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NEWSLETTER FOR JULY 1976

The golf practice net is now in position on the far side of the putting green. It may be used by members at any time except during coaching sessions. Mr. Steve Kirk is giving lessons on Thursday, Saturday and Sunday afternoons (see Page 4).

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If there is sufficient interest Modern Jazz Ballet classes may be held at the Club (see Page 8).

CLUB OFFICE

The Club Office hours are now:-

Week days 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Saturdays 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Sundays and Holidays - closed.

The Office will be closed on Saturday 10 and Monday 12 July.

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ACCESS TO THE CLUB

The approach road from Silom becomes very congested especially at lunch times and weekday evenings. To help avoid blockages it is recommended that Members give way whenever possible to cars approaching the Club. At peak periods Members might consider entering the Club by the Suriwongse Road gate.

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TRAUGOTT TESTIMONIAL

The following letter has been received from Mr. H.A. Traugott.

"Please be so kind as to convey to the Members my deep appreciation for their reaction and generous contribution to a testimonial fund on my behalf. I was touched and embarrassed. Those years I have worked with the Club and the little services I was able to give to its Members, this all gave me a lot of satisfaction and I will always cherish this period.

I wish the Members and the British Club all the success they deserve in the future."

The Testimonial Fund totalled Baht 33,775.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Committee Meetings in July are scheduled for:

Tuesday 6 July at 5:45 P.M. Tuesday 20 July at 5:30 P.M.

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NEW MEMBERS NIGHT

New members will be invited to meet the Committee in the Dining Room at 5:15 P.M. on Tuesday 6 July. Closing date for applications to be registered at the Office is Saturday 3 July.

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NEW MEMBERS

The following joined the Club during June 1976:

P.S. Barton

C. Briggs

B.B. Bygrave

J.A. Hughes

P. Jamvold (NV)

J.S. Marchant

R.J. McLeod

R.J. Polglase

M.J. Salmon

J.C. Trotter (LP)

J.T. Warburton

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GOLF LESSONS

A golf practice net has been erected on the open area near the Narai Hotel.

Mr. Steve Kirk is available to give lessons in July on THURSDAY, SATURDAY and SUNDAY afternoon from 2 to 6 P.M. (except 10 and 11 July.)

Members can book periods through the Office by telephone or by personal call but no bookings can be accepted after midday of the day concerned.

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TELEVISION

The Committee has decided to retain the hired colour TV set. The location of the set has been discussed at length and accessibility to Members, control and movement of the set, peak viewing times and popularity have been considered. For the time being the set will be kept in the Reading Room. A separate room for TV viewing is being considered by the Long Range Planning Committee.

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DISCOUNT SERVICE

ASIA PATTAYA HOTEL is offering special discounts to members for a limited period.

Those interested should contact:-

Mr. Somchai - Tel: 281-1433

Miss Mantand -

BAR AND SNACKS

LUNCH

Hot roast beef will be available every weekday lunch time in addition to one other special main course from 1 July.

Tables in the Club House dining room can be booked through the Office or the Club House supervisor.

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OPENING HOURS

The Club House kitchen will be kept open for a trial period until 10 P.M. daily except Sunday in July. A supper menu and snacks will be served in the bar. Special meals can be ordered and tables booked through the Office.

COME TO THE CLUB AFTER A COCKTAIL PARTY

OR

JUST COME FOR AN EVENING OUT

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ACCOUNTS

In the overall review of the future of the Club the Committee is aware that funds will have to be found to carry out essential maintenance and repairs of the Club premises whether or not any long term development plans are approved. Ways of improving the financial position of the Club in the short term are being investigated. Of immediate concern to the Committee at this time is the increasing number of members who are dilatory in the payment of their accounts especially in these days of high interest rates. The Committee therefore wish to bring to the attention of members Rule 53 of the Constitution and Rules (reproduced below) which will be more stringently applied in the future.

