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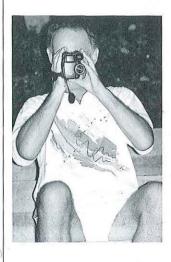
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# FROM THE EDITOR

### Dear Readers,

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irst I have to correct a statement made in last months Outpost by Ms Gaynor de Wit that Mrs Joy Masood is the first lady General Committee Member of the BC. It would be totally unfair to forget the excellent efforts of Mrs Kenda Harris who was a Committee Member in 1991 for Entertainment and who built up a very successful Entertainments Diary for the British Club at the time of her reign. Hopefully Mrs Masood will not be the last Lady to join the Committee, and maybe we will see more lady members joining in and holding portfolios which are not so obviously feminine, like entertainment and food and beverage. Good luck to Joy, who has taken on a hell of a job, trying to keep everyone happily eating and drinking away is no mean feat.

Saturday 19 June is Fathers Day, so kids make dad a card and treat him extra nice, he might take you out for a meal! On 21 June it is the Longest Day in the UK and summer officially begins.

What about the rains then last month? Spectacular or what? We attended a rugby function at the British Club and left there at around 11.30pm whilst the water was almost sloshing into the club house. What seems like a whole team of rugby players piled into our car for a lift to Patpong. It took us one hour to get from the BC to that famous entertainment centre, and the boys were amazed at the amount of water. By then I had mentioned that my feet were in the water, but sitting on hubbies lap, he obviously had other things on his mind. The men all piled out of the car and someone shouted to us: Could you give us a ride? And in piled four German tourist who asked if we could take them to somewhere near the Rembrandt Hotel as they had



been stuck on Silom, with no taxis available for the last hour or so. Of course we could, and off we went. Why is it that drivers, who must know better than us how to drive in flooded roads, always almost let the engine stall, and we sit there with baited breath, praying it won't. The clutch suffered quite a bit too, but then Mai Pen Rai whose car is it anyway? An hour later we arrived at Soi 18 and left the Germans to wade across the road into their Soi. They all thought this was the best thing that had ever happened to them in their lives, (can't be an awful lot going on in the Homeland) and said they could not have planned it better themselves. They were going back to the hotel to get their cameras and do some singing in the rain impressions for Fati and Mutti, in case they did not believe the oral reports.

Three hours after leaving the BC we arrived home, with wet feet and a smelly car, through our usually flooded soi which for the occasion had transformed itself into a fast flowing river, with tidal waves and rapids.

On Sunday my sister telephoned to say, that television reports in Holland had actually shown the flooded roads of Bangkok and the reporter announced that Bangkokians were advised not to leave their houses the next day to go to work as traffic would be at a complete standstill. Of course we never heard this on the local news and as Sunday is a day of rest we did not venture out until 5.30 when all that was left of the floods, were streets littered with rubbish and branches of trees etc. I still remember the first time I saw Bangkok flooded, 4 years ago, and how we sailed back home in the car to get our camera to record this event for posterity. Good fun, as long as you don't have to walk through it and your house escapes the water. Or not.....?

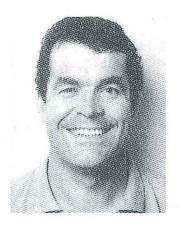
Hello??? Anybody out there? Did you all forget my requests for literary contributions to Outpost or are there no writers at all among the BC membership? Please put pen to paper and let us know how you feel about the Club, Bangkok, Thailand, the Worlds, the Universe ... anything at all. I look forward to hearing from you.

> Bea Grunwell Editor

PS. Maybe it's time to change my photograph which comes along with the Editors Page, Iam being accused of "Crutch-like" behaviour and people are actually accusing me of putting my younger sister's photograph in Outpost. Well life begins at 40 so they say, I will start the search for a more suitable contribution this month.

# From the Manager

# FROM THE MANAGER



really do think we have largely cracked the Membership card problem. After all we have had over 200 of the wretched things made in the last two months! But I can guarantee there are still some Members, or members of their families, who do not have these all important cards. In a very short space of time, when the imprinter system is in place, these cards will be required for all purchases at the Club. It takes several weeks to get these cards made, and the printer normally ruins one card in ten in the manufacturing process, so please if you do not have a blue plastic ID style membership card, then apply for one at the reception desk as soon as possible. All you need is a passport size photo and to sign a blank card at the Reception.

Now that we run our own membership computer it is vital that we are kept informed about any change of Member's circumstances. If you change home/office address, telephone number, husband, wife or even motor car, then please tell us.

A recent check on a Sunday counted 15 cars in the car park without car passes. A similar check on Membership at the Club carried out at the same time indicated that all the owners of these cars (bar one who was with a Member in the Bar) were Members. One hopes that that is why they were allowed in to the Club. Please if you do not have a car pass, all you have to do is apply at Reception! If you need a car pass... just ask!

At last we have sorted out the locker allocations in the Ladies and Genetlemen's changing rooms at poolside. There are now many lockers available in both areas. There is a small rental charge and an even smaller monthly rental. If you would like a locker, then just contact Khun Nok, the Membership Secretary.



Finally, Members will be delighted to hear that two of our Staff have recently got married! Plainly even if some things at the Club fail to excite, romance blossoms in the Churchill Bar! Many congratulations to the Churchill Bar Staff members Khun Chanupan and Khun Pradap who married at Saphanburi on 17 May.

> David Viccars General Manager

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### **STAFF INCENTIVE SCHEME**

If you find any member of staff particularly helpful, please fill in the form below and send to Mr. David Viccars, to recommend this staff member for the quarterly staff incentive bonus. Line managers are not eligible for this bonus as they will be helping the Manager balancing the votes from the membership.

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CLUB NUMBER .....

# Management News

# MANAGEMENT NEWS

### BACK COPIES OF OUTPOST

Many thanks to one of our longest standing Members, Mr. R. Wood of Chiang Mai for offering the Club the missing copies of Outpost as mentioned in a previous issue. The Club now has all copies of Outpost and it's forbearers. On reading the earlier issues we seem to be facing very similar problems now to those the Club wrestled with some 20 years ago !

### USING THE MEM-BERSHIP CARDS AND IMPRINTERS

All things being equal June, or possibly July, will see the introduction of the imprinters to the Club. All outlets will have an imprinter and we will take an impression of your Membership card when you make a purchase. Please remember to carry your cards! If you still do not have a proper Membership card then please notify the Manager as soon as possible.

### POOLSIDE RESERVATION OF SUN LOUNGERS

Of late a curious continental custom seems to have become fashionable at poolside, especially at weekends, could we ask that Members do not lay claim to more chairs, loungers etc then they require for their immediate use ... thank you.

### CHILDREN'S POOL WATER QUALITY

Members will have noticed (or rather their children will!) the improvement in water quality in the childrenûs pool. Mrs. Orin Baldwin has kindly donated a water purification/ionisation device for the children's pool and this excellent piece of modern technology has really done wonders for the water quality in the pool. Many, many thanks to Mrs. Baldwin.

### **BRISBANE CLUB**

Members will wish to be aware that our reciprocal arrangements with the Brisbane Club have been terminated.

### **INSERTS**

At their April meeting the Committee decided, to allow advertisers to put inserts into the Outpost. The Committee feels that this useful source of revenue will go someway towards easing the financial pressure on the magazine.

### AEROBICS CLASSES AT THE BC

The Aerobics classes every Wednesday and Friday at 9.30 in the morning put together with aerobics are still



Mrs Orin Baldwin

going well, why not join in? Contact Val Mather for details on 286 5384.

### CHILDREN'S SUMMER CAMP AT THE BC

We still plan to run a summer "camp" for children aged between 9 and 15 from 9.00 in the morning to 1.00 in the afternoon. The first week will be from 18 to 22 July with the programme being repeated from 25 to 29 July. We will be doing a range of activities, all professionally run, and the cost will be B2,500 per week, interested? ..... then contact the Manager.

# Entertainment

# **ENTERTAINMENT FOR JUNE, JULY**

The Entertainments Committee is proud to present the following highly amusing events for your immediate perusal. Hurry, hurry, hurry seats are limited, so book now at Reception!

### HAPPY HOUR

Did you know that this excellent institution exists in the Churchill Bar every Monday evening from 5.30 to 9.00pm. Come along and enjoy a drink at reduced price. Also of course every 1st Monday of the month an opportunity to meet new Members at the Suriwong room should not be missed. Do you remember your first night at the Club, make new Members feel at home, have a chat and show them the Bangkok way of doing things.

### **12 DAYS OF THE RAJ**

The British Club in conjunction with the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza delights your tastebuds with Indian snacks in the Churchill Bar and full meals in the Lords Restaurant until June 4th. If you have not made it in May don't miss it in June.

