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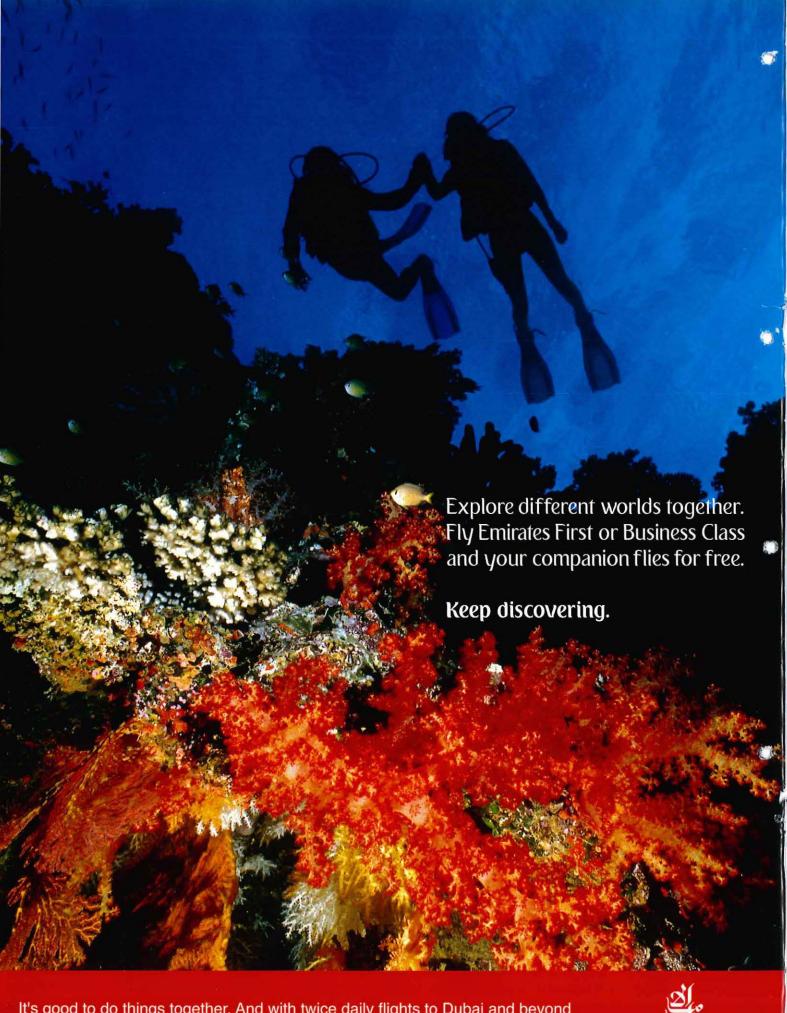
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GM'S BRIEF



Dear Members.

For those of you who are not going on summer leave, there are still a wide range of activities for everybody at the Club. The Summer Sports Camp is still ongoing until the 8 August. Other events include a day trip to the Safari Park, a day trip to Koh Kred along the river, Greek Food Promotion at the Lord's Dining Room, Club Manager's Night and the Wines of the new Wave Wine Tasting – The largest wine tasting of the year with more than 100 wines from Australia, California, New Zealand, South Africa and South America. This is a joint event between the British Chamber of Commerce in Thailand and the British Club Bangkok.

On 11 August the Bangkok Gentlemen Spoofers will organise The British Club Bangkok Centenary Charity Spoof and the Inaugural Asian Spoofing Championship in the Suriwongse Room at the Club. Interested players please refer to their web site www.spoofers.org

In July we encountered some difficulties with our central email system and on some occasions we were not able to reach the Membership on time to inform them about certain events. We do apologise for any inconvenience caused.

I would like to remind all Members that your guest(s) need to be registered in the guest sign in books at the main reception or at the Suriwongse Sala Bar Counter. Recently there has been some abuse from certain Members who invited guests down to the Club on a regular basis to play tennis or use other facilities at the poolside. Your cooperation would be much appreciated.

On 1 July we celebrated our Centenary Book launch at the Club. A large number of Members and their families joined us for this event. Members can order their pictures through the reception and these pictures are on display in the corridor outside the Churchill Bar. Centenary Polo Shirts and Caps are available for sale at the Fitness centre

We are looking forward to seeing you in the not too distant future at your Club.

Yours sincerely,

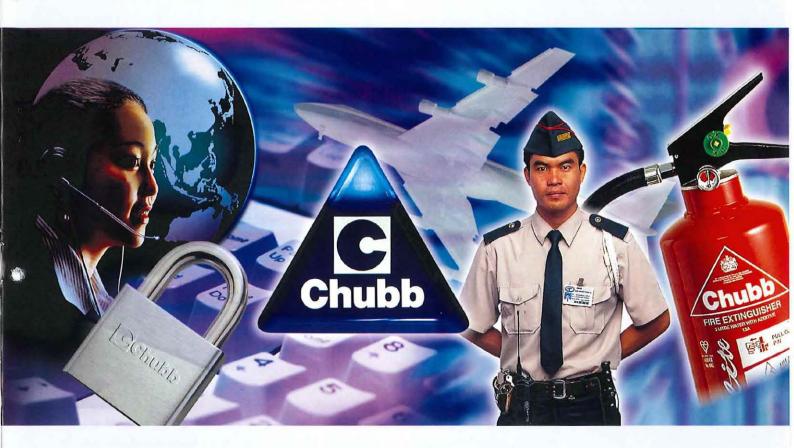
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CHAIRMAN'S LETTER



Dear British Club Members

Liverpool 3, Thailand 1

A great day out was had by 68 British Club members who survived the rain to watch what turned out to be an excellent match. There is an ever increasing range of events that you can attend by being a member of the Club, so make sure you keep track of upcoming evsents. We had a few problems with the email system of late and we're working to make this more reliable. SMS messaging is another option for members. If you think SMS would be more useful to you than email, please let us know and we'll organise it.

I was pleased to see so many of you attend the Centenary Book Launch. Even with the weather behaving like a typical drizzly English day, we managed to have a very enjoyable time and much fun was had by all. A special thanks as always to the staff who helped make it all possible. We were especially pleased that the British Ambassador H.E. Lloyd Barnaby Smith was also able to attend in what must have been for him and his wife an especially busy month as they are now leaving Bangkok to return to the UK. We thank them for their support over the years and wish them well for the future.

Club development is still very much on the agenda and we will soon be bringing you more news on how we propose to move ahead with plans for the Club. An innovative plan has been submitted by BC Member Khun Kumol for re-development of the poolside buildings. It would call for a fairly major re-construction of the building, to include an extra floor and many more facilities. It is always especially welcome to have members contribute positive ideas of how we can help the Club with its development plans. We will be looking closely at these ideas and see what we can incorporate into the overall plan.

