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Halloween is featured on the cover this month. On Friday 26 October from 6-8pm a special fancy dress party with games for kids from 2-12 years old.

From the Editor

Firstly, many thanks to those of you who emailed in their positive comments on last month's new style of Outpost, your comments were very much appreciated.

My month we are introducing two new ideas. The first is a write up on a selected wine from the wine tasting and the second is a Classified section.

Cheers



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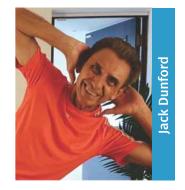
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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN



have often mentioned my frustration at having to submit my Outpost Message just before something important is about to happen ... and actually will have happened by the time the magazine is published. Never more so than now! My message this month is dedicated almost solely to the Poolside Redevelopment.

Silom Wing Soft Opening: As I write, the Silom Wing construction site looks like ... err ... a construction site! But an awful lot is happening and we are pretty confident that the main hoarding will be down in time to show off our exciting new facilities during the Living in Bangkok event on 29th September when we expect anything up to 2,000 visitors.

The last few weeks have been pretty frenetic as a number of snags and bottlenecks have been tackled. There was a bit of a panic about the squash courts finishes but these are now hopefully resolved. Contractors have been doing what contractors do ... disappearing just when you want them ... and window fitting spluttered to a halt for a nervy couple of weeks. And Chapman Taylor's masterpiece architectural features have so many angles it took the workers several attempts to finally figure out how they all fitted together!

Incessant rain hasn't helped but finally order is emerging out of chaos and soon all will be revealed. This is an extraordinary addition to the Club. Not only have ancient facilities been replaced but new ones added, the whole complex designed to create space for different age groups but also to encourage interaction. We have ordered some very attractive furniture and equipment and I can't wait to see it all in place and being used. Here is a brief description of what to expect:

New Facilities: The names are those we have used on the drawings but we will be coming up with more interesting ones soon.

Family Room: This is a large, bright, indoor/ outdoor room aimed at young families in the daytime but which we expect to be popular for evening functions as well. It will have fully retractable glass doors looking out onto the kiddies' pool, playground area and the climbing wall. One end will be soft furnished for very young children and babies (which can easily be pushed back and stored when not in use), the rest a 'Starbucks-style' sitting/eating area. The climbing wall will only be fully set up for supervised sessions and we have yet to think through when and how crèche services will be offered.

Pool Service Bar and 'Sculpture Garden': The other side of the kiddies' pool and playground and close to the main pool, will be the new outdoor family eating area with a service bar. Shelter will be provided by three large sails and we have ordered some high-end poolside furniture with colourful umbrellas. We expect this to be popular with all Silom Wing users.

Squash Courts: The Squashies will have their own very attractive viewing and social area between the two courts downstairs opening up most conveniently onto the service bar. As mentioned before, the upstairs balcony is also spacious and could possibly house the snooker table.

Games Room: Downstairs, the Games Room will initially include two Table Tennis tables and two or three other games. This is intended for both older kids as well as adults and so we will probably have to introduce some rules about who can use it and when. We will rent most of the equipment so that it can be changed as we find out what is popular.

Interactive Room: Upstairs above the Games Room, the Interactive Room will be set up as a wired lounge with a variety of types of seating. During the week this could become a popular co-working space whilst

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weekends perhaps being more family orientated. There is the potential for gaming boxes and private screenings and again we are going to have to monitor usage and listen to feedback as we experiment with opening hours, service levels and usage controls.

The Rest: The rest of the upstairs area is designed to house the Club offices to be relocated from the Clubhouse. We are not fitting it out initially and may use it for temporary facilities during the construction of Phase 2 if that goes ahead.

Roof: There is a huge flat roof area, part of which was strengthened during construction so that at a future date another floor can be added. Meanwhile this has lovely views across the Club, which begs to be used. There are no immediate plans, but it will require only the addition of railings to make it yet another stunning function venue.

Gatehouse: Although not officially part of the Silom Wing the new gatehouse is being built simultaneously and will also be opening shortly. It will include a reception and a small waiting room where visitors can be processed, as well as the new guardhouse. We hope to introduce electronic card access sometime during the next year.

A lot of thought and planning has been done but it is only when we see how it is used will we really know how successful that planning has been. We hope that all Members will be patient as we make any necessary adjustments and, as Ali's article says we will welcome all feedback.





Poolside Development Phase 2: The Silom Wing is just the first phase of Chapman Taylor's Award Winning design for the whole poolside, covering about 50% of the entire area. Members' approval will be required before any start can be made on Phase 2, the other half, in which all of the existing buildings around the swimming pool will be replaced. The brand new facilities will include a large fitness centre upstairs and a new kitchen, changing rooms/toilets and massage rooms downstairs, plus a new Sports bar over a remodelled Surawongse Sala.

Chapman Taylor have been commissioned to prepare permit and tender drawings so that a construction programme can be planned and costed. The Finance Sub-Committee is working on cash-flow projections and funding possibilities and the General Committee hopes to bring its recommendations to the Members before the end of the year. The Silom Wing has taken a little longer to build than expected, but even so it is only just over twelve months since demolition of the old buildings began on 19th September last year. With experience gained we expect it should be possible to complete Phase 2 in a similar time period.

Sam Cohen 1926 - 2018: I must end on a sad note at losing our oldest Member, Sam Cohen this month at the age 92. We offer Khun Sumon our condolences but celebrate Sam's long and fulfilled life. He was always a supportive Club Member and a joy to have around. **RIP Sam.**



UK residence rules before 6 April 2013 were based on days of residence in the UK and were quite generous (183 days, or 91 days average over a four-year rolling period) compared to the latest rules. So what are the rules and should you be worried about time spent in the UK?

