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### NEWSLETTER FOR JULY 1978

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A Cocktail Reception will be held at the Club on Friday 7 July to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the foundation of the Club. Although the Club opened on 6 July 1903 the date of the celebration party has been offset by one day in deference to those whose celebrations might benefit the morning after more from a day of rest than one at the office!

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In this Anniversary edition we have included a short history of the Club. The facts in it have been obtained only recently from a variety of sources. We would be pleased to hear from any readers who are able to provide additional details: we are particularly interested in the period 1903 to 1939.

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THE BRITISH CLUB, BANGKOK  
1903-1978

As we have indicated previously the history of the Club has not been properly documented and details of those early days have only recently begun to emerge. Mr. Dick Wood, of Chiang Mai, has been instrumental in tracing most of the scant information we possess. At this time we have a foundation report from a book published seventy years ago and a photograph of the original Clubhouse.

The photograph, which is displayed in the Main Bar and which we have reproduced on the cover, came to hand only last year in circumstances of almost unbelievable chance. Mr. Charles Stewart, while visiting London, paid a call on his stamp agent who offered him some good used old Thai stamps on a postcard. After Mr. Stewart had declined the offer the postcard flipped and revealed the picture which proved to be that of the British Club, Bangkok. The postcard, which was sent by a Bangkok resident to a family friend in Singapore on 28 May 1909, is now held by Mr. Stewart.

"*Twentieth Century Impressions of Siam*" a book published in 1908 contains the following (slightly edited) report on the foundation of the Club:-

"The British Club was started in 1903 by a number of residents in Bangkok, who combined to form a proprietary club. The constitution of the Club was passed at a meeting of debenture holders on April 24th 1903 and the Club was opened on the following 6th of July.

The ownership of the Club is invested in the debenture holders, who alone are responsible for all Club debts and liabilities. The membership consists of ordinary and honorary members.

Ordinary members must be British residents in Siam and are divided into those holding and not holding debentures; honorary members comprise residents in Siam other than British, who may be elected to the Club. Candidates for admission are balloted for by the debenture holders, but while ordinary members pay on entrance fee of 100 ticals (about £7.10s) and a monthly subscription of 15 ticals (about £1.2.6d), honorary members are only called upon to pay the monthly subscription.

The Club is under the sole control of the debenture holders, who annually elect a committee of nine from among their number, to manage the affairs of the Club. Ladies belonging to the families of members are entitled to the use of such rooms in the Club as the committee may from time to time declare open to ladies.

The Club premises are situated in a very central and convenient position; but they are now scarcely adequate to the requirements, and recently there have been several proposals for either extending the buildings or purchasing a new piece of land in the vicinity and erecting a new Clubhouse altogether. At the present time (August 1908) the Club has a membership of 90; 85 ordinary and 5 honorary members."

The other old photograph which is displayed in the Main Bar is of the Crown Prince, the Honorary President, and a group of members of the Bangkok Lawn Tennis Club. This photograph was taken on 27 February 1909. The Bangkok Times dated 1 March 1909 published a full report of the occasion, the finals of the Club tennis championships. Nearly all of those present in the photograph have been identified and most of the members of the original Committee of the British Club were reported to be among those who received



the royal visitor on his arrival. Mr. & Mrs. Leonowens have also been recognised among those present in front of the wooden Clubhouse or pavilion.

At this time we have been unable to locate the position of the original Clubhouse, to locate the site of the BLTC pavilion or to establish the relationship between the British Club and the BLTC.

The land which the Club now occupies comprises two lots, which are divided by a line which is followed by the through-road. The deeds show that on 12 February 1913 the Clubhouse side was owned by Messrs. Crosby and Nunn, the trustees of the British Club. The tennis court side was then owned by the Siam Electricity Company but was leased to the British Club; that land area was eventually purchased by the Club in 1919. Even after purchase of the land, in the name of the British Club, an endorsement in the deed mentions the rights of the Lawn Tennis Club. It is assumed that sometime in late 1908 the proposed extension, mentioned in the extract quoted above, took place when the British Club moved to the present Clubhouse site and leased or shared the land which up to that time had been used by the BLTC. It is also assumed that the title Lawn Tennis Club persisted through common usage and due to the fact that there was no apparent change in activity. Although now reduced in number the grass tennis courts are still with us and the title Lawn Tennis Club occasionally reappears in documents originating from Government Offices! As is obvious from the head stone, the new Clubhouse was opened in 1910 and the original substantial structure is still sound save for the understandable rising damp.

