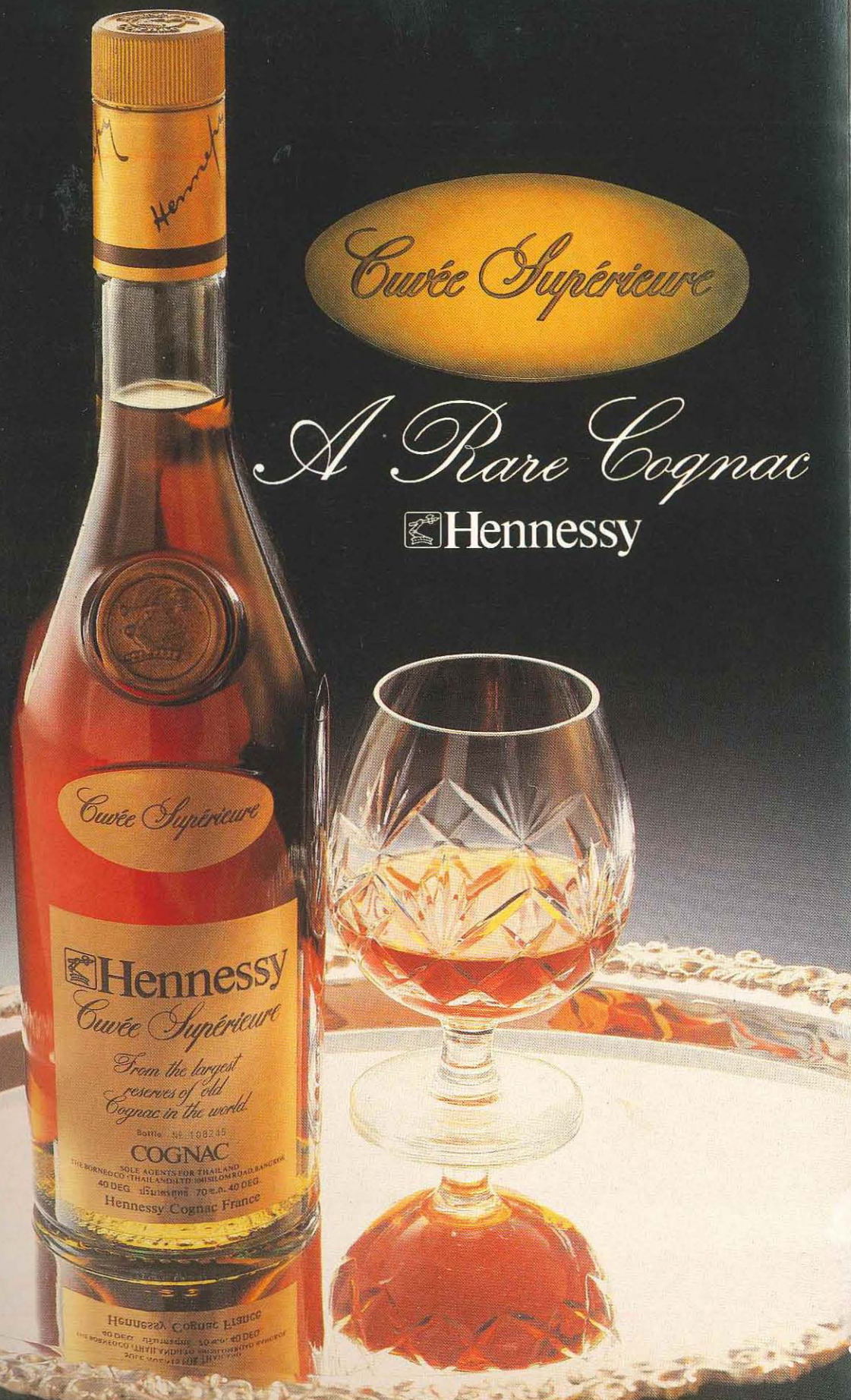


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The current membership status is as follows:

Ordinary	414
Non-Voting	10
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Candidates	44
TOTAL	551
Absent	670
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CLUB NOTES

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On the highway to the airport, just after the Suthisarn turn-off (which you should take) is a Spanish-style building on the left just after the cross-roads. It is called "Papa's" and offers a menu of American, Thai & Chinese dishes. There is ample parking: it is easy to get to and easy to get away from. There is (loud) muzak.

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1. LEVY OF ฿50.- PER MONTH ON TENNIS PLAYERS TEMPORARILY
It is hard, coming from Sukhumvit, to get into Soi 1, a lane with a "flatiron" building at the end whose depth from the road cannot exceed one metre.

Some 600m. down Soi 1, on the right hand side is "Chez Jean", otherwise called "Le Grenonille" and it is worth taking trouble to get to.

The restaurant is genuinely French (as M. Jean Schlumbeger certainly is). The specialities are the relleltes, pates, and terrines, and also the Chateaubriand steaks. You'll get it the way you ask for it, and if you ask for "Seiguant" that will be how it comes -- no concession to the English taste for an order for "rare" beef being served "medium". Don't pay extra for "Thai-French" steaks, in the writer's opinion no better than ordinary good local beef.

Aside from the terrines, pates, and steaks which M. Jean cooks himself for you, this is one of the few restaurants in Thailand to serve "raie au beurre noir". Unfortunately his raie is usually oversized and less interesting and less flavoursome, that a cut from a smaller fish would be (Raie in English is skate).

The cheese board is sometimes good, sometimes not. Look at it before ordering. Desserts are dubious and so is the coffee. However, the delightful ambience of this French restaurant in Bangkok and the charm of its rather shy proprietor adds to the pleasure of a visit.

The wine list -- indeed, all drinks -- are expensive. Unless you really want to push the boat out, stick to beer.

Fairly expensive, but fun. Don't expect a cheap dinner. Service less than prompt, but cheerful. Corkage is 100 baht, which is worthwhile in view of the over-priced wine list.

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The range of offerings is good: the quality is average or slightly below, but if you are in the area it is a) quick, b) convenient, c) clean, and d) cheap. We had lunch for five people, including beer, for ฿130 a head. They do not serve local spirits (i.e. Mekhong).

None of us tried the sandwiches or hamburgers, but one of our party tried spaghetti which, from its appearance, should be avoided. A lot of the dishes lacked "body" -- many bits and pieces but not much of substance.

However, the place is usually full. This may mean either that Thais like its food (it is not really a "farang" restaurant) or that they go there because it's the only place to go to. The first of these possibilities is, I think, the correct one. The atmosphere is friendly and fun, the service adequate, the rest-rooms clean, and the tables well spaced. It was at the request of a senior vice-President of the Thai Farmers Bank that we last lunched there.

Give it a try.

Submissions for inclusion in OUTPOST must reach the Club by the 20th of each month.

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Book Review



MAJ SJOWAL AND PER WAHLÖÖ

These authors have jointly written a series of ten police detective novels based on the career of Martin Beck who is gradually promoted to Chief Inspector, Head of the Swedish National Homicide Squad.

The first books in the series provide convincing detail of police work and are interesting "whodunnits", the later novels are unusual and exciting; all hold readers attention. To persons without experience of Sweden, the books appear to give realistic details of parts of life and police work there. Some of their comments and criticisms of social conditions, resulting from several decades of the Swedish welfare state, do not reconcile with the occasionally apparent authors' left wing views.

All ten novels have much salty humour, have interesting characters realistically developed and are recommended as first class examples of their genre.

ROBERT VAN GULIK

This author was a Dutch diplomat, a well known sinologist and scholar. He wrote a series of rather different detective novels around a Judge Dee. This character is based on an actual person, DEE JEN-JIEH, a chinese mandarin who, qualifying from imperial examinations, starts his career as a magistrate in provincial China and rises to become a senior minister in T'ang Dynasty government circa 650 - 700 A.D.

Mr. Van Gulik creates an exotic atmosphere probably appropriate for the period. The settings attitudes to life and characters are refreshingly different from most crime fiction. Detection methods, interrogation and solutions present vivid contrasts to those of the Swedish milieu. Unfortunately humour is almost entirely absent from the books.

Paperbacks by both authors are available from Bangkok book-sellers and can be borrowed from the Nielsen Hays Library.

A WONDERFUL new book about picnics, wittily called "The Picnic Papers" (Hutchinson £89.50) contains the solemn advice from Princess Margaret that one should always take one's butler with one on picnics. With the most grovelling respect, Ma'am, I would disagree.

Part of the story is told by Susanna Johnston, one of the books editors. "I once had a romance that ended at a picnic" says Susanna. "No, I'm not going to tell you the details, I couldn't possibly. But before it poured with rain it was all on, and afterwards it was all off."

I suppose it was sporting of her not to reveal to the reptiles of the gutter press what everyone must have realised, that I was the other person involved. Like a fool, I had brought my butler along. At a particularly crucial moment when we were sheltering from the rain under a haystack -- somewhere between the "all-on" and "all-off" situations -- I heard someone clear his throat. It was my man, Wheatcroft.

"Has her ladyship considered the desirability or the possibility of some asparagus," said this imbecile. It was the end of everything.

Answer to last month's puzzle

	A	B	C	D	E
Height	6	4½	5	6	4½
Name	Lek	Toy	Lek	pong	pong
Dress	Blue	See Thru	See Thru	None	Blue

If name is Pong then from D and E she is 5' and see through. But then C has 2 correct.

If name is Toy then from B she is not 4½' or see through. Then from C she would be 5' (otherwise three wrong) and from A she would have 'blue' and from D she would have 'none' which is impossible.

∴ Name is Lek and from C and D she must be 4½ tall and from D she must not be wearing a bikini at all.

