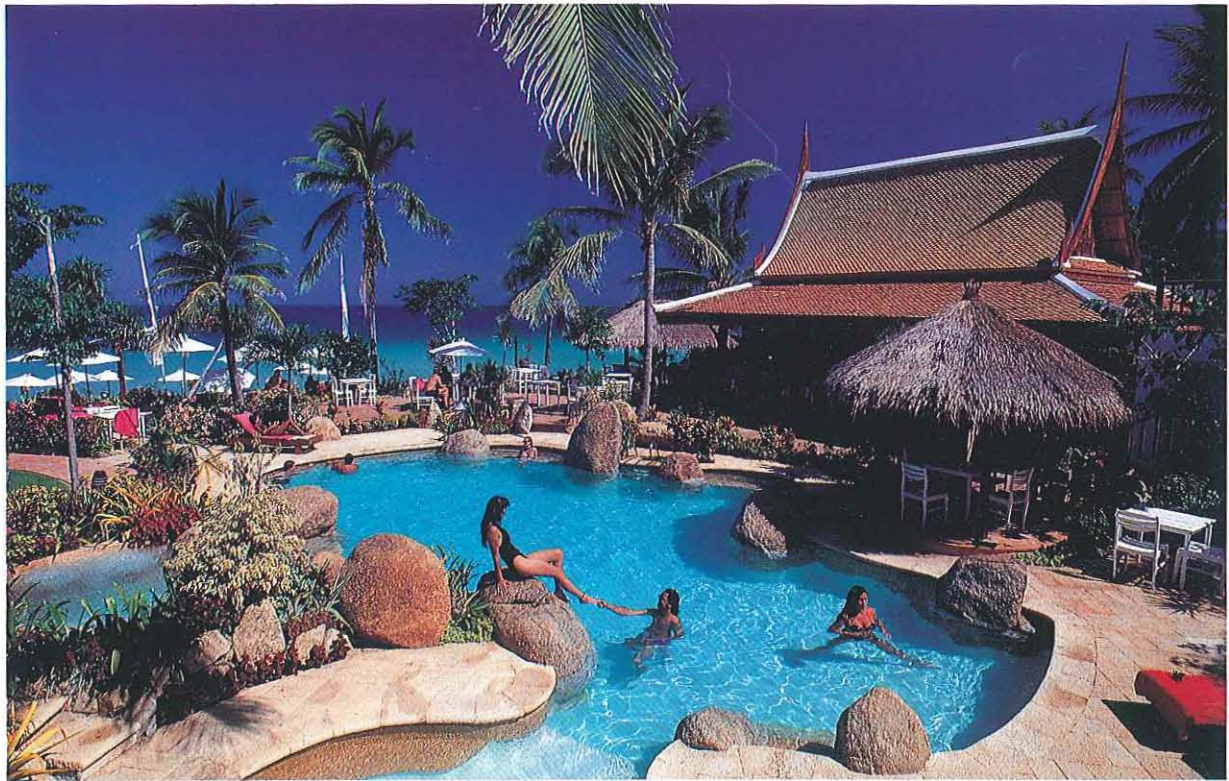
Time: 7:00pm


The American Women's Club of Thailand Cordially invites you to join them at Siam Silhouette

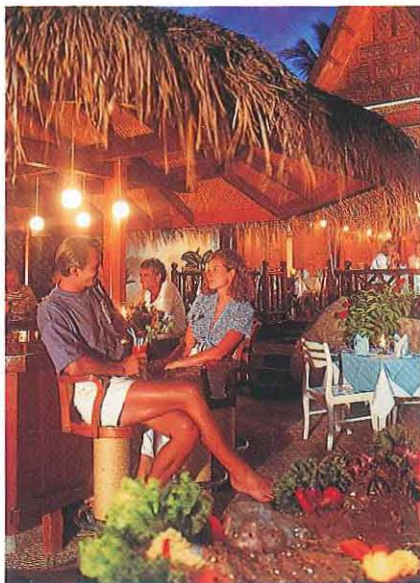
This elegant and memorable annual black-tie Gala Dance is fast approaching. Join the AWC as they kick off their 40th Anniversary Celebrations at the "Siam Silhouette", a major fund raising event for the Club. The evening will include auctions, great prizes, and fun for all. This annual event is open to the public. Tickets will be available for a 1500 Baht donation per person on a first come first served basis from April 17 - May 12 at the AWC, Queen Sirikit National Convention center.


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Badminton



This month's quiz: Spot the shuttle!

WE'RE BACK !!

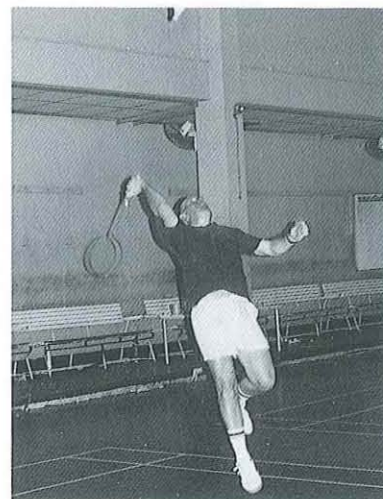
Yes, Soi Nares Bangrak courts are back on stream as of the end of February, so there's absolutely no excuse any more for lying in later than 11 on a Sunday morning.

And none was more relieved than me to see the courts usable when they were than me, after having trumpeted the date of the AGM for the beginning of March since January. Indeed, according to my schedule we were going to hold a Round Robin to celebrate the start of the Sunday morning sessions, so hopefully there will be pics for next month, as well as details of the new Committee.

I'm delighted to say that Soi Klang has been alive and kicking while the Soi Nares courts have been out of action, with Monday and Thursday night shows of up to 10 people - good stuff, keep up the hard work!

Competition of the month time: see the above photograph of Alex Forbes and Peter Tinker playing in the Ciba Cup tournament. Now, there's a drink for the first person who can guess where the shuttle was at the time this shot was taken! All claims to me at the Sunday session, please!

Tara for now
Lek Farang



Mel's reverse motion overhead leap...such dedication!



"Winning team" BCLG-Kitchen Sink.



Mike presenting the Frying Pan to Lavita.

Our highlight for February must certainly be our big WIN on 26th February, KITCHEN SINK MATCH play against the men of British Club Golf Section - 5 nil a white wash! Thank you Geoff Lamb of GILLETTE for the 15 beautiful slimline Waterman pens that BCLG ladies won. Thank you too Peter Snell of Asia Market Intelligence for the Beer.

Unfortunately for the BCGS many of their staunch supporters were out of the country and for the first-time BCLG had more players than BCGS.

Thank you, all of you that came out to support this event and the committee for their help.

Our next match against the MEN will be on 18th June the Inaugural Cup, sponsored by Rhone Poulenc, so please take note ladies 1/BCLG look forward to your support again.

LADIES GOLF UNION SILVER AND BRONZE MEDALS FROM ST.ANDREWS

As most of you are aware, in order to win this prized medal you must return the lowest total of four medal games out of 16 that are played during the year. Please see your BCLG calender to find out when these are held. It is my pleasure to inform you that Gail won the Silver and Lorna won the Bronze medals, congratulations ladies.

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome, Joan Adams, An de Lange, Karen Lager, Ruth Schmidt, Mariana Atkins, Chako Yamada and Helen Tomson.

Anyone reading this newsletter and wishes to join our group, please ring either Alison 261 8096, or Gill 391 8693.

FORTHCOMING MAJOR COMPETITIONS

25TH April -Castrol Cup sponsored by Castrol
23/24th May -Gestetner Trophy sponsored by Gestetner

By the time this letter is printed we will have played the Accor Tournament (7th March), and Dundee Cup (21st March), congratulations to the winners.

See you on the course,

Lavita



Kitchen Sink - Stableford Team



Kitchen Sink - Matchplay Teams

Soccer

Good news and bad news in the Farang League

A mixed month for the 1st XI in the Farang League. The good news. The Sports Club at last slipped up in their title quest. The bad news so did we! Our recent bad form has continued and if performances do not improve BC will end up in a mid table position. On the other hand, or boot, the Casuals go from strength to strength and managed to play for eight weeks without losing a match.

Pattana Teachers 4-4 Casuals

A memorable day for Steve "good" Golsby his first opportunity to captain the Casuals. Unfortunately his "opportunity" was short lived as he left the field with a torn calf muscle after only ten minutes! This disappointment aside Casuals started well against a bright and lively teachers team. New right winger James Williams scored an excellent goal early on but then things started to go wrong. A mixture of poor defending and tackling saw Pattana first equalise and then go into a 3-1 half time lead.

Half time Pattana Teachers 3-1 Casuals.

A half time pep talk from Golsby's wheelchair soon changed things though and there followed a remarkable comeback. Outstanding goals from Mark Atkins and Ritchie Crooks brought us even only to fall behind to a soft Pattana goal. Then fate struck and with only minutes remaining the wee scots wizard Nat Love popped up for a strike which ended the match even.