Under the current rules, you will not be resident in the UK for a tax year if you fall under any of the following conditions:

- 1. You were not resident in the UK in all of the previous three tax years and you are present in the UK for fewer than 46 days in the current tax year: or
- 2. You were resident in the UK in one or more of the previous three tax years and you are present in the UK for fewer than 16 days in the current tax year; or
- 3. You leave the UK to carry out full-time work abroad (35 hours a week or more), provided you are present in the UK for fewer than 91 days in the tax year and no more than 30 days are spent working in the UK in the tax year.

Brits who have been living abroad for many years but flit back to the UK, are treated as 'leavers' (not UK resident in all three tax years preceding the year of return). Those who have been UK resident in one or more of the three tax years immediately preceding the year of return, will be classed as 'arrivers' and can only be in the UK for fewer than the 16 days to have any certainly of non-residence. However, if you spend more than 16 days in the UK, you must then determine how many 'connecting factors' apply to you.

For 'leavers' there are four connecting factors to consider: 1. UK resident family; 2. UK work for more than three hours per day during 40 or more days in a tax year; 3. Accessible UK accommodation; 4. Spending more than 90 days in the UK in either of the previous two tax years.

If you are a 'leaver', once your connecting factors are understood, you can apply them to the scale of allowable days below to find your classification of non-residence since 6 April 2013.

No. of Days Spent in UK	ays Spent in UK		
Fewer than 16 days	Always non-resident for both		
16 to 45 days	Always non-resident for 'leavers' only		
46 to 90 days	Resident if you have 4 factors or more (otherwise not resident)		
91 to 120 days	Resident if you have 3 factors or more (otherwise not resident)		
121 to 182 days	Resident if you have 2 factors or more (otherwise not resident)		
183 days or more	Aways UK resident		

These rules are complex, so you really need to carefully plan UK visits. Becoming UK tax resident normally means that your worldwide income becomes taxable in the UK, which could also adversely affect your succession planning.

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TEE TALK WORDS FROM THE DGM



eptember was an amazing month for the Club, in both events and welcoming many members and families back from the summer breaks and holidays. We hosted the 30th anniversary of the legendary Bangkok Gentlemen Spoofers, this was a fantastic evening that saw many of the original founding section return to the Club, our Pipe band was on hand to play happy birthday and lead out the cake, before they started their anniversary spoof. The Club would like to thank them for all their support over the years as we look forward to next year's celebrations again.

We would like to thank everyone and all our sponsors and exhibitors of Living in Bangkok 2018, special mentions to Bumrungrad Hospital, KIS International School, Fitness First, The Fry Group, Captain Hooks Smoke House, Natural Living Concept and Bangkok Farmers Market. With over 70 exhibitors taking part this year, along with live performances, kids entertainment and a huge selection of food and beverage making it a very special day, a big thank you to everyone involved. We now look forward to 2019 when we plan to make it even bigger.

The Garden Café at the Neilson Hays Library is now fully operational. You can access it from the side gate of the car park that leads into the library's grounds, it serves our full Club menu and has some delicious tempting pastries and cakes. There is a new selection of artwork hanging on the Garden Café walls which is available to buy, some stunning pieces of art and creations well worth a visit to see.

The Silom Wing has impressively taken shape and we look forward to welcoming you to our new facilities. Squash players can enjoy the two new international glass back courts, families will now have a new dining and play areas, including a new kids pool, climbing wall, adventure playground, games room and chill zone. The new Sculpture Garden Cafe will be the perfect place to enjoy both after lunch or evening dinner. We look forward to seeing you there.

The summer kids camp will be happening 22nd to 26th October with a host of activities to keep them busy that include ice skating, tennis, football, bowling, basketball and swimming and much more, please contact our fitness centre for more details.

Things to look out for in October include Saturday 20th for the Trafalgar Dinner, Friday 26th for the Kids Halloween party in the new Silom Wing, Friday 26th for wine-tasting and then looking at November 1st for a Dinner with Nigel Benn, the former professional boxer.

IT'S WEDNESDAY, it's 6 to 8pm and it's BALUT!



As a means of generating interest again in forming a Balut Section, **Bar Balut** will be played casually each Wednesday from 6pm to 8pm, on the central Beer Barrel in the Churchill Bar.

Balut is a dice game allegedly created during the time of the Roman Empire when Julius Caesar was heard to utter the immortal phrase "Alea iacta est" or "The die is cast". More recently re-created post-WWII in the Philippines, it is a popular tournament game played in Members' Clubs across SE Asia. Bar Balut is the simplest, and arguably, most enjoyable format.

F&B MORSELS by our EXECUTIVE CHEF



he year is moving fast, and rain just has stopped, however my team of chefs are as busy as always, October will be no exception with a wide array of different promotions and themed menus to try. One to look out for with be our German brunch Sunday 14th October, feature some very special meat paired together with the perfect brew or two.

For October my selected dish of the month is for those who are a little heathy concuss.

Avocado Angelique (dish of the month)

Half cut avocado pear with smoked Norwegian salmon, filled with seasonal fresh fruit, topped with prawns in a tomato cocktail sauce, served with homemade brown bread. A delicious healthy salad, a must try at the club.

I would like to introduce one of our newest members to the chef team, chef Joke Miss Piroh Arungam (Would master chefs 2018 at Taipei), she specializes in both Thai & Italian dishes and is currently putting together a new Thai A AL Carte menu for the club, expect some great fusion options.