During the Second World War the Club was closed throughout the Japanese occupation. In early 1946 a meeting of thirty five members of the British Community was called to consider the future of the Club. Once the premises were derequisitioned by the allied military authorities, following its use as an Officers' Club, the Clubhouse was re-opened in September 1946.

Soon after the reopening, the Club's auditors suggested that the Committee should consider selling the building and premises in order to discharge the Club's liabilities, to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, which had been carried over from 1941. Fortunately, the Committee decided to give the opening a fair trial and such a drastic step proved unnecessary. Messrs. Fothergill and Donofield featured prominently in the re-establishment of the Club in those immediate post war years.

The Club premises remained virtually unchanged from 1910 until 1966 when the Swimming Pool its surrounds and squash courts were constructed.

The Club's record of elected Chairman is complete from 1912. Prior to that date we have only the names of the members of the first Committee appointed in 1903 and of those elected in 1908. Many of the original members were with the Club for long periods and three founder members served on the Committee for no less than six years. After 1912 one of the most prominent members was Mr. M.F. Buszard. He was a member for at least twenty-four years during which time he served as Chairman on four separate occasions. That feat was not equalled until the late 1960s when Mr. G.A. Sommerfield served in the post for four years, all but one being consecutive. More recently Col H. Docherty held the office for four consecutive terms.

Of the current membership the longest association with the Club is undoubtedly that of the Wood family. The late Mr. W.W. Wood, father of present member Mr. 'Dick' Wood, was Forest Manager of the Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation. He transferred from Burma to Chieng Mai in 1892 and joined the British Club when he moved to Bangkok in 1909.



## CLUB NEWS

### BIRTHDAY HONOURS

Two members of the Club were honoured in the Queens Birthday Honours List. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Douglas Frazer on being made a Commander of the Order of the British Empire (CBE) and Mr. Frank Plunkett on being made an Officer of the same order (OBE)

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### LONG RANGE PLAN

The following is the Long Range Plan and associated projects situation:-

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|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| - Restaurant                                           | Completed                         |
| - Clubhouse Extension<br>(Stores and Preparation Room) | Quotations now being studied      |
| - Clubhouse Changing Rooms/<br>Toilets (Ground Floor)  | Quotations about to be called for |

Proposals are now being prepared for upgrading the poolside covered area and improving the mains water pump system.

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### NEW MEMBERS NIGHTS

New Members will be invited to meet the Committee in the Dining Room at 5.30 p.m. on the following days:

- Tuesday 25 July (Closing date 22 July)  
Tuesday 22 August (Closing date 19 August)

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

## MEMBERSHIP

The following were elected to membership of the Club in May 1978:-

### Ordinary

Mr. B.R. Boothby	Australian Embassy
Mr. J.R. Cooney	SMEC
Cdr G.D. Croft RN	British Embassy
Mr. P. Keown	Lever Brothers
Mr. W.F. Lawrie	Chartered Bank
Mr. K.P. Long	AIT
Mr. M.F. Melunskey	Reuters
Mr. E.E. Mullaney	British Airways
Mr. R. Regan	Lever Brothers
Mr. H.C. Tiffin	Wardley Finance
Mr. R.V. Welborn	British Embassy
Mr. J.R.U. White	Lever Brothers

### Non Voting

Mr. C.T. Bush-Jones	Athon Swai
Mr. C. Emerson	ESCAP

### Ladies Privileges

Mrs. P. Arghabhadra	RBSC
Miss C. Fillis	British Embassy
Miss M. Munday	British Embassy

### CHILDRENS HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

#### TABLE TENNIS TUITION

From mid July to the end of August Mr. Edward Thangarajah, an ex-international player, has offered his services to coach junior players between the ages of 8 to 15 years. He will be able to come to the Club on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m.

