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10 50 - 11 10 am

Tai Chi – a meditative martial art practiced for its calming, stress-relieving benefits that also builds strength and promotes balance. This is performed by Tai Chi expert **Ms. Machiyo Matsuda,** holder of the Chinese martial art "dan" level 5. Introductions to the forms in the performance will be presented.

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Dear Members.

There's an important message from the British Embassy this month, which may affect more people than it initially appears.

Club history fans will enjoy the 'As We Were' article showing the conversion of the Verandah (or what was then the Churchill).

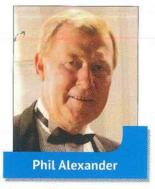
In Sports, both tennis and cricket had more to report than usual, so both these articles are 50% longer, and make enjoyable reading!

Daleks on the Tube? Who can tell!

Ed.



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN



Chairman, General Committee

The main objective of this regular Outpost feature is to keep all Members abreast of the activities of the Club in general and to provide a further insight into other operational aspects.

Some highlights from mid August to mid September

- Revenue from August meant the Club's operations produced a financial surplus before depreciation of some 359,000 baht. For the first five months of this General Committee year this brings us to a surplus before depreciation of approximately 1,600,000 baht in total. These figures exclude membership joining fees.
- · Actually the Club's Cash in Bank position at the end of August stood increased from 29 million baht to some 30.5 million baht. We are now forecasting a Cash in Bank position of 31 million baht at the end of September.
- · Next, our Membership stands now at 1114, marginally down on our last report. As mentioned in the last Outpost, membership is always a key focus of Management and the General Committee monitors flows and trends carefully discussing any action needed at its monthly meetings.
 - Safety and Hygiene: The audit of our kitchens took place in mid August and the complete audit report is currently being evaluated by Management before presentation to the General Committee at the October GC meeting

General Club Improvements

Particular mention in last month's Outpost was made of some areas, outside of normal day-to-day general maintenance activities, that are in need of upgrading. Work in these areas has moved forwards:

• Actually the Staff House renovations were completed slightly behind schedule but on

budget at the end of August. There is a short article on these essential upgrades later in this Outpost Magazine.

- Rain has caused the first major floods of the year in the car parks and all our drainage systems, both at ground and roof levels, have been pushed through. After the rainy season has finished some of the car park areas will be lifted and all the parking bay demarcations will be repainted.
 - Electric lighting proposals for the multi purpose court have been resubmitted and hopefully a decision will be taken at the next GC meeting as to the way forwards.
 - Next on the maintenance list will be the Sala furniture which over the coming weeks will be cleaned down and upgraded. Meanwhile work on casting the new poolside manhole access covers has been completed. The review of the pool pump room has been carried out and as a result we will need to undertake remedial works to the concrete surrounds and beams.

CANCELLATION OF PROPOSED EGM

The EGM which should have taken place on the 15th September had to be cancelled and I must apologise to one and all for the lateness of this decision. That said the decision to cancel was not taken lightly and neither was it a decision which I took, or could take, alone. The decision was taken by all of the General Committee members, six in total, who did not sign up to the motion to call the EGM in the first place. The reasons for this cancellation were set out clearly in the email to all Members which was sent out on the 14th September.

these areas are in urgent need of upgrading and Clearly the issues surrounding this very important renovation. Children and their families are a major area of proposed redevelopment need to be backbone and the future of our Club and they resolved quickly and clear-cut balanced proposals deserve to be treated better with greater attention must be put before the entire Membership for approval. It is not in the interests of the Club to to their needs. continue with this political infighting. Since the cancellation notice went out we have therefore General Committee made efforts to set up another meeting with The last few days have seen some changes representatives of the 24 signatories to try again to the makeup of the GC as some members of to reach an agreement on the way forwards which does not contravene recognised and accepted the GC decided that they could not fulfil their commitments. The other GC members are pleased good practices. Unfortunately, and at the time of that we have been very fortunate to co-opt some writing, we still have not received any agreement to our proposals made to reconvene a meeting but very experienced members to the GC team. obviously our efforts will continue.

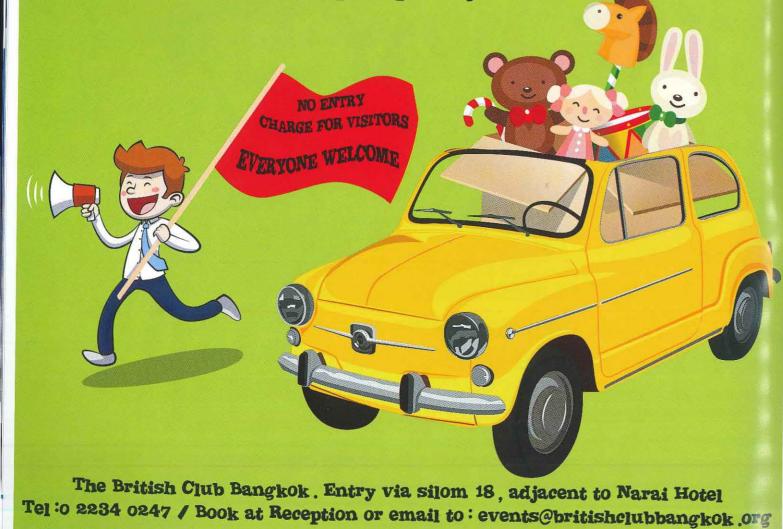
Additional GC meetings in the coming weeks will take place to discuss the key issues facing the Club In the meantime I need to reiterate the fact that and to outline a positive and constructive road map the Children's Play Area is a disgrace, potentially to bring the Silom Sala redevelopment proposals dangerous, and it's likely the Club will be forced to a positive conclusion at an upcoming EGM which to close this area very soon. In addition the Silom will take place in the near future. Sala and Kiddies Pool are not much better and all



Sunday 11th October 2015 2 pm-6pm Back Lawn

SALE

Books, DVD, toys, clothes, ornaments, pictures, gadgets, and all sorts of unexpected Items may be there to look through An opportunity to pick up a bargain or two



LETTER FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

In September the rains came late and we had storms for a few days so the Club saw flooding from the drainage at Silom and Surawongse Roads. We asked the BMA to come and clean the drainage around the Club and also arranged for the suppliers to clean the hoods over the cookers in both kitchens for their annual maintenance.