1st XI 0-1 Young Thai Sikhs

A painful result against a vastly inferior side whom we had destroyed 6-0 earlier in the season. BC seemed to show little desire to win the game and were content to gently exercise themselves containing the YTS at ease. In the first half we created hardly any chances. Midway through this the opposition's best player broke clear of Greg Watkins, sped down the left touchline and rifled an inch perfect cross past Willie Carruthers. The YTS right winger managed to get the ball side of John Sheenan inside the 6 yard box to leave Neil Torrance no chance in goal. An excellent goal but undeserved on the balance of play but at the but at the end of the game YTS the points.

Half Time 1st XI 0-1 YTS

The second half was all one way traffic towards the YTS goal, Willie Carruthers, Tony Green, Marc Hagelbauer, Frank Hough, Richie Crooks, Vaughan Elias and Nat Love all hit the bar or the post at least once but the YTS goal remained intact and with it any realistic chance of the league championship for the BC.

Casuals 5-0 Foreign Correspondents Club

A completely one sided game against a weak opposition who battled well and constantly harried Casuals into making unnecessary mistakes. Frank Hough opened the scoring following this shortly after hitting both the post and the bar. Richie Crooks added a second by half time.

Half Time Casuals 2-0 Foreign Correspondents Club

Midway through the second half a driven cross from Mark Atkins was met by a diving leader from El Greg Watkins which nearly burst the net. Soon after a glanced Paul Gambles header from a corner went back to the half way line! Shortly after the same player neatly turned on a sixpence in the six yard area and curled a fine low volley round the opposition keeper. the scoring was completed by a fine volley into the top corner from the edge of the goal area from John Sheehan. Norman bright in goal hardly had a thing to do all game but kept all amused with his usual geordie wit and charm.

1st XI 0-0 German All Stars

A tough hard fought duel battled out between two old adversaries who know each others game very well. Norman Bright deputising for Neil Torrance in goal had an impeccable game. Cris Davin returned after unavailability to give a sound performance. The first half was evenly balanced, the BC had the lions share of the second but were unable to convert their advantage into goals. All in a very physical contest played in an excellent spirit which was perhaps enjoyed most by the two defences.

Casuals 2-3 Brazilian XI

The first loss of the year for the Casuals and the end of along unbroken line of good results. The spirits in the Casuals has for the last few months been excellent which is a tribute to Norman and Peters hard work. For the Brazilian game Paul

Greenhalgh was welcomed back from a long injury lay off and under the circumstances did very well.

The started well for the Casuals with a fine Peter Rodgers strike and remained this way till half time thanks to some fine goalkeeping from Alec Forbes.

Half Time Casuals 1-0 Brazilians

For the first twenty minutes of the second half stand in keeper John Sheehan had a torrid time. Four one on one chances were saved but three soft goals went in. The first a lob from outside the area, a second a cross from out wide and the third a well placed Bill Randall own goal. In the last twenty minutes Peter Rodgers took over in goal and Frank Hough managed to pull one goal back, but at the end of the game it was too little too late!

QUOTES

On agreements: If I entered into an agreement with that man, I would be sticking my head in a moose. **Attributed to movie mogul Samuel Goldwyn**

On animals, the reason for: I believe that mink are raised for being turned into fur coats and if we didn't wear fur coats those little animals would never have been born. So is it better not to have been born or to have lived for a year or two to have been turned into a fur coat? I don't know. **Barbi Benton, ex-Playboy Bunny turned actress**

On telephones: The telephone company is urging people to *please* not use the telephone unless it is absolutely necessary in order to keep the lines open for emergency personnel. We'll be right back after this break to give away a pair of Phil Collins concert tickets to caller number 95. **Los Angeles radio DJ shortly after the February 1990 earthquake**

On criticism: That lowdown scoundrel deserves to be kicked to death by a jackass--and I'm just the one to do it. **A congressional candidate in Texas**

On death, governments ability to communicate after: **Beginning in February 1976 your assistance benefits will be discontinued.....Reason:** it has been reported to our office that you expired on January 1, 1976.

On wisdom, congressional: That's the most unheard-of thing I ever heard of. **Senator Joseph McCarthy, talking about a witness's testimony.**

On love scenes, how to do: Could you get a little closer apart? **Michael Curtiz, Hollywood Director, to two stars.**

On health: I've been laid up with the intentional flu. **Movie mogul Samuel Goldwyn**

On the rhythm method according to experts: The safe times [for sex] are the week before and the week of ovulation. **Dr. Ruth Westheimer, in First Love: A young people's guide to sexual information.** The typo ("safe" for "unsafe") resulted in a huge book recall and the issuance of a new, corrected edition

On time: The time is here, and is rapidly approaching. **William Field, Member of Parliament**

On virility and poultry, interesting facts about: It takes a virile man to make a chicken pregnant. **Perdue chicken ad, as mistranslated abroad**

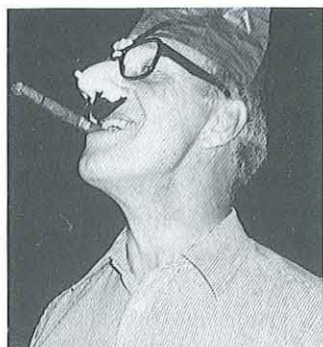
On quiet: If you can't keep quiet, shut up! **Gregory Ratoff, 1930s and '40s Hollywood director of such films as Intermezzo, to his crew**

On waffling: I'm not indecisive. Am i indecisive? **Jim Scheibel, Mayor of St. Paul, Minnesota**

English in 100 Days" title from an East Asian book for beginning English speakers.

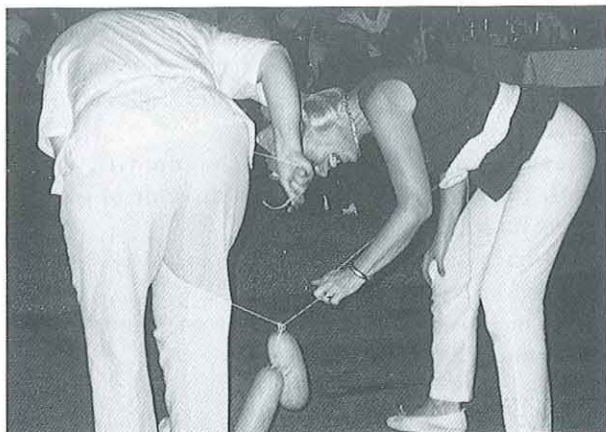
Tennis

It's April and ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING time has crept up on us again - so stick around after the monthly tournament on Sunday 9th of this month for the buffet with a difference! Tournament starts at 2pm as usual, anyone turning up with racquet is welcome.



Groucho Walker

By all reports, quite a few of the longer-standing members of your worthy Committee will be standing down at said AGM this month, including of course Chairman Maurice, who expects to be waving his hanky at these fair shores within a few weeks, so roll up all ye who are willing to dedicate a measly amount of time keeping this grand section running as smoothly as it has these last few years. Really, it doesn't require much time outlay, and think of all the perks! (I'm still trying to think what these perks are, but I'm sure it'll come to me) But before your present Committee says goodbye to one evening a month of intensive brainstorming over spring rolls and chips, have we lined up some goodies for you! As well as the regular events like the Junior Round Robin on the 2nd of this month and the monthly adult (so-called) tourney on the 9th, there's also a tour planned to Penang for the end of the month to roll into the May Labour Day long weekend holiday, please sign up on the noticeboard.



Tangled Dangles, for Gourd's sake!

This is scheduled for the weekend of the 19th/21st May; make a note in the diary and sign up as soon as the notice goes up. More next month.

On the home tennis front, we should be having a match this month at the Rama IV Military Academy Club on the 2nd, an away match (so it won't clash with the Junior Round Robin), hopefully we'll have enough of you signed up for that by the time you read this. Might even get photos of this event, stranger things have happened.

And Surin has lined up several other first-class teams to keep us on our toes for the rest of the year, so all eyes peeled for the sign-up sheets, please.

Please note that there is a new ladies morning on Fridays from 9am - 11am, which started up in February. All female players welcome! Just turn up with racquet.



Getting to know you...

Due to severe apathy on behalf of the male players, the leagues appear to be taking a month and a half to complete these days, so you've only got two more weeks to play the rest of the matches in your men's and ladies' doubles leagues. Now come on, you can't blame the traffic for not playing. As for the January/February

league, I reported last month that the ladies had completed their league within January, but I'm afraid that very few men got their act together resulting in only three pairs playing, all in the first division. Nicholas Lamb (surprise) playing with Henry Cherdrumchai took home the silver just pipping Bernie Adams and James Young to the post, leaving Wat Keller and Oud Bunjapamai a respectable third. As for the rest of you, words fail me.

