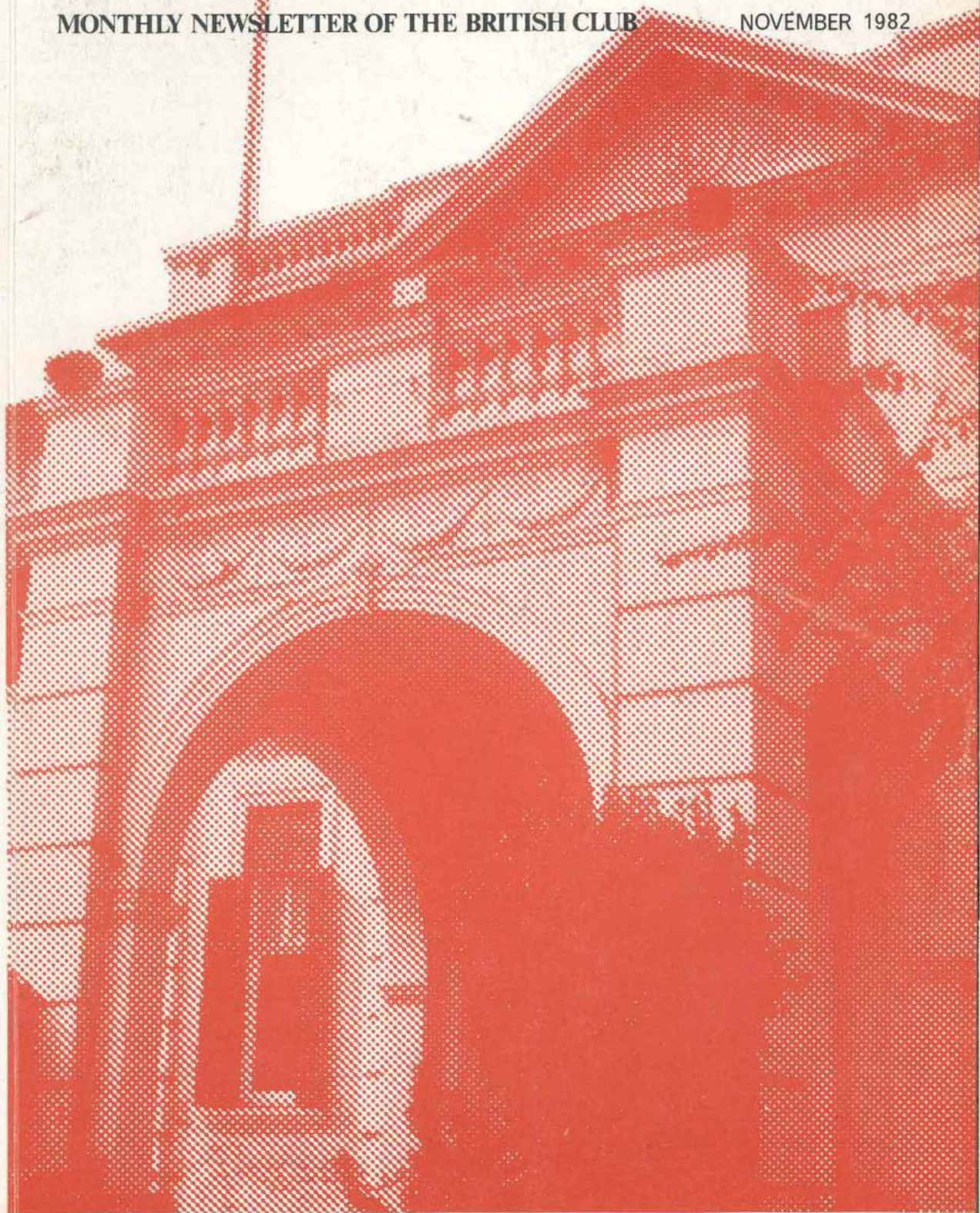


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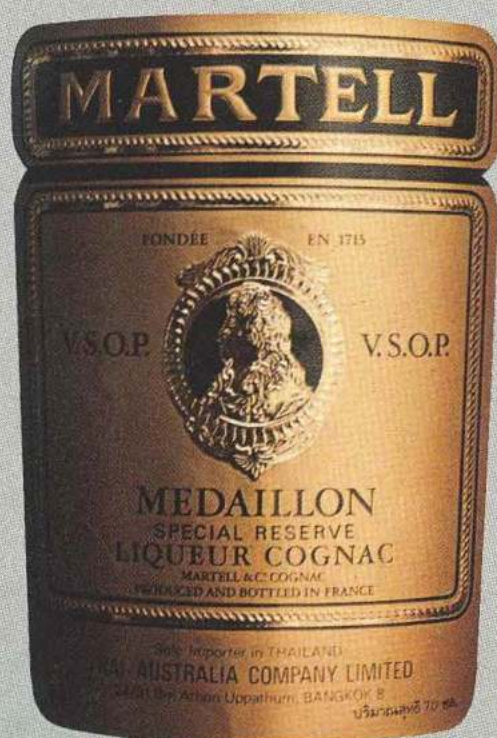
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Members interested in the various Club activities listed should contact the Committee Member responsible.

Editorial

This turns out to be another bumper issue. More letters on Ladies' membership, but a welcome relief with letters on other subjects too! I wish we had a letter or two in defense of the status quo - someone could point out that Ladies do enjoy equal rights - they could form their own club! - Why should they steal the men's? Mr. Dunlop (page 19) makes the same mistake (to my mind) of confusing national politics with those of a private club as Mrs. Piper. Oh well....!

Now some compliments.

Congratulations to the Swimming Section whose three-way competition with the J.S.R.C. and the Lions Club reported in these pages turned out to be a magnificent affair. The organisation was superbly done, and the enthusiasm expressed by the youngsters a unanimous expression of success. Well done all concerned!

Also to the Entertainments Sub-Committee who seem to go from strength to strength in laying on events in unison with demand - they all seem to get booked out soon after announcement!

And thanks to Geof Connor for his illuminating article on the Hash House Harriers - excellent reading on page 32.

We're missing one or two sports reports which is regretted. Contributors MUST remember the 20th-of-the-month deadline!

OUTPOST is pleased to announce that it has secured at vast expense - the sole publishing rights of Margaret Miller's play - the one that was broadcast in August. This will be our Christmas treat to readers, together with one of her crosswords as a welcome change from Geof's diabolical brain-benders.

Enjoy the floods!

Ian Hill, Editor

Appointment



Mr. Bob Vlietstra
Club Manager

The General Committee is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Bob P. Vlietstra as Manager of the British Club, effective on 1st October, 1982.

Mr. Vlietstra is known to many members and citizens of Bangkok, having held the similar post for many years at the Royal Bangkok Sports Club, and the Committee is confident that this appointment will be both popular and effective.

The Bangkok St. Patrick's Society



The Bangkok St. Patrick's Society have elected new office holders for the year 1982/1983 at their recent annual general meeting. The new President is Brian Butterfield with David Tarrant as Vice President. Des O'Brien and Tom Moran will act as Treasurer and Secretary respectively. Other Committee Members are Sally Voravarn, Derek Gibson, Les Vize, David Factor and Liam O'Keefe. Residents in Thailand wishing to join the Society can contact Tom Moran at Tel. 521-0043. The Society plans a grand St. Patrick's day celebration close to March 17th next year.