The renovated staff house was completed with new furniture and our staff moved in on 11th September. The staff are very pleased with the new facilities and thank all Members for enabling it. (see page 12)

The new Western Menu was issued early in September, and the feedback was quite good. We will have a few food, drink and cigar promotions this month as well as specials on salmon fishcakes, pork knuckle, mixed sausages and Welsh Lamb. Also UK bottled beers on promotion drink in this month and Chang in a bucket!

On 17th October we have Trafalgar Dinner, on 30th Please may I remind you about the toy guns. They are October we have the Kids Halloween Party on the not allowed to be used anywhere in the Club as they're same night as the monthly Wine-Tasting so parents dangerous for other kids, so would parents please make sure children don't bring or use them. This has been can leave their kids for the party on the Back Lawn included twice in weekly mailings to Members from while they taste wine in the Silom Sala. To make it easier, we will have small buffet in The Verandah on Khun Jeremy. Moreover, the plastic lane dividers in the swimming pool are not for hanging on or playing with. this evening, so please come and enjoy yourselves at either event. On Saturday 24th, our monthly buffet will They are very expensive to replace, so the staff have be German Food. been told to ask kids or their parents to stop to playing with them if seen. Thank you for your cooperation with I must inform you all that this year the government these two points.

I must inform you all that this year the government have put a stop on importing turkeys, so our suppliers cannot supply turkeys to us this year. This applies to all hotels and restaurants, so we have kept some stocks to serve at our Annual Ball on 19th and the Christmas Day Lunch & Dinner at the Club. But we cannot put

OFFICIAL OPENING TIMES

The Verandah	11am - 2pm, 5pm - 10pr 11am - 10pm (Fri-Sun a	n (Mon-Thurs) nd Public Holidays)	
1910 Balcony	3pm - 11pm (Afternoon	Tea 3pm - 5pm)	
Accounts Office	9am - 6pm (Mon-Fri), Cl	osed (Sat-Sun)	
The Pavilion Café	9am - 6pm	Fitness Centre	6am - 10pm (Mon-Fri)
Churchill Bar	10am - 12midnight	Fitness Centre	6am - 9pm (Sat-Sun)
Poolside Bar	6:15am - 11pm Last food orders 9:30pn	Thai Massage	10am - 5pm (Tues-Sur

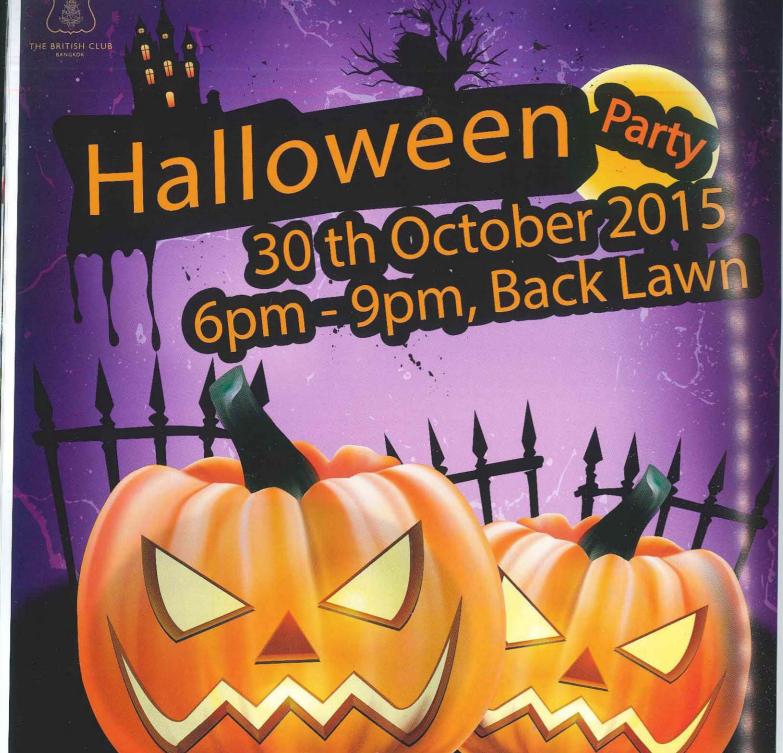
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turkey in our take-away menu or serve on any other menu as nobody has any, unless the situation changes! We will have goose, a traditional British alternative, in our take-away menu as a special option. In the Club we will serve Welsh Lamb and imported Beef and our Honey-Baked Ham as normal. The Christmas Order forms will be issued soon so please check with service staff or at Reception.

For sports in October, we will have swimming lessons, yoga and sports camps. Please sign-up or get more info at the Fitness Centre.



Kids 2-12 yrs old Bt 450 - Adults Bt150

A special fancy dress party with games, activities, Piñatas, and a magic show. Halloween snacks, refreshments and prizes for the best costumes!

Sign up in Reception or by email : evevts@britishclubbangkok.org

HAPPENINGS

Since I wrote my page in last month's Outpost, there has been a change, and then a change back, regarding the Annual Ball. We were trying to cover the Members who were flying off to snowy climes by moving it forward, but that proved a false move as it clashed with a boozy afternoon. So we moved it back. The result is:

2015 ANNUAL BALL - Saturday 19th December, Front/ Back Lawn - Reception, Turkey dinner with wine, dancing, raffle.

At the end of the month on Friday 30th is the Halloween Party. last year we saw the best halloween we have ever had, on the Back Lawn and complemented by a A few days ago we bundled some lucky Members and their children off to see Maroon 5. By all accounts, heavy cloudburst which made it even better for the it was a fantastic concert and the arrangements for children but not such fun for mums and dads. This transport went smoothly, all arriving back at the Club year will be in the same place, with a couple of extra by midnight. I hear that Madonna is booked to play games and led by Sam who is almost the Pied Pier bangkok next year, so we will get tickets for her if at with the Club kids. On the same night there is the all possible. October wine-tasting which will be in the Silom Sala, so parents can enjoy sampling and canapés On Saturday, we're having the St Andrew's Society while their offspring are revelling in Halloween. For annual Family Fair with a Scottish Flair which will convenience of all, there will be a mini-buffet in the be a day of unchecked fun and games for those who Verandah as well.

come along.