Tennis

Next month I'll have all the results from the Club Championships, hopefully with pix of the awards ceremonies at the Prize-giving dindins held late last month. There have been a couple of surprises, including newcomer Marc Hagelauer (have I spelt that right? - G) who, having just beaten our regular champ Surin in the singles at the time of writing, looks set to emulate Andrew Steedman's unexpected success of 1993.

In the meantime, you'll have to make do with some belated photos from the Christmas party, make of these as you will!!



Jaree tries to emulate Shelagh's elegant movements

Committee Witterings: yes, yes, we know that the grass courts are playing like Pattaya beach at the moment - several inches of



The great Manilow Streisand meeting

sand everywhere, lines disappearing left right and centre and eccentric bounces (if it bounces at all). And yes, we know that everyone blames the 'other sports' being played on them, especially following the loosening of the underpinning nails on the courts. The upshot of this shambles is that they are being booked less and less and so are rapidly becoming obsolete as tennis courts. Please bear with us, we are trying to get something done about it. This is what your Committee is for, which is why it's important you volunteer your services, etc, etc (see first paragraph).

Section news: with Christine and Nicholas Lamb safely returned to Blighty, there've been twitterings around Suriwong Sala that the rest of us now stand a chance of winning the monthly tournaments and the like; a thought echoed around the squash section too! We've also said goodbye to others in the Section in recent months, but unfortunately I don't get to hear about it until long after they've gone, so if you know people on their way out, so to speak, please let me know. And on the subject of those who've left, for those who remember Maria and Paul MacIntyre and Howard Neville, I've been asked to say hello to you.





Competition time !

And finally, you won't be seeing Gisi on court for a while, seems she's gone and done herself in, and will remain somewhat stiff-necked for a couple of months, so all the best from all of us, Gisi! Lotsaluv Me XXXX

CALENDAR

BRITISH CLUB SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
			
3	4	5	6
8-10am Ladies Tennis 8am BWG Mahjong 6-8pm Squash Coaching 7-9pm Badminton 7-9pm Tennis Top 20 Training 8pm New Members Night New menu in Lord's	7am Ladies Golf 8pm Friendly Bridge 7-9pm Soccer Training 7-9pm Rugby Training (Soi 15) 9pm Gentlemen's Spoof	6-8am Early Bird Tennis Mix In 9.30am Aerobics 5-8pm Squash Coaching 6-9pm Tennis Coaching 7pm Cricket Nets Practice	10-12noon Ladies Squash 7-9pm Rugby Training 7-9pm Badminton 6-9pm Squash Mix In Chakri Memorial Day
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OPENING TIMES


10am-11pm Churchill Bar
 11.30am-2pm Lord's Rest Lunch
 6-10pm Lord's Rest Dinner
 7.30am-10pm Poolside Bar
 6am-9pm Fitness Centre Mon/Sat
 9am-9pm Fitness Centre Sun/Hols
 9am-5pm Thai Massage
 Every day except Mon

VENUES

ALL EVENTS ARE AT BC EXCEPT:

Casuals Football - BKK Patana School
 Badminton (Sundays) Nr Bagrak Police
 Golf - As advertised
 Rugby Matches as advertised

April 1994

FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	1 8-10am Children's Tennis Coaching 10-12am Adult Tennis Coaching 2pm Cricket Nets Practice 4.30pm Casuals Soccer	2 11am-1pm Badminton Round Robin Tennis Children's Round Robin 5-7pm Children's Video
7 8am Aerobics 9am Tennis Coaching 1 JVK Lucky Draw	8 8-10am Children's Tennis Coaching 10-12am Adult Tennis Coaching 2pm Cricket Nets Practice 4.30pm Casuals Soccer	9 11am-1pm Badminton 5-7pm Children's Video
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28 30am Aerobics 9pm Tennis Coaching pm JVK Lucky Draw	29 8-10am Children's Tennis Coaching 10-12am Adult Tennis Coaching 2pm Cricket Nets Practice 4.30pm Casuals Soccer Hockey tournament St George's Ball	30 11am-1pm Badminton 5-7pm Children's Video

SPORTS

DON'T FORGET

Contact the following to join Sections:

St George's Ball 7:00pm
The Royal Orchid Sheraton

Badminton David Overington 312 0100
Cricket Peter Young 6 679 7644
Golf Lavita Hughes 259 3617
Rugby Joe Grunwell 262 0220
Squash Barbara Overington 258 7306
Soccer Peter Rodgers 240 0678
Tennis Maurice Lamb 272 4530

VON BC SPORTS

Men's Golf BCLG Wil Agerbeek 259 7019
Ladies Golf LIGIT Eileen Cook 287 3605
Hockey Lois Carson 258 5295

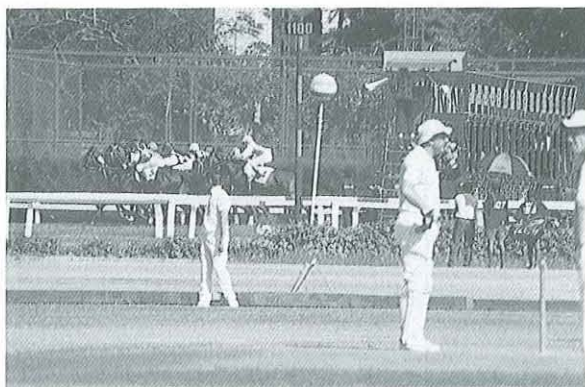


Cricket

Well everything was back to normal in february with England losing the final test comfortably in Perth and the British club finally notching up its first loss.

February 12- Bc vs RBSC 2 - 50 over league

Well the BC were on a roll until now for some reason many players were unavailable possibly due to the inter society golf tourney at Cha Am. Anyway Will still fielded a pretty strong side but unfortunately we were up against a very formidable outfit in the RBSC who boast several national representatives. The BC lost the toss and were sent into bat on a pitch that varies in pace and is known for inconsistent bounce - yes the excuses for our failure are starting already.



And they're racing! Veteran Colin Hastings more interested in the horses it seems. Foreground is keeping wiz - Frank Hough.

The RBSC 2 bowled very well and we were really never allowed to score freely. Only whilst Adam Caro was at the crease did the runs flow and our runrate crept above 3 an over but a middle order collapse of Kobe earthquake proportions saw any chance of setting a reasonable total go right down the sink at one stage we were 4/125 off of 35 overs and a score of 180 - 200 was on the cards but when Adam Caro was clean bowled for 52 it all went terribly wrong and the last 6 wickets fell for only 20 runs - I had believed this only happens to England's present team but yes it is catching. Besides Caro's 52 - his third 50 in succession - Brian Diamond battled well for 47 which doesn't leave many for the rest of us .

The RBSC decided they wanted to have an early beer and finish the game swiftly. From the outset of their innings they attacked the bowling hitting openers Nick White and Mark Alexander all over the park. First change bowlers Young and Clark got similar treatment and the RBSC 2 coasted to victory from about 25 overs.

RBSC 2/148 defeated BC 145

March 3 - BC v AIT- 50 over league

Well we had hoped to get back on track for this game but it was not to be. Late withdrawals of Alan Good and Nick White weakened our bowling line up since these two ents would occupy 2 of the first 4 bowling positions. Not to worry.

We lost the toss yet again - if anyone knows how to win a toss please contact skippy Young, fair dinkum if it was a double headed coin and he called heads it would still show up tails.

Anyway AIT sent us into bat on a very good wicket at the polo grounds. AIT bowled very tightly and had us 2/23 after 10 overs. A fine 3rd wicket stand of 73 between deadly Derek Clark and Adam "injury" Caro saw the BC recover to 3/96 when Clark departed. Once again the collapse started and the rest of the team offered token resistance too an average bowling attack and only Caro's fine knock of 83 really stood out in a total of 181 from 48 overs.



A rare moment this season - Adam Caro getting out!

Cricket

This was by no means a great score but early wickets could see us in with a real chance. Clark dropped a sitter from Caro's first ball of the AIT innings which would have seen a stunning start but only 6 balls later Simon Pearce-Higgins opening from the other end bowled one of their openers with his first delivery. Simon was the pick of our bowlers finishing with 2/19 from 10 overs the BC fielded relatively well and were also bowling quite well and after 20 odd over these boys from AIT were struggling at 3/55 however it was only down hill from there and two superb partnerships of 53 and 64 respectively saw them home to victory during the 43rd over.

AIT 5/182 defeated BC 181

club on 23/4 and if all goes to plan we will make the finals set for 30/4/95 and the 7/6/95 but an improvement will have to come in our final 3 league games. Finally congratulations to Adam Caro who deservedly made the Thai national side to play the MCC during their tour in late February Adam is averaging 126 this season in the 50 over league as of 5/3/95 was the only BC rep. So Adam you can tell your soccer buddies that the big "O" you scored against the MCC in this game was not consistent with your present form - it must have been a super bowler !!!

