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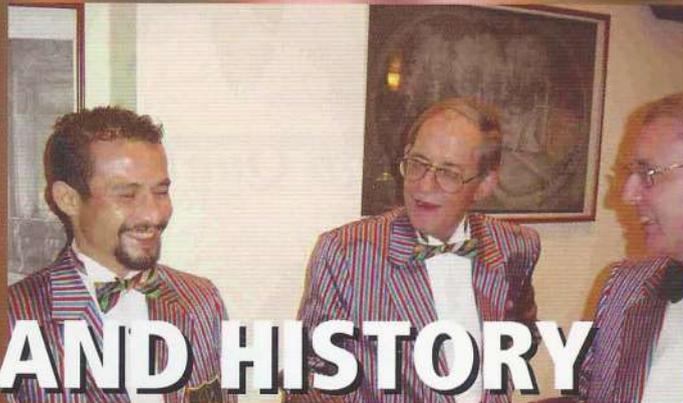
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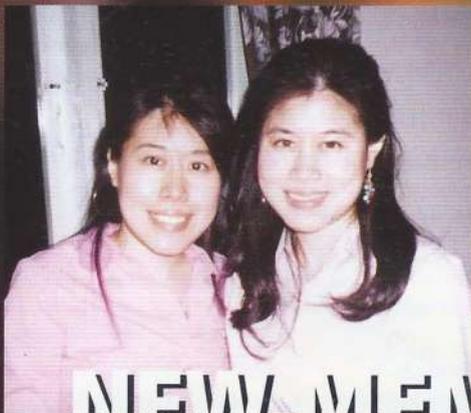
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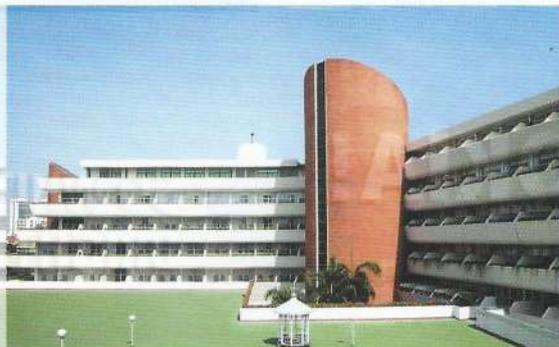


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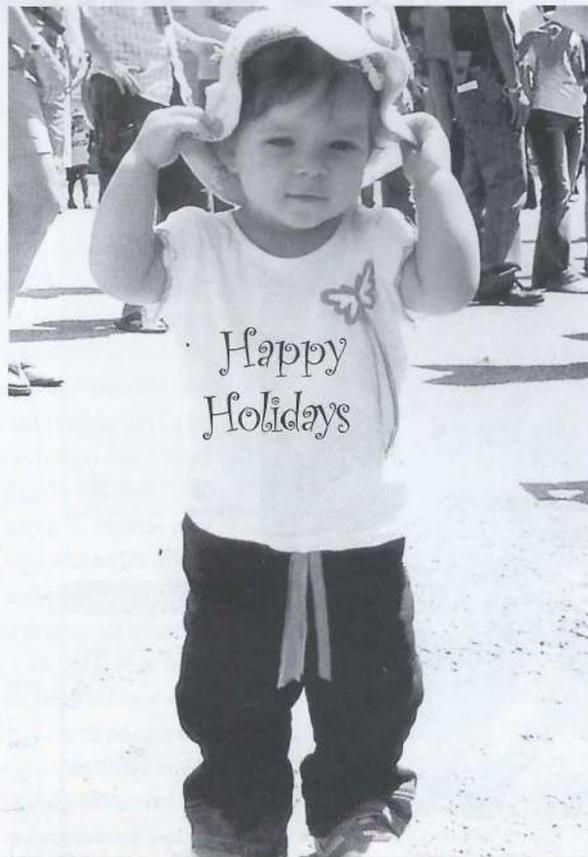
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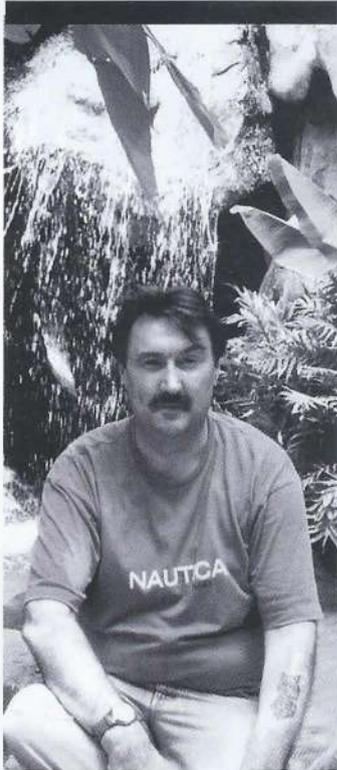
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BARRY'S BANTER



DEAR MEMBERS,

In the month of July we have lots of events lined up to keep the kids occupied during the long summer holidays. From July 6 until 9, July 13 until 16 and August 17 until 20 we will hold our Summer Sports & Activities Camp. Activities include football, swimming, bowling, ice skating, movies, arts & crafts and much more.

On July 12 we are off once again to the Khao Kheow Open Zoo in Chonburi. This is a great day out for the whole family and Eileen and Norman from Yorkies will once again provide the British picnic lunch - worth going just for the food! July 13 is New Members' Night in the Churchill Bar, a great night to get to meet new Members or catch up with old friends.

July 16 is time once again for our free Wine Tasting starting at 7 pm in the Suriwongse Room, and on July 20 it's the monthly bar quiz with Mr. Rodney Bain.

Don't forget our other regular activities which include free kids videos every Friday night at 7 pm in the Silom Sala, our Churchill Bar Accumulator every Wednesday night at 7 pm. Any winnings are credited to your account, allowing you to eat and drink for free until the money runs out. There's also our Comedy Classics/Detective video nights which are held twice a month.

For any of the events at the Club just keep your eyes peeled on the notice boards or call to Khun Benjawan or myself for more details.

Want to improve your prowess in the pool? Members can now book Amnat and Rit in the Fitness Centre for private swimming lessons at a cost of 300 Baht per hour. Members can book through the Fitness Centre and sign on their Club account.

The new furniture is now at the baby pool and we've had the equipment repaired at the children's playground. We have also ordered new furniture for the Wordsworth Lounge and are going to repair the walls and replace the windows in the Snooker room. The old rattan furniture in the Wordsworth Lounge is for sale and interested Members can put in a bid price for the items they like with Khun Oh in the main office.

Well that's about it for another month. For those Members going away for the school holidays the Club staff and I wish you all a safe trip and hope you have a great time. We look forward to seeing you back at the Club soon. For those Members staying here, I hope you will spend some time down at the Club or join our trips out of Bangkok.

Regards,

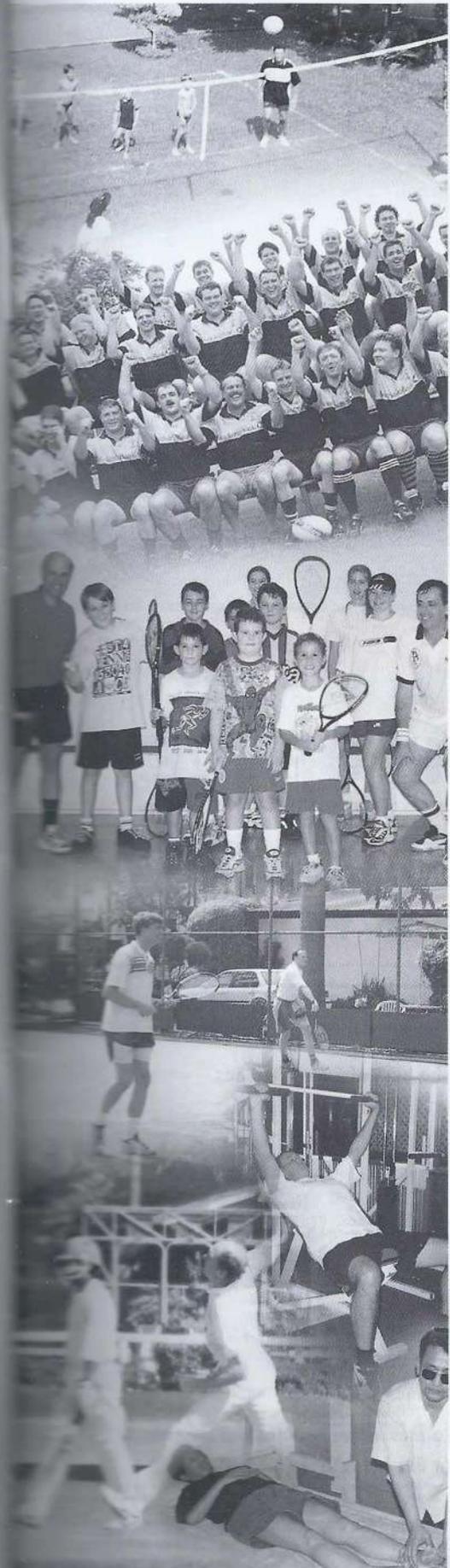
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CALENDAR