Social Calendar

St. Patrick's Society Annual Members Dinner, 7.30 p.m., Friday 29th October at Rama Hotel. Dress: Black Tie.

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Membership Matters

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Mr. W.L. Cox	Australian Embassy
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Ladies Privileges

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Status of Membership

The current membership status is as follows:

Ordinary	378
Non-Voting	6
Associate	39
Ladies Privilege	39
Up-Country	23
Candidates	35
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TOTAL	520
Absent	701
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GRAND TOTAL	1221
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Fly

Fly was sorry to learn that recent changes in tax regulations have doubled the import tax on Real Ale. It looks like the enthusiasts will have to double their efforts if we're to taste Real Ale at the BC bar.

More bad news: the tennis court grass became infected with weed while the courts were being raised, and new turf is required. Fly hopes the delay won't be too long: he remembers how tasty the crumbs around the tea tent are in the playing season.

Now the good news: Croquet is in and after the rain another way of working up a thirst - not far from the bar - will be available. Fly can't remember the rules of croquet and hopes a copy will be posted somewhere handy.

Fly has been buzzing around warning his feline acquaintances to avoid the BC premises: cats are to be actively discouraged since they can be a danger to children.

Fly was surprised to hear that there had been complaints by some members of the behaviour of others. That's a change - it's usually the Committee under fire! So Fly gives some tips: wearing singlets in the main pool is NOT ON! Neither are changing nappies on poolside tables (change babies in the changing room, please) or throwing used nappies in the waste paper boxes (put 'em where they belong, mum!). And buzzing into the Billiards room, Fly watched two ladies take 2½ hours over one frame, talking incessantly, sometimes for minutes on end between turns, and wondered why they wanted to play at all!

OBITUARY

Mrs. Jean Gundlach

It is with great regret that we learned of the death in Ibiza in September of Mrs. Jean Gundlach. Jean was very active in parish community of Christ Church, was the Bard of St. David's Society and an active member of the British Club, particularly in Bridge. We offer our sincere condolence to her husband Adrian and her sons Mark & Sean.

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TUESDAY	9.00 - 12.00	- Ladies Squash
	2.00 - 4.00 p.m.	- Ladies Squash
	4.00 p.m.	- Swimming Training
WEDNESDAY	4.45 p.m.	- Cricket Net Practice
	5.30 p.m.	- Scottish Dancing Practice
THURSDAY	4.00 p.m.	- Swimming Training
	4.45 p.m.	- Cricket Net Practice
SUNDAY	12 noon - 2.00 p.m.	- Buffet Lunch, Poolside
	6.00 - 10.00 p.m.	- Buffet Supper, Dining Room

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Club Night

An evening with Uncle Ayu



Uncle Ayu alias Ayumonkol Sonakul was 'further educated' at Trinity College Dublin and the benefit of this education showed in his observations on 'October - Today's Events'.

His talk, or should we say guided ramblings, was a bit like the creme caramel we had for desert - some was flat, some crazed, some a bit broken but all of it was interesting, palatable and often amusing.

After declining the pulpit ('I came to speak, not to pray') and settling into an easy chair, he proceeded to bewilder but entertain us with a commentary of his views of today's events, interspersed with reminiscences; prompted by hecklers and guided by questions from an attentive full house.

One was hard put to keep up with his lightning changes of subject but some impressions of the evening in general and of his talk in particular did stick in the mind. (The comments not in quotations are the writers - Ed.)

** ** *

"October is a nervous month -- a month of wars and revolutions -- the rain stops, life begins for Thais so they also start other changes".

** ** *

"Thais have never invaded another country -- only taken police action in Thai states such as Cambodia & Laos!"

** ** *

"October has changed from the old days because the sun is no longer in the right place - does this mean there is a need for calendar reform?"

** ** *

How were we really supposed to eat that first course?

** ** *

"Singapore is like a Chinese grocery store"

** ** *

"Ratanakosin is a celebration for gay clubs"

** ** *

"Brits in Hong Kong shouldn't worry now about the future as in fifteen years time there probably won't be anyone left except the Falklanders

** ** *

Nice to see the Kiwi Ambassador and his wife in attendance -- is that why we had lamb chops, or was it part of the Falklands celebration?

** ** *

"Typhoons become naturalised hurricanes. I tried to tell them to go away but they didn't listen - perhaps they don't speak English".

** ** *

"In 1975 foreign expats gave Thailand 6 months. Six months later it was still going so they gave it a year. A year later it was still looking strong so they gave it 5 years. Five years later it was still thriving so they built a new airport in Singapore!"

** ** *

Will someone please teach the chef to make Melba toast.

** ** *

When asked for his views on General Sunday, Ayu declined because it was Wednesday!

** ** *

In answer to a question on the electoral implications of P.M. Prem not standing in next elections Ayu answered, "Prem could stand and there could be elections or not".

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"I haven't the slightest idea who will be the next Prime Minister - and neither has he"

** ** *

"A female Thai premier! Who?!"

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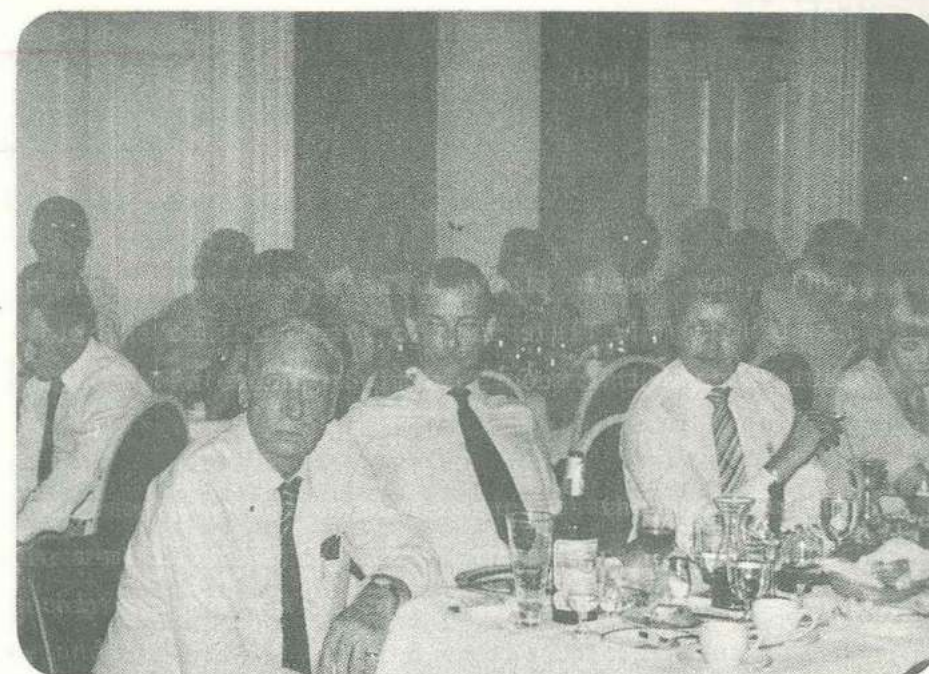
"Thais approved of the British victory in the Falklands even though they didn't understand what it was all about"

And many many more.

