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NEWSLETTER FOR JUNE 1977

The initial stage of the Club's development programme has been completed and the New Bar will be opened on Friday 3 June. A Pub Night has been arranged (Page 9) and a surprise entertainment has been arranged for the Children.

The jubilee celebrations in UK will be climaxed in early June. In Bangkok a special service will be held at Christ Church at 6 p.m. on Sunday 5 June and a reception is being held at the British Embassy on Jubilee Day.

~~We believe that the film of the European Cup Final is to be shown on TV on Tuesday 7 June commencing at 9 p.m. A Colour TV will be installed in the air-conditioned Reading Room for viewing on that evening.~~

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CLUB NEWS

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Committee Meetings in April are scheduled for:-

Tuesday 14 June at 6.30 p.m.

Tuesday 21 June at 5.30 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS

The Office will be closed on Wednesday 1 June (Visaka Bucha)

READING ROOM

When the New Bar opens the Reading Room will be furnished as the Reading Room once again but with the added luxury of airconditioning.

BAR AND SNACKS SUB-COMMITTEE

This Sub-Committee now comprises:-

Mr. L.V. Vize - Chairman

Mr. M.R.J. Dutton

Mr. S. Spratt

MEMBERS SUGGESTIONS BOOK

The Suggestions Book in the entrance hall of the Club-house is for the use of Members. Members are requested to advise their Children to refrain from entering comments, suggestions or otherwise marking the book and to put their Suggestions through them.

NEW MEMBERS NIGHT

New members will be invited to meet the Committee in the Dining Room at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday 14 June. Closing date for applications to be registered at the Office is Saturday 11 June.

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

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NEW MEMBERS

The following new members were elected to membership of the Club in May:-

Ordinary

Mr. N.S. Campbell	Dunlop Thailand
Mr. I.B. Irving	Siam Credit Corporation
Mr. R. Jameson	United Milk Company
Mr. W.H.P. Thompson	East Asiatic
Mr. D.J. Vickery	UNESCO

Non-Voting

Mr. J.B. Fitzpatrick	R. Irrigation Department
Mr. J.C.W. Ritchie	R. Irrigation Department
Mr. R.W. Smith	Mobil Oil

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COLOUR TELEVISION

The hiring of a Colour Television set has been discontinued.

A set will be hired from time to time for viewing special events and the aerial leads have been retained for that purpose.

FRANK CALVERT

It is with regret that we record the untimely passing of Frank Calvert.

Frank was a Member of long standing who took a keen interest in Club affairs. During his membership he played an active part in various club activities and of those he made his mark particularly at Snooker and Billiards when in the early 1960's he won all but one of the Club's individual competition trophies. More recently he was actively involved in golf and for a short while was a member of the Golf Section Committee.

A funeral service, at which Mr. F.S. Wilson gave the obituary address, was held at Christ Church on Saturday 14 May. A wreath was sent on behalf of the Club membership. Our deepest sympathy goes to Prapai and her family.

BANGKOK

HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

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In spite of the adverse prognostications of many experts who say it cannot be done, we intend to perform the impossible by whipping up a cross-country running and beer drinking group in Bangkok which will hold its first meet mid-June.

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Members and their families are reminded of the following bylaws.

- No rough play or running is permitted on the Swimming Pool surrounds.
- Only one person at a time may use or be on a diving board.
- It is forbidden to dive or jump from either of the diving boards towards the sides of the pool.

CHRISTCHURCH FAIR

The annual Christ Church Fair will be staged in the grounds of the American Ambassador's residence (108 Wireless Road) on Saturday 9 July 1977 from 10.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

There will be a wide variety of stalls, competitions and attractions at the Fair to suit all ages so it will really be an occasion for all the family to enjoy all the fun of the Fair.

The object of the Fair is to obtain funds to enable the Church to continue with its Outreach work which has already provided so many benefits for the Bangkok community.

BAR AND SNACKS

CATERING: SUGGESTIONS

Catering Suggestions Books have been placed in the Dining Room and at the Poolside Counter.

BAR PRICE LISTS

New Price Lists have been published. The changes incorporated in the new issue are:-

Price Increases (New Stock)

Moet Chandon Champagne	325.-
Liebfraumilch	130.-
Macon	170.-

New Items

Saint Emilion ($\frac{1}{2}$ bottle)	110.-
Kloster Bier large	25.-
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Wed 1 - Visaka Bucha

Sun 5 - Jubilee Church Service (Christ Church)

Tue 7 - Jubilee Day

WEEKLY EVENTS

Golf Lessons - Sundays 4 until 6 p.m.

Bridge - Mondays 7.30 p.m.

Modern Jazz Ballet - Wednesdays 2 p.m.

Classical Ballet - Fridays 2 p.m.

BALLET CLASSES

Jazz Ballet Classes will finish for a short break on Wednesday 22 June and resume on Wednesday 10 August.

Classical Ballet Classes will finish for a short break on Friday 24 June and resume on Friday 19 August.