This month's Puzzle

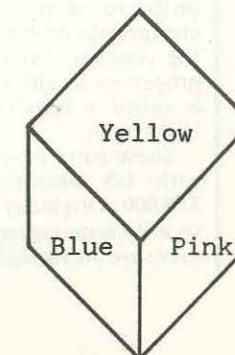
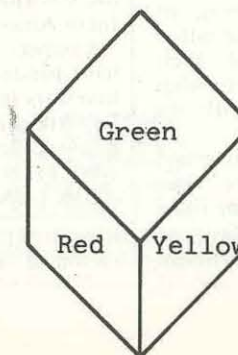
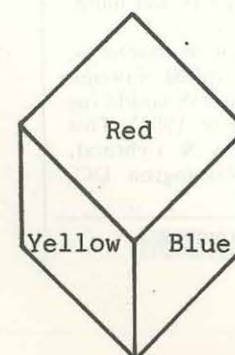
Heard complaints that last month's puzzle was too easy!

A different type this month and not so easy. Usual bottle of Scotch for the first entry picked at random on 14th July. Send answers to Editor.

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Shown below are three views of the same cube which is decorated in rather striking colours (Rubiks Rejects!)

What colour is on the face directly opposite the yellow face in the third view?



From dreams to nightmares

Rosemary Burr gives a warning to British home owners.

FOREIGN INVESTORS with dream houses in America may now be having nightmares about the US Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The cause of this present unease dates back to the US Foreign Investment in Real Property Act passed in 1980 to ensure that foreign investors in American real estate did not escape the IRS's tax net.

The Act was introduced after growing concern among several sections of the community about the adverse impact of a surge in foreign property purchases. Farmers and corporations renting a slice of the Big Apple joined together to protest that foreigners were escaping the full rigours of the American tax system.

There was also a feeling that some of the ostensibly foreign money was in fact American funds by another name. According to this argument, money was being transferred into foreign incorporated companies and then reinvested, with fiscal advantages, in the US.

So in June 1980 the American government introduced legislation that would put foreigners investing in US property on equal footing with their native counterparts. From that time any foreigner selling American property has been subject to a 20 per cent tax on the capital gain.

For the purposes of the Act, property covers a wide range of assets. It includes farmland, furnishings, time-sharing interests, mineral deposits and certain mortgages.

On the face of it this sounds simple – if expensive – enough. The complications arise as the IRS has decided that, in order to stop foreigners escaping its clutches, overseas investors must either file certain information about their properties or alternatively complete what is called a security agreement with the US taxman.

These rules cover all foreign investors with US property worth more than \$50,000. Originally the deadline for filing security arrangements, which are designed to ensure the foreign investor has sufficient

funds to pay the potential tax bill, was set at March 21 but this has now been postponed.

The deadline for investors opting for disclosure is June 21. Some tax advisers are now suggesting that the IRS will also extend the deadline for security arrangements until June 21.

So what does this all mean for investors? They must decide whether they wish to tell Uncle Sam all the details of their property assets or whether they are prepared to foot the bill associated with providing adequate security to the US taxman.

For most individuals, provided they do not wish to hide their identity, the cheapest and most straightforward method is to file details with the government. This will include a description of the property and an up-to-date assessment of its market value.

This information must be supplied each year. For properties purchased in the future, details must be sent to the IRS by January 31 of the year after the acquisition is made.

Foreign investors can obtain the requisite forms from American embassies or the Foreign Operation District of the IRS in due course. Failure to take appropriate action can result in a £25 fine per day on each property up to a maximum of £25,000 in any one year. The filings due in June will cover the three years back to 1980, so the maximum penalty that could be imposed this year is £75,000.

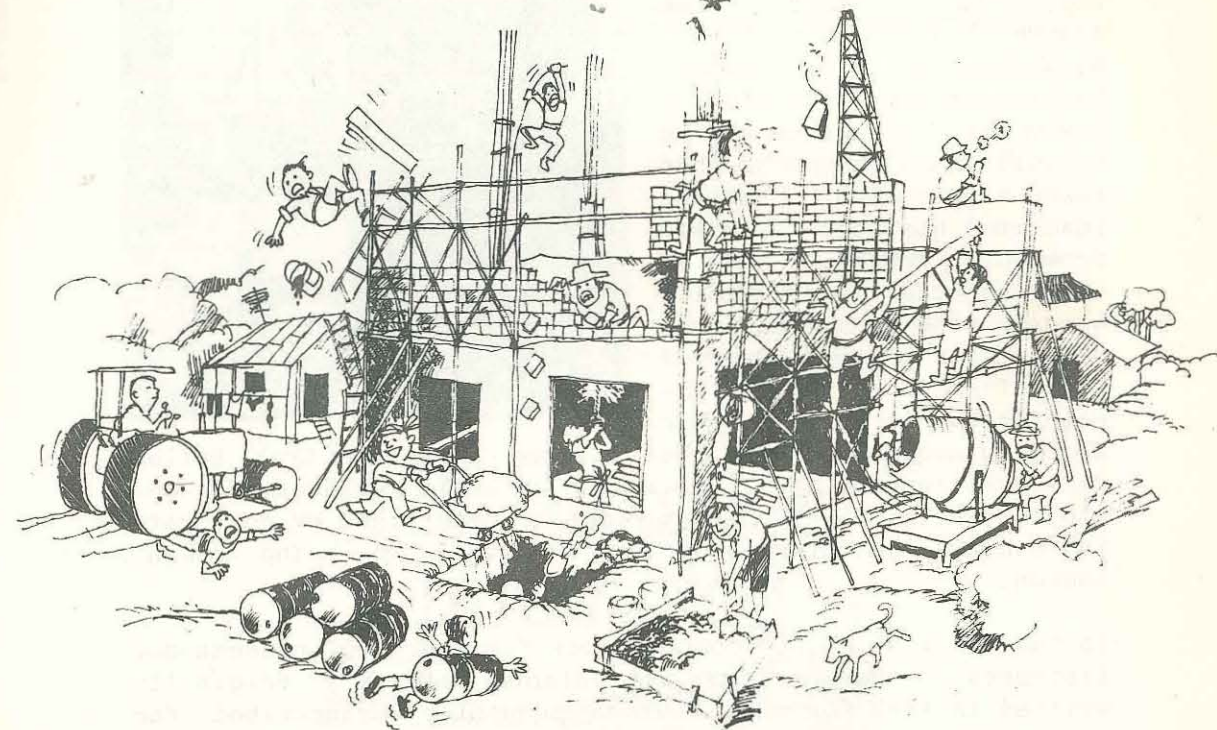
Apart from the possible cost of getting advice from an accountant, investors who opt for disclosure should not find themselves substantially worse off than in the past. Any tax paid to Uncle Sam can be offset against the UK tax bill, through the two countries' double tax agreement.

If you have property in the US the best advice is to consult a firm of international accountants with branches in the US. They should be able to tell you how the new rules affect your particular handful of American soil.

Coopers & Lybrand, the accountants, have produced a booklet called 'Foreign Investors in US Real Estate: A Guide for Reporting and Disclosure in 1983'. This is available from Coopers & Lybrand, 1800 M Street, NW, Washington DC, 20036, USA ■

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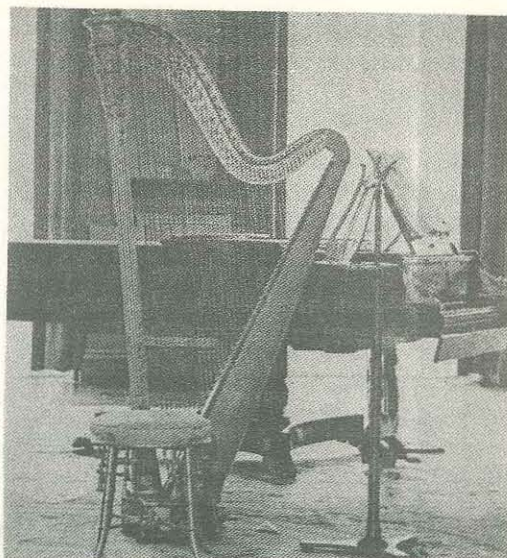
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FRENCH COMPOSER OF STATURE

AMONG the most popular bathing resorts on the Basque coast of the Bay of Biscay is St-Jean-de-Luz. This is where Maurice Ravel first saw the light of day, though he soon moved to Paris where he lived for the next forty-six years. Always regarding himself as a Basque rather than a Parisian, Maurice inherited his love of music from his father, and on entering the Conservatoire was admitted to the 'advanced composition' class of Gabriel Faure from whose tuition he benefitted greatly. Later becoming acquainted with that bizarre character Erik Satie, whimsical 'enfant terrible' in the artistic world of 'fin-de-siecle' Paris, Ravel tried to imitate his friend by cultivating a beard -- but soon decided to revert to being clean-shaven.



In the earliest of his compositions familiar to present-day listeners - 'Pavane pour une infante defunte', originally written in 1899 for piano but subsequently transcribed for orchestra - the impact of Satie was less noticeable than that of Faure, but his brilliant little 'Les Jeux d'eau' (1901) was full of impressionism and greatly interested Claude Debussy, thirteen years Ravel's senior.

The many pieces which Ravel composed over a long period all displayed that meticulous attention to detail which was one of the most noteworthy characteristics of his music, but they were by no means all alike in mood -- the elegantly neo-classical 'Sonatine', the grimly fantastic three-movement cycle entitled 'Gaspard de la nuit', and the eight 'Valse nobles et sentimentales' in which an audacious attempt was made to bring Schubert up to date. Ravel's orchestral compositions and his arrangements likewise illustrate that attention to detail that is such a characteristic of his writings, as we note during his tone-poem 'La Valse', his ballad-opera 'L'Enfant et les sortileges' (1925), and indeed in the famous 'Bolero'.

A delightful 'bonne-bouche' is the youthful but astonishing 'Introduction and allegro' for harp, flute, clarinet and strings which has a new performance this month by the well-known harpist Marisa Robles and colleagues. This is just part of a delectable digital recital (Ravel, etc.: Argo ZRDL 1008) by Miss Robles who includes some of her own compositions including, appropriately, a Basque Folk Song Suite, and some French music.

