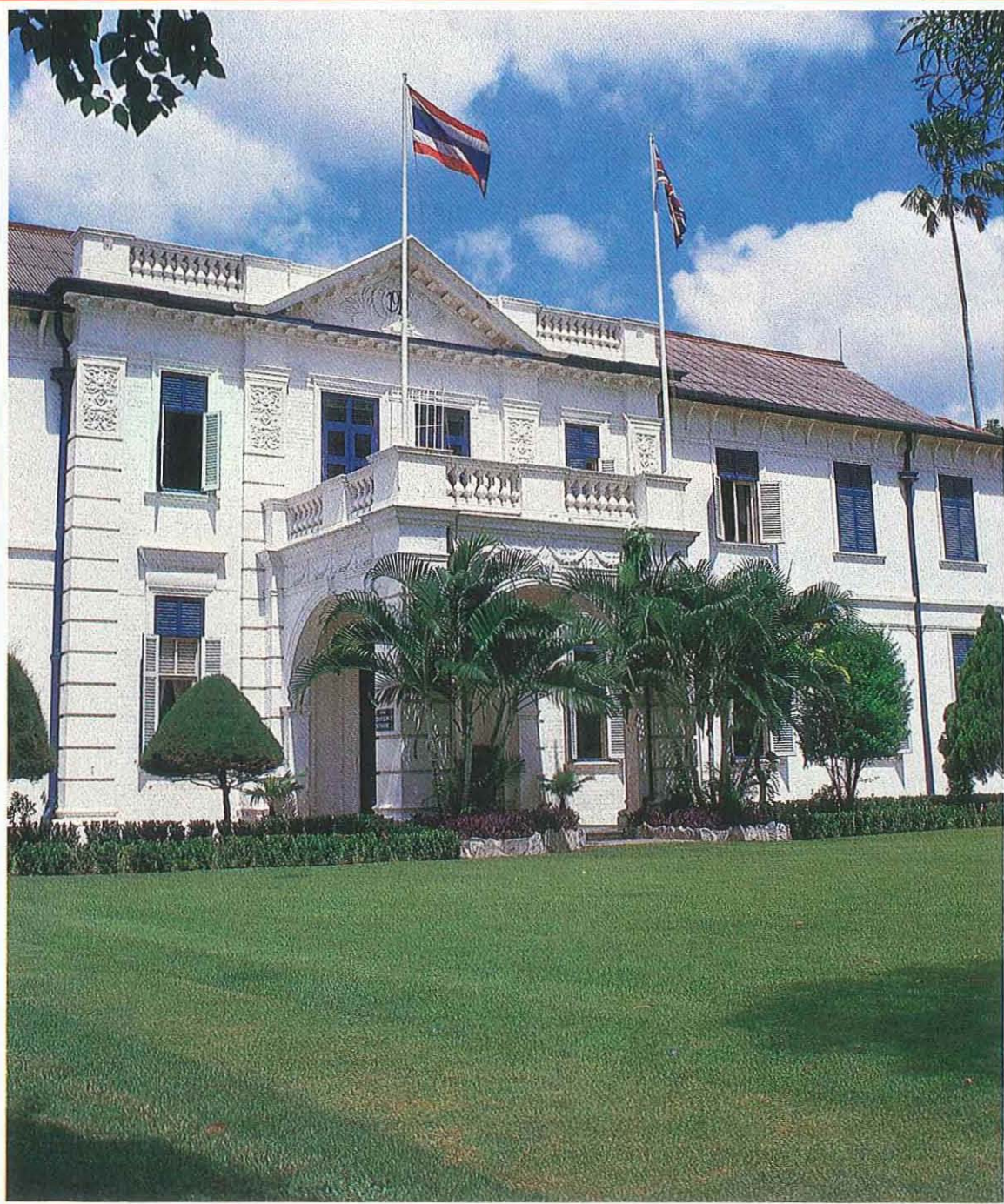


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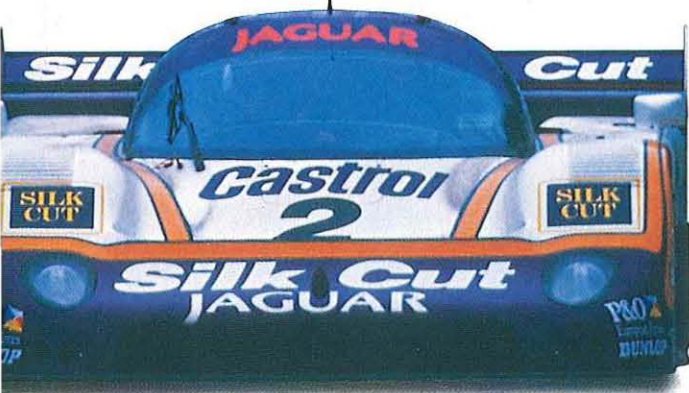




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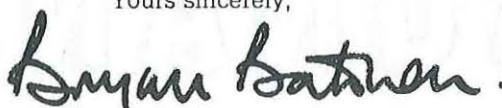
First of all I would like to pay tribute to the outgoing committee and especially its Chairman Brian Heath who has decided to take a rest after eight years as a member of the General Committee. During his period of leadership the Club facilities have improved immensely, and I am pleased to learn that Brian's down-to-earth Derbyshire pragmatism will still be available whenever we need advice or guidance.

The new General Committee which you elected on 2nd April includes six of us who are serving the Club in this capacity for the first time. The newcomers are keen, but luckily we have the experience of Jack Dunford (Deputy Chairman), Paul Myers (Treasurer), Phil Evans and Dugal Forrest to provide the continuity which is important in a flourishing Club.

The new team will do its best to seek opinions, to keep the membership informed and to support Keith Bell and his staff in their efforts to maintain and even improve standards.

We are lucky to have such a great Club and, for my part, I will try to keep it so.

Yours sincerely,



Bryan J. Baldwin  
Chairman

## **"LEAVE HOUSE OR APARTMENT REQUIRED MAY 15TH TO JUNE 15TH, 1991"**

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# **F**ROM THE CLUB MANAGER

AT the AGM held on the 2nd of April the following members were elected to the General Committee for 1991/92:-

Bryan Baldwin	-	Chairman
Jack Dunford	-	Vice-Chairman
Paul Myers	-	Hon. Treasurer
Terry Dockerty	-	Membership
Mike O'Connor	-	Membership
Tony Austin	-	Sport
Joe Grunwell	-	Sport
Frank Crocker	-	Entertainment
Dugal Forrest	-	Club Development
Phil Evans	-	Club Development

The following rule changes were also passed by a simple majority vote at the AGM and will take effect 1st of May 1991:-

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2) A mandatory thirteenth month subscription payable in December of each year for the Club annual staff bonus.

3) A 5% service charge on all food and beverages to be distributed evenly to all staff on a monthly basis.



## **BEREAVEMENT**

Sadly, Mr. Richard Barnard tragically passed away Monday 22nd April 1991.



# Meet the New Members



**William and Sharon Carruthers** are friends of Jane and Peter Rodgers, which probably accounts for the following. Willie is a hang gliding instructor from the Isle of Mull, the home of all world famous HGLs. Sharon is a fish filleter from Felixstowe who likes sitting around pools mid-afternoon eating and drinking. She plays football.



**Stephen and Graciela Haube** hail from Argentina and the US. Stephen is a petroleum engineer with Unocal. He's into tennis, tae-kwondo (didn't ask which belt) and computers. Graciela also plays tennis, collects stamps (excluding John on the right) and has held an exhibition of her paper collages at the Neilson Hays. They have two children.

**Erika and Eon Black**, are from South Africa and the UK respectively but they've been on the road in Ghana, Malaysia, the Persian Gulf and spent 11 years in NZ. Eon works for Aquastar, the largest animal feed stuff company in the world, plays golf and loves cooking curry. Erika used to teach English to Vietnamese refugees, likes reading and music and wants to take up golf.



**Micky Wheeler** has joined the ever growing crew building the Tridhos Marina. His specialties are finishing touches, rugby and artistry in burnt clay (bricks to you and me). These are probably all connected but I admit to confusion at this stage (and it wasn't the gin). He's single, plays squash and golf, is a nifty dancer and lived in Egypt for five years.







**Nigel Smith** (left) has spent the last three years in Jamaica. He's working with Sun Alliance, is single, plays golf +++ and likes propping up bars. Other hobbies were deemed to be too boring to mention as well as being unprintable.

**Worcester Angell III**, known as Randy is from Edinburgh and works for Compunet, he specializes in telecommunications satellites, music, motor cycles (3) and cars (several). He's sort of single, but very friendly; likes squash, pumping iron and other things.



**Bamrak and Fran Kanchanawat** get a kick out of eating, drinking, reading and people. Fran's an SRN from Yorkshire and a mother of three boys (7,5 & 2). Bamrak's with the Standard Chartered Bank. They've spent the last 22 years in England and have decided to give Bamrak's homeland a chance for a change.

**Antonio Wong** is with Serge Pun and Associates ie. real estate. He comes from a family of Cleopatra fans (thank goodness he was a boy), enjoys squash and wants to learn the art of hitting little balls with long sticks.



**Kathleen and Robert Kinney** plus son Billy (3 and a bit) are from Iowa. This is their first experience of expatriotism. Robert's with Square D, making electrical equipment and he aims to spend his spare time on the tennis courts, hitting balls if at all possible. Kathleen's a teacher who plays golf and young Billy likes swimming.



**Ole (Ula) and Marjan Neilson** are also living in foreign parts for the first time; Marjan's not sure how she feels about it yet. They've come from Denmark with their two small children. Ole is with Electrolux and likes tennis and squash. Marjan is looking forward to getting back to aerobics, tennis and swimming. (Phil Evans, right).





**Peter Martin** is an Australian working for Ciba-Geigy. His financial adviser Kum Ho is from Malaysia; they have two children. Peter's a great believer in passive sports – involving only eyeball movement – but can be persuaded to swim (slowly), squash (vaguely), bush walk (lazily) and talk politics (often). Kum Ho is an ex-nurse into investing and music.



**Simon Davies** is a shy refugee from the Gulf where he was fighting to protect western interests; he's now with Jardines. Susan and the two boys are arriving shortly. Simon's a scuba fan who also plays cricket and football but the family pre-occupation is definitely running.



**Jane Howe and Bob Owen** are from England. Bob was in the RAF for 16 years and now works for a computer company on the business development side. Jane used to be an accountant for the now deceased Air Europe but currently spends her time on photography and writing. Her first novel on sex, business and money is on its way.

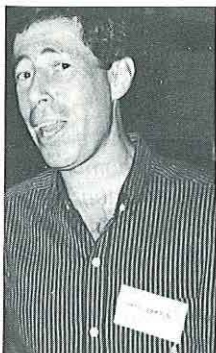


**Ian and Maureen Harbeck** and their three kids are experiencing living outside Australia for the first time. Ian is an engineer with Kumagai Gumi and likes all sports but especially tennis, travel and listening. Maureen's specialities are yoga, tennis, reading and talking.