There's been some trouble this month with groups In October we will be having the autumn Car Boot of children playing in such a way as to have caused complaints from other Club Members, and this has Sale on the 11th. Ouite a few people have signed up been due to TOY GUNS which are NOT ALLOWED for this, and hopefully there will be more to make it really worthwhile for vendors and buyers alike. We AT THE CLUB. In an ideal world, nothing could go have received a lot of things to sell as a donation wrong but unfortunately sometimes a small child is from a Member moving house which will be on sale inadvertently in the path of a projectile (be it water or plastic-tipped rubber). Then everyone wishes that raising money for the Club's Pisamai Fund. It was a generous contribution for which the staff's children it had never happened. This month plastic toy guns were also being used by a group rampaging on the will be grateful, those who get educational support Back Lawn in the cricket nets, and the stumps got from this fund. I'm hoping to find some items to use broken. We simply do not have enough pairs of eyes for Christmas presents to save battling the crowds in December and being forced to listen to piped asian here to watch everybody everywhere to make sure nothing happens, and none of us ever want to see versions of Jingle Bells, a song which is bland to my ears at the best of times. children hurt. So please don't bring toy guns here.

The Club is a collection of people who are all hoping The big evening in October is the Trafalgar Dinner to enjoy different areas of the same place. Let's in the Surawongse Room on Saturday 17th. As you remember that different people do different things can see on page 14, we will be welcoming Captain and use consideration and care in whatever we do Stuart Borland as the evening's guest speaker, and which might interface with other Members around. his reputation precedes him as being one of the most entertaining speakers available so there may even be That way everyone can fully enjoy the Club. Really, it a humorous side of the great battle which we have makes sense!



Events & Marketing Manager

yet to hear. I hope you will come and enjoy the meal the food is expected to be exceptional like the wines, and there's something incomparable about passing the port whilst listening, and swallowing it too.

Business Luncheons

5th October - 9th October 2015

Starters : 65 baht Grilled Chicken, Mango, Beetroot Salad Served with Balsamic Dressing or Chef's Soup of the Day

Main Courses : 160 baht Fish and Chips Served with Garden Peas and Tartare Sauce

Turkey Lasagne Served with Mixed salad and Garlic Bread

Pork Schnitzel Served with Apple Salad

Panaeng Gai (Chicken Stir-fried with Red curry Sauce Topped with Sliced Lime Leaves) Kai Jiew Moo Sub (Thai Style Omelette with Miniced Pork) Phad Phak Ruam Nam Man Hoy (Stir-fried Mixed Vegetables with Oyster Sauce)

19th October - 23rd October 2015

Starters - 65 baht Mozzarella, Mango, Tomato and Rocket Salad or Chef's Soup of the Day

Main Courses - 160 baht Salmon Fish Cakes Served with Chips, Garden Peas and Tartare Sauce or Chicken Stew in Red Wine Sauce French Onion, Peas, Carrots and Mashed Potato or Fillet of Pork in a Light Curry Sauce Served with Grilled Zucchini and Coriander Rice or Gaeng Jued Phak Gard Khao (Chinese Lettuce Soup with Minced Pork, Tofu and Vermicelli) Pla Som Ros

Pla Som Ros (Deep-fried Dory Fish Topped with Sweet and Sour Spiced Sauce) Phad Phak Ruam Nam Man Hoy (Stir-fried Mixed Vegetables with Oyster Sauce)

12th October - ,16th October 2015

Starters : 65 baht Waldolf Ham Salad

Chef's Soup of the Day

Main Courses : 160 baht

Mini Steak Served with Mixed Vegetables, Roasted Potatoes and Gravy Sauce

Pan-fried Dory Fish with Mornay Sauce Served with Broccoli and Mashed Potatoes or

Creamy Chicken Penne with Peas Served with French Beans, Carrots and Sauteed Potatoes

Tom Kha Gai (A Refreshing Coconut Milk Soup with Chicken and Herbs) Phad Kraprao Moo Sab (Stir-fried Minced Pork with Hot Basil and Chilli) Phad Tua Ngok Tao Hoo (Stir-fried Bean Sprouts with Curd and Oysters Sauce)

26th October - 30th October 2015

Starters : 65 Baht Carrots, Raisin and Apple Coleslaw or Chef's Soup of the Day

Main Courses :160 Baht Chicken Maryland with pineapple, banana, sweet corn, bacon and home-fried potatoes or

Pan-fried Dory fish in orange and butter sauce Served with French beans, carrots and mashed potatoes or Sausage Stew with Green Beans, Carrots, Pea and New Potatoes

or Tom Kha Gai

(A refreshing coconut milk soup with chicken and herb) Phad Kraprao Moo Sab (Stir-fried mimced pork with hot basil and chilli) Phad Tua Ngok Tao Hoo (Stir-fried bean sprouts with beancurd and oyster sauce)





F&B MORSELS

September has been a good month for the kitchen and I'm pleased that Members are happy with our food. As Khun Prem has mentioned, we have a problem with turkey now, as no supplier has any stock and they say there will be none for the rest of the year. We have some stock I managed to get which we are keeping for the Annual Ball and for Christmas Day, but none of menu orders or take-away. Have our roast goose instead, it's delicious!

In October is Trafalgar Dinner, I will release the menu soon, I hope you will like it! We will be continuing with the Burger promotion as people are enjoying them so much, and on 24th October I will do a German Buffet for the monthly special. During the month there will also be specials on Welsh lamb, pork knuckle, and mixed sausages. Fresh strawberries will be back on the menu too. On the night of the kids Halloween party and wine-tasting, we will have a small buffet for people to make getting food quicker.

- Only Bt 100 -

Don't forget Afternoon Tea is available from 3 pm.

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Executive Chef

This month we are cooking baguettes for take-away please ask any of the outlet staff if you'd like one, and I'd welcome feedback on what you think!

As always, if there's any food you would particularly like to see on the menu or any comments about the food, I'm always happy to hear from you by email on menu@britishclubbangkok.org so please send me your ideas.

Happy Eating!

Cocktail of the Month October Whisky sour

STAFF HOUSE

After a comprehensive snagging list, the renovated staff house was handed over in the first week of the month. The staff are very chuffed - the old quarters were unpleasant with cracked stained tiles, rotten perished wood, torn scummy curtains, dirty walls etc. Not a pleasant environs for breaks from hard work with high expectations.

The renovations addressed all these shortfalls, and in addition an external space was created for communal eating with a TV/radio. This freed up internal dimensions enough to allow more space for male/ female living changing and washing. With new tiles, paint, fittings and aircon throughout, the staff can now relax and rejuvenate, or enjoy their company. All non-smoking except the area behind at the rubbish collection area. Motivating indeed.