The WiFi, wireless Internet connection is now available and operational within the two poolside salas as well as in the main club house. If you have a WiFi enabled PC or PDA, you can obtain a free logon password from reception. As promised, I will be having some informal sessions at the Club to demonstrate how it all works. If you have no idea what I'm talking about, don't worry, you are welcome to attend a 'WiFi' session and find out all about it! Willem managed to grab a couple of weeks holiday which left Barry in the driving seat to manage the Club. From what I've heard Barry has coped really well, so well done Barry!

And finally, thanks to Sheri Conisbee's friend who has adopted the little white Siamese cat. It now has a new home and has a real chance of survival!

Yours sincerely,

David Quine BCB Chairman 2003-2004

Centenary Calendar

THE BRITISH CLUB BANGKOK Celebrating 100 Years, 1903 - 2003



Out at last!

The eagerly awaited British Club Centenary Book was launched last month amidst celebratory cocktails, charming Thai music, dancing and colourful drum processions. This well-produced book is full of anecdotes of past members and colourful pictures of Bangkok past and present while detailing much of the Club's very varied life. You can pick up your free copy from the reception until the 10th of this month. Extra copies are B 995 available only at the Club.



LOOKING AHEAD AT CENTENARY EVENTS

.....AUGUST.....

Bangkok Gentlemen Spoofers' Centenary Charity Spoof

.....SEPTEMBER.....

Comedy Night with comedian specially imported from the U.K.

Watch out for more details.

.....OCTOBER.....

Rally through Bangkok.

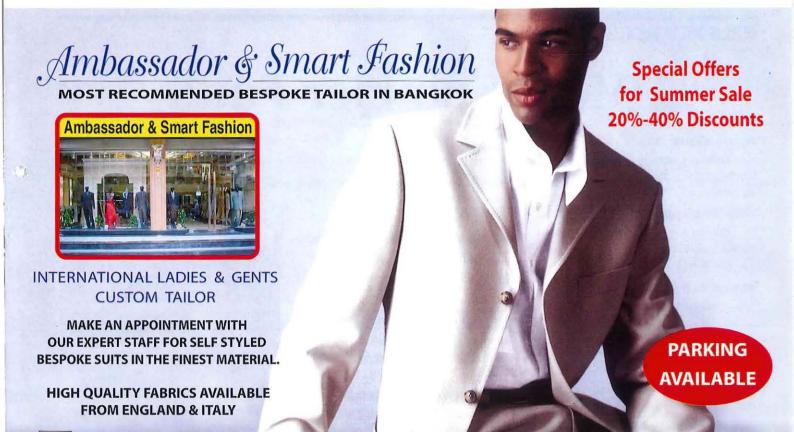
.....NOVEMBER.....

Jazz Night at the Club with a variety of Jazz bands.

.....DECEMBER.....

Centenary Gala Dinner with live music and a great firework display.





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On Your Marks, Get Set...

All Sport's activities have been ongoing since April 2003, but it is still possible to join in.

JUNIOR CRICKET

starting from Sunday, 7 September 2003

Time: 9.00am - 11.00am

Venue: Back Lawn – Cricket Nets Charge: B 3,000 for 10 lessons

Trainer: Mr. Brian Wiggins, qualified Australian coach

JUNIOR TENNIS

Starts on 5 September 2003 in the afternoon

Beginners 5-8 yrs

4.00pm - 4.30pm

.30pm B 1,500

Intermediate 9 – Advanced 12

9 – 11 yrs 12 – 16 yrs 4.30pm - 5.30pm 5.30pm - 6.30pm B 2,000 B 2,500

Coach Zubin and Piyanart Engineer.

JUNIOR SQUASH

starting again from Friday, 2 September

Mini squash (5 - 7 yrs) 4.30pm - 5.15pm

Junior Squash (8 – 10 yrs)

5.15pm - 6.00pm

Venue: Squash Court Number 3 Charge B 1,900,- for 10 lessons

JUNIOR SWIMMING

Lessons with the Bangkok Dolphins will start again on Saturday, 6 September

B 3,000,- for 10 lessons

TAEKWONDO LESSONS

Starting again on Sunday, 7 September 2003

Time: 10.30am – 12.00 noon Venue: Squash Court Number 3 Charge: B 1,800 for 10 lessons

AQUA AEROBICS

Starting again every Tuesday and Thursday from 2 September

Time: 10.30am - 11.30am

Venue: Main Pool

Charge: B 2,500 for 10 lessons.

Trainer: Els van den Broecke 01 - 692 0106

Lessons will be conducted on Tuesday morning and Thursday mornings

AEROBICS ==

Every Monday Starting again from 1 September 2003

9.30am - 10.30am on Squash Court 3

Every Sunday Starting again from Sunday, 4th May

3.00pm - 4.00pm on Squash Court 3

■ BRAZILIAN FOOTBALL FOR JUNIOR SOCCER FANS (NEW) ■

Every Wednesday from $3.00 \, \text{pm} - 5.00 \, \text{pm}$ on the grass tennis courts. Starting from Wednesday, 3 September 2003.

Ages 5 – 8 yrs

3.00pm - 4.00pm

Ages 8 – 12 years

4.00pm - 5.00pm

Charge B 2,500 for a 10 week period

RELAXED REGULARS

More Summer Fun!

GENTLEMAN'S SPOOF

Tuesday Evenings – Churchill BarJoin the gents on Tuesdays for this spiffing spoofing bar game.

LADIES NIGHT

Tuesday Evenings – Churchill Bar

From 6.00pm til midnight, ladies can enjoy any of our cocktails for only B 80 per glass!

BAR ACCUMULATOR

Wednesday Evenings, 7.00 pm Churchill Bar

Every member and their spouse has a chance to win the ever-growing cash prize. All you have to do is be in the bar when your name is drawn from the hat. If you're not there you can't win — it's as simple as that!

WEDNESDAY DARTS NIGHT

Join the lads and lasses every Wednesday evening from 7.00pm in the Churchill Bar for a friendly

game of 'arrows'. Everyone is most welcome, regardless of whether you can hit the board or not!

TUESDAY IS BRIDGE NIGHT

Every Tuesday, from 7.00pm onwards in the Churchill Bar

CHILDREN'S MOVIE NIGHT

Join us in the Silom sala for our regular Friday screening of great movies for the children at 7.00pm. No charge for the kids.

