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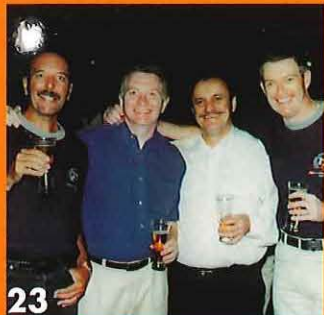
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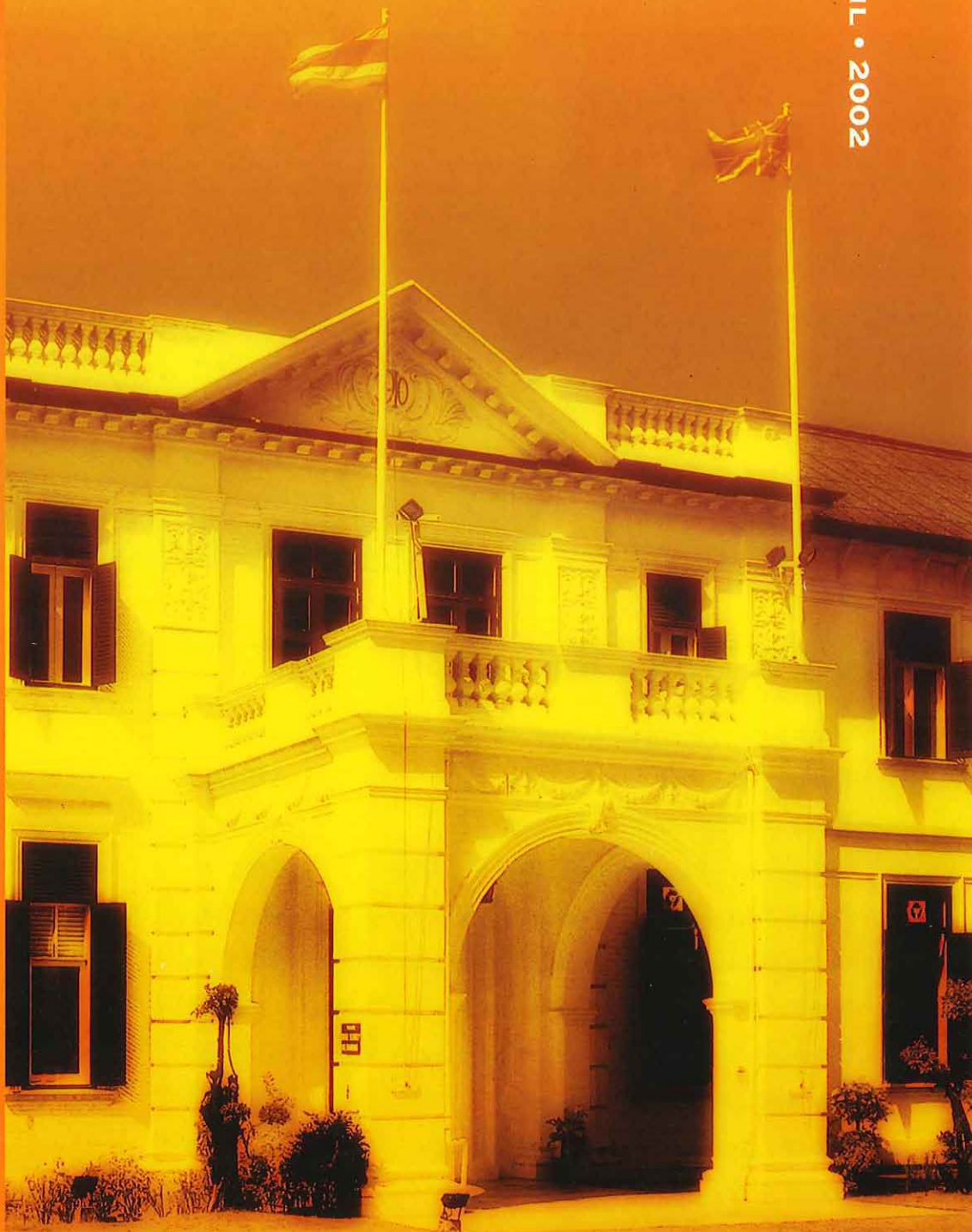
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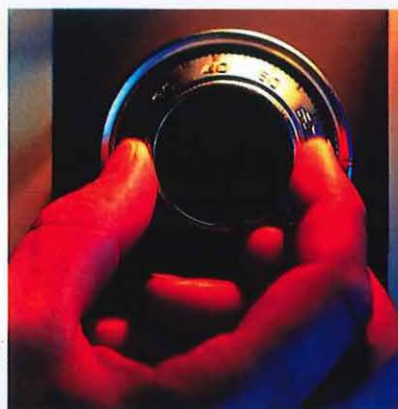
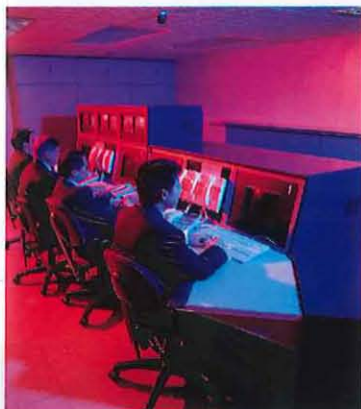


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FROM THE CHAIRMAN



Bob Marchant

Dear Members,

I am proud to have been elected Chairman and given the responsibility of running the British Club. I would like to pay tribute to James Young who has chaired the Club for the past four years. James has done a splendid job. The AGM was evidence of this, where his report and recommendations were unanimously accepted.

Of particular note has been James's handling of Club development. The improvements to the Silom and Surawong Salas and the pool area are an example. His vision of increased facilities that cater for a wider audience i.e. New Building are another. However the handling of the Club's finances are I believe his greatest contribution and the example I will be following. Under his Chairmanship the Club's finances are in very good shape and are the foundation to fund the many improvements in facilities we are planning. James I am pleased is staying on the committee and will act as an advisor. Well-done James take a well-deserved rest.

For those of you that do not know me a little background. I first came to Thailand in 1985 as British Telecom's Country Manager. I took early retirement in 1991 and set my own company up "Asia Bell" a systems integrator to the telecommunication and banking industries. I have been a member of the British Club since 1988 and over the years have enjoyed many events particularly the companionship of many close colleagues.

The committee I chair is a very talented bunch. The organisation I have proposed is designed to take advantage of these individual talents to best effect and to the benefit of the Club. As you know last year the EGM gave the go ahead for a new building to house a sports bar along with new Club administration offices. This is a major step for the British Club and clearly will be a focus for the current committee. However, there are a number of other objectives I would like to see achieved and we will discuss these with you as they unfold. Club renovation is top of my list, the Club is shabby and tired, in desperate need of improvements and we will be drawing up plans for its complete renovation.

The Club is under the excellent leadership of our General Manager Willem Pentermann, whose drive, initiative and direction of our very loyal and respectful staff are very much part of our success. May I encourage you all to support the many events he organises and to use the club as often as you can.

I look forward to meeting you all and enjoying your company.

With best regards

Bob Marchant

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GM'S BRIEF

Dear Members,

We have prepared yet another exciting range of activities to take you into the second quarter of 2002.

SPORT

Sports classes begin their second term towards the end of April, just after the Songkran Holiday. If you haven't already done so, please sign up. We have swimming with Bangkok Dolphins, junior cricket, tennis lessons, aquarobics, yoga to name but a few and this list is being added to constantly.

To keep the kids fit, we have organised a sports camp 9 - 12 April. Please sign up in the fitness centre.

I am pleased to note that 'social sports' such as spoofing and darts are becoming more popular. Soon there will be an official darts section at the Club and anyone who is interested is most welcome to come and join our ever-increasing group of regulars at the Churchill bar on Wednesday nights.