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### **BAR QUIZ**

The ever popular BAR QUIZ returns in its old format to the Churchill Bar on Wednesday 15, 22, 29 June and culminating in the final on 6th July. Everyone is welcome, please put a team together of 4 players of which three will represent the team on each night. Questions will be on general knowledge, entertainment, sport, etc. So no specific subject knowledge is necessary, just a little bit of everything. Speed along, book your team up for this spectacular event. Prizes for Brainiest British Club Team are available. Booking form elsewhere in this magazine.

### KNIGHT OF THE ROUND TABLE

25th June at the Suriwong Room. A spectacular evening of medieval entertainment, banquet, juggling, jousting, jesting and jeering. Please come dressed up (if you can, but don't let it put you off) in medieval costume, bring sword (toothpicks) and good humour and have a Knight to remember. Serving wenches are not available after hours. Entertainment provided by professionals and amateurs and should you feel the need to show of your skills, please jump up and show us what you're made of.

### **CHILDREN'S SPORT CAMP**

From 18 July to 22 July and 25 July to 29 July the British Club will be the sporting Club of Bangkok for youngsters from 9 years and older. They can be coached in cricket, snooker, squash, tennis, swimming, rugby and any other sport available by professional coaches. A course lasts for one week, every day from 9 am 'til 1 pm, costs are B2,500 per child. Sign you child up too, entry forms elsewhere in this magazine. These should reach the manager by 1st July latest, for him to be able to plan this event.

### SUGGESTION BOOK

If you have any ideas or suggestions please use the suggestion books available at reception or in the Suriwong Sala. All these suggestions are acted upon if at all possible by the relevant Committee Members and replied to by these Members on the page opposite your suggestion at the next Committee Meeting. Members participation, constructive criticism, helpful hints and suggestions are a must in a Members Club. So next time you have a brainwave, don't let it pass, make your way to the BC and write it down!

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# New Members

New Members Night is becoming a very popular item on the British Club agenda. May 3rd, saw another packed Suriwong Room with 27 prospective Members and spouses invited. Most of them turned up and unfortunately I did not get to interview them all. So apologies to the following people Glen Baker, Watcharin Leigharahathorn, Anant Leigharahathorn, Phumiphan Bunjapamai. I hope to catch up with you at a later date.



Graham and Fiona Burns. He is the Business Development Manager of Commercial Union and they've been in Bangkok for 3 weeks. They hail from Glasgow and have two boys Andrew (8) and Steven (6) in Patana School. Graham enjoys badminton and swimming and Fiona likes water aerobics and used to do voluntary work with pre school children in Scotland and hopes to do the same here.



David English, poor man had to supply his own photograph as the camera gave up on me once again. Is a Superintendent for Christiani Nielsen and used to work on the Channel Tunnel. He is married to Michelle who was babysitting Elliot (7) and Oliver (4). He enjoys snooker and squash and Michelle likes squash and she plans to take up tennis again.



Jackie and Tony Price. He is the Marketing Director for Caltex. Jackie enjoys tennis, water aerobics and plays some bridge. Tony plays tennis, squash and anything else that is going. They have 2 children Katie (13) and James (11) who both go to ISB. They have been here for 4 months and live out near the school. They plan to be exemplary members of the club, so we will look forward to this new kind of membership.



Matthew Willcox is Irish and works for Ogilvy and Mather as their Director of the Accounts Department. He is a talkative, entertaining single person and has been here for 6 weeks. He informed me he had his passport stolen in Rotterdam, I don't know what I could do about that, but Mai Pen Rai. Trish recommended he'd join the British Club and he reckons he'll have a good time playing cricket, football and working out in the gym.



Whitney Small, described as the Advertising Whizzkid Extraordinaire by Trish, is the Managing Director of Burson & Marstellar and has been in Thailand for 2 1/2 years. She is

# New Members

originally from Maine in the U.S. but has been in South East Asia for a long time. Her great grandfather is Danish and Whitney speaks fluent Mandarin. She was in Hong Kong and Taiwan before coming to Thailand. She is single, plays squash and a mean game of snooker and looks forward to take on the BC snooker section single handed.



Adrian and Pat Rathmell from Yorkshire and Phillipines resp have been here for 6 months. He is here with Siber Hegner a company that trades in watches, pens, raw materials and technical products. Pat is a face painter which she does for private parties and commercial purposes. She says she gets a lot of satisfaction out of making children (and grown ups) look good with her different designs. Adrian likes tennis, flower arranging and buffalo hunting and Pat plays tennis. They have 2 girls aged 5 and 10.



John and Viv Sudding have been here for 1 1/2 years, their excuse for not joining before was that it took them this long to save up for the membership fees. They are from Aberdeen and have 3 children, 1 girl aged 15 in Patana School and the other two in the UK. John enjoys work, work, work and golf and Viv is a SKIP volunteer and helps in the SKIP school and is learning Thai.

Nick and Karen Helms have been here for a week. Nick is 6'4" and is here with NZ Insurance. They have two boys, the 5 year old goes to the New International School and the 2 year old keeps his mum busy. They spent 1 year in Singapore before joining us in Bangkok. Nick is a serious runner and is a member of World Sports Action. Karen is learning to play bridge and has just finished her first book in 5 years.



Robert and Jemima Morrison have been here for 4 weeks and come from Chichester UK. Robert is here with ICI Agricultural Section and they have three children, 2 boys aged 9 and 7, and a girl aged 5. Mike Poustie reckons he is going to give Robert some golf coaching as he is working far to hard. Jemima looks forward to playing tennis and aerobics at the BC.



Ravinder (Ravi) and Bhupind Ghat, he has been in Thailand for 6 years and Bhupind was born here. He runs IMCS a consultants and surveying company. They have 2 children a boy of 3 and a girl of 5. Ravi enjoys cricket and badminton and is involved with youth cricket in Thailand, his team were the champions last year and the other team he manages won the Chiang Mai 6's. Bhupind enjoys swimming and is involved with charity work. There was a very romantic story about them meeting going round, but you would have to ask Ravi and Bhupind about it yourselves.



Stephen Byron and Donna Thornal are married and totally confused Dugal Forrest. He told them : "Oh yes, we did have

# New Members

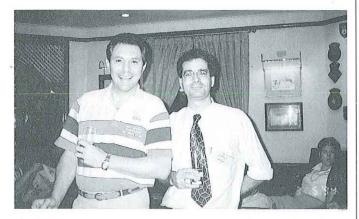
a couple like you before here." Stephen is here with Chindler & Thon-Ek and is a solicitor and Donna is a photographer and also a lawyer. Stephen is a keen rugby player but had a ligament torn in the States whilst playing with some big Americans, but looks forward to being back in shape soon. He also plays guitar and enjoys folk music, to which Donna singsalong. (Prospects for next years No Talent Night?? B.) Donna is in the market for commercial photography and just finished a project in Pattaya.



Robert and Carolyn McClory from Australia both work for the Australian Embassy, he is the Consul and she works part time in the administrative section. They have been here for 5 weeks and have two grown up daughters in Australia. One of whom is a very well known actress and appears regularly on television. She sends them all her tapes and Robert and Carolyn are ardent fans. Robert enjoys theatre, classical music and cooking and does all the culinary jobs around the house. Carolyn used to clean up after him but she does not have to do that here as they have a maid. She also enjoys theatre, classical music and is a very good seamstress and enjoys reading.



Alex and Shirley Berdon (Oz) have been here for 2 years and have visited the BC before with friends and decided to join because they like the atmosphere in the Club. He is the Managing Director for Woodhead Firth Lee an Architectural company. Shirley was having a hard time answering my impertinent questions and said all she wanted to put in Outpost is that she loves children and that Alex enjoys work, watching sports especially rugby and cricket. They have two children in Australia.

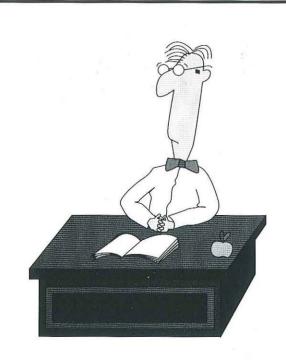


Karim Kumaly is here with Rovithai and is the Aquaculture Manager. They supply 70% of feed for the shrimp and fish industry in Thailand. He is single, was in the Netherlands before with BP and spent most of his time in China. He comes from Kenya originally and is half Irish, half Kenyan. He was at University with Chris Kirk in Bangor. He enjoys swimming, squash, golf and football.



Steven Britton is here with Asia Marketing and is half Thai, half American. He has been coming to the BC since he was 4, knows most of the staff and now hopes to be a member in his own right. He has played rugby for the BC a few years ago and hopes to take it up again. At the moment the Spoofers have him in their clutches, but hopefully Jim Howard will make him come back on the rugby pitch soon. He is joining the badminton section on Sunday. He is not married but has a girlfriend, which he says is almost the same as being married.

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Mr Keith Bell President St George's Society c/o The British Club 189 Surawongse Road BANGKOK 10500

29 April 1994

Dear Keith,

### RE: CHARITY CONTRIBUTIONS

This is to acknowledge your letter dated 15 April 1994, containing news of the St. George's Society's extremely generous donation of Baht 100,000 to the 'KHUN PISAMAI MEMORIAL FOUNDATION'. I will raise the matter at the next British Club Committee Meeting and will ensure that your society receives suitable acknowledgement for its kindness.