BRITISH CLUB SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR



SPORTS

9.00am - midday Squash Coaching
9.00am - 1.30pm BC Swimming Instruction

Saturday

SPORTS

7.00am - 1.00pm Tennis Team Practice
9.00am - 11.00am Junior Cricket
10.30am - midday Taekwondo
11.00am - 1.00pm Badminton - Soi Nares
2.00pm - 4.00pm Children's Activities
3.00pm - 6.00pm Tennis Mix-in
3.00pm Yoga

Sunday

SPORTS

8.00am BWG Mahjong
7.00pm - 9.00pm Tennis Team Practice

Monday

SPORTS

7.00am Ladies' Golf
8.00am - 10.00am Ladies' Tennis
10.30am - 11.30am Aqua Aerobics
11.30am Yoga
2.00pm - 5.30pm Swim with the Bangkok Dolphins
2.00pm - 7.00pm BC Swimming Instruction
7.00pm - 9.00pm Football Training

Tuesday

CHURCHILL BAR ACTIVITIES

6.00pm - midnight Ladies' Night
8.00pm - 11.00pm Friendly Bridge
8.30pm Gentlemen's Spoof

Wednesday

SPORTS

6.00pm - 9.00pm Tennis Mix-in
6.30pm Cricket Nets

CHURCHILL BAR ACTIVITIES

7.00pm Darts
7.00pm Accumulator

Thursday

SPORTS

8.00am - 10.00am Ladies' Tennis
6.00pm - 9.00pm Squash mix-in
7.00pm - 9.00pm Rugby Training
9.00pm - 10.00pm Hockey Training

Friday

SPORTS

9.00am ANZGW Mahjong
3.30pm - 6.00pm BC Tennis Coaching for Children
4.30pm - 5.15pm Mini Squash
5.15pm - 6.00pm Junior Squash
5.00pm Tennis Mix-in
5.30pm Swimming - Junior Squad Training
6.00pm - 7.00pm Adult Tennis
6.30pm - 9.00pm Poolside BBQ
7.00pm Children's Movie Night

July at a Glance

Summer Sports & Activities Camp	6 - 9 & 13 - 16
Comedy Night	Thursday, 8
Khao Kiew Open Zoo	Monday, 12
New Members' Night	Tuesday, 13
Formula.1 Motor Racing	Sunday 4, 11 & 25
Wine Tasting Night	Friday, 16
BCB Prize Quiz	Tuesday, 20
Movie Night	Thursday 22

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Badminton	Soi Nares, behind Bangrak Police Station
Casuals Football	Colgate Ground, Rama III
Massage	Near the Silom Sala

Opening Times

10.00am - 11.00pm	Churchill Bar
11.30am - 2.00pm	Lords Restaurant (Lunch)
6.00pm - 10.00pm	Lords Restaurant (Dinner)
7.30am - 10.00pm	Poolside Bar
6.00am - 9.00pm	Fitness Centre
9.00am - 6.00pm	Thai Massage (Tues-Sun)

HELLOS & FAREWELLS

PLEASE JOIN US IN WELCOMING THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING THEM AROUND THE CLUB.

Mr. Naresh Agarwal
 Mrs. Lisa Akeroyd
 Mr. Edward Barry
 Mr. Paul Clifton
 Mr. Norman Cockerell
 Mr. Edward Hotte
 Mr. Tim Joynt
 Mr. John Kelly
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 Stephen & Janette Manoel
 Mona & Kalpin Patel
 Matthew Soloman
 Julian Wu

MEMBERS'S INTERESTS

AN INSPECTOR CALLS ON THE OFFICE

Each evening the doors will open at 7pm to allow you to get seated, order dinner or drinks, or both, and get ready for a 7.30pm start. The full Churchill F&B and Lord's wine menu will be available throughout the evening. Entertainment is aimed to end by 9.30pm for those needing to dash home!

THE PROPOSED SCHEDULE UNTIL DECEMBER IS

Thursday	Showing	Thursday	Showing
8-Jul	A compilation of The Office With Ricky Gervais and Lucy Davis	14-Oct	A year of the best of Smith & Jones With Mel Smith & Griff Rhys-Jones
22-Jul	An Inspector Calls With Alistair Sim and Jane Wenham	28-Oct	The best of Minder With George Cole & Dennis Waterman
12-Aug	A compilation of Absolutely Fabulous With Jennifer Saunders and Joanna Lumley	11-Nov	The best of Fawlty Towers With John Cleese & Prunella Scales
26-Aug	Miss Marple in A Moving Finger With Joan Hickson	25-Nov	The pilot & first episodes of The Champions With William Guant and Alexandra Bastedo
9-Sep	Monty's Python's Now for something Completely Different With Graham Chapman,,John Cleese, Terry Gilliam, Eric Idle, Terry Jones and Michael Palin	9-Dec	The best of Yes, Prime Minister With Nigel Hawthorne & Paul Eddington
23-Sep	The First episode of Cracker With Robbie Coltrane	23-Dec	Sherlock Holmes in The Red Headed League and Cooper Beeches With Jeremy Brett & David Burke

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SPOOFING

AND HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF!

They say lightning does not strike twice but equally the Flat Earth Society say the world is not round!

Saturday 12 June saw the holding of the Second Asian Spoofing Championship hosted again by the British Club Bangkok. With many attendees decked out in their splendid Bangkok Gentlemen Spoofers Blazers, they gathered in The Churchill Bar from the hour of six o'clock. Talk was varied - some spoke of the new English Rugby rule that prevented England scoring any tries in the afternoon's All Black massacre (It was called the "They didn't try" Rule); others were debating the sizes of their blazers in relation to the 'known fact' that they all had 25 inch waistlines; others spent time welcoming those from afar, as far, that is, as Australia, Singapore, Malaysia, Vietnam, and, of course, Pattaya.

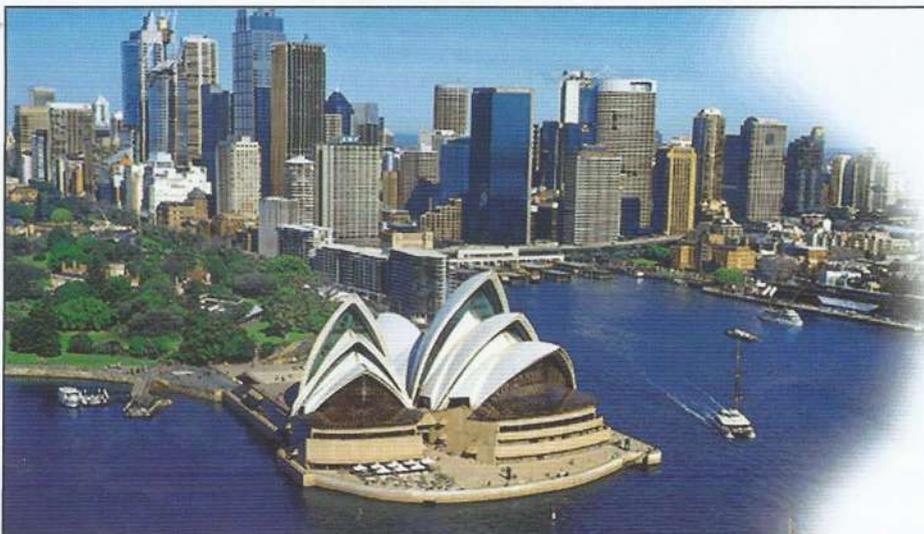
At the appointed hour of seven, the twenty-five assembled in the Suriwongse Room with some song bursting forward that "Marilyn Monroe



didn't marry Henry Miller"! This catchy little number, by Dan Bern, seems nearly to have replaced "We no likey Blitish Sailor" as the Spoofers National anthem!

The event commenced with short speeches from Chairman Swampy and the Fines Master, the Butcher. The first cabaret then commenced courtesy of Long Gun Bar, with Liza Minelli's role being choreographed by Khun Song. The lovely lasses then participated in the draw that saw the now, 27 assembled Spoofers allocated to five tables. At this juncture, Swampy announced some telephoned excuses from a small number and Butcher fined those who were late.