Chef Jokes dish of the month originates for northern Thailand Chiang Mai, and is many members favorite.

Khao Soi (dish of the month)

Egg noodle, spicy curry soup, pickled vegetables, red onion, fresh peas, seasoned with fried chili, lemon juice, lime juice.

For those that are looking for the perfect snack and aren't worried about their figure, we now have the ultimate Curly Fries!! go on give them a go.



SILOM CLOSURE

Friday 19th October is the Vijayadasami, or Dussehra, Hindu festival at Sri Maha Mariamman Temple in Silom Road.

As a consequence, Silom Road south carriageway (toward Chareon Krung) will be closed midafternoon to late evening from Narathiwatratchanakarin to Surasak, and the other carriageway will be virtually impassable due to volume of pedestrians.

Members may enter and exit the Club via the Suriwongse Gate on this day.

KIDNEY STONES: the time BOMB!



Thomas knew that he had kidney stones, but he had no disturbing symptoms and it was hard to find the time to treat it. He is a busy man, travels frequently around Asia all the time, when at home, he really doesn't want to go to a hospital which we understand. Yet during his last trip in Phnom Penh, one of the stones fell off in the urinary tract, causing an obstruction and an extreme pain that brought him directly to the Emergency. With renal colic, he was not fit to fly and had to be treated by operation in Phnom Penh.



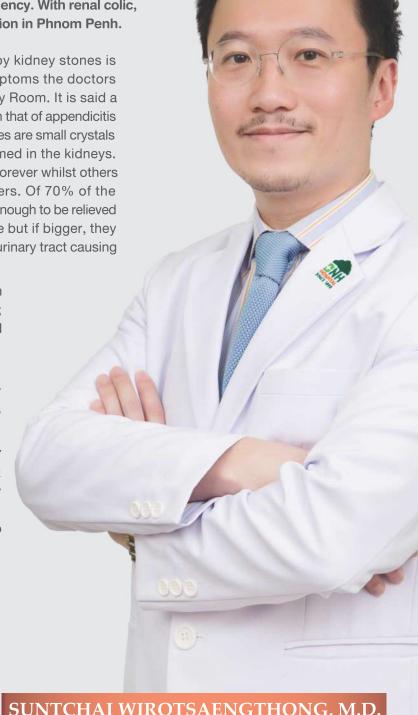
Renal colic caused by kidney stones is one of the main symptoms the doctors see at the Emergency Room. It is said a more intense pain than that of appendicitis or even delivery! Stones are small crystals made of calcium formed in the kidneys. Some will stay there forever whilst others will drop to the ureters. Of 70% of the cases, they are small enough to be relieved painlessly in the urine but if bigger, they can stay stuck in the urinary tract causing the scary renal colic.

We recognise the renal colic by the pain that goes from the lower back to the lower back to the sexual organs; it is an agonising pain and thus medical advice should be sought immediately in this event.

Five to 10% of the population will suffer from kidney stones crisis in their lives— male are at 2 times greater risk than women, and the high-incidence period is between 30 and 50 years old. There is a 70% chance of relapse after the syndrome occurs for the first time.

It is easy to ignore the presence of kidney stones as it is often asymptomatic unless spotted during an X-ray or an ultrasound. We firmly recommend those with a past history of kidney stones or traveling frequently to have an ultrasound to rule out kidney stones, a time bomb that can immobilise one within seconds.

For more information, contact our international patients coordinators at ipc@bnh.co.th or 02-0220700 ext IPC



SUNTCHAI WIROTSAENGTHONG, M.D.

Urologist at BNH Hospital



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DEVELOPMENT UPDATETHE SILOM WING



Vice Chairman

K Builders made significant progress this last month, despite inclement weather which slowed work on the architectural steel façade panels. By the time this is published the kiddies pool and "Sculpture Garden" will be complete with tensile membranes (sails) in place and the retaining walls, boundary wall, sand wash and pool surround surfaces all finished as well. The landscaping and irrigation works will be under way and will be fine-tuned over the course of the next few months.

The brand new Silom Wing has finally taken shape! We expect that by the time you read this it will have been unveiled with a 'soft opening' so that members can begin exploring and enjoying the spaces, even though they may not all be in their final form.

As Jack has noted, the primary purpose of the soft launch is to test the new facilities and services and make adjustments to ensure everything is finished and working properly before the grand opening, hopefully in October. This will provide an opportunity to:

- **Get essential feedback:** Collect comments directly from Members on all aspects of the new facilities including the food and drinks service, the overall atmosphere, the new furnishings and their layouts.
- *Iron out the logistics:* Focus on evaluating the seating capacity and usage patterns at different times, the flow of the space, the point-of-sale system, and the kitchen service.
- **Prepare the staff:** Give staff the opportunity to become familiar with the new facilities, practice service and menu knowledge, ensuring consistency among staff members.
- *Make adjustments:* Tweak things that need improvement, small fixes, installation of outstanding items, and completion of finishes in both the indoor and outdoor spaces before the grand opening.

This will be a learning period and we ask for everyone's patience and understanding as we familiarise ourselves with the new spaces, learn new procedures and get used to a new working environment. We welcome all feedback after the soft opening and a new Suggestions Book will be placed at the service bar for your suggestions how to make things better.

The Poolside Redevelopment Sub-committee would like to thank all members for their patience and flexibility throughout the redevelopment. I am confident you will all agree that the wait has been well worth it. We now have a fabulous asset and exciting new facilities to enjoy and be proud of.