**Carla and Jonathan Bygrave** are newlyweds, here after working in Singapore and Manila. Jonathan's with Jardines and Carla is the Ambo's secretary at the Philippine Embassy. Apart from each other their interests include motor racing and soccer, motor racing and soccer, and Carla, being a graphic artist likes art of course.





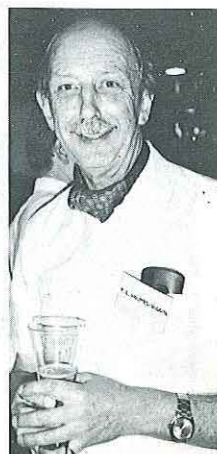
**Sam and Amanda Zappia** have come here after a year in Burma. Sam is with the Australian Embassy on the ODA side dealing with the Mekong River Bridge. He's a squash, tennis and cricket devotee. Sports don't come into Amanda's life if she can help it; she's a people person. They have two children.



**Peter and Jillian McGill** are in the East for the first time. They have two young sons. Peter is the BP project marketing manager. He plays golf and rugby and likes sailing; Jillian is a theatre and tennis girl.

**Sarah Knaggs** is a sun-girl and night bird. She likes sun-bathing, swimming, beaches and having fun. After doing an economics degree in the UK she's come back to Thailand to work for stock broker Hoare Govett. (same photo as Neil, i.e. blurred)

**John Holmes-Higgin** reckons that GB Shaw had the last laugh as 'Enry 'Iggins was Irish. John lives in Tokyo, where he was a founder member of the BC Tokyo, but has been a frequent commuter in this direction for five years. He's a UK and US registered civil engineer, has an Irish mother and a Scottish wife. Trains are his speciality.



**Neil Semple** finally decided that a swimming pool was a must after being here for two years. He's from Edinburgh and researches stocks and shares for Cathay Trust. Neil sails, is a half-hearted golfer and aims to restart tennis and squash. (sorry photo too blurred to use)





**Patricia de Riollet and Prida Pulsawatdi** have spent the last ten years in Belgium, Patricia's homeland. Prida is the Director of Sales for the Jasmin Hotel. He's determined to have a bash at cricket and already plays tennis, basketball and football. Patricia aims to get back into tennis which she had neglected because of their two young children.



**Linda Boize** working for ICI.



**Florent and Geraldine Michel** here with Bank Indosuez.



**Sarah and Christopher McNay** are with Lever Thai Ltd.



**Jorgen Lundback** is the director of Mermaid Marine. Keeping company with Roy Mikkelsen (at back).

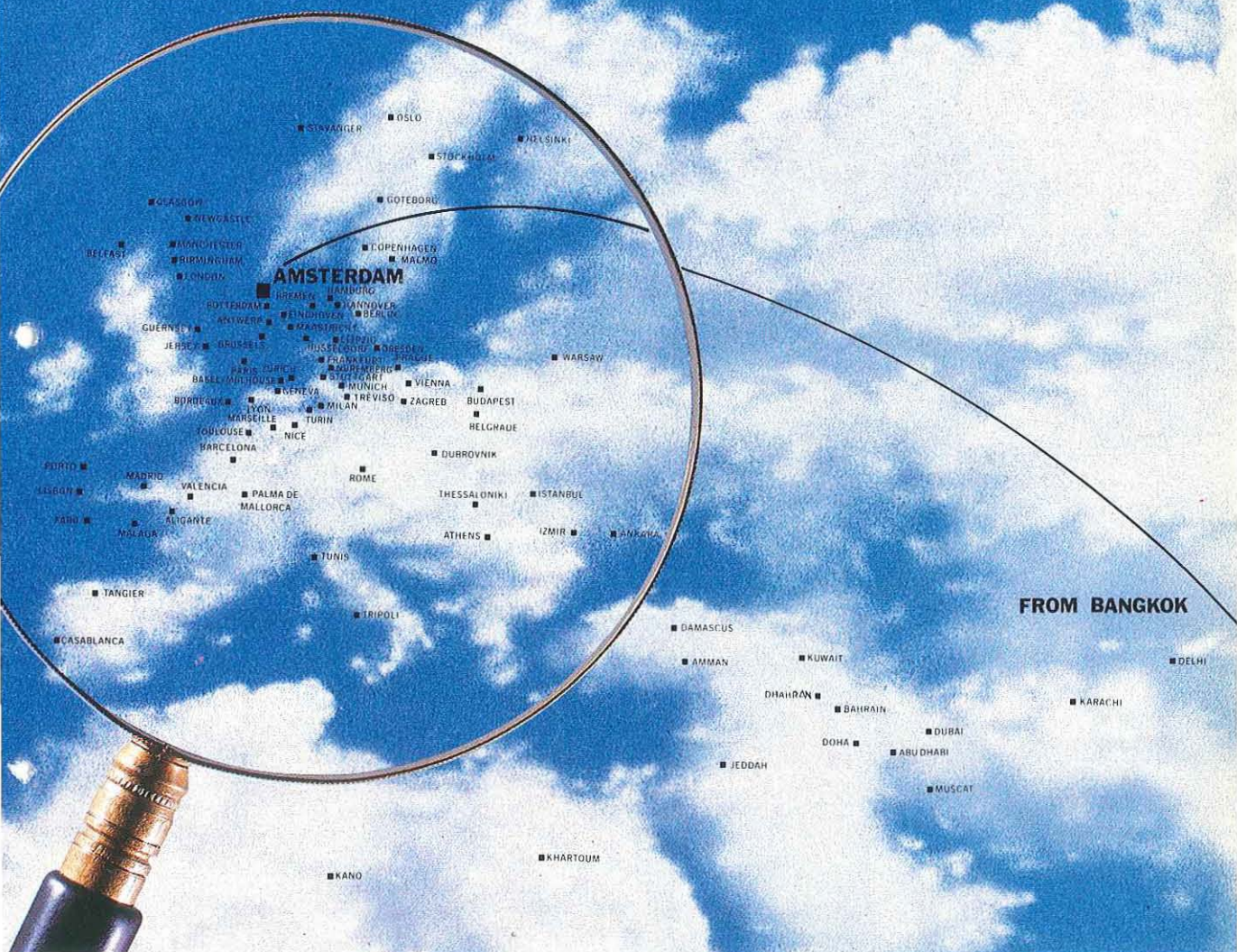
*Having caught 21 potential New Members, I still managed to miss six! Apologies all round. You can always join the crowd next month.*

*Maren*



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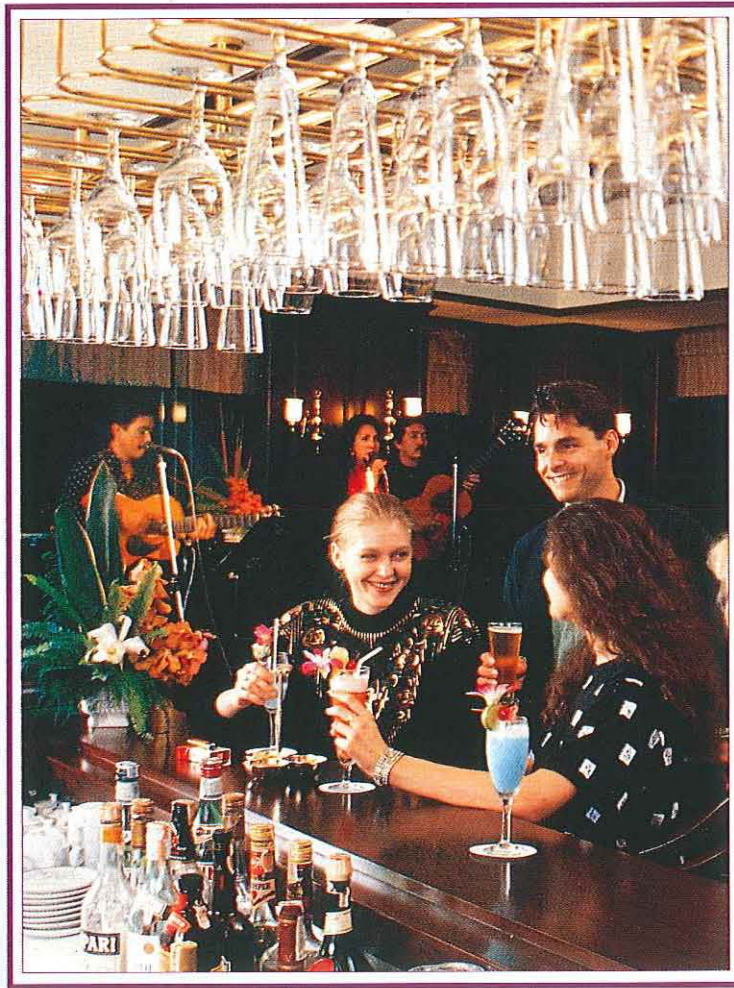