Parents of children who are seriously interested, including those children coming to Bangkok on holiday, are requested to return the enclosed form to the Club by 8 July.

If there is sufficient response full details of the proposed programme will be issued to all concerned.

#### SUB-AQUA TRAINING

If there is sufficient response a sub-aqua class will be arranged during the holidays. Those interested are advised to contact:-

Shirley Southworth - 3916792

#### CHRIST CHURCH SUMMER FAIR

This year the Annual Christ Church Fair will take place on 5th August 1978 from 10.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. The Ambassador Designate of the United States of America has very generously allowed the grounds of his residence at 108 Wireless Road, to be used for the event.

As usual, there will be a wide range of stalls, competitions and attractions providing fun for all the family.

The organising committee have embarked on the planning and would like to hear from anyone who is prepared to help by:-

- Running or assisting to run a stall
- Providing prizes for the raffle or stall
- Selling raffle tickets

### PORTRAIT OF H.M. QUEEN ELIZABETH II

On behalf of all members the Chairman and Committee wish to thank Colonel Hugh Docherty (Chairman 1972-1976) for his presentation to the club of a portrait of the Queen. The portrait will be put on display in July.

The painter, Mr. Bernard Hailstone, was born in 1910 at Hadlow, Kent, where he now lives in a Victorian Gothic castle. He was an art student at Goldsmiths College and when he was at the Royal Academy School he was awarded a British Institute scholarship, open to all the British art schools, and a Leverhulme grant to become a portrait painter. During the war he became a fireman in the London Fire Brigade, and after the Blitz was commissioned by Lord Clark to paint some portraits and became one of the twelve Official War Artists. In that capacity he was sent to Singapore to paint Lord Mountbatten and his Chiefs of Staff for the Imperial War Museum. He has appeared on BBC Television and Independent Television and has lectured and taught painting in many places, including on board the QE II. He is a Member of the Royal Society of Portrait Painters and, apart from the many well-known personalities he has painted, including recently H.R.H. Prince Charles, has just accepted a commission to paint H.M. the Queen in the spring of next year.



STAFF SERVICE

As this edition marks a special occasion we thought that a mention should be made of the longer serving members of the Club staff for the record, for the information of members and in appreciation

Mr. Songworn	Head Cook	18 years
Mr. Thong	Cook	18 years
Mr. Mewn	Poolman	14 years
Mr. Payom	Gateman	12 years
Mr. Sarakit	Clubhouse Supervisor	12 years
Miss Rachaneewan	Bookkeeper	11 years
Mr. Saad	Dining Room Waiter	11 years
Mr. Saman	Poolside Barman	11 years
Mrs. Arpar	Waitress	11 years
Mr. Boonchan	Cook	10 years
Mr. Chumlong	Cooli	10 years

UK TAXATION

PROPERTY OWNERSHIP BY THE NON RESIDENT

Part 1

Householders in Britain going abroad to work and wanting to let their homes between leave visits should carefully consider the tax position. Many owners naturally find such lettings help to cover the running costs. But they should remember that the rental income accruing from the lettings is liable to UK tax even though the landlord may be regarded as not resident, and not ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom for tax purposes.

Part 1 of this article discusses the effect of home ownership on the residence status for income tax purposes and not for exchange control purposes.

As many have been seen in earlier articles, when the owner of a property in the UK is employed abroad on a full time contract of employment, the mere ownership of that property does not affect the residence status in any way, and the usual time limits for visits of six months in any one financial year, and three months per annum on average, apply. However, the individual who owns a house in the UK while not in full time overseas employment, will be treated as resident, but not ordinarily resident in the UK for the whole of any financial year during which visits are made, while the house is available for occupation even if not actually occupied. It is important to remember that the test is the availability of the place of abode for use, and not property ownership. Under these rules, therefore, it is not possible to avoid being treated as resident simply by putting the house in someone else's name; quite possibly the Inland Revenue could establish that it remained available for the owners use. A visit of only a few days could invoke this residence ruling, for there is no minimum period. If this situation should arise in four consecutive years, the visitor could also be regarded as ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom.