Best regards,

Yours sincerely,

Nigel Oakins Chairman

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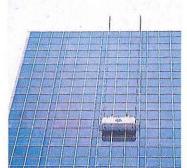
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# Golf

### BRITISH CLUB VS BANGKOK WANDERERS APRIL 24

Our annual match against the Wanderers for the "Magpie Putter" was held at Subhapruek GC using a 2-ball Texas Scramble strokeplay format, with the lowest 10 nett scores were used to decide the winner of the Magpie Putter. The handicapping system used was one-quarter of the total handicap of each pair, taken to 2 decimal places so as to avoid the possibility of any ties.

At the start of the day it looked like each side would field 12 teams apiece, so the two highest scores from each team could be discarded. However, it turned out the opposition had no-shows and could only field 10 pairs against our 12, so the Wanderers had to hope that all of their pairings scored well. After 8 groups had finished, the Wanderers were marginally ahead of us but once all of the scores were in and our two worse scores discarded, the B.C. emerged as winners by 683 strokes to 695.

The leading scores for our side were:

	Gross	Team Handicap	Nett
Geoff Lamb & Mike Burnett	72	9.5	62.5
Eric Hudson & Angela Poustie	73	9.75	63.25
Dugal Forrest & Joan Jurgens	76	10.5	65.5

This year the Wanderers very kindly provided the prizes for the winning pairs as well as the technical prizes.

Overall it was a very enjoyable days' golf and the format certainly made things interesting. At present this is the only occasion during the year at which we play a Texas Scramble and it would seem from the favourable response from our members that this format should perhaps be played more often.

### **DUNLOP CUP**

This year the Dunlop Cup was held over the Songkran holiday at three courses in the Pattaya environs. DUNLOP THAILAND were once again generous sponsors and indeed this is the 26th year of their sponsoring this pairs event. The first days' qualifying round was held at Laem Chabang GC with 10 pairs playing a best-ball nett format. The four successful qualifying teams were:

Lynda and Peter Hunt	Nett 62
David Lamb and David Williamson	Nett 65
Angela Poustie and Sue Baker	Nett 66
Dugal Forrest and John Coxon	

The teams who were unsuccessful in qualifying for the Dunlop Cup automatically went through to compete for the Dunlop Plate over the following two days.

The semi-finals were played at Sri Racha GC with the format being matchplay. Both matches were very close with Angela and Sue beating Lynda and Peter 2 and 1, and Dugal and John just pipped the two Davids by 1 hole. The final, played at Khao Keow GC was nip and tuck with the ladies putting up a fight all the way. However, Dugal and John eventually prevailed by 2 and 1 to win the Dunlop Cup.

In the Plate event, which was a best-ball nett event over two days at Sri Racha and Khao Keow, the winners were Mike Poustie and Mike Baker, whose score was 122. Runners-up were Roy and Phillip Barrett.

Luckily no one got too drenched at any of the courses over the Songkran Holiday and everyone enjoyed the outing and the competitions. Many thanks are due to David Lamb of DUNLOP THAILAND who donated all the prizes for the three days.

Happy Golfing,

David Hudson Captain 3

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# BCLG



# **INAUGURAL CUP**

The 3rd Annual Inaugural Cup sponsored by RHONE POULENC was played at the Royal Golf Course on April 3, 1994. The format of the competition was a challenge between BCGS vs BCLG, the ten best stableford scores from each teams determined the winners.

BCGS beat BCLG by a slim margin of 4 points. BCGS 338 - BSLG 334.

The trophy was presented to Dugal Forrest of the BCGS by Vice Captain Gail Paoli.



Dugal Forrest receiving The Inaugural Cup from Vice-Cap. Gail P.

The winners were:

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"A" Division:	1st – Dugal Forrest 2nd – Gary Paoli 3rd – Geoff Rydon	42 36 on Lower H'cap 36
"B" Division:	1st – Robbie Selwyn 2nd – Alexi Hughes 3rd – Lavita Hughes	37
Near Pins :	Dugal, Lavita, Geoff, Ron	

Long Drives: Ladies - Christine, Men - Geoff

On behalf of the BCLG a very special thanks to Mr. Chris Gathing, Managing Director of RHONE POULENC for his continuing support.

### CASTROL CUP

Twenty ladies adorned in Castrol shirts, competed this year for the Castrol Cup Trophy at Muang Ake Golf Course on April 26, 1994.

On behalf of the BCLG I would sincerely like to thank Mr. Bryan Baldwin for his generosity in sponsoring this event once again.



Castrol Team ! Missing Nena, Vera, Barbara & Sandra.



1st, 2nd and 3rd Winner – Castrol Cup.

The format of the competition this year was "Bogey". In spite of the hot weather it was an enjoyable day and the prizes were appreciated by all the winners as well as the T-shirts and caps

The winners:

1st Prize and the

Castrol Cup	-	Lavita Hughes	c/b from	0 (16)
2nd Prize		Sally Knoll	c/b from	
3rd Prize	-	Ade Bolding		-1 (22)
4th Prize	-	Livia Dijkstra		-1 (25)
5th Prize		Vera Nickolay		-1 (36)

Long Drive: Silver - Magda Rutten, Bronze I - Sue Burley, Bronze II Anette Pendergast Near Pins: #6 - 8 - 17 Maud Linck, #17 Barbara Wehrle



Girls from BCLG Diana Lamb. Joanie, Vera, Gill, Judy, Rita & Lavita.

# Snooken

# SNOOKER

At last, at long last!! The new snooker section is taking off. The recent response into activating the ladder has proved to be a tremendous success. Many thanks to the enthusiastic people who took the time to fill in their applications to join the ladder. The new ladder rules have resulted in the snooker room being used more frequently than before. It is very encouraging to see new names appearing, and from what I've heard, some cracking players too!!

In the not too distant future, the light metres will be changed to accept 10 Baht coins. The existing tokens are expensive to produce and if a few are held in pockets (I've heard that one members has a car full of the things) there aren't enough to go round, so that is the reason for the change.

There are fourteen snooker clubs in and around Bangkok. If we can stimulate enough enthusiasm, it is hoped that in the future we can join a league, and see what the other clubs are up to.

The new committee has some jolly good ideas, but remember, it is up to you, the players, to come forward, show us that you are willing to play on a regular basis. Only then can we implement our ideas for your enjoyment and benefit. The snooker room is yours, so use it, or lose it!

Do your kids want to learn how to play snooker?? Ring Trixie, we can arrange tuition for children over 4'6". Ladies how about you? Would you like to be instructed in the art of potting balls?? It is fun, and remember, you don't have to be good at it to enjoy it.

*Trixie Brann* Tel 385 8794 ( )

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1st Team ready to play in the Farang League

# Richard Ellis sponsor British Club Football Kit

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Richard Ellis (Thailand) Co Ltd has kindly sponsored the Football Section's new kit.

On 31 March the new kit was handed over by Khun Aliwassa Pathanadabutr, Director of Richard Ellis (T) to Ron Aston, Chairman of the BC Soccer Section. Ron had a great times with some ladies modelling the brand new kit, maybe now its time for a ladies soccer section?

Thanks to RICHARD ELLIS for their generous sponsorship.

Ron having a good time with the ladies modelling the kit



Khun Aliwassa and Ron Aston

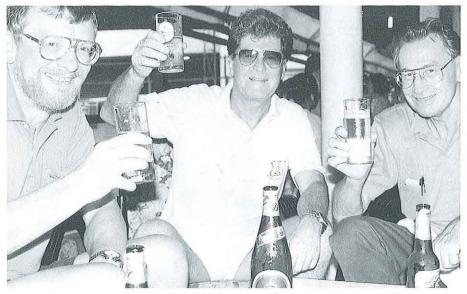


# Badminton

Now when I told you last month that we could sit back and relax and let the other sections bust a blood vessel trying to win the coveted Racquet Day Trophy... I didn't quite mean to let the Tennis section win it!! And for us to come a rather embarrassing last! Ne'er be minding, at least it was a fun day.

unday 24th April dawned hot and humid as the 22-strong troupe of Badmintonians assembled at the Bang Rak courts at 11am, along with a confident Tennis lot and a rather sparse sprinkling of Squash. Being generous and having three too many male and a couple too many female players willing to play badminton, we generously 'subbed' a couple of our number to the Squash section so that their sole two women weren't completely knackered for the squash game which followed. The Tennis section again managed to produce a couple of surprise reasonable players, as well as having the fairly lethal Vanessa Barrington-Johnson on their side - she obviously knows how to pick winning teams, she was with us last year!.