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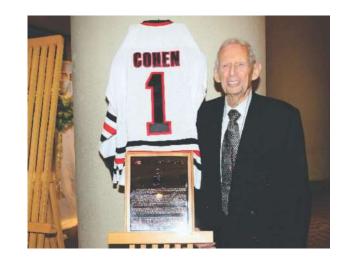
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OBITUARY Sam Cohen 1926-2018

"Finding someone who has a nasty word to say about Sam was almost



impossible and that's very difficult in this day and age"

am Cohen, the British Club's oldest Member, passed away in St. Louis Hospital on September 5th at the grand old age of 92. He came from Calgary, Alberta, the heart of Canada's' oil industry and becoming an oil man himself after studying petroleum engineering at the University of Oklahoma. He first came to Thailand in 1982 to develop the fields in the Gulf of Thailand and joined the British Club in February that year. He came back in 1988 to work with the Petro Canada International Assistance Campaign (PCIAC) setting up the exploration and production side of the Petroleum Authority of Thailand (PTT-EP).

Sam was an active Member of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, serving as President in 1994 and 1995, chaired the Joint Foreign Chambers of Commerce in Thailand, and was secretary for the organizing committee of the Phuket King's Cup Regatta. Besides sailing, Sam was also a keen motorcyclist and enjoyed exploring Thailand on his 1300cc Harley.

Sam played squash in his early years at the Club but most Members will remember seeing him enjoying a quiet drink or a meal, nearly always with his wife Sumon at his side in the Clubhouse or at the poolside. The last time he took centre-stage was when he proudly cut the cake at our celebration of Queen Elizabeth's 90th birthday in 2016, at almost the same age.

In an affectionate obituary, CanCham recalled that "Sam's mantra was the three P's: patience, perseverance, and presence. Follow these, and you will do well in Thailand he always said; they certainly worked for him ... finding someone who has a nasty word to say about Sam was almost impossible and that's very difficult in this day and age".

Sam will be remembered as a lovely man, always with a ready smile, a kind word and an amusing story to tell. The British Club will miss its elder statesman. **Rest in Peace Sam**.









CONSTITUTION, BY-LAWS & RULES ... a Member's guide to the difference

he approval of the By-Laws & Rules, by the General Committee, completes the transition to a three-tier system of governance of the Club ...

- 1. Constitution
- 2. By-Laws
- 3. Rules.

To help Members understand the differences, this is a short guide:

1. Constitution

The new Constitution, in effect from 8th May 2018, has 57 Articles including a glossary of terms used. These Articles govern why we exist, who can be our members, and how we must be governed to meet the requirements of the Thai Civil & Commercial Code and include such matters as our Legal Status; Ownership; Membership categories, restrictions & election procedure; General Committee governance; General Meetings governance; non-Member restrictions; Disciplinary Code; and Debtor Management.

These can only be changed by Members at a General Meeting, called for that purpose, and must be approved by the Ministry of Interior.

2. By-Laws

There 39 revised By-Laws, in effect from 21st September 2018. These By-Laws set out the detail of how we make the Constitution work, our expected practices and our regulations for the management of matters such as Access to the Club; Membership; Club-wide conduct; Vehicles and parking regulations; Member payments; Disciplinary procedure; Smoking policy; Member complaints; Advertising/Social Media policy; Guest policy; Sub-Committee authority & policy; Financing and governance of Clubs Sections; Non-Member usage

including Associated Groups and Loyal Societies; and Dress Code terminology.

These can be changed by the General Committee upon one month's notice to Members.

3. Rules

Detached from the old By-Laws, there are 27 Rules. These set out the detail of how the Outlets and Facilities are operated covering matters such as opening times, usage, dress code for the Churchill Bar, The Verandah, Silom Room, Suriwongse Room, Sports Bar/1910, Surawong Sala, Games Room, Poolside, Tennis Courts, Squash Courts, Fitness Centre, Cricket Nets, Multipurpose Court, Children's Pool & Playground and eventually for the Silom outside seating area and the Family Dining Room.

These are managed by the Senior Management Team to give them greater flexibility in the operation of individual outlets and Club facilities. Rules can be changed by giving notice to the General Committee and Members.

The By-Laws & Rules will be viewed after six months by the Constitution & By-Laws Sub-Committee to ensure the new structure works effectively. A copy of both documents can be found on the Club's website in the Member Only section.

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A Black Tie, or dress uniform with medals, gourmet dinner on the 213th anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar.

The dinner is open to all British Club members, spouses and guests (females are welcome), Embassy staff and guests, members of the Royal British Legion (Chonburi branch) and members of the Military Attaché Group of Bangkok

Welcoming Guest Speaker
Captain Chris Smith RAN,
currently Defence Attaché
at the Australian Embassy here in Bangkok

Members, Guests Bt 2,250
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No alcohol Bt 500 less

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TUE **BWG Mahjong**

Squash Mix-In 9 5.15pm-7.30pm **ズ**・

Bangkok Gentlemen Spoofers 8pm

Football 7pm-9pm





THE BRITISH CLUB



Kids Cricket 8am-11am Book first! **Swimming Lessons**

9am-10.30am

Sunday Brunch 11.30am-3pm

Open Bridge 2pm Silom Room

Tennis Mix-In 4pm - 7pm

BWG Mahjong 10am-1pm

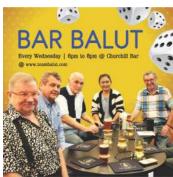
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HAPPENINGS

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Ladies Tennis 9.30am-10.30am

Tennis Mix-In 6pm-10pm

Balut 6pm-8pm

Paella Dinner Only THU

Squash Mix-In 5.15pm-9.45pm



Junior Tennis

Kid's Movie Night 6pm

Tennis Mix-In 6pm-10pm

4pm-6pm

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Tennis Doubles Team Practice 7pm-10pm

Fight Night 7pm???