CHILDREN ACTIVITIES

Bring the kiddies to the Silom Room at 2.00pm on Sundays and let the BC and Kids Care entertain them with a whole range of activities followed by a movie. No charge for this event.

CLUB MANAGER'S NIGHT

Wednesday, 13 August 2003,

6.30pm onwards

A great opportunity to catch up with fellow members in a relaxed atmosphere whilst enjoying the music of No Fixed Abode as we treat you to a complimentary curry buffet.

SUMMER SPORT'S CAMP

Tuesday, 5 August to Friday 8 August, 4 days a week

A chance for you to relax during the summer holidays as we take care of the kids. swimming, soccer, cricket, squash, movies, painting and much more are provided in a safe environment. Lunch and snack breaks are included. Please register at the fitness centre. The kids will thank you for it! Charge B 3,400.- for 4 days and B 850,- per day per child.

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UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES IN AUGUST

BAR OUIZ

7.30pm Tuesday, 19 August 2003 and Tuesday, 16 September 2003 at the Dining Room.

Come along and have an exciting evening pitting your wits against other contestants as Quizmaster Rodney Bain selects from a wide range of subjects to test your brain power.

Each team can have a maximum of 4 participants. Registration fee of B 100 per team player.

GREEK FOOD PROMOTION

Friday, 29th August / Saturday, 30th

Craving for a real donner kebab? Got a fetish for fig leaves? Well come and enjoy this delicious buffet menu of southern European cuisine. Let Chef Boonlerd and his team show you the finer side of Greek food in the Lords Dining Room. Greek liquors also available.

B 650,- per member, B 325 for children under 12.

NEW MEMBER'S NIGHT

7.30pm - Tuesday, 9 September 2003 at the Churchill Bar

Excellent opportunity to meet new Members who recently joined the Club and entertainment provided by No Fixed Abode.

WINE TASTING – WINES OF THE NEW WAVE

Thursday, 28 August 2003

6.00pm – 8.30pm Suriwongse Room

The largest wine tasting of the Year. A nice selection

of wines from New Zealand, Australia, South Africa, California and South America These wines are supplied by about 6 Wine suppliers based in Bangkok. This is a joint event of the British Chamber of Commerce in Thailand and British Club Bangkok.

A complimentary Cocktail Buffet will be provided. A classical string orchestra will provide suitable background music. Please sign up at reception or just send us an email.

PAULANER BEER TASTING

Friday, 8th August 2003 at 7.00pm at the Suriwongse Room

A deliciously fresh menu of Paulaner Beers and complimentary snacks will be provided.

■ GENERAL MANAGER'S GOLF DAY

Saturday, 13 September 2003

Another Golf Day organized by the Club. Breakfast at Silom sala between 8.30am and 9.30am. Then depart to the course at 9.30am for a Texas Scramble game (4 players in a team). Followed by dinner and prize award ceremony at the Club. Charge B 1650,- per person which is inclusive of Breakfast, Green Fee, Caddy Fee, Transport by Coach and 3 course dinner.

RUDI WEST – TOP COMEDIAN FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM

7.00pm 3-4 October

Appearing for two nights only, exclusively at the British Club, one of the UKs top comedians will

be sharing his witty one-liners and amusing thoughts on the world. 7.00pm pre-show cocktails on front lawn. Show starts approximately 7.30pm Cocktail Buffet and Show B 1,400.- per person.

■MAGIC EYES CHAO PRAYA BARGE ■ TRIP TO KOH KRED

Monday, 11th August

Fun for all the family! A fascinating day of discovery, games and environmental activities along the river before exploring the unique Mon community on Koh Kred. Depart Club by coach at 7.30 am, arrive back c. 4.30 pm. Cost B 1,300 per person, including all transport, meals and activities. Space is limited.

DAY TRIP TO KHAO KIEW OPEN ZOO (SAFARI PARK)

Monday, 18 August 2003

Thailand's newest and largest Safari Park. Depart the Club at 9.45am by coach to go to the zoo and return around 6.00pm to the Club. B 900,- for adults and B 600 for children aged below 12 years of age. The charge will include, transport, entrance fee to the zoo and lunch.

GOLF

Here Comes the Rain Again!!

June was a particularly soggy month for the British Club Golfers with our annual Match against the Japanese abandoned due to a waterlogged course. Only one other fixture was played in June, our monthly medal at Royal. I'm happy to report that we didn't get rained on and all rounds were completed just before the heavens opened.

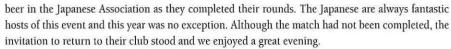
BRITISH CLUB VERSUS THE JAPANESE

We had an outstanding turn out for our annual match against the Japanese and were able to file a team of over 40 players. The match was held at President - a course that is familiar to the Japanese but not one of the British Club's regular venues. The British Club golfers got off to a promising start and after the opening holes we were up in most of our matches. As the last groups teed off the heavens opened and the course was soon waterlogged. Some of the players only managed to hit two shots before the match was abandoned.

A few players did brave the rain and played on but the majority of us were warm and dry and drinking

GOLF





A particular highlight was the playing of the green leaves. You had to see it to believe it! One of the Japanese players played a Japanese lullaby as well as an impressive rendition of Danny Boy on a green leaf soaked in water. It certainly beat Larry playing the spoons for novelty value!

The match will be rescheduled for later in the year and we hope to see all those who got soaked at President ready to do battle once more.







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II JUNE MEDAL II AT ROYAL LAD KRABANG

We had a great turn out for the June Medal at Royal Lad Krabang, The course was extremely busy and after a small delay we teed off just half an hour late - not bad when you consider some of the delays we have had in the past. Conditions were perfect. The greens were fast and true and the fairways were relatively dry given the amount of rain we've had recently.

We welcomed two guests on the day - Jo Palmer and Chris. Jo has been a regular at British Club Golf events and unfortunately this was her last game with us before returning to the UK. We will all miss her.

A disturbing trend seems to be developing when it comes to medals played in the absence of our Captain Larry Goodliffe. It seems that when Larry is absent, Vice Captain Kev seems to win and is left having to present his prize to himself. This month was no exception with Kevin Jones playing his best ever round to win B Flight with an incredible net 60!! Gavin Broad was second in B Flight with a net 69 and Vicky Jones came third with a net 72.

A Flight was won by Brian Brook with a net 68. Gareth Sampson was a close second, also with a net 68 but missed out on count back. David Lamb took third place with a net 69. In C Flight, Kaew Kongyoo won her first medal with a net 72. I'm sure it will be the first of many. Bryan Baldwin was second in C Flight with a net 74 just beating his wife Orin who also scored a net 74 but lost on count back.