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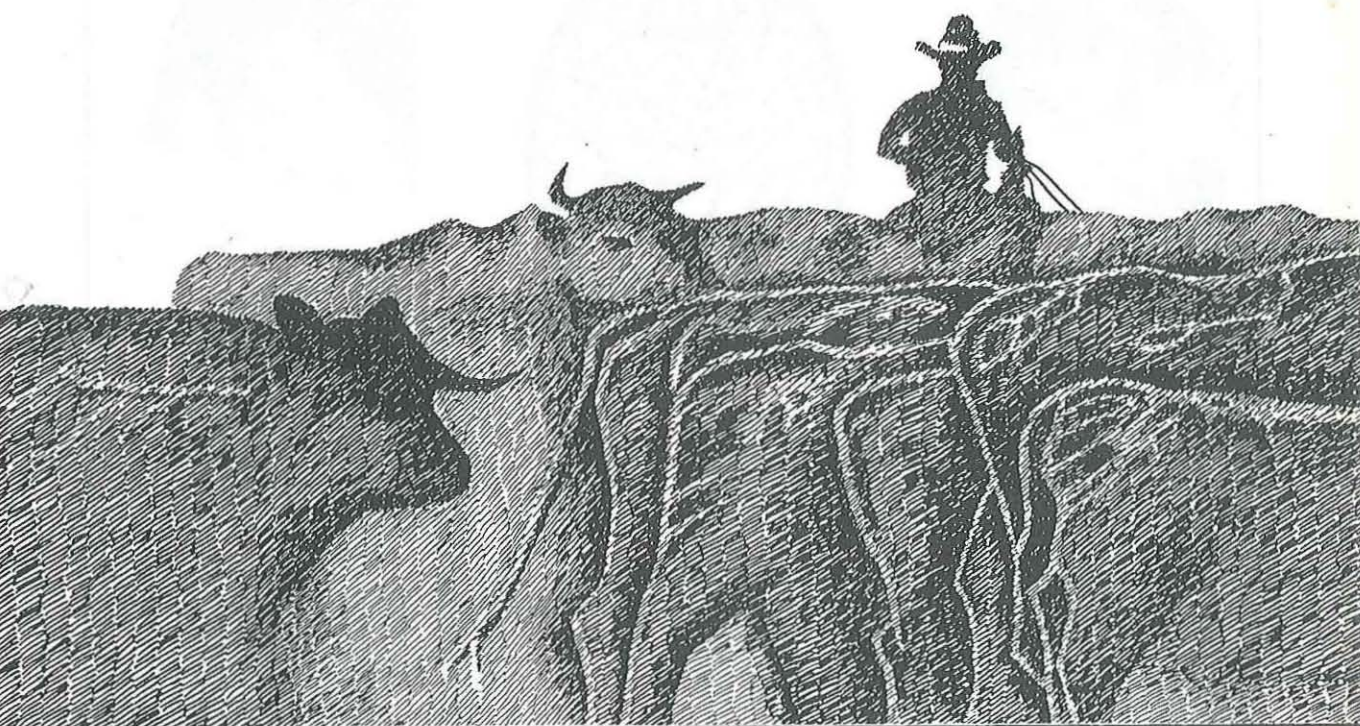
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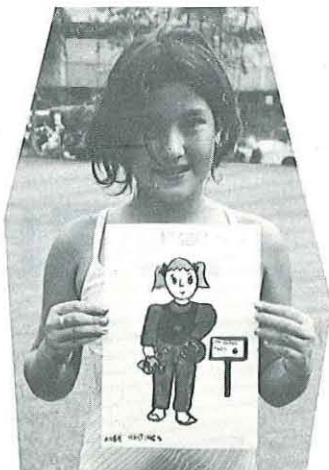
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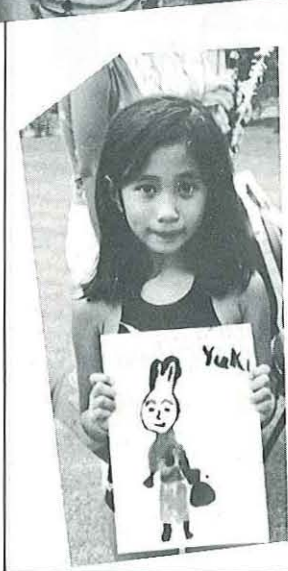
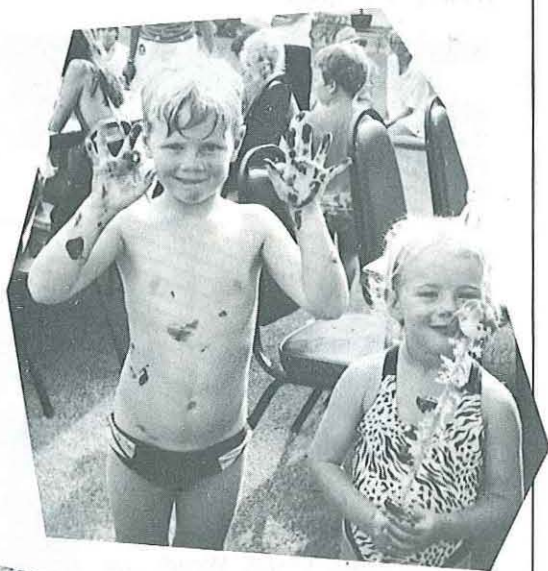
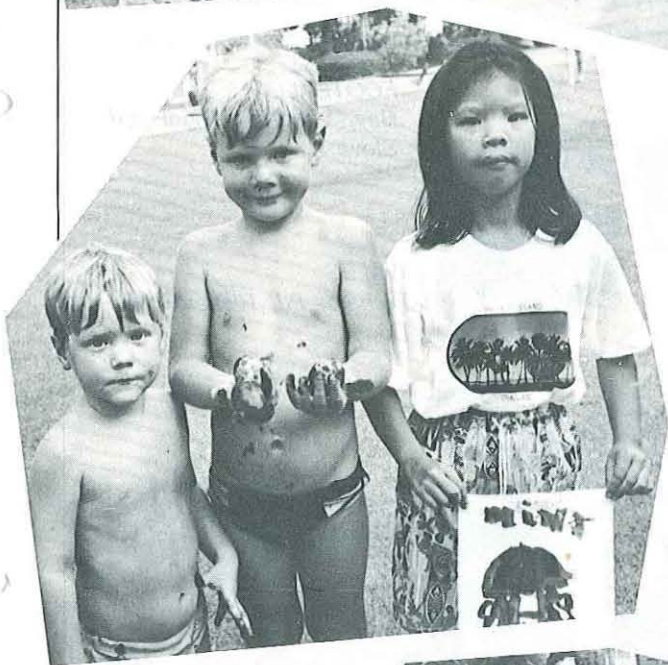
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# CLUB ROUNDUP









# The Bar Quiz Finals



*Questionmaster and Buzzer – Queen,  
Rodney and Kenda.*



**FOOTBALL**  
*Ray, Vaughan, Nigel and  
Steve.*



**WALES**  
*Richard, PJ, Richard and  
Roger.*

**CRICKET**  
*Keith, Leslie, Wendi and  
David.*



**SKI SKOLARS**  
**1991 CHAMPS**  
*Graham, David, David and  
Conrad.*



# The Spoofers Farewell to Annie & Peter



*Vince Swift here for the chips.*



*Jenny Howard communing  
with the potted plants.*

*Chris Taggart .....*



*...with his champagne.*



*Les Spoofeurs.*

# ACGM



*'Me and my son', New Chairman Bryan.*



*'I'm going to get the last drop out of this .....' Old Chairman Brian.*



*'What a relief'.*



*'No, I refuse.'*



*'I love having my picture taken really.'*





*'I really hate birthdays.'*



*'My last bash at the clock.'*



*'Just practicing.'*



*'D'ya like his new tie?'*



*'What's all the fuss about anyway.'*



*'Let's get down to the serious part of the evening.'*

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# LETTERS

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1st April, 1991

Chairman and Committee  
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Dear Mr. Heath,

On behalf of my above Committee, I am writing to inform you that the balance sheet and accounts for the 1990 Ploenchit Fair have been finalised and will be circulated within the next few days. you will see that this year we realised a Bht.600,000 profit over and above last year.

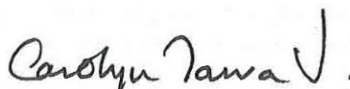
Apart from the obvious tremendous success financially, we think that the general spirit in the Fair, generated by the British community was the best ever and that after somewhat strained relations with some members of the Embassy staff, this Fair has completely healed the breach. This has certainly been achieved with the help and assistance of your Committee through Keith Beli.

We do wish to thank your Committee for its support and specifically Keith, for many months of unstinting voluntary work for the U.K.C.T.C. and helping us to liaise with the club members, which ensured a greater understanding between all sections of the British community here in Thailand and helped Ploenchit achieve its success.

I enclose a copy of the accounts for your records and general display for club members.

With many thanks,

Yours sincerely,



Mrs. Carolyn Tarrant  
Chairman - U.K.C.T.C.

## Cycling for Cambodia

**T**WO adventurous young men are in Bangkok these days. Ben Dodd and Steven Loche, both from the UK are cycling from England to Hong Kong to raise money for charity.

On November the 6th, 1989 they caught a ferry from Hull to Belgium and began the strenuous journey which has taken them so far through Germany, Austria, Hungary, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Turkey. After travelling by sea to Egypt they crossed the Sinai to Jordan, then went to Iraq and Kuwait managing to leave the latter country by a cargo ship to Pakistan three weeks before Saddam Hussein's troops moved in. Pedalling on through Pakistan while Benazir Bhutto's government collapsed they reached India cycling down through the turbulent Punjab province to Delhi.

Here they stayed for a month and raised just over £1,000 for their cause; a technical school in the capital of Cambodia which is funded by the British Charity Oxfam. The school itself provides vital training in vocational skills for students already working in industry and secondary school learners. Since the school opened Oxfam has provided machinery and equipment and also essential technical and training manuals. It is this initiative Ben and Steven are supporting as education will clearly play an important part in Cambodia's reconstruction. Indeed they have already collected £12,000, nearly half of a target of £25,000 they are hoping to reach.

To have a little break from fund raising, and India, they headed north to Nepal cycling up to Katmandu before coming down via India to Bangladesh. Unfortunately for them the Gulf War started and the mood in Bangladesh changed overnight from one of hospitality to open hostility. With help from friends they managed to escape on a cargo ship from Chittagong to Singapore. In the last six weeks the

two cyclists have come up through Malaysia, and are presently braving the traffic in Bangkok.

They are going to stay in Bangkok for a month raising awareness and sponsorship for their cause before entering Cambodia to visit the school, which represents a year and a half of hard pedalling and even harder fund raising. If these two haven't twisted your arm for sponsorship, you can surprise them via:

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Ben - appendix removed in Cairo, giardia in India/Pakistan, amoeba, worms, colds, plus you name it!

Steven - frost-bite (through Europe being in winter) giardia in Pakistan

### PROBLEMS

- Bike (Ben's) stolen in Cha-Am (Thailand)
- Curfew in India
- Gulf war in Bangladesh
- Heat in Iraq and Kuwait 45°-50°

Trip Funded by both Steven & Ben who worked and planned the trip for two years. All monies go to the school in Cambodia.



# Birds Do It, Bees Do It ...

**E**VEN fish do it. To gourmets the world over the roe, or eggs, of the female sturgeon constitute one of the most exotic and stimulating of foods. Bite for bite and egg for egg, caviar can only be described as one of life's most sensual eating experiences. A fact that is hardly surprising when you consider it owes its existence to the amorous exploits of a fish. And since this rare fish can take anything from ten to twenty years to come to full sexual maturity, it's also one of the most expensive.

Beluga caviar is the most expensive of all, and the most prized by cognoscenti. The biggest of the sturgeon family (growing up to nine metres and about 1,400 kilos in weight), the Beluga produces the largest and firmest eggs. Oscetra is second in size, rarity and price. Sevruka is the smallest of the species, and takes a mere ten years to produce its harvest of berries, as the eggs are known. Naturally, a true caviar connoisseur could tell them apart with a glance and a roll of the tongue. Renowned gourmet Aristotle Onassis for instance, preferred Beluga; while James Bond, or rather his creator, Ian Fleming, ate only Oscetra. Fleming, with his flair for detail, was aware that many Europeans prefer Oscetra.

The world's finest specimens of sturgeon (and therefore the world's finest caviar) are to be found in the depths of the Caspian Sea, which washes the shores of both Russia and Iran. On reaching maturity, this majestic fish swims to inshore waters, especially those fed by the mighty Volga river, where the temperatures are more conducive to mating. This act of nature results in what can only be described as a food worthy of the gods. Once netted the female sturgeon has to be handled with extreme care, as any shock triggers the release of a chemical which destroys the taste of her precious eggs. The roe are then carefully removed by skilled operators for selection and packing.