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Tennis Doubles

Trafalgar Dinner

7pm Onwards 🗶

Team Practice 7pm-10pm

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Junior Tennis 4pm-6pm

> **Kid's Movie Night** 6pm

Tennis Mix-In 6pm-10pm

Hindu Festival Entry and exit to the Club via Suriwongse Gate

Friday Affair 8pm-midnight Friday Affair

Swimming Lessons 9am-10.30am

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7pm-10pm

9.30am-10.30am

Tennis Mix-In 6pm-10pm

Balut 6pm-8pm

Paella Dinner Only

Squash Mix-In 5.15pm-9.45pm



Junior Tennis 4pm-6pm

Kid's Movie Night 6pm **Tennis Mix-In**

6pm-10pm **Wine Tasting** 6pm-9pm

Halloween

6pm-9pm

9.30am-10.30am **Ladies Tennis**

Tennis Mix-In 6pm-10pm

Balut

6pm-8pm

Paella Dinner Only

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s a keen wine lover, I often attend the wine tasting at the end of each month and last month was no exception. It's a great way to try before you buy both new and familiar wines. Starting with the whites I came across a Sauvignon Blanc and with a sniff I know it was a good one, tasting and rounding it around in my mouth just confirmed it. Upon checking the label I found it to be a Private Bin Sauvignon Blanc MARLBOROUGH 2017 from Villa Maria which had AWARDS & ACCOLADES Gold from the Air NZ Wine Awards 2017. But hey, don't just go on what I say.

WINE MAKERS COMMENT

This 2017 Private Bin Sauvignon Blanc encompasses everything fresh and vibrant about Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc. From the Awatere Valley comes aromatics and flavours such as lemongrass, jalapeno and fresh herbs as well as natural fresh acidity. The cooler climate here is influenced by Mt Tapuae-o-uenuku, as cool alpine winds flow down the valley meet with the cooling ocean breezes. In contrast, the Wairau Valley has warmer summer months, with dry nor-westerly winds influencing the vineyards which produce a pungent Sauvignon Blanc with ripe citrus and tropical fruit flavours.

SERVING SUGGESTIONS

Perfect aperitif wine, serve chilled on warm summer days. Ripe citrus flavours in this wine will match any fresh seafood dish or salad course.

VINEYARD & WINE MAKING

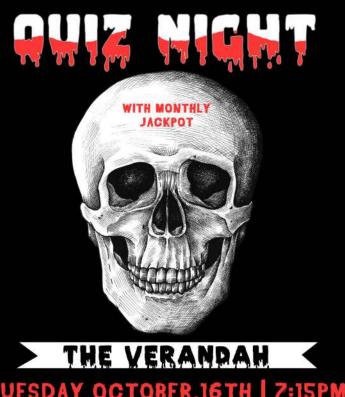
Colder weather in spring led to a longer than usual flowering season, resulting in a looser bunch structure with smaller bunches. Summer temperatures were unusually mild for Marlborough, regulated by cooler easterly breezes and light cloud cover. Intermittent autumn rains slowed ripening which meant our harvest plans had to be flexible whilst we waited for dry weather periods and classic Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc flavours to develop. All 2017 harvest decisions were made in the vineyard with the aim to showcase ripe herbal and citrus flavour spectrum with rounded balanced natural acidities.

REGION: Marlborough VARIETIES: Sauvignon Blanc ALCOHOL: 12.5% PH: 3.3 TOTAL ACIDITY: 7.1gL RESIDUAL SUGAR: 4.2gL

So now you have all the facts ,try it out. It's available at the British Club.

Cheers





TUESDAY OCTOBER, 16TH | 7:15PM

MEMBERS 100 BAHT | GUESTS 150 BAHT | TEAM OF 6 OR LESS **BOOKING IN RECEPTION OR BY EMAIL:** EVENTS@BRITISHCLUBBANGKOK.ORG

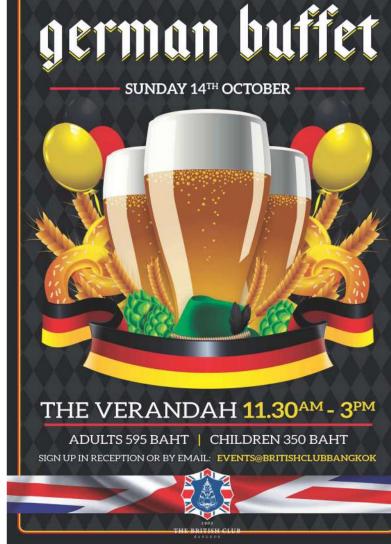
















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FORMER WBC & WBO WORLD CHAMPION