Maurice Ravel the man was as fastidious as Maurice Ravel the composer - apart perhaps from the curious fact that throughout his life he was a confirmed chain-smoker of the cheap cigarettes then known as Caporals and now known as Gauloises.

In 1935 he suffered slight concussion in a motor accident and thereafter was subject to periodic bouts of locomotor ataxia, eventually undergoing an operation in Paris. This was only partially successful and he died in hospital there in December 1938, widely mourned by many good friends as well as by all those in the outside world who very properly admired his achievements as a composer of great stature.

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F & B Correspondent

Pub Night

At the end of May, the Club sponsored a Pub Night in the Suriwongse Room with the profits from the evening going to help the work at Christ Church.

The evening started sedately with guests filtering in quietly and discreetly munching at the pub grub in neat little groups around the room.

A few games of darts were played and the bridge players settled down to study their cards. All very peaceful until maestro Richard Hopkins, the Welsh wonder pianist, started up on the old Joanna.

The music had an almost instant effect and soon the place was swinging along to the sound of many old favourite tunes.

The evening soon became a "past midnight" affair and only closed down when we ran out of beer (Dai Hopkins would have played all night with sufficient lubrication!). The F & B convener was duly booed and everyone left for home, hoarse but happy.

Thanks have been received from the Vicar and Church Council for a nett contribution of over Bht. 10,000.



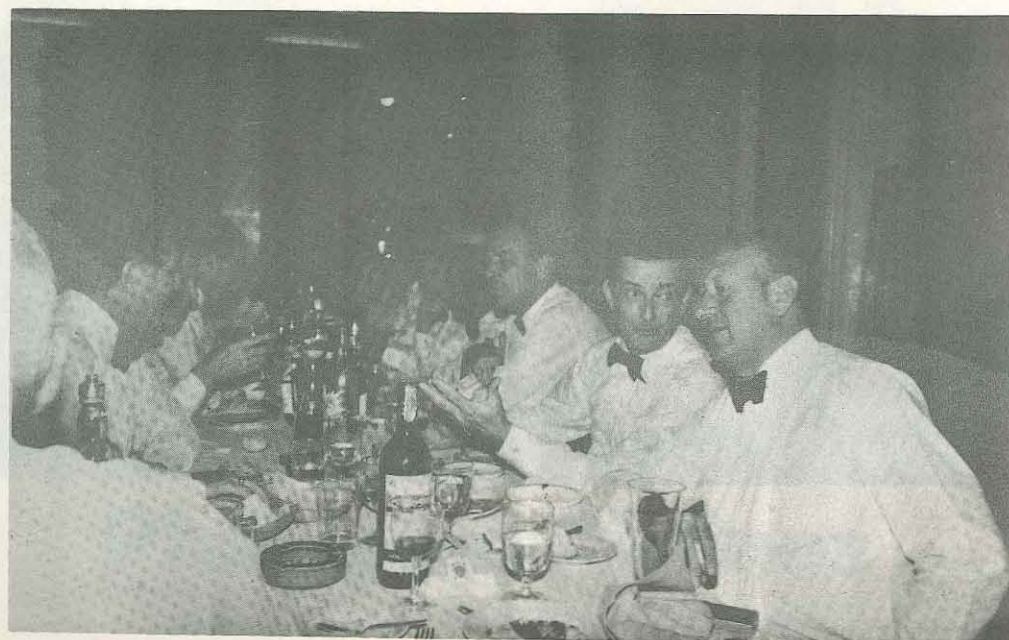
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ST. ANDREW'S STAG NIGHT (cont'd)



I hope he's not going to tell that one again. If he does,
I don't think I can keep the Haggis down.



It wasn't like this when I used to run it Jimmy.

Churchill Bar

The main bar has somehow acquired this distinguished name which will shortly be stencilled on the glass door. How about a suitable name for the Dining Room? Suggestions, to the Editor.

Dining Room Renovations

Some very attractive proposals have been presented to improve the appearance, comfort and atmosphere of our "nameless" dining room.

These include raising the floor, replacing the old tables and chairs, hanging new curtains and putting down a new carpet.

Naturally, all this costs money but it is hoped that some of the more essential work can start soon, budget restraints permitting.

New Menu

As promised in last month's "Outpost", a new menu has been printed for the Dining Room. In a moment of rashness, and to the horror of your Scottish F & B Convener, the General Committee agreed to offer diners one free glass of wine on presentation of the cut out coupon (see end of this article) to dining room staff.

This promotional gesture is to help launch the new menu and is valid from 1st to 15th July, 1983. (Dining Room Only).

Of Plastic Cups and Chelsea Buns

Chelsea buns are now being scoffed at a great rate at the poolside. Our apologies if we occasionally run out or if they do not taste exactly as mother used to make them. Suggestions please for other poolside treats.

Fresh supplies of plastic cups for Children's drinks have been ordered for the poolside. These disappear rapidly so we have to keep restocking at regular intervals.

Farewell

Your correspondent will shortly be moving out of range (to Penang) and will be handing over this column next month to an unsuspecting replacement. Thank you for your kind comments in the past and for all the constructive criticism that has helped improve the Club catering over the last 18 months.

BRITISH CLUB versus O.E.S.A. NIGHT

Once a year, annually and every twelve months the BC and OESA (Old England Students Association) meet to contest three Cups - Snooker, Darts and Liar Dice. This year the BC played host and made lavish preparations to welcome Khun Lalong, President of the OESA, and his team. Three things are always assured on OESA Night; fine company, fine food and fine competition. The 1983 meeting proved no exception.

The statistics will show that the BC won both the darts and the snooker but, as with that other famous sporting event, it was the taking part that really mattered.

Such is the nature of this evening that one is never quite sure who is playing for who. Was Charles Stewart playing for us or them? What about Tom Moran? - Hans Daniels? - but, at 6 p.m. the competition got underway.

On the Dart Board the BC team began amassing a comfortable lead over their rivals whilst the reverse was happening in the Snooker Room. On the Liar Dice tables it was either of the two teams who were playing the better. It is in the nature of the game, isn't it, that you don't believe a single thing that you hear.

The evening was beginning to mature nicely - bar takings were going up; stocks of Kloster and Red were going down; Pinks and Blacks were being potted; Tons were being thrown and the Lies were growing ever more outrageous.

Fortunes then began to turn. From being 9-2 up, the BC Darts team of Chris S, Peter, Roy R, Ian Mc, Chris A, Linda and Orin found their lead reduced to 9-8 with two to play. It was at this point that OESA proved that drinking whisky daeng refreshes parts of the brain that Kloster fails to reach, by proposing a single game between Khun Lalong, OESA President and BC Chairman John (You've caught me on one of the eight days this week when BA hasn't got a flight) Williams. Left handed marathon runners are not to be trusted in such situations and Williams, true to form, made all the flights end up at the wrong destination and was still in mid-air when Khun Lalong came through the door marked Arrivals. The score: 9-9, and one to play.

In the Snooker Room the BC team of Ian Hill, Arthur Phillips, Ernie Ure, Norman Musgrave, Roy Barrett and Ash Fancy were fighting back from a 3-0 deficit inflicted on them by OESA Maurice Kerr's team in the opening matches.

On the Liar Dice tables fortunes were swinging (and being wagered) from OESA to BC and back again - or was it the other way round? Who knows?

The Suriwongse Room and Dinner² now beckoned and John Williams and Khun Lalong proudly led their finely honed squads upstairs. The news as the stairs were climbed was that the BC darts team had won their deciding match and had claimed the trophy. It was also becoming accepted that the BC had in fact won the Liar Dice but whether this was true or not will never really be known. The snooker competition stood 3-2 to OESA with two to play.

Over an athlete's dinner of Yorkshire Pud and Bread and Butter Puddin', John Williams welcomed the guests and cribbed shamelessly from a potted history of sporting links between Thailand and England composed in haste by the notorious Anton Perera, a welcome guest. The food and wine played their part in relaxing nerves and muscles drawn taught during the evening's competition, but the snooker players knew that all was not yet over.

Not to be caught twice by the same ploy, the BC tactfully declined the OESA proposition that John Williams play Khun Lalong to decide the home of the snooker trophy for the next 12 months. In the event it didn't matter. Maurice Kerr brought a most entertaining evening to a close by potting the black to take the final match. The tension had been maintained right up to this final shot.

So, it was all over. As was said earlier, the statistics books will record the result but the memories of a splendid evening will stay with the players.

Encouraged by their success a few of the BC squad have vowed to start training much earlier for the 1984 meeting on Petch-buri Road. Some are talking of starting as far ahead as 20 minutes before the event.....

CHILDREN'S CORNER

WORD-FINDS

HOW TO SOLVE WORD-FIND PUZZLES

To solve a Word-Find puzzle, you must find words that are hidden in a group of letters. The words you must find are usually given to you in a *word list*. Then, all you do is find each of the words on the list. The trick is that the words may run across, down, diagonally; forwards or backwards. All the words are in a straight line and never skip letters. Words may overlap, so that some letters may be used in more than one word.

We always tell you how many words we have found in the puzzle. You may, sometimes, find even more. If you do, that's really good word-finding! Only capitalized words are in the puzzle. Material in parentheses is never in the puzzle. An asterisk (*) in front of an item means words in that item are found separately. On the front cover, we have shown you the eight directions a word in a Word-Find puzzle may read. Notice that arrows point to eight different words to show these.