Residence is one of the few areas of the British tax law in which husband and wife are treated as two separate individuals. It often happens that when the family comes home during the husband's annual leave, he does not become resident because of his full time overseas employment - but his wife does, and she is therefore treated as a separate entity for that particular tax year. However, it does not necessarily follow that becoming resident will prove a disadvantage, although it would normally be advisable to avoid becoming ordinarily resident. An individual regarded as resident but not ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom is liable to UK tax on income arising within the UK on remittances of overseas investment income and earnings. But someone ordinarily resident and domiciled in the UK will become chargeable to tax on worldwide investment income and possibly earnings, whether or not remitted.

A UK resident is entitled to full allowances and it is possible to arrange matters in such a way that no tax liability arises on overseas income, yet full tax allowances are available to set against UK income in such forms as rental profits and dividends.

An individual becoming resident - whether ordinarily resident or not - is liable to Capital Gains Tax on the disposal of chargeable assets situated in the UK; in the case of someone domiciled in the UK, worldwide assets are potentially liable. However, the danger, once realised, can easily be avoided by not selling any assets at a profit during the year of residence.

Capital Gains Tax repercussions notwithstanding, there can be definite advantages in the fairly common situation where the wife is not employed and therefore becomes resident in the United Kingdom during a year when a visit is made, while her husband remains not resident. In these circumstances the wife is referred to as a 'feme sole' and is entitled to

full tax allowances. If the house is in the joint names of husband and wife, these allowances can be set against the wife's half share of the rental income thereby considerably reducing any tax liability. Any balance of allowances can be set against investment income arising to the wife in the United Kingdom - which often produces repayments of tax.

Part 2 of this article will deal with the practical implications of letting properties in the United Kingdom and also the effect on the normal exemption from Capital Gains Tax that applies on homes in United Kingdom.

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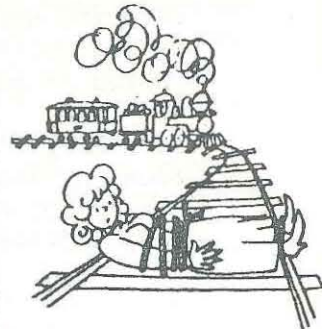
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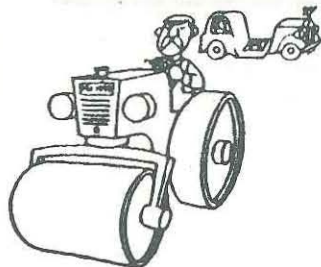
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## CLUB EVENTS

Sunday 2 July

Darts Night - Captains Prize 7.30 p.m.

Friday 7 July

ANNIVERSARY COCKTAIL PARTY 6.30 p.m.

POOLSIDE BARBECUE 8.30 p.m.

DINNER in the NEW RESTAURANT 8.45 p.m.

Wednesday 19 July

Film Night "Street Fighter" 8 p.m.

Sunday 23 July

Section Sports Day 1-4 p.m.

Wednesday 26 July

Games Night with the OESA

Friday 28 July

PUB NIGHT with ENTERTAINMENT



EVENTS - JULY 1978

Public Holidays

20 July KAO PANSA (Buddhist Lent)

Diary Dates

5 August CHRIST CHURCH FAIR 10.30 a.m.  
(Residence of the - 4.30 p.m.  
Ambassador of the USA)

Section Activities

Sun 2 - Swimming Monthly Gala 11.30 p.m.  
Golf at Hua Mark  
Darts Captain's prize

Sun 16 - Golf 7.30 p.m.