Bryan Dodd and Karen Carter won the men's and ladies long drives respectively. The near pins went to Orin Baldwin on hole 3, Karen Holloway on hole 7, Val Ashman on hole 13 and Brian Brook on hole 17. Brian Brook also sank the longest put.

Congratulations to all the winners.

■ GOLF INSURANCE ■

In last month's Outpost, you may remember reading that Andy Flynn hit our Captain Larry Goodliffe as he played from a bunker at Dragon Hills (accidentally of course!). Since then Andy has taken out golf insurance, which is probably just as well as he nearly hit Kaew a couple of weeks later!!



Seriously, if you play golf it is worth considering taking out some form of golf insurance. The premiums tend to be low (around 1,000 baht per year) and the policies typically provide a wide range of cover. So if you want to make sure that you're covered if you hurt another golfer or damage their property, or get hurt yourself, or if your clubs and equipment get damaged or lost, or even if you're playing so well that you're worried about the cost of buying drinks for the whole clubhouse when you get that hole in one, you should check out golfer's liability insurance.

Vicky Jones

SOME IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY July Sun 27 August Khow Kheow Panya Park Sat 23 - 24 Pattaya Royal Lad Krabang September Royal Lad Krabang October Royal Lad Krabang

Flight A	Brian Brook gross 82 net 68
	Gareth Sampson gross 83 net 68
	David Lamb gross 84 net 69
Flight B	Kevin Jones gross 84 net 60!!
	Gavin Broad gross 93 net 69
	Vicky Jones gross 100 net 72
light C	Kaew Kongyoo gross 107 net 72
	Bryan Baldwin gross 110 net 74
	Orin Baldwin gross 108 net 74

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Kaew, winner of Flight C

Rodney Rules!

Members taking up the challenge of Rodney Bain's Monthly Brain-teaser in the Lords in April.



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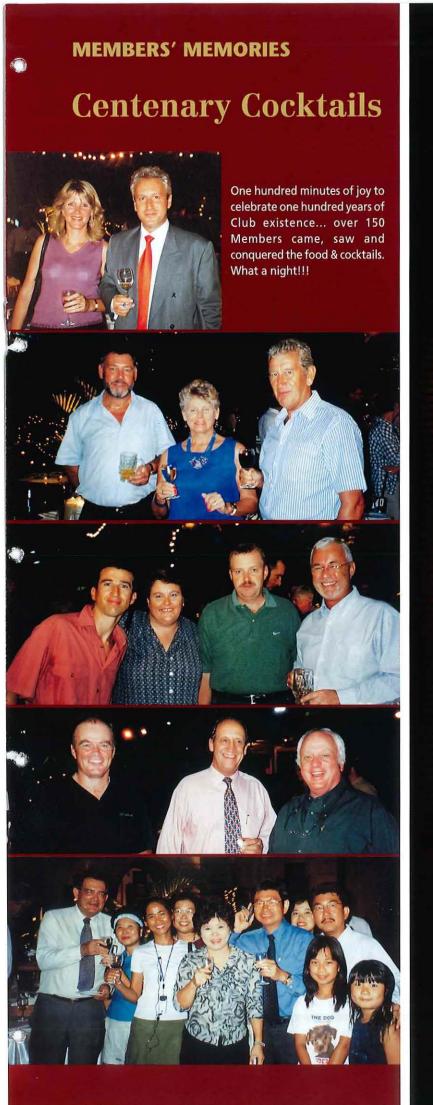
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Anyone for More Deuce?

MATCH REPORT – BCTS VS. CAPITOL CLUB AT THE CAPITOL CLUB

On Saturday June 21 the BCTS were invited to play Capitol Club at the Capitol Club for interclub competition. The format chosen by the Capitol Club was 10 men and 6 ladies teams and a round robin format with 5-all tie break and 1 point deuces.

It was unfortunate that the BC could not even field a team of 10 men for this match and in fact other than for Nisa Adams filling in (with Vlad for team #4) we would not of in fact fielded even 4 pairs of men's doubles teams. This was quite a disappointing start to the event.

However when play started and the BC (missing their top men's pair early - whom were playing golf for the BC that morning) got off to a slow start it was left up to the ladies team comprising Nue, Lyn, Angela, Somjai, Yucharat and Wandee to try to even the match result. The result in the ladies was BC ended up winning 6 sets to 3 and this in fact helped the BC enormously in the final match result.

Special mention must also go to James Young who was one of the delayed players because of his golf commitments in the morning. When he arrived, however, he and his partner played their 4 sets with the loss of only 5 games.

The match was played on 3 courts in the old car park and 2 courts on 4th floor (where the ladies played). The land in the car park where currently 3 courts are, we were informed, have been sold and new apartments will be soon constructed. The final result after all the round robin matches were completed had the Capitol Club winning 108 games and the BC 110 games.

The catering (hot food, soft drinks and beer!) for the afternoon was very much appreciated and we now look forward to hosting a return match with the Capitol Club for September 13.

CHAIRMAN'S CHAT

The most important news is that, having received very encouraging responses from a number of our Reciprocal Clubs (from Abu Dhabi, Australia, Hong Kong, Malaysia and Singapore so far) your Committee has decided to go ahead with a British Club Centenary Tennis Tournament. The Tournament will be held on the afternoon of Friday, 30th October, and all day Saturday/Sunday, 1st/2nd November 2003. We plan on 16 participating teams, hopefully as many as 8 from overseas with the other 7 comprising our regular inter-club opponents, divided into 4 Divisions where each team plays the other in a men's, ladies' and mix doubles set match. The top two teams will enter the Championship competition and the bottom two the Plate competition.

We plan social events in the evenings of Friday, Saturday and Sunday, and are hoping to secure a celebrity of some sort to participate in the prize giving on the Sunday late afternoon. The intention is to produce a Centenary Tournament Brochure to commemorate the event, plus a Centenary Tennis Shirt that will be given to each participant and for sale to everyone else. Sponsorship is a key requirement, plus of course there will be a great deal of effort required on so many aspects to ensure a successful tournament. Your already small Committee will be seeking help with the various subcommittees, so I would ask as many of our members as possible to kindly offer to serve and help ensure that the Tennis Section produces a memorable event for such a memorable occasion as the BC's Centenary Year.