With the snacks finally arriving, play commenced and, with the exception of table two, the first four semi-finalists were quickly chosen. Table two decided to challenge the record of 17 inconclusive spoofs, a record that was eventually left intact, and the fifth semi-finalist was chosen.



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With time rapidly disappearing the Repechage (second round) proceeded at a rapid pace and so by 9pm, ten semi-finalists were ready.

THE SEMI-FINALISTS:

- | | |
|------------------|--------------|
| • Swampy | • Ratcatcher |
| • The Dark Horse | • Gorgeous |
| • Armpit | • Nielson |
| • T&A | • Orange |
| • Doc | • Bakers |

As the Butcher got into his stride, Bakers was fined for his oil deal not being completed; Shaun for not starting up (oops - he was!); Gorgeous for having a silly name; and Delboy was multi-fined for not wearing a bow tie, not having his shirt tucked in, not having shaved and wearing hair gel! The Enforcer! was fined for sitting on his walking stick, and Orange was fined for having orange hair.

Dinner was then served - with two backs of veal courtesy of Vitafresh - carved to order by British Club Chef Chaichareon. This noted event was followed immediately by the Calcutta, which saw some 57,600 Baht raised for the Spoofing Charity.

Swampy then prayed silence for the loyal toasts, and the toast to absent friends.

The Semi-Finals were tense and play was rapid - some very close runs but in the end T&A was left to challenge the 2003 Asian Spoofing Champion, the Ratcatcher! More fines followed including one for all those wearing BGS blazers and another for all those not!

As the clocks struck 11.30pm, Ratcatcher (with Armpit as his 'second') stood face to face with T&A (having the Butcher as 'second'). Ratcatcher took the first round. The second and third were dead, then Ratcatcher stole the fourth. T&A was not to be out-done and took the fifth, however Ratcatcher could not be stopped from winning the next two rounds and thus retaining his Asian Spoofing Championship!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE RATCATCHER!

With the jubilation of the win, and the Dark Horse taking the Calcutta, we proceeded with the Auction. Our thanks go to the following for supplying Auction items... the Bayer Boy, Jammy, Orange, Gorgeous, the British Club and Indigo restaurant. The auction raised 19,700 Baht in all! The Butcher then did the last fines including Bowling Ball for not having the ASC souvenir coins to hand (they had mis-spelt 'Championship') and the Fine-al total was 20,400 Baht, and the curtain was raised for the Final Cabaret, again courtesy of the Long Gun Bar and Khun Song!



Although the hour was nearly 1am, most stayed on to complete the evening on a liquid note, but a few disappeared homeward!

With the entrance fee donation included, it looks like the second Asian Spoofing Champions has raised about 120,000 Baht for charity, a sizable increase from last year. In addition to those named in this text, the Bangkok Gentlemen Spoofers also wish to thank Det5 and Noreiga's Bars for the opening and closing parties respectively, Wallem Shipping for the supply of wines, The Lard for supply of beer and Douchebag for the ASC coins which will be ready later this year or next.

The charity proceeds for 2003 went to the Christian Care Foundation for Children with Disabilities in Thailand (CCD) (see June Outpost) - a decision on the 2004 proceeds has yet to be made (Watch this space!).

Final thanks to the organising committee who are now planning the Third Asian Spoofing Championships for 2005! WILL RATCATCHER MAKE IT A HAT TRICK?

Spoofing is a Gentlemen's game that is played every Tuesday in the Churchill bar at 8.30pm - all male Club Members are welcome!

'When The Hands Are Out'

The Enforcer!
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SO WHITE, SO BRIGHT!

If you have been down the club recently you may have noticed something very unusual. A new floor for Court 2 has been installed, Court 1 and 2 floors have been refurbished and all three courts have been painted with Armourcoat brilliant white paint.

In fact the courts are now so bright it is advisable to play with sunglasses, SRA approved of course. Other options being considered by the committee include the permanent standby of Professor Nick White for off-court consultations for snow blindness and dizziness, although there have been some reported difficulties in agreeing his monthly lollipop allowance. All three courts are now probably in the best condition that they have ever been at any one time so please come down and use them.

A special thanks goes to David Eastgate for overseeing.

LEAGUE WINNERS MAY 2004

Division 1	-	Ja
Division 2	-	James Quinn
Division 3	-	Marc Sayer
Division 4	-	Barry Daniel
Division 5	-	Wayne Needoba

Please note that from June onwards we have a new points scoring system. Please see the notice board for details. It has also been suggested to encourage people to play all their games that bonus points be awarded for playing your games early in the month, say by the 15th, so please let the committee know your thoughts.

SQUASH MATCH VERSUS THE BRITISH CLUB OF SINGAPORE

BCB were proud to host the British Club of Singapore on Saturday 15th May. The visitors brought a strong team of 10 to the club and enjoyed a close victory.

BCB were very pleased to have a true junior in the team - 13 year old Jonny put in a very solid performance, and although he lost to an experienced opponent, shows a lot of promise on the squash court. Ritt made a good job of seeing off BCS skipper Trevor Shakeshaft, 2-0.

Jack Dunford looked a tad rusty in a defeat by Dave, in contrast to Marvyn Lewis. Marvyn has been criticised in this publication for seeking a lower team ranking than is truly fair and maintaining a 100% record. He dug in well to maintain that record (only a little longer, as it turned out!). Marc Hagaleuer played some characteristically attacking squash to win 2-0.

The upper order was, as usual BCB's Achilles heel, Brian Palmer, Nick Thwaites and even the mighty Quinn losing 2-0. The first string match was of a superb standard. David 'you cannot be serious' Eastgate, scourge of markers and timid opposition, restored some respectability to the team score with a typically pugnacious performance. David 'let please' Eastgate won a hard-fought tie 2-1.

The ebullient BCS boys enjoyed our food and beverage and gave us 10 polo shirts - medium and large size only. Sorry Marc!

	BC Bangkok	Result				BC Singapore
1	James Quinn	Lost	0	2	v	Lood
2	Nick Thwaites	Lost	0	2	v	Craig
3	David Eastgate	Won	2	1	v	Keith
4	Brian Palmer	Lost	0	2	v	Steve
5	Steve Bell	Lost	1	2	v	Andrew
6	Marc Hagaleuer	Won	2	0	v	Julian
7	Marvyn Lewis	Won	2	1	v	Ian
8	Jack Dunford	Lost	0	2	v	Dave
9	Ritt	Won	2	0	v	Trevor
10	Johnny Bell	Lost	0	2	v	Danny
	BC Bangkok	Lost	4	6	To	BC Singapore

MATCH REPORT BC V CAPITOL CLUB

On Saturday 22nd May the BCB squash section played the Capitol Club at their courts in The President Park Apartments. The courts had very recently been painted and varnished (completed the day before) which gave a slightly intoxicating environment to play in. Chris did a good job of selecting the team as most games were a good match-up.

David Eastgate played the first match against Joshua Leong who was very quick and played some good deceptive cross courts. After winning the first two games David lost the last three helped by some uncharacteristic errors. John Vivian played Aman Singh and won in three games in a good match against a much younger player. Steve Bell played Gothan, a young fit and skillful player who gave Steve a very close match. Steve has played very little in the past 18 months because of injuries but still has an incredible skill level and used his guile to frustrate his young opponent. Steve won this match 3-0.

Marvyn Lewis also played a much younger opponent, Peter Keow, (I guess everyone is younger than Marvyn these days) and had one of those up and down games. Normally Marvyn has a very high success rate against opposing teams but his usual consistency was mixed with some loose play and he went down in five.

Marc Hagaleuer played Tony Aldridge and his with his usual aggression and great volleying won in three. Jack Dunford played Karan Singh, another young player, and was surprisingly two sets up but finally lost in five after a very good fight. After the first few points it appeared Jack might be beaten easily by a very skillful player, but he fought his heart out and made a close match of it.

After 6 matches the score was 3-3 with the decider between Peter Corney and Les Tanner. Peter finally found a player older than him but after the first rugby tackle on the first point he decided to finish the game off quickly, winning easily in three.

SQUASH

THE FINAL SCORES IN SEEDING ORDER WERE AS FOLLOWS:

David Eastgate	v	Joshua Leong	9-4, 9-8, 2-9, 5-9, 6-9
Steve Bell	v	Gothan	10-8, 9-7, 9-4
Marc Hagelauer	v	Tony Aldridge	9-6, 9-1, 9-6
Marvyn Lewis	v	Peter Keow	9-3, 9-7, 6-9, 7-9, 0-9
Peter Corney	v	Les Tanner	9-1, 9-0, 9-1
John Vivian	v	Aman Singh	9-6, 9-6, 9-1
Jack Dunford	v	Karan Singh	9-7, 9-8, 4-9, 4-9, 2-9



Guess what someone's been doing while his wife's away!