Fri 21 - Squash Handicap Finals and Social

Sun 23 - Section Sports Day 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

Wed 26 - Games Evening with the OESA  
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ENGLISH LADIES GOLF UNION

Programme for July

July 4 - Stableford:	Starter	Jean Taylor
	Scorer	Sheila Neville
July 11 - Flag:	Starter	Jean Sprot
	Scorer	Noelene Coulson
July 18 - Blind Partners:	Starter	Margaret Miller
	Scorer	Jean Taylor
July 25 - Medal:	Starter	Noelene Coulson
	Scorer	Margaret Miller

Results of Le Petit Knockout played during April/May

Silver: Winner G. Farnstrom Runner Up: P. Perry  
Bronze: Winner A. Armistead Runner Up: M. Winter

Results of the annual "Kitchen Sink" played at Rose Garden Sunday 4 June

Individual

Winners: Sheila Neville 35 points  
Derek Pott 35 points

Combine Couples

Winners: Sheila and Mike Neville 69 points  
Runner Up: Jean Jurgens and Dennis Quinn 64 points  
A. Moltke-Leth & J. Lenaghan 64 points

Overall the men won from the ladies with an average points score of 29 to 26.4

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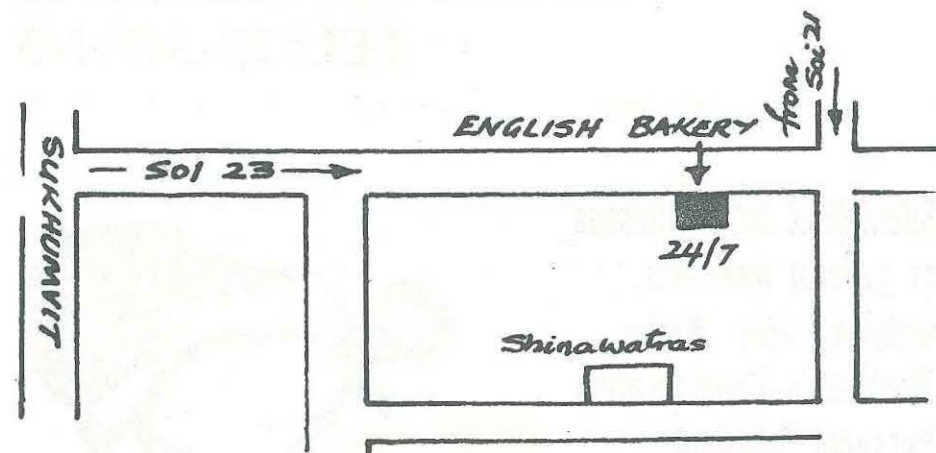
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## SWIMMING SECTION

We are pleased to report that the Swimming Section has picked up momentum and is putting in two worthwhile nights of training each week. Special emphasis is being placed on correct strokes and kicks and a little less on the long distances at the moment. However, children can be assured that their efforts are being recorded and counted towards their membership into the 25000 metre club. This last month Kimberlie Weymouth aged 5½ years, has completed her required lengths and proudly received a T-shirt and badge. Warren Hignett has completed his 50000m. The June gala saw swimmers trying in all strokes and all the younger age groups. Our strength as swimming club is relying on these younger age swimmers. Do bring your child to training and have them ready to join in our next gala on Sunday July 2nd 11.30 a.m. Parents you'll enjoy it more if you stay to help-come and learn to use a stop watch!!!

## REMEMBER

Every Tuesday & Thursday 4.30 p.m. - training

Sunday 2 July at 11.30 a.m. - swimming gala for all

Swimming lessons are being given on Tuesdays and Thursdays for all standards beginning at 2 p.m. for non swimmers. Parents must note that fees are payable by the whole month regardless of attendance. When wishing to withdraw a child from classes for leave or any other reason please put the withdrawal in writing and place at the Office or in the swimming book. Word of mouth is not sufficient. Please give sufficient time for accounts to be corrected.





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Siam Square

JULY 1978

Feature Film - "GOLD FINGER"

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- Thursday 6 at 5.30 p.m.
- Friday 7 7.30 p.m.
- Thursday 13 5.30 p.m.
- Friday 14 7.30 p.m.