TENNIS

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INTERCLUB TEAM SELECTION

Response for team matches has been unusually low for the last matches against Capitol Club and Krung Thai bank, and in fact we could not even field a complete team of 10 men for the away match against the Capitol Club which was very disappointing. If any of you have suggestions on dates, match schedule, timing, location of matches etc., regarding these planned interclub matches please feel free to email your comments to me. My email address is, brad.weatherstone@alcatel.co.th

Regards, Brad Weatherstone

RESULTS OF THE JUNE TENNIS LEAGUES

There are only 4 League Winners for June because in League 4 no one played the required 3 matches. So, the winners are:

League 1	Marc Nussaume	
League 2	Pat Dean	
League 3	Dennis Schohn	
League 5 Sam Qubois		

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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 organized events arranged by the Tennis Section Committee. Some of the more regular ones are listed on the right:

CAPTAIN'S COURT Monday Night Team Practice Initiative has been cancelled.

Unfortunately, the Monday night structured team practice initiative that I was hoping to implement has not worked. During the 2 month trial period no increase in Monday night attendance was shown by the better, more competitive players who are consistently playing in the interclub matches. For those who are already playing on Monday nights, no increase in their participation of the weekend interclub matches was also evident. As such, recommencing Monday 30th June, mix-in play will be re-instated.



WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

Day	Time	Type of Event
Monday:	6:00 p.m 10:00 p.m.	Mix-In (All Grades of Players)
Wednesday:	6:00 p.m 9:00 p.m.	Mix-In (All Grades of Players)
Friday:	5:00 p.m 10:00 p.m.	Mix-In (All Grades of Players)
Sunday:	4:00 p.m 7:00 p.m.	Mix-In (All Grades of Players)
Sunday:	8:00 a.m 12:00 a.m.	Captain's Court (Top 10 Men and top 5 Ladies or by Captain's Invitation)

MONTHLY NEWS

At least one social and one competitive home or away match is played by Club Teams. (Player level is determined in advance by agreement between opposing Team Captains.)

If you can inform me or any other Tennis Committee member a day or so in advance of your proposed participation, we will arrange for one of our Committee Members to introduce you to other players and to chaperone you through your first event. If you are not sure at which level to enter please do not hesitate to contact me for further advice and assistance.

The Section also runs a Tennis Ladder and regular Monthly Singles Leagues. Participating is an excellent way of improving your tennis and of meeting other players. All details can be found on the Tennis Notice Board at the back of Court No. 1 or just ask any Committee Member.

We also run a Juniors Section for players up to the age of 18 years, where regular practice sessions are held with a qualified and experienced coach, plus we play matches against the Juniors from other clubs on a regular basis.

Membership in the Tennis section is Baht 300 annually and this allows you to participate in any one or all of the above events throughout the year.

Please make sure that you have provided accurate contact information to the BC as soon as possible as otherwise you will not receive our regular newsletter and other tennis information circulations. Looking forward to meeting you on our courts in the very near future.

REMINDER TO ALL PLAYERS

Updated information is always posted on the tennis section notice board, which is located by the gate to court 1.

To all those who play in the mix-ins, please don't forget to sign in before you play.



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FEATURING

The British Club Bangkok Centenary Charity Spoof



AUGUST 11, 2003 - THE BRITISH CLUB, BANGKOK



any British Club members will be well aware of the Bangkok School of

Gentlemen Spoofers (BGS), particularly the Bridge Section;-), but few will understand the significance, read importance, of their activities at the British Club. Far from being a rowdy bunch of overweight inebriants, the BGS are a fine brigade of reverent gentlemen preserving a truly British tradition that itself is over 100 years old.

Asian Outpost

Spoof was invented by a British comedian, Sir Arthur Roberts, in the late Nineteenth century. Sir Arthur championed the game for 50 years in Britain, penning his defining literary gem, Fifty Years of Spoof, before liver failure cruelly robbed the spoofing world of its founder. Lucky it was then, that the game had found ample patronage in the world of rugby, who nurtured the game though WWII, thus preserving a tradition for generations of gentlemen to come. The game was brought to Bangkok in 1988 by Mr. Hugh Salmon, and it has thrived in Asia, spawning schools in Seoul, Dubai, Taipei, Hong Kong, and in other major cities. Along with the hotbeds of

Spoofing in Sydney and Wellington, Asia can lay claim to being the World centre for Spoofing.

Digital Spoofing

The BGS recently developed an online community at www.spoofers.org and this has become the networking centre for International Spoofers, not bad for an "unofficial" section of the BC! August 11 will mark another first, the Asian Spoofing Championships. Under the Chairmanship of Mr. Steve Eaton, the past, present and future of spoofing is secure. Hands out for "Swampy!"

The Doc



"The Lard" Keith Cronshaw. 2002 Thai National Spoofing Champion

The Full SP - When the Hands are Out!

Venue: The Surawong Room, British Club Bangkok

Time: 7 for 7:30

Dress: Black tie, Red Sea Rig, Spoofing Blazer or National

Carriages: Highly inadvisable

Cost: THB 2,500 incl. dinner, beer, wine and port

RSVP: Mr. Steve Eaton

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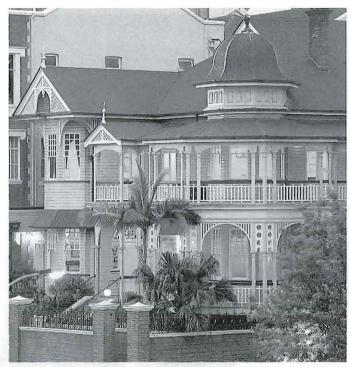


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NEW MEMBERS.

The Churchill Bar is the place to meet new members. This time it was a quieter affair than normal, due to the summer exodus. However, a number of newcomers were met over a few drinks (or several) and a lot of fun was had. 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.



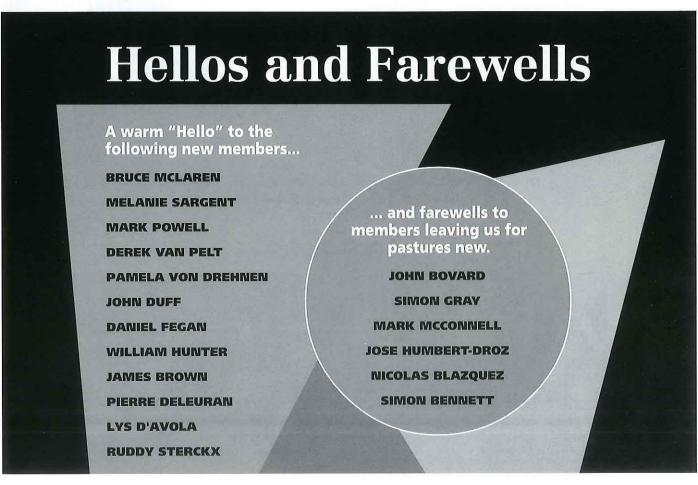
STEWART CAIRNS AND CLAIRE KENWOOD

"Down under" couple Stewart and Claire, although seasoned travellers, are new to expatriate life. Stewart, not only a closet karaoke singer, is a keen sheep farmer (no comments please), with six year old son Lachie wanting to be a sheep shearer - they are both sure to be in their element in Baaangkok. Claire, full time mother looking after two children (Lachie and two year old daughter Meg) - would love to play tennis, dance and do athletics, mother duties permitting.