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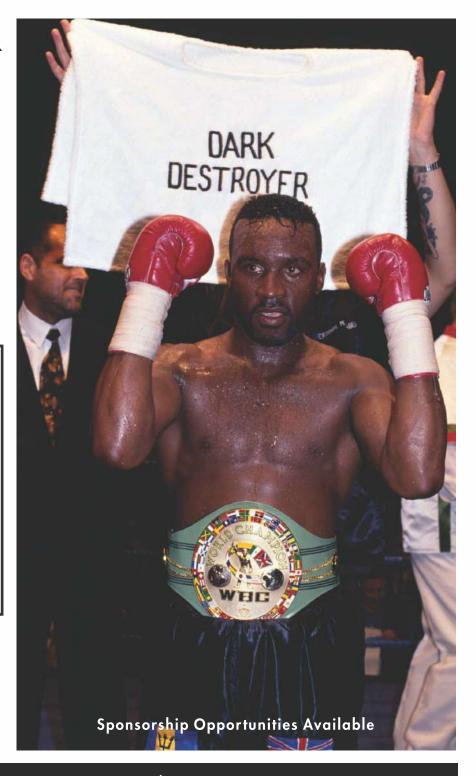
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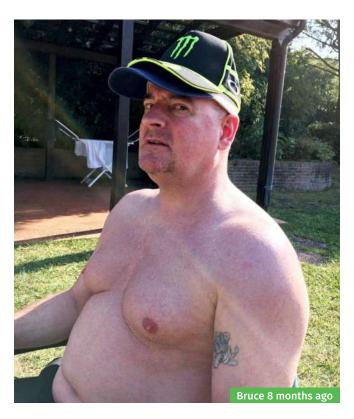
Mike on: +66 (0) 33641945 ext 115

The British Club on: 02.234.0247 or: info@britishclubbangkok.com

SQUASHY BITS

Lazy Bruce!

ruce is too lazy to do Squashy Bits this month so I have volunteered. The problem is that since he stopped drinking he is now as rich as Neil Evans and decided to fly off to Italy to watch the motogp, very selfish of him.





The courts should be completed by the time you read this. At the time of writing it hadn't been decided whether the courts will be painted or not, it will depend on the appearance after the walls have dried properly.

There is ample room between the courts on both the ground floor and the balcony floor, this will enhance the enjoyment of spectators and other players during mix-ins. There will be a real club atmosphere which we have never had before. If anyone has any ideas on how best to utilize our extra floor space to further



enhance the squash sections members enjoyment then please forward to the squash committee.

Once the courts are open for business there will be more mix-in times and organized training. We have core of keen newer younger members (in their 30s) who could benefit greatly from this.



LEAGUE WINNERS AUGUST

Ja, Mark Rayfield, Simon Davies and Peter Corney won their respective leagues. John Vivian and Steve Claxton were lucky winners of the 1,000 baht vouchers for the ladder draw.

FUTURE EVENTS

There is a club match against the Ambassador in mid October, and a trip to Hong Kong for the HK Open in November. This is always a great event with the world's best players competing.

Once we have a definite date on court availability we will organize a competition for maximum participation of BCB Squash Section members.

SPORTS CAMP

22,24,25,26 October 2018 (4,049 Baht/Week)

X		950₿ Monday 22 nd	950B Wednesday 24 th	1,300B Thursday 25 th	950 ₿ Friday 26 th	
	9:30-10:00	Admin				
	10:00-11:00	Tennis	Tennis		Tennis	
	11:00-11:15	Snacks	Snacks	Ice Skating	Snacks	
	11:15-12:15	Football	Football		Football	
	12:15-1:00	00 Lunch				
•	1:00-2:30	Basketball	Squash/ Cooking	Bowling	Basketball	
	2:30-3:30	Swimming	Swimming		Swimming	

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- Children should be 7+.
- This is not an elitist camp, the emphasis is on joining in, trying out new sports, having fun and making friends.
- A five child minimum is required to run each day so please sign up.
- As travel arrangements need to be made for some activities, please sign up 48hrs in advance.
- A no show booking will still be charged the full amount.

 Cancellations up to 24hrs before will be charged 50%.
- Whilst the British Club and its staff will provide the highest level of care possible for your children, sports/activities camp participants take part at their own risk and the Club accepts no liability for injuries caused during activities on or off site or travel to or from the Club.



TENNIS Div's, American Doubles Tournament & the Great Wide Open



Dear Members

It's been another exciting and busy month on court for us whackers of the yellow blob.

League Tennis Series 2

With a slight extension to aid those struggling to wrap up their matches due to school holidays, the dreaded rainy season, or the inability to use email, Series 2 of British Club League Series drew to a close towards the end of August.

Div 1

Series 1 champ Jim picked up an injury in his first match allowing Dawa to sneak back into the winner's circle. Mooky was unexpectedly cajoled into playing league tennis and took second place from Hara who retained 3rd. Yours truly will be grateful to return to Division 2.

Div 2

Yuki won his first 3 matches to set up a 'winner takes all' final match with James who was manfully suffering the ignominy of a Division 2 appearance through gritted teeth. After a slightly shaky start, James came through to take the match in 2 sets and so the title. Yuki had to settle for 2nd place with Luc, Andrei K and Dmitry following in their wake.

Div 3

Mana showed an abundance of 'bouncebackability' by recovering from relegation and then a retirement in his first match to take Division 3. Rain, holidays, and business meetings took their toll on the fixture list resulting in Nisa finishing just above Prasit and Jens ... with Pat preferring the home comforts of his own court for this series

Div 4

The combined efforts of Mystic Meg and Paul the Octopus would have their work cut out to successfully predict results from Division 4. Nick got off to the fastest of starts by winning his first 4 matches but then lost in 2 sets to Jackson who in turn lost to Angie who lost to Nat who beat Pin but had already lost to Nick Ian played one match and then went back to the insurance game. It finished Nick-Nat-Angie-Ann-Pin-Ian.

Div 5

'Communication' or 'lack of' was the name of the game this time round in division 5. Mikola was unbeaten but only played 1 match. Jay signed up with enthusiasm but then went cold for much of the series until springing to life to play Parvis during the extension. Parvis took that match and also played



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Tom but alas the rain beat them both towards the end of the 2nd set in a closely fought encounter. Parvis-Tom-Mikola-Jay. Hopefully, the newly set up 'line groups' will aid future fixture arranging Come on division 5!