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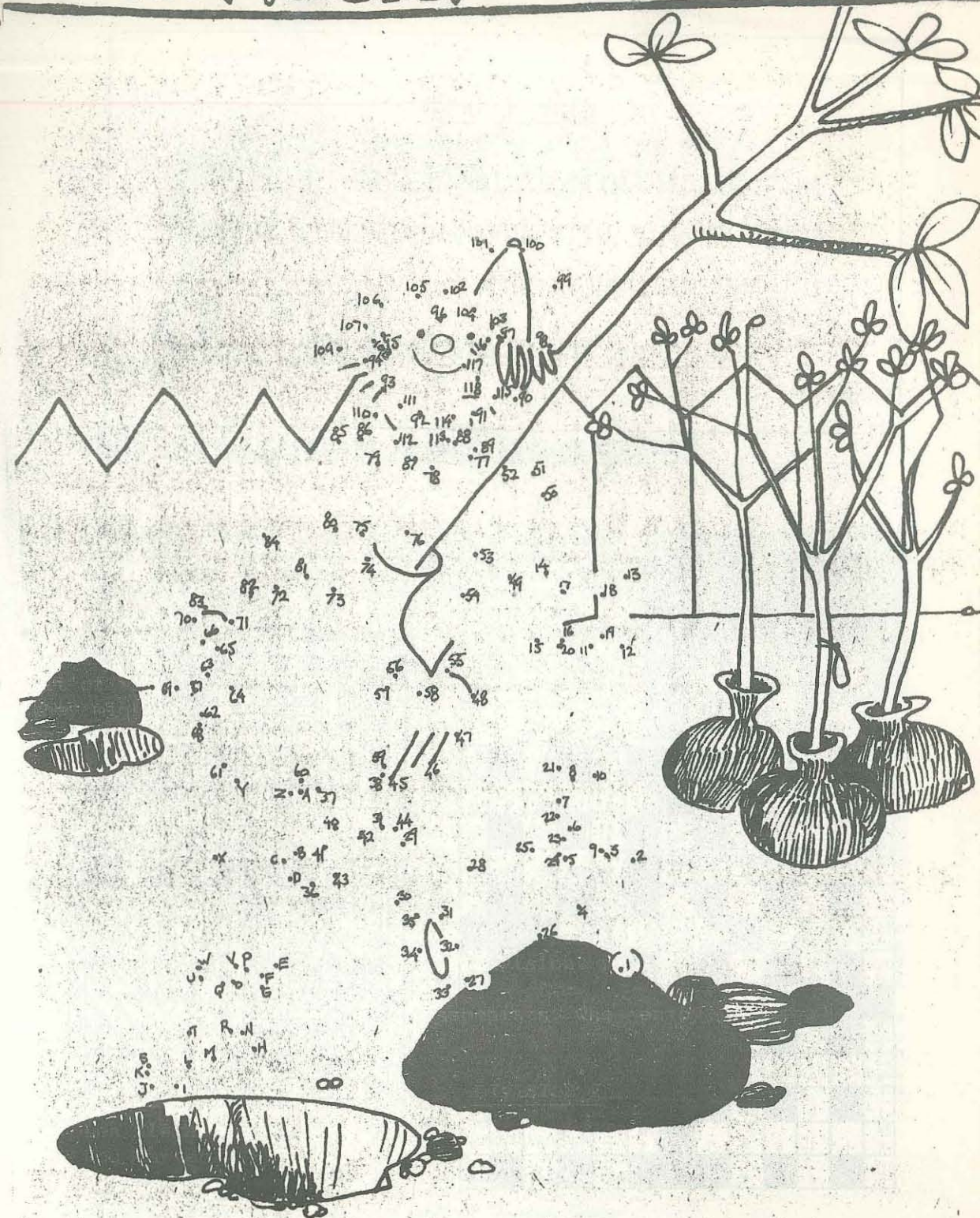
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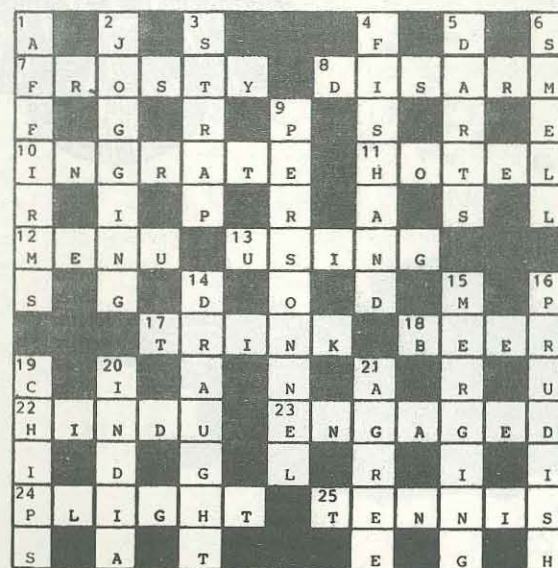
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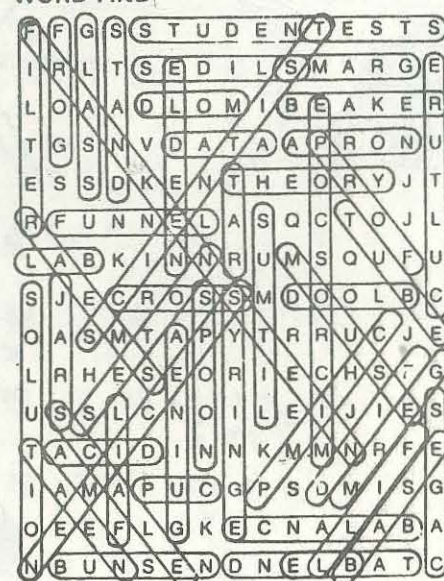
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WORD-FIND



CROQUET

Of croquet and bouquet

IF THERE is anyone in the world better at croquet than Nigel Aspinall or Stephen Mulliner, I don't want to know. Have you ever played croquet? It is the most humiliating game in the world, I mean, you never get a go, what with the other chap roqueting you and croqueting you all over the place.

Mulliner and Aspinall are both internationals, with the latter having perhaps the greater claim to fame with seven open championships to his name.

Croquet, apparently, has been staging a modest revival in the past dozen years, ever since the 1897 rules were amended to stop some of the eternal bashing away of opponent's balls.

Not that I can spot the difference. Last Thursday at the Hurlingham Club, for example, I watched Mulliner wielding his mallet very closely and he seemed to be thumping Aspinall all over the shop. Aspinall explained that what Mulliner was trying for was a sextuple peel, which is apparently the croquet equivalent of Steve Davis clearing the snooker table in a single break.

I noted a touch of emotion in Aspinall's voice. When he had finished, Mulliner told me quietly that the sextuple peel, which involves using your second ball to push your first through the last six hoops, was

first invented by a man called Wylie, now in Australia, who waited until the last deciding game of the 1976 open final to unveil it - against Aspinall.

Croquet is still a game the British dominate, you'll be proud to know - mainly because no one else much plays it. Well, the Australians and New Zealanders do, not to mention the South Africans, which nobody does. And the Americans are coming on, although they still get thumped at Association Croquet because they continue to play by the 1897 rules.

The last world championships were held in Australia, at the same time as English cricketers were losing the Ashes. Mulliner says that after the shambles at Adelaide the croquet team wrote a note to Bob Willis offering him dinner and advice, but he turned both down.

Perhaps you are wondering what croquet has got to do with Atticus. I'm afraid I've got bad news for you. The game is being sponsored by Mateus, the Portuguese wine manufacturer, to promote its new white variety, a crisp, strange-tasting liquid which I think will amuse you with its bouquet. Something chemical, I think, but not dangerous.

Croquet was chosen because it conjures up the summer



Aspinall (left) and Mulliner

scene: the white flannels, the green grass and all that go so well with white wine. And anyway John Player has got cricket and Kodak bowls.

Incidentally, Mulliner says no one really knows the origins of the game, but it is believed to come from Ireland. Of course. It's Irish cricket. No wonder it's so absurd.



SQUASH

Squash members lucky? enough to spot a league coordinator after the sun comes up may have seen a strange sight. These normally shadowy figures who lurk under mounds of scrawly league slips and long range cameras can be seen on the out-skirts of the Sala making putting motions on their backs. Long exposure to coordinators enables one to translate their sounds into words like "record participation" "tight finishes" "three equal on points" "another pregnancy" etc. etc.

Putting it all together we realise their message is the last league (41st) was a very nicely done piece of handicapping. As well as that it emerged that players cooperated by not messing up matches with sudden withdrawals. That sentence reads a bit odd but anyway out of 106 entries apparently only 10 withdrew before playing 3 matches and 7 of those exits had good reasons like a broken arm, foot operation, going off to Cairo to dig tunnels, septic toe and the usual pregnancy.

Shows you what the languor of the tropics can do though when these trifling excuses are put up to stop playing. If we were in Melbourne mate you would have to play on nine toes and do a bit of family planning between leagues. Fall under a tram and they might just put you on the standby list if your stretcher can't get through the court door.

Meanwhile back in Sabailand where trams were turned into low cost housing years ago we battle on against our own element of hard nosed players who want to win every match in their league. In fact there were nine spoil sports in that category. Finally to finish off about league 41 we look somewhere past Voyager I and II to commiserate with Colin Hastings who beat Len in Division 1 but couldn't get either of 2 points in his last game against Rod Carter to win the division.