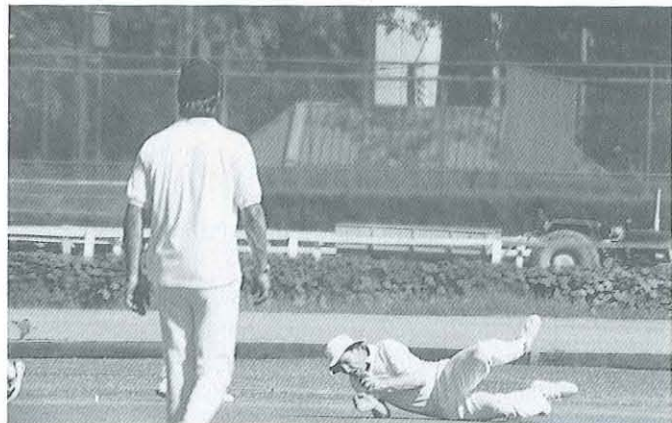
Bye for now Richie Benaud

Coming up in april the BC will play ICC at the polo

There will be a new addition to the cricket sections monthly report with player's profiles making it's debute this month. So now you will know those insane enough to spend 7-8 hours on a sunday in 36 degrees heat chasing a red piece of leather around the Royal Bangkok Sports and Polo Clubs. We open with appropriately our opening bat and Vice Captain - Brian Diamond

Cricket Profile:

Name: Brian Diamond
Nick Name : "The Diplomat" Or "Sparkles"
Why?: Obvious isn't it?
Nationality: Australian
D.O.B.: 4/Sept 1959 Very close to middle age
Nature of Business in Thailand : Australian Embassy
Position/Speciality: Right hand opening bat.
Career Highlight: None but being sent off for swearing at an Umpire in the TCL 6's Tournament was certainly a lowlight !
Favourite All Time Player : Alan Border
General Likes: Beer in general, but especially in Safari
Dislikes: Selfish B-----ds who play Cricket for themselves and not the Team ie. Geoff Boycott was a good example
Most Embarrassing Moment on A Cricket Field:
Haven't had any on a cricket field. Although I've dropped a few err many easy catches.



Vice Captain Brian after taking a great catch.

Golf

Guardian Assurance Club Championship

This year's Club Championship was once again very generously sponsored by Guardian Assurance Company (Thailand)Ltd. and was held over 36 holes at Laem Chabang and Kiarty Thani. Laem Chabang proved to be a tough test of golf from the blue tees and the scores reflected the severity of the course. However two of our members had net scores which were well ahead of the rest of the field, - Norbert Staub with a 72 and Geoff Lamb with a 73. At Kiarty Thani, the weather was perfect and after a very slow start we managed to finish at a reasonable hour. Scoring was better than in the first round and most notable was Gerry Fisher, who turned in the best score of his life with a 74 "off the stick". This gave him a Net of 61 for the day which was good enough to win him the Net Championship with a 2 day total of 142 from Geoff Lamb who had a 145.



Club Champions with sponsor Bill Bart.

In the Gross competition, Eric Hudson and Dave Stewart were level pegging after the first day, Both finishing with rather uninspiring 86s. At the second, Dave played a very uncharacteristic first nine and rather let Eric get away from him. The winning score of 165 was the highest for some years but this was due to the severity of the course at Laem Chabang.



Gill Hough, winning 3rd Place on Day 1.

In the Ladies competitions, Lavita Hughes and Gill Hough were the main contenders for both the trophies. However in the Net competition, Gill had the advantage of receiving a lot more than Lavita so was a comfortable winner with a 2 day net total of 153. The Gross event proved to be a lot closer with the two ladies being level after 37 holes but over the final nine holes Lavita was able to forgo ahead to come in with a Gross 210 to Gill's 217.

Full results for the two days are:

Laem Chabang

Winners for the Day's competition:

Norbert Staub	Net 72
Geoff Lamb	Net 73
Gill Hough	Net 77

Closest Pins: Paul Nears, David Lamb, Norbert Staub, Lavita Hughes.

Longest Drives: Geoff Lamb and Gill Hough

Kiarty Thani

Winners for the Day's Competition:

Gerry Fisher	Net 61
Paul Nears	Net 71
Geoff Lamb	Net 72

Closest Pins:

Angela Poustie, Mel Leddy, Eric Hudson, Dugal Forrest.

Longest Drives: Dave Stewart and Laviti Hughes.



Norbert Staub left, winner Day 1.

Guardian Assurance Club championship Results

Mens:			
Lowest Gross:			
Winner:	Eric Hudson	86 + 79 =	165
Runner-up:	Dave Stewart	86 + 82 =	168
Lowest Net			
Winner:	Gerry Fisher	81 + 61 =	165
Runner-up:	Geoff Lamb	73 + 72 =	145
Ladies:			
Lowest Gross:			
Winner:	Lavita Hughes	109 + 101 =	210
Runner-up:	Gill Hough	109 + 108 =	217
Lowest Net:			
Winner:	Gill Hough	77 + 76 =	153
Runner-up:	Lavita Hughes	86 + 78 =	164

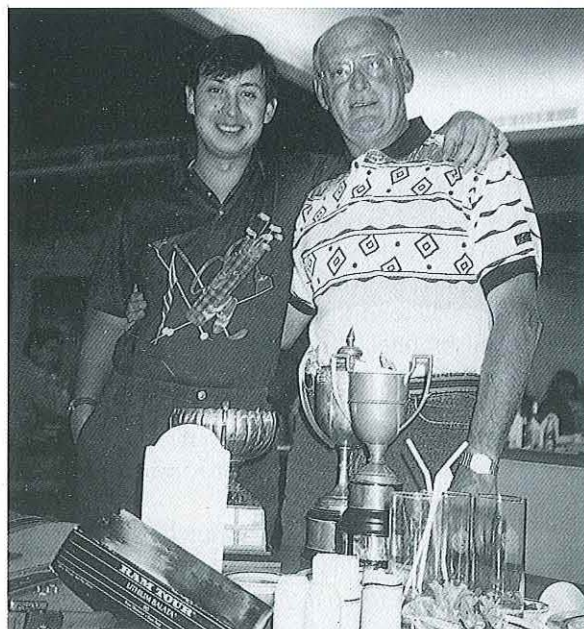
Many thanks once again to Bill Barr and Guardian Assurance, who have been most generous sponsors of our Club Championship for many years now and I very much hope that they will be able to continue in the years to come.

Neil Buttery

1995 A.G.M.

On Wednesday 22nd February the Section held its A.G.M. at the British Club. After the usual Business was concluded there was a lively discussion on how to encourage members to participate, more regularly, in the fortnightly Golf Outings. The Section has many members on its books but there only seem to be about 20 members who regulars. Ideas from the floor suggested that Saturdays might be a better day and that an earlier start might encourage more people to join. If you have any suggestions that would help you to play more often, please ring Judi Leddy on 332-8735

Free drinks were dispensed all evening and everyone sat down to a tasty Buffet also provided free of charge. Below is the new Committee and they would like to thank the outgoing Committee for all their hard work.



Gerry Fisher right, winner Day 2.

Golf Committee 1995 - 1996

Captain	-	Paul Nears
Vice-Captain	-	Geoffry Lamb
Treasurer	-	Mike Poustie
Secretary	-	Cris Getting
Handicapper	-	Dugel Forrest
Course Bookings	-	Paul Nears
Sponsorship	-	James Young
		Geoffrey Lamb
Publicity	-	Judi Leddy
Trophies	-	James Thompson - Glover

Here are the tentative Schedules for April and May
Please note some earlier tee-offs

April 12th-14th Hua Hin Dunlop Cup 3 Day Event

April 23rd Subhapruek v Wanderers 11am

May 7th Kiarti Thanee Ryesome Bowl 11am

May 20th Royal Golf Medal 2 8am

Hope to see you all at these outings.
Judi Leddy.

Squash

The torrid heat of April is upon us again - when a squashie's balls glow red, even before they start getting smashed about the courts. The sweating combatants having battled ultra-heat and pollution to actually reach the courts, should probably undergo both mental and physical examination to ensure that (a) they are fit enough, and (b) they are sane enough - to play squash in such conditions.

At this time of year, during the "warm up" - now there's a totally ridiculous expression for you - the ball tend to explode round the court like Bosnian shrapnel. If it ends up in the viewing gallery 4 or 5 times, before the game even begins, your best bet is a hasty retreat to the Churchill Bar, where you can decide the winner by seeing who can drink a squash-bag full of Kloster in the shortest time.

What ever you do when squashing at this time of year, please make sure you don't overdo things the night before. If you do happen to go out to the "Pong or Cowboy" on a night before squashing - take it easy. My advise is if you're not in bed by 11:30 p.m., you should go home and get a good nights sleep!

If despite all these warnings, you do insist on playing this maniac game at this maniac time of year - here's what's happening.