American Doubles Tournament

The 'American Doubles Tournament' set for 24th August morphed into the 'American Drinking Tournament' as the heavens opened to drench the courts and fill the Sala bar ... The date was re-set for the following Wednesday when mercifully the skies were blue or at least dry.



I'm told there were 16 players, 2 whistles, a stop clock, a handicap system, several mathematical equations, and more than a little partner swapping. By the end of the night there were even 3 winners! Mikola, Joey and Nattaya



proving to be both triumphant and inseparable.

Thanks to Nick for putting this one together with help from Harold. The plan is to make this a monthly event. Stay tuned for the updates.

The Great Wide Open

TGWO is a new tournament on our calendar and another that was met with quizzical looks and sceptical eyes by some! It's a doubles tournament and in order to encourage mass participation, we allowed mixed, all-men, or all-lady partnerships. Players were separated into two tournaments consisting of 8 pairs each with their own plate and

egg cup events ... Basically six tournaments in one! Confused? You might be, unless you had read the poster ...

32 spots were filled and the rainy season took a day off to allow play to start on time (give or take a few minutes for the usual suspects). In all there were 24 matches played each of which is deserving its own write up.

The Jimmy Connors Cup final came down to a battle between Andrei K and Toi Vs Benjamin & Pattana. Andrei & Toi's impressive run was finally thwarted by their opponents who formed a fine partnership matching French spin with Thai trickiness to great effect.

The Chris Evert Cup final came down to a match-up between two of our well-established tennis family dynasties - the Bellinghams versus the Youngs. Try as they might James and Nisa couldn't quite find a way through with the ever solid Geoff and Becs taking the match and lifting the cup in fine style.

2018 Winners

Chris Evert Cup Winners Geoff & Becs
Chris Evert Cup Runners-Up James & Nisa
Jimmy Connors Cup Winners Benjamin & Pattana
Jimmy Connors Cup Runners-up Andrei K & Toi
Chris Evert Plate Winners Mikola & Andrei I
Jimmy Connors Plate Winners Anjie & Nat
Chris Evert Egg Cup Winners Graham & Ann
Jimmy Connors Egg Cup Winners Raymond & Alain



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The tennis was over but the night was still young. A delicious curry was served, fizzy drinks flowed, and later, dance music for old people briefly blared while tennis players shuffled and shook their booty from the comfort of their seats

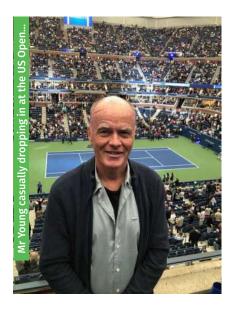
Huge thanks to the committee and friends for your assistance with the organisation and equally also to the players for continuing to support our events. Keep an eye out for our next all-day tournament coming soon ...



US Open

The week after TGWO, all attention switched to Flushing Meadows to see if we could spot on telly a couple of our high-roller members who had got themselves tickets to the US Open finals on centre court Nice one James and Frank – gizza ticket!

On Sunday 19th August friends of the late Michael Stead gathered at the club for a special 'Mix-In' with an afternoon of tennis followed by a commemorative dinner to celebrate the life of Mike. Several of Mike's closest friends gave eulogies and shared fond memories. RIP dear friend.







SPORTSCAMP

22, 24 and 26 October 2018

650 Baht/day

TIME	ACTIVITIES		
10:00-10:15	Admin		
10:15-11:00	Games		
11:00-11:15	Snacks		
11:15-12:15	Mini tennis		
12:15-1:00	Lunch		
1:00-1:45	Cooking / Play time		
1:45-2:30	Water fun		
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HARD BALLS Koh Chang Beach Cricket Tournament



uring the recovery period from a somewhat busy season, the annual Koh Chang getaway was enjoyed by a party of around 25 BC players, wives and supporters on the last weekend of August. The 6-a-side tournament returned for its 4th edition - organised and run by the cricketing community on the island and avidly supported by Thailand's finest collection of teams plus a (very) wildcard from Malaysia. The all-encompassing competition, or more the occasion, has become more refined over the years – featuring regulars from Chiang Mai, Bangkok, Pattaya and Kuala Lumpur ranging from 10 years old up to 70-somethings. They even let TC play!

The usual journey began on Friday for most, enduring the 4 hour drive down to Trat to catch the short ferry over to the island that has become home to the unique event. The heavy clouds grazing the treetopped mountainous landscape on approach and a quick glance at the ominous weather reports triggered flashbacks to the infamous boat trip of 2016 so vivid that Jack had to be calmed down with a cold Leo. He fortunately made a full recovery and the weather did not compromise the weekend as it looked to.

Local Irish pub come guesthouse come whatever else you wanted it to be played host for the weekend for most teams and a rabble of insects in Mossy's room, whilst some of the others insisted on staying in luxurious beachside villas 'away from the riff raff' only to be disappointed that rooms did not come equipped with their own personal butlers and were managed by an angry katoy.

Having not learned from mistakes made on previous editions of the tour, the evening entertainment followed more or less the same footprint as years before; attend the opening party, recklessly pick



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players for the 3 teams, lose the paper it's written on in about 5 minutes, accept Pangolin's challenge for a boat race (who were looking for a shot at the title following an absolute thrashing on their home turf earlier in the year), win boat race, drink the bar out of Jägermeister, move to the next spot, rinse and repeat.