Results of league 41 for those masochists who enjoy reading them are:

DIVISION 1

1. Len Alexander 13 pts
2. Rod Carter 13

DIVISION 3

1. Brian Brook 11 pts
2. Dugal Forrest 11
3. Bruce Pointer 11

DIVISION 2

- *1. Steve Tapner 15 pts
2. Chris Platt 14

DIVISION 4

- *1. Roy Barrett 12 pts
2. Greg Henderson 10

DIVISION 5

1. Ralph Tye 14 pts
2. Ben Piper 12

DIVISION 7

1. Howard Debenham 11 pts
2. Peter Dwyer 11

DIVISION 9

- *1. Jeffrey Thomson 9 pts
2. Will Dick 7

DIVISION 11

1. Doug Beckett 8 pts
2. Mike Chesterton 7

DIVISION 13

- *1. Doug Small 15 pts
2. Lindsey O'Conner 11

DIVISION 15

- *1. Craig Stewart 12 pts
2. Sriwan Forrest 12

DIVISION 17

- *1. Julie Lundh 18 pts
2. Prue Pointer 15

DIVISION 6

1. Brian Thompson 14 pts
2. Nigel Ashton 14

DIVISION 8

1. David Frost 14 pts
2. Pat Murphy 13

DIVISION 10

- *1. Don Cowan 18 pts
2. Mike Rickard 16

DIVISION 12

- *1. Anthony Healey 9 pts
2. Teresa Cooney 8

DIVISION 14

- *1. Constantine Annas 15 pts
2. Nigel Price 13

DIVISION 16

1. Michelle Laven 16 pts
2. Justin Matthews 15

* Stars who won every match in their division.

Anniversary Squash League

Wot league? The 42nd league of July 1983 celebrating 10 years of league squash in BCB. It only costs you your shirt or have I got that confused. Coordinators are hoping for a 120 person line up for this event. Negotiations with a leading Bangkok hospital to donate free oxygen bottles to returnees from the 1973 era collapsed when no oxygen could be found in Bangkok.

TSRA League

Everyone should have received and suitably acted upon the newsletter about this event. Rumours abound that the starting date may be set back to early August in order to expand the playing venues or when a nearby riverside hotel finishes its

courts which means the same thing. Despite its unique style of organising the TSRA is worth having a go at because it gives players good experience against a variety of talents outside the club courts.

Court Maintenance

Court 2 should be in good shape by the time this Outpost comes out provided everything goes to schedule coff coff! Let's hope though it goes to plan so we have a new looking venue for the Lancing College challenge amongst others. Bill Cox and Len on behalf of the squash committee are working with the club management to really get stuck into upgrading our sport arenas. Hopefully court 3 will get a new floor starting in August so INTERPOL can close their missing squash players file. Court 1 still has the best floor in terms of firmness but unfortunately not much can be done about the timber being pretty dark.

Ladies Championship 1983

With Marjorie Rennie long since departed it was Emily Fangman's turn to come second to Colleen Perry in the BCB Ladies Championship. Colleen won 3-0 and got a trophy generously donated by the club manager Bob Vlietstra. Looks like we have a Margorie Jackson case here.

The Ladies Plate for this year went to Jill Van De Lint who beat Julie Lundh 3-0. At least Julie had the consolation of winning division 17 in straight matches before the championships.

Visits

Lancing College (UK) to BCB 17 July still on as far as known. This will be worth watching so look out for the bulletin and be ready to cheer our fellows on. Is there a ladies team too Brian or is that a different college?

Selangor Club in August is still on the back burner so keep jogging to be in shape against this lot. Your club may need you! Hope not mate.

Coaching

Maybe Captain Len will arrange further coaching sessions on 2 Sundays in July. Good value if it works as many people can vouch for.

Ladies Section

Come on girls sort out your shapes on the court and one day someone will beat Colleen. Tuesday mornings are open ladies days.

Disco

There will be a disco for squashies and somehow this will be related to the 10th anniversary but the question at present is when the night will be held. Sounds like September is favoured so far but more on that as the pieces fall together.

Fun Day

Reads about the same as DISCO entry above, Committee stalwarts are concerned there will be no fun if everyone is away on leave. On the back burner with Selangor for the time being.

Arrivals/Departures

Slight, sensitive John Sill should be coming back from Hong Kong if he didn't disappear through the floor of Court 3 on his last trip. John Bellis is coming back we hear while on the other hand its sad news that the YOUNGERS, Scott and June plus the WHITES, Nick and Maren will be departing Bangkok late July. Both families enjoy their squash immensely and will be missed.

Ladder Climber of the Month

Ralph Tye gets this title easily by going up to number 8 as at late June. Ralph came up the rungs from somewhere in the 30's. Hope we don't have to use the opposite title next edition Ralph.

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BRIDGE

The Annual General Meeting of the Bridge Club was held Monday, June 6, 1983, by the out-going Chairman, Geoff Connor, with a good attendance. A new slate of officers was elected from those present, as follows:

Chairman	- Malcolm Lazenby
Vice-Chairman	- R.G. (Bob) Chance
Purchaser	- Lois Crittenden
Treasurer	- G.H. (Geoff) Crittenden
Secretary	- Gwen Gilliatt

The retiring Committee was thanked for their very good efforts.

An evening of duplicate was then enjoyed with the top prize being won by Leslie and Simon Brewin.

It is hoped that all the bridge players will join the group every Monday evening for either duplicate or regular bridge at 7.30. We extend a special invitation to non-members as well and everyone is welcome, so please come and bring a friend.

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SWIMMING

Special Report: Inter Club Gala with the Dusit Swimming Club, on Thursday 26 May 1983. A very warm welcome was extended to one and all by the Dusit Swimming Club in this long outstanding return match. Set in a most attractive area, the tree-lined pool was bedecked with flags and awnings specially for the occasion. Magnificent hospitality was provided, with waiter-served soft drinks around the pool and a most interesting buffet lunch at the end of the event. (The B.C. swimmers were invited to take their lunch first, the reason for which was well understood as we all stopped eating to watch the "free for all" when the Dusit team were finally given the green light!)

We fielded a rather small team (19 swimmers) but all swam well to produce very pleasing results.

Results: 17 Gold Medals were collected by the B.C.B. swimmers, the star performers being:- Cassidy Smith (2), Mark Gillett (2), Seksan Collins (3), Selinla Collins (4), and Karen Prendergast (6).

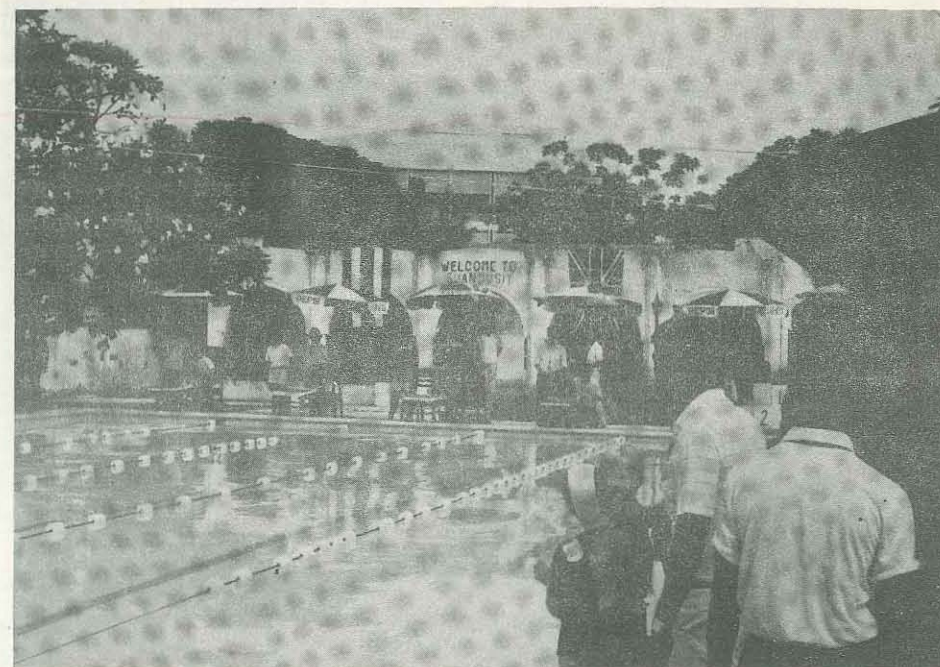
Our girls performed exceptionally well winning the under 9, under 11, and over 13 groups. We also ran very close in the under 13 girls and the over 13 boys. In the girls events the scores were B.C.B. 252, Dusit 176.

It was the relays wot let us down (heard from a Northern Dad) and, in fact, these were mixed events where the Dusit swimmers boys outnumbered B.C.B.'s by 3 to 1. The overall result was Dusit 575, B.C.B. 425.

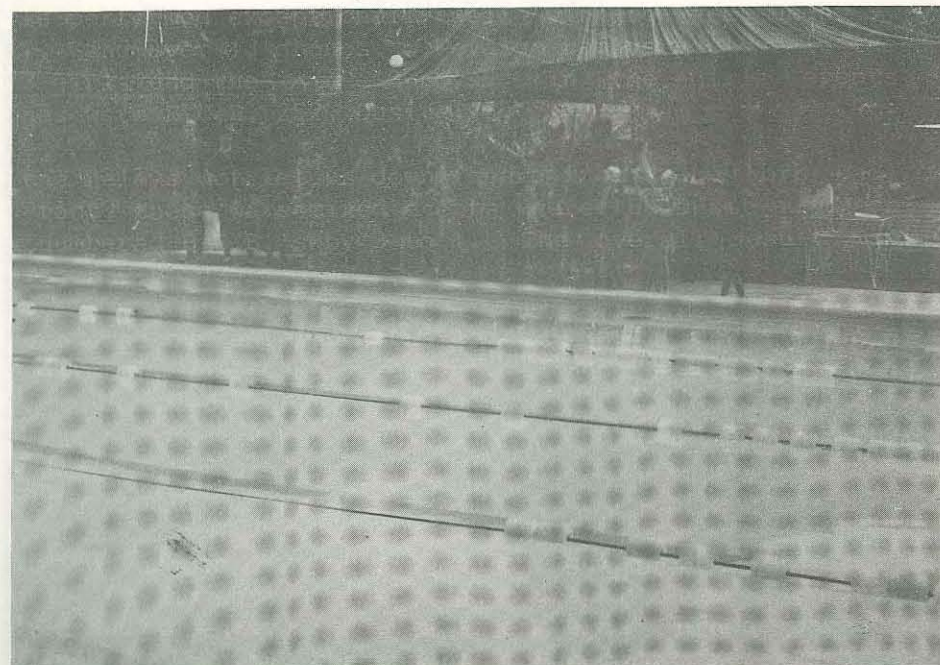
There were nine overall improvers led by Jeremy Urwin with a 10 second total, well done Jeremy.