NEVILLE AND VIRGINIA (JINI) GREEN

Australians Neville and Virginia have been in Thailand only 5 months yet are quite familiar with its many charms as regular visitors over the past two years. Neville is here with Manheim Asia Pacific Co. Ltd and Jini teaches English voluntarily. With four grown-up children now firmly away from the nest, they are fully enjoying the experience of being "empty nesters". Whilst you are very unlikely to see Neville doing anything remotely sporty, Jini is pro-active, engaging in a number of hobbies such as bike riding, swimming, walking and even playing basketball!







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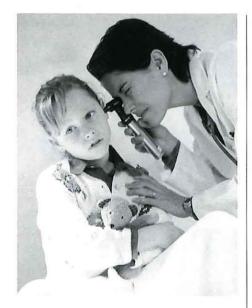


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The Lowdown On Children's Ear Infections

KATHERINE LANGDON MBBS, MRCP(UK), DTM&H FRACP

When you wile away the hours in Bangkok watching children swim as I do, discussions about children's ear infections invariably arise. The questions I get asked most frequently are: Do you think my child needs antibiotics? and When do children need grommets?



Most of the time when people talk about ear infections they mean "middle ear infections" or Otitis Media. The external ear canal- the bit of the ear you can stick your finger into- also gets infected at times and causes extremely painful and swollen, discharging ears. It can in fact be difficult to work out whether a discharging ear is due to otitis media with a ruptured eardrum or otitis externa.

The middle ear is an air-containing cavity, which is separated from the external ear canal by the eardrum. The function of the middle ear is to transmit and amplify sounds from the drum to the inner ear, and to protect the inner ear. When you look into the ear with an otoscope the only part of the middle ear you can see is the external surface of the eardrum. The air pressure in the middle ear is maintained by the Eustachian tube, which runs from the middle ear and opens into the large cavity behind the nose. The Eustachian tube must adjust the pressure within the middle ear very quickly at times when the pressure on the outside of the drum is changing rapidly, such as during air travel and when scuba diving. Middle ear disease and upper respiratory infections, which block the nasal cavity, can affect this process resulting in hearing loss, ear pain (and a screaming child).

Acute otitis media is very common affecting 80% of children before the age of 4 years and not surprisingly accounts for the largest number of

antibiotic prescriptions in children. Although a red eardrum is a sign of acute otitis media, only 40% of children with red eardrums and ear pain have acute otitis media. The challenge is of course to establish which children with red ears those 40% are.

Symptoms of acute otitis media are: painful ears +/- pulling at the ears; discharge from the ear; fever and irritability. Other symptoms can include vomiting, diarrhoea, and refusal to eat. Acute otitis media is more common in younger infants. You can see that these symptoms are also those found in children with viral upper respiratory tract infections. Acute otitis media is a bacterial infection and antibiotics can treat these.

The examination findings can help to establish the true cause of the red ear. Established acute otitis media causes more florid signs at the eardrum, which can be seen with an otoscope (if the child is very cooperative!) At the end of the day if the child is "toxic" i.e. looks sick, has a high fever(over 39.5°), is very young or aeroplane travel is imminent, then treatment with antibiotics may be opted for immediately. If there is more doubt about the diagnosis, then many doctors will elect to watch the child for 24 to 48 hours before starting a course of antibiotics.

Modifiable risk factors for acute otitis media are: breastfeeding; smoking; feeding position; day care attendance; dummy; vaccinations.

- Breast-feeding reduces the risk of otitis media if continued for 9 to 12 months.
- Avoid prop feeding your baby. Prop feeding is where the baby is fed whilst lying flat and the bottle is
 placed on a pillow.
- Avoid smoking around your children. Passive smoking increases the risk of otitis media, asthma and viral upper respiratory tract infections.
- Full-time day care increases the risk of viral upper respiratory tract infections, otitis media and glue
 ear (otitis media with effusion a sequelae of acute otitis media). It is worth considering reducing
 your child's time spent in full-time day care or nursery school if they are prone to recurrent ear
 infections.
- Avoid giving your child a dummy after the age of 10 months as this increases the risk of otitis media.
- If your child is in nursery school or full-time day care and has recurrent ear infections, then they
 may benefit from annual flu vaccination and the pneumococcal vaccination.

If your child does have otitis media then the most likely antibiotic (and one of the cheapest ones) they will receive is amoxycillin. Other possibilities are Augmentin, Zithromax, and Cefaclor. If you and your doctor elect to wait and see before starting antibiotics then take heart in this statistic - 87% of cases of untreated acute otitis media resolve spontaneously within 2 - 3 days. Moreover, antibiotic therapy has not been shown to reduce the risk of effusion in the middle ear after acute otitis media. A benefit of electing to wait and see is the prevention of drug resistant bacteria developing in the community. There is no benefit from the administration of antihistamines or decongestants so be firm and refuse these if they are prescribed. Paracetamol or Ibuprofen can be given to relieve pain and to reduce fever and lessen malaise.

It is worthwhile having your child's ear reviewed a month after the infection to make sure that it has

completely resolved and that there is no effusion - "glue ear". If there is persistent effusion - fluid in the middle ear - and 3 to 4 ear infections per year, then grommets may be warranted.

If there is discharge from the ear it is likely that antibiotic eardrops will be prescribed. This is the treatment of choice regardless of whether the cause is otitis externa or otitis media with a perforated eardrum.

Persistent symptoms or signs of infection, hearing loss, and recurrent infection all indicate referral to an ear nose and throat specialist.



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A Close-run Thing at the Riverine

On Saturday 28th June, the British Club played at Riverine and enjoyed a close contest with their hosts. In a 6 leg tie BC won 4-2, with some solid performances from David Eastgate, Charles Whiteley, Marvin Lewis and Brian Brook.

BC got off to an indifferent start; a tired Chris Browning was easily defeated 3-0 by K.Todsopol, the previous week's Don Johnson result a distant memory. Peter Corney lost to a well prepared opponent. David Eastgate demolished K Thongchai with ease 3-0 and Marvyn Lewis also clocked up an impressive win. Brian Brook and Charles Whitely won hard fought matches to seal the victory.

We had been advised that Riverine would not field a strong team - this was not the case and all the games were close fought.