TRIPS

Due to the success of our last Orient Express trip, we are organizing another, this time a weekend trip leaving at 10.00am on Saturday morning and returning 6.00pm on Sunday evening. This exclusive event will take place on 15 - 16 June. Please see page 16 for further information.

CLUB DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Good progress continues to be made, the electricity upgrade at the Club House is almost complete and the design and layout for the new building at the back lawn has now reached the final stages. A big thank you to all Members who took the time to share their ideas and suggestions for this new building.

New water stations have been placed at the tennis courts in order to improve the look of the courts and eliminate the need to leave used plastic cups on tables, floors or on the courts.

Road works have begun on Silom Soi 18. The BMA will provide a new drain and road cover in this soi. They have promised us that car access to the club will be possible whilst this work is being done, however the road will be in a poor condition and I would like to recommend that you use the Suriwongse road entrance as much as possible. This project should be finished by 1 May 2002.

The Silom and Wordsworth rooms have been painted and the Churchill bar is getting a face lift. The decoration of Lords restaurant was completed in February 2002.

FOOD AND BEVERAGE

The new Churchill bar menu was implemented in March. I would be pleased to receive any comments or suggestions that Members may have. Please do this via the suggestion books or comment cards which can be found around the Club.

I am pleased to report that Khun Vanich Sirisathavorn has been appointed as our new Restaurant and Bar Manager. He will be involved in staff training and development. We believe that the level of service can be improved further still and Khun Vanich will be working closely with outlet managers.

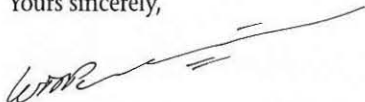
Look out for our 'wine of the month' promotion this month. Each month we will offer a different wine at a very attractive price for your enjoyment.

GENERAL

Everyone must have noticed that the Club is very busy at weekends, especially at the pool side. We would appreciate it if Members and their families would not leave their tennis bags, squash bags or other personal belongings on tables or chairs in order to 'reserve' that table. This happens particularly in the Suriwongse Sala. Members cannot reserve their own tables. The staff have been authorised to remove bags and other personal belongings from tables to make them available to other Members.

We would also appreciate your assistance in showing your Membership Card to the outlet or fitness staff upon arrival. The staff have been instructed not to serve any person if they do not have a valid blue Membership Card, Temporary Membership Card, Reciprocal Club Card or Absent Members Card. Finally, have a wonderful Songkran Holiday and I look forward to seeing you at the Club in the not too distant future.

Yours sincerely,



Willem T.P. Pentermann
General Manager



Willem T.P. Pentermann



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of the British Club Bangkok
would like to extend our sincere
condolences to the Royal Family
on the death of Her Majesty
Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother.*

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SPORTS UPDATE

It Just Gets Hotter!

Our sports schedule that is. As you will notice, we are working hard to introduce more new and exciting sports here at the Club. We are sure to have something to interest you. If we don't, please let us know!

TENNIS COACHING

WITH ERIC DELACOLLETTE-LEJEUNE

Eric is looking forward to meeting you on court where he'll be delighted to help you improve your game, whatever your standard of play.

Eric coached for the Belgian Tennis Federation for 4 years, teaching children aged between 7 and 14 years of age, and has also worked as tennis coach for Club Med in Greece, France and Phuket.

If you would like a private lesson with Eric, please book through the Fitness Centre. Alternatively there are still a few places available in his group tennis lessons on Saturdays where he coaches students in the following categories:

Mini-tennis	9.00am	-	10.00am
Beginners	10.00am	-	11.00am
Intermediate	11.00am	-	12.30pm
Advanced	14.00pm	-	15.30pm
Competition	15.30pm	-	17.30pm

For those tennis enthusiasts who just need some hitting practice or game play, remember that the Club's resident 'hitters', Khun Kaew, Khun Tom or Khun Bee are available for hourly sessions. Contact the Fitness Centre for bookings.

LIVE SPORT BROADCASTS

Grand Prix at the Churchill Bar

13 April	Pre Qualifying 7.30pm - San Marino
14 April	San Marino Grand Prix - 6.45pm
27 April	Qualifying Round Spain - 7.30pm
28 April	Spanish Grand Prix - 6.45pm.

RUGBY 6 NATIONS

Sunday, 7 April, Lords Restaurant

8.00pm Wales v. Scotland (delayed transmission) 10.00pm Italy v. England (LIVE)

AQUA AEROBICS

Mrs. Els Van den Broecke is the Club's resident Aqua Aerobics Instructor and teaches in the main pool from 10.30am - 11.30am on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The charge is just B200 per hour and you can register at the Fitness Centre.

SWIMMING GALA

Sunday, 12 May

Warm up starts at 8.00am, with the gala taking place from 9.00am - 12.30pm, followed by lunch for all participants.

AEROBICS

Please sign up at the Fitness Centre for classes on Wednesdays starting at 9.30am.

TAEKWONDO LESSONS

Saturdays and Sundays 10.30am - 12.00 noon, squash court 3 Starts 27 April for 10 weeks

Learn the art of oriental self-defence from our professional instructor Khun Tanes Boonsuwan. B 1800 per person.

GENTLEMEN'S SPOOF

Join in with the gents on Tuesday evenings in the Churchill Bar

DARTS

Held every Wednesday evening in the Churchill Bar. Everyone is most welcome to join in.

JUNIOR SQUASH

Fridays

Starts 26 April - for 10 weeks

Coach Khun Narongrit is available to help develop your game to your full potential.

Mini Squash: 5-7 years of age

4.30pm - 5.15pm

Beginner Squash: 8-10 years of age

5.15pm - 6.00pm.

Course fee - B1900.

JUNIOR CRICKET TRAINING

with Australian Coach Mr. Brian

Wiggings. Children in the age range of 7-15 years are welcome to join in and will be categorized by age and ability. Interested parties can register at the Fitness Centre.

YOGA

Held in Squash Court 3 on Tuesdays at 11.30am and Sundays at 4.30. Yoga is believed by many to provide numerous health benefits using control techniques over the mind and body.

BRIDGE

Enjoy a friendly game of Bridge every Tuesday evening in the non-smoking area of the Churchill Bar. Refer to the Calendar page for contact details.

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SWIMMING SCHEDULE

TUESDAY CLASSES

Category	Age	Time
Toddlers	18-24 months	2.00pm - 2.30pm
Non-swimmers	24 months up	2.30pm - 3.00pm
Introducing Strokes	4-5 years	3.00pm - 3.30pm
Stroke Improvement	5-6 years	3.30pm - 4.00pm
Stroke Improvement	6-8 years	4.00pm - 4.30pm
Stroke Correction	6-8 years	4.30pm - 5.00pm
Mini Squads	8 years up	5.00pm - 5.30pm

SATURDAY CLASSES

Category	Age	Time
Parent & Baby	6-18 months	9.00am - 9.30am
	18-24 months	9.30am - 10.00am
	24-36 months	10.00am - 10.30am
Toddler	24 months up	10.30am - 11.00am
Beginners	4-5 years -	11.00am - 11.30am
Introducing Strokes 1	4-5 years	11.30am - 12.00pm
Introducing Strokes 2	4-5 years	12.00pm - 12.30pm
Stroke Improvement	5-6 years	12.30pm - 1.00pm
Stroke Correction	6-8 years	1.00pm - 1.30pm

It's not too late to join in these classes - just contact the Fitness Centre for details.

APRIL SPORTS CAMP

Tuesday, 9 April - Friday, 12 April, from 9.00am - 4.30pm daily.

Suitable for children in the age range from 5-8 and 9-13 years.

Charge B3000 per child.

Activities will include lunch, tennis, squash, cricket, ball games, swimming, movies and much more.

Please note that training sessions for swimming, tennis and cricket will start again after the Songkran holidays on the following dates:-

Swimming with Bangkok Dolphins Tuesday: 23 April and Saturday, 27 April

Cricket lessons: Sunday, 28 April

Tennis Lessons: Saturday, 27 April

Sign up sheets will be available from the middle of March at the Fitness Centre.