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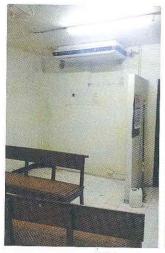




Showers

Toilet

Eating Area



Sitting Area

The staff extend their thanks to the Members who gave their support for this renovation project.

After

Communal and Eating



Men Area

Nomen Area



Shower



Back Lawn Sat 7th November 2015 A night to remember!

- Kids Activities from 4pm *
- BBQ from 4.30pm
- Fireworks at 7.15pm
- Guy-burning at 7.30pm

Adults - Bt 850 Guests/Non-Members - Bt 1,100

Kids and below - Bt 550 Kids under 3 - Bt 50

Book in Reception or by email : events@britishclubbangkok.org

TRAFALGAR DINNER

Saturday 17th October 2015 7:30pm, Surawongse Room



"England Expects Every Man To Do His Duty"

Trafalgar Dinner is a Bangkok tradition - a black tie/uniform/national/ evening dress evening with cocktails, gourmet menu, fine wines, and a charismatic after-dinner speaker during the "passing the port" after the meal. The evening is open to gentlemen and ladies alike.

The Club first celebrated this event on 21st October 1960 and it became a tradition for many years under the auspices of the now defunct Bangkok

Naval Association. It was revived in the 1990s and again in 2011, and we have had three excellent dinners since then.

This year we are very pleased to welcome Captain Stuart Borland RN, the UK Naval & Air Advisor in Delhi.

Capt Borland joined the Royal Navy as a graduate engineer in 1984. Until promotion to Captain, he served at sea in every rank, in ships ranging from Amphibious Landing Platforms to Air Defence Destroyers and onto Aircraft Carriers. He has been fortunate to serve in



most of the World's oceans from counter-narcotic operation in the Caribbean to more challenging operations in the Gulf and amphibious operations in the Arctic. He has served in a number of staff appointments within the Navy, and with the Ministry of Defence in London and, although all these posts were interesting, he is not really comfortable sailing a desk. Consequently, when he completed his sea time as a Commander, he immediately volunteered for operational service

and was posted to the United States Embassy in Baghdad. Regular mortar attacks were something new to a sailor.

Latterly, Stuart managed to hold down a desk job for a couple of years in the UK before volunteering for Foreign Service and was rewarded with an appointment as the Naval & Air Advisor in Delhi. Working with the Indian military is just like meeting an old cousin. He is thoroughly enjoying his post while at the same time exploring as much of India as he can, learning Hindi and enjoying a real Indian curry.

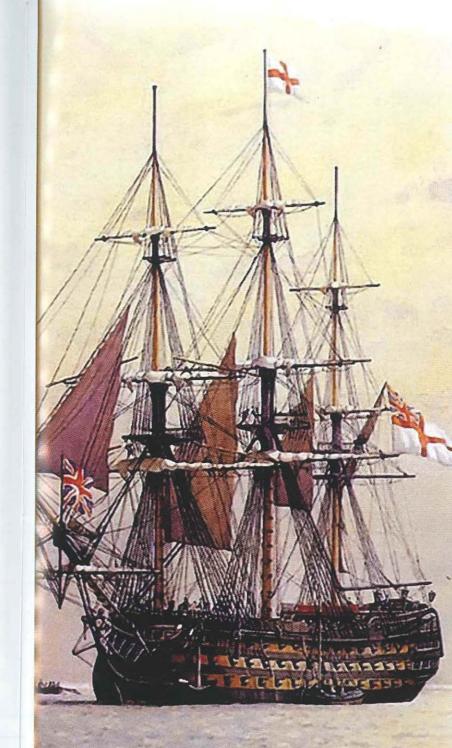
Tickets are Bt 2,500 per person (Club Members & guests) and Bt 2,750 for others. A non-alcoholic menu is available at Bt 500 less. Book in Reception.

THE BRITISH CLUB BANGKOK proudly invites you to

TRAFALGAR DINNER 2015

Saturday 17th October, Surawongse Room, 7:30 pm

A formal, black tie or dress uniform gourmet dinner also open to ladies, for the 210th anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar.





The dinner comprises four courses each accompanied by a glass of fine wine, plus the after-dinner "Passing the Port".

Welcoming as guest speaker Captain Stuart Borland RN, UK Naval & Air Advisor, Delhi.

Members, Guests Bt 2,500 Bt 2,750 Non-Members No alcohol less Bt 500

BC Calendar October 15







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06 September 2015

Dear colleagues, partners, and stakeholders,

The Foreign and Commonwealth Office's Consular Strategy (2013-2016) focuses on improving the services we offer by concentrating on helping the most vulnerable people, and streamlining the notarial services offered by British Embassies and Consulates worldwide. We are now working on bridging the gap between implementing this strand of the strategy and helping British nationals comply with requirements set by local authorities.

British nationals currently in the UK, who intend to work, live, or study in Thailand may be asked to present their birth and/or marriage certificates as part of the requirements for a Thai visa. These must be 'authenticated' (also known as 'legalised') by the Royal Thai Embassy or Consulate where the certificate was issued. This process may also apply to people renewing a visa whilst living in Thailand. It involves the following steps:

Step 1: Contact the Legalisation Office, Milton Keynes, UK

To check if the document can be legalised and to apply online for this service please visit https://www.gov.uk/get-document-legalised

Before sending your document to the UK Legalisation Office, ensure that you pay the UK courier fee so that your documents can be forwarded to the Thai Embassy in London - enclose a pre-addressed envelope for the Thai Embassy, a completed application form (which can be found on the Thai Embassy website here) and the fee payment for the Thai Embassy.

Step 2: Have the document legalised by the Thai Embassy in London

Once the original document(s) have been legalised by the UK Legalisation Office the document(s) must be sent to the Royal Thai Embassy in London for the next stage of the process. If you have already paid the courier fee the UK Legalisation Office will send these for you. Further information can be found on the Royal Thai Embassy website. http://www.thaiembassyuk.org.uk

Contact the Royal Thai Embassy to inform them that your documents will be arriving.

Step 3 For use in Thailand the document(s) must be stamped by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Legalisation Division, Bangkok, http://www.mfa.go.th/main/en/services/16265-Naturalization-Legalization.html

Before undertaking these steps, British nationals are encouraged to contact the local authorities for confirmation on what is required.