There were some close matches (as well as several one-sideds), and I think most people enjoyed themselves. Judging by some of the comments I heard later, some of the Tennis number were considering our noble game on a more regular basis, let's hope we see them again soon! It was also said that badminton had been the hardest, guickest and hottest of the three sports that day, which goes to show what a fit lot we must be (well, I've got to believe that, haven't I? - G). Any suggestion that in future people who have never played before should have a go anyway to become all-rounders was firmly squished when one Tennis lady, Joy, slipped awkwardly on the



The lads and a deserved beer after their Racquet Day exertions



admittedly-slippy courts while diving for a shot and hurt her back. That unfortunate injury aside, I did find it quite amusing that the (real) tennis players stood out like sore thumbs, coz they were diving for the shuttle expecting some resistance when they hit it (like in tennis), and when there wasn't any, they found themselves still running onto the next court or falling flat on their faces. It was an art form!

Personally, I put our rather lamentable loss down to four factors: one, that the Tennis section learned their lesson from last year and put a smaller but stronger team out, which made considerable gains in all sports but especially in their own; two, that your David "explaining" why the Racquet Trophy isn't ours any more. 1

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Committee's attempt (I refuse to take all the blame - G) to get as many of you Badmintonians participating as possible, which lead to far too many men eligible for most sports and not nearly enough women, as is notably the way when I organise something perhaps meant compromising on strength in some areas, i.e. not going strictly for the leanest and meanest; three, for adopting a 'fair game' strategy instead of a 'who can we beat the easiest' strategy - come back Taew, you were right! - and finally, four, that we perhaps were lacking a little of that killer instinct that was an essential part of our success last year?

Whatever, our team played as well as can be expected for the most

# Badminton



Tennis, Squash and us at the Bang Rak Courts



Spot the Badmintons on the tennis courts !

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part, given that our two lady squash players had to play four matches each, and our lady tennis players were pretty stretched, too! For the record, our rabble comprised (with sports played in brackets):

Joan Adams (B,S,T); newcomer John Auld (B,S); Neil Barrington-Johnson (B,T); Anne Beasley (B,T); newcomer David Blowers (S); honorary Badmintonian for distinguished performances David Bryant (S); Katy Cherdrumphai (B) and Henry (B,T); Georgiana Crocker-White (B) and David (B,T); Gaynor de Wit (B for Squash, T); Stephen Forbes (B,T) and Alex (T); Janet Gething (B,T) and Chris (B,T); El Leicester (B) and John (B,S); Peter McCullen (B); David Overington (B for Squash, S); Steve Rees (B,S); Wanna Whittaker (B,S) and Barry (B for Squash),

Special mentions for recently-returned-to-Bangkok Joan Adams who managed all three sports and only agreed to fill this gap when persuaded at the St Georges Ball the previous night (My tactics are unquestionable-G); and to John Auld and David Blowers, nice to see newcomers taking part; and to all those who played sports that they hadn't played for a long time or had only just taken up, like Anne and David CW for their brave tennis efforts and Joan and Wanna for their squash marathons. Well done for a good day's play, and next year we'll fight for our cup back with a vengeance!!

Here come the grovelling apologies: Due to holidays, absences (of mind as well as body) and a tidbit of uncharacteristic disorganisation on the half of your Committee, Pattaya didn't happen for us this hot season, and judging by how murderous it was to play sport at this quick-roasting time of year, this may have prevented a few deaths. Nevertheless, we are still hoping to hold a return match later in the year, possibly in the next couple of months, and this time we hope to make it a definite date with a full-strength team fielded. Peter and Pauline are waiting in suspenders to play us!

Looking ahead, we are hoping to hold another third Sunday tournament this month, especially if we didn't get around to it last month (these things are only organised a month in advance, not enough time to make it into Outpost). To save you looking it up, the third Sunday is the **19th**, and the venue is Bang Rak courts at 11am, as usual. This one is hoped to be a handicapped American tournament, or something which is far easier to work than it sounds. As ever, we'd like to see as many of you as possible!

No Gaynor-Guide this month. Like the solutions to the Bangkok Post crosswords on occasion, my subscribed Private Eyes and my British Club bills (ahem), the Gaynor-Guide has been a victim of an as yet unexplained hyper internal postal screwup during March/April. Did you know my bank statement for April took 29 days to travel all of one kilometre? That's approximately 35 metres a day. I can walk faster, and that's saying something.

Cheers!

Lek Farang XXX

# Calendar

### BRITISH CLUB - SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAMME, JUNE 1994

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
2		1 6-8 am Early Bird Tennis Mix-In 9.30 am Aerobics 5-8 pm Squash Coaching 6-9 Tennis Mix-In 12 Days of the Raj	2 7-9 pm Rugby Training 7-9 pm Badminton 6-9 pm Squash Mix-In 12 Days of the Raj
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8-10 am Ladies Tennis 9 am BWG Mahjong 5-8 pm Squash Coaching 5.30-9 pm Happy Hour 7-9 pm Badminton 8 pm Tennis Practice 8 pm New Members Night	7 am Ladies Golf 8 pm Bridge 7-9 pm Football Training 9 pm Gentlemen's Spoo	6-8 am Early Bird Tennis Mix-In 9.30 am Aerobics 5-8 pm Squash Coaching 6-9 pm Tennis Mix-In	7-9 pm Rugby Training 7-9 pm Badminton 6-9 pm Squash Mix-In
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**OPENING TIMES** 

### VENUES

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POOLSIDE BAR	7.30 am-10 pm	BADMINTON (SUNDAYS)	<ul> <li>NEAR BANGRAK POLICE STATION</li> </ul>	Children's Sports
FITNESS CENTRE	Mon-Sat 6 am-9 pm Sun + Hols 9 am-9 pm	BADMINTON (MONS-THUR	S) – SOI KLANG RACKET CENTRE	9th July Tennis S
THAI MASSAGE	Tues-Sun 9 am-5 pm	LADIES GOLF	- AS ADVERTISED	

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FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
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9.30 am Aerobics 6-9 pm Tennis Coaching 9 pm Accumulator Lucky Draw	8-10 am Childrens Tennis 10-12 noon Tennis Coaching 4.30 pm Casuals Football	11 am-1 pm Badminton 9-11 am Tennis Childrens Round Robin 1 pm Squash Handicap
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# Squash

The speed and complexity with which the upper echelons of the Squash Ladder have been changing recently rivals the machinations of that ongoing Japanese Soap Opera: "Who is going to be Prime Minister this week?"

Firstly, the lad Dunford returned from England where he is supposedly studying something to do with engineering. However, as he returns to Thailand each time fitter, faster and more devastating with the racquet, we can only conclude that the modern curriculae allow plenty of latitude for chasing little black balls with yellow dots around!!

Wearing his jet-lag lightly and pausing for a "pizza-with-the-works" en route from Don Muang, the lad blithely dismissed Paul Taylor to gain the Number One slot.

Not for long though. Word quickly reached the "Rambo of the Racquet" Dick Anwar, who put the lad in his place 3-0. Chris (sartorial) Platt then knocked Rambo of the coveted pedestal reaching the top spot for the first time in 9 years of playing at the BC. His joy lasted only one day however, and as I write David Bryant, te famous father, is now reigning supremo.

Honestly, it is better than "Neighbours" down in the torrid heat of the squash courts these days!!

Enough scuttlebutt, on to weightier matters. Marvyn Lewis has been doing sterling work in trying to get an unruly bunch of contractors in line on the Court 3 refurbishment project. We now anticipate that said court will echo once again to the exertions of the glorious game by June (this year).

The winners of the March League were as follows:

Division	1:	David Bryan
Division	2:	Paul Taylor
Division	3:	Bryan Dodd
Division	4:	Jack Dunford
Division	5:	No Winner
Division	6:	No Winner
Division	7:	Steve Eggelhoefer
Division	8:	Wayne Needoba
Division	9:	Matthew Overington
Division	10:	No Winner

Division	11:	Roy Barrett
Division	12:	Kamal Sandarusi
Division	13:	David Turner

Note the peripatetic presence of mister "No Winner". We all know there's traffic, trips and hangovers to contend with - but please try and get those games played if you sign up. 15

The Harold Mercer Cup was completed in April, with Messrs Taylor, Campbell, Sütter, Lamb and Dodd taking the honours by a healthy margin.

Up-coming events for your personal organisers now. The Mens Closed Club Championship - aka "The Don Johnson Cup" will be held throughout the month of June. Well worth signing up for, as those poor unfortunates who get hammered in the First Round, get a second chance in the wonderfully named "Para Handy Plate" competition.

The finals of both Cup and Plate will be the last weekend of the month, with well-deserved refreshments afterwards.

In August we have the Handicap Tournament (my handicap is that I can't play squash very well) running throughout the month, with the finals again during the last weekend. Again, there's a plate competition for first round losers.

Finally, as an incentive for squashies to mount more ladder challenges, the most avid "challenger: over each two month period will get free entry in the subsequent league (if they still have any energy left to play!). This system will start from May onwards - so to paraphrase the great Welsh rugby coach, Carwyn James: "get your challenges in early".