Exhibition. The works of two Thai artists will be on show from Thursday 20 to Saturday 29 July  
9.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily except Sundays

AUGUST 1978

Feature Film - THE SIX WIVES OF HENRY VIII

(Part 1 - Catherine of Aragon)

- Thursday 3 August at 5.30 p.m.
- Friday 4 August 7 p.m.



## GOLF SECTION

### Thai Glass/Gestetner Electric 1978

The final round of the eclectic was played on 7th May with Peter Adcock in the driving seat at the start of the final round. David Frost and David Cobbett made a late charge and improved by 10 strokes in a desperate bid to win the prestigious Thai Glass/Gestetner prize, however, many of the 25-30 foot birdie putts never materialised. Peter stayed in front and won with a net 65.

38 members entered the competition and a letter of appreciation has been sent to Mike Neville and John Burrows for sponsoring this competition.

#### Winners

- 1st Peter Adcock
- 2nd Leon van der Watt
- 3rd David Frost

### Pattaya Weekend

Three days of sun baked golf was enjoyed by close to 40 participants on the Pattaya trip.

The opening day saw many of the members limbering up and preparing themselves mentally for the three day marathon while others were still trying to sober up. Of the 40 that started, only 16 made it for the final day and only 13 managed to finish 18 holes. This primarily was due to a combination of sun stroke and massive quantities of an imported scottish brew.

### Winners Sat & Sun

- 1st J. Lenaghan
- 2nd B. Hitchcock
- 3rd L. van der Watt

### Monday

- 1st M. Stirling
- 2nd J. Wells

### Nearest the Pin

The Chartered Bank have kindly donated all nearest the pin prizes in the form of golf balls.

### Rookie of the Month

It is intended to keep members of the golf section aware, of individuals in the wonderful world of British Club golf who excel. This month the honour goes to David Cobbett off 29 handicap.

## WORLD CUP SOCCER

### POST MORTEM (OR THE SCOTTISH BLUES)

"How like a winter has this summer been  
How numb the heart, MacLeod o'er the air!  
What freezings have I felt before the screen  
At Ally's mighty army in despair.  
How dark the day when we were forc'd to view  
The team of Jordan, Rioch and Dalgligh,  
Deflowered by the marvels of Peru,  
Stagger like dope fiends in a gay schottische.  
Our dreams now dribble that were wont to surge,  
Our once-high hopes decay like wither'd fruit.  
Now summer and its pleasures are a dirge  
That render even David Coleman mute.  
'Tis time to weep and change from kilt to frocks,  
When ebon midgets humble strapping Jocks."



## DARTS NEWS

Many darts fans found last month's darticle boring and more to the point, it was boring. Fear not, July 1978 is Diamond Jubilee month and time for a light-darted review of dartstivity over the years at what must be Bangkok's longest surviving watering hole and darts centre. It may safely be assumed that in 1903 the thud of dart into pigbristle (or the woodwork) mingled with polite chatter about tennis, the next shipment of scotch and the appalling state of the traffic on New Road.

Among the many games the British have seen fit to unleash on a benighted world, darts must have been one of the first. The pilgrim fathers played the sport of Nais on their way to the new world so one may assume it was a game in good standing even in 1620. It is therefore appropriate that the Club should have been instrumental in promoting darts in Bangkok some 5 years ago, an event which may or may not have been connected with the introduction of a particular brand of dartslube.

Lilywhites were disappointed that recognition of their good work in disseminating British culture should have been overlooked in the recent birthday honours list. The first darts knight has yet to be appointed. However Lilywhite achievements have not passed completely unnoticed. Among the many congratulatory telegrams which poured into the Lilywhite protocol office were the following:

"La Federation Dartistique Francaise souhaite nos frenes Brittainique sur l'occasion due Jubilee diamant. Souviendrez toujours que le dart est plus fort que la epee. Liberte, fraternite et triple twente!"

"Die Hauptdartenfvehrer von der Deutespierflingengessellschaft gesenden das greetinger auf die Britischer dartschlager. Heil Amarit!  
(P.S. next time ve vill vin.)