MEMBERS MAILBOX

Dear Editor

It's the British Club, not a tennis club

Recently an e-mail was sent to those known to be interested in playing tennis describing the regular block bookings for special-interest groups on virtually every day of the week. Added to this was some information on further block bookings for the current championship / league matches.

Well it seems to me that the direction of the Club with regard to tennis is going the wrong way. I believe the guiding principle should be that members of the Club should have equal access to the Club's facilities.

I'm not sure how to prosecute this view effectively, except perhaps by bringing it to public attention through the *Outpost* Magazine. Maybe I'm wrong, but at least this pretty fundamental issue on access to the Club's facilities is worth some discussion. Thus any views would be welcome.

In the meantime, I ask that the Club Committee consider and report back on the proposal that the guiding principle for use of the Club's facilities is that they should be available for equal access by all members. If the Committee agrees: then say so and implement the policy. If they do not agree: well please explain why.

As further background my email in response to the tennis notice is below:

It's the British Club,
not a tennis club

Dear Tennis Captain

I am going to start the ball rolling on trying to change how tennis courts are booked by responding to your e-mail, which I think will also go to all your addressees. I ask for you also to pass it to the Chairman of Tennis and the Chairman of the Club, if they are not in your list. I think I'm not alone in being increasingly fed up with the booking of tennis courts for different special interest groups to the detriment of other club members. The courts are a facility of the club and, in my view, the guiding principle should be that they are kept available for members to use. I am not against the traditional Wednesday and Sunday afternoon mix-ins. Arguably they are for all to join in, although I would make the point that not all wish to play doubles.

All the other block bookings seem to have come into being relatively recently and I believe they should be stopped. Everyone in the club should have equal opportunity to book club facilities. Imagine if I tried to book the bar regularly on a Friday evening for a special interest group. I cannot see the justification of preventing me or others playing on Tuesday and Thursday mornings because the courts are block booked for a ladies group. Indeed for a long time I did play then, but now cannot. I am a Club Member and I wish not to be prevented from using a Club facility regularly at that time.

Similarly, the booking of one of only two hard courts for the so-called 20 best players at the prime time of Sunday morning and at no cost to those players, is, I think, completely against reasonable practice for a members' Club.

There is a shortage of supply against demand in that the club has only two decent courts, ie the hard courts. Thus they should be held available for any Club Member to use under normal booking arrangements, except for traditional mix-ins on Wednesday evenings and Sunday afternoon.

This in turn leads to consideration of how courts are booked. It was interesting to hear recently from a previous Chairman of the Club that during his tenure telephone booking was not allowed. I'm not sure if this is a good or bad thing but it surely is for consideration if it helps to equalise the use of Club facilities by Members.

There is an accepted need to keep some form of soft surface for rugby and football sections and for these sections to have suitable access to the soft courts. However, there is a fundamental problem with the soft courts in that the lines cannot be seen and it does seem that the Club is somewhat weak in resolving this.

Whatever, I should like to ask that the hard courts are kept free of block booking, except for mix-ins, so that all Club Members may make use of their Club's facilities.

Yours sincerely
Peter Coeshott

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TENNIS

BC 2002 Championships

The Club's annual tennis championships are over for another year. We were treated to so many exciting finals matches! I believe the ladies Plate singles final is the longest on record, although someone may like to correct me if I'm wrong?

I'm sure that everyone will join me in thanking Anton Bontje, the tennis committee, the umpires and, of course, the spectators, for the time and effort that they invested to make this tournament the success that it was.

Check out these photographs from finals day.

● Judith Airey

Mens
doubles
Plate

Men's
doubles
Plate

Ladies
doubles

Men's
doubles

Ladies
singles

Under 17's

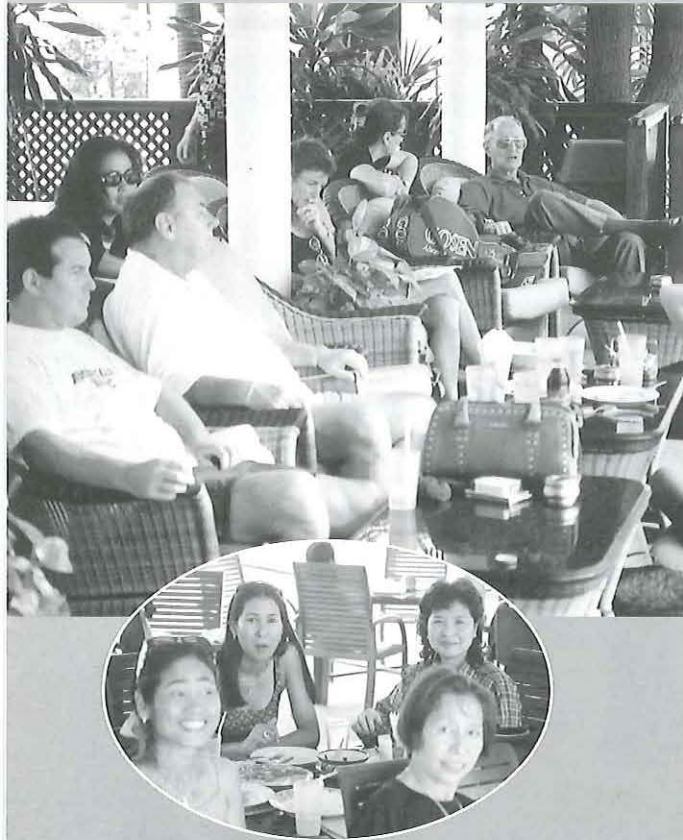
Men's
singles

Ladies singles Plate

TENNIS CONTINUED

BC 2002 TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS:

Men's singles	Winner	Brad Weatherstone
	Runner-up	Marc Hagelauer
Plate	Winner	Johnny Quah
	Runner-up	Andrew Robertson
Ladies singles	Winner	Nisa Adams
	Runner-up	Kristen Chalmers
Plate	Winner	Maïke Voorhuis
	Runner-up	Katy Cherdumchai
Men's doubles	Winners	Brad Weatherstone & James Young
	Runners-up	Dr. Apichart & Oud Bunjapamai
Plate	Winner	Simon Gainsford & Philip Mock
	Runners-up	Peter Formhals & Gerard Schut
Ladies doubles	Winners	Nisa Adams & Theresa Turner
	Runners-up	Betty Fujiwara & Panee Yuktanandana
Plate	Winner	Angela Libittanasombat & Napa Siera
	Runners-up	Patchanee Nithivasin & Yubharet Visitsunthorn
Mixed doubles	Winners	Dr. Pongsak Yuktananda & Panee Yuktananda
	Runners-up	Brad Weatherstone & Eileen Bontje-Rutledge
Plate	Winners	Bernie Adams & Jo Goodliffe
	Runners-up	Oud Bunjapamai & Pachanee Nithivasin
Under 17 singles	Winner	Charles Frisch
	Runner-up	Laura Hughes
Under 13 singles	Winner	Kamolnada Thuumrongluck
	Runner-up	Andreas Frisch



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My name is Sasha and I simply love line dancing. I have been teaching line dancing for a few years and I have over one hundred popular dances in my repertoire. My students include lawyers, doctors, students, housewives, grandmothers and even a seven year old kid - there is no age limit to line dancing!

I have won awards for line dancing in Hong Kong and Taiwan, where I have dancing studios. I have also performed at special functions and am occasionally mentioned in magazines there.

Line dancing is a healthy hobby. A fun way to get fit! No more monotonous slimming exercises, Line dancing can also give you self fulfillment.