Happy squash-ing

Barry Daniel

# Tennis

Be thou a Celt, a Colonial, an Anglo or a Rebel with a Racquet, prepare to do battle to defend your nations' honour on Sunday 12th! In the meantime, you can all pat yourselves on the head, as in April we became the new holders of the Racquet Tournament trophy!!

ou could say that June amounts to a month of Sundays; apart from the Team Tourney on the 12th at 2pm, don't forget the juniors round robin on the 5th starting at 9am, the home match against the Thai Royal Navy on the 19th starting even earlier at 8am - you've got to be keen in this game - and how could we possibly forget the finals of the frail and the infirm ... sorry, the veterans, on 26th. Appreciating that although the elderly need less sleep they do require a more relaxed schedule, the first final will commence at 3pm. And in case of any over-zealous play on brittle bones by those who still think they're 21, it's a comforting thought that the Bangkok Nursing Home is nearby, n'est-ce pas?

But let's get back to the coup of 24th April, when superior organisation and a change in tactics ensured that we, the Tennis Section, triumphed in the Inter Racquet Section Tournament. Holding our own in the Badminton and Squash, we went on to thrash everyone in our own sport in the afternoon to produce a very convincing win. So for the next year, ours is the Racquet Day Cup, from which the celebratory wine was sipped by the Ladies Captain Eileen, who accepted the trophy from David Overington from the previous winners, Badminton, and by several of the remaining Tennis participants at the barbecue.

Excelling themselves on our team were: Chris Aspden, Vanessa Barrington-Johnson, Robyn Brook, John Bueno, Eileen Cook, David Ingham, Maurice Lamb, Joy and Mahmoud Masood, newcomer Keith Murray, Jon Prichard, Bruno Straub, Alessandra Tilby, Mike Weekes, Roger White, Anki Wibling, Carol Young.

A smaller team than last year, but several of our number were either away or had more pressing sporting arrangements elsewhere, and some of



The sweet taste of success – winning the Racquet Tournament !

those who did not read their fliers or the notice board, were therefore unaware of the tournament and turned up for the cancelled mix-in, were drafted into the Squash section. The fact that these people were on a nonwinning side should teach them to fill in and return their fliers in future!

OK, enough copious slapping of backs here, let's delve into April's diary:

### JUNIOR'S ROUND ROBIN – SUNDAY 3RD APRIL

This report submitted by Shelagh Weekes:

This the first of the first-Sunday Junior Round Robins kicked off at 9am. The participants, although few in number, were enthusiastic, and the matches were fiercely contested. So much so that Kate and Shelagh's "assistance with the scoring" became a full-time concentrated umpiring job from the "hot seats". Well done to David Lindsey, Michael and Darren Rayner, and Sarah and Tom Henton for some great tennis, and a special congratulations to the winner, Tom. Hope to see more of you at the Round Robin this mont (5th) ad on 3rd July.

### BIG'UNS ROUND ROBIN – 10TH APRIL

A simple Round Robin, this, nothing too complicated while Maurice was away in Blighty, and yet still your Vice Chairman Chris was

# Tennis





Sun and funshine in Pattaya

Robert and the secret of his great

progress:- inedible glop.

"too thick" (his words) to understand the rules. Fortunately, his better half Carol and old-hand Dave "the plague" Haworth, were around to help out on this bloody hot afternoon. The weather notwithstanding, there was a good turn-out of 24 people, just to throw Chris off track with the scoring completely. Some of the matches produced surprising results but this reflected the fact that in round robins your choice of partner is based on luck and can deeply influence your final position! Those with the most points at the end of the day were young Shah Platt in the men's half, who beat Bruno Straub into second place and Clive Tilby into third; and for the women Ladies Plate champ Alessandra Tilby triumphed over that sexy bit of skirt, Guy Hollis (!), with Eileen Cook coming in third. Amazingly, all of 18 people stayed behind for the barbie, which has to be a modern day record!

### PATTAYA TOUR – 29TH APRIL - 2ND MAY

You've just gotta read the news report on this elsewhere in this issue. Otherwise, despite the no-show of the competition on the day, explanation still pending, it was generally agreed to have been a sociable weekend, a welcome break and good fun for most if not all concerned. For some, like my good self, the lack of filth, dust, lubricating oil and heavy noxious gases in the bracing sea air took its toll, rendering us completely knackered as early in the evening as during the

barbecue, but some more hardy types

managed to drag themselves as far as

a bar or two in town! Must do it again sometime. That about rounds off April and nicely leads me into the league and ladder draw results section, and here's the miserable apology for the cock-up in the last ish: I said that the ladder results were the league results and then didn't include the league results, or something complicated like that. What it boils down to is that I didn't have any league results coz yet again, everything had been extended. However, I have these results here now:

February mixed double league:

League 1 No matches played - pathetic

League 2 Carol Young and Chris Aspden League 3 Marie moor and John Sands

and for the March singles league

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League 1 No matches played words fail me League 2 Steve Goode League 3 Joy Masood League 4 David Henton (Chris thinks)

League 5 Gisi van Walbeck League 6 Karen Hollis

The disgraceful conclusion to League 1 in both February and March was discussed by the Committee at the last meeting and it has been decided that in future, a player will only have competed satisfactorily in a league if at least two matches have been played. If you can't even manage two matches out of (usually) four, you will be dropped two places on the ladder, although mitigating circumstances may be offered to the Committee for their consideration. Tough punishment? If you think so, tell the Committee why. I personally find it hard to believe that only the better players have the most hectic work schedules; I reckon apathy has a lot to answer for. Under these guidelines, we should see no more of this extending business and hopefully a crackdown on laziness.

Marching on, July brings with it two very special events

1. <u>THE TENNIS SECTION SUM-</u> <u>MER PARTY</u> on Saturday 9th. More details as I have it, this

# Tennis



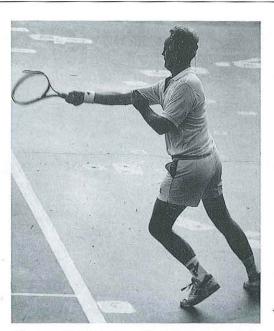
Maurice "Just-Call-Me-Scarface" Lamb, with the well-travelled whiteboard, in 'thinking' mood.

promises to be a social along the lines of the Christmas party, and look what fun that was the photos are still doing the rounds, especially those of the blow-jobs!

2. <u>THE AYUTTHAYA AWAYDAY</u> on Sunday 31st, a smashing day out to Ayutthaya, playing a match against a club yet to be named but

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Silhouette of a Superstar – dig that racquet angle !

resident in that beautiful ancient city; followed by lunch, some touring time and ending up with a cruise down the river back to the Big Smoke in the late afternoon. What a wonderful way to spend a Sunday.! Sign up as soon as possible.

I wholeheartedly recommend that you try to attend both of these,

this is what the Tennis Section is about - we're not all serve and volley you know!

Other odds and sods: full scoresheet of the Spring Pennant Ladies League not available at time of scribbling, but Eileen and Joy most definitely wiped the board in Division Two. There was due to be a luncheon at the Bali Indonesian Restaurant in Ruam Rudee in mid-May,instead of a round robin at the Club, at which the complete results were to be announced. More next month.

Old unpronounceable himself, Matthijs van den Broek (never heard two people pronounce this the same), is back this month for another sesh - I myself am thinking of stooping to rejoin it judging by the complete disintegration of my groundshots after all that fresh air on the coast. It's only a six-evening commitment, and worth it if you really want your shots checked and to get moving round a court a tad better. Come on, put that pride on the shelf and improve!

Thassabout it for this month, catch up with you soon!

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# MANAGEMENT NOTICE

### **TENNIS COURT DRYING SPONGE**

The Club has purchased a special drying mob/sponge to quickly soak up the water on the tennis courts after rain. These devices are very costly but will last a long time if used properly. There are simple written instructions, in both English and Thai, on boards by the 'sponge' on the Sala wall. Please ensure that these easy rules are being followed when the 'sponge' is being used and, more importantly, after it has been used. If the mop we have is spoilt, it will take many, many months to replace it!

# Tennis Tour

# THE BRITISH CLUB INVADES PATTAYA !!

by your intrepid reporter in pink with the pigtail.

ensions rose in and around Pattaya on the bank holiday Labour Day weekend in April/May as around 70 members of the notorious British Club of Bangkok Tennis Section under the command of Field Marshall Maurice were sighted executing a mass invasion of this sleepy seaside town(?), and cries of "Don't mention the barbecue!!" could be heard as far as the capital, Bangkok, by the remaining Tennis Committee. The US Navy, fearing a possible outbreak of mayhem, sent in a whopping supply ship and a frigate and there were even rumours of a sub located in Pattava Bay as the mob checked in at the Royal Cliff Hotel.