The Chairman in his summing up thanked Uncle Ayu for his straight and revealing talk. Revealing perhaps, but a more convoluted set of obscure observations I haven't heard for a long time - but nevertheless entertaining. The man is like his column, pithy observations dressed up in witty woollen eye coverings.

An enjoyable evening - but where was the brown bread. Reary!

CLUB NIGHT PHOTOS



What! - A Lady Prime Minister?



After the show, Uncle Ayu, the Chairman and ex-Chairman relax

Letters

The Editor

Outpost

14th October, 1982

Dear Sir,

I recently received the enclosed letter from Skins and Pelts Inc.

Unfortunately I am not able to take up their kind offer at present but I feel that the opportunities afforded are such that they deserve wider circulation and I therefore have pleasure in sending the details to you in the hope that they may be published in Outpost.

Yours faithfully,

N.W. Musgrave - M77

Skins and Pelts Inc.
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Dear Mr. Musgrave,

Unique Investment Opportunity

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Current obtainable C.I.F. landed prices in the United States for cat skins are approximately US\$.20 for white skins and US\$.40 for black skins, the average being US\$.32 per skin. Based on these prices and our own conservative production estimates, we should expect to achieve a gross income of some US\$3 million per year, or US\$10,000 per day, excluding Sundays and Holidays.

The main operating expenses of the project are wages. A trained local cat man is able to skin some 50 cats per day, earning an average wage of Baht 72 per day. Thus total manpower required for the ranch is estimated at 643, including management. Based on the above figures, and ignoring start-up costs, the net operating profit per day is estimated at US\$8,100.

Food costs for the cats are not included since the cats will be fed exclusively on rats which will be bred at an adjacent rat ranch, also now being built. It should be noted that rats normally multiply at a rate four times that of cats. With an initial population of the rat ranch of 1 million, rats would be produced at the ratio of four rats per cat per day. The rats themselves will be fed on the carcasses of the cats (after skinning) at a rate of a quarter of a cat per rat per day - which is an adequate diet.

Additional revenues are envisaged from the processing of the cat and rat droppings for natural fertilizer, but these are not included in the first year projections.

It will be seen that the business can be entirely self-supporting in a very short time and we believe that the project is attractive and fundamentally sound.

We should appreciate it if you would indicate whether you would be interested in having further information on the project at which time we should be prepared to show you five year projections and cash flow forecasts.

Yours faithfully,

Felix Skinner

F. Skinner
(President)

Mr. B. Vlietstra,
The Manager
The British Club
Bangkok.

19th October 1982

Dear Bob,

On behalf of the Swimming Section I would thank you, Khun Adisak and all the other members of your staff who worked so hard to make the Friendship Swim Meet on 17th October 1982 such a success.

All the arrangements seemed to be faultless: the poolside was decorated in a most attractive way, the lunch arrangements worked smoothly and the quality of the food and service were to a high standard.

The visiting dignitaries from the ISRC and the Lions Club passed the most favourable comments.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

John Williams (WE4)

John Williams

(for Swimming Section)

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The Editor,
Outpost

4th October, 1982.

Dear Sir,

It is with considerable trepidation that I take up my pen again on the "Ladies" issue, and I do so only because you raised a point in your Editorial (October "Outpost") which I hoped I had laid to rest in my first letter on this subject.

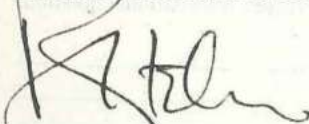
My "family membership" concept does not, repeat not, involve anyone getting more for their money than they do now.

Already, married members get a better deal than single members (since wives and children may use the Club). This may be unfair. There may well be a case for differential subscriptions for single and married members. But that's a separate issue.

Under the "family membership" idea, one subscription would still buy just one vote, and the right of one person only to stand for committee membership. The only change is that this right would be exercised on a strictly either/or basis by husband or wife, rather than as now by husbands only. This is merely a reallocation of existing rights, not a "something for nothing" deal as some of your correspondents have suggested.

You rightly say, Sir, that we must avoid lazy thinking on the issue, but first we must be quite sure where the lazy thinking is!

Yours faithfully,



ROGER HELMER
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Soi Suan Plu

The Editor,
Outpost

18th October 1982.

Dear Sir,

There are two issues involved in voting rights at the Club:

1. If we consider these rights in principle, there is no question of what we must do, as members of a 20th Century Democracy, the cornerstone of which is universal adult suffrage. We must arrange to give every adult member of the Club the right to vote if they choose to. We must talk about when and how to implement this obligation, not whether we would like to or not. Would any member care to quarrel with this principle?

2. Now to the practical difficulties of fulfilling that obligation.

2.1 There is no problem with single Ladies Privileges. This group would simply pay full fees and enjoy full rights, (thus ridding the Club of the foolish anomaly where female executives with large incomes are forced to pay much less each month for using the Club than their junior, impoverished male employees).

Anyone who would argue against full voting rights for this group can only do so on the grounds that women should not be allowed to vote.

2.2 With regard to married couples, the issue is in two parts:

2.2.1 One vote or two

Should a couple enjoy only one vote, since they pay only one fee, or should they each have a vote? If the single fee is the stumbling block, then the answer is simple. Let those couples who want two votes pay two fees. The difference between membership of a private club, and of society at large (see J. Piper's letter in September's Outpost) is that Clubs, by definition, are exclusive and self-governing. They

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require people to pay fees for membership privileges, including the right to vote in their management.

2.2.2 Male only suffrage

As it stands, the British Club (see rule 4) can only have male members with full suffrage. So only the male partners in married memberships may vote. This takes no account of the fact that, nowadays, the wife may be much more political than the husband.

It seems likely that the rule was formed, with the Club, in 1910, before women in the U.K. got the vote.

Again, this anachronism can only be defended on the grounds that women should not be allowed to vote.

3. Resolving the issues

3.1 First, the principle must be accepted by the Club that women who are willing to pay for the privilege should have the right to vote.

3.2 Following that, the Constitution should be amended, dropping the word "male" from rule 4, and re-defining an Ordinary Member.

Article XV of the Constitution of another Club in Thailand, the RVYC, says simply:

"Ordinary Member

Any person may become an Ordinary Member. A wife or husband of an Ordinary Member may become an Ordinary Member without paying further entrance fee, but shall pay monthly subscription fee."

This is not one family, one vote, as proposed by Roger Helmer. The vote is not transferable. It does mean, however, that either partner (despite the nature of their reproductive organs) can be the member with voting privileges.

Of course, if we try to apply universal adult suffrage strictly to the Club the issue arises that no one should be excluded from voting on the grounds of inability to pay for the privilege. Some ladies might claim that, through marriage, they have lost the earning power to buy themselves a vote in the system proposed. But that is another issue.

This letter explores some of the issues involved in applying the principle of adult suffrage to the British Club. But the main point is that we have to apply it.

Yours sincerely,

Andy Dunlop

(Andy Dunlop - D33)

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Our F&B Correspondence Writes

TOAD NOT QUITE IN THE HOLE!