Stay Young. Stay Alive. Pick up Line Dancing Now! **Please call Sasha on 09 988 1348 for further details.**

SQUASH

AGM Sunday Handicap

The Sunday handicap was held prior to the AGM on Sunday 3 March. There were 17 participants and they were divided into three sections:

Court 1		POSITION
Dick Anwar	(-32) 69	3
Brian Palmer	(-30) 72	2
Marc Hagelauer	(-30) 75	1
Peter Corney	(-26) 63	4
David Weeks	(+2) 55	6
Peter Myers	(-2) 58	5

Court 2		
Steve Bell	(-36) 75	1
Colin Hastings	(-30) 62	2
Tom Livingston	(-29) 46	6
Steve Harvey	(-21) 55	4
Tim Weeks	(+3) 51	5
Shiraz Poonevala	(-29) 61	3

Court 3		
Chris Browning	(-30) 60	1
David Palmer	(-28) 46	4
David Edmonds	(-27) 44	5
Steve Winter	(-12) 47	3
Guy Hollis	(-8) 55	2

Congratulations to Marc, Chris and Steve Bell who will have their handicaps severely adjusted for future events!

AGM

The AGM opened at about 5pm on completion of the Sunday Handicap. There were about 30 members present.

After apologies, the Chairman thanked the following sponsors, the *Sofitel Grand Central Hotel* and *Martin Reed* for support for Sunday Mix-in, *Dunlopillo* for sponsoring the One Day handicap in 2001, *Shenanigans*, *O'Reillys*, *Barbican*, *Chequers*, *JKL Sports Trohys*, *Bec-Terro*, *Steve Bell* and *Chris Browning* for sponsoring AGM mix-in and party.

The Chairman also thanked outgoing committee members George Dunford and Phil Hall for their efforts during their time in service.

The remaining committee members and squash section members were also thanked by the chairman for their support throughout the year.

James Crossley-Smith, treasurer announced a balance of 74,917 for the year.

David Eastgate, the squash captain summarised the year's events and then the incoming committee was elected.

The new committee are;

- Peter Corney
- Bill Randall
- James Crossley-Smith
- Chris Browning
- David Eastgate
- Marvyn Lewis
- Steve Bell

The only other business was a discussion on air-conditioning for court 3. An official letter has now been sent to the GM asking that this be done.

The AGM closed at 5.20pm and the families joined in for the BBQ and party with Marvelous Marvyn as the DJ.

Awards were given for the following categories based on members votes:

- Best all-round technique and style** - Steve Bell
- Fittest/fastest around court** - Tom Livingstone
- Best server** - Marvyn Lewis
- Best volleyer** - Marc Hagelauer
- Most improved player** - Kit Kulvichit
- The player we would most like to have a beer with** - Alex Brénneisen

HAROLD MERCER TROPHY

By the time this goes to press the Harold Mercer Team competition will have been completed. After the second round there are three teams with a chance of winning.

First Round		Score
Leopards	d Cheetahs	3-1
David Eastgate	d Nick Thwaites	3-2
Tom Livingston	d Ignatio Serrano	3-1
David Bryant	L Steve Harvey	1-3
Uwe Warncke	d Guy Hollis	3-1
Tigers	d Pumas	3-1
Dick Anwar	d Steve Bell	3-1
Peter Corney	d Andre Tissera	3-2
Steve Purser	d Marvyn Lewis	3-1
Kit Kulvichit	L Roger Winter	1-3

Second Round		Score
Leopards	p Tigers	2-2
David	d Dick	3-1
Tom	L Peter	2-3
Jack	L Steve P.	0-3
Uwe	d Kit	3-1
Pumas	d Cheetahs	3-1
Steve	d Nick	3-0
Andre	d Charles	3-0
Marvyn	L Steve Harvey	2-3
Roger	d Guy	3-0

PICTURE GALLERY

Our trip to the Tanglin Club, Singapore



Proof of our first overseas visit for many years.



Nick being smooth at the Tanglin Club



Tanglin Club & BCB players

As you can see it will depend on the final days play and will probably come down to the number of games won.

157TH	LEAGUE
Division	Winner
1	Nick Thwaites
2	T. Chaturan (Ja)
3	Shiraz Poonevala
4	Steve Harvey
5	Jack Dunford
6	Roger Winter

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHAING MAI SQUASH DOUBLES

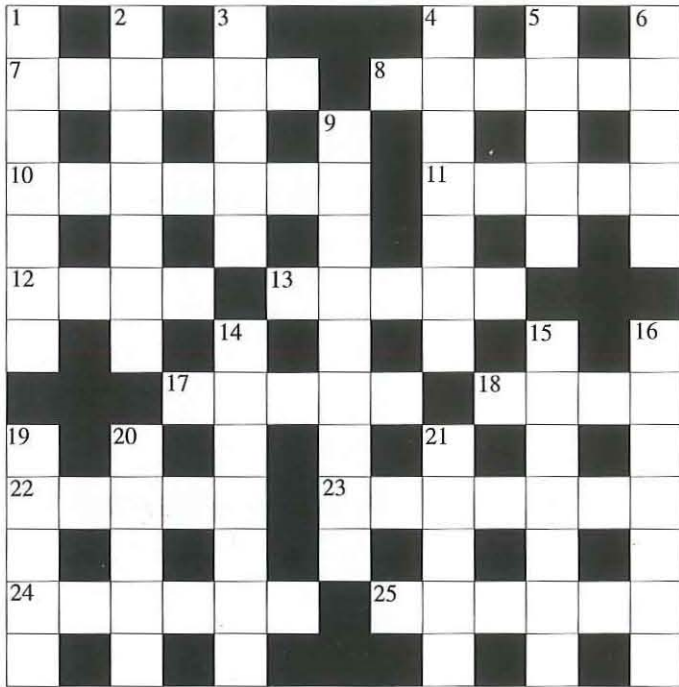
This will be played at the Royal Bangkok Sports Club during the last weekend of April. We hope to enter 3 or 4 teams for this event.

Peter Corney

CROSSWORD

Your Holiday Crossword

Easter or Songkran? (the answer is both) But, before we get too cryptic, here's your crossword.



Compiled by Margaret Miller

MARCH SOLUTION



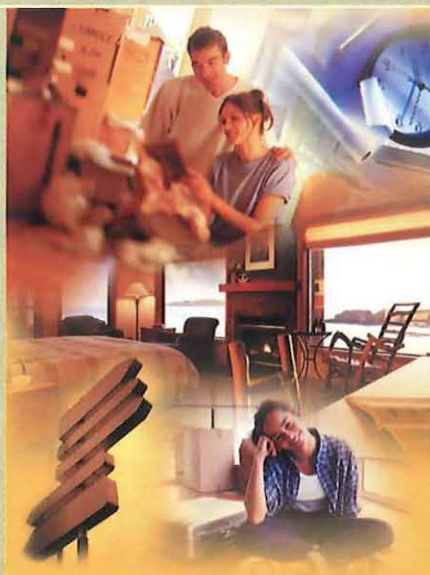
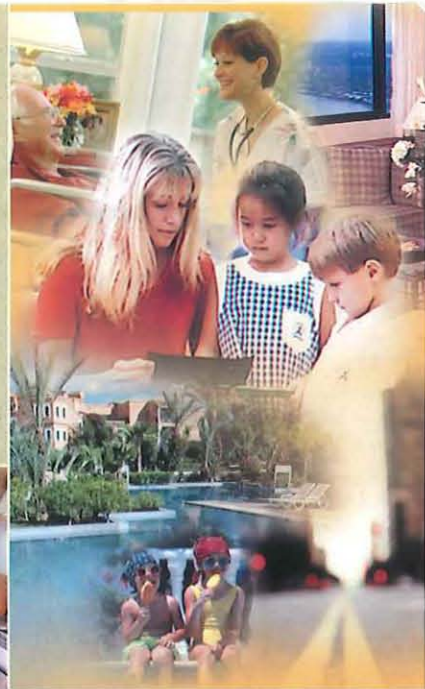
ACROSS

- 7 So pigs can possibly behave like old hens!
 8 You say "Hang on" - but better watch yours!
 10 Re-doing, maybe, but was disregarded.
 11 Not here
 12 "The morning stars sang and the ____ of God shouted for joy." (Book of psalms).
 13 A boat make with skill?
 17 British pubs serve beer in these!
 18 Is this a dull kind of home?
 22 The mod. way to favour something. (3,2)
 23 As a result there's an egression.
 24 Sam, who belted many an officer!
 25 ".....made him a good ____ but a bad acquaintance." (Byron - Don Juan)

DOWN

- 1 "Hard for thee to kick ____ the pricks". (Acts of the Apostles)
 2 Like one number? Very stupid!
 3 "I never travel without my ____something sensational to read in the train." (Oscar Wilde)
 4 Dispatched with a yellow card! (4,3)
 5 Man-eating giants.
 6 Lead a young male ox.
 9 "Quiet as a nun, breathless with ____." (Wordsworth)
 14 Leaning over to make an inventory.
 15 Not high in the dale perhaps - it's permitted.
 16 Is there and pays heed.
 19 Sun-dried brick.
 20 Incite (3,2)
 21 Tale of a drunken sot on the railway.