"Those arriving on the Friday evening were spotted carrying out an extensive reconnaissance of some of the local watering holes with military precision, covering several bars in relatively few hours. The quantity of drink consumed by those such as Pat and Bruno displayed the experience and professionalism of what was to come. Indeed, Pat demonstrated an incredible ability of unsteady non-movement on the Saturday morning on court, it was quite unique.

"The remainder of the insurgents arrived on the Saturday, and wasting not a moment on luxuries such as a kip 'round the pool, were soon in full battle dress on four of the hotel's tennis courts. Indeed, the sheer numbers of them overwhelmed the mind of even that famous war-strategist, Maurice, and a scheduled round robin was converted to a mix-in due to insufficient courts, in a brilliant move devised by the Field Marshall himself. Local snipers and observers hidden in the bushes were treated to a spectacular display of military manoeuvres as the troops of the BCB were put through their paces with a relative lack of formality. Ground shots were



Tennis Royal Cliff Style

commonplace, there were a considerable number of volleys and many a missile was smashed out of court. A sight to send a chill through the heart of all Brit-fearing locals.

"An outfit-change and several hours later, this sturdy group were to be seen near the beach restocking on their nutritional levels at a barbecue laid on especially for them, during which several of the enthusiastic cadet members continued their own specialised manoeuvres around the pool and between the tables, eating on the run (literally), and eventually completely running down their batteries. One can only but admire their dedication to the cause.

"The food at the barbecue was delicious and for the most part devoured, leaving only scraps for the poor waiters to take home, a further sign of the ruthlessness of these Bangkokians. There was no indication at this point that all the hoo-hah regarding the barbecue was at the forefront of anyone's mind, as everyone put their heads together on their particular tables and discussed tactics until late. Some die-hards continued these talks way into the night at different watering holes as had been reconned on the Friday night, yet another show of professionalism by not wasting resources in repetition.

"Sunday was the second full day of activity for the invading forces, and commenced early morning with coaching sessions for old and young, demonstrating the commitment to training which should be fundamental to all fighting machines. Following this, Field Marshall Maurice had organised an intellectual information-gathering exercise for the younger regiments, also known as a 'treasure hunt', stretching the kids' endurement to the extreme as the sun burned down a hot 38°C. It is a mark of excellence in their selection that they all completed this task. The group consisting of Sarah Henton, Caterina Tilby, Carly Young and Courtney Williams were the first to finish the course, although Hannah and Petra Stannard came out on top in the final count of objectives achieved.



"Do you reckon if we look exhausted the opposition might turn up?"



"Don't mention the Barbecue !"

# Tennis Tour



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"I see no ships!" Andy in tour-pose.

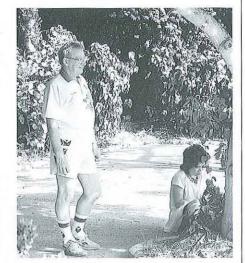
"Then came the object of the aggression: the match against the Swiss Society, who had been knocking up on the remaining two courts on the Saturday and Sunday morning. One can only assume, however, that the might of the BCB soldiers along with their sheer numbers had made a severe impact on the Swiss Society, as they were found to have made a strategic withdrawal when the time of battle came at 4pm. Having trained to a fitness peak for this moment of combat (I'm getting carried away here - G), there was obviously disappointment that the opposition would not even put up a fight, even if they were apparently fewer in number, but not to be downtrodden many played on in the blazing heat for several hours. It was during this period that a telex was received by F.M. Maurice, which stated:

"Hello Pattaya, this is the result of the panel in Bangkok: La Societe de la Suisse - nil points; Les BCB Warriors douze points. Thank you and good night!"

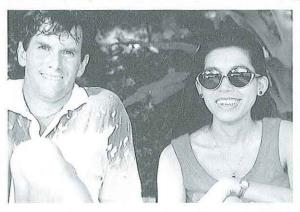
(It has to be noted that this telex may have been diverted from the Eurovision Song Contest, another gruelling competition requiring strength, stamina and considerable ear wax, which was happening almost simultaneously in another part of the world.)

"Notwithstanding this temporary set-back, several troopers went on to play many more games in a similar format as the previous day. Mirth was visible, as one young trooper (Robbie), having bitten





David with piled plate next to a statue of ... a BCB tennis player?



his Mum (Karen) on the shoulder, promptly buried his head between the legs of Andy, and everyone held their breath. Too late! For the first words Andy said were "Someone's pinched my balls!"

"On a more solemn note, one must not forget that there were victims on the BCB side: F.M. Maurice had to retire early due to mental exhaustion of supervising kids and was last seen that afternoon imbibing copious quantities of tea in the coffee shop; several of the members suffered degree burns due to various activities including island snorkelling, golf and simply lazing around the pool; those who accidentally extended their golfing activities (Archie) not only had burnt cheeks and arms from the sun by late-afternoon but also burnt eardrums for not allowing their wife to check out of their room in time; and spare a thought for the poor photographer who had saved her film waiting for some juicy match photos gory battle details and the final triumphant charge and trophy handover - only to have to struggle to get a semblance of players together next to a rather dapper sign on court. These are the forgotten heroes of war.

"Worse was to come. All hyped up and with noone to slay, the troops were ▲ Mr & Mrs Sands in leafy-grove-portrait mood.

Pat and Nor keeping eyes peeled for any sign of the Swiss.

baying for blood by the evening, so it was only inevitable that the final confrontation, the 'Pizzeria Pandemonium', came about. Confirming all the fears of the US Navy, total mayhem ruled in what has been nicknamed 'The Battle of the Five Remaining Pizzas'. In scary scenes which could not have been dreamed up by the War Committee of Churchill, the unexpected discovery of a cache of dozens of armed and topped pizzas threw the hordes into howling outrage as some Baht 620 Thai buffets had already been ordered. Confusion reigned right up to the billpreparation stage, with several of the younger members of the regiment having to be carried out of the restaurant no longer conscious. A Battle Royale, and worthy of the BCB!!

"To close this news report, I am relieved to say that despite everything, Pattaya was left relatively unscathed. I was allowed to interview some of the departing troops and the general opinion was that it had been a most enjoyable weekend for all concerned, and that they must do it again soon. Pattaya trembles in anticipation. And the Swiss Society has never been seen since.

"This is Hackette O'Flaherty, reporting for BCB News."

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### **CHILDREN'S SUMMER CAMP**

The British Club plans to run an activities camp at the Club for children aged between the ages of 9-15. The plan is to run the camp from 9.00am to 1.00pm on Monday through to Friday. The programme would be run twice, firstly in the week July 18th - 22nd and then a repeat in the week July 25th - 29th.

The activities will be tennis coaching, squash coaching, football, cricket, rugby, aerobics, gym work, drama workshop, swimming coaching and much more. The camp will be run by a PE teacher. We will need 20 children per week to go ahead.

The cost for the summer camp is B2,500 (incl. mid morning snack) per child. If you are interested please fill in the form below and send to the General manager David Viccars before 1 July 1994.

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# Poetry Page

### **IT'S NO JOKE**

Motor bike fumes, thick black smoke we all know that it's no joke. We all cough and have a sneeze, brace ourselves then heave and wheeze.

We all say, Mai Pen Rai, this is Thailand, but I know some who call it "Tryland". We pay the price and get ripped off and still end up with a bloody cough.

Mike was told his chest was strong, but in Bangkok, they can't find his lung. He hacks all day and hacks all night, now he's so tired and looks a sight.

Living here he must be a nutter, all he does is cough and splutter. He tries to breath, but that's not easy his flipping chest is tight and wheezy.

Been on a drip and he's had a scan. the doctors are doing what they can. The reason he felt so bad you see, is coz they think he's got T.B.

What can he say, what can he ask? Can't talk through his oxygen mask. We don't know if there is a solution, to living here in all this pollution.

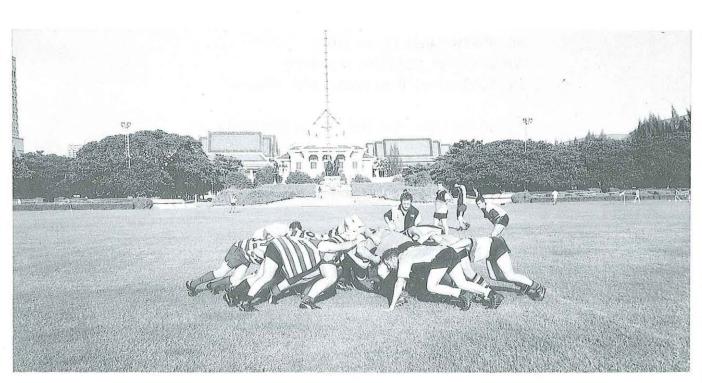
Poor old sod, he doesn't feel well, I'm his wife, I know, I can tell. It's not fair, and it is not right for him not to sleep all through the night.

Don't think for a moment he's 'over the hills' he's not himself, it's those ruddy pills. So as I lie between the sheets I dream of the day when he's back on heat!