The earliest references to caviar were made by Pope Julius II in 1300 AD whose knights of The Holy Army returned with the spoils of war, and jars of caviar. In all probability though, the ancient Persians were the first to discover the

secrets of the sturgeon and no less a person than Alexander the Great regularly partook of this ambrosian delight. Ironically, it was the Russian revolution of 1917 that gave this luxury food to the world. Exiled in Paris, the former aristocracy maintained their taste for caviar. Enterprising merchants soon began to supply the demand, and within a short space of time caviar was to appear on the high tables of France. And indeed, "Petrossian's", the world's most famous purveyors of caviar, is still to be found at 18, Boulevard de Latour, Paris, from where they have been supplying the wealthy and titled for over 70 years.

Today, caviar enjoys a reputation around the world that perhaps only champagne and truffles can match. Which is probably why the luxurious passenger liner Queen Elizabeth II carries the world's largest stock of caviar (a whopping two tons) to satisfy the palates of its discriminating passengers.

Caviar has enjoyed an aura of mystery for centuries. The ancient Persians called it chavjar, which means "cake of strength". Both the Persians and the Russians have endowed the Caspian pearl with the power to heal and rejuvenate ailing bodies. It has been prescribed for centuries as a remedy for problems as diverse as hangovers, excess weight and loss of memory. But the claim for caviar that excites most interest is its reputation as an aphrodisiac beyond all others. This may be because caviar has been found to be rich in Vitamin E, large doses of which, it is said, can have a positive effect on male virility. Whether or not this claim stands up to scrutiny is a matter for personal experiment. But it should be noted that Pablo Picasso ate caviar every morning for breakfast, and he was painting and loving well into his nineties.

As mentioned earlier, the giant Beluga sturgeon produces what is considered to be the finest caviar. Its large firm eggs range from light pearl-grey to black, and both types are generally of a similar high quality. The roe of the Oscetra sturgeon may be grey, or, very rarely, golden and it is preferred by many Europeans for its delicate, nutty flavour. Sevruka, the smallest of



the sturgeon, yields the smallest grained caviar. These tiny pearls are black and strong in flavour. Speaking of flavour, superb caviar should never taste fishy or salty, but should retain its unique character which bursts on the tongue with every mouthful.

While the above caviars are clearly in a class of their own, other more affordable varieties are available. For instance, white roe from the white fish or lump fish is dyed to resemble caviar, while pressed caviar is made from the damaged eggs of various sturgeons. Salmon, sea trout and cod all produce roe which, while never matching the best of caviars, offer an interesting and tasty alternative. Finally, modern technology has even produced caviar paste which although an anathema to the connoisseur is convenient and easy to use.

The purist will insist that the only way to eat caviar is by itself, on toast with, at the most, a drop of lemon. Garnishes, they insist, must be dismissed as gimmicks used by those passing off second rate caviar as the best. However, like everything else it's a matter of personal taste, and some prefer to serve their caviar with the traditional "blinis", yeast pancakes made with buckwheat flour. These are served hot and sometimes layered with sour cream.

Alternatively, if you're prepared to let tradition take a back seat, caviar served on a hard boiled egg makes for a delicious treat. Once a tin or jar of caviar is opened, it should be eaten at once (a good thing, since it's almost impossible to resist). It should be served on ice, well chilled but never frozen. The caviar berries should be treated like the gems they are and great care should be taken not to break a single egg. After inserting one side of the spoon gently pull it towards you and lift out with care. When serving, only use stainless steel utensils as other materials can affect its delicate flavour. For the perfect liquid accompaniment to caviar, we must once again turn to Russia. A sip of crisp, iced vodka from a chilled glass, is the perfect way to follow a spoonful of the delicacy. Champagne is the only other possible drink.

## BLINIS

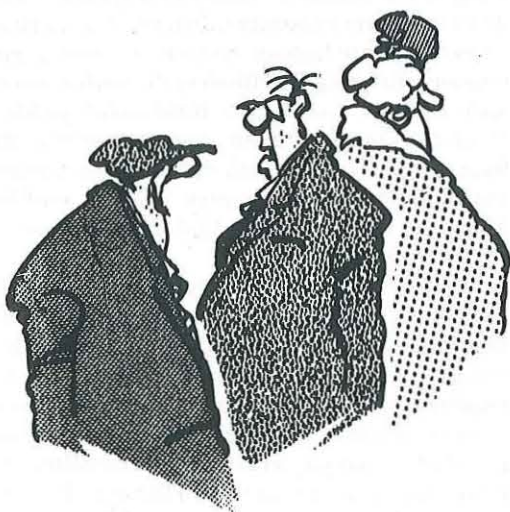
### Ingredients:

- 4 oz buckwheat flour - 1/4 oz yeast
- 1 gill warm milk and water mixed - 4 oz plain flour
- 1 egg - 1 egg yolk - 1 tablespoon melted

butter - 1/4 pint milk and water mixed - 1 egg white

**Method:** Place the buckwheat flour in a warm basin, cream the yeast with the warm milk and water, and mix the flour to a thick cream. Cover the basin with a damp cloth and leave to rise in a warm place. Sift the plain flour into another basin with a good pinch of salt and mix to a thick cream with the egg, egg yolk, melted butter, and milk and water. Beat well and then mix into the other batter. Cover again and leave to rise 2 hours. Whisk the egg white and fold into the mixture just before cooking. Blinis should be the size of a small teaplate and are cooked in the same way as drop scones in a heavy, lightly greased iron pan. Turn them as the bubbles rise and serve with butter, sour cream and caviar.

Ninki Mallet Maslansky



**" We've agreed on an out-of-court settlement until we can each afford a lawyer "**



# MAY CALENDAR

For further information see Activities Page for contact names and telephone numbers. If you would like to announce any B.C. related events in the OUTPOST Calendar, please contact Maren White on 258-1481. The deadline is the 10th of the preceding month.  
\*Indicates "to be held in the Wordsworth Room."

	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
					1 Ladies' Golf — 7 a.m. Aerobics — 9 a.m. Tennis and Squash Club Night from 6 p.m.	2 Ladies' Tennis — 8-11 a.m. Ladies' Squash — 9-12 noon Darts — 8 p.m. BCT Club Night	3 Aerobics — 9 a.m. Accumulator Night — 8 p.m.
	4 Club Tennis — 3-6 p.m. Flicks for Kids — 6 p.m. Cricket Section Annual Dinner 8 p.m.	5 Flicks for Kids — 5 p.m. Tennis Afternoon — 3-6 p.m. Family Buffet from 5 p.m.	6 Aerobics — 9 a.m. BWG Mahjong* — 9 a.m. New Member's Night/ Happy Hour — 5:30-9 p.m. Men's Tennis Mix-In 6-8 p.m. Chess Club — 7 p.m.	7 Duplicate Bridge+ — 7:30 p.m.	8 Ladies' Golf — 7 a.m. Aerobics — 9 a.m. Tennis and Squash Club Night from 6 p.m.	9 Ladies' Tennis — 8-11 a.m. Ladies' Squash — 9-12 noon Bambi Meeting Darts — 8 p.m.	10 Aerobics — 9 a.m. Football Section Annual Dinner 7:30 p.m. and Disco Accumulator Night — 8 p.m.
	11 Club Tennis — 3-6 p.m. Flicks for Kids — 6 p.m.	12 Flicks for Kids — 5 p.m. Tennis Afternoon — 3-6 p.m. Family Buffet from 5 p.m.	13 Aerobics — 9 a.m. BWG Mahjong* — 9 a.m. Happy Hour — 5:30-9 p.m. Men's Tennis Mix-In 6-8 p.m. Chess Club — 7 p.m.	14 Football Section A.G.M. — 7:30 p.m. Stamp Collecting* — 7:30 p.m. Duplicate Bridge+ — 7:30 p.m.	15 Ladies' Golf — 7 a.m. Aerobics — 9 a.m. Tennis and Squash Club Night from 6 p.m.	16 Ladies' Tennis — 8-11 a.m. Ladies' Squash — 9-12 noon Darts — 8 p.m.	17 Aerobics — 9 a.m. Accumulator Night — 8 p.m.
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# SING A SONG OF SIXPENCE

Traditional musical comedy comes to the Bangkok stage

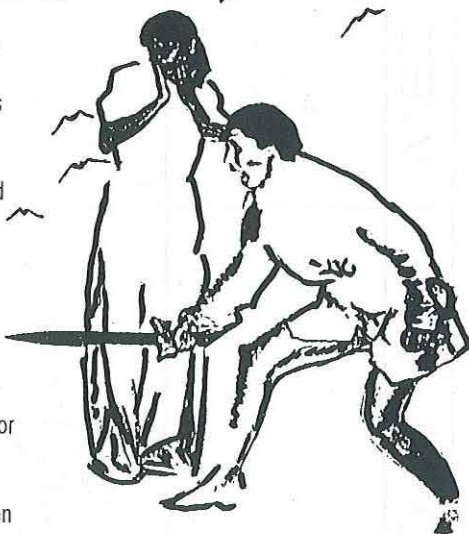


Sing a song of sixpence  
a pocket full of rye  
Four & twenty blackbirds  
baked in a pie

When the pie was opened  
the birds began to sing  
"Isn't that a dainty dish  
to put before the King!"

The King was  
in his counting house  
counting out his money  
The Queen was in her parlor  
eating bread & honey

The maid was in the garden  
hanging out the clothes  
when down came a blackbird  
and pecked off her nose.



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There will be 5 performances at the A.U.A. Theatre on Friday, May 24th at 7.30 p.m., Saturday, May 25th at 2.30 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. and on Sunday, May 26th at 11.00 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at A.U.A., the Community Services of Bangkok, Asia Books (15), The British Club or at the door.



## Mr. Anthony Powell

**P**REJUDICE must be abjured, but as physicists, historians and philosophers agree that objectivity is unattainable, preference may be admitted. The reviewers opinion is that Anthony Powell is a great novelist.

His five pre-war books "Afternoon Men", "Venusberg", "From a View to a Death", "Agents and Patients", and "What's become of Waring" illustrate the beginning and early development of his art. These novels show wit, cool detachment, intelligence and brilliant ability to depict ordinary life, farce and tragedy. There is also his gift for creation of strikingly apt names which themselves partly create characters, books or country houses. These blend into vivid scenes as varied, valid, chaotic and real as life itself.

His major work, the Roman fleuve, "A Dance to the Music of Time.", is in twelve novels. It begins with school at Eton, then Oxford, London and English country life between 1920 and 1939, and an interlude from childhood as a regular officer's son early in 1914. There are masterly descriptions of civilian and military life in England, 1939 to 1945 followed by authentic pictures of English maundering post-war social and moral phases: the novels ends in the early 1970's.

A vast range of characters is drawn, many to disappear, some later reappearing, damaged, developed, mellowed or embittered by life and age while new personalities enter the "Dance". There is a brilliant sketch of Field Marshall Montgomery at his headquarters in France and a glimpse of F.M. Lord Allenbrooke at the War Office; a moving description of the Victory Memorial Service at St. Paul's with many other aspects of wartime life in London and England convincingly depicted.