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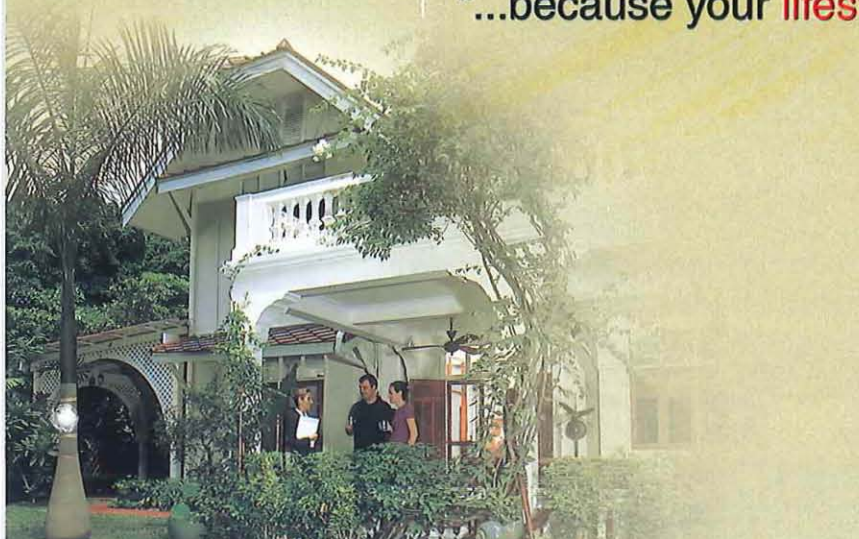


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Cocktails will be served from 7.30pm onwards at the Museum Lounge followed by a buffet dinner in the beautiful surroundings along the pool and beach.

On Sunday morning enjoy a leisurely buffet breakfast at the hotel, and relax for the rest of the morning.

Before our departure to Bangkok you will be transported to a beautiful site in Hua Hin to enjoy a delicious Thai lunch.

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Art Attack

This month sees the beginning of a ten week course called 'Art Attack'. As everyone who is anyone knows, 'Art Attack' is a daily television programme that inspires young children to be creative and 'have a go' - a kind of 21st century Rolf Harris or Tony Hart. The course, run by Vanessa Christian, follows a similar theme. Children as young as 7 are invited to join in the fun activities, which include modeling clay, glass painting, macaroni magic and tile mosaic to name but a few!

Vanessa, a teacher at Harrow International School, says it is crucial, in a time when the internet and computer games have replaced traditional, cut and stick activities, that children have structured, hands on, creative fun. Vanessa has noticed increasingly, in her 10 years of teaching, that children are lacking the basic manual dexterity and spatial awareness skills, that in the past we took for granted. This obviously affects many aspects of their schooling such as Sport, Science, Mathematics and Art.



The ten week course, commencing 27 April till 29 June, costs B5000 and each week the children will create their own masterpiece to take home. **To secure your child's place on the course, call the British Club or Vanessa on 09 981 4259.**



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NEW MEMBERS

**RICHARD NATIONS & KOH SIEW-LENG
(USA/ SINGAPORE)**

Richard and Koh are on their second stint in Bangkok, having previously been here for five years between 1975-1980. This time they are here for a long-haul ten years. In between they have lived in Hong Kong, Japan, UK and India. Richard fills his leisure time by swimming, yachting, playing chess, writing and language study.

Koh also enjoys swimming and is currently researching a book project based upon Chinese myth, religion and art.

**FREDERIC & SONIA RESTA (FRENCH)**

One year into a three year contract, Frederick works in security at the French Embassy. They have 2 children a girl aged 11 years and a baby son aged 2 months.

Look out for them around the pool as their main hobby is swimming.

Frederic is wondering where he can get a decent game of billiards in this town? Perhaps someone can let him know.....

JANE PORTER ALLISON (USA)

Jane is what you might call an 'arty' type, being an art conservator. She is currently doing some research into bronzecasting techniques in southeast Asia.

Aside from that she is very 'sporty', listing ALL sports the British Club has to offer as her hobbies.....she said that she might not be able to do them, but she's more than willing to have a go - heads of sports sections take note!

Pornsiri with James Young, John Stamp and Willem Pentermann**PORNSIRI KIATTANANANT & WANCHAI
LIENGTHIRAPHAN (THAI)**

Pornsiri is a manager at J.S. Technical Services Co., Ltd. She combines this duty with that of being mother to 3 school-age children - no mean feat!

She says that she has been in Thailand for 40 years and expects to stay "all my life" - I do hope you're not giving your age away there Pornsiri!

Leisure time consists of swimming, aerobics, badminton, squash and singing/listening to music.

Wanchai was not present at New Members night, but as you can see from the photograph, Pornsiri was not short of any company!

**DAVID AND DEBORAH SMITH (BRITISH)**

Here we have a well-travelled couple, with postings in Singapore, Lebanon, India and Jordan before stopping off for a couple of years in Thailand.

Debbie currently has the luxury of unpaid leave from her job at the foreign office, which allows her to pursue her hobbies; tennis, travel and amateur dramatics.

David is engineering program manager at Motorola, but still finds time to play soccer, tennis and snooker. He may even be a candidate for a place in the Spoofers quiz team as quizzes are also his hobby, but then again, they are very particular about who they recruit.....!!

Both Debbie and David were committee members at the British Club in Jordan. Perhaps one of them could be persuaded to stand for the committee at the British Club in Bangkok? (Editors note - Now that might get David a place in the spoofers team!)

WHAT'S ON

Splash Out in April

WINE TASTING

Friday, 5 April

Vanichwathana (Bangkok) Ltd. will provide us with an excellent selection of white, rose, red and sparkling French Wines from the Loire Valley and Muscadet. Complimentary cocktail food provided.

BAR QUIZ

Friday, 26 April

7.30pm, Suriwongse Room

Quiz master Rodney Bain will present you with an evening full of fun, frustration and excitement!

6 Members per team, B100 per person

RUGBY 6 NATIONS

Sunday, 7 April

Lords Restaurant

8.00pm Wales v. Scotland

(delayed transmission)

10.00pm Italy v. England (LIVE)

SCANDINAVIAN FOOD

PROMOTION

25 and 26 April (dinner only)

Lords Restaurant

A smorgasbord of flavours from Finland, Sweden, Denmark and Norway. Buffet style dinner including coffee, tea and a shooter of Aquavit. B600 per person.

TRIP TO DREAM WORLD

Friday, 19 April

Fun for all the family at Dream World. Parents will enjoy the day as much as their children at this attractive theme park.

The coach leaves the British Club at 9.30am and returns at 5.00pm.

B800 - Adults

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ENCHANTMENT ON THE EASTERN ORIENT EXPRESS

15 - 16 June

A beautiful weekend to Hua Hin. Please see page 16 for further details.

"A REMORSEFUL DAY"

A TRIBUTE TO THE ACTOR

JOHN THAW

Wednesday, 10 April

7.00pm, Suriwongse Room

Join us to watch the last-ever episode of Inspector Morse. Especially poignant as the actor recently died in real life.

Fish, chips, mushy peas and movie served up for B250 per person.