- a) The Dunlop Inter-Society one day tournament will be played on one Sunday in April. Please sign-up on sheets by the squash courts to join your chosen team.
- b) The Harold Mercer Cup team event will be played throughout the month of April.
- c) Details of other events in the squash calendar through the next twelve months are as follows:

May	League
June	Don Johnson Cup (B.C.B. Men's closed championship) Parra Handy Plate
July	League
August	Handicap Tournament & Plate
Sept	League
Oct	Rod Carter Open (open tournament) Ladies' Cup & Len Alexander Plate (Ladies' closed championship) Dunlop Inter-Society Tournament - 16th October
Nov	League Tony Austin Cup (over 45)
Dec	Sunday Handicap (1 day event)
January (1996)	League
Feb	Harold Mercer Cup (team competition)

March League

April Dunlop Inter-Society Tournament - 16th April

Club night is every Thursday of the month from 6.00 p.m. onwards.

There is a handicap mix-in the first Sunday of every month with prizes for the winner and runner-up.

The winners of the January League are notable for the inclusion of old men, such as Bob Faherty and yours truly, who haven't won any gongs since the late Cretaceous Period.

Here are the results in full:

League	1 -	Nick Lamb
"	2 -	David Jewell
"	3 -	Simon Davies
"	4 -	Barry Daniel
"	5 -	Mike Poustie
"	6 -	Bob Faherty
"	7 -	Paul Barritt
"	8 -	Matthew Overington
"	11 -	Christine Lamb
"	12 -	David Turner

Corporate Sponsorship of Squash Leagues is still available. You can have your company logo and slogan across all promotional material associated with one of the section's six-week Leagues. For more information, please contact a squash section committee member.

Finally, please note that no-marking shoes must be worn when playing squash. We're still having a few problems with marking on the floors.

Happy Squashing
Barry Daniel

Junior Tennis

The success story of 1994 and one of the most active groups in the Club, junior tennis is written for the most part by Shelagh Weekes and contributed to by Carol Ng, Kate Henton and Elaine Kelly. Take it away, Shelagh:

Round Robin - Sunday 5th February

This tournament went off very well. Kate and I had abandoned the BC and were basking in the sun on Koh Samet while Elaine and her trusty helpers were freezing in the Suriwong Sala juggling the numbers to make the players fit (actually we were a bit cold too, but we were enjoying a leisurely breakfast under palm trees...). Anyway, despite the NZ Ball the night before and the cricket nets calling, there were 12 there bright and early at 8 am, and 3 more arrived at 8.30am to keep John awake at the schedule board! These Round Robins are designed to improve social skills as well as tennis, as Michael R. discovered when he found he was playing as the only boy in a draw with 3 girls. Still it did him no harm, as he ended up in 2nd place to Chris Kelly. Ryan McNeilly came a good 3rd. Many thanks to Anki who, along with other parents and organisers Elaine and John spent a good few hours umpiring in the gale. Special thanks to Bob Rayner who donated bags and calculators as prizes. After the Round Robin was over, several energetic participants went on to play Club Championship matches and ladder matches too.

The Junior Ladder

The month of January was treated as a 'bye' month, which means that no players were moved down in January for not challenging. Most players were concentrating on the Club Championship matches and on Fobissea training at school; however, February was back to normal, with players being shifted down one place if no challenges were made/met.

Sportathlon Tennis Coaching

Sportathlon, a company specialising in sports coaching (in particular tennis, swimming and gymnastics), approached the British Club with a view to offering tennis coaching at the Club, and gave a demonstration of the sort of lessons to be expected by the juniors on the 18th February.

Following this demo, the Club has decided to let Sportathlon commence coaching to the juniors, starting middle of last month, with priority in March given to those who were being coached by Pichet and who want to change. Once those people have been accommodated, Sportathlon were going to advertise to fill the remaining places. The cost

will be approximately 650 Baht/month for under 6's and 790 Baht/month for 6-16 year olds, although please check when booking as this was written well in advance of the coaching start date. Groups are based on ability and each group works towards awards which are presented for set criteria.

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Coaching sessions will be on Friday afternoons between 4pm and 7pm for juniors (and for adults: intermediate at 7pm and beginners at 8pm); and on Saturday mornings between 8am and 11am. Bookings for Sportathlon will be made through the Fitness Centre on a monthly basis and according to the conditions set down by Sportathlon.

Please note that coaching by Pichet will continue on a Saturday and Sunday morning as before. We hope that this arrangement means that everyone will now have the style of coaching they would like!

Next month we will have the report from the match against the Polo Club juniors which replaced the Round Robin on the 5th March, as well as the results of the Club Championships, which have so far produced some outstanding matches.

In the meantime, see you on court this first Sunday (2nd) of the month, and as usual, thanks to all those parents and bystanders who help with the umpiring, scoring, scheduling, organising and generally helping to keep the peace!

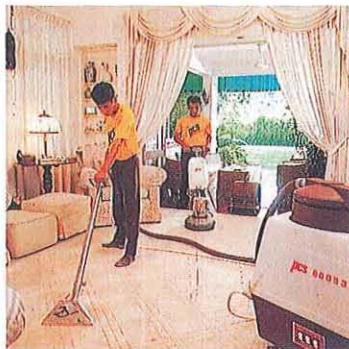
If there are any queries/suggestions/volunteers regarding the juniors tennis, please contact me on 258 5107.

Many thanks
Shelagh Weekes

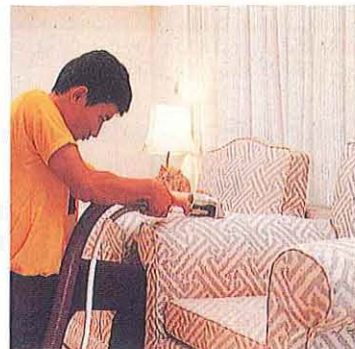
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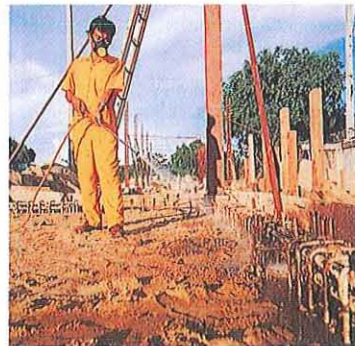
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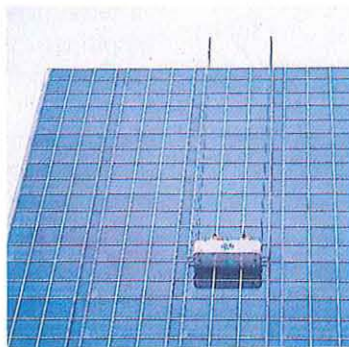
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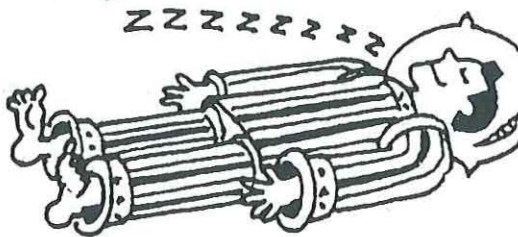
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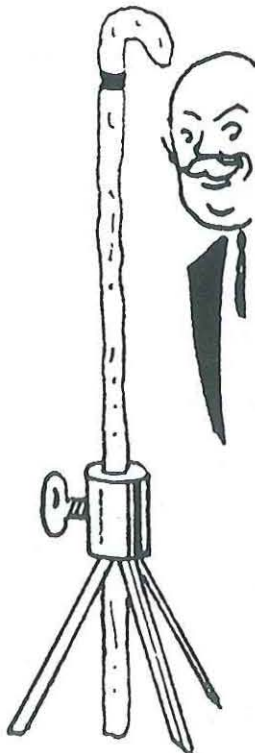
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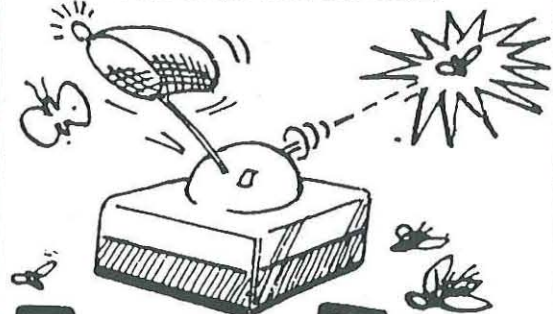
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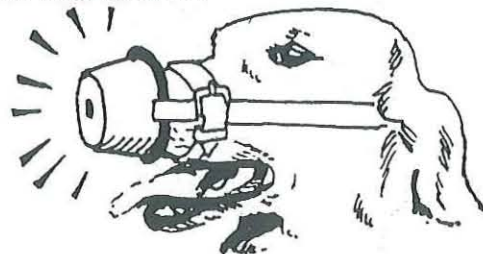
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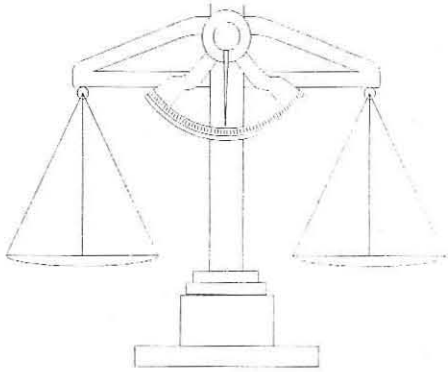
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Felony or Misdemeanour?