There are miners, musicians, magnates, earls, mages, politicians, painters, generals, privates, servants, academics, authors and

characters from most of the publishing and literary spheres. The reviewer is most grateful to Mr. Powell for weeks of pleasure, enlightenment and development of his understanding of life and art.

The language is delightful, style relaxed, ironic, occasionally discursive. There is however a tendency not to use a positive when a double negative will do.

Though there are only three or four references to the novel, the resemblance to Prouts's "A la Recherche du Temps Perdu," cannot be just coincidental. Similarities such as Nicholas/Marcel, Windmerpool/Charles, Pamela/Albertine are striking. Perhaps a scholar will eventually illuminate.

Mr. Powell's novels have been criticized as high Tory, comedy, superficial, cold, unfeeling and omitting such basic issues as greed, hate, suffering, evil, love etc. These views strongly suggest that the books have been glanced at and misunderstood. All virtues and vices are in the basic steps of the "Dance", implicit or explicit, present around, above and among the arabesques that decorate the main movements, order and anarchy and the permanent importance of art which to quote Trappnel is "any good".

Nom de Plume

Anthony Powell's novels are available at the Neilson Hays Library. The reviewer welcomes any comments on his reviews.

# C CHILDREN'S CORNER

## Two-Way Words

Calling all wordmongers, wordsmiths, and overall wordy kids! This game gives you a chance to show off your vocabulary – or to expand it. The three words in each set can be combined with another word to form a compound word or a two-word phrase. For example, if you were given LINE, STRONG, BLOCK, the answer would be HEAD (headline, headstrong, blockhead).

1. LUNCH MUSIC SEAT
2. LINE BOOK BOARD
3. LIGHT SHORT WATCH
4. GRAVY HOUSE YARD
5. PRINT GRASS CHEESE
6. GUARD BUSY SURF
7. UNDER SALT PROOF
8. MARK FILL SLIDE
9. BEAT ROLL STICK
10. SHIP YARD NIGHT

ANSWERS:  
1) Box 2) Life 3) Weight 4) Boat 5) Blue 6) Body 7) Water 8) Colour 9) Drum 10) Light

## 'Ayings'

There's something missing from these sentences below. Figured it out? Right, some of the letters that make the words make sense! If you can figure what letter is missing from each word, you'll be able to figure out each one of these six popular 'ayings, oops, I mean, sayings.

1. On't ount our hickens efore thy hath.

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2. On ood urn eserves anther.

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3. Oo any coos spoi he both.

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4. Tim heas al ounds.

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5. He earl ird atches he orm.

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6. O nto othes s ou wold hae thers o uno ou.

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ANSWERS:  
1. Don't count your chickens before they hatch.  
2. One good turn deserves another.  
3. Too many cooks spoil the broth.  
4. Time heals all wounds.  
5. The early bird catches the worm.  
6. Do unto others as you would have others do unto you.



# WELL WORTH WATCHING

## Cinema Paradiso

**T**HIS year's Oscar for the best foreign film was a surprise choice. The critics had expected it to go to *Cyrano de Bergerac*, in which the French actor, Gerard Depardieu, played the title role. Instead, it went to a little-known Swiss production, *Journey of Hope*, amid bitter rumblings about Hollywood's inability to look further than its own back yard. It has been suggested that Depardieu ruined his chances of glory by giving an interview in which he claimed he had witnessed a rape as a child. Some papers chose to translate him as saying that he took part in the crime – not the kind of thing the middle aged Academy voters like to hear!

Last year's award aroused no such controversies. It went to the Franco-Italian film, *Cin-*

*ema Paradiso*, which is still doing the rounds now. Shot mostly in flash-back, it focuses on a small Sicilian village just after the Second World War. The inhabitants, ruled by poverty and the censorious eye of the local priest, have little to divert them from their plight – except the escapist world of films. So they retreat into the local picture house to lose themselves in the glamour and romance of the silver screen.

Most captivated of all is Toto, the impish son of a widowed mother, who connives his way into the cinema at every chance. He befriends Alfredo, the aging projectionist, and persuades him to divulge the tricks of his trade. The relationship between old man and small boy is touching; reluctant and suspicious at first, it develops into a friendship, bound by celluloid,

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which will last them all their lives.

Alfredo has been working the projector since he was ten, back in the days when the films were silent and the machinery had to be turned by hand. Poorly educated and a recluse, he is convinced that he is too stupid and unlucky to do anything else. "You're all alone ... you talk to Garbo and Tyrone Power like a loonybird." But he is determined that Toto should go on to more important things and, as Toto grows up, pushes him out of the nest.

As a backdrop to this gruff father-son relationship, the passage of the years is reflected in the Paradiso's audiences and its films. Where once the priest would view each new release in advance and signal for 'offensive' passages to be cut out, causing those in the stalls to jeer and whistle, unedited pictures come to be screened and are greeted with warm applause. "Twenty years I've gone to the movies ... and I've never seen a kiss." sighs one rapt fan. Downstairs in the cinema, the level of audience participation is high – and anything can happen, from courtship and sex, to murder and snoring. Meanwhile, upstairs in the balcony, a scornful bureaucrat spits on the masses below.

Toto follows Alfredo's abrupt advice. When his military service ends, he moves on. Thirty years pass, during which he becomes a famous director and never once goes back to Sicily. However, there is no escaping the past. Summoned home by devastating news, he finds himself back at square one, in the ruins of a town he once knew, and feeling guilty that he ever abandoned his family. "You were right to go," his mother tells him, "your life is there. Here there are only ghosts."

This film about growing up and discovering that "life isn't like in the movies" is beautifully shot and acted. Even on a small screen partially obscured by sub-titles, it is enchanting. Rumour has it, however, that it is soon to be re-made in Hollywood. Why, I can't imagine. An American version could not possibly be more evocative – but it might make more money. Translating good European films into pictures aimed at the box office is something of a fashion these days. *Les Fugitifs*, with, incidentally, M. Depardieu, was far funnier than *The Three Fugitives* with Nick Nolte. *Three Men and a Cradle* came about the same way. Strange that European cinema doesn't choose to repay the compliment!

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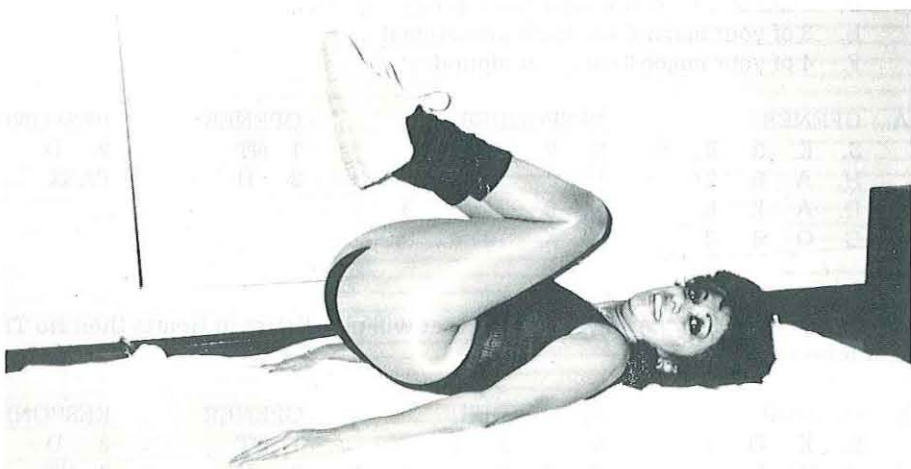
**AEROBICS**



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Pic. 1



Pic. 2

### **HIP LIFTS**

**THIS** is a lower abdominal isolation exercise. Lie back on the floor and bend your knees as shown in Pic. 1.

Now very deliberately lift your bottom off the floor. Keeping your knees bent the whole while and bringing your knees in to your chest. Remember not to swing up. What you have to bear in mind is lift and squeeze in. Do not let your lower back ride off the floor, and keep your knees bent throughout. This is a very effective lower abdominal exercise but if not done properly should not be done at all!

Asha



## BIDDING CONVENTIONS

### JACOBY TRANSFER BIDS - MAJOR SUITS

The Jacoby Transfer Bid is one of the most valuable contributions to the theory of responding to 1 NT opening bids. Its many advantages far outweigh the disadvantage of giving up a natural 2 Diamond response. The basic idea is quite simple. When responder has a five-card or longer major suit, he bids the suit immediately below that suit at the two level. This allows opener to become declarer in responder's suit, thus protecting the strong hand from the opening lead. The exact requirements are as follows:

1. 2 Diamond or 2 Heart response to 1 NT shows five or more cards in the next higher suit. Responder may have any strength, from a complete bust up to a slam-going hand; all he guarantees is a five-card major.

2. After this response, opener must complete the transfer by bidding two of responder's suit. This does not necessarily show support. Opener is simply obeying orders!!

NOTE: Transfer bids are off altogether (2 of a suit is natural) if the 1 NT opening is overcalled or doubled.

3. Rebids by responder (see examples)

- A. Pass if game is out of reach
- B. 2 NT if balanced and invitation (8 to 9 HCP)
- C. 3 NT if balanced and forcing (9 to 14 HCP)
- D. 3 minor-4 card or longer suit-forcing to game
- E. 3 of your major-6 card suit-invitational
- F. 4 of your major-6 card suit-signoff

A. OPENER	RESPONDER	OPENER	RESPONDER
S. K 9 8 5	S. 7	1 NT	2 D
H. A 6 2	H. J 10 8 7 3	2 H	PASS
D. A K 5	D. 9 7 6 3		
C. Q 6 2	C. K 10 4		

Responder obviously has a weak hand that will play better in Hearts than No Trump and offers no promise for game.

B. OPENER	RESPONDER	OPENER	RESPONDER
S. K Q 4	S. 8 6 5	1 NT	2 D
H. K 6	H. Q 9 8 4 3	2 H	2 NT
D. Q 9 8 5	D. K 10 7	PASS	
C. A Q 9 8	C. K 3		

Responder shows five Hearts and the strength of a raise to two No Trump. Opener, with a minimum and only a doubleton Heart, passes.

C. OPENER	RESPONDER	OPENER	RESPONDER
S. K 4	S. A Q J 7 2	1 NT	2
H. A 7 3 2	H. Q 8 6	2 S	3 NT
D. A K J	D. 7 6 4	PASS	
C. J 9 8 2	C. Q 10		



When responder holds a five-card major, semi-balanced distribution (5-3-3-2 or 5-4-2-2), and sufficient strength for game, he simply transfers and then rebids 3NT. This gives the opener a choice of game contracts. With a doubleton in responder's major, he automatically passes 3NT; with three-card support or longer he most often should elect to play game in responder's suit.

D. OPENER	RESPONDER	OPENER	RESPONDER
S. K Q J 2	S. 8	1 NT	2 D
H. 4 2	H. A J 8 7 3	2 H	3 C
D. K Q J 6	D. 9 5	3 NT	
C. A 8 3	C. K Q 10 4 2		

Responder can confidently pass 3NT knowing that both of his short suits are covered. Opener would not have bid 3NT without Spades and Diamonds well-stopped.