Marvyn in particular enjoyed the impressive changing room facilities and was intent on using the grooming facilities to make himself beautiful. Regrettably we had to leave on the same day we played, so that was not possible.

Riverine were first class hosts and we look forward to returning the compliment at the BC.

Chris Browning	lost to	Todsopol	0-3
David Eastgate	beat	Thongchai	3-0
Peter Corney	lost to	Pongsak	0-3
Charles Whitely	beat	Sutee	3-2
Marvin Lewis	beat	Thanakorn	3-0
Brian Brook	beat	Somchai	3-0

Chris Browning

DON JOHNSON CUP AND PARRA HANDY PLATE

The 2003 Don Johnson Cup and Parra handy Plate commenced on Tuesday 3rd June. There were 16 entries and four players were seeded. They all reached the semi finals.

The first round losers went into the Parra handy Plate. The final of this was played on a hot Saturday afternoon on 14th June between Ja and Peter Corney. After a good start Peter wilted in the heat to lose to Ja 3-9, 9-1, 9-5, 10-8. Ja, as usual, is able to lift his game a level and play extra good squash when he needs to. Peter was up in the 4th game and held game point but Ja played some excellent shots to even at 8 all and then eventually win 10-8.

In the main event Chris Browning defeated Marc Hagelauer 3-0 and David Eastgate defeated Jamie Heywood 3-0 to set up a final between contrasting styles. David is fit and normally a very consistent shot player whereas Chris plays a very aggressive volleying game.

In the first game David jumped to a 7-0 lead before Chris even got a serve. Chris then clawed his way back to 5 and lost 9-5 but was starting to get some form. Chris then jumped to a 6-0 lead in the second and won that 9-3. The third game both players played some very good squash with long rallies and incredible retrieving. Unfortunately David could not score the points and lost 9-2. The fourth game Chris jumped to a 3-0 lead with David coming back to lead 4-3 with some great squash being played. After a long rally David put an easy drop shot into the tin with an exhausted Chris in no position to get the ball if it had been good. At this stage it looked as if David would win the fourth as Chris was looking very tired. Then David put another easy shot into the tin and it seemed to give confidence to Chris who played his heart out playing the remainder of the game very aggressively and attacking every shot. Chris eventually won 5-9, 9-3, 9-2, 9-4. It was a very entertaining final and a reasonable number of spectators to witness it.

The drinks and eats afterwards were enjoyed by all and as winner, Chris received a trophy and 3,000 baht gift voucher compliments of TIG and David received a trophy and dinner for two to the value of 1,000 baht from Sofitel Central Plaza Hotel Bangkok. A lucky draw for a 3,000 baht gift voucher compliments of ACA Pacific Group was won by Shiraz Poonevala.

Ja also won a trophy and a 3,000 baht voucher compliments of Premier International Healthcare. Peter Corney as runner up won a dinner for two compliments of Sofitel Central Plaza Hotel Bangkok.

Special thanks go to the sponsors, TIG, ACAQ Pacific Group, Sofitel Central Plaza Hotel Bangkok and Premier International Healthcare.

Peter Corney

Your Magazine Needs YOU!

After 23 dedicated years of devising crosswords to Outpost, Margaret Miller is now enjoying her well-earned retirement. The staff here at Outpost would like to say a big 'thank you' to Margaret for her unfailing support of the magazine and supplying members with so many challenging, yet highly enjoyable word puzzles over the years. We will miss her contributions.

Do you have any special hobbies that might be of interest to members? Have you been on any enjoyable jaunts around Thailand, Asia or even the world recently? Do you have any special skills that you can impart to members? Whatever your background or recent experiences we're sure that other members would like to read about them in this, the Club magazine. So why not write them down and send them along to us - we'd love to put them in Outpost (with some nice photos of course!) and give everyone a good read.

CALLING ALL WORDSMITHS!

If any budding wordsmiths, puzzle-makers, quiz-writers or general know-it-alls are reading this, please give us a call. We need your contributions, be they brain-teasers, crosswords, maths puzzles, bridge scenarios etc. to fill a regular space in the magazine.

Joseph's Coming to Bangkok

The Fun-Filled Family Musical Spectacular" Joseph and The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" is set to wow Bangkok Audiences, playing 8-12 October 8-12, 2003 at the Bangkok Playhouse.

Sponsored by Land Rover Thailand, the same team that produced Jesus Christ Superstar last year brings you Andrew Lloyd Webber's hit musical comedy, to be staged at the Bangkok Playhouse 8-12 October. American Director, Dale Gutzman and Choreographer Nancy Visintainer-Armstrong lead the cast of 32 through fun-filled song and dance numbers and promise you plentiful laughs and toe-tapping melodies. The Harrow International School Children's Choir joins the Thai and expatriate cast, featuring dynamic new pop star, Satana Tantraporn in the role of Joseph, and stage veteran Marisa Nunbhakdi as the Narrator.

Tickets are B 500, 800, 1,000, 1,200 and go on sale August 1, 2003 through www.thaiticketmaster.com or 0 2204-9999. Performances start at 8:00 pm and 2:00 pm for the weekend matinees. Proceeds will be donated to HRH Princess Mother's Somdetya's Charity Fund for rural development.

Seating is limited at the Bangkok Playhouse, and last year, 'Superstar' sold out, so reservations should be made well in advance.



Wed-Fri 8-10 Oct. 2003 8:00 pm Sat-Sun 11-12 Oct. 2003 2:00 pm, 8:00 pm Tickets 1200, 1000, 800, 500 Thai Ticketmaster Counters; Central Chidiom / Ladprao Bangna / Huamak (Big C Ramkamhang) / Pinklao Tel. 0-2204-9999 www.thaiticketmaster.com

Proceeds go to HRH Princess Mother's "Somdetya's Charity Fund"

For more information please call Suwannee Khumkiert on 0 2247-0123 ext. 1928, 0 2247-0177, or Manu Wuvanich on 0 2247-0123 ext. 1916-18.



MEMBERS' INTERESTS

New Woodblock Prints Exhibition "Second Nature"

by

Ralph Kiggell

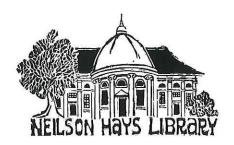
27th September - 15th October 2003

At the Rotunda Gallery, Neilson Hays Library 195 Surawongse Road, Bangkok

In this group of prints, Thailand-based artist Ralph Kiggell explores various aspects of nature in the tropics: the intense humid sunlight; monsoon and rainfall; the effects of light and shade on the colour green; the eerily unending plant growth and the spectacular fertility of the forests and gardens of southeast Asia. In particular, he looks at the fern, a sporing plant that dominated the earth millions of years ago. Its primeval origins enhance the mystery of the tropical forest.