A full list of results has been collated and compiled by Barry Collins and this is displayed on the Swimming Club notice board by the pool.

It really was a good day for all and a magnificent finale was the taking of the grand event photograph, when swimmers, parents, grand parents, and yes even great grand parents gathered on the lawn by the pool, to record the historic occasion.



Dusit Swimming Gala
The calm before the start



"The Team"



Dusit Swimming Gala
Group (Y) Photograph



7 Little girls from B.C.B. are we!

Selinla Collins "4 Golds"



"Sweep" for BCB

Seksan Collins "3 Golds" flanked by
Karen Prendergast "6 Golds" and Lisa Laing



Our best relay
result 2nd & 3rd
Under 11's

Normal Report: British Club Gala, Sunday 5th June 1983. A fine crop of new swimmers took to the starting blocks as a deep Australian voice called the meeting to order at somewhere round 11.30 a.m.

The "timers" gripped their watches and Khun Choon raised his megaphone "cow, tee, go" (well that's how it sounded to your faithful scribe) and the under 7 butterflyers were on their way. It was pleasing to see lots of children racing in new strokes for the first time, the list including Sharna Cox, Sophie Majer, Naomi Kent, Fiona Passmore, Benjamin Fathers and Christopher Cook in the under 7's, Trinity Cox, Frankie Fathers, Xanthe Kent and Jonathan Passmore in the under 9's, Georgina Bull in the under 11's, and Joanne Davidson and Simon Kay in the under 13's. The improver of the month award is clearly going to be hard fought throughout 1983.

Following an excellent series of tussles, Selinla Collins managed outstanding performances to reduce her best times in all three events swum (butterfly, breast and I.M.) by 3 seconds on each stroke. This excellent performance gives her a very well earned improver of the month award for June.

Other good swims were recorded by Maree Prendergast (2 seconds off best I.M. time), Mark Gillett, within 0.9 seconds of the B.C.B. under 11 Breast record, and Karen Prendergast within 0.2 seconds of her own British Club Record in the butterfly.

After the excitement had died down a little, awards for May were awarded with due pomp and ceremony. Improver of the month for May goes to little Jeannie Collins (well at least she seems little to the other Collins) very well done Jeannie. Also in May our swimmers had been hard at their swimming tests with awards for Snapper going to Jonathan Passmore, Whale to Natalie Passmore and Sarah Gillett, and Shark to Joanne Davidson, Simon Kay and Rosemary Kay. We are indebted to Khun Choon and Khun Suparp, our coaches, for their efforts in this area.

Swimming Club A.G.M. Meeting, 5th June, 1983

The meeting opened with a very sad farewell to Hugh and Helen Jamieson who have given such whole hearted support for so many years to the British Club and the swimming section, in particular. They will be greatly missed and we say a very big thank you and "bon voyage" to them both.

A new Committee was somehow elected and will comprise:-

Admin.	- Bev Laing (Home 251 0721)
Training/Lessons	- Heather Passmore (Home 286 1072)
Badges/Certificates	- Chris Cox (Home 251 0721)
Outpost	- David Gillett (Office 252 7161)
Treasurer	- Lou Laing (Office 252 0194)
Statistics	- Barry Collins* (Office 234 3333)
	* also general committee member (poolside & grounds)

Coaches: Khun Choon and Khun Suparp

Other points discussed were:-

Friendship Gala will now be on July 3rd rather than June 26th as our hosts I.S.R.C. have had last minute administration problems. Please see Club notice board for details.

The next British Club gala is provisionally now proposed for 17th July with the August swim on the 7th August.

NEWS ITEMS. Agreement in principle has been reached for a full-time coach and pool supervisor, and present thinking is that this will cover Monday - Friday 13.00 - 19.00 hrs., and Saturday 09.00 - 12.00 hrs. This will allow smaller classes for children to be implemented and make room for some adult lessons (please see the notice board for proposed times and those interested may enter their names.)

MORE NEWS. In addition to the above it is hoped to introduce water polo, weight exercises with each swimming lesson, and diving from the springboard. (any more ideas? please contact any committee member with suggestions for optimum use of the coach's increased time) It is expected that the extended hours will start in August.

STILL MORE NEWS. With the planned movement of the cricket nets to alongside the club house, moves are afoot in the long-term plan to add a small weight training gym to complement the poolside activities.

A RATHER NASTY. The intermittent problem with children who are not toilet trained has alas continued; parents with very young children please help make the pool a place for all to enjoy!

SEE YOU AT THE I.S.R.C. AND B.C.B. POOLS



CRICKET

Dear Ollie,

Ta much for your letter last month. Must say your English is coming on a treat - all that time you put in at the 99 Language School is beginning to pay off. Keep it up!

I enjoyed your bits about the cricket, but to be honest old chap, you have caused us a few problems with all those nick-names. We've had the Industry boys on to us asking how a Farang got a work permit as a bricky! I explained just like you told me that when you worked on Merseyside your Belgian name De Braekeleer spoke in Scouse came out as 'The Brick-layer' but he didn't have much fun in him and went away convinced that all Belgian Merseyside brickets who play cricket must be nuts. Ah well, 'Sella Viva', as you Frogs say!

You've probably noticed that I've put up a list of statistics for the 1982/83 cricket season on the Club Notice Board. If anyone wants to know the actual details point them in that direction, I'll confine my comments here to more relevant aspects of the game.

Results: Since we started off the season with such enthusiasm and high hopes I think you'll agree these were rather disappointing. In Thailand rankings we came off second best against RBSC, Chiang Mai and the Indians but beat the Colts, AIT and Allied. This was the season we lost only once to RBSC in 3 games -- the other two we were massacred! However, as always we outplayed every other team in the bar (in spite of stiff competition from the Thais) and can honourably claim to be the best (and most experienced) losers in town.

Batting: Jeff Parry took the honours here don't you think? He scored 248 runs, nearly twice as many as anyone else, and would have scored many more if he'd run as many as his batting partners. For a batsman who is basically an off-side player he did extremely well to score 95% of his runs between square leg and long on, and he often demonstrated an impressive execution of the long-handled bash which he perfected in the nets against the Narai Hotel. To be honest Jeff's not a very pretty sight when he's batting and he's certainly the only batsman I know who tries to get out in order to have a rest from the first ball he faces. But well done Jeff - not bad for an ossie!

I think you'll agree that one of the biggest disappointments of the year was young Craig Price. Craig, or Charlie to his friends of the Press, looked a real class batsman in the nets and pre-season games, but with disc jockey duties, English classes and Thai cultural interests Charlie never played enough to realise his potential. We're expecting great things next year to make up for it.

Early season Narai Hotel window smashing also set the scene for some vicious clubbing from David Apps and Chris Staddon. But alas, these two also let other interests ruin potentially promising seasons.

Faithful John Cloggers had a good season after a bad start and on the few occasions he chose to bat with something approaching orthodox caution he looked really solid and turned in some good scores. However, a quick thrash and out was more the usual order of proceedings. Come back any time though Johnny, we'll always find a place for you!

Of the rest, Barry Hyde never quite produced the sparkling form on the field which he showed in the nets, Ben Piper looked tremendous but gave his wicket away too often early on with some careless strokes, Brian Brook eventually recovered from a disastrous run of low scores which had driven him to golf and soccer and God knows what else, Nimmers continued to improve with every game, and poor old Gordon uncomplainingly and quite unjustly batted number 11 in nearly every match - promise we'll do something about that next season Gordon! And you Ollie? - Well you've come a long way in 7 innings. Darling of The Nation you can go a lot further next season, especially if you can work out where your feet are supposed to be when hitting the ball (a clue - it's different from hockey!)

Bowling: We had a good well-balanced attack this year and never any problem fielding 5 bowlers. Incredibly Paul Lockyer topped the bowling averages but since the circumstances in which he achieved this were fully reported in Outpost it would be excessive for me to comment further here. (anyway, he's threatened to set his lawyers on me) His 'off spin' however was certainly promising to be much more successful than the stuff he used to trundle down.

Nimmers was undoubtedly the surprise success of the season. He came a close second in the averages, was about the most economical bowler in the side and no batsman really mastered him. Even in the Marshall Trophy slaughter Nimmers took 3 for 57 in 11 overs. Bowling left arm over the wicket with a low delivery action Nimmers improved with every over he bowled and had a nasty habit of getting the ball to shoot through low. Dow Chemicals deserve a slump for depriving us of Nimmers services next year.

Paul Eastaway and Jeffy Parry did the bulk of the 'pace' bowling this year. Both were usually extremely economical and would have taken many more wickets with a little more cooperation from the fielders. Paul had some remarkable economical bowling analyses and the fact that Doug Beckett scored a record 30 runs off one of his overs is more a tribute to Beckett's total control of the game than to any fault of his. Paul usually looked our most dangerous bowler and will also be sadly missed next year even though his Caltex sponsorship faded away as the season progressed.

Jeff Parry was really the bowling spectacle though. With nostrils flaring, shirt flapping, perspiration glistening on his brow and the sound of Kloster sloshing around in the area of his mid-riffs he was an awesome sight as he pounded up to the crease to bowl. Rarely did he ever look capable of completing an over but the averages show that he bowled more overs than anyone else including a remarkable 8 overs 2 maidens 5 wickets for 6 runs against Chiang Mai.

It was good to have Ben Piper back with us for most of the season and Ben was again leading wicket taker with 11 scalps. Of the rest, Chris Staddon bowled his tantalising donkey droppers to effect on only one occasion, David Apps bowled well early in the season and Phil Diprose had a very disappointing few games. He at least will be with us to try again next year, but it looks as though our veteran Don Goodin is leaving us. The Don played only 4 games this season but as usual bowled economically as well as demonstrating some of the benefits of regular golf practice when it came to batting.