E. OPENER	RESPONDER	OPENER	RESPONDER
S. A J	S. K Q 10 7 3 2	1 NT	2 H
H. 8 7 4	H. 9 5	2 S	3 S
D. A J 6 5	D. Q 10 4	4 S	PASS
C.			

Since responder's game try implies a six-card suit, opener with a near-maximum raises to game on a doubleton knowing the partnership has an eight-card fit.

F. OPENER	RESPONDER
1 NT	2 4
2 S	4 5

Two-level transfers can be used to handle game going responding hands that contain a six-card major. Responder can transfer and then jump to game. However, with no interest beyond game, you are best advised to sign-off at the four-level.

## DUPLICATE BRIDGE RESULTS

Tuesday March 5, 1991 (2-1/2 Tables : 25 Boards : Howell Movement)

1st Sampun and Chamiporn	70%
2nd Gerrie and Harry	57%

Tuesday March 12, 1991 (3-1/2 Tables : 21 Boards : Howell Movement)

1st Darryl and Krishore	65%
2nd Vera and Barrie	60%

Tuesday March 19, 1991 (2-1/2 Tables : 25 Boards : Howell Movement)

1st Elaine and Darryl	80%
2nd Sunisa and Pimpraphai	58%

With a Club membership in excess of 800, only 7 replies were received to the bridge questionnaire or less than 1%. Thank you to those people who took the time to fill out the form and return it to the Club.

Duplicate Bridge will continue on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. for all those who are interested.

Elaine & Darryl Hennig

# CRICKET CRICKET

BOTH leagues have now finished, with the final tables looking like this:

35 overs			45 overs		
Team	Played	Points	Team	Played	Points
Scribblers	7	151	British Club	5	119
Thai CC	7	149	RBSC	5	107
British Club	7	128	Scribblers	5	75
AIT	7	114	AIT	5	61
RBSC	7	71	Indian CC	5	38
Indian CC	7	69	Wanderers CC	5	-10
Pavilionaires	7	62			
Wanderers CC	7	-3			

The champions are therefore Scribblers and BC. In addition this year, the top four in each league play off for the Castrol Challenge Trophy. In the 45-over league, the semi-finals and final were played over the Songkran weekend and are reported below, while the 35-over play-offs are due on the 20th/21st April, after the OUT-POST deadline.

One other match was played this month, our third International of the season against a strong side from Australia. There were also two sixes tournaments, the one in Bangkok being won, not surprisingly, by a team containing three Indian test-players, and the resolutely Caucasian one in Chiang Mai being won by one of the many teams from the dark continent.

The cricket section quiz team was also in action again, reaching the Bar Quiz finals for the fourth year in a row; for a change, our opponents in the final were not rugby, who were forced to drop out at the semi-final stage when they suddenly realised they had a previous engagement, but a mysterious outfit known as the Soi Skolars. This group, some of them quite unfairly tall, had already beaten us in the opening round of the competition, and they did so again in the final, overturning our early lead. Cricket competitors over the five rounds included Wendi Ellis, David Hall, Lesley Wylde, Keith Welsh, Nick White, Richard Wylde and Simon Fox.

## **7 April. Polo Club. International (40 overs) vs Cricketers Club of New South Wales. Lost by 8 wickets.**

**BC 160-9.** (Caro 42, Mendis 20, Diwan 22\*, Amjad 18, Spyer 17, Barber 11, Lewis 10)  
**CCNSW 161-2** (Iqbal 2-0-15-1; Diwan 8-0-16-1)

This being the first of two long holiday weekends for many people, and a three-line whip being in force for the 45-over play-offs on the second of the two, it proved a little difficult to put out the regular team. With White, Hough, Lanham, Dunford, Fox and Tissera all missing, the depths of the Scribblers team were, not for the first time this season, scoured for replacements, with Iqbal, Mendis, Amjad and Diwan joining us. Paul Barber made a return to the team, as did Roger Spyer, while new pace bowler James Phillips at last made his debut.

Alas, none of this was good enough to beat a very strong Australian side. Only Adam Caro showed any real staying power after Brian had won the toss and decided to bat; although seven players got into double figures, the final score off 40 overs of only 160 for 9 reflected a very tight bowling performance aided by good catching and ground-fielding. The best stand of the innings was for the 9th wicket, when Diwan joined Roger Spyer to put on 39, before Roger was bowled by the penultimate ball.





## *World Class*

The Australians, while not scoring as quickly as many others have on this ground this season, never looked in any danger of failing, and lost only two wickets before passing our total with more than seven overs to spare. The first of the wickets, at 53, was an excellent leg-side stumping by Amjad to give Diwan a well-deserved wicket at the end of an impressive 8-over spell with the new ball. The second was a good catch in the deep by Adam Caro off the bowling of Iqbal.

A dignified celebration was later held at the BC at which Adam, with a bowling analysis of 5 overs for 11 runs to add to his catch and his 42 runs, was presented by CCNSW with their BC-player-of-the-match award. The celebration part of the dignified celebration continued well into the early hours of next morning.

**13 April. Polo Club. Castrol Challenge Trophy semi-final vs AIT. Won by 44 runs.**

**BC 198-8.** (White 56, Caro 24, Lanham 2\*, Lewis 18, Hough 17, Hall 15\*, Spyer 11)

**AIT 154.** (Lanham 5-0-28-4); Fox 9-0-34-2; Tissera 5-1-16-1; Caro 5-1-21-1; White 9-1-32-1)

April is the cruellest month, when the iced water of Songkran turns to steam before it has had a chance to cool you. Tempers rivalled temperatures at certain points in this game. A pity, as this was a fine win which, for a change, involved the whole team.

AIT won the toss and elected to field. Despite the early loss of Craig Price, things went well at first for BC, with Adam and Nick taking the score along steadily to 77 for 1. Then disaster struck as Adam was run out, and then André and Nick fell in quick succession. At the half-way stage we were 99 for four.

At last, however, the lower half of the order came into its own, and despite minimal batting in matches so far this season a further 99

were added in the second half of the innings. Hough and Lewis put on 40 for the fifth wicket, but then both were out in the same over. Spyer and Fox contributed 16 before Fox was bowled, followed 9 runs later by Spyer. But Hall and Lanham managed to stay together through the closing overs, scoring an additional 33 runs.

198 is not, however, an impressive total on the Polo pitch, and it was with some relief that we saw three AIT wickets fall before the half-century was reached, White, Caro and Fox all had LBW appeals upheld by the (neutral) umpires. The fourth wicket put on 52 before Fox had another successful LBW appeal, and then three quick wickets saw AIT fall to 128 for 7.

The eighth wicket accumulated runs more successfully, and AIT were within 50 of the BC score with plenty of overs left before Bob Lanham struck definitively, taking the last three wickets in a single over.

At the RBSC ground, in the meantime, RBSC had beaten Scribblers by 49 runs in the other semi-final.

#### **14 April. Polo Club. Castrol Challenge Trophy final vs RBSC. Lost by 36 runs.**

**RBSC 285-3.** (Dunford 9-0-40-1; White 9-1-56-10)

**BC 249.** (Tissera 59, Caro 55, Spyer 36, White 23, Hough 23, Price 20, Lewis 13)

Brian lost the toss for the second day in a row and this time was asked to field.

Fielding, let me tell you, was hard work.

Three fielders went into the game with performance-restricting injuries. The temperature was 195 degrees Celsius in the shade. There was no shade. The team was on edge. RBSC had their strongest batting line-up. And the terrible Thai brothers were opening.

Adam bowled a maiden. Nick bowled a maiden. Surely it couldn't last.

It didn't.

After the first session of fifteen overs, the two brothers had accumulated 97 runs.

The second session, comparatively speaking, went BC's way, its 15 overs yielding only 75 runs. The younger brother was caught Price bowled White off the first ball of the session, and the RBSC professional, playing his last match here, was caught Hough bowled Dunford one run before the 30-over interval. This last was a well-deserved wicket at the end of an excellent

spell of bowling.

The third 15-over session, during which we might have hoped to contain RBSC to somewhere around the 250 mark, was a bit of a disaster. True, there was a wicket earlyish, when the RBSC skipper was run out backing up by a straight drive from his partner which brushed Simon's fingers on its way to demolishing the stumps. But there were not many laughs after that.

Fielding, catching, bowling all got worse. And the last five overs went for 58 runs.

Now, nobody saw 285 as an impossible target; we too have a strong batting line-up, and in January we passed RBSC's 272-3 to win the league encounter. April, of course, is not January, being crueller. (Alert readers will have noticed that there are many other months that April isn't; it fails to bust out all over and doesn't make you shiver with every paper you deliver, to give but two examples).

And in January we'd had an opening stand of 193 with no hooligan shots. This time both former heroes Price and White were out comparatively cheaply. Tissera and Caro therefore came together when the score was 60 for 2 in the 12th over.

Ah! for a time then things went well. In the next 14 overs 97 runs were elegantly plucked from the RBSC attack by two of our most elegant pluckers. But at 157, with twenty overs still to come, Adam was bowled; 12 runs later, André was caught.

Could the lower half of the order succeed for the second day in a row? 116 runs off the final 15-over session with four wickets down looked like a tall order.

The lesser BC batsmen did in fact make a very good stab for victory. Unfortunately wickets tumbled at regular intervals and the asking rate climbed into double figures per over. Roger Spyer, coming in at number 7, played some excellent shots in his 36; he was last out, caught in the deep with only nine balls remaining.

In the end, the shortfall of only 36 runs represented another good all-round batting performance by BC. But not, on the day, good enough. Maybe if some of those catches (dropping from the veils of the morning to where the cricket sings) had been held ...

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## LADIES' GOLF



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MARCH was a very busy month as far as competitions ago.

The Astral Cup held at the Rose Garden on 5th/6th March was an enjoyable event, results of these appeared in last month's issue.

The Kitchen Sink was an immense success, with 72 signed up and with only three people not showing up. Again results of this event were in last month's issue of OUTPOST

The 20th March saw the end of the Xlectic. It was quite an amazing finish as both the second and third winners had absolutely no idea how they were fairing in the competition and so their triumphs came as a complete but delightful surprise to them! Well done Martien and Gill!

Thank you dear Axel for sponsoring this event again. For



Welcome, new member Dixie Ingram seen with old members Alice Gunther left and Narelle Power, right.

those of you that don't know, Axel is JJ's (son) pet dog born three years ago and our XL-ECTIC was 'born' then too!

On the 27th March we began our early tee-off at 6.45 a.m. Surprisingly we were all there and had a good and early finish to the morning. It was Anne-Marie's birthday and after prize giving (most of it to Anne-Marie), we sang Happy Birthday. Anne-Marie had a superb game and won in her flight; her first game in the Silver Division.