Continued from last month



Now for the best part, excuses for crime. The law presumes that every person is sane and accountable for his actions (if you ever have problems with the inland revenue and you have a creative accountant, ask him about your liability if considered insane under the Mental health Act of 1956), but is open to an offender when charged with an offence to prove that he is not responsible in law for his illegal act because he had no intention or wish to wrong, or to prove that he was justified in doing what he did, the following are some of the defences or excuses recognized :

a) One that all British Club members might try, *insanity*. The accused may be an idiot or totally deranged in his mind or insane on some subject or subjects (golf or rugby perhaps), and his insanity maybe permanent or temporary. The person can be arrested and charged with the offence and the decision rests with the court on submission of evidence to prove the accused insane (it is interesting to know that at one time distinction was made between the insane and lunatics, since the latter were only insane during periods of the full moon, hence luna-tic.).

b) Another good reason for the British Club, *Drunkenness*, as a rule not an excuse for crime, except when it is involuntary (that would be difficult to prove for Club members). A person intoxicated is *prima facie* liable for his acts, but may plead his condition in mitigation of punishment. If fraudulently made drunk by

another an offender would not be accountable for his actions while under that influence, good one to remember.

c) *Ignorance or Mistake*. Ignorance of the law will not justify any breach of the law, even when committed by a foreigner or British club member. An honest and reasonable mistake of fact may excuse a crime if the intention of the person committing the crime was not unlawful.

d) *Accident*, this may be an excuse for an offence committed in the performance of a lawful act which is being done with proper caution i.e. not negligent.

e) *Compulsion*. This excuse is also known as coercion or duress and would probably hold good in a case of a person compelled by direct physical compulsion to commit an offence (e.g. kleptomania, compulsive gambling etc.) Compulsion of necessity will not justify the commission of a crime, even threats to persons or property present or future will not excuse crime.

f) *Married Women*, here is a good one, the common law presumed that a crime, other than murder (unfortunately), committed by a wife in the presence of her husband was committed under his coercion and therefore excused her punishment. However this presumption was abolished in 1925, but directs that when a wife is charged with any offence, except treason or murder, it shall be a good defence if she can prove that the offence was committed in the presence of, and under the coercion of her husband. Also another little gem is that Husband and Wife may not be alone found guilty of conspiracy, being for some purposes considered in law as one person and therefore as having but one will.

g) *Justification*. An act which ordinarily would be criminal may be authorised by law, as in the case of justifiable homicide, in which no guilt or fault attaches itself to the slayer, in this act

Felony or Misdemeanour?

A previously mentioned, there are certain *exemptions from liability* of crime, this does not mean that they are not guilty of the crime but are exempt from punishment for the crime which they may commit.

a) *The Sovereign*. The maxim is that the Sovereign can do no wrong, and the Sovereign is beyond the reach of the law (for example Charles 1st?).

b) *Foreign Sovereigns and Ambassadors* from foreign countries while resident in the U.K. do not come under the jurisdiction of English courts. If they commit Offences they may be requested by the state to leave the country. Diplomatic privileges have been extended (and abused) to staffs and representatives of certain international organisations and to Commonwealth High Commissioners and their official and (believe it or not) their domestic staff.

c) *A Corporation or Company* composed of several persons cannot be dealt with as a human person, since it cannot be hanged or imprisoned; but it can be prosecuted as a corporation for all Offences which may be punished by a fine.

d) *Infants* under the age of 10 are not punishable for any offence, as the law holds that under that age no child can be guilty of any offence. Therefore no child under 10 can be arrested or charged with any offence but may be taken to a place of safety and brought before a court if deemed needing care or control. *Children* between 10 and 14 are regarded as so wanting in discretion that they must not be punished for an offence unless it is proved that they knew quite well that they were doing wrong.

Offenders between 10 and 14 can be arrested and tried for an offence but may not be found

guilty unless there is clear proof of their guilty knowledge. This is an interesting point of law, since if the child kills somebody and conceals the fact, it is implied that he has guilty knowledge, if he killed somebody and told his parents or other witness immediately it could be argued that he had no guilty knowledge since he did not try to conceal the act. Also a boy under 14 cannot commit a rape or any offence of carnal knowledge.

Persons of 14 and upwards are considered to be of sufficient discretion to be liable for their illegal acts, so all exemption is lost from the age of 14.

e) Remission of penalty, this in principle is a remission of punishment by the granting of a pardon with or without condition, or by commuting the sentence. The Sovereign may extend the Royal mercy to any person who may be imprisoned for non payment of any sum of money.

It is time to bring this short article to a close, this article has only covered briefly Crime and Basis of law, other topics such as criminals, Arrest, courts of Justice, procedures, evidence, etc., etc., can cover volumes of books. Nevertheless if anyone is interested in my superficial and cursory sight perhaps at a future date further articles can be submitted for consideration.

I will only be suspicious that if after reading this article I discover that a drunken, compulsive, insane child of an accredited diplomat under the age of 10 accidentally but under the mistaken impression that he had justification, commits a criminal offence.

L.E.G.A.L. Eagle

More from our intrepid court reporter next month.

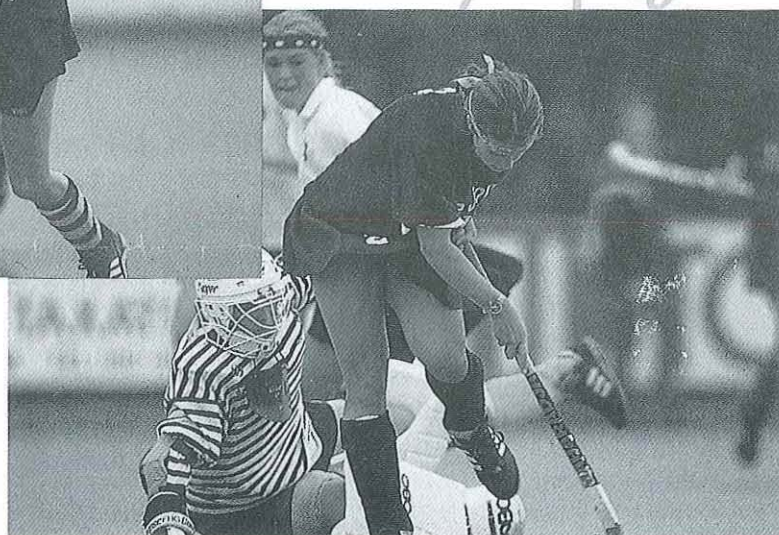
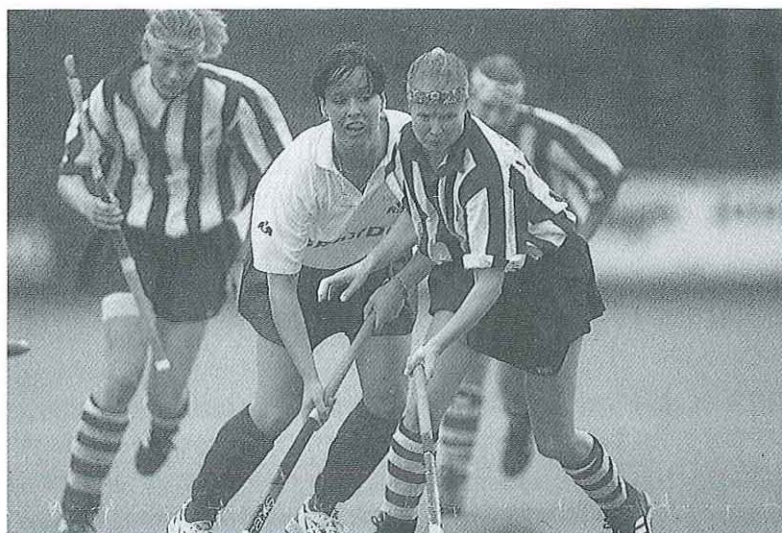
Ladies hockey in Bangkok

Did you know there is a ladies' hockey in Bangkok. At the moment we have 25 keen players. From a mixture of nationalities and playing levels. As the local hockey calendar for ladies is limited, we looked into expanding our hockey activities ourselves.

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What's in store for the rest of the year? Of course playing some matches, indoor hockey during the rainy season is being discussed. Who knows, a small trip to Singapore or Malaysia is possible sometime this year.

Everybody (ladies or teenagers) who like to stretch their legs and are interested in having a game are welcome. Our motto is play and have fun.