Members with a fondness for this dish (acquired during national service days, or during holidays by the sea at Blackpool, Weston-super-Mare or Scarborough) tell us we have not got the authentic ethnic flavour quite right. In the interests of reasonably prompt service, our kitchen staff have been preparing this dish in advance and heating it up on demand. The result has been a tasty but rather stodgy gool. Efforts are being made to improve consistency without impairing flavour.

FAIRY CAKE MASQUERADING AS BREAD AND BUTTER PUDDING

By contrast the B and B pud which should be "stodgyish" almost floats up to meet the diner. Again remedial action is being taken.

THE GREAT SHERRY TRIFLE DEBATE

This popular dessert is the subject of an unfortunate controversy. Some members have complained that not enough sherry is being added. Increasing the amounts of "Dry Fly" have brought screams of protest from others who see their children being thus introduced to the insidious taste of demon drink. Advisor Bob Vlietstra and assistant manager Khun Adisak have responded (temporarily at least) by having sherry trifles of differing alcoholic contents.

WINE, WINE AND MORE WINE

In an effort to persuade more members to enjoy a glass or two of good quality wine, prices are being reduced on carefully selected items. The first of these to be actively promoted was Cotes du Rhone. This has proved to be great success and another favourite, probably a French White, will be launched shortly.

On Wednesday evening, November 17th, a combined wine tasting/set dinner will be held in the dining room. This will be priced at just over Bht. 200 and will include samples of a wide range of wines and a full three course meal. Numbers will be limited to 50 and booking can be made from 1st November onwards.

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News flashes

We have two new cooks in the kitchen - one from Bobbys Arms and one from the Napoleon Bar. Neither can make toad in the hole or bread and butter pudding but they are willing to learn!

The paint job on the new dining room is much appreciated although there is still a faint whiff of turps in the air as a result of the redecoration.

Bangkok seems a great place for young families to have babies and staff in the dining room have been embarrassed from time to time by a shortage of high chairs. New ones are being acquired. In the meantime Khun Pismai is proving to be most adept at distracting over exuberant infants who might otherwise be throwing bread rolls at senior members quietly munching on their toad in the hole in a corner.



(from the MALAY MAIL, 22 June, 1982)

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ENTERTAINMENT

Dear BC Member,

NOW that most of the events highlighted in our previous letter to you have taken place, it's time to up-date everyone on what's in store during the next few months.

IN fact there are 5 super specials coming your way - each different - but sharing the common aim of providing good quality entertainment for all.

FIRSTLY, there is **FIREWORKS NIGHT** on **Saturday November 6th** this year we think it will appeal to young and old alike! You've already had the details in the post.

NEXT is a **Wine Tasting & Dinner Evening** sponsored by THE BORNEO COMPANY. This will take place in the Dining Room on the evening of **Wednesday November 17** and will be restricted to 50 persons only due to availability of space!

THIS promises to be a very worthwhile evening for those of us who enjoy good food and wine. The register will open on **Monday November 1st** so please sign in and avoid disappointment. The all-in price is **£215** per person and that includes as much wine as you wish plus dinner. See our separate mail-shot for details!

THE **X'mas Ball** arrangements are in full swing. This evening promises to be one to be remembered (perhaps with difficulty by some!). The register will open on **Wednesday December 1st** for this Club Event of the year. The maximum number we can accommodate is 300 so please book in as early as possible. The date is **Friday December 17th**.

NOW IT CAN BE TOLD!! -- Those experts at organising discos -- namely our friends in the club's **SQUASH SECTION** are holding a special **HOGMANAY DISCO** on **New Year's Eve** (Friday 31st December for those sassanachs among us). The **New Sala** is the venue -- no booking -- just turn up for a splendid evening of dancing, dining at our Poolside, Barbecues and wining. More details nearer the time but put a note in your diary now!

FINALLY, our fifth special event is timed to take place in January (actual date to be confirmed). This will be a **COUNTRY & WESTERN EVENING**. We are pleased to advise

that a professional American C & W couple are to visit Bangkok over Christmas. They have agreed to play at the BC one evening (probably a Friday or Saturday) in January. We intend to hold this event at the Poolside where there is plenty of room for wining, dining and dancing or indeed just listening to the music. The husband and wife team are well-known in the U.S.A. so look out for a separate mail shot nearer the time.

NOW - a summary of events to put in your diaries!

DATE	EVENT	REGISTER OPEN
Sat. Nov 6	FIREWORKS NIGHT	Already
Remarks:	No limit - cost £20.- Each plus actuals (under -5's free). Please sign the Register.	
Wed. Nov 17	WINE TASTING + DINNER	Mon. Nov 1
Remarks:	50 persons limit - cost £215.- each. This includes food and wine - Dining Room.	
Fri. Dec 17	X'MAS BALL	Wed. Dec 1
Remarks:	300 persons limit - cost £550.- each. Not to be missed. Red Sea Rig or National Dress.	
Fri. Dec 31	HOGMANAY DISCO	No Register
Remarks:	Sponsored by Squash Section. Poolside, Dancing, Bars, Barbecues etc.	
January 83	COUNTRY & WESTERN EVENING	No Register
Remarks:	Professional American Husband + Wife team. Poolside Dancing, Barbecues, Bars.	

Note on Cancellation of Bookings

Members are advised that bookings cancelled up to 24 hours before a function will be offered for re-sale. If re-sold, no cancellation fee will be charged. Within 24 hours of the function the booking will not be offered for re-sale and the full fee will be charged.

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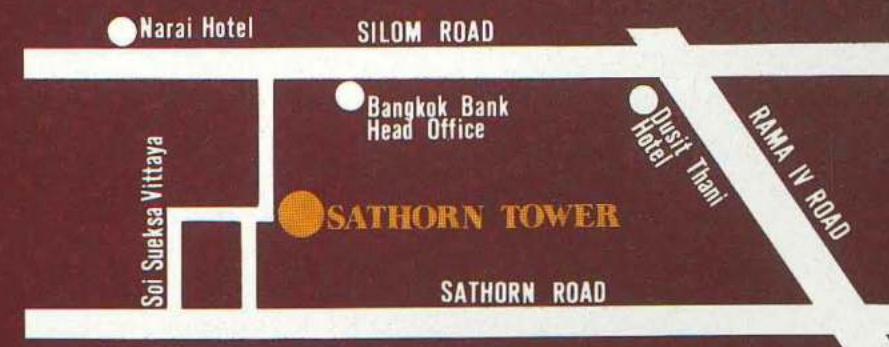
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The Ladies Liaison Group will, in future, run a monthly coffee morning for all members and wives in the new poolside sala. The morning will be combined with a Bring and Buy Sale. You probably have items you were given as gifts but would not have chosen yourself, clothes and toys your children have grown out of and that odd dress or pair of shoes which fitted perfectly in the shop but somehow didn't fit when you got them home. Bring them along before 9.30 a.m. on the morning of the sale, put your price on them and the Ladies Liaison Group will try to sell them for you. If, at the end of the morning your goods are not sold, you are responsible for removing them and LLG cannot accept responsibility for them and will not keep them. If, however your goods are sold, we will give you the money less 10% which we will keep for LLG funds. The Ladies Liaison Group reserves the right to refuse any goods which are not of good quality. This is not a jumble sale. Please come along to the first sale on Wednesday 3rd November at 10.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. You will order and sign for your own coffee and snacks.