After the games the players retired to the Skylight Bar to watch the Australians thrash the New Zealanders in the Super 12s. The Capitol Club very kindly hosted drinks and fish and chips. It was a good game played in good spirit and we look forward to a return match at the BCB. Of note is that Marvyn finally lost a match against another club even though he played low in the order. Also David Eastgate got lost looking for the Skylight Bar and didn't get any free drinks or food. I have to admit it is easy to get lost in the Capital Club, the design is unusual to say the least.

DON JOHNSON CUP

By the time you read this you may well be able to catch the final which will be held on Sunday 11th July so please come on down to enjoy the match and free drinks and eats.

UP AND COMING EVENTS

The annual Dawee Cup will be played in July against the Polo Club. (OK Dick, it's the Thais v Farangs really)

Inter societies tournament.

Handicap Tournament in August.

PLEASE CHECK NOTICE BOARD OR PETER'S EMAILS FOR DETAILS.

WELCOME NEW PLAYERS

Welcome to new players Roger Deacon, Chris Allewy, Hamish Heith, Lisa Akeroyd and .Nick & Jayne Mellor. Jayne is interested in starting a ladies section (no André, you can't join) so I am sure you will be hearing from her soon!

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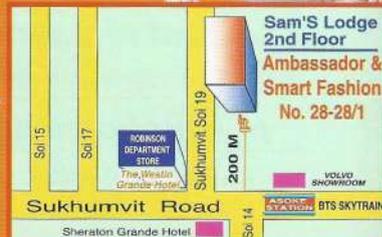
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- good manners dictate that club rules are being respected and visitors do not become so regular that they are seen using the facilities as if they are members?
- good manners dictate that Members' household staff are not using the facilities for their own convenience and take naps and food as if they were "at home"?
- good manners dictate that salas are being used as gathering and dining places and not as dressing rooms, equipment storage areas and children play grounds?
- good manners dictate that General Committee Members greet the Members, and show that they understand they are elected to represent their interests?
- good manners dictate that Members use the food and beverage services of the Club instead of bringing food in containers and beverage in cans, while consuming litres of complimentary water?
- good manners dictate that General Committee Members show gratitude for efforts by Club Members to increase the social activities in the Club, which, by the way, was the original purpose of foundation?
- good manners dictate that management is visible when the Club is at its busiest and guide the staff to serve members efficiently and expertly?

Being a frequent visitor the Club for many years, it seems that, as time changes, good manners are deteriorating and, consequently, the value of being a Member becomes questionable.

- good manners dictate that Members are informed about changes in the General Committee and that the Chairman uses the Outpost as a communication tool?
- good manners dictate that Members are informed about (upcoming) changes in the management?
- good manners dictate that Members don't use three tables in the sala, one for the kids, one for the wife and one for the husband?
- good manners dictate that breast-feeding and changing nappies is done in designated areas only, and those rules apply for all?
- good manners dictate that the responsible persons take a good look at the sala's furniture and correct the shabby state most of it is presently in?
- good manners dictate that the General Committee, the senior management and the staff of the Club remember that Members matter?

Bert van Walbeek (V15)



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HOCKEY - NOT JUST FOR THE GIRLIES!

Mr. John Casella (C253) kindly sent in this article, written by one of the players for the Bangkok Post, about Ball Hockey. Anybody interested in finding out more about hockey should contact John.

THAI STIX TRIUMPH AGAIN

The Thai Stix ball hockey squad reclaimed top honours at the Mekong Cup ball hockey tournament held this past weekend at the Amari Coral Beach Resort in Patong, Phuket. This event, the biggest of its kind in Asia, saw five teams from the region compete for the coveted prize. After the preliminary round robin round, the Hong Kong Islanders were seeded first, followed by the Thai Stix, the Bangkok Bullies, the Singapore Chili Crabs and the Kuala Lumpur Cobras.

In the first semi-final Hong Kong defeated Singapore to set up a championship bout with the Thai Stix who defeated the Bullies 5-3 in the other semi-final contest. Hong Kong was confident going into the final as they had beaten the Stix 5-1 in round robin play. And the Islanders did get off to a good start jumping into a 2-0 lead, eventually assuming a 4-2 lead with less than eight minutes to play in the game.

It looked like the Mekong Cup was headed to Hong Kong when Islander goalie Gerald Tang had his first lapse of the day and the Thai Stix incredibly rallied for three goals by Jamie Marriott, Shane Gunther and Jamie Hunter in less than two minutes to take the lead. They held on, but just barely as

Hong Kong stormed around Stix goalie Scott Whitcomb in the final ten seconds of the game, scoring a goal just as time ran out.

Shane Gunther with three goals in the final game claimed the Reg Meiklejohn MVP Award. And the Stix captured their fourth championship in five years, with Singapore's victory last year being the only broken link in their chain of victories.

The Stix and Bullies are both based out of Bangkok, where they face off against each other on Thursday nights at the British Club. But to add a little local flavour the Stix picked up three teachers (Jeff Lamantia, and Mike and Mark Bertoia affectionately known as the Hanson Brothers) from Dulwich International School in Phuket to round out their squad. John "Il Duce" Casella the Thai Stix GM/Playing Coach/Captain and Tourney Organiser deserved kudos for putting together a line-up that saw him mix Thai Stix veterans like Gunther, Keith "KJ" Johnston, John Stevens, Jamie Hunter and Germain Bergeron with players from the Flying Farang ice hockey team including Scott Murray, Jeff Lamantia, Jamie MacDonald, Mike White, Jamie Marriott, Scott Whitcomb and Kevin Dougherty.



HAPPY HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

SUMMER SPORTS & ACTIVITIES CAMP

July 6 - 9, July 13 - 16 & August 9 - 13, August 17 - 20

Are the kids getting bored and restless? Missing their school friends? Do you need a couple of hours' break? Then book the little ones in to the Club's Summer Sports & Activities Camp between 9.00 am and 4.30 pm each day. There are loads of fun activities to keep them amused from football to ice skating, bowling to painting... Lunch and snacks are included in the price.

Charge: Bt 950 per day/kid
Bt 3,400 for 4 days/kid

COMEDY NIGHT

Thursday, 8 July at 7.30 pm

Join us in the Churchill Bar for an evening of laughter with a compilation of Golden Globe winner, The Office with Ricky Gervais and Lucy Davis. There is no charge for this event, but Members are requested to sign up at Reception to give adequate notice of seating. The full Churchill Bar F&B and Lord's Wine Menu will be available throughout the evening. See page 6 for more details.

KHAO KHEOW OPEN ZOO

Monday, July 12

This is a wonderful day out in Chonburi for all the family. Transport and a mouth-watering British picnic lunch provided by Eileen and

Norman from Yorkies are included. Check at reception for full details.

NEW MEMBERS' NIGHT

Tuesday, 13 July at 7.00 pm

Excellent opportunity to meet new Members who recently joined the Club. Entertainment provided by No Fixed Abode in the Churchill Bar.

FORMULA 1 MOTOR RACING

Sunday 4, 11 & 25 July

The French Grand Prix, British Grand Prix and German Grand Prix are the races shown this month. All races are shown live. See page 26 for full details of the schedule of races up to October.

WINE TASTING NIGHT

Friday, 16 July at 7.00 pm

A variety of wines are available for tasting. As usual, the Club will provide complimentary and complementary canapés for the tasters. Favourite wines will be offered to Members at discounted prices on the night, so bring plenty of money with you!

BCB PRIZE QUIZ

Tuesday, 20 July at 7.30 pm

Do you enjoy testing your knowledge and having fun in the process? Get a group of friends together and enter a team for this month's extra special BCB Prize Quiz. Maximum six per team

at a cost of Bt 100 per team member. Questions range in subject from Asia, through geography & history to music & movies. Winning players will receive Bt 900 each and the runners-up will get Bt 600 each! Adding to the fun, there will also be a Booby prize, so beware. Winnings will be paid out in the form of Club F&B Voucher. To join up please send a fax or email to the club or sign up at the Club house reception.

MOVIE NIGHT

Thursday 22 July at 7.30 pm

An Inspector Calls with Alistair Sim and Jane Wenham is the movie special this month. There is no charge for this event, but Members are requested to sign up at Reception to give adequate notice of seating. The full Churchill Bar F&B and Lord's Wine Menu will be available throughout the evening. See page 6 for more details.

FAMILY CARVERY & GRILL

Every Sunday between 11.30 am and 2.00 pm

The Club continues to serve the ever-popular Carvery in the Lord's Dining Room. The cost of the lunch includes soft drinks for the children along with activities in the Suriwongse Room at 1.00pm, leaving mum and dad free to enjoy a relaxing coffee and after lunch drink.