**NEW MEMBERS:** We welcome Dixie Ingram and Whon Lower this month and hope to continue to receive new players.

#### **FORTHCOMING COMPETITIONS**

Three month eclectic from 10th April to 17th July. Your handicap secretary will once again keep track of your scores and your handicap at the end of the eclectic will apply.

Could our inactive players wishing to participate please note that you must have a valid LGU and have handed in at least 6 cards in the last 3 months. Please contact our Handicap Secretary for further information. The above requirement is only to be fair to our long standing and active players.

#### **KEITH COLLINS TROPHY**

– To be given at the end of the year to the best improver.

THANK YOU Keith Collins.

#### **CASTROL CUP**

– 14th/15th May 1991. (to be confirmed)

THANK YOU Bryan Baldwin for sponsoring this event.

#### **SHIRLEY STEWART BOWL**

– 2nd/3rd July (to be confirmed)

THANK YOU Dave Stewart for sponsoring this event.

#### **HANDICAPS CHANGES**

– Duana 20 to 19, Anne Marie 19 to 18 and Martien 36\* to 31! Well done Girls.



*L. to R. Gill Hough, Lis Johanssen, Anna, Constantine and Anne Marine Hasselquist.*

**CONGRATULATIONS :** To Narelle on getting her first birdie on 20th March. Well done Narelle. As most of you already know, both Alice and now Narelle were awarded their little "blue bird" in recognition of their great achievement. The awarding of this "blue bird" is for our Bronze II division girls when they get a birdie for the first time!

I would like to advise all our members that we do also give out "100" and "90" badges. So if anyone breaks a hundred or ninety for the first time they are entitled to one of these badges. If your Captain is too busy and overlooks this, remind her!

#### **EARLY TEE-OFFS**

Please note that as of last week, 27th March, we will start at 6.45 a.m. every Wednesday. We will all meet at the first tee. Obviously this is not a permanent time, but if it proves popular we will continue to tee off at 6.45 a.m.

It has been decided that on every third Wednesday of the month we should try and lay at a different course if we can manage to get a booking. Prior notice will be given.

LASTLY, it is sad to note that those of you that voted to play on Wednesdays instead of Tuesdays are NOT TO BE SEEN at all. Where are you?.





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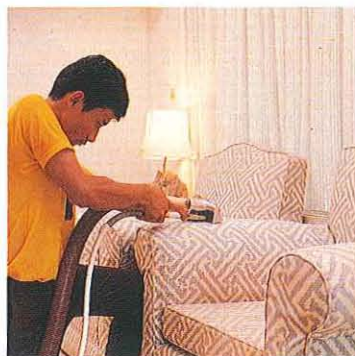
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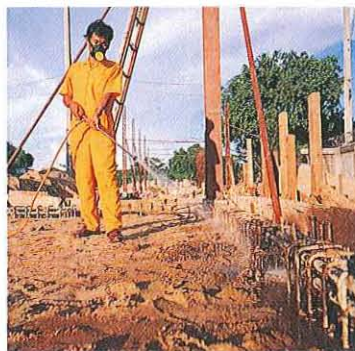
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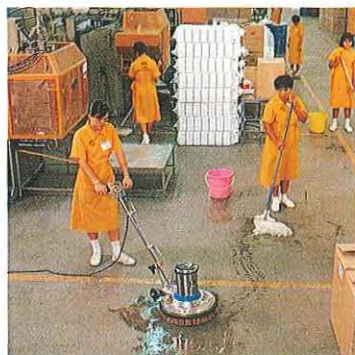
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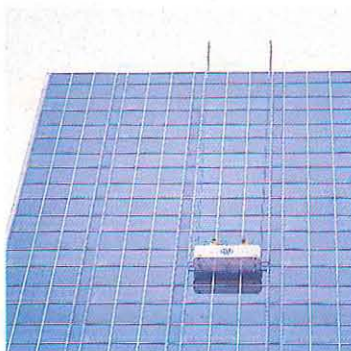
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## COMPETITION RESULTS

### 13th MARCH – 3 THROWAWAY – MUANG AKE

Silver Division 0-18	:	Lavita	55	(17)
Bronze I Division 19-29	:	Debbie	49	*19)
Runner up		Djuana	54	(19)
Bronze II Division 30-36	:	Martien	49	(36)
Runner up		Anna	50	(35)

Near pin 6 – Anna Lisa, Near pin 17, Lis.

### MARCH 20th – HIDDEN HOLES AND END OF XLECTIC – MUANG AKE

Silver Division 0-18	:	Wil	37	(14)
Bronze I Division 19-29	:	Lis	35.5	(19)
Bronze II Division 30-36	:	Martien	31	(36)
2nd		Pat	33.5	(31)
3rd		Gill	34.5	(35)

Long Drives	–	Silver Division	:	Nena
		Bronze I	:	Lis
		Bronze II	:	Pat

Near Pin 6      Lavita  
Near Pin 12    Wil

### XLECTIC – SPONSORED BY AXEL

1st	Lavita	60 nett	(17/14)
2nd	Martien	61 nett	(36/32) c/b from Gill
3rd	Gill	61 nett	(35/31)

### MARCH 27th – MEDAL – MUANG AKE

Silver Division	–	Anne Marie	68 nett	(18)
Bronze I	–	Lis	67 nett	(19)
Bronze II	–	Gill	74 nett	(35)



R'up	-	Anna	75 nett	(35)
Near Pin 8	-	Gill	Under par - Anne Marie, Lis	
Near Pin 17	-	Lavita	Low puts - Anne Marie	
Long Drive Silver	-	Wil		
Bronze I	-	Lis	Bronze II	- Sharon

#### APRIL 3rd - TEXAS SCRAMBLE

Winner- Will Argebeek and Martienje Jaggard (56.5 nett)

Rs'up- Nena Reid and Sharon Plumlee (57 nett)

#### Near pins

6 Lavita

8 Will

12 Nena

17 Gill

This competition was played for the first time and proved very successful. It will have to be repeated soon.

Lavita



GOOD Day,

Well the British Club's Tour to Hong Kong to play in the increasingly prestigious 10-aside tournament was a great success - THANKS TO YOU! The support received for the fund raising and the sponsorship and donations were overwhelming, so much so that the rugby section have also been able to provide shorts, socks and other items of kit, as well as rugby balls that will last for the coming season. More importantly this enabled us to take to the pitch in spanking new attire befitting ambassador's of Thailand and the British Club. A generous donation will also be made to the children in the Klong Toey slum area.

Despite losing our games we have managed to make plenty of contracts and have it on good authority that many of these teams would now consider on a more serious note a tour to

the "Land of favourite for the B.C.. Everything went smoothly and we are confident that a future invite for the 10's will be forthcoming. The teams competing were of an extremely high standard - the "English Classics" had 131 caps between them, fortunately the B.C. did not draw against this team. However the Greylands Australian team whom we did play contained eight ex-Wallabies in their ranks. And the game was not a whitewash. The B.C. were unfortunate to have four injured players, three with strained muscles and one with a head cut. The B.C. battled on but succumbed to some experienced well drilled sides. The important thing is that we competed in good spirit and made new friends and contacts within the rugby world, many of whom we hope to play again.

Our "traditional Thai" touring costumes were greatly admired and added to the enter-



tainment of the spectators and players alike. The trip was eventful with Dr. Meggison calling "dead ants" (everyone simulates a dead ant on the ground) in both the Bangkok and Hong Kong passport control areas. Unfortunately for him and this is little known back here, he spent the next six days in jail. This was a bonus for everybody. Mr. Joe "I'm the leader" Grunwell did a marvellous job of delegating all responsibility – such as looking after bags, strips, buying beer, playing etc and after his recent erection, sorry election to the B.C. Committee wishes to be known as Joe "I am the club" Grunwell!! (well done Joe). Ex-pat doyens such as Howard and Snell (Laurel and Hardy) were there to lead the less mature layers astray ..... I mean around Hong Kong. It is not true that Jimmy "Ratcatcher" Howard knows 50,000 people ..... the number is nearer a quarter of a million. Jimmy was made to sit in the front row of the stand because EVERYONE who walked passed knew him and stopped to talk (mostly about outstanding debts!). Mr. Snell's characteristic laugh was repeatedly echoed round the island (usually when it was his round). The 10 – aside dinner held for the first (and probably last time) in the Hilton was an excellent night with all the participating teams attending. There were some very funny speeches and acts from the more renowned players and the winning teams. On adjourning to the toilet towards the end of the evening I noticed a distinguished but rather nervous looking man I took to be the manager speaking to a pipsqueakish assistant, assistant, manager, the conversation went like this. "How is it going in there?" ..... "very well sir, they're on the chairs just now and there's a little dancing but that's all" ..... "no one on the tables yet then?" ..... "no sir not yet". It wasn't long!



**Kowloon R.F.C. V's The British Club at Old Vajiravut College** – The Kowloon boys have been here before and this time were on the last leg of their Singapore, Malaysia, Bangkok tour. Always good to see them and they gave us a competitive, hard game winning in the end 20 points to 10. New comer Mickey Wheeler (scrum-half) had an excellent debut and picked up the Kowloon's choice of best player. Along with Simon Baker (just recently ex-Kowloon) and Frederik Von Hieneken (click heels) the B.C. have three new layers sharing commitment, youth and experience (not in that order). The teams returned to the B.C. for nose-bag and beers and then went to the Thigh bar where they managed to upstage the girls and quadruple the annual turnover. Hope they made their 8.00 a.m. flight that morning!

## SOCCKER SOCCKER

HI gang,

If this article comes across as rushed and not up to its usual standard that's because it is. Spent the last three days with the Ed, and thirteen others at a kind of artistic workshop on Koh Samet and have to rush off to Singapore

tomorrow on business (a cross we integral cogs in multi-national oil corporations have to bear). Must say the Ed was in form at the workshop and would be a decided addition to the B.C.T. (eat your heart out Telly Hall). Being artistic types we also indulged in a bit of snorkel abuse.



Enough of these asides however and on to the action. Avid readers will remember April saw us going strongly and topping the league on goal difference from the French

## MATCH REPORT

Our next game was a tricky encounter with the Young Thai Sikh Association Team (YTSA). We did have one benefit however in that I was still unfit, as over the years I have had a nasty habit of scoring 'own goals' for them. The evening saw us turn in one of our more heartening performances. Continuing where they left off last month Ian McKenzie crossed for Jim Boyd to head the opening goal. This was followed later in the first half by a second goal which all but sealed the game. A mammoth clearance by Paul Barber was headed on by Ritchie Crooks to the amazement of all, and Nigel Oakins was onto it like a whippet to smash the ball into the net – a fine strike. Early in the second half Alan Morton notched his first in a while when he ran from deep, laid off and received two 'wall' passes and calmly stroked the ball past the YTSA keeper. A definite contender for the goal of the season despite a hint of offside. The YTSA got a late consolation goal to make the score 3-1.