Rule 53

If a Member's account to the Club be two weeks in arrears the Honorary Treasurer shall inform him by registered post or by hand requesting such Member to pay his indebtedness within fourteen days. In default the Honorary Treasurer shall report the case to the Committee who shall be empowered to cause the name of such Member to be posted on the Club notice board. If the debt remains unsettled for fourteen days after such posting he shall cease to be a Member of the Club unless he can produce such explanation as will satisfy the Committee. In the event of his being unable to produce a satisfactory explanation, he shall cease to be a Member of the Club, but, if the Committee so decide, he may be reinstated on payment of the usual entrance fee and all arrears.

SOCIAL AND ENTERTAINMENT

FRIDAY 2 JULY

PUB NIGHT

Darts - Skittles - Cribbage - Dominoes Prizes for the Skilled and Lucky

- 0 -

HAPPY HOUR PRICES 7:30 to 8:30

- 0 -

Special Snacks Menu Performances on the Old Joanna

- 0 -

No tickets

Just turn up and enjoy yourselves

FRIDAY 6 AUGUST

Dancing - Special Supper - Entertainment
(Note the date - more information will be issued)

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

10 and 12 July - Khao Phansa

MODERN JAZZ BALLET CLASSES

for

MUMS, TEENAGERS and interested MALES

may be starting soon at the Club

Have fun while you keep fit.

If you are interested contact

Pam Stanley, LISTD. (Cecchetti)

(Telephone: 252-1543 Ext. 4)

and give suitable days and times

SECTION ACTIVITIES

Fri. 2 - Swimming Section Presentation Party	
Sun. 4 - Golf Match v Scandinavians (Railway)	8:05 A.M
- Swimming Gala	11 A.M
- Golf Party	
Wed. 7 - Bridge	7:30 A.M.
Mon. 12 - Billiards Night	
	5:30/7:30 P.M.
Wed. 14 - Bridge	7:30 P.M.
Sun. 18 - Golf (Rose Garden)	7 A.M.
Mon. 19 - Billiards Night	
	5:30/7:30 P.M.
Wed. 21 - Bridge	7:30 P.M.
Sun. 25 - Squash Round Robin	11 A.M.
Mon. 26 - Billiards Night	
	5:30/7:30 P.M.
Wed. 28 - Bridge	7:30 P.M.

Details of DARTS, BILLIARDS and GOLF fixture are given on Page 14.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

AUGUST

- 1 Family Swimming Gala
 - Squash League 12 begins
- 6 DOWN UNDER NIGHT
- 12 H.M. The Queens Birthday
- ? Teenagers Disco
- 21/22 Invitational Swimming Meet

SEPTEMBER

- 17 Squash Social
- 18 ROMAN NIGHT
- 20 New Zealand Society AGM

OCTOBER

- 15 Squash League 13 begins
- 23/24 Golf (Khao Yai weekend)
 - 29 BEER FESTIVAL

SWIMMING SECTION

(Chairman : Ian Launder)

A full programme is scheduled for July and August. Highlights are:

- June 29 -- end of the Monsoon Handicap series.
- July 2 -- trophies for the series will be presented at the poolside at a special Barbecue and Dance Sign up now!
 - 4 -- Monthly Gala, featuring freestyle, backstroke and I.M.
- August 1 -- Annual Family Gala (cum August Gala)
 - 21 and 22 -- Invitational Gala at the Club, with teams from Chiang Mai and Dusit to be invited. (Please note the change in dates from those originally planned.)

A new Handicap Series will commence in mid-September. Watch the Notice Board for details.

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With some families going away on leave in the weeks to come, will parents of swimmers please note that refunds for absences from Swimming Lessons will not be given if children are unable to attend. If parents anticipate that their children will not be able to attend lessons for an extended period because of leave, they may retain a place for their return from leave by paying a Reservation Fee equal to the amount normally paid for one month's lessons. Alternatively, they can withdraw and re-apply for a place on return — though they may have to wait some time for a vacancy. Accounts will be charged as usual unless the Honorary Secretary is notified before the 20th of any month of a planned absence on account of leave.