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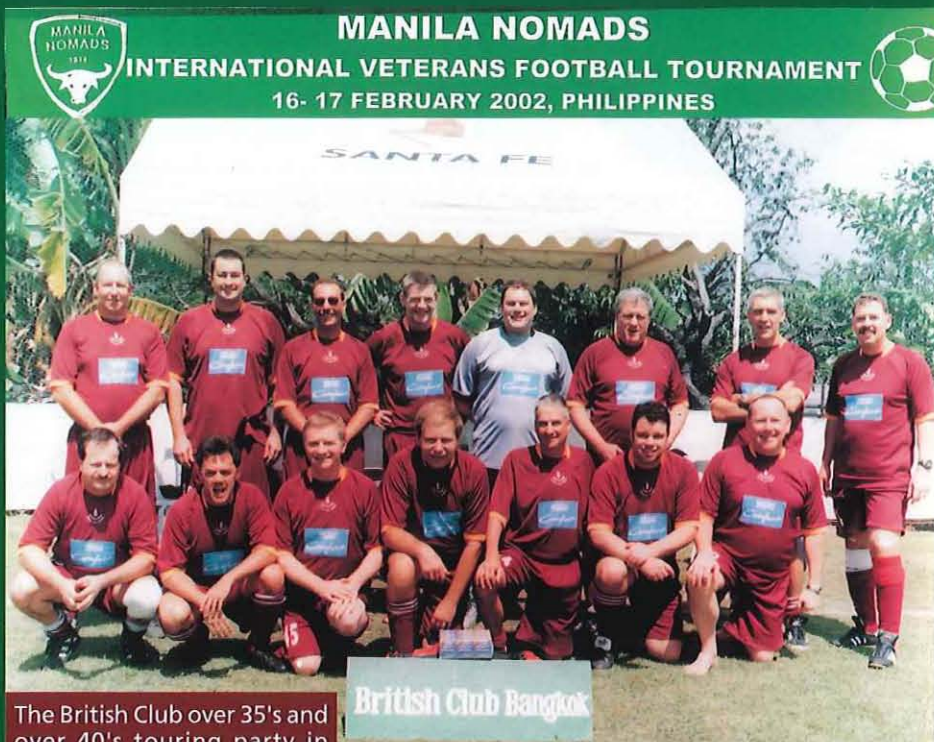


n 15 February the main BC tour party assembled at Bangkok International Airport in a highly-tuned state of readiness for the

Veterans Football Sevens held in Manila. After an initial passport scare for Greg Watkins and Colin Peters, the squad boarded their TG flight for the Philippines in good spirits.

Featuring in the party were Southeast Asian football legends Jimmy Howard and John Sheehan, plus new boys Laurie Wilson, Larry Goodliffe (aka Larry Potter) and Ratchaburi-based Colin Peters.

The tour party was strengthened by the later arrivals of Kevin Moylan, Bruce Darrington and Steve Duckworth (Steve and Bruce were talking to each other for a change). This was to be Steve's last tour as a Bangkok resident. Local support was provided by Geoff Evans and his wife Beverley who always do such a great job for the BC in Manila.



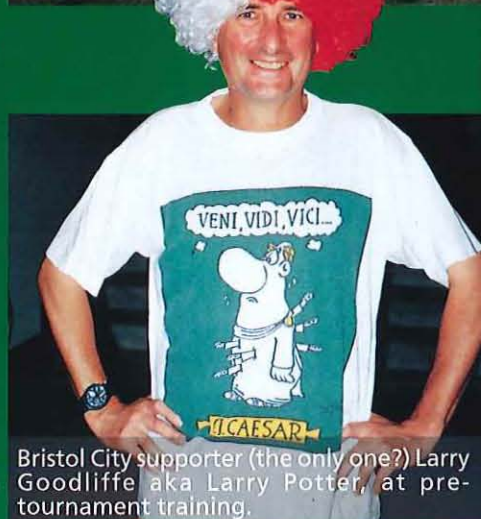
The British Club over 35's and over 40's touring party in their new strip, courtesy of SSL Healthcare Ltd.



Friday evening saw the tour party at the opening ceremony hosted by Nomads at the Mandarin Oriental poolside. This was a chance to catch up with footballing mates from around the region who are regulars at the Nomads tournament. The free beer at this event went down too well.

After the headache pills and build-me-up breakfasts on Saturday morning we were off to the Nomads' ground in our reserved mini-buses provided as usual by Patricia. Our strategy was to go all out to win the over-40s and leave the over-35s to do their best with the balance of the tour party.

'The Gunner', John Sheehan, Albie Robert (tournament organiser) and "Brown Owl" Lazenby at the pre-tournament reception.



Bristol City supporter (the only one?) Larry Goodliffe aka Larry Potter, at pre-tournament training.



FOOTBALL CONTINUED



This strategy worked well with our over-40s scoring a win and 2 draws - our goalkeeper Keith Brooks being in sparkling form - to qualify for the semi-finals on Sunday. Sadly the over-35s suffered 3 close defeats which left them with a Sunday game for places against the German All Stars from Bangkok.

At the Nomads' ground we were kindly provided with a special tented area, plus drinks by Global Silverhawk/Santa Fe. Our thanks go to Danny Poole for facilitating this sponsorship which makes BC the envy of all other teams.

Saturday evening consisted of "San Miguel" training and an early bath after many hours in the heat of Manila during the day. There were a few red faces for the guys who did not use sunblock.

A quietly confident BC left the hotel on Sunday morning to continue their campaign but total success was not to be. Our over-40s were narrowly beaten in their semi-final and after a penalty shoot-out with the other semi-final losers, we claimed third place.

The over-35s struggled to field a fit squad with the undersigned even having to play on one leg, and were soundly beaten by the German All Stars. Pride was restored when we beat the Taipei Red Lions in a penalty shoot-out to avoid the wooden spoon, with Jimmy, Steve and Martin the penalty takers. Bruce won it for us with a reflex save.

With the feeling that "we could have won this" ringing around the mini-buses we returned to Makati City for our tournament dinner held at a Persian restaurant. Copious quantities of beer were consumed plus the imposition of liquid fines on new tourists and other deviants in our party.

For reference the over-40s competition was won by Bondi Beach from Australia who looked like a team of semi-professionals. Sadly, one of their team was badly injured in the final and had to be taken to hospital.

A mention for Bruce "shoplifter" Darrington who managed to set off all the theft alarms in a major Manila store. It could only happen to him! A word also for Charlie "The Doc" Gawthorne who kept us amused with his mobile blood pressure machine and gave us those words of comfort "you are still alive - just". Next time, Charlie, bring a compass on tour.

Our sincere thanks go out to our kind supporters *Global Silverhawk/Santa Fe*, *The London Brew Pub*, *The Warbler*, and the *British Club*. Finally the tour could not happen without the dedicated organisation of *Andy Lazenby* - Andy you did the BC proud again.

We'll be back in Manila in November. If anyone is interested in joining the tour party, please let us know.