It was on to another sub-continent team challenge as our ensuing game was against the Indian Cougars. The kick-off was delayed due to sensational scenes in the preceeding game of the evening involving Benz and the ISB which lead to Benz being suspended from the league for the remainder of the season and all their prior games being considered null and void. Fortunately since both the French and ourselves had played them once and won once it had no effect on the League table. The game eventually got underway and we were shocked when the Indians scored early on. Willie Carruthers who had been promoted to the squad from the Casuals then got an earlier baptism than expected when after only twenty minutes Ron Aston came off with a pulled hamstring. A spot of re-arranging lead to Jim Boyd being switched to centre forward and he responded by scoring the equalising goal when he ran 15 yards after receiving a great through ball to slot it past the advancing Indian goalie. The excitement of a very entertaining first half was not over as an Indian made an excellent solo run at our defence to score their second and we finished the half two one

down.

Early in the second half Tommy Keenan ran onto another great ball to beat the Indian offside trap and scored to make it 2-2. The Indians went berserk, crowding round the referee claiming offside had been flagged by the linesman who at the time had been harassed by two of their committee. The reference overruled the linesman and the goal stood. Whilst the Indians were still moaning and whinging we dispossessed them from the kick-off and the ball was pushed to Jim Boyd out on the left who lobbed the keeper from thirty yards. Two goals in a minute and it was 3-2. We had our tails up now and from goalkeeper Paul Barker's kickout, he really is having a tremendous season, Frank Hough slipped the offside rap and then slipped the ball to Tom Keenan who strongly resisted a challenge as he drove the ball to make it 4-2. It was not all one way however and at the other end a pile-driver from an Indian brought a brilliant save ex Paul Barber. The action and excitement grew as the Indians in trying to claw their way back resorted to foul play. The game started to boil over and Vaughan Elias was booked for kicking the ball away, after a foul. (some people will do anything to get a mention in OUTPOST). Worse was to follow however as in the next attack Nigel Oakins was fouled and retaliated by half heartedly swinging his boot (waving may have been a more accurate description) at a convenient curry-eater and it was the red card. It is ironic that one of our most cultured players and truly a real gentleman on and off the park should be the first BC player to take the early bath this year for a moment of uncharacteristic pique. Tough luck Nigel, the team sympathise with you.

In a final flurry of action Andy Maynard contrived to miss an open goal in the last minute and the score finished 4-2 in our favour.

Due to a series of long weekends there is no more league action to report and this means with one game left against YTSA we lead the French by two points with them having two games to play. It has been decided that if we both finish on the same points total, a playoff and not goal difference will be used to determine the league winner.

The first team did have one further fixture as the Royal Bangkok Sports Club (RBSC) Floodlit Tournament has started. We are drawn with the Italians, RBSC and ISB in the round robin part of the competition with the top two teams



were missed however such as Knock knock. Who's there? Ears. Ears who? Ears more knock knock jokes for you.

Knock knock. Who's there? Arthur. Arthur who? Arthur any biscuits left.

Knock knock. Who's there? Sid. Sid who? Sid down and read OUTPOST it's great news.

Knock Knock. Who's there? Rupert! Rupert who? Rupert your left arm in, your left arm out, your left arm in and you shake it all about.

A doctor had the misfortune to live next door to one of his most difficult patients. The man would come knocking on his door at all hours of the night. The first time he knocked at two in the morning asking the doctor to give him something for insomnia. The next night he knocked on the door at three in the morning asking the doctor to give him something for

indigestion. On the third night he knocked on the door at four in the morning and asked the doctor to give him something for a sore throat. This went on until finally the patient died, and the doctor breathed a great sigh of relief. But as luck would have it, two days later he was hit by a bus crossing the road and died also, and was buried next to the difficult patient. On the first night after his burial, the doctor felt a knock on the side of his coffin. A feeble voice asked, 'Doctor, can you give me something for worms?'

Did you hear about the man with amnesia who broke wind? No? What about the man with amnesia who broke wind. It all came back to him.

Bye for now

Scoop!!

## SWIMMING SWIMMING

### Swimming gala held on 24th March, 1991

It seems such a long time since we had our last swimming gala, which was before Christmas. Under the guidance of Gill Hough and Jane Rodgers, the children had trained hard in preparation for a gala in Phuket, but unfortunately, this had to be cancelled at the last minute due to the Gulf War and the tight security restrictions which were brought into force. The closure of the British Club and the schools, and the ensuing disruption, meant that swimming events had to be shelved for a time. Swimming training was resumed as soon as it was practicable, so the children were eager for an opportunity to test their mettle once more.

A total of 49 children ranging in age from four to twelve years old registered for the swimming gala, the boys outnumbering the girls by 30 to 19. Unfortunately, not enough thirteen and fourteen-year-olds showed up to have an "under-15's" event this time. The sun was baking hot and it was necessary to keep in the shade as much as possible, or to dip your feet in the water

periodically to prevent them being grilled on the poolside between events.

We got off to a good start with a series of breaststroke races of 1 length for the under-5's and under-7's and two lengths for the older age groups. We had a couple of false starts from the under-7 boys, who insisted on going for a quick dip before the whistle had gone! But they were eventually brought back to the starting blocks by our efficient starter, Gill Hough. However, the good turn out in this group meant that there were too many for one heat and some of them had to be timed separately whilst swimming alongside the girls. The first to finish was Darren Rayner with a very respectable time of 29.54s, closely followed by Lewis Davies and Richard McLaren. The times for the under-7's were very impressive considering that some of these children were only 5 years old.

We had another large group of swimmers in the under-9 boys category, requiring two heats for this event. The timekeepers really had

to be on the alert as six of these boys finished within a 5 second period; first in this race was Roland Strobl with a time of 56.81s. However this time was not fast enough to beat the fastest under-9 girl, Louisa Marion who finished with a time of 52.47s, though possibly a slight age gap may account for this. The breaststroke times for the four under-11 girls were very close, varying by only 3.06s, with Alice Molan in the lead. There was another large contingent of boys in the under-11 group, with Gordon Boyd unassailable in every race, though the fortunes of the others were far less consistent. In the breaststroke, the rest of the field (or should it be pool?) were led by James Folwell and Jonathan Coutts, whereas in the freestyle it was Carl Thodesen and Adam Taylor. The under-13's were represented by teams of three girls and three boys, the results of the latter group being very consistent, with Scott Boyd taking an easy lead and the Barber twins vying for second and third place in each race.

The breaststroke races were followed by a series of freestyle events, which gave first places to Laura Hughes, James Savage, Chloe Leamon and Nikki de Boer, otherwise the winners were the same as for breaststroke. The individual medley events consisted of one length breaststroke and one length free style for the under-7's and one length each of butterfly, backstroke, breaststroke and freestyle for the older groups. In all there were 32 races during the afternoon, not counting the fun events at the end. The results can be found in the accompanying table.

ing table.

Perhaps a special mention should be made of Ian Shepherd who managed to come third in a very competitive field of freestylers in his very first gala, well done to Ian and to all the competitors who have made such great improvements on their times since the last gala. This gala was rounded off, by popular request with two exciting relay races in the first of which the boys were soundly beaten by the girls and in the second, two teams of mixed sexes just had a lot of fun trying to finish first.

The enjoyment and success of this gala was due to the teamwork of the Swimming Section committee, operating at very short notice, with plenty of cooperation from Keith Bell and his staff at the British Club, the smooth and efficient work on the microphone from Mark Reid and lots of willing help from the Mums and Dads (and Penny Reid!) on the stopwatches. Thanks a lot to all who were involved.

We would also like to express our thanks to Paul Myers, who resigned last month from the chairmanship of the Swimming Section, for all the work and time he has devoted to the Section over the years.

We are hoping to arrange a full, varied and exciting programme for our swimmers next terms, wars, coups and the like permitting, so watch this space and keep an eye on the banners and notice-boards for forthcoming events.

### RESULTS OF THE SWIMMING GALA held on Sunday, 24th March 1991

			Breast	Free	I.M.
Under 5	Girls	Hayley Crooks	51.70	54.20	—
		Emma Taylor	47.42	48.24	—
	Boys	Kevin Baber	45.44	1.01.29	—
Under 7	Girls	Marika Strobl	42.38	37.71	—
		Angela McLaren	33.95	32.33	1.16.84
		Laura Hughes	39.69	31.20	1.21.42
	Boys	Graeme Burns	34.63	35.41	1.18.38
		Lewis Davies	31.67	31.90	1.12.90
		Richard McLaren	32.11	30.43	1.11.67



		Jon Meggison	40.66	40.73	1.34.66
		Darren Rayner	29.54	20.97	59.64
		Ian Shepherd	32.99	28.63	—
		Joseph Shepherd	39.76	37.07	1.35.86
		Michael Thornton	33.66	25.66	1.12.27
Under 9	Girls	Louise Coutts	1.11.49	1.03.83	2.46.31
		Melissa Folwell	1.11.59	59.59	—
		Anna Freeman	1.01.83	49.53	2.13.84
		Louisa Marion	52.74	4.58	1.58.29
		Teuila Reid	1.02.27	59.38	2.16.81
		Kate Sheperd	1.04.63	50.59	2.09.09
	Boys	Gary Barber	1.25.24	—	—
		Michael Coutts	1.02.25	57.62	2.33.19
		Ross Leamon	1.03.22	49.13	2.03.14
		James Meggison	1.06.45	1.01.56	2.39.02
		Robert Meggison	1.02.10	54.35	2.14.80
		Sam Miller	1.04.33	52.09	2.33.37
		Liam Moushall	1.28.92	1.31.06	—
		James Savage	1.01.66	45.75	2.05.03
		Roland Strobl	56.81	1.10.43	—
Under 11	Girls	Chloe Leamon	55.41	45.10	1.55.09
		Alice Molan	544.31	47.01	2.02.32
		Cushla Reid	57.37	49.20	2.09.90
		Katrina Rodgers	55.81	45.47	1.57.52
	Boys	Gordon Boyd	51.22	39.34	1.50.82
		Jonathan Coutts	57.62	51.56	2.02.00
		James Folwell	56.11	50.81	2.07.09
		Simon Molan	1.02.63	46.35	2.13.14
		Michael Rayner	59.85	45.27	2.08.74
		Nicholas Sayeg	1.05.32	52.12	—
		Adam Taylor	1.04.43	44.52	2.14.22
		Carl Thodesen	1.10.56	43.45	2.08.45
		William Thornton	1.04.56	50.09	2.22.96
Under 13	Girls	Nikki de Boer	2.08.03	1.45.74	2.03.59
		Angie Hastings	2.05.97	1.47.37	1.58.17
		Kate Sayeg	2.14.06	1.51.12	2.13.99
	Boys	Chris Barber	2.16.26	1.32.02	1.49.69
		Tony Barber	2.08.51	1.32.67	1.48.35
		Scott Boyd	1.52.33	1.23.09	1.39.53

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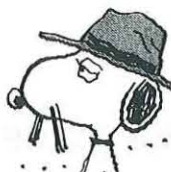
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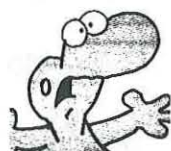
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