Trixie Brann

# Rugby

# New Look Corsairs Destroyed



### French Corsairs 5 – British Club 29

he opening game of the season was a rousing affair which was won by the BC in a second half full of open rugby. At last it would appear that the BC have some wingers who are prepared to take on and beat their man.

The game started with a testing first 10 minutes where the front rows got to know each other Once they had been correctly introduced, the ball span at will in many directions, as often happens in the first game of the season, it was the French, however, who settled down first and they were rewarded after 15 minutes when Legrand scored in the corner after constant pressure from the French forwards.

At this moment Prichard left the field with a rib injury and the wind reverberated the French national anthem through the trees. The question was asked, could this young BC side respond with fervour? It could and it did. The lead did not last for long as the wind turned when it got to the "hearts of oak". The BC won a scrum on the halfway. Lovell motioned the ball blind to Day who in turn passed to debutante Taranaki who sliced through the French defence to score in the corner. The score remained the same until the stroke of half time when two incidents changed the match. First, Thompson, in front of his own posts, dramatically pulled down French centre Didier when he had a two man overlap. The ball sprang from Didiers chest to Carson who cleared to the relief of the crowd. Moments later the BC took full advantage of another French slip. The ball bobbled lose between the French centres when the prop appeared and kicked on. It was then a race for the line between Martin and the French backs, guess who won? Thompson converted and the BC went into a half time lead of 12-5.

In the second half the pace slowed down as the French tried the battering ram approach. Butler, Brydon and Tui were all used to ill effect as the BC pack applied a "they shall not pass" ploy. Loughlan, Martin, Chapman and Dakers were outstanding in this respect. The French completely dominated in the line out as both BC second rows were caught in traffic and did not arrive.

The first try of the second half came when Wai broke down the wing but was caught by the French back row when he stepped back inside. Carson picked up and was stopped short of the line where Chapman collected and plundered over. Barker converted and the BC went further ahead 19-5.

Then came the "piece de resistance" with two moments of BC rugby for the archives. Wai took a half-way line scissors from Day at speed, burst down the wing, cut inside and crossed the line with blistering pace. Then, Black sold a dummy of ginormous blarney proportions and galloped through the middle. He took cover defense over to the wing where he gave a switch pass to Barker-Baker who scored in the corner. Both conversions were missed but the BC had secured victory 29-5.

See you at the next game.

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# Ban Quiz SIGNING UP SHEET FOR BAR QUIZ NAME ..... CLUB NO ..... Would like to sign up as a team representative for the Bar Quiz on 15th / 22th / 29th June and the final will be held on 6th July 1994. Starting time 8.00pm in the Churchill Bar. Please enter below the name of the team and team members. Name of team: Team Members: ..... EACH SQUAD SHOULD CONSIST OF A MINIMUM OF FOUR PLAYERS OF WHICH THREE PLAYERS WILL REPRESENT THE TEAM ON EACH NIGHT. This space could have been Yours FOR ADVERTISING PLEASE CALL BEA 258 9509 FOR RATES AND FURTHER

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### CARD GAMES

The great thing about cards is that you can play them by yourself. These solo games are called "Patience" – although they don't always need a lot of patience to play.

'Hit and Miss' is the simplest form of 'Patience' you can imagine. All it requires is pack of cards (without jokers) and a fairly firm and flat surface to put them onto. No skill is involved; just luck! Shuffle the cards and hold the entire pack face downwards. One by one deal off the cards, placing them face upwards in a pile. As you deal, you call out the sequence of numbers. For the first card you say 'Ace', for the second 'Two', and so on untilyougetto 'Jack', 'Queen' and 'King'.

If you make a correct call (that is, if the number you call corresponds with the card itself), then you score a Hit. Put that card to one side and continue. When you have gone through the entire pack, pick it up and deal them through the second time, to see if you can score any more Hits.

At the end, count up how many Hits you have made altogether. It will probably not be many. By playing successive games of 'Hit and Miss' you can aim to beat your previous best total.

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### LEGS ELEVEN

Place nine cards on a flat surface, face up in rows of three. Now the object of this type of 'Patience' is to get rid of all the other cards left in your hand. You can do this in two ways. If there are any picture cards (Jack, Queen, King) among the nine, then deal one card from the remaining pack over each of them. Or, if the total of pips on any to cards adds up to eleven, you can place a card from the pack over each. Keep on going with this as long as you can. The pack, of course, is held face downwards.

### SIR TOMMY

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I don't know who Sir Tommy may have been. Perhaps he was the man who invented 'Patience', for this is the oldest of all such card games and the most widely known.

Shuffle the pack thoroughly (you must always do this after every game). Then deal out four cards in a square, face upwards. The object is to build up four piles of cards in sequence from Ace through to King. The suits don't matter in this game.

When you have turned up the first four cards, look carefully for any Aces. If there are none, then deal four more cards, looking at each one as you do so. These four can each go on the previous four, or they can be divided between them as you like.

As soon as an Ace appears, put it to one side as the beginning of one sequence. Start new sequences when the other three Aces are turned up. And at the Twos, Threes, Fours and so on when you can from the four original piles in front of you.

Keep dealing out the cards in batches of four. Re-

member you cannot take cards from the piles until you have dealt each batch. Here lies the skill of the game deciding which cards to put on which piles you deal them. Unlike the previous couple of 'Patience' games, you will find that sometimes you win this one - more often as you get more cunning.

### **CLOCK PATIENCE**

There's no cunning required here. If you can get this to work out completely once in fifty attempts then you'll be lucky!

Shuffle the cards and then deal them, face downwards, to all the points of a clock face, starting at one o'clock and going round to twelve o'clock. Then put one in the middle. Deal round these points three more times, and you'll be left with thirteen piles, each containing four cards. Now turn up the top card in the centre, and place it on top of the appropriate pile - an Ace at one o'clock, a Two at two o'clock, and so on (Kings go on the centre pile). As you do so, pick up a card from that pile and then place it upon its appropriate pile. Carry on until you get stuck (i.e. when all the Kings are turned up).

### MATCHING PAIRS

Otherwise known as 'Pelmanism' and this time I do know why (it was named after the Institute in London where it was invented). Any number of people can join in. The well-shuffled cards are dealt out in rows face downwards on a fairly large table or tray. The pattern of dealing and the number of rows don't matter. The player to the left of the dealer then begins by turning any two cards face upwards. If they happen to make a pair (two Aces, for example, or two Kings, or two Threes), then the player keeps them and has another turn. If they don't make a pair then he turns them face downwards again and it is the turn of the next player.

The aim of the game is to gain as many pairs as you can. This calls for a good memory, so that you can 'mark' in your mind where individual cards lie, even though they are face down. As the game goes on, the position of more and more cards is revealed.

# Guide to Men

# **Guide to Men**

Now before you say anything at all, yes this book was written by a woman, Rita Rudner, and yes it was written for women to help them work out how the male mind works and why she thinks they give us so much trouble. So if any of you male Members find anything similar on the female race, please do not hesitate, send it to Outpost for publication.

### 50 THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT MEN

- 1. Men love football. It's difficult to understand all those men running around frantically bumping in to each other when nothing is even for sale.
- They forget everything, women remember everything. That's why men need instant replays in sports. They've already forgotten what happened.
- Men do cry, but only when assembling furniture from Ikea.
- 4. When a man comes to your home and brings you wine in a carton, he is missing the point.
- 5. If a woman tries on clothing from her wardrobe that feels tighter, she assumes she has gained weight. If a man's clothes feel tighter, he assumes they have shrunk.
- 6. All men have single socks that they will never wear and will never throw away.
- 7. Men who don't say "I love you" a lot probably love you more than men who do.
- 8. Even men who consider themselves brave would not want to be alone with Madonna.
- 9. Men like camping more than women do because of the ease of their bathroom situation.
- 10. They lie about their salaries, women lie about their age.
- 11. Men will cook only if danger is involved. They will barbecue.

- 12. Single men don't use coasters, they use copies of the TV Times.
- 13. Men always think they're the best thing that's ever happened to you.
- 14. If you want a man to come shopping for a dress with you, pick a shop that has a chair.
- 15. Male secretaries like to be called "assistants".

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- Women enjoy spending money, men enjoy gambling it.
- 17. No man in a beer ad has a beer belly.
- 18. Men are less sentimental than women. No man has ever seen the film The Way We Were twice, voluntarily.
- 19. When four or more men get together they talk about sports, women talk about men.
- 20. Men who buy a new car every year usually have trouble committing to a relationship.
- 21. Non-gorgeous men with good personalities fare better than non-gorgeous women with good personalities. Julia Roberts married Lyle Lovett, Mama Cass died single.
- 22. If you're in a car with a man and he stops to ask for directions, listen carefully because he won't and it will be your fault if you get lost.
- 23. Men are much more likely to weigh themselves in public.
- 24. Most men hate to shop. That's why in department stores the men's department is usually on the ground floor two inches from the door.