Please share this information with British colleagues, prospective new members of staff, partners, or friends and their families who intend to work, live, or study in Thailand.

I appreciate the challenges faced by those living overseas of getting documents legalised in the UK, and would like to assure you that we are reviewing the way these services are provided and working with the Thai authorities to try to improve this process.

Sincerely yours,

Layla Slatter

Lavla Slatter MBE HM Consul

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Moving to Thailand? **GET YOUR** DOCUMENTS LEGALISED





step 1

Do the Thai authorities require your UK Marriage or Birth certificate to be legalised?

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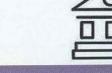


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there is no requirement for the British Embassy in Bangkok to stamp your documents

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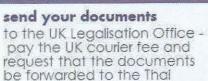
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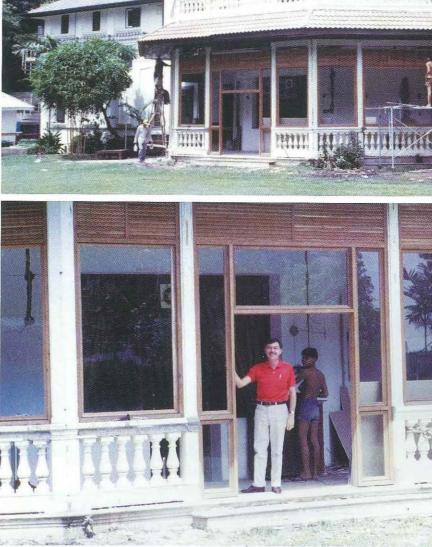




In the good old days when the Churchill Bar was in the space The Veranda now occupies, the balcony area was 'outside'. In 1990 it was enclosed and incorporated into the bar.

BC Member John Lightbody was again the designer and another of his lovely sketches is our feature again this month. If anything the actual result was even more beautiful!

The pictures show some different views of the construction including one of GC Member Brian Lewis who was in charge of House and Grounds at the time.



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At work 11 111111 From the Back Lawn -

Brian Lewis

TENNIS In PENANG

On Thursday evening, August 20th, Chris Watt, Nattaya and Carole Ann flew to Penang to play tennis with members of the Penang Sports Club. Yubharat joined us, having travelled there by train, on Friday. Tennis was planned for both Friday and Saturday afternoons and early evenings. Although Yubharat returned on Sunday afternoon, the intrepid trio decided to



The Penang Sports Club

make the trip into a mini - holiday and planned sight-seeing opportunities for our tennis free time until returning to Bangkok on Monday!

Our welcome at the Penang Sports Club was second to none and because only four of us went, it was not a club v club competition but friendly mix in games where we played not only partnering our own club members but also members from the Penang Sports Club.

On Friday, having played a couple of sets, it absolutely poured down and so the tennis has to be abandoned for the day. Saturday fared much better and, although the heat was intense, we were able to play until 19.15 when the courts had to be available for all club members. The tennis was great fun and played in great spirit.

The hospitality of the Penang team was superb and we were taken to a super Japanese restaurant for our evening meal on Friday and had a Malaysian meal at the Penang Sports Club on Saturday evening. They were generous with the drinks,too!

We would like to thank Ted Targosz, Penang's tennis captain, for organizing two such very good days and welcome him and the rest of his team to come and play at The British Club in the near future.

In addition to playing tennis, in our four days we walked an additional 34 km looking at the historic sights of Penang (Betel Nut Island!) including the World Heritage Buffer Zone and Core Zone which, among many other sights included the UNESCO Heritage Site and Little India with their well known Street Art exhibits. We also took in Fort Cornwallis and, fortunately, were able to shelter in the church there during another torrential downpour!

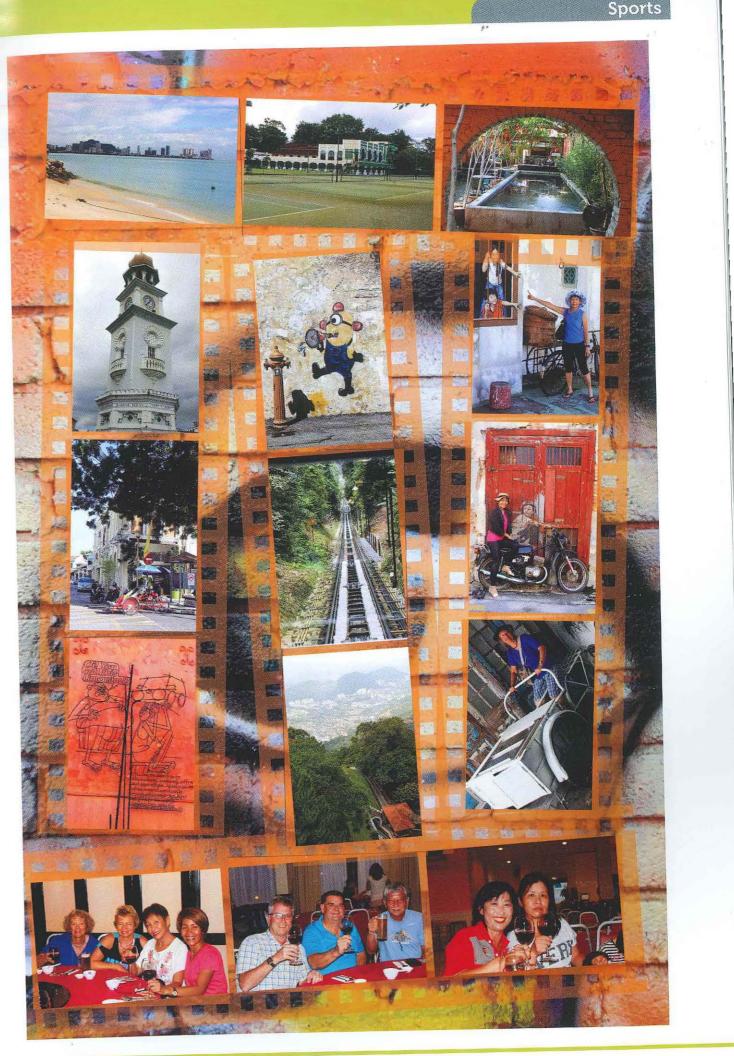
On our last day we took it easy and took a Hop on and Hop off shuttle bus to tour both the beach route and the city route only getting off to take the tram to the top of Penang Hill. All in all we had a great overview of Pulau Penang.