Dates for your diary

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| Wednesday 3 November | - Coffee morning Bring and Buy Sale |
| Wednesday 1 December | - Coffee morning Bring and Buy Sale |
| Tuesday 14 December | - Under 6 years Christmas party |
| Wednesday 15 December | - 6-9 years Christmas party |
| Monday 20 December | - 9-13 years Christmas party |
| Wednesday 22 December | - 13 plus Christmas disco |
| Wednesday 5 January | - Coffee morning Bring & Buy Sale |

BC Fireworks Night

IT is generally known that after the signing of the peace of Aix-la-Chapelle in October 1748, King George II decided to celebrate the event in London with a fireworks display in Green Park. This took place on April 27, 1749 and for the occasion a certain Mr. George Frideric Handel was commissioned to compose suitable music.

SOME 233 years later the BRITISH CLUB ENTERTAINMENT SUB-COMMITTEE decided to combine the anniversaries of the famous peace treaty with the capture of a notorious arsonist -- a **Mr. Guy Fawkes** by re-creating that Green Park extravaganza on the front lawn of the Club on **Saturday 6th November 1982**.

FORTUNATELY the composer left many of his musical scores to posterity upon his demise in 1759 and we have been able to obtain a recording of his famous "Musick for the Royal Fireworks" to add to our evening's entertainment. So, for your enjoyment - young and old - we proudly present the **BC FIREWORKS NIGHT**.

THE fun will commence at 6.00 p.m. (deliberately early so that younger children may enjoy the spectacle before growing too tired) at which time the **Barbecues** will be lit and the **Bars** at the Poolside thrown open.

AT 6.30 p.m. there will be a "**Penny For The Guy**" ceremony during which the guy will be wheeled around the Poolside for everyone to get a close look at and, if they wish, throw a Baht coin in his direction. (Any money collected in this way will be donated to Dr. Perera's Orphanage.)

THE fireworks themselves will be lit at 6.45 p.m. on the Front Lawn after which the spectacular parts of the evening will draw to a close with the ceremonial burning of the guy atop a huge bonfire on the Back Lawn.

ALL the while the beautiful baroque strains of Mr. Handel's music interspersed with a little recitation from some of our younger members will accompany us on our nostalgic journey.

THE event will be compered by Graham Millington in his own inimitable style.

THERE is no limit on numbers but please do sign in at the Register which will be available at Reception from Monday October 18 indicating your intention to attend. Also - let us know the number in your party excluding the under -5's.

WE'RE making a small charge of £20.- per person (under -5's free) to cover costs and thereafter it's up to you what you spend!!

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The Hash

The one in Kabul lasted only 2 runs. The San Salvador chapter is no longer heard from and the Peking chapter has been disappointing but growing numbers of harriers are running and drinking around the world. Hashing is a distant cousin to a game from Victorian England where a pack of hounds try to follow a paper trail left by a hare. As adapted by a few British residents in Malaya in 1938 the beer at the end of the run became important; most say more important than the run itself.

'Hash House' was the nickname given, because of its institutional food, to the Selangor Club Chambers in Kuala Lumpur where resided a number of bachelors and others separated from their wives. A.J. Gisbert is credited with founding the modern Hash House Harriers and the first runs were made on Fridays although now the traditional run is on a Monday night, the change having been made when it was discovered that those who took part in other sports on Saturdays were not always at their best following the run and ensuing beer blast. The hare of the week was responsible for supplying drinks after each run and for safeguarding the official beer mugs. Rules were and are few subject to frequent reinterpretation.

World War II interrupted the Hash after 117 runs, the Japanese occupied Malaya and Gisbert was killed in the battle of Singapore. One of the original founders, Torch Bennett, who now lives in retirement near Durban in South Africa led the post war revival by filing a claim for war damages, to wit one bucket and thirty beer mugs.

The founding members were all British although Gisbert was actually of Spanish or Portugese descent, his parents having migrated to London sometime before he was born.

The second chapter of the Hash House Harriers opened in Singapore in 1962 and others sprouted elsewhere in what was now independent Malaysia; Kuching in 1963, Brunei, Kota Kinabalu, Penang and Ipoh in 1964. Perth was the first chapter outside Singapore and Malaysia and they started in 1967. Australia now has the most chapters outside Malaysia with 35 clubs, not including harriettes. The first U.S. chapter was organised in Washington D.C. in 1972 by the same person, Bill Panton, who founded the Bangkok Hash. Strangely, chapters in U.K. were very slow in starting and there are still only five or six.

Why Bangkok, or Thailand in general, took so long to form a pack of the Hash House Harriers, when neighbouring countries had founded their chapters many years earlier is something of a mystery. The late 60s and early 70s saw a geographical spread of our movement throughout the whole of non-communist South East Asia taking in Korea, Japan, the Philippines, Hong Kong, Indonesia and many Pacific Islands. More recently activities have expanded with northern Europe (Germany, Sweden, Norway, Switzerland, Denmark, Holland and Belgium) and the Middle East. Only the communist world, Africa, South America and Southern Europe seem to have repulsed the HHH virus todate, though honourable conquests are reported in Athens, Zagreb, Durban, Bolivia, Sierra Leone and of course Cyprus which has been a stronghold of Hashing since the mid sixties. The Kabul group, started by a present Bangkok Hash member, unfortunately had only 2 runs before the Russians invaded; rumour has it that the war was a direct consequence of a Hash run, as when the resident Russians saw and heard the pack passing their Embassy they assumed that they were being attacked.

The Bangkok Hash, formed as recently as June 1977, is the longest regularly running Hash in Thailand, although it was not the first. There are reliable reports of a Hash running regularly for a few years in North East Thailand in the sixties; the driving force is understood to have been a British Commonwealth Engineering Regiment, possibly Kiwi, then engaged in road construction activities as part of a military aid programme.

There is also circumstantial evidence that the present Royal Bangkok Sports Club Jogging Section sprang from an early attempt to start a Bangkok Hash.

The Bangkok Hash as we know it was first conceived in the minds of Jim Stewart, a Hong Kong Hashman who was posted to the Honkers and Shakers branch in Bangkok late in 1975, and Bill Panton, a Kuala Lumpur Hashman of many years standing who arrived on a World Bank posting fresh from the Washington D.C. Hash towards the end of 1976. Jim and Bill in their efforts to promote the Bangkok Hash received no support from the British Club or associates who poured ridicule on their suggestions. However, kindred souls in an alien situation, they set about their task of reconnaissance, surveying dummy runs through the Bangkok environs in complete secrecy lest their deviations into obscure corners of the capital were misconstrued by wives, mistresses and others with suspicious minds (a distaff failing which is much evident in the fair city I might add).

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THE HASH (continued)

Traditional Monday night running was ruled out for reasons of traffic congestion and early darkness, although an attempt at Monday running has been started this year with the Bangkok Monday Hash, so far with promising results.