Martin Conisbee



BC TOUR PARTY

Jimmy Howard

John Sheehan

Mick Murphy

Laurie Wilson

Steve Duckworth

Charlie Gawthorne

Larry Goodliffe

Greg Solomon

Greg Watkins

Bruce Darrington

Kevin Moylan

Andy Lazenby

Keith Brooks

Colin Peters

Martin Conisbee

Danny Poole

Geoff Evans

BC MEMBERS MOVEMENTS

Please join us in welcoming the following new Members, we look forward to seeing them around the Club in the near future:

Justin Howard
Tracey Gibson
Peter Gutierrez

John Grove
Shaun Burke
Darren Beasley

Kevin Mok
Asvin Smarnond
Patrick Quidel

Devang Sanghavi
Vaishali Shah
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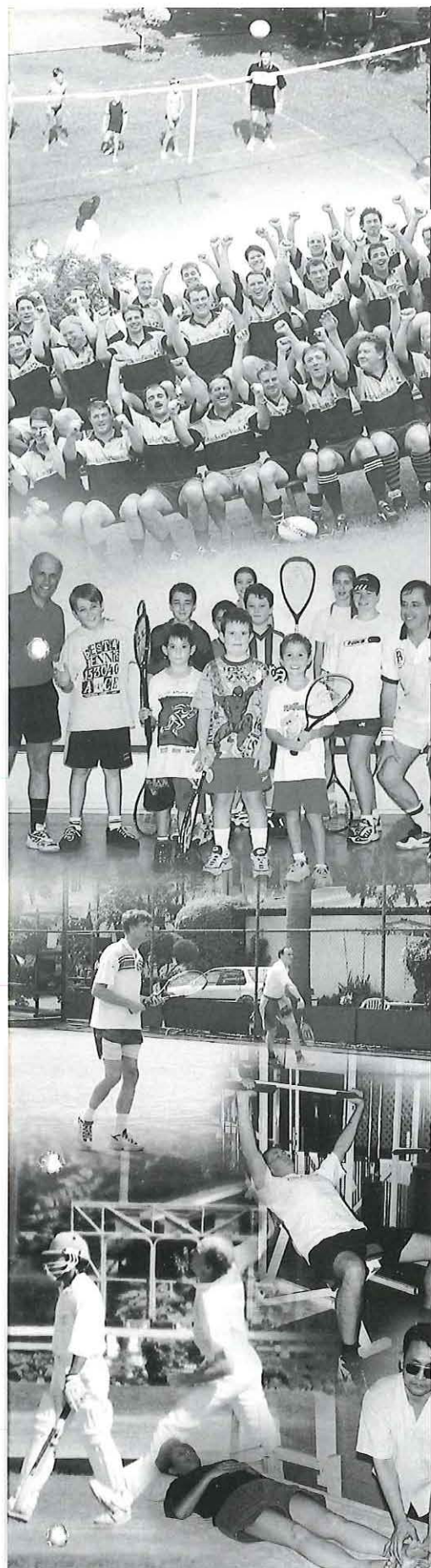
John Perrins
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CALENDAR

British Club Sports and Entertainment Calendar - April 2002



7 am - 1 pm
11 am - 1 pm
2 pm - 4 pm
3 - 6 pm
4.30 pm
2 - 8 pm
10 - 11pm

Tennis Team Practice
Badminton - Soi Nares
Children's Activities
Tennis Mix-in
Yoga
Happy Hour
Happy Hour II

Sunday

8.00 am
5 - 8 pm
7 - 9 pm
10 - 11pm

BWG Mahjong
Happy Hour
Tennis Team Practice
Happy Hour II

Monday

7.00 am
8 - 10 am
10.30 am
11.30 am
2 - 7pm
5 - 8 pm
7 - 9 pm
8 - 11 pm
9 pm
10 - 11pm

Ladies Golf
Ladies Tennis
Aqua Aerobics
Yoga
BC Swimming Instruction
Happy Hour
Football Training
Friendly Bridge
Gentlemen's Spoof
Happy Hour II

Tuesday

9.30 am
5 - 8 pm
6 - 9 pm
6.30 pm
7.00 pm
8.30 pm
10 - 11pm

Aerobics
Happy Hour
Tennis Mix-in
Cricket Nets
Darts
Accumulator
Happy Hour II

Wednesday

8 - 10 am
10.30 am
5 - 8 pm
6 - 9 pm
7 - 9 pm
9 - 10 pm
10 - 11pm

Ladies Tennis
Aqua Aerobics
Happy Hour
Squash Mix-in
Rugby Training
Hockey Training
Happy Hour II

Thursday

9.00 am
3.30 - 6 pm

ANZWG Mahjong
BC Tennis Coaching for Children
Tennis Mix-in
Swimming - Junior
Squad Training
Happy Hour
Adult Tennis
Poolside BBQ
Happy Hour II

Friday

9 am - 12 noon
9 am - 1.30 pm
2 - 8 pm
10 - 11pm

Squash Coaching
BC Swimming Instruction
Happy Hour
Happy Hour II

Saturday

MAKE A NOTE!

Wine Tasting	5 April
Inspector Morse Night	10 April
Bar Quiz	26 April
Dream World Trip	19 April
Scandinavian Food Promotion	25, 26 April
6 Nations Rugby	7 April
Sports Camp	9 - 12 April

See pages 8 & 20 for full details

Sports - Contacts

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Badminton	Anant Leighrahathorn	0 2654 0002-29
Bridge	Winlock Hsu/ Charlene Wang	0 2921 6015
Cricket	Andre Tissera	0 2238 2718-21
Darts	Fitness Centre	0 2234 0247
Football	Martin Conisbee	01 829 7185
Golf	Karen Carter	0 2285 6169
Spoofers	Steve Eaton	0 2237 9262
Rugby	Jon Prichard	0 2662 6376
Scuba Diving	Peter Gary	0 2634 7799
Snooker	Khun Kittisak	01 633 9490
Squash	Peter Corney	01 829 2253
Tennis	Anton Bontje	0 2211 9550

Loyal Societies

St George's	Angela Stafford	0 2632 0560 x 3037
St Andrew's	Jim Napier	0 2617 9620
St Patrick's	Ian Kane	0 2678 1813 x 1738
St David's	Gareth Hughes	01 859 6140

Venues

Badminton	Soi Nares, behind Bangrak Police Station
Aerobics	Squash Court 3
Casuals Football	Colgate Ground, Rama III
Massage	Near the Silom Sala

Opening Times

10 am - 11 pm	Churchill Bar
11.30 am - 2 pm	Lords Restaurant (Lunch)
6 pm - 10 pm	Lords Restaurant (Dinner)
7.30 am - 10 pm	Poolside Bar
6 am - 9 pm	Fitness Centre
9 am - 6 pm	Thai Massage (Tues-Sun)

GOLF

An 'Eventful' Month

AGM

Tuesday 26 February was the date fixed for the Golf Society's Annual General Meeting; as this was a public holiday (Macha Bucha Day) a 'friendly' match was organized at Muang Kaew before the meeting at the British Club. Both were well attended, almost embarrassingly so at Muang Kaew as there were a number of 'late entries' and we hadn't booked enough tees. Fortunately, despite being a holiday, the course was very quiet and we not only managed to fit everyone in but we all got around in record time, which left plenty of time for some serious partying at the golf course and an early start at the AGM proper.

REPORT

The proceedings kicked off at 7.30pm with the Annual Report by our Captain, Karen Carter. Karen gave a brief outline of the current state of the Society, which is positive. Membership is rising and last year we fielded an average of 32 players per game. Encouragingly although the 'old guard' still predominate we seem to be attracting younger golfers, some so young that the committee is considering starting a 'junior' section. As a function of the growing strength of the club, we were asked to field a second team in the 'Price Waterhouse Coopers' League and Larry Goodliffe's 'Lords' joined David Lamb's 'Churchills' in this monthly competition. The 'Lords' managed a creditable 11th place in their first year but the 'Churchills' fared better being placed 5th in the league. The results of our matches against other societies in 2001 were also respectable and hopefully, with our rising numbers, we should do even better this year. Karen also took the opportunity to express our appreciation of our sponsors; every year they support the society with prizes, cash and trophies and many events would be far less enjoyable - some impossible - without their aid. So our sincere thanks go to *Asiapac, CGU, Emirates, Trafalgar Brokers, Castrol, Deemed, MERC, GAB Robins and Dunlop*. She concluded her address by thanking the committee for their efforts and the club members themselves for their support throughout the year.

The society Treasurer, Guy Snow, then gave a report on the society's finances - which are sound - although last year



The ladies seem to be enjoying themselves



Paul Jensen - winner of the Sam Boyd Trophy



'Golfer of the Year 2001'



Club Champions for 2002

did see a technical fall in our reserves due to the payment of entry fees to a charity match which will not be re-imbursed until the current financial year.