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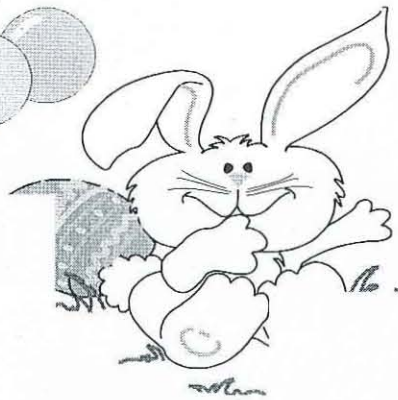
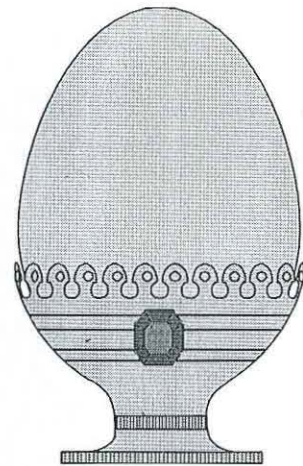
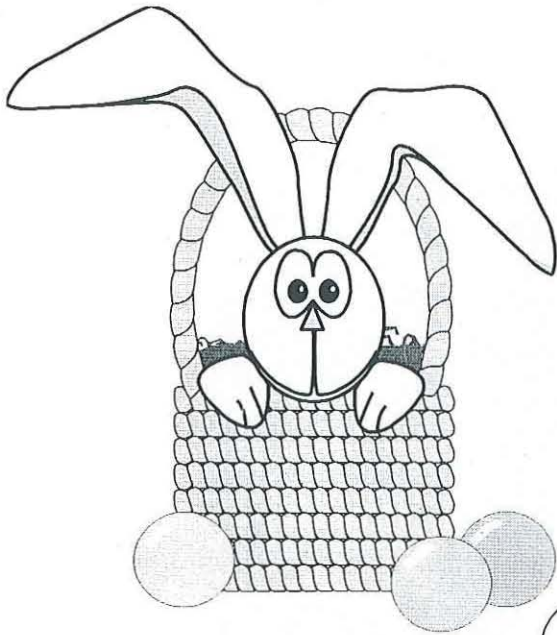


This lady is still rather active on the phone as with a new baby she finds lots to talk about. She also travels all over town to find entertainment for her other youngsters and is an avid racqueteer.

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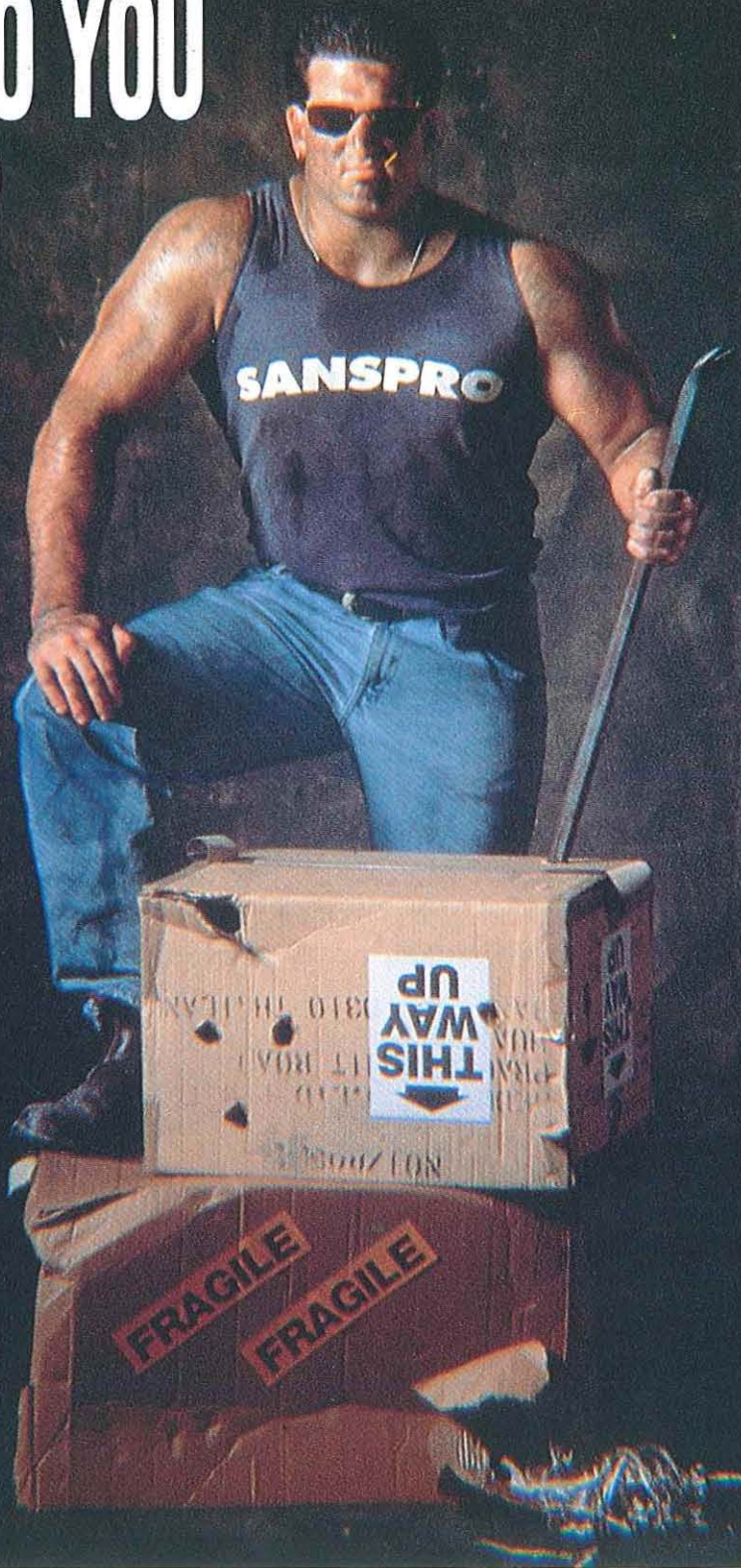
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HOUSE AND GROUNDS SPECIAL REPORT

Dear members,

Because of the declining income of the Club, House and Grounds have decided on some fairly sweeping measures designed to reverse this trend. The back lawn will be turned into a vegetable garden - this will reduce the cost of purchasing vegetables and members will be able to enjoy really fresh produce. Similarly, all the trees in the grounds will be cut down and replaced by fruit trees. As this will remove the shade provided by the existing trees, sunshade sheets will be available for hire at a modest charge. The committee room at the top right of the stairs, currently somewhat under used, will be mirrored on the walls and ceiling and be available for hire, long or short time.

Downstairs, the Lords Restaurant will be turned into a disco, complete with lights and chromium poles. Earplugs will be available for hire. The snooker room will be completely revamped as a video games room, each game costing 10 baht. Because of the surplus of staff at certain times during the day in the Churchill Bar, it has been decided to introduce licensing hours. These will be 12.00 - 2.00 pm. and 6.00 - 10.30 pm, and the bar will be completely closed on Sundays. This will reduce staff costs.

To further enhance the facilities at the Club, a special chiller unit will be purchased. Curling stones and skates will be available for hire of course.

It is realised that all these exciting new opportunities will attract many more members (and their cars) to the Club. As we don't want crowds of drivers milling around the car park, the Silom Sala will be turned into a drivers rest room, complete with pay-to-view TV and slot machines for soft drinks, snacks etc. The increase in the number of cars coming to the Club and the shortage of parking spaces has also been addressed. The tennis courts will be concreted over, parking spaces marked out, and parking metres installed throughout the extended car park.

We are confident that these innovations will go a long way to changing the fortunes of the Club.

Sub Committee
House and grounds

Easter Info

Easter is an annual festival commemorating the resurrection of Jesus Christ, and the principal feast of the Christian year. It is celebrated on a Sunday on varying dates between March 22 and April 25 and is therefore called a movable feast. The dates of several other ecclesiastical festivals, extending over a period between Septuagesima Sunday (the ninth Sunday before Easter) and the first Sunday of Advent, are fixed in relation to the date of Easter.

Connected with the observance of Easter are the 40-day penitential season of Lent, beginning on Ash Wednesday and concluding at midnight on Holy Saturday, the day before Easter Sunday; Holy Week, commencing on Palm Sunday, including Good Friday, the day of the crucifixion, and terminating with Holy Saturday; and the Octave of Easter, extending from Easter Sunday through the following Sunday. During the Octave of Easter in early Christian times, the newly baptized wore white garments, white being the liturgical color of Easter and signifying light, purity, and joy.

Pre-Christian Tradition

Easter, a Christian festival, embodies many pre-Christian traditions. The origin of its name is unknown. Scholars, however, accepting the derivation proposed by the 8th-century English scholar St. Bede, believe it probably comes from *Ēastre*, the Anglo-Saxon name of a Teutonic goddess of spring and fertility, to whom was dedicated a month corresponding to April. Her festival was celebrated on the day of the vernal equinox; traditions associated with the festival survive in the Easter rabbit, a symbol of fertility, and in colored Easter eggs, originally painted with bright colors to represent the sunlight of spring, and used in Easter-egg rolling contests or given as gifts.