Finally, after several weeks of careful deliberation, Jim and Bill announced the first run of the Bangkok Hash House Harriers for a Saturday afternoon in June 1977. The place was out on the new Petchburi Road Extension and ten stalwarts turned up at the appointed time. The run was judged a complete success and nine of the original ten ultimately became paying members. Runs were initially held at two-week intervals, with the membership staying around the ten mark; however attendance soon grew quickly to seventeen and then twenty-two and by the fourth run there was sufficient members and sufficient enthusiasm to go over to weekly runs which have continued ever since.

Runs are held throughout the Bangkok suburban area, although the first fifty or so runs were all on this side of the river. Thonburi is now, however, the more popular choice for runs due to its abundance of shady orchards, fordable klongs and pleasant paths.

The mechanics of the run have remained unchanged since the early days and follow a traditional Hash format. A hare volunteers or is appointed well in advance to set the run for a certain week. He then selects a co-hare to help him carry the map, compass, paper and six bottles of large Kloster, which are essential for any reconnaissance of the run. It is normal to require anything between 3 and 6 recces for a run, even more if it is in a virgin area. The run should be such as to take between 1 and 1½ hours, which usually means about 2 hours to walk around; however, when exploring the area and trying to find the way out of the Klong ridden area it is not unusual to start out at breakfast time and come back just in time for dinner.

In Bangkok, shredded paper is used to mark the trail although the traditional method was to use 4" x 4" pieces of white paper; environmental reasons has forced the discontinuation of this practice in all but the diehard places. Where the trail goes through or close to villages or on formed roads, flour is substituted for the paper, and occasionally, where there is a possibility of the trail being disrupted by (friendly) locals, chalk is used.

THE HASH (continued)

In order to give the slower, more rotund members a chance to keep up with the fitness fanatics, the trail stops about every 400 to 500 metres with a check, marked by a cross of flour or paper. This means that the trail starts again within 100-200 metres of the check point and the fitter members search around the area to find the new trail. Thus the Hash gives a chance for everyone to perform according to his needs, the needs basically been expending enough energy to raise a thirst whilst retaining enough to be able to transfer the thirst quenching amber fluid from mug to mouth at the end of the run.

Runs are approximately seven to eight kilometres long depending on who is the hare (some of our marathon runners do get carried away occasionally), however, those who are foolish enough to search for the checks could easily travel as much as ten kilometres.

Short cutting is not frowned upon in the Hash, indeed it is one of the arts of Hashing, but beware, the hare also recognises that some people will try to short cut and he will therefore make his run as difficult as possible. In this respect, what may seem like a short cut back to the cars may turn into a one hour trek along the bank of a particularly wide klong, with an ignominious taxi or bus ride back in the dark.

Bangkok Hash has recently celebrated its 250th run and goes from strength to strength with over sixty members and about forty running regularly every week. The popularity of the Hash is most certainly not because of it's running aspect but because of the 'on on' and 'on on on' which occur after the run. At the completion of the run the pack gather around the beer wagon to quench their, by now extensive thirst and to help the sales of Kloster. After the traditional 'down down' performed by the hare and cohare, visiting Hashmen and other notabilities, most of the Hash retire to a suitable nearby hostelry for more sustenance and frivolities continue well into evening.

The Hash has traditionally been an all male preserve, however, in some countries, because of strange equality laws, women are by law allowed to participate. In Thailand, where social mores are more civilised, there is a Bangkok Harriettes for those women who wish to emulate their male counterparts. The Harriettes run on Wednesday over a slightly shorter distance but otherwise faithfully mimic the activities of the men.

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If you wish to join the Hash, male or female, it is very simple: come along to one of the runs and, if you enjoy it, pay your entrance fee. After a few weeks you find yourself a member of a world-wide organization of rather unique people. Once a Hashman in Bangkok you can run with any chapter all over the world and will be welcome with true Hash spirit.

The Hash may not have universal appeal of course; if you don't like falling in the odd Klong, tripping over bamboo bridges and having the following pack trample you in the mud or downing eight bottles of large Kloster on a Saturday evening and then being abused by a drunken secretary, then its probably not for you.

Geof Connor

Bangkok, October, 1982

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Editor's Note

Geof is an experienced Hash enthusiast having been Hashing with various clubs around the world over the last 12 years. He first Hashed with Port Moresby in 1970 and has since drunk and run with Kuala Lumpur, Bangkok (during their first 10 runs), Lae (PNG), Singapore, Kabul and now back to Bangkok. He has been 'grand master' of Kuala Lumpur Hash and the ill-fated Kabul Hash. He fully supports the popular Hash saying, if you're half a mind to join the Hash - that's all you need!

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Traveller's Tree

(*Ravanala madagascariensis*)

The plant known as the traveller's tree must be one of the most stunning of tropical plants. Its elegantly symmetrical foliage makes it very suitable for formal gardens and it is used to great effect outside the Wat Phra Keo.

In fact the plant is not a tree at all, if by tree is meant a plant with lignified tissues - wood. Neither is it a palm; botanically speaking it is a giant herbaceous plant, and it achieves its great size with the help of extremely strong fibres. I have seen some traveller's trees - growing in gardens near the Oriental hotel - which have reached a height of 15 m and more, but 10 m is more common.

The species is a member of the same family as bananas and the striking 'bird-of-paradise' plant (*Strelitzia*). It is a native of Madagascar but has been spread throughout the tropics because of its striking structure. The plant consists of a palm-like trunk from which emerge enormous leaves, each with a leaf stalk that can be 1 to 4 m long. New leaves appear vertically from the centre of the plant tightly rolled. They unroll, then as they age they bend outwards to form an immense fan. The stalks of dead leaves are usually cut back in order to maintain the overall symmetry of the plant.

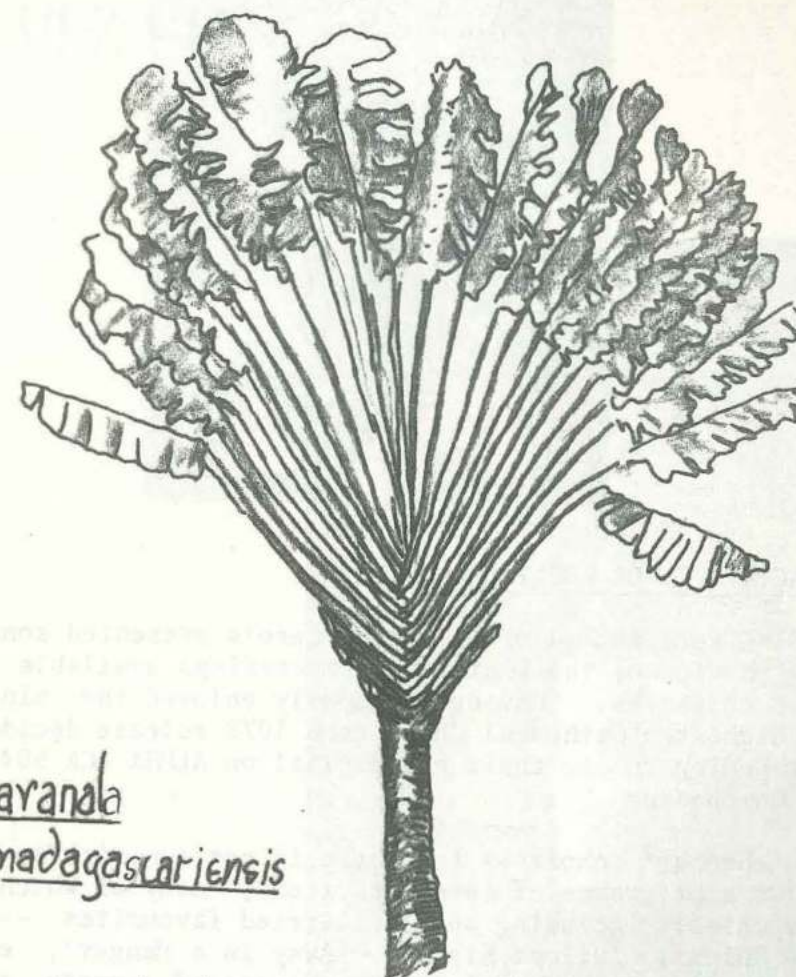
The traveller's tree produces annual flowers similar to those of *Heliconia* (Lobster-claw plant) or *Strelitzia*, though they are less showy, consisting of white petals and green spathes. The leaves become tattered in the wind as do those of the banana, but this does not impair the plant's ability to grow and thrive.