SQUASH SECTION

(Chairman : Reg Beesley)

League

We would like to congratulate the following players who gained first and second places in their respective divisions during the last League:-

Div.	1.	Len Alexander	(18	Points)	Rod Carter	(13	Points)
Div.	2.	Haydn Stradling	(18	")	Ray Black	(15	")
Div	3.	Warick Franklin	(21	")	Authur Phillips	(17	")
Div.	4.	James Junke	(13	")	David Sims	(12	")
Div.	5.	Maria Green	(11	")	John Rogers	(9	")
Div.	6.	Bob Sheddon	(18	")	Bill Anderson	(11	")
Div.	7.	Ray Chappell	(18	")	John Burnham	(11	")
Div.	8.	John Julius	(9	")	Beth Weymouth	(5	")
Div.	9	Betty Avery	(10	")	Valerie Hill	(6	")

Enclosed in this Newsletter is an application form for the next League, the 12th, which starts on the 1st of August. Please remember to make sure your entry form is returned to the Manager's Office by no later than the 18th July.

Round Robin

A Round Robin is to be held on Sunday the 25th July starting at 11 o'clock in the morning. For those who are unfamiliar with our Round Robin competitions the name of the game is to handicap the better players, so enabling the less experienced ones to have the chance of thrashing them. There's a lot of jargon like "heads", "feet" and "points" handicaps which is a little too complicated to go into here, so if you really want to find out come along and enjoy the fun on the day. Anyone can enter. Entries close around 2 P.M.

12th Squash League - "Be in it - to win it"

Squash still remains the strongest sports section of the British Club, thanks mainly to the members who play and particularly those of you who support our leagues. Well - it's our twelth league - we've reached the DOZEN and to commemorate this event here is the challenge - for those who complete ALL their games in this league there is the chance (lottery system) to win:

- a. Return ticket to Hong Kong (one person) 1st Prize or
- b. One DUNLOP squash racquet 2nd "
- c. One box of balls 3rd

So - Sports fans - "Be in IT - to win IT"

The League starts on 1 August and finishes on 15 September. The format is basically the same as the 11th league except that Divisions $\frac{1}{3}$ to $\frac{4}{3}$ will now play the best of $\frac{1}{3}$ games; Div. 5 and below - $\frac{1}{3}$ games. This is based on the concept of more divisions with less players in each division. Please note:

- a. You must apply to enter this league
- b. Closing date for entries is 18 July
- c. Newcomers must give the results of at least 3 matches with regular players.

It's good to see most of the 1st and 2nd place winners attend the social but where are the rest of the players? Thought has been given to providing free beer for those attending the social but who would be there to consume the gallons. See you at the next social?

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SPORTS SHORTS

BILLIARDS AND SNOOKER

The Annual Billiards Handicap Challenge Cup (The Hamilton Cup) will be played for on Mondays 12, 19 and 26 July. Indicate your date and time preferences on the notice board sign.

DARTS FIXTURES (JULY)

July 1 - v Bobbys Arms (Home)

5 - v BT Audio (Guinness League)

8 - v Hobsons Choice (White Inn)

13 - v Bobbys Arms (Guinness League)

15 - v Hobsons Choice (Guinness League)

21 League Knockout

22 - v A Boomerang (Home)

28 - v Hobsons Choice (Guinness League)

29 - v 20 Hotel

GOLF FIXTURES (AUGUST)

August 1 Sarika 7:30 A.M.

15 Railway 8:06 A.M.

29 Rose Garden (Boyd Cup) 7 A.M.

CLUB SERVICE

HIRE STORES

The following items are available for hire by Club members

Crockery

Cutlery

Glass.

Tables

Chairs

Table Linen

Bids for these items can be accepted by telephone. Items not listed above may also be available for hire depending on Club commitments. Members are requested to contact the Manager personally about these others requirements. Hire stores will normally be ready for collection by 11 A.M. on the day required. Items should be returned to the Club on the day after use by 10 A.M.

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ENTERTAINING?

The Club can provide the following service for members all at very reasonable prices:

- Catering for buffets at your home
- Cocktail Parties on the Club Premises

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EDITOR NOTES

All material for the August 1976 edition of the Newsletter must reach the Office by 18 July.

Advertisers interested in purchasing the space on the covers of the Newsletter are requested to contact the Advertising Editor.

Classified Ads should be handed to the Club Manager by the closing date for entries published in the Newsletter. Publication fees will be charged to members accounts.

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