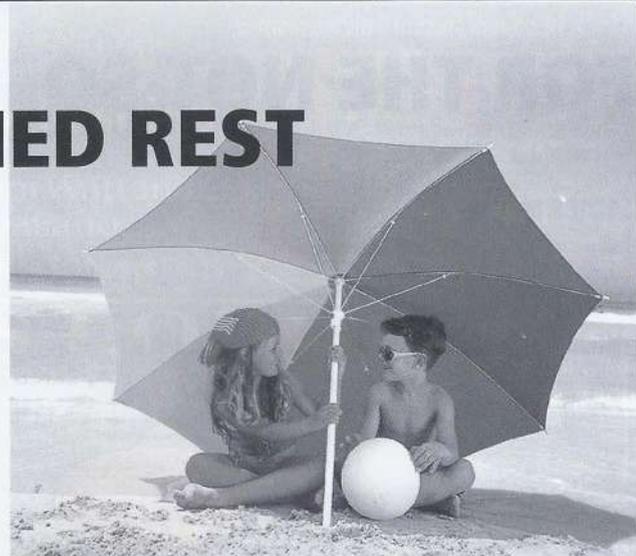
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SPORT'S UPDATE

TAKE A WELL-EARNED REST

The school
summer holidays

... again (doesn't time fly?) so regular sporting activities have been put on hold until September. Full details of activities, classes, dates and more will be announced in the August issue of Outpost.



REVIVING THE SPIRIT OF MIX-INS

GIRLIES!

Questionnaires have now been emailed to members of the BC's Tennis Section seeking to collect the views of all members and find out what individuals are interested in and/or looking for in BC Club tennis. If you don't have an email address or somehow got overlooked, copies of the questionnaire are available at the Sports Centre.

The Tennis Section Committee is particularly interested in how we can improve attendance at mix-ins. These have dropped off lately, particularly on Sundays where sometimes it is difficult to scrape together enough people to play a doubles match! Admittedly, seasonal factors are deterring some people but it is difficult to blame recent low turnouts on just the sun or rain.

One complaint in some quarters is that mix-ins are becoming too cliquish i.e. that there is just not enough mixing-in. As our published schedule points out, mix-ins are for ALL grades of players and no one should refrain from taking part because their skills are not up to the level of the Club's top guns.

As for the "elite" players who do take part, please circulate with the lesser lights on the tennis court at mix-ins, rather than play with the same group of players. Because we only have two courts available at mix-ins, it is important that all Tennis Section members who turn up get an equal chance to play. This is particularly true during the rainy season when mix-in sessions are cancelled or cut short because of downpours.

Don't forget that members who only want to play someone at their own level have ample opportunity to do so outside mix-in hours. As the name implies, mix-ins are for anyone and everyone – so let's safeguard the spirit and purpose of this event.

Finally, we request that members take the time and effort to answer the Tennis Committee's questionnaire. Maybe you have some other ideas to improve mix-ins. Perhaps the time, day or format does not appeal to you or you don't know who to contact to take part. If you have any suggestions on how to improve mix-ins or any other concerns you'd like to raise, please write your comments on the questionnaire.

The questionnaires have been designed to try to better understand what individuals are interested in and/or looking for in BC Club tennis. We therefore request that you take a few moments to fill out the answers and send back to the Tennis Committee via the BC offices or Sports Centre. The Tennis Section Committee Welcomes New Tennis Playing Members We want to encourage you to take full advantage of the tennis facilities offered by the Club to all Members. While any Member can casually use the courts by booking through the Fitness Centre, there are also many organised events arranged by the Tennis Section Committee. If you are interested, please feel free to talk to any of committee.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Monday: (All Grades of Players)	6:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Mix-In
Wednesday: (All Grades of Players)	6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Mix-In
Friday: (All Grades of Players)	5:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Mix-In
Sunday: (All Grades of Players)	4:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Mix-In
Sunday:	9:00 am - 1:00 pm	Captain's Court (Top 10 Men and top 5 Ladies or by Captain's Invitation)

RELAXED REGULARS

FOR THE NOT-SO-ATHLETIC MEMBERS

LADIES NIGHT

Every Tuesday in the Churchill Bar from 7.00pm onwards.

BRIDGE NIGHT

Every Tuesday in the Churchill Bar from 7.00pm onwards.

SPOOFING

Every Tuesday in the Churchill Bar from late onwards.

BAR ACCUMULATOR

Every Wednesday at 7.00pm in the Churchill Bar.

DART NIGHT

Every Wednesday in the Churchill Bar from 7.00pm onwards.

CHILDREN'S MOVIE NIGHT

Every Friday evening at the Silom sala at 7.00pm. No charge for the kids.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

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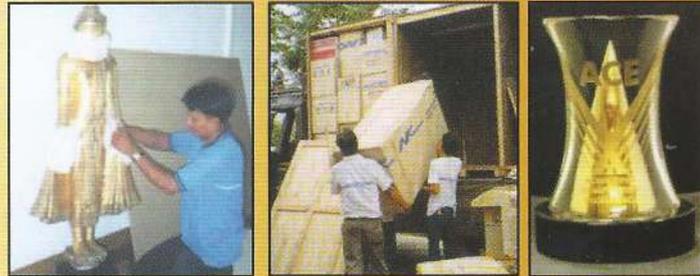
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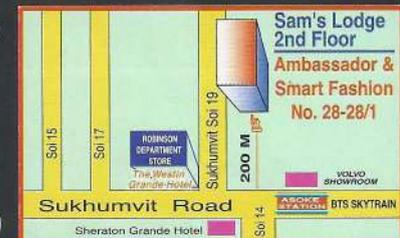
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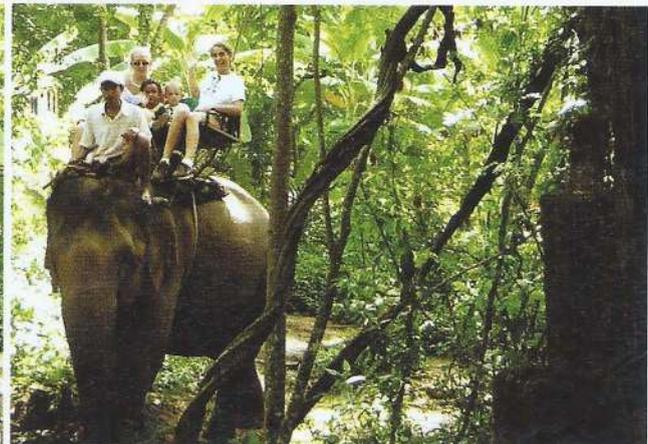
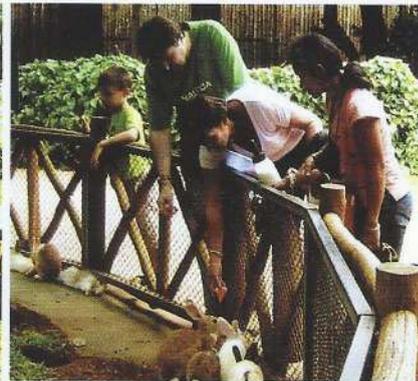
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The Fair will be held inside the air-conditioned Hall with entertainment, catering, shopping, games and commercial outlets with a full fun-fair and amusements in the adjacent outside area - all our usual attractions have confirmed their attendance.

For those unfamiliar with Ploenchit Fair, this is a family fun-day out and has been held annually since the early 1950s to raise funds for Thai charities. Until 2001 it was held in the grounds of the British Embassy, but due to security reasons, had to move venue. This Committee, all companies, sponsors and helpers give their time and goods voluntarily and all proceeds are distributed to over 30+ Thai charities throughout Thailand, in many different fields, during the year under supervision by the Committee.

The theme of the Fair is that of a typical British fairground with over 100 stalls, comprising many games of chance, products and inexpensive goods for Christmas, a huge Ferris Wheel, Climbing Wall, Carousel, Bingo and different games for children young and old with fabulous prizes, plus international hotels providing catering and three bars with imported beers and wine, and an afternoon entertainment programme by popular musicians together with a Children's theatre.

In the early years, the Fair was run entirely by the British expatriate community, but as it has grown it has been joined by all nationalities. The Ploenchit Fair today is arguably the biggest annual event in the British Calendar. In 2000 over 150 companies sponsored the Fair with over 2,500 volunteers and 22,000 visitors - profits on that day very just under 7 million baht.



Further details will be available in August and all enquiries should be emailed or faxed to the office below. Telephone enquiries concerning joining the Fair between the hours of 10.00 am and 2.00 pm only please.