The origin of the name of this plant is sometimes given as being that the fan always points from east to west, so acting as a natural compass -- unfortunately, this is not true -- gardeners presumably achieve the effect of having all of the fans of a group or avenue pointing in the same direction by transplanting young plants once their orientation has become apparent. Another (more likely) explanation for the name is that the huge leaves channel rainwater towards the trunk where it collects -- the thirsty traveller only has to know this to find water.

The traveller's tree can be propagated either from seed (a slow process) or from the offshoots that appear at its base. It is a long-lived plant and if provided with moist soil and a warm climate it will grace a garden for many years, providing a note of exotic grandeur.

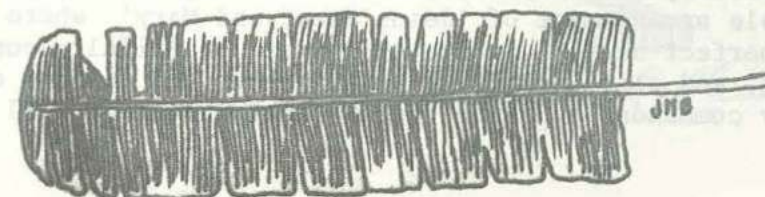
by Jacqueline M. Piper

Bangkok, June 1982



Ravanala
madagascariensis

'Traveller's tree'



New Records...by Camus



ATTRACTIVE CAROL RECITAL

CHOOSING your record of Christmas Carols presented some difficulty in view of the plethora of recordings available from the record companies. Having previously enjoyed the singing of the Chichester Cathedral Choir on a 1978 release decided me on recommending to you their new recital on ALPHA ACA 504, 'Carols From Chichester'.

The 'chamber' choir -- the group is not numerically rich -- provide a programme of seventeen items, many of which are unaccompanied, including both well-tried favourites -- 'I Saw three Ships', 'Silent Night', 'Away in a Manger', etc., -- and several very attractive arrangements of carols that are not so familiar, and which make very rewarding listening.

The care and attention given to the choir by its Choirmaster, Alan Thurlow, is very evident in listening to Richard Lloyd's admirable arrangement of 'Jesus Sweet and Mary' where a well-nigh perfect blend is achieved amidst beautifully-controlled singing, and also in 'Silent Night', where the balance of parts is very commendable. The fascinatingly-rhythmic 'Il est ne'

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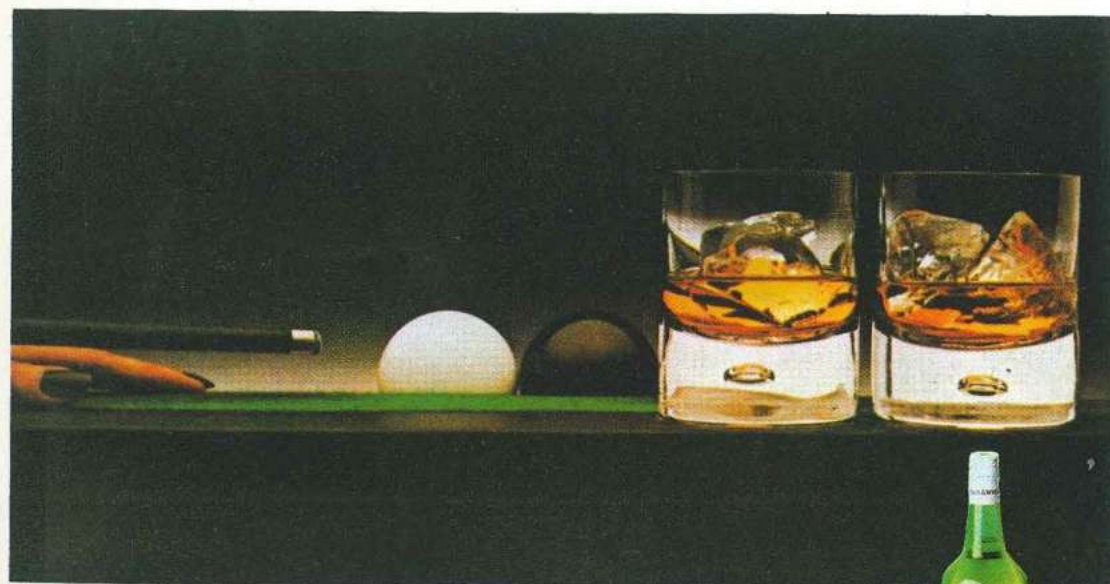


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is sung 'en francais', while the alternating high and low voices lend an unusual sonority to John Joubert's 'There is no rose of such vertu'. Carols in joyous vein, such as 'Deck the Hall' and the bright-and-breezy 'I saw three Ships' are in splendid contrast to the more lyrical music, but my pick of the bunch is a quite delectable rendering of Edmund Rubbra's lovely carol, 'Infant Holy'.

The organist is Jeremy Suter, and a word sheet is supplied. Early application to your dealer for this record is advisable.

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IN 1961 the world was only a year away from James Bond and The Beatles. In America John F. Kennedy was inaugurated as President. The Russians secured the first manned space flight in human history with Yuri Gagarin orbiting the earth and landing safely. In Britain, Harold Macmillan unveiled his 'Grand Design' -- Britain's application to join the Common Market.

What of the music of 1961? What popular tunes were we singing? Who were the artists in vogue just then? In his series called 'Time Travels', Jimmy Savile answers just those very questions as he gathers together on a Music For Pleasure compilation (MFP 5573, £2.25 only) his '20 Golden Hits of 1961', all performed by the artists who first made them popular.

From a score of nostalgic melodies, each listener will have his own preferences - his own memories, and as for myself I would resist making choices from such a goodly list if possible. However you may like to know that Buddy Holly ('Baby I Don't Care'), Pat Boone ('Johnny Will'), the evergreen Cliff Richard ('Theme for a Dream'), Miss Helen Shapiro - remember her version of 'Walkin' Back to Happiness? - not forgetting Danny Williams whose 'Moon River' record of the film tune became such a hit -- are all contributors.