Fielding: This certainly contributed to our disappointing results (as well as our beer fund). 28 catches were held, but 48 were dropped! No-one was blameless and no easy explanation can be given. However the most likely theory I've heard yet is that it was because of them shiny 'Cocker-Sparrow' balls that Coggers bought in ossie-land. We really have to do something about this next year. Honourable mention should be made that Gordon had 10 victims behind the stumps in 8 games including 3 stumpings. He was a bit stiff early on after his hepatitis lay-off but was back to his old tricky self by the end of the season when he got back on the hard stuff.

So with that Ollie, I think we can lay the 1982/83 season to rest. Thanks again for arranging the end of season family outing on the day the ossies were thrashed by Zimbabwe. Thanks too for acting as guide during the extra-mural activities session at our EGM. All in all you look well set to take over Cloggers' duties next season!

As a final comment on the season we have written to RBSC to see if future seasons can be a bit more realistic for our participation. 6 months is far too long a period to try to sustain interest to play 10 games of cricket. No-one has a chance to find and maintain any sort of form. We still hope the Polo Club will be open for cricket next season and strongly urge RBSC to fully utilise this to provide a regular programme over a shorter period for the domestic competition. In the 28 days leading up to the Marshall Trophy Match no British Club player played a single game of cricket. RBSC players played 7 innings, almost as much as our entire season. We are nevertheless grateful and appreciative for the facilities with which RBSC makes cricket possible for us at all.

For our own part we hope to have brand new practice facilities available for next season and we are buying new kit around the world. We will need a lot of new players though as we bid a sad farewell to Coghill, Niemczyk, Staddon, Goodin, Lockyer, Eastaway and Apps. Our first game will be in Chiang Mai December 3rd/4th.

I'm having a few weeks back in the real land of cricket this summer, hope to see you at Chester Boughton Hall. By the way, if you see John McBeth tell him we're missing him. That Allied game wasn't all his fault and before that he'd never failed us!

Finally - the Awards

Cricketer of the Year	- Jeff Parry
Batsman of the Year	- Jeff Parry
Bowler of the Year	- Paul Eastaway
Improver of the Year	- Paul Niemczyk
Disguise of the Year	- Brian Brook
Legs of the Year	- Gordon Burles (Mrs)
Organiser of the Year	- John Cockup
Runner of the Year	- John McBeth
Fielder of the Year	- E. Dropdit
Lobber of the Year	- Chris Staddon
Belgian of the Year	- Ollie the Bricklayer
Talker of the Year	- Paul Lockyer
Writer of the Year	- Ollie De Braekeleer
Shortest Player of the Year	- Craig Price
Tallest Player of the Year	- Phil Diprose
Golfer of the Year	- Don Goodin
Umpire of the Year	- Sid
Press friend of the Year	- Anthon Perera

Yours sincerely,

The Captain



DARTS

Our captain continues to be confused and now so is my bank manager in the Mecca of the Midlands, having received last month's darticle attached to an extremely lucid request for additional funds. I thought only blondes were reckoned to be dizzy, - well this little almond eyed Tik outside my door does some pretty amazing things I can assure you. Makes life interesting but the lads back home take a bit of convincing. What's all this got to do with the ancient sport of darts you may say. Well at the rate our 16 registered players are disappearing we'll be lucky to have a team soon and then what will I write about?

Over the past few weeks your representatives have been condemned at home apart from a couple of sorties up the road. At one venue on Soi 11, as soon as the movies courtesy of Mr. Hefner came on (Committee please note) your team was totally revitalised and finished the evening 15-2, yes, 15-2 victorious. Chris Andrews really came into his own in this environment throwing 3 tons topped by a magnificent 174. This was followed by a narrow 7-10 defeat at home to Texas II despite good singles wins by Ian W-M, Chris Staddon and the evergreen Ian Hill. Tons from Chris, Peter Tinson and Brian and our little light at the end of the tunnel, Orin came up with a 120. She followed this a couple of weeks later with her first ever singles win. More details of this exploit will be available at a later date when I find the score sheet - probably at the bottom of the hashbag. Anyway well done Orin. Rajas Marines, 12-5, Mercantile Bank II, 5-12 and Odin's Rest, 11-6. In other words middle of the table form helped out by Brendon who looks remarkably like John Sill these days and a newly sheared captain Chris who couldn't go wrong whilst sinking Odin's with closes in the singles and doubles spiced up by a couple of 140's.

Yes, it's all good fun every Thursday - why don't you join us!



GOLF

Sunday the 15th of May saw the British Club golfers out in force for their annual club championship sponsored by Guardian Assurance and Commercial Union - 37 players took to the heat for the first leg of the Championship with the following being the results of the day:

FLIGHT A	Best nett score	P. Adcock	68
	Runner up	D. Goodin	70
FLIGHT B	Best nett score	S. Metherell	67
	Runner up	J. Watson	68
Either flight best 1st mine		D. Pott	34
Either flight best 2nd mine		H.E. J. Staples	33

Special Royal Orchid prizes for the day:

Longest drive men	J. Urwin
Longest drive lady	J. Jurgens
Lucky ball prizes	K. Armstrong, W. Smith

Chartered Bank sponsored closest the pin on holes 4 and 16 with the most accurate shooters being Captain D. Goodin and His Excellency J. Staples.

Another exciting Dunlop Cup match was held concurrently with the club championship on this outing and saw the teams of Mr. and Mrs. Ford versus Brian Brook and Roy Barrett - Brook and Barrett running out eventual winner.

The second leg of the Club Championship come to a close with the completion of the second round. Adcock did it again! It was quite a day for golf with the links in very good condition. The Championship climaxed with Peter Adcock winning the McMahon Trophy by two strokes with a gross 164 over the very stylish Peter Smith's 166. The second runner up was Mike Lamb with a 174.

The best net score of 136 and winner for the second time of the Boyd Cup was Jeremy Watson, runner up with a net of 141 was Steve Metherell, best net 18 holes was won by Mike Ryan with fine 68.

Also held on the same day was the usual club meet and the winner in Flight A with a net 68 was Mike Lamb with runner up, Ian McLean shooting net 71. The winner of flight B was the dashing Mike Ryan winning on a countback from Jeremy Watson with a net 68. The Chartered Bank sponsored the closest the pin holes on 8-16, Eric Turner won the prize on hole 8 and Mike Lamb was unbeatable on hole 16.

There was also two Dunlop Cup matches played with the following results. The duo of Peter Adcock and Mike Ryan beat Eric Turner and Jeremy Watson 3 and 2, Peter Smith and David Factor beat John Kerr and Steve Metherell also 3, 2.

Special thanks of the day must go to the starter and scorers, Ben Harrold, Mike Lamb and Ron Armstrong who did a tremendous job.

On June 4th the British Club Golf Section hosted the OESA for their annual(S) Mash at the Dusit Golf Course (Turf Club).

This Par 64 course was not too kind to the B.C. golfers and for the third year running the OESA won the even: score - 491 points to 457 points.

FLIGHT A	1st	- Mrs. Suwannee	35 points (OESA)
	2nd	- Khun Manop	35 " (OESA)
	Best Front 9	- Col. Sunet	19 " (OESA)
	Best Back 9	- Roy Marsden	18 " (BC)
FLIGHT B	1st	- M.C. Rusyakorn	38 points (OESA)
	2nd	- Dr. Kasarn	38 " (OESA)
	Best Front 9	- Col. Charanya	19 " (OESA)
	Best Back 9	- K. Long	20 " (BC)
Ladies	1st	- E. Ford	34 points (BC)
	2nd	- M. Harrold	34 " (BC)
	Best Nine	- E. Long	17 " (BC)

As is noticeable the fairer sex of the British Club easily provided the strength of our team. Each team had 20 players.

An excellent dinner was provided on our behalf by the restaurant at the Turf Club, and an enjoyable day was had by all present.

Thanks must also go to Singer Thailand Ltd. and Coca-Cola for some prize donations.

On June 12th found twenty three rain-harassed golfers (??) hit wave-producing putts in the early stages, but produced some pretty good scores overall at the Bang Phra Golf Course for the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Day.

Although the day was dark at times, the Red and White - Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank shirts brightened Bang Phra all day. Thanks Chris!!

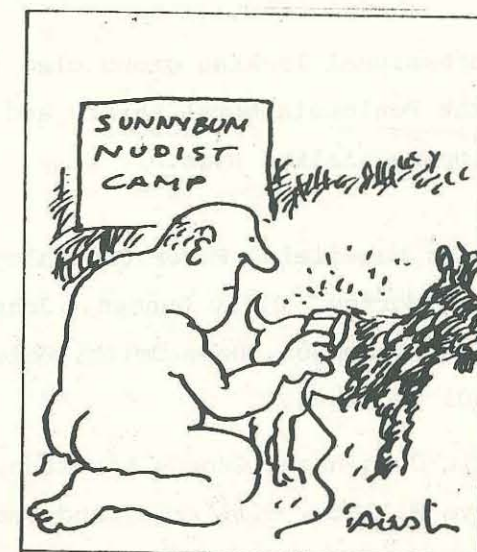
Chris Chubb acted the true host - not even qualifying for any of his prizes.

FLIGHT A	1st	- Roy Marsden	34 points
	2nd	- Peter Smith	34 "
	Best Front 9	- Joan Jurgens	17 "
	Best Back 9	- Ron Armstrong	19 "
	Booby Prize	- Ben Harrold	

FLIGHT B	1st	- Eleanor Long	39 points
	2nd	- Sally Lamb	34 "
	Best Front 9	- Boonprasom S.	18 "
	Best Back 9	- David Factor	20 "
	Booby prize	- Bruce Rolph	

Closest to Pin - Hole 6	- Boonprasom S.
Hole 12	- Joan Jurgens

One Dunlop Cup competition match was played - Peter Smith and David Factor outsplashed Hans Daniels and George Walck.