Having completed the formalities, what is a Lilywhite you may ask. What motivates the team that doesn't know its ears from its elbow? Your typical British Club toxophilite is anyone who can tell the difference between an Amarit and a Singha at 8'6", who aims at 60 and hits triple 12, who applauds his opponents closing double before lodging the official complaint and whose wife prefers him to be playing darts rather than other activities elsewhere.

Although the Dartsday book makes gloomy reading your favourite team since its immaculate inception can look back on a long and distinguished career which at its zenith inspired one spectator to such a fever pitch that there was talk of the dreaded Dartan Army. On that memorable evening one of your Antipod airmen went to point Percy at the porcelain, or whatever they call it, and post Percy pointing purloined the porcelain and shot off with the Shanks to the Sheraton.

During more recent times i.e. last month, your current Nai, Friar Took and his inevitably merry men registered two losses and one win. On a home game diet of curry, pizza, peanuts and Amarit our white wine and soda fuelled captain led us into battle with exhortations not to bolt the nuts and be sure to have a pizza before playing, cobbers. Lever Brothers (all 12 of them) gave us plenty of time for a bath before bedtime, and we lost by a whisker (10-7) to a lucky BT Audio, having completely overwhelmed 20 Hotel 9-8 the previous week. A hot audioman top-scored with a 180, the first ever witnessed in a league match at the Club.

We regret to report that Ray Roberts, known variously as Nai arai?, Nai 4, Lay Lobats and a few other names, is returning shortly to UK.



The man who introduced non-playing Naiship, the scatter shot and two dart scoring to an appreciative team is the last representative of a distinguished group of Metal Box dartists who once provided half of the Lilywhite team. We wish Ray, Loiraine and the family well in England.

Highlights of the coming month are the Club's open singles championship to be held Sunday 2 July at 2 p.m. and a return match against OESA at the Club on Wednesday evening 26 July. Valuable trophies are at stake; all are welcome to enter the lists for the Captain's cup and to help retain the RBA Cantopher trophy against OESA. Contact Mike Took for details or just turn upon the night.

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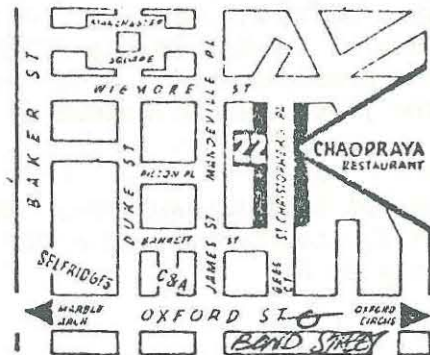
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## SQUASH SECTION

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The July squash social will be a poolside barbecue on Friday 21st July, the evening of the final of the Handicap tournament, starting at 7.30 p.m.

### 19th SQUASH LEAGUE

#### Leading Places

##### Div. 1

1. Len Alexander
2. Mark Jeffries
3. Rod Carter

##### Div. 2

1. Ken Green
2. Adrian Lamb
3. Robin Polglase  
Mark Ellis

##### Div. 3

1. Peter Braude
2. Jim Finnegan
3. Blaise McConnell

##### Div. 4

1. Norm Stanley
2. Mike Hill
3. David Sims

##### Div. 5

1. Colin Slaughter
2. Chris Kowles
3. John Davis

##### Div. 6

1. Tom Cowin
2. Frank Frankel
3. Frank Devlin

##### Div. 7

1. John Blay
2. Bruce McLennen
3. Marshall Douglas

##### Div. 8

1. Nigel Hardy
2. Peter Hargreaves
3. Bob Kennett

##### Div. 9

1. Anne Workman
2. Tom Evans
3. Gordon Mason

##### Div. 10

1. Ralph Skelton
2. David Hill
3. Andrew Dunlop

##### Div. 11

1. John Owen
2. Vernon Hall
3. Betty Avery

##### Div. 12

1. Paul Fairbrother
2. Tom Alderton
3. June Evans



## 20th SQUASH LEAGUE

The 20th League will run from 15 July to 31 August. Application forms are included in this Newsletter and should be returned to the Club office not later than Friday 7 July. The squash league is open to all, including beginners. New entrants are asked to be sure to include an indication of their playing ability on the application form.