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The highlight of the last month for the British Club Golfers was undoubtedly our Club Championships, which was generously sponsored by Nokia. This was a fantastic event with amazing prizes and fabulous hospitality. Not only did Nokia provide all of the prizes, they also ensured that we were fed and watered throughout the weekend.

The British Club Golf Section would like to thank Shaun Colligan of Nokia for his generous sponsorship and for making the Club Championships 2004 a truly memorable event. For full details of the Nokia Champs, our annual match against the Wanderers and our monthly medal....read on!

THE MAGPIE PUTTER - BCGS V THE WANDERERS

Royal Lad Krabang

Sunday 16 May saw the 15th staging of the annual match between the British Club and the Bangkok Wanderers - the Magpie Putter. The previous 14 events had seen the honours shared with seven wins each. Who would be the first team to reach eight victories?

As usual, the format for the competition was 2 Ball Strokeplay Texas Scramble. This is a fantastic format that is always great fun and this year was no exception. 74 players took part in the match with a strong turnout of 40 players from the British Club. On paper, this gave an advantage to the British Club who would be able to drop more of their worse scores than the Wanderers - but would this potential advantage translate into victory for the good-guys?

The early scores from the British Club were promising with Mike Staples and Bryan Dodd scoring an impressive net 62. Karen Holloway and Andy Flynn also scored a net 62 and things were looking good for the holders.

As the team totals were calculated it was clear that this year would be another close result. The total score from the British Club was a solid 1,000 strokes - an average of 66.7 per team while the Wanderers had a total of 991 strokes - a win for the Wanderers by 9 strokes.

Although we didn't win this year, we still enjoyed a great day of extremely competitive golf in great company. We look forward to returning the Magpie Putter to its home in the Churchill Bar next year.

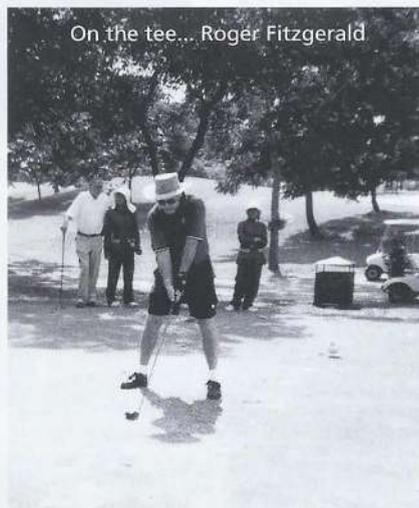
Technical Prize winners on the day were:
Near Pins: Adrian O'Brien hole 3, Ken Jones hole 7, Brian Brook hole 13 and David Lamb hole 17.

Long Drive: George Okrasa, Karen Carter.
Longest Putt: Vicky Jones

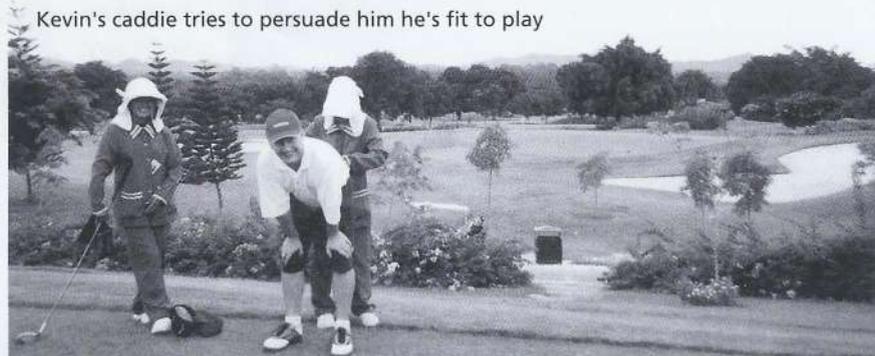
MAY MEDAL AT KHAO KHEOW

We had a great turnout of 34 players for the May Medal at Khao Kheow. It was a day of mixed fortunes for the BCGS golfers but one thing was clear - Khao Kheow is definitely a course that favours the ladies. Karen Holloway had a fantastic gross 75, net 66. Jo Goodliffe also had a great sub par round with a net 68 and Gaew Khongyoo had her best ever round scoring a net 65. In fact, of the nine players that finished in the top three of their respective flights, only two were men and they were in A flight where there is only one lady golfer. So, remember guys, if a British Club lady invites you to play your matchplay fixture against them at Khao Kheow - just say no!

You may remember that Khao Kheow was the scene of Harland's Hole-in-One back in March.



On the tee... Roger Fitzgerald



Kevin's caddie tries to persuade him he's fit to play



The twenty-somethings (handicap that is!)

Unfortunately Harland wasn't able to repeat his ace but he did receive a plaque from the Golf Section to mark his achievement.

THE RESULTS

Flight A

First	Karen Holloway	gross 75 net 66
Second	Mike Staples	gross 86 net 74
Third	Bryan Dodd	gross 81 net 75

Flight B

First	Jo Goodliffe	gross 90 net 68
Second	Karen Carter	gross 91 net 71
Third	Vicky Jones	gross 93 net 76

Flight C

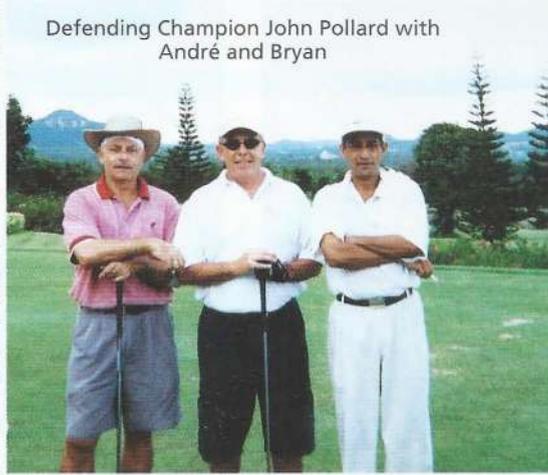
First	Gaew Khongyoo	gross 90 net 65
Second	Orin Baldwin	gross 105 net 89
Third	Val Ashman	gross 95 net 71

Near Pins were won by Jo Goodliffe on A3 and B8, Karen Carter on A5 and Diane Bulow on B3. Karen Carter also won the Ladies Long Drive and Pat Dean won the Men's. Pat also won the prize for the Longest Putt on the 18th green.

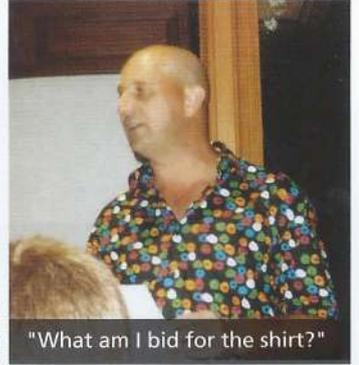
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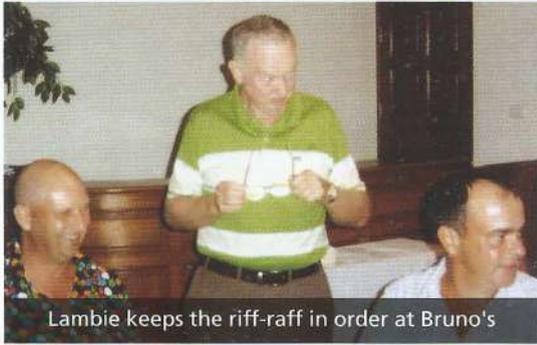
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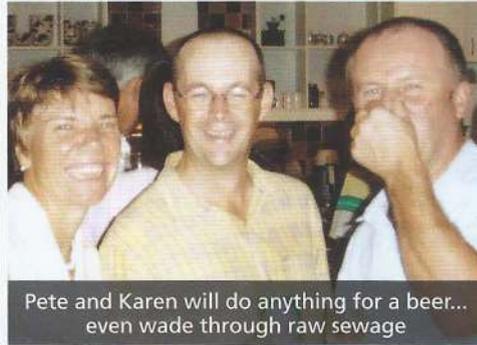
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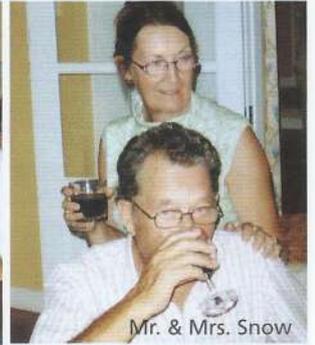
Orin in a relaxed mood



Lambie keeps the riff-raff in order at Bruno's



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2004 Club Champion, Bryan Dodd



Ed takes 2nd place in Club Champs



2004 Club Champion, Karen Holloway



Mike Holloway finishes in 3rd place



Vicky is Ladies runner-up



Larry wins his Lowest Net



For Geow, 3rd place wins her a new phone (and a pair of shoes!)