We would like to thank Chris for organizing the trip, and the tennis. It was a great pity that so few of us were able to go and we hope that next time we journey to play another club more tennis club members will be available to come along.





Action from the Friday!



TENNIS

Bruce Gordon Cup

As announced already, Saturday 17 October will be the date for the Bruce Gordon Cup, if you still want to play please speak to the committee or Amnat as there may still be standby places left.



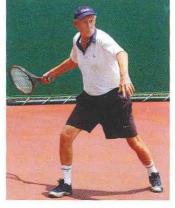


The event promises to be memorable with around 32 players playing in a handicap doubles event and participating in mini leagues of 4 or 5 players to determine semi-finalists and finalist. For details on the handicapping method and use of free points please see last month's Outpost or speak to a committee member.

Bruce Gordon; (1934 - 2008)

Bruce Gordon was a stalwart of the British Club tennis section and from his first days as a new member in May 1991 until he sadly died in 2008, he actively promoted and encouraged all aspects of tennis and was always happy to help. Whether it was Junior's, Mix-In, Matches or Inter-Club, Bruce supported them all, often cajoling the players to give up their Saturday or Sunday to travel far and wide to represent the club.

In turn, the tennis section, particularly the morning tennis players and many of his club friends - Phairoj, Jesada, Steve Goode and others, supported him in his hour of need when at the age of 74 he was diagnosed with cancer and after surgery was admitted to Bangkok General Hospital. These members, who are still at the club today, immediately rallied round and put in place sufficient funds for Bruce to receive the best possible hospital care, which he received until he sadly passed away on 7 September 2008.



The Bruce Gordon Cup was donated to the Club for the purpose of holding an annual competition to promote tennis and in 2014 we successfully held another event to commemorate his legacy. Bruce Gordon should always remain an inspiration to us all, in how to behave on a tennis court, to enjoy the game at whatever age and for as long as physically possible – to go out there to have fun.

In memory of Bruce we say "for he was a jolly good fellow".

Challenge to Squash Section



On behalf of the tennis section I have the pleasure of inviting those rather sad looking people known as the squash section, to a challenge day of sports action where the tennis section will compete against the squash section in a number of high profile sports events at the BC. On a Saturday to be agreed in November this will include of course, tennis and squash, but also indoor cricket, petangue, table football, arm wrestling and maybe a hand of bridge.

Not many people know who the squash section are. They are rarely seen or recognised in public since they spend their life in a small white (ish) box hitting a small rubber ball at the wall - and sometimes each other! In an effort to increase their quite low profile in the club, we the tennis section would like to invite them out of their shells and on to the outside courts to get some much needed fresh air.

No need to wear your plastic glasses anymore (Neil) but they had better get some factor 55 suncream on as their pallid skins (which make Dracula look like a sungod) as they are not used to the outdoor life. The gauntlet has been thrown down - your nemesis awaits!

Fond regards

Tennis Section

HARD BALLS

Koh Chang beach cricket tournament 22-24 August

Foreword: Due to such an exciting weekend, the full run of events between Friday afternoon and Monday morning are still not fully clear to me, but with the help from photos and recounts from team members I have managed to put the pieces together to write this report. Minor details may be slightly incorrect but I'm sure you'll get over it.

After what started out as a novel idea earlier in the year, the additional beach themed tournament was successfully added to the already teeming tour calendar as a result of some praiseworthy organisation from Jack, Sarg, Steve and whoever else shouted some ideas their way.

BC managed to contribute two teams of 6 to the ten team pool and travelled with a further crew of groupies to shout their support from the dunes, totalling a decent 25 strong party. Koh Chang was host to the exotic competition, a lovely tranquil spot offering all the usual charms of the Gulf of Thailand (at least until we showed up). Most of the party arrived on Friday in time for the welcome BBQ, after checking into luxury beachside bungalows kindly subsidised by Steve and his neighbouring resorts.



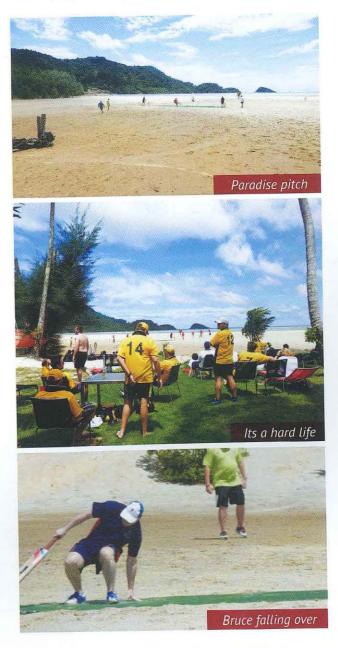


Match fixing

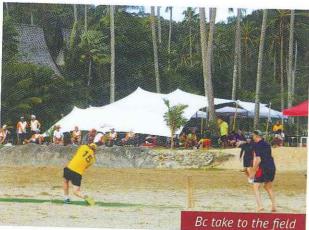
Ben Eastwell

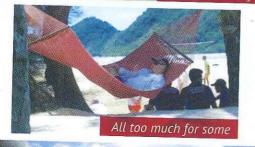
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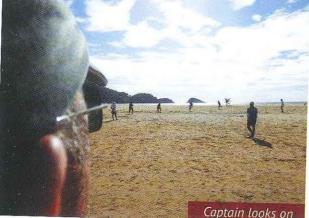
Whilst guests were distracted by an array of delicious food, a suspicious huddle formed on one of the tables around the Friday night meeting to finalise the rules and regs, consisting exclusively of BC Members... someone's got to do it! Meanwhile, a 9am start seemingly hadn't deterred players from enjoying the evening and an alien invasion looked more likely than an early night.