Such festivals, and the stories and legends that explain their origin, were common in ancient

religions. A Greek legend tells of the return of Persephone, daughter of Demeter, goddess of the earth, from the underworld to the light of day; her return symbolized to the ancient Greeks the resurrection of life in the spring after the desolation of winter. Many ancient peoples shared similar legends. The Phrygians believed that their omnipotent deity went to sleep at the time of the winter solstice, and they performed ceremonies with music and dancing at the spring equinox to awaken him. The Christian festival of Easter probably embodies a number of converging traditions; most scholars emphasize the original relation of Easter to the Jewish festival of Passover, or Pesach, from which is derived Pasch, another name for Easter. The early Christians, many of whom were of Jewish origin, were brought up in the Hebrew tradition and regarded Easter as a new feature of the Passover festival, a commemoration of the advent of the Messiah as foretold by the prophets.

The Dating of Easter

According to the New Testament, Christ was crucified on the eve of Passover and shortly afterward rose from the dead. In consequence, the Easter festival commemorated Christ's resurrection. In time, a serious difference over the date of the Easter festival arose among Christians. Those of Jewish origin celebrated the resurrection immediately following the Passover festival, which, according to their Babylonian lunar calendar, fell on the evening of the full moon (the 14th day in the month of Nisan, the first month of the year); by their reckoning, Easter, from year to year, fell on different days of the week.

Christians of Gentile origin, however, wished to commemorate the resurrection on the first day of the week, Sunday; by their method, Easter occurred on the same day of the week, but from year to year it fell on different dates.

Easter Info

An important historical result of the difference in reckoning the date of Easter was that the Christian churches in the East, which were closer to the birthplace of the new religion and in which old traditions were strong, observed Easter according to the date of the Passover festival. The churches of the West, descendants of Greco-Roman civilization, celebrated Easter on a Sunday.

Rulings of the Council of Nicaea on the Date of Easter

Constantine I, Roman emperor, convoked the Council of Nicaea in 325. The council unanimously ruled that the Easter festival should be celebrated throughout the Christian world on the first Sunday after the full moon following the vernal equinox; and that if the full moon should occur on a Sunday and thereby coincide with the Passover festival, Easter should be commemorated on the Sunday following. Coincidence of the feasts of Easter and Passover was thus avoided.

The Council of Nicaea also decided that the calendar date of Easter was to be calculated at Alexandria, then the principal astronomical center of the world. The accurate determination of the date, however, proved an impossible task in view of the limited knowledge of the 4th-century world. The principal astronomical problem involved was the discrepancy, called the epact, between the solar year and the lunar year. The chief calendric problem was a gradually increasing discrepancy between the true astronomical year and the Julian calendar then in use.

Later Dating Methods

Ways of fixing the date of the feast tried by the church proved unsatisfactory, and Easter was celebrated on different dates in different parts

of the world. In 387, for example, the dates of Easter in France and Egypt were 35 days apart. About 465, the church adopted a system of calculation proposed by the astronomer Victorinus (flourished 5th century), who had been commissioned by Pope Hilarius (reigned 461-68) to reform the calendar and fix the date of Easter. Elements of his method are still in use. Refusal of the British and Celtic Christian churches to adopt the proposed changes led to a bitter dispute between them and Rome in the 7th century.

Reform of the Julian calendar in 1582 by Pope Gregory XIII, through adoption of the Gregorian calendar, eliminated much of the difficulty in fixing the date of Easter and in arranging the ecclesiastical year; since 1752, when the Gregorian calendar was also adopted in Great Britain and Ireland, Easter has been celebrated on the same day in the Western part of the Christian world. The Eastern churches, however, which did not adopt the Gregorian calendar, commemorate Easter on a Sunday either preceding or following the date observed in the West. Occasionally the dates coincide; the most recent times were in 1865 and 1963.

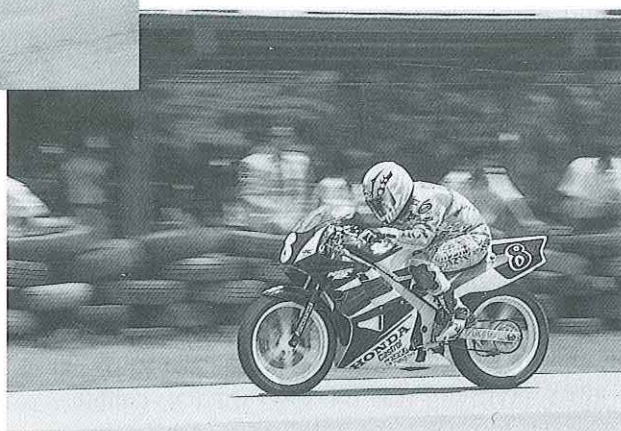
Because the Easter holiday affects a varied number of secular affairs in many countries, it has long been urged as a matter of convenience that the movable dates of the festival be either narrowed in range or replaced by a fixed date in the manner of Christmas. In 1923 the problem was referred to the Holy See, which has found no canonical objection to the proposed reform. In 1928 the British Parliament enacted a measure allowing the Church of England to commemorate Easter on the first Sunday after the second Saturday in April. Despite these steps toward reform, Easter continues to be a movable feast.

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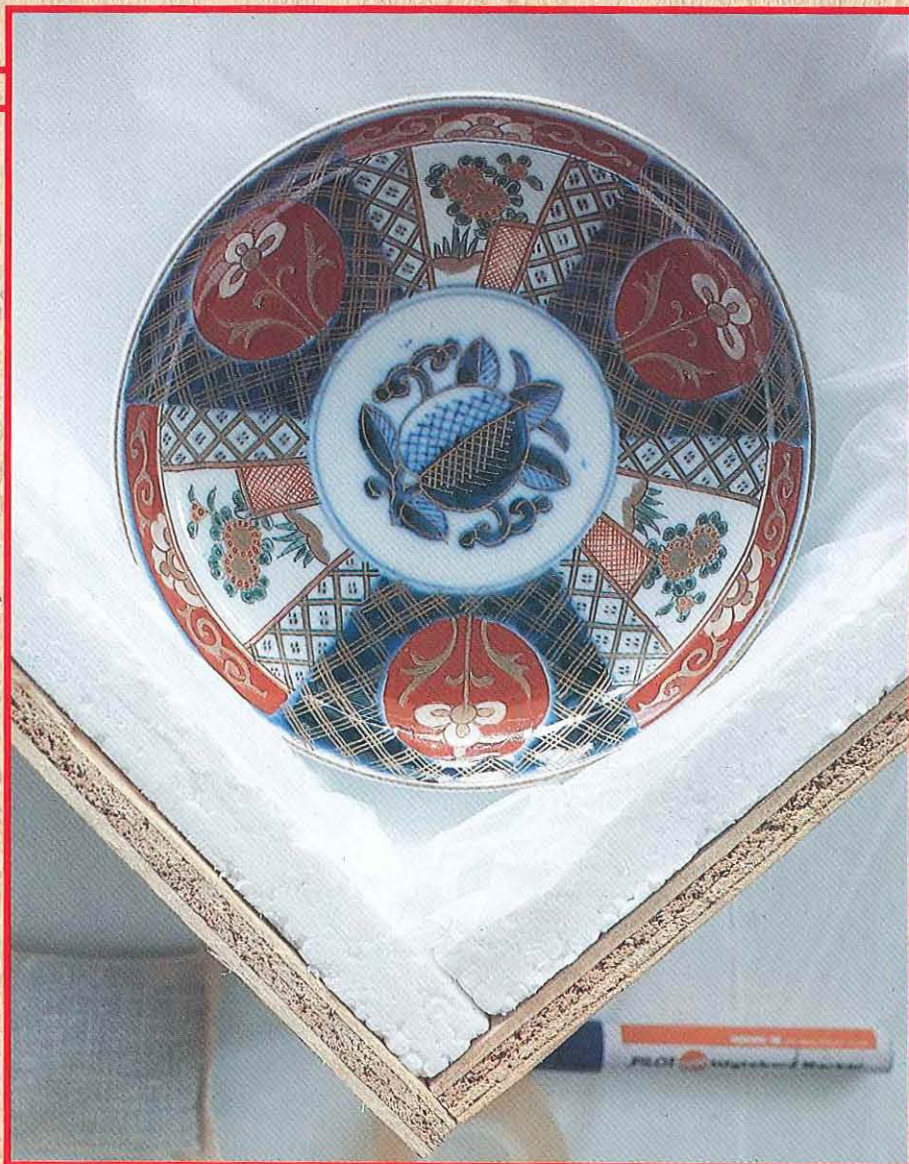


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