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2.30-3.30 p.m. Beginners 5+6 yrs B30

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3.30-4.30 p.m. Grade 1 7+up B30

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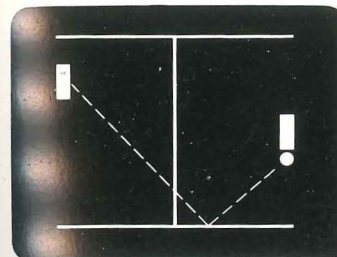
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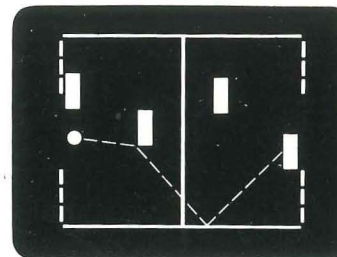


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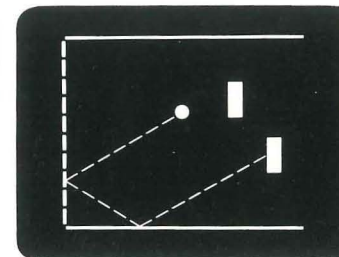
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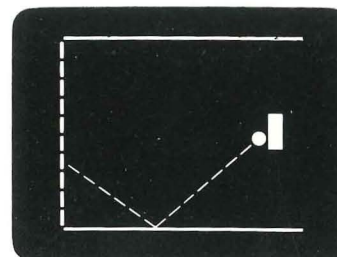
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Squash



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SECTION ACTIVITIES - JUNE 1977

Thu 2	-	<u>Darts</u> v Bobbys Arms	8 p.m.
Sun 5	-	<u>Swimming</u> . Monthly Gala	11.30 a.m.
	-	<u>Golf</u> . Rose Garden	7 a.m.
Thu 16	-	Darts v BT Audio	8 p.m.
Sun 19	-	<u>Golf</u> v Air Force (Don Muang)	7 a.m.
Sun 26	-	<u>Darts</u> . Jubilee Darts Fest	2 p.m.
Thu 30	-	Darts v Marios	8 p.m.

JULY

1-3	-	<u>Golf</u> . "Away From Home"	Pattaya
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SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING

The next practice organised by the St Andrew's Society will be held in the Dining Room on WEDNESDAY 15 JUNE at 7.30 p.m.

GOLF SECTION

Reports from the Golf Section have in the past included great tales of derring-do particularly with regard to team matches but all pale into comparative insignificance when compared with a most singular and astounding achievement during the recent Maxwell Shield competition between the British Club and the Australasians. Only history will determine whether this individual will rank alongside such immortals as Harry Vardon, Bobby Jones, Ben Hogan, Jack Nicklaus etcetera, but certainly anyone fortunate enough to have been an eye witness to his spectacular performance at Don Muang can look forward to the provision of free beer for many years to come as the tale is recounted. I refer of course to that illustrious star of the silver screen - Bob Coombes - who certainly did not lose his shirt at Don Muang. Indeed I hear that his followers - the Derby King Faithfuls - have issued a challenge to Jack Nicklaus and the match is to be billed as "The Battle of the Bears - Golden against Grizzly."

It is worthy of note that this was the first time since 1967 that the Maxwell Shield was competed for and after a day of fluctuating fortunes the British inflicted a humiliating defeat on the Australasians by the margin of 593 points to 591. Peter Farquarson was the individual winner with 41 Stableford points with Bob Coombes (40 Handicap!) runner up with 40 points defeating Peter Ford on a count back.

Other winners were:-

1st Nine	- Greg Black
2nd Nine	- John Bennett
Nearest the Pin	- Bob Allen, Derek Pott, Leon Van Der Watt, Ian McLean

The ladies organised the annual Kitchen Sink competition with their usual panache but were narrowly defeated by the men. The term "gentlemen" is an intentional omission as our Captain, not renowned for his chivalry, refused to concede a moral victory to the opponents. Prior to the outing that erstwhile student of the West of Scotland vernacular and current secretary of the Billy Connelly Appreciation Society, Marshal Douglas, was heard to remark - "Whit dae ye mean - Kitchen Sink? Is that no' a Jawbox then?" Yes indeed, breeding will out.

The Thai Glass/Gestetner Eclectic Trophy, played over three rounds at the Rose Garden, was won by Peter Ford with a late charge. It was timed to perfection - too late to reduce his handicap - and a group of malcontents are threatening to kidnap his putter due to the uncanny precision of his "holing out". The final result was as follows:-

Peter Ford	55
David Sprot	58
Mike Taylor	59
Bruce Mortenson	59

Ian McLean, after a brief but disastrous love affair with touch rugby, has returned to form with a vengeance and despite putting problems has scored 79 and 80 at the last two outings.