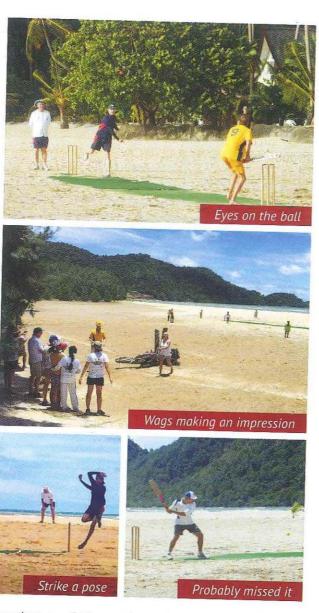


After a couple of Jägerbombs* for breakfast, the opening session quickly came around and BC(A) were due to start proceedings against one of the home teams. Dale insisted he was playing in the second game with the later start time - having 'time to assess the conditions' was the excuse mumbled through tinted glasses and the impression of luxury bed** clothes still fresh on his unshaven face. A full size Astro wicket was laid on an open section of beach around 80m in diameter marked by luminous drinking bottles. BCs very own pro umpire Mr. Dunford and Sarg adjudicated events with absolutely no bias ... All the players were given one over to score as many runs as possible under a slightly modified version of the normal rules. Spectators looked on from the beachside sun loungers or the raised swimming pool bar - resulting in some boozy innings and sunburnt faces. Get out of the pool! BC teams were mixed evenly and it was clear from the first ball that spirit would be the real winner of the competition, reflected by all other teams taking part. The first days play concluded as the sun began to set and despite









weather predictions, rain had been non-existent all day. I can't remember the scores but nobody seemed too bothered with the individual results either.

After a quick dip in the hotel pool and copious amounts of after-sun applied by some, the party which started on Friday evening was picked up with another feast laid on by the organisers. Dinner was followed by a suitably-oiled former England cricketer Adam Lulally holding a question and answer session. Cue Sarg bringing back skeletons of his past by probing a sensitive issue with some information he had proudly found on Google. The sensible few called it a night after a long day in the sun whilst the kids went on to play, making up for the lack in buckets and spades on the beach.

Sunday games followed in the same fashion until the umpire was nearly killed by a stray ball, coming from the bowler's arm sent him into a state of shock and off his feet. Great acting from Jack but he was not getting off the shift that easily! The day's play was split by the

eagerly awaited wags game and Lulally auctioned off a pair of his old socks. The ladies did a great job in showing the rest of us how to play, but prides remained intact and there was even a bottle of bubbly at the end of it all.

As the tournament was drawing to a close, whispers were circulating the dunes that BC(B) were hot favourites to secure a spot in the final against the visiting Singapore team. Meanwhile, BC(A) were well on their way to a more familiar spot in playing for the toothpick. The outcome would not have been predicted



Jägermeister into a glass of beer but in recent years has become more popular with Red Bull or other energy drinks. Coming soon to the Churchill Bar...

** A bed is a piece of furniture used as a location to sleep or relax.

Sports

at the start, it had optimistically been forecasted earlier in the week that British Club would face each other in the toothpick final. Needless to say, Sarg led his team to a well-earned victory and BC(B) took a valiantly fought second place under captain Dale, who also managed to snag a 'Batsman of the Tournament' trophy. Awards were swiftly presented and all British Club players proceeded to the swimming pool to celebrate a successful competition for the duration of the evening. Great weekend had by all, already looking forward to the next one; perhaps with some sunscreen next time around.

* The Jägerbomb /'jeɪgərbɒm/ is a bomb shot mixed drink that was originally mixed by dropping a shot of



Team

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Bruce Madge

How's it Going?

Check

#	leam	Manager	GVV	101
1	FULLY LOADED	FULLY LOADED	42	259
2	Bangkokbob	Bangkokbob	50	248
3	Sapphire	Sapphire	38	235
4	ICheck inn	ICheck inn	52	221
5	The Reverend Kev's	The Reverend Kev's	43	220
6	CJR Express	CJR Express	32	217
7	Athletico Ulster	Athletico Ulster	39	214
8	Sea Arm Utd	Sea Arm Utd	44	214
9	Spanish Armada	Spanish Armada	53	213
10	Pimmelkoff F.C	Pimmelkoff F.C	50	204
11	Kingfinishers	Kingfinishers	51	204
12	Norfolk n Good	Norfolk n Good	47	204
13	Ruamrudee Allstars	Ruamrudee Allstars	51	202
14	Stroke Titty	Stroke Titty	50	200
15	originals	originals	35	199
16	The Rooney Tunes	The Rooney Tunes	40	198
17	Rafa's Reds	Rafa's Reds	45	197
17	Scunny	Scunny	38	197
19	Ashanti Gold Utd	Ashanti Gold Utd	44	195
20	HR27SA52	HR27SA52	55	192
21	Haydons Heros	Haydons Heros	46	186
22	Mourinhosaurs	Mourinhosaurs	53	183
23	Pattaya Panthers	Pattaya Panthers	36	179
24	KhanFC	KhanFC	34	178
25	Bangkok Dinosaurs	Bangkok Dinosaurs	31	175
26	Hazard Flashers	Hazard Flashers	30	172
27	the beast squad	the beast squad	28	168
28	Thai-ered out	Thai-ered out	46	168
29	SMOKE AND MIRRORS	SMOKE AND MIRRORS	35	143
30	DUNS DINGERS	DUNS DINGERS	69	141
31	FMGAN	FMGAN	33	140
32	bangkok flyers	bangkok flyers	37	122

Well, after just a few weeks, it's going like this - over 30 BCB football fans/ nuts have joined our 1903 Fantasy Football League and it's shaping up to being a great season.

Bob (unknown EPL team) is still up there near the top despite spending zero time and effort on managing his team (how long can his luck run?), and our two female managers, Jess (Chelsea) and Debra (Liverpool), are demonstrating their immense tactical nous in the top ten places. Down at the bottom, the Chairman (Harry Houdini of Sunderland) is surprisingly struggling along with the author (West Ham) who has been overtaken by Mr. Elliot (Man City) who didn't set up his team and join the league until after the first two game weeks had passed! Something awry there!



We're going down!



tactical advice!



This has forced some managers to play their Wild Card early and change their entire team. If you are one of these (I am) feel free own up via the 1903 league's blog!

Blog it!

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Game week points have been on the low side as last season's top points scoring players such as Chelsea's defenders and midfielders, Kane, Rooney, and Arsenal and Liverpool's players haven't performed that well thus far. It's players from the likes of Bournemouth, Norwich, Leicester, Palace and West Ham that have shined up to this point plus, of course, Man City's stars.

BCGS **GOLFING NEWS**









August was a great month for golf, cooler weather, no rain and quiet courses - fantastic! This months review is a tale of The Graham Johnson Whitewash.