THE MEETING ENDED WITH THE PRESENTATION OF THE ANNUAL GOLFING AWARDS:

Captain George Cup - Lowest Average Net Score:

Brian Dodd

Amazon Trophy - Most 'Ladies Long Drives':

Joom White

Humphries Trophy - Most 'Mens Long Drives':

Bernie Adams

Bangkok Post Trophy - Most 'Near Pins':

Karen Carter and Bernie Adams

The Norman Bond Trophy (the most improved player) has already been awarded to Phil Evans who tragically died in a car accident last autumn.

YOUR NEW COMMITTEE WAS DULY ELECTED AND IS AS FOLLOWS:

- Captain Phil Hall
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- Membership, Trophies and Sponsorship Dick Taylor
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- Golfer of the Year and Prizes Gareth Sampson
- In support Roger Fitzgerald, Bernie Adams
- Churchill's Captain David Lamb • Lord's Captain Larry Goodliffe

GOLF CONTINUED

THE MARCH MEDAL

March's medal at Royal Lad Krabang saw some pretty unusual scores - I wasn't able to attend but apparently the greens were mown, rolled and baked hard until it was like putting on glass, so Bernie deserves even greater credit for his round of 83 (net 67) which gave him the 'A' Flt medal (one stroke ahead of Pat Dean). The players in Flt 'B' had a tougher time of it, Barry Ashman and Liz McKay tying on 102 (net 79) with Barry winning on countback, however I'm not sure he'll class this as one of his more memorable rounds.

When I welcomed Kevin and Vicky Jones to the BCGS last month I commented that it would only be a matter of time until we saw their names on the winners list. I didn't expect to be proved right quite so soon and anticipated that Kevin would be there first as Vicky is relatively new at the game. But this is golf! I'm happy to admit my error and report that Vicky was the outright winner of 'C' Flt.

Flt 'A'	Bernie Adams	Gross	83	Net	67
Flt 'B'	Barry Ashman	Gross	102	Net	79
	(Liz McKay lost on countback)				
Flt 'C'	Vicky Jones	Gross	110	Net	80

HOT, DRY AND DUSTY -

THE 2002 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

March also saw Phil Hall, our new Captain, taking full command of his first 'event' - and this was no mere club day - Phil was faced with running the 2002 Club Championship at Grand Garden, Kantchanburi. No Papal succession was ever watched this closely and apparently the Borgias themselves were taking an active interest (as Liz McKay, who was unable to attend Day Two due to food-poisoning, will attest). I'm delighted to report that Phil came through with flying colours and the week-end was remarkably trouble free.

This year we fielded a very respectable 42 players, so many that we had to split into two groups and stay at different hotels although most of us managed to meet up for the traditional dinner at a restaurant on the River Kwai.

The golf was, different. They say it's a 'game of two halves' and that was certainly true of Grand Garden, an analysis of the scores shows a four stroke difference between the front nine and back - which was a very tough proposition. And speaking as one of the unfortunates who had to tee off the 10th on both days - I feel our new Captain owes me a beer.

Off the fairways the course was dry and dusty and some of the 'water hazards' weren't; just to make life even more difficult it was very hot and



A good turnout for the Club Championship

only a few of the drinks huts seemed to be open. But the course itself was in good shape, it was the layout - especially on the back nine - that challenged us all. As might be expected the low handicappers coped better with the conditions although it says a lot that no-one managed to play below their handicaps on both days.

Day One saw James Young and Chris Crowley tying for the lead in the 'Net' competition with 70, although James was on his own in the race for the 'Gross' trophy - his 78 being 4 shots clear of Bryan Dodd in second place. In the Ladies section Karen Holloway was more comfortably positioned with a net 70, three shots clear of Joom White. Although in the 'Gross' competition the situation was reversed with Joom (88) leading Karen (90) by two strokes.

Day Two. After such a gruelling first day there was a very respectable turnout on the Sunday although the heat had taken its toll (as had the 'seafood'). Conditions were slightly better and we all took the precaution of carrying extra water, however the course was a difficult as ever and slowly but surely the better golfers began to make their presence felt. Chris Crowley, who had been the surprise (net) joint-leader on Day One, began to flag but James continued to play steadily. Paul Jensen, who had been placed fourth at the half-way point now made his move and equalled Tom McKay in shooting the best round

of the week-end, a net 67 - which effectively closed out the opposition for the Net Trophy. In the Ladies section Joom White had something of a blow-up only managing a net 78, but Karen Holloway suffered one too (net 79) so their relative positions remained unchanged. Of the other ladies Bridget Snow pulled a very good round out of the hat, net 72, as did Vicky Jones with a net 73 and Diane Bulow with a net 74, but they were unable to make up for unhappy first rounds and as a result Joom and Karen were able to

divide the spoils between them.

The Final results came in as follows:

McMahon Trophy	Mens Lowest	Gross	James Young	(159)
Sam Boyd Trophy	Mens Lowest	Net	Paul Jensen	(139)
Castrol Cup	Ladies Lowest	Gross	Joom White	(181)
Ital-Thai Trophy	Ladies Lowest	Net	Karen Holloway	(149)

MEA CULPA

Sorry everyone - gremlins in the works last month (or incipient senility!). The ranking for the 'Flights' should have read:

'A' Flt	0	-	18
'B' Flt	19	-	28
'C' Flt	29	-	36 (for the men, 40 for ladies).

My apologies for any confusion that ensued.

Dick Taylor

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Oxford and Cambridge Club



CLUB HISTORY SINCE 1821

The Club was formed in March 1972 by the amalgamation of the United University Club and the Oxford and Cambridge University Club being called the 'United Oxford and Cambridge University Club'. For the first year of its life the Club was housed at 1 Suffolk Street, and thereafter at 71 and 77 Pall Mall. At the time of its creation the Club had 2,897 members and 563 lady associates.

FACILITIES

Dining and Refreshments

The principal dining room - the Coffee Room - is situated on the first floor. Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner are served in this magnificent spacious room which runs the full depth of the Club house.

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The food draws on both traditional English and French cuisine. Particular pride is taken in both the quality and range of choice and the menu is varied daily.

The Morning Room (Bar) on the first floor is dominated by a portrait of the Duke of Wellington, a founder Member. This room provides Members with newspapers, reference books, and in winter a real fire. Refreshments are available in the Morning Room (Bar) at lunch time and late into the evening.

LIBRARY/GAMES

Some 20,000 books are held in several superb library rooms and books may be borrowed through the Librarian. As a corporate member of the London Library, the Club is able to borrow books on Member's behalf.

Cards can be played most nights at the tables in the Smoking Room and there are several matches held throughout the year.

Chess evenings are held and the Club features prominently in the London inter-club competition.

Golf competitions are held from time to time.

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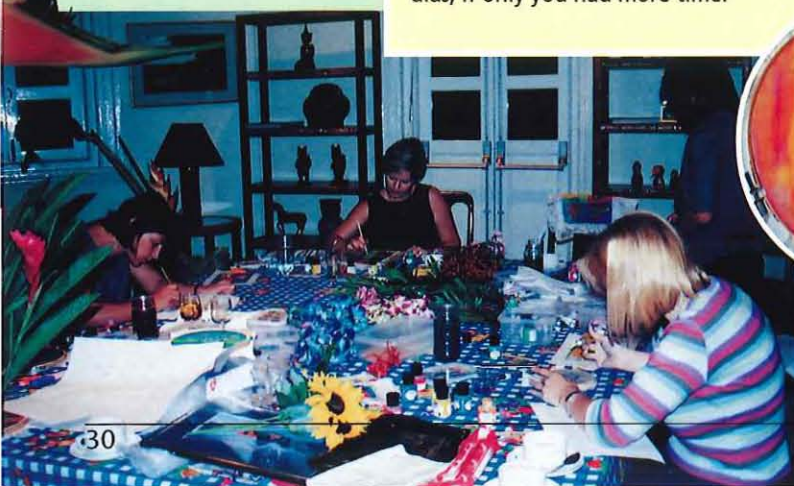
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