BCGS NOKIA CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Phoenix 5 & 6 June 2004

Phoenix Golf and Country Club in Pattaya was the venue for the British Club's Nokia Club Championships 2004. It was to prove to be a fantastic weekend and one that was thoroughly enjoyed by all those who took part.

This was the first time that Nokia have sponsored our Club Championships and they could not have been more generous. There were eight mobile phones as our main prizes with golf bags for each of our day winners and a goody bag for all those taking part. Nokia had also provided two business class flights to Phuket as a lucky draw prize. If this wasn't enough, Nokia were also hosting a Champions dinner on the Saturday evening for all players and their partners. Shaun Colligan is MD of Nokia in Thailand



Sophie wins Lowest Net

and our thanks must go to him for his support not only for this event but also of the Golf Section in general.

Our thanks must also go to David and Lek Williamson for their hospitality on Friday evening. This really got everyone in the mood for the weekend ahead.

DAY 1

As our players arrived at Phoenix they were greeted by the smiling faces of Bridget Snow and Karen Carter who manned the registration desk ensuring that everyone knew their tee off time, had their scorecard and picked up their bag of Nokia goodies. It was at about this time that our Captain Kevin Jones' hopes of Club Championship victory disappeared. Kevin had injured his back moving Nokia banners and would have to enjoy this year's club championships as a non-playing captain! On the plus side, at least he didn't lose any golf balls. On the minus side, it spoilt his chances of winning his third major of the year and put an end to his chances of a Kevin slam!

The Club Championships is the only event in the British Club Calendar where Men and Women do not compete against each other. This year, we had a field of 36 players. There was a strong field of 25 men competing for the Men's title. Those of you with a flair for maths will have worked out that there were 11 ladies competing!

The men's competition was shaping up to be very exciting with a number of players in with a chance of victory. On paper, the Ladies competition saw Karen Holloway as the clear favourite by virtue of her being the only female single figure handicapper in the club. Golf is a strange game though and by the end of day one, the scoring in both competitions was close with the following players in the top three spots:

Men		Ladies	
Mike Holloway	75	Karen Holloway	84
Bryan Dodd	76	Vicky Jones	87
Ed Ashman	77	Bridget Snow	88

ALL TO PLAY FOR ON DAY 2!

With the golf out of the way for one day, we were off to Bruno's in Jomtien for the Nokia Champions' Dinner. The food was excellent and the service outstanding. We would thoroughly recommend Bruno's to anyone looking for somewhere to eat in the Pattaya area.

With Nokia footing the bill for dinner, everyone had plenty of money in their pockets for the traditional player auction with everyone's favourite auctioneer - Andy 'Have Gavel Will Travel' Flynn. The bids got higher and higher as the wine flowed and a few players would be feeling a bit of added pressure as they stepped onto the tee on Day 2!

DAY 2

Players teed off in reverse order on Day 2 with the leading groups off last. Our injured Captain kept himself busy by driving the refreshment cart round the course (again courtesy of Nokia) and kept us all up to date on the leading players.

The early reports were that Ed Ashman and Bryan Dodd were fighting it

OUR DAY WINNERS - EDWIN, PAT, BRIDGET AND LEK



out and that there was very little, if anything, between them as they reached the closing holes. In the ladies competition, first and second place seemed to be clear-cut but it was all to play for between Bridget and Gaew Khongyoo for third place. It was proving to be a nail biting finish in both competitions.

There was some excellent scoring on Day 2 from a number of players who, though not in contention for the gross prizes, could be in the running for a net prize. Larry Goodliffe reminded us all how much he likes Phoenix with a net 64 on Day 2. Pat Dean must have been left wondering what

could have been with his impressive gross 79. Sophie Colligan (Mrs Nokia) was trying her best to win her first trophy with the British Club but would her net 66 be enough to secure some silverware and a Nokia phone? (A bit like taking coals to Newcastle!)

THE RESULTS IN FULL:

Men

Club Champion & Gross Winner	Bryan Dodd	76 + 82 = 158
Second Gross	Ed Ashman	77 + 82 = 159
Third Gross	Mike Holloway	75 + 86 = 161
Best Net	Larry Goodliffe	72 + 64 = 136
Best Net Day 1	Edwin Ferner	67
Best Net Day 2	Pat Dean	65

Ladies

Club Champion & Gross Winner	Karen Holloway	84 + 80 = 164
Second Gross	Vicky Jones	87 + 88 = 175
Third Gross	Gaew Khongyoo	92 + 94 = 186
Best Net	Sophie Colligan	72 + 66 = 138
Best Net Day 1	Bridget Snow	66
Best Net Day 2	Lek Williamson	67

TECHNICAL PRIZES

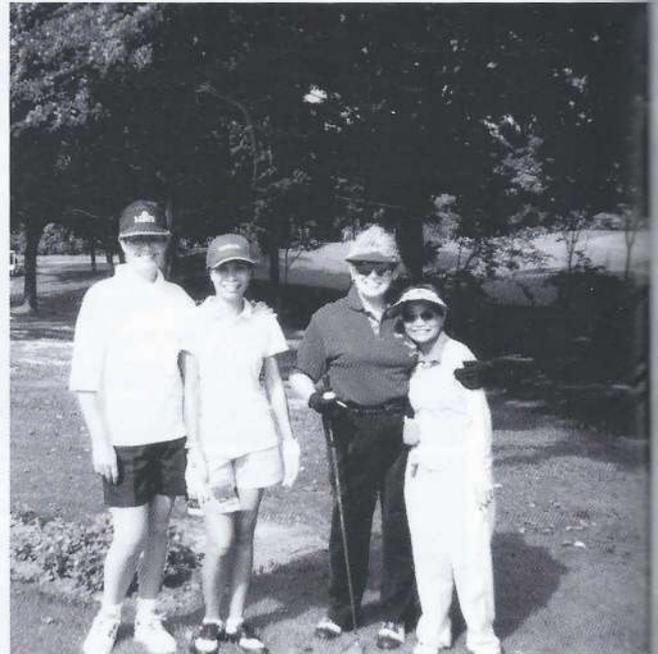
Day 1 and 2

Mountain 4	Andé Tissera and Lek Williamson
Mountain 8	Roy Barratt and Mike
Staples	Ocean 5 - David (guest) and Gaew Khongyoo
	Ocean 7 - Mike Holloway and Peter Gale
Long drive Men's	Ed Ashman and Pat Dean
Long drive Ladies'	Karen Holloway x 2
Longest putt Day 2 only	Pat Dean.

With the main prizes awarded, it was time for the lucky draw. Up for grabs were two business class return flights to Phuket and, thanks to Sophie having donated her net prize, a mobile phone. Cheryl Lamb was the winner of the flight tickets and Mike Poustie was the lucky winner of the mobile phone.

Congratulations to our BCGS Club Champions Bryan Dodd and Karen Holloway.

Thank you **Shaun Colligan** and **Nokia** for making this years BCGS Club Championships such a huge success!

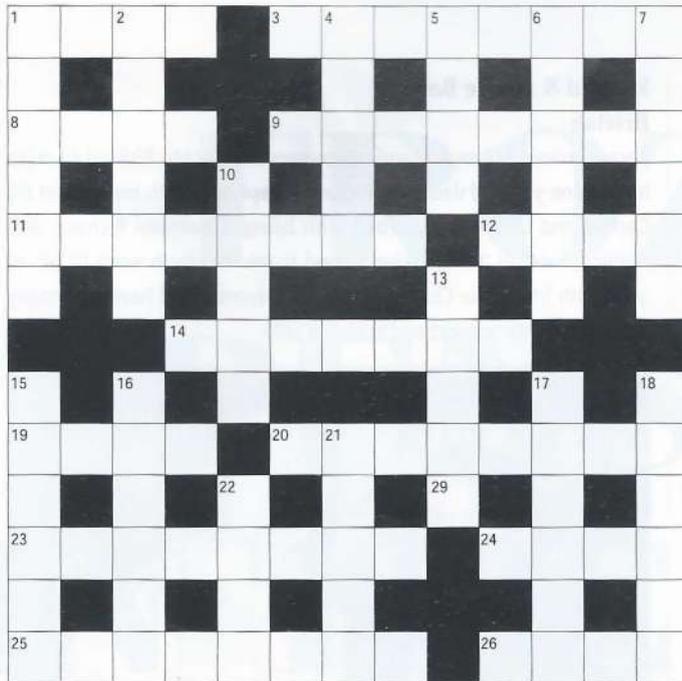


Vicky Jones



CROSSWORD

FOR A RAINY DAY...