# Guide to Men

25. If a man prepares dinner for you and the salad contains three or more types of lettuce, he is serious about you.

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- 26. Women take clothing much more seriously. You never see a man walk into a party and say :"I am so embarrassed. There's another man wearing a dinner jacket."
- 27. Men are very impatient. They need to drive faster and get to places quicker. Maybe that's because they die younger ... or maybe they die younger because they need to drive faster and get places quicker.
- Men who write love letters don't live in this century.
- 29. They don't get cellulite. God might just be a man.
- 30. Men won't go shopping unless they need something.
- 31. Men are brave enough to go to war, but not brave enough to get a bikini wax.
- 32. Men like cars, women like clothes.
- 33. Older men are not more mature. They just have more money .. which makes them appear more mature.
- 34. Men who consistently leave the toilet seat up secretly want women to get up to go to the bathroom in the middle of the night and fall in.
- 35. All men would like to own a train set.
- 36. Men are sensitive in strange ways. If a man has built a fire and the las bit of wood does not burn, he will take it personally.
- Any man who thinks you should be thinner should keep it to himself.
- 38. A good place to meet a man is at the dry cleaner's. These men usually have jobs and are hygienically responsible.
- If you like easy-going, monogamous men, stay away from billionaires.

- 40. Don't try to teach a man how to do anything in public. They can learn in private; in public they have to know.
- 41. The way a man looks at himself in the mirror will tell you if e can ever care about anyone else.
- 42. Men like phones with lots of buttons, it makes them feel important.
- 43. A man with pierced ears is better prepared for marriage. He has experienced pain and bought jewellery.
- 44. All men hate verbal confrontations.
- 45. Men who work out all the time are very tired.
- 46. A man in a delivery room is about as helpful as a nun at a bar mitzvah.
- 47. Men who can eat anything they want and not gain weight should do it out of sight of their partner.
- 48. Most men travelling first class on planes have boring jobs.
- 49. If a man says: "I'll call you", and he doesn't, he didn't lose your number... he just didn't want to call you.
- 50. A man who want to be "friends" immediately after the relationship is over was never really in the relationship.

# **A DATE WITH THE PLOENCHIT FAIR**

't is never too early to prepare for Ploenchit Fair. So here is six months' warning of this mpending event plus an assessment of last year's fund raising.

Despite all the rumours, the good news for all those who love Ploenchit Fair, is that there will definitely be a 1994 Ploenchit Fair within the grounds of the British Embassy. This undoubtedly will be a moral booster for all those Thai charities which rely on allocations from the proceeds of Ploenchit Fair to fund their various projects.

The Fair is expected to be held on the third Saturday in November (19th November). However, the United Kingdom Committee for Thai Charities (UKCTC), which organizes the Fair, is awaiting formal confirmation from British Ambassador Christian Adams about the date, as well as permission to use the embassy grounds and gardens to hold this very popular event.

Ploenchit Fair has been organized as a charitable fund-raiser by the British Community in Thailand for the past 36 years within the grounds of the British Embassy. Initially it was a small affair, but as it grew in popularity the UKCTC was formed in 1968 under the Honorary Presidency of the British Ambassador's wife to bring more consistent organization to the event and to administer the funds raised.

In the early days, proceeds from the Fair (which are all allocated to a wide variety of Thai charities) were only tens of thousands of baht. Through strong support from the British community, this has risen to over four million baht annually in the past two years.

A lot was expected from the 1993 Fair, but strangely enough, despite all the publicity and some wonderful weather — maybe it was too hot! attendance was down on the previous year. In 1992 takings at the entrance gate were 546,000 baht, dropping to 488,000 baht last year.

Nevertheless the day was a resounding success, thanks to all the sponsors, supporters and helpers who pitched in to ensure that whatever else happened, it was definitely going to be



UKCTC members and guests pose with the 3 recipients of the 1994 Colin Britton Medical scholarships, jointly awarded by the UKCTC and Glaxo.

an enjoyable day. We even had Gold FM 95.5 stage a live afternoon broadcast from their tent in the centre of the Fair. While over on the back lawn, Khun Tewan and his jazz band brought the Fair to a rousing finale with a boisterous and much enjoyed concert.

Such is the magic and fun of Ploenchit Fair, that those attending were determined not only to enjoy themselves, but were easily persuaded to spend more. The net result was that the net income from the Fair in 1993 was 4.3 million baht, compared to 4.2 million baht in 1992.

The PCS Bingo stall keeps breaking its own records, with a hefty 505,000 baht raised, while over at the fun-filled Bottle Stall, takings reached an all-time high of 380,000 baht. The main Raffle brought in 580,000 baht.

All the money raised is banked and then allocated to numerous Thai projects under the supervision of the UKCTC. In 1993, 4.5 million baht was allocated to over 30 Thai charities in all corners of Thailand over a wide ranging spectrum covering medical equipment, the building of a school, AIDs centre supplies, equipping a mobile medical van, vocational equipment for training the deaf and blind, water wells and numerous small village self-help projects.

In selecting projects to support, the UKCTC gives preference to those which encourage the Thai community to help themselves. Goods donated are always of a permanent nature.

At its April 1994 meeting, the UKCTC approved the allocation of 4.5 million baht to be administered to charitable projects under its supervision during 1994.

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Charities or other needy causes wishing sponsorship can contact Mrs. Carolyn Tarrant, Chairman of UKCTC, at Number 8 Sukhumvit Soi 32, Bangkok 10110, giving details of what it is needed and what benefits it is expected to provide the Thai community. If approved at the monthly UKCTC meeting, the project is allocated the necessary funds and one committee member will be appointed to oversee the project through to its completion and to monitor the proper disbersement of funds.

# Club Roundup



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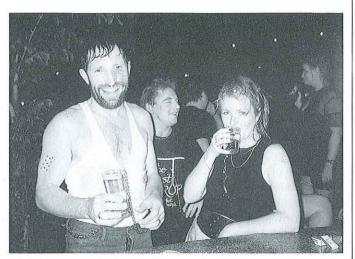
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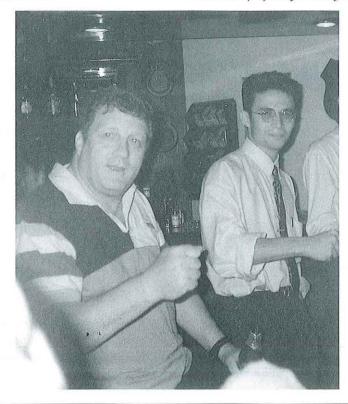
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# The Final Countdown

# FROM THE CHAIRMAN

od. My piece last month was not my usual friendly self was it. On reading it again in Outpost, I promptly decided I needed a nice restful break. So this month's column is being written on the balcony of a room at the not-yetquite-finished Baan Taling Ngam, the new Oriental resort on Koh Samui. It's meant to be pretty exclusive and with the extra bed in the room for my six-year-old son costing Bath 1,000 (more

than the price for an entire bungalow at most of the island's hotels), I guess it should be. Still the view is certainly world class and we are really here to help my wife convalesce from a particularly unpleasant hospital stay. So no excuses this month. I shall try to be pleasant and constructive.

Although the hotel is brandnew, they do seem to have succeeded in blending in with the charm and serenity of the surroundings. So that



made me think if those members of the Club, who from time to time tell me we should pull down the Club house and replace it with something modern and more functional, might not have a point. So go even further and suggest a 40-storey hotel or office block with the top 2 floors or so, purpose built for our members, with the balance of proceeds paid by the developers funding a country club on the outskirts of town. Could we re-de-

velop the British Club and make it blend in with the local surroundings? As I sit here in the early evening's fading sunshine sipping my third pina colada of the day, I do not see how could dare make changes to such a charming piece of Bangkok's heritage. I trust it won't happen during my tenure as Chairman, my conscience wouldn't allow it. But it would be interesting to hear the views of others in the Club. And Outpost is the

perfect forum. And that goes for any other subject you may be feeling vocal about too. Outpost is a good Club magazine and will be better yet with a variety of letters from Members on this and a whole lot of other subjects. Let's hear from you.

> Nigel Oakins Chairman

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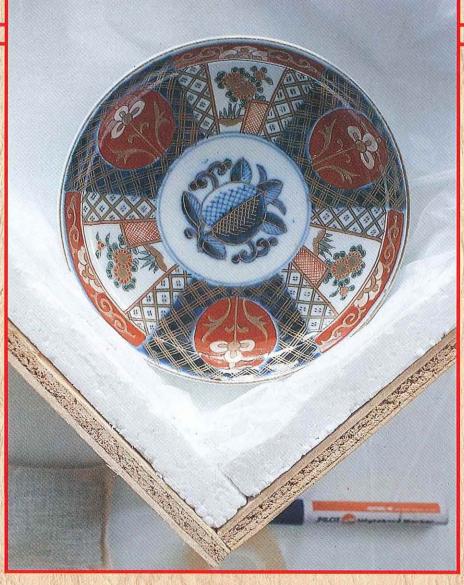
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