SOCCER

WE'RE OFF TO MANILA



A truly professional looking group clad in rather smart Bangkok Peninsula Hotel shirts and sporting their Philippine Airline Bags.

Back Row L - R Peter Wakefield, Roger Crutchley, Brian Brook, Alan Morton, Billy Duncan, John Charlesworth, Brian Thompson, Dave Smith, Colin Hastings and Paul Buckland.

Front Row L - R Olie Jorgensen, George Stretton, Paul McGowan, Dave Wallace, Bill Friel and Terry Smith.

Manila Tour

This year the Soccer Section organised and to many people's surprise actually carried out a tour to Manila. The tour, to play against the Nomads, was subsidised in part by the production of a literary gem - the Soccer Section Tour Magazine and the highlight of the 1983 social calendar - the April Fools Disco.

The fact that the tour actually took place at all was due, in no small part, to "Father Bill" whose flair for organisation and leadership kept our tour committee, consisting of the entire team plus numerous hangers-on, in line. George Stretton deserves a round of applause for arranging the fixtures with the Nomads and organising the team's travel plans. For production of the magazine, thanks and tranquilisers go to Colin Hastings. The section secretary of course contributed positively by taking no active part in the proceedings whatsoever and throwing a fit when he did not receive his complimentary T-shirt provided by the Bangkok Peninsula Hotel.

On Friday the 29th April our enterpid group proceeded to Don Muang Airport to catch the Filipino Bird to Manila - re-scheduled departure time 5 p.m. However those persistent airline gremlins were hard at work and after many delays Philippine Airlines reluctantly abdicated the honour of transporting this distinguished group to Pakistan Airlines - departure time 2 a.m. the following morning. Completely exhausted, smashed out their minds, and with no kit (lost en-route) our lads arrived at their Manila Hotel at 8 o'clock on Saturday morning - a 2 o'clock game that afternoon the furthest thing from their minds.

Clad in borrowed kit, kindly supplied by the Nomads, eleven extremely tired individuals put up a plucky performance in going down 4-1, with the only consolation being a well taken goal by our ace scorer Paul McGowan.

However a super barbecue washed down with an ample supply of beer, kindly supplied by our hosts, combined with all players being in bed by 10 o'clock on the Saturday night (???) ensured that our lads turned out for their Sunday fixture, against a top flight Filipino team, in excellent shape.

Reminiscent of Liverpool at their best the Brits put on an excellent display of controlled and imaginative football winning by 4-1 with Paul McGowan scoring two goals and substitutes Paul Buckland and Peter Wakefield getting one a piece.

Our thanks for an extremely enjoyable and successful tour goes to our kind hosts, the Nomads, with everyone endorsing the proposal to make this an annual affair.

Of course this first ever overseas trip by the British Club of Bangkok was only made possible by all those who submitted advertisements for our magazine and the tremendous support given to our April Fools Disco by the club members - to all concerned, we offer our sincere thanks.



May the best team win - as long as it is the 'Brits'

Brian Thompson handing over a tour pennant to the Nomad Team before the kick off - note that the British lads are wearing the Nomad's second strip as their kit was temporarily lost en route.

Seniors Tournament

Modestly called "The Seniors World Cup" this tournament was held over the weekend of 9th and 10th May at the Bangkok Bank sports ground at Soi 103. Organised, by the German All Stars team the tournament attracted eight teams including visiting teams from Germany, Hong Kong and Malaysia. The tournament took the form of a league with the first two teams to play in the final on Sunday afternoon.

Seven games, thirty minutes per game," over two days in temperatures over 100°F was an arduous, and some say foolish way to spend a weekend.

Undaunted the British side, with a sadly depleted squad, performed admirably missing out on playing in the final by a single goal.

The first game against the Indians resulted in a goalless draw with Peter Smith surprising everyone by making two superb saves, one from the Indians and one from his own defence.

The second game saw the Brits beat the French side by 1-0. The only two notable points of interest were a well taken goal by Brian Thompson and Bill Friel being shown the yellow card - which didn't impress at all as he had seen so many before.

The third game against the visiting German side from Malaysia resulted in a 1-0 loss with the only consolation being that this team turned out to be the eventual tournament winners.

The first day of the tournament ended on a dull note with a boring 0-0 draw against the local German team which left the British team in fourth position in the league table.

Only nine men were available at the start of the final days first game against the visiting German side. But a shortage of players proved to be an inspiration and the game was won by the only goal of the game from Paul Buckland. A well taken goal by Brian Thompson gave us another 1-0 victory against the Mercedes team from Bangkok and left us needing to beat the Hong Kong team for a place in the final. The absence of a strong forward line let us down and after losing an early goal we never really recovered. As if losing 1-0 has not been bad enough Alan Barlow, a stalwart in our defence, fell over and broke his wrist after making a timely tackle against their centre forward.

Overall it was an entertaining weekend which left all participants totally shattered.

Stand by for next month's Outpost which will include a photograph of Kevin Keegan congratulating the team on their outstanding performance this season.



LADIES' GOLF

The outing to Bang Phra was a great success and we have to thank Cath Geall who invited us and made all the arrangements. In the few days before the game the numbers fluctuated and the line between Cath and Eileen was busy but on the day fourteen of us started off from Bangkok while the dew was still on the ground so the coffee and biscuits awaiting us when we arrived at the clubhouse was truly welcome.

Jenny Westcott, whom we welcomed to our group the week before, scored 5 points when she made a birdie at a par 4 and playing off a 40 handicap resulted in a nett albatross! Suffice to say Jenny was the ultimate winner in the Bronze Division with 37 points followed by Eleanor Long on 32 points. Judy King on her last game with the BCLG ladies was the winner in the silver division with 34 points and Millie Marshall runner-up with 32 points.

Everyone was smitten with the beauty of the course although the greens proved tricky for most but Lillie Howatson's tee shot on the 12th was right on target and finished a mere foot or so from the hole and left her probably with the easiest putt of the day. Joan Jurgens was nearest the pin on the 6th and didn't make par! That says it all. Cath entertained all the golfers to lunch at her home and the day finished off in great style with a feast of seafoods, cold platters and mouth-watering desserts.

It was back to the Army Course for the 14th June competition and after the recent rains the course was playing quite long. Jenny Westcott with a fine score of +6 obviously did not find it hard going. We are happy to have Jenny Holt back with us again after an absence of several months. Jenny finished with -3 and on a countback with Eleanor Long also on -3 Eleanor was second and Jenny in third place.

Results of L.G.U. played on 24 May

Winner:	Sheila Kerr	nett 77 (Silver Div.)
R/Up:	Eileen Ford	nett 78 (" ")
Winner:	Fauna Goodin	nett 73 (Bronze Div.)
R/Up:	Wynne Fraser	nett 74 (" ")
L/D:	Tina Svensson	
Nearest to Pin:	Fauna Goodin	
Low Putts:	Lillie Howatson and Eileen Ford	(31)

Eclectic

Three players tied for first place with a nett 65 and on countback Ella Mallaret was first, Eileen Ford second and Lise Dencker-Nielsen third.

Forthcoming Fixtures at Army Course - 7.30 a.m. tee-off

5th July	Stableford	- Starter	Lillie	(252 7794)
12th "	Bisque Bogey	- " "	(")	

The 1st tee at Bang Phra and the start of a lovely day.

Hostess - Cath Geall on left with Wynn, Eileen, Emilie, Kerstin & Jenny.



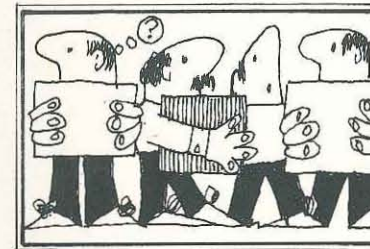
A group of hungry but happy golfers ready for lunch and the prize giving!!

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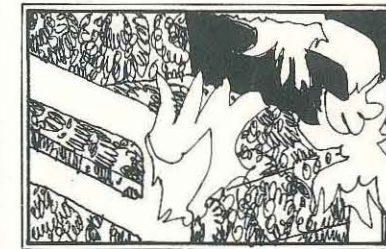
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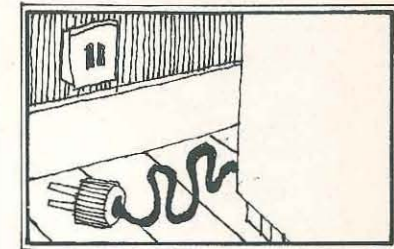
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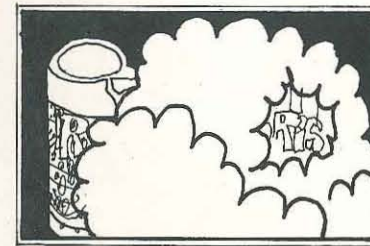
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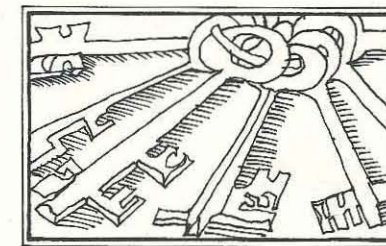
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If possible, disconnect all electrical appliances, particularly refrigerators, deep freezers, airconditioners and stoves, the day before packing.



Discard all combustible liquids (such as lighter fuel) and aerosol cans from your belongings.

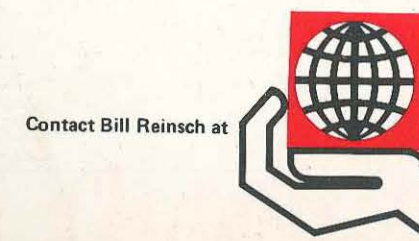


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Have all your travel documents - passports, tickets, tax clearances, etc. - assembled prior to packing.

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