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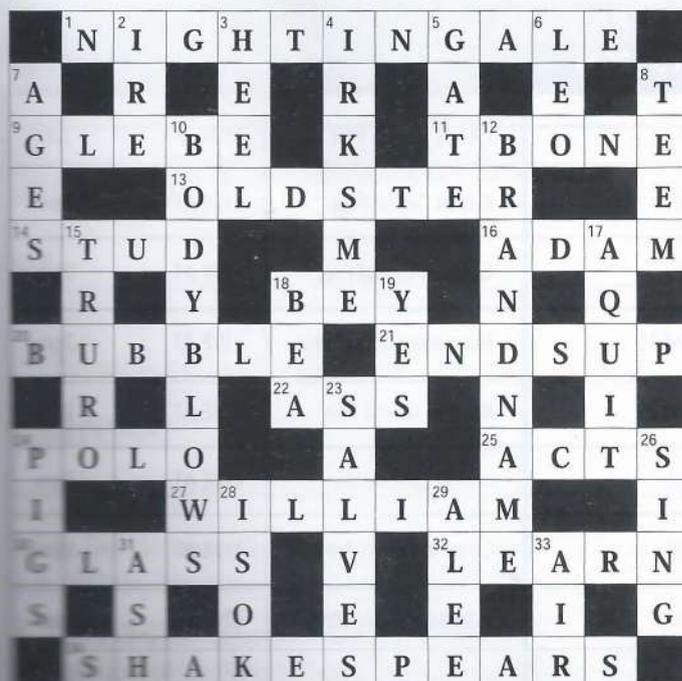
Across

1. Is it Bangkok's best Supermarket?
3. A compulsion for some ladies!
8. He's a loose liver.
9. He cannot function if he is.
11. Most severe.
12. It flies with the wind.
14. It's wonderful - see a vehicle turning in the distance!
19. Leave undone.
20. Then plea for a change - a favourite in Thailand!
23. Very young romance. (4,4)
24. Very little money in the USA.
25. Opposite Krungthep.
26. Bet on this footballer!

Down

1. Lunge with a weapon.
2. Thailand's holiday paradise.
4. Two-timing men on their feet!
5. Old King Cole called for his.
6. The Spanish/Portuguese peninsular.
7. Argon and neon.
10. The land of the Taj Mahal.
13. If the show does this, it's no good!
15. Kitty's husband! (3,3)
16. Casually say you will oblige. (4,2)
17. Tap in a confused way - but it has a gloss.
18. Run into an event in the altogether!
21. Romeo!
22. Give away the secret.

Solution June



NEW MEMBERS

The Churchill Bar is the place to be to meet new Members. Tuesday, 11 May was no exception. A whole bunch of new Members and old Members made up the ranks and had a very enjoyable evening. New Members' Night is always Tuesday, which means it is also Ladies' Night and Spoofers' evening combined, with a complimentary buffet. All members are welcome.



Theeravadee & Thidaluk Thangkabutra
Thai

Sisters Theeravadee & Thidaluk both enjoy watching movies and reading, and sporting activities include tennis and swimming. Theeravadee is a student and Thidaluk works for Channel 7.

Richard & Louise Ball
British

Recent arrivals to Bangkok and newcomers to expat life, Richard & Louise have a one year old daughter. Richard is kept busy with his work at GE Capital and Louise is absorbed with being a mummy. Richard likes running, football and drinking - good man! They both want to get to grips with life at the Club and take full advantage of having so many lovely Members to meet and socialise with.



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	Sep 12	Italian Grand Prix	LIVE AT	7pm
	Sep 26	Chinese Grand Prix	LIVE AT	1pm
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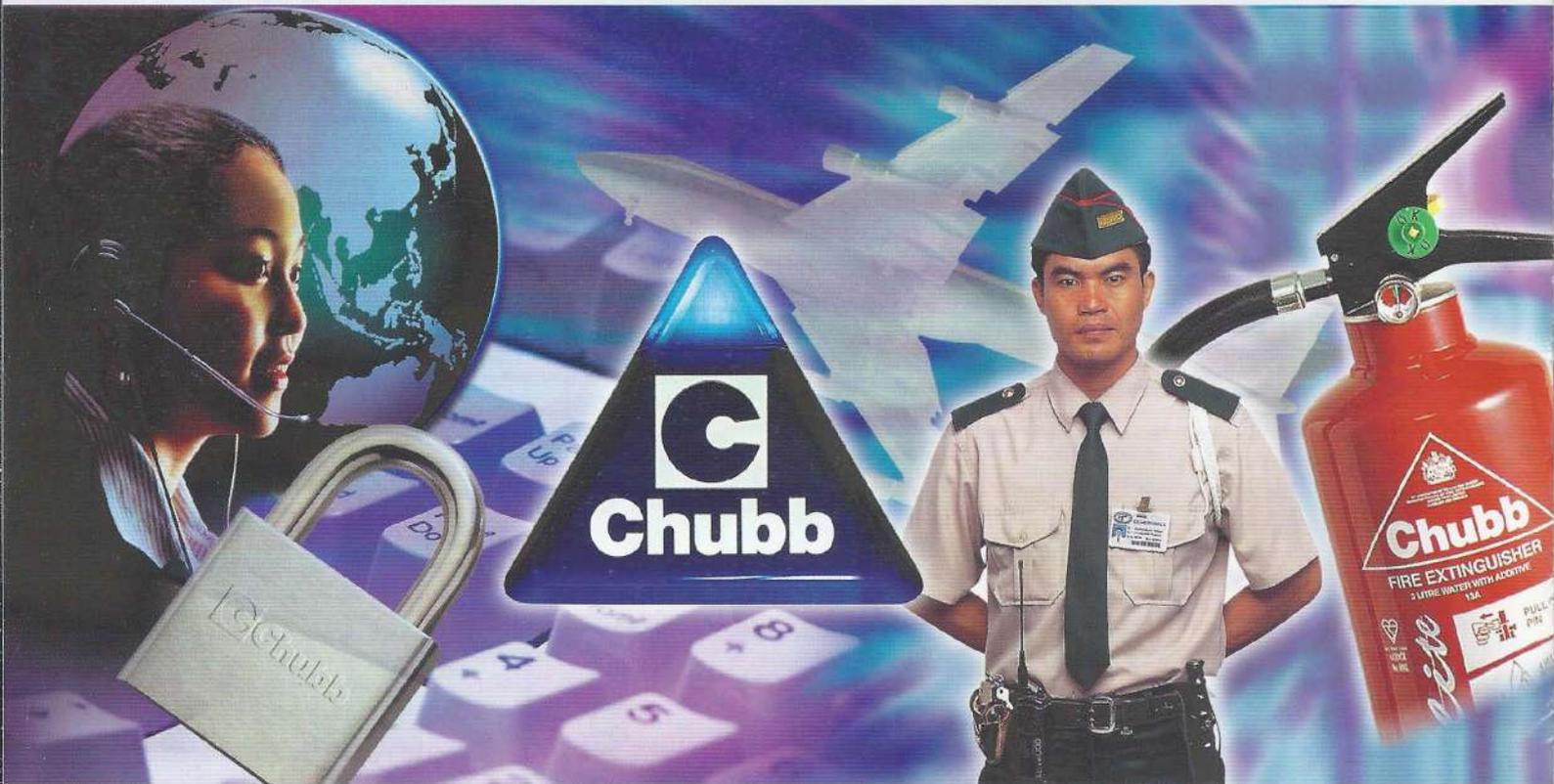
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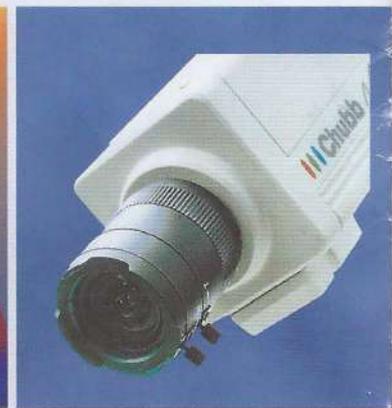
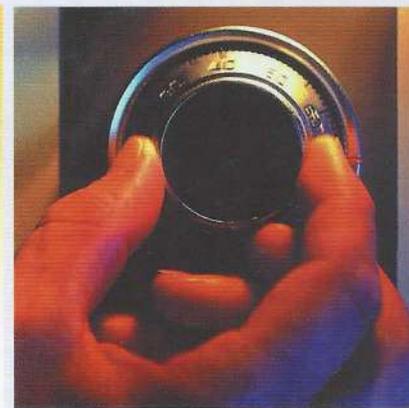
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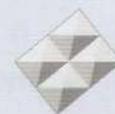
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