Saturday morning quickly came around as people slowly surfaced for the first day of the competition, BC were raring to go – those who had actually turned up on time didn't have a clue who they were playing for, what strip they were wearing, or even what day of the week it was. A true reflection of the strenuous organization the night before. The 10 competing teams were split into 2 groups of 5, playing each other once and followed by a concluding match against the equally placed team in the opposite group, which, to all the mathematicians out there and much to the delight of the traveling press, would guarantee at least one interclub showdown – and did so in spectacular fashion.

This would usually be the part of the write-up where I report a few stats from the matches played throughout the weekend and ping a few of the lads for a drop catch or 2, but through lack of information and a somewhat hazy recollection of the actionpacked weekend – this material is fairly limited. What I can report/remember is that even with BC teams making up 30% of the entire tournament, there was no sign of any of the teams in the cup faceoff. Ed successfully steered his team into a plate winning final, Dale's team's managed to scrape their only win of the weekend in the battle for the chopsticks, and the other captain thought it would be courteous to let the hosts take a win in their last game of the weekend – equating to 3rd, 6th and 7th place finishes for the BC tourists. However, British Club's Dash did salvage a modicum of higher achievement by bringing home the batsman of the tournament trophy which has proudly been awarded to a BC member for 3 of the 4 competitions so far.

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Saturday and Sunday evening followed a similar path of destruction as the first, with a BBQ and awards presentation thrown in on the closing day which was blasted by a downpour that had politely held off for the core of the weekend. Another brilliant tour which felt as if it was over in a flash was slept off through Monday for all those fortunate enough not to be

driving back, and everybody is already talking about how to outplay the KL side on their tour outfits for next year.

Special thanks to Steve Perry and the organisers for continuing to run such a great event.



BCGS GOLFING NEWS

Suits You! August Medal

@ Royal GCC

espite heavy rain the night before our 26th August medal Royal GCC drained superbly well giving our 26 players good playing conditions. Our weather luck continued with dry and nicely cooling cloudy conditions throughout the round – it wouldn't be the BCGS if we didn't mention the weather!

One of the great things about playing with the BC golf section is observing among the members what's considered appropriate golf fashion. There's always a cacophony of interesting color and a wonderfully spontaneous match/ mismatch of shirts, shorts, socks and headwear. This month didn't disappoint with some unique examples of golf attire on display. The standout paisley shorts on the day belonging to eventual **Flight B** winner, Gus Wilson carding a net 68. Well played and well worn.





Flight A was won by sartorially challenged Gordon Milne carding a net 70 with an eagle 3 recorded on a par 5. An appropriate cut has been applied to Gordon's handicap for the latter indiscretion.

In the BCGS match play the duel between Varghese Rose and Dawa Sherpa saw Varghese emerge as the victor and he moves to the next round. Varghese sported headwear on the day that provided more than enough shade for his playing partners.



Super-Pruek, Rain Did Not Stop Play

ur monthly Stableford competition for September was played on Sunday 9th at SubhaPruek.

For once the weather gods were kind to us, with threat of rain throughout the round, with thunder and even signs of lightning near the end, but the rain itself held off allowing all a dry round, but with soft playing conditions.



Our winner on the day was Nick Lyon with 37 points, (well played Nick and surely worthy of a handicap cut!) followed in second and third by Mrs and Mr Brader (that's Vicky and Chris) on 34 and 33 points respectively. It was good to see Vicky back on the course after a few months away from golf. Clearly the rest was good for her game.

Neil Davis and Martin Weber played their match play game. It was a closely contested match with Martin taking the lead, then Neil, (nail biting stuff) finishing all square after 18. The match was settled at the 19th hole. No, not in the bar! Subhapruek may be unique in having a real 19th hole – a short par 3 between the 18th and the clubhouse.



Neil emerged victorious with Martin kindly putting his tee-shot in the water, but nearly getting a hole in one (three) with his second ball, but then just missing the putt.

We were joined by one guest (and hopefully soon to be member) Brad Sobel. Hope you enjoyed the game Brad.



Our next outing will be the monthly medal at our home course of Royal G&CC Latkrabang.

Why not join us at our next event? We welcome players of all abilities, from enthusiastic hackers to semi-pros. If you're interested, do visit our website http://www.bcgsthailand.org/ for details of upcoming events and the contact details of our Captain.



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Trade Policy Assistant, A2L

The trade assistant will assist the trade policy manager with all aspects of the forthcoming trade review between Thailand and the UK, including setting up meetings, gathering evidence, providing notes of all meetings, supporting the trade policy manager on the analysis of policy options and assisting in providing a final report of the trade policy review.

Trade Assistant (Cross-sector), A2L

Trade Assistant (Cross-sector) - to assist the trade managers in every aspect of their duties including administrative tasks such as setting up meetings, arranging travel and providing briefings for meetings. You will assist the trade managers to deliver their export win targets by carrying out desk-based research under the direction of the managers and interacting with British and Thai companies to help them understand the opportunities available for British companies in Thailand.

Trade Assistant (Digital and Trade Services), A2L

Trade Assistant (Cross-sector) and Digital lead – to assist the trade managers in every aspect of their duties including administrative tasks such as setting up meetings, arranging travel and providing briefings for meetings. You will assist the trade managers to deliver their export win targets by carrying out desk-based research under the direction of the managers and interacting with British and Thai companies to help them understand the opportunities available for British companies in Thailand (60%) Set up, develop, and provide content for DIT through social media platforms such as Linkedin, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram and any other emerging technologies and social media platforms. (40%)

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