This series of work has been inspired by living in Thailand and by the great botanical gardens of Kandy, Singapore and Melbourne, and the rainforest parks of Malaysia and Borneo.

Ralph Kiggell is a British artist who studied traditional and contemporary woodblock printing in Japan, both in Kyoto and Tokyo, where he completed a Masters in Printmaking at Tama Art University. He has lived in Thailand for three years, where he has been experimenting with printing from tropical woods and sa paper. He was artist in residence at Bangkok University. He has exhibited widely in Asia and England.



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Compiled by Margaret Miller

Solution to July's Double Grid Puzzle

- A. Light
- B. Endured
- C. Westward Ho!
- D. In the Money
- E. South wind
- F. Counted
- G. Absolves
- H. Rushed
- I. Rewired
- J. Off stage
- K. Loosed
- L. Ladybird

The initial letters reading down give the name of the author, LEWIS CAROLL. The quotation is from his book, Alice in Wonderland.

"If everybody minded their own business," growled the Duchess, "the world would go round a deal faster than it does."



Bull's Head Post

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Bull's Head to Relaunch

World Exclusive

lans were announced yesterday by 'The Great British Pub Company' that 'The Bull's Head' on Sukhumvit Soi 33/1 is to undergo a dramatic reinvention.

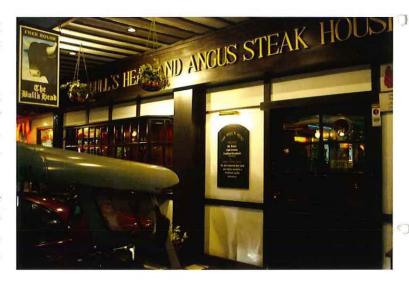
Sources inside the company explained that they believed that with the pub approaching it's ninth birthday, it was "time for a makeover". The traditional British pub theme and feel will remain but the emphasis will be on increased comfort and satisfaction for each individual customer.

The establishment will close between the 18th and 26th of August for it's facelift, the third floor Social Club however will remain open serving half-priced drinks and the traditional Bull's Head menu for the duration of the improvements.

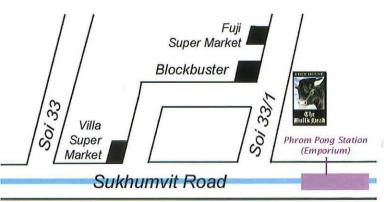
The pub's relaunch party on Friday the 29th of August promises to be one hell of a carousal. In addition to this, it's 2nd of September, Ninth Birthday Bash will, our sources say, again be the social event of the year. "Not to be missed,.." one insider enthused, "...I've lost count of the number of promotions planned for both evenings, and I really can't wait to see how the bar looks when it's finished!"

Despite all of the physical changes to the Bar and Restaurant areas, customers have been reassured that the traditional and much loved Bull's Head regular events will remain. 'Toss the Boss', those magical couple of hours between 5-7 every Sunday, when you simply flip a coin to decide whether or not you pay for your drinks, will continue; as will every Thursday's 'Accumulator' evening, where customers can win cash prizes up to 18,000 Baht. With the now famous 'Punchline Comedy Club' also continuing with frequent shows and a promise from new, English manager Billy Brunsdon to add more, new events very soon, the future for the best British pub in Bangkok looks both fresh and exciting.

The Bull's Head Pub & Restaurant Sukhumvit Soi 33/1, Phrom Pong Station Tel: 02 259 4444 Fax: 02 662 1490 www.greatbritishpub.com







Easter Sunday Funday

This fun day took place on the back lawn on Sunday, 20 April. Over 100 Members showed up despite the bookings being slow to begin with. The egg hunt kicked off at 11 am, followed by many games and activities to entertain the kids.

Many thank-yous go to the Members who attended, to the staff & volunteers who helped on the day, and to the event sponsors, Coca Cola, Nestlé & Khun Anont.



CALENDAR

BRITISH CLUB SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR



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

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

CHURCHILL BAR ACTIVITIES

7.00pm	Darts
7.00pm	Accumulator

8.00am - 10.00am	Ladies' Tennis
6.00pm - 9.00pm	Squash mix-in
7.00pm - 9.00pm	Rugby Training
9 00nm - 10 00nm	Hockey Training

9.00am	ANZWG 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
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Children's Movie Night

Friday 8	Paulaner Beer Tasting
Monday 11	River Trip to Koh Kred
Tuesday 19	Bar Quiz
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Monday 18	Day trip to Khao Kiew Zoo
Thursday 28	Wine Tasting
Friday 29 &	
Saturday 30	Greek Food Promotion

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	Charlene Wang	0 2921 6015
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Football	Martin Conisbee	01 860 4874
Golf	Larry Goodliffe	0 2236 9785-7
Spoofers	Steve Eaton	0 2237 9262
Rugby	Jon Prichard	0 2662 6376
Scuba Diving	g Peter Gary	0 2634 7799
Snooker	Khun Kittisak	01 633 9490
Squash	Peter Corney	01 829 2253
Tennis	Terry Adams	01 639 3856

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St George's	Angela Stafford	0 2632 0560 x 3037
St Andrew's	Daniel Fegan	0 1755 8737
St Patrick's	Sally Jamison Voravarn	0 9234 7074
St David's	Basia Filzek	02 286 1348

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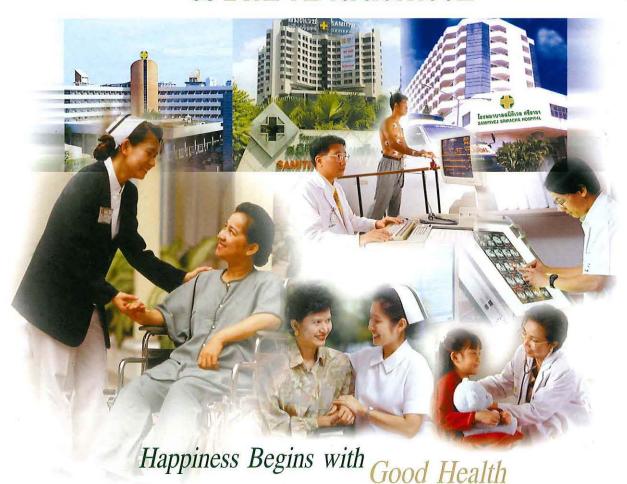
Badminton	Soi Nares, behind Bangrak Police Station
Casuals Football	Colgate Ground, Rama III
Massage	Near the Silom Sala

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)



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