Organizers of the 20th League are Ken Green and Norm Stanley.

### Notice of unavailability to play during part of a League

To make it easier to arrange league matches, players who are unable to play for any lengthy period during a league, due to illness, absence etc., are asked to post details on a notice which will be provided for that purpose on the squash notice board beside the poolside bar telephone.

## SQUASH BOOKINGS

Many squash-playing members of the Club have expressed dissatisfaction over current abuses of the squash court booking system. This item is written to ask everyone's co-operation in ensuring maximum use of the courts and minimum disappointment and inconvenience to others by adhering to the booking rules, also by making every effort to cancel a booking as soon as it is known that the booking is no longer required.

On many occasions recently, both during and since the last league, it has been observed that both courts have been standing empty for long periods while fully booked. This should never be allowed to happen unless it is absolutely unavoidable. If for some reason a cancellation cannot be made personally, it should be made by telephoning the poolside bar and asking a member of the staff or any club member present to cross out the booking.

As for the bookings themselves, please note that they should only be made in the names of two players who have agreed to play.

All players can book to play up to 45 minutes per day without restriction, league or non-league. However, if one hour is free between bookings, a player cannot normally book more than 30 minutes of it. The only conceivable exception to this rule would be for a league match at the end of a league when no other time was available, otherwise the rule is No 15-minute Gaps. This is clearly stated on every booking sheet.

It is believed that the present booking system, properly used, does allow the maximum use to be obtained from the courts, while giving players the choice of a half-hour or 45-minute game. A slip is enclosed in this Newsletter seeking opinions on this. Please complete it and return it to the Squash Section, c/o the Club office.

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Ten line box - 25.-

Half Page - 50.-

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½ page - 250.-

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### EDITORS NOTES

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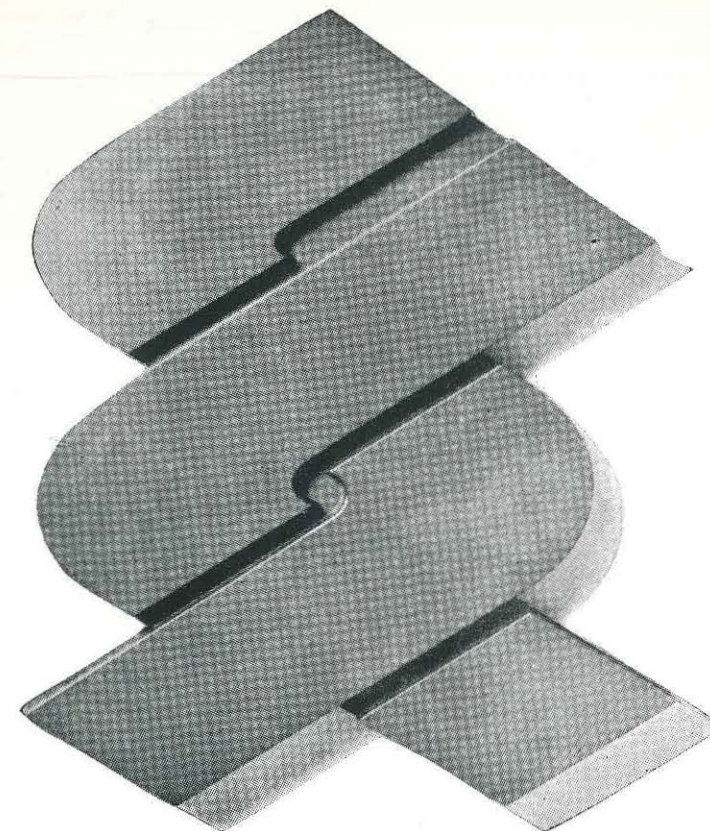
All material for the August 1978 edition of the Newsletter must reach the Office by 15 July.

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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