Middle of the month is always the BC Golf Society Stableford competition, this one being held at the lovely course at Suphapruek. Congratulations to Flight A winner, Graham Johnson and Flight B winner, our previous Captain, Karen Carter.

Last Sunday of August saw the Monthly Medal, as usual played at The Royal Golf & Country Club and Mr Johnson strikes again!!

Congratulations Graham - winning Flight A by one shot from runners up John Bell and Randall Coleman.

Flight B - delighted to say that my mate Fiona Weber stormed to her first medal victory - yahoo !!

Well done also to runners up Captain Pete Gale and Bryan McKinnon.

BCGS welcomes a new member this month, Robert Batrick who joined us for his first medal. Not the best round he'll ever play, but did hit the longest drive we've seen in a good while. Great way to start Robert, welcome aboard!



SQUASHY BITS BCB vs SICC!

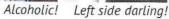
What an amazing evening! Enjoy the pics. Until Halloween!







I'm crap!





Winners!



2015. Boots Retail Thailand kindly sponsored the 2014 Rod Carter Open, the BCB Squash Section's open squash competition, and has agreed to support the section throughout 2015. Boots Retail Thailand has numerous branches throughout the country supply high quality cosmetics and pharmaceuticals. Many thanks to Boots Retail Thailance

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Idiots!



The gang!

Origin!



BCB Thugs!



Players!



The BCB Squash Section would like to acknowledge Boots Retail Thailand as its sponsor for





5th | Things to Come - 1936 (100 mins)



Directed by: William Cameron Menzies

Starring: Raymond Massey, Edward Chapman, Ralph Richardson

The story of a century! A decades-long second World War leaves plague and anarchy, then a rational state rebuilds civilisation and attempts space travel.

19th | The Spiral Staircase - 1945 (83 mins)



Directed by: Robert Siodmak

Starring: Dorothy McGuire, George Brent, Ethel Barrymore

A serial killer (circa 1916) is targeting women with 'afflictions'; one night during a thunderstorm, mute Helen feels menaced.



October

Mondays, 7:30 pm, Wordsworth Lounge

12th | Them! - 1954 (94 mins)



Starring: James Whitmore, Edmund Gwenn, Joan Weldon

Directed by: Gordon Douglas

The earliest atomic tests in New Mexico cause common ants to

mutate into giant man-eating monsters that threaten civilisation.

26th | And then there were none - 1945 (97 mins)

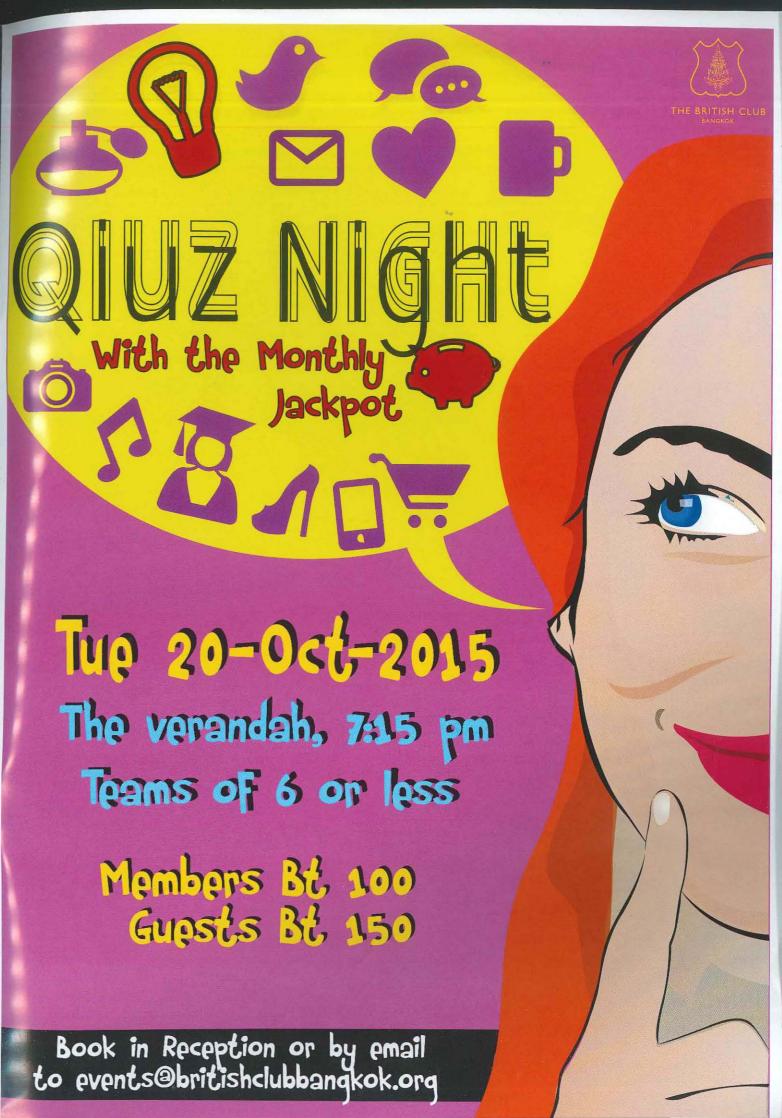
Directed by: René Clair



Starring: Barry Fitzgerald, Walter Huston, Louis Hayward

Ten people are invited to an isolated island, only to find that an unseen person is killing them one by one. Could one of them be the killer?





MAHASAMUTR **COUNTRY CLUB** HUA HIN

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Outdoors: Beach Volleyball, Golf Putting Green, Jogging Path, Rugby/Football Field, Tennis Courts (both indoor and outdoor)

Indoors: Aerobics, Badminton Courts, Basketball Court, Cardiovascular Training, Fitness Center, Group Training, Pilates/Yoga, Strength Training, Squash Courts, Volleyball Court

Water Sports: Canoeing, Kayaking, Sailing, Scuba Diving Classes, Swimming, Windsurfing, Paddle Boarding





Membership Benefits **Family Benefits**

Being part of a Country Club is a great way to spend quality time with family and friends. Children of all ages can enroll in an bespoke academy for art and sport lessons while the parents enjoy the spa or tee off for a round of golf with our neighboring Golf Club partners.

Corporate Benefits

Club members can appreciate the opportunity to network with fellow members and their guests, enhancing social and professional circles of affiliation. The Club creates a conducive environment in which to do business.

Individual Benefits

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