DARTS NEWS

Observant readers of the May B.C. News will have noticed that the Editor, ever sensitive reader reaction and the odd free Amarit, promoted the darts news to first place in the sections' reports: a slot worthily filled by Paul Frankland's excellent darticle. Paul is now working on a further newsletter contribution re the culinary delights of darts night frebies (a B.C. monopoly, incidentally), concentrating, of course, on those viandes and beverages with which he has the requisit palatial familiarity. The juxtaposition of an ad for cheap rate air travel showed that advertisers are also aware of the popularity of the darts page and the possibility of further tickets being bought by the section, who, during the month dispatched several players overseas in an apparently successful attempt to reconstruct the team in the nicest possible way.

Readers of that other Bangkok journal will also have noted that fortune smiled on the Lilywhites and the fickle feathers of fate floated their arrows on the right side of the wires and the B.C.! (sic) darted up to 4th place in the league.

The Lilywhites followed the defeat of the Audiomen and the dismissal of 20 Hotel's "short time challenge" by dispatching Mario's by an even more comfortable margin. 4-2 down after the singles, the 1001 and the doubles brought in 9 points and an 11-4 victory. Again the two Brians played perfect games.

Three consecutive wins and Lilywhite euphoria reached an unprecedented level. Uniforms were issued to all members. The vinyde busbies, patent leather wellies and red, white and blue Y-fronts (or "union-jock straps") complete the Lilywhite strip, when worn with the splendid shirts kindly donated by Louis T. Leonowens. (No mention of those epileptic welding alloys either)

Regrettably Golfer's Lounge and Ladda's were not impressed by the Lilywhite dartzorial elegance and two defeats followed. Upon return to the home ground for a rescheduled match with VFW the Club won a cliffhanger, when Robin Polglase and the current nai, despite being slightly Klostered, won the final doubles, making it 8-7. However in the next match the Joker Club had the last laugh edging the Lilywhites 9-6. Once again the same Chartered Bankmen represented the Club in the all-important final doubles, about as successfully as the Chartered Bank drip mats absorb beer. Nong proved she could fill the triple top slot as well as she can the new L.T.L. shirts and was top scorer for the Club with 125.

The final match of the period under review against coca-cola-fueled sharp-shooters CPA caught the Lilywhites on an (other) off-night. Nais one and two won the Club's tally of two points in their singles, the remaining Lilywhites being left on the tarmac. Bryan Cornish, attempting a repeat of his debut match (when he defeated Rendezvous ace Lek Kledpee) and Neil Carter, with a very accurate spread of arrows both came within a whisker of grounding their singles opponents.

The league programme continues on Thursday evenings, but in addition there will be a Jubilee Darts Fest on Sunday 26th June to enable members to check out the sporting facilities of the new bar. All are welcome to pit their skills at both darts and repartee against the Lilywhite veterans, who will be there in force (or else) says your captain. Valuable prizes will be at stake and those vocal bar-prop critics will have a chance to show us how to stick all three in. Throw off will be at 2.00 p.m. - for further details watch the notice board.

Has any avid darticle watcher noticed that this month's contribution contains absolutely no mention of Ray Roberts?.... See you on the 26th!

SQUASH SECTION

LEAGUE RESULTS

Winners and runners - up for the 14th league were:

<u>Division</u>	<u>Winner</u>	<u>Runner-Up</u>
1	Len Alexander	John Weymouth
2	Robin Polglase	Brian Thompson
3	Lloyd Perryman	Bob Church
4	Alistair Lapping	Arthur Phillips
5	Len Joyce	Bob Shedden
6	Bruce Murdoch	Richard Bones
7	Trevor Whalley	Gilles Poirier
8	Geoff Davis	Walter Ford
9	John Lenehan	Gordon Mason
10	Andrew Hurrell	Dick Souter
11	Mike Anthony	Vera Comerford
12	Diana De Vries	Avril Holgate

NEW HANDICAP SERIES

All squash players please note details of a new handicap knock-out competition accompanying this newsletter. Len Alexander claims the top players never win this one; and the handicapper promises he'll be right. So be in it and enjoy a different game of squash.

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Results

5 April - Bisque Bogey

Winner: Mary Fay + 4
Putting: Pat Jowett 29 Putts

12 April - Stableford

Winner: Magda Ivanov 32 Points
Nearest Pin: Jean Sprott

19 April - Stableford

Winner: Gunilla Franstrom 33 Points
Putting: Pat Perry

26 April - Monthly Medal

Winner: Silver Pat Perry 70 Net
Winner: Bronze Pat Parker 69 Net
Putting: Pat Perry

June Events

Tuesday 7 June - Par Bisque Competition

Starter: Sheila Neville (3916000)
Scorer: Pat Jowett

Tuesday 14 June - Stableford Competition

Starter: Jean Sprot (2528487)
Scorer: Terry Lenaghan

Tuesday 21 June - Best Nines Competition

Starter: Hisako Robinson (2862210)
Scorer: Pat Jowett

Tuesday 28 June - Monthly Medal Competition

Starter: Jean Sprot (2528487)
Scorer: Sheila Neville

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