Groups were 'in vogue' in 1961, and Jimmy Savile has included The Highwaymen singing 'Michael', the Temperance Seven ('You're Driving me Crazy'), to say nothing of those irresistibles, The Piltdown Men, in one of their most expressive offerings. Orchestally, Johnny Dankworth's contribution is the well-known 'African Waltz', while Sandy Nelson with 'Let there be Drums' and groups like The Shadows add to the versatility of the recital.

A record worth buying at its bargain price, more especially as part Royalties are to devoted to the rebuilding of Stoke Mandeville Spinal Unit.

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Puzzle

LADY TAMARA TIGER writes from up-country:

"We are here for our annual big-game photograph contest. This year the party consists of Rear-Admiral Lion, Lord Boar, Mr. Buffalo, and myself -- with the addition of Mrs. Deer. As usual, we are giving one point or more for each beast photographed. A deer counts most points; then comes a lion; then a boar; then a buffalo; then a tiger.

"Yesterday the party photographed eleven beasts, totalling thirty points. Everyone's namesake was photographed at least once. On the point basis, we were successful in the following order:

(1) Mr. Buffalo, (2) the Deer woman, (3) Lord Boar, (4) me, (5) Rear-Admiral Lion. Yet Lion photographed twice as many beasts as anybody else. Buffalo, I may tell you, scored points for a buffalo he photographed which I saw first. A special prize was offered to anyone who could photograph a pair of boars, but that one no one succeeded in winning.

"Buffalo tells me that if you knew our basis of scoring you could easily deduce who photographed what. Lion goes farther and says you could deduce our scoring basis, if I tell you that it only admits of one interpretation of the figures and facts I have given you."

What animals were photographed by each member of the party?

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A Gem.

It was during one of those surprising silences which sometimes occur in a crowded room that the only man still talking was heard to say in the Club Bar "my wife is an angel!" This drew the immediate reply "You're lucky: mine is still alive!"

SOLUTION TO FALKLANDS - 2

Let Defendant = D Defence = De Prosecutor = P
Argie = A Falklander = F Brit = B

Consider the first three statements:

If D were an Argie his statement would be a lie and he would therefore be guilty. As this is contrary to one of the conditions, D is therefore not an Argie.

We have three remaining possibilities:

- 1) D = F; hence his statement is true, hence he is innocent. then De's statement is true, hence he = B. As A cannot be guilty, then De is guilty.
- 2) D = B and innocent. Then De's statement is true and he is therefore F. Then P is again = A and innocent. De is guilty.
- 3) D = B and guilty. Then P's statement is true and he = F, therefore De = A.

	1	2	3
D	Inn. F	Inn. B	Guil. B
De	Guil. B	Guil. F	Inn. A
P	Inn. A	Inn. A	Inn. F

In all cases P is innocent.

When the commander asked P if he was guilty the commander knew that P, in fact, was not guilty.

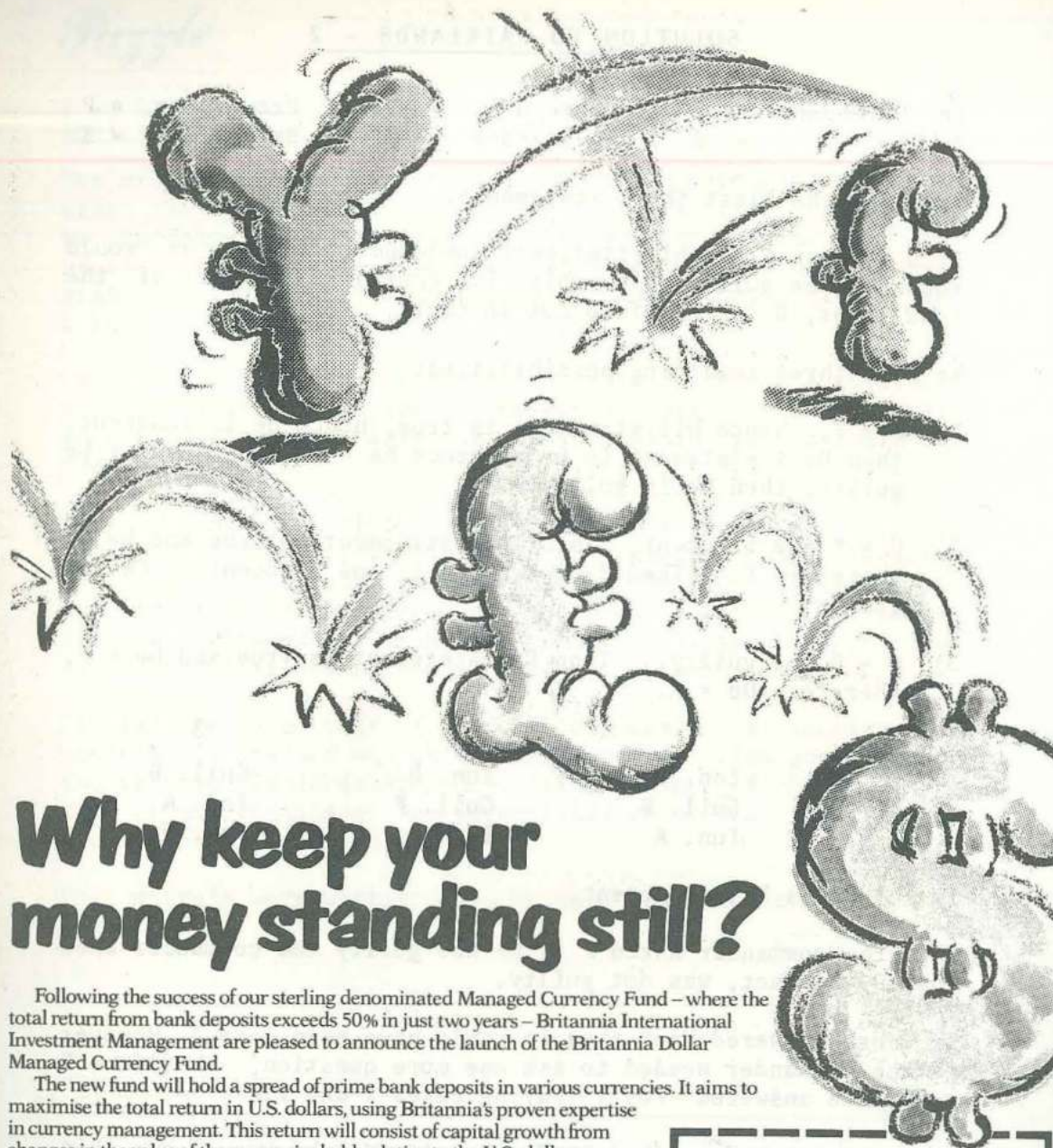
If P had answered "no" then it would have been case 3. However as the commander needed to ask one more question, therefore P must have answered "Yes", leaving cases 1 and 2.

When the commander asked D, "Is P guilty", he knew again that P was not guilty.

If D had answered "No" then it would be a correct answer and D could have been F or B. As the commander stated "I now know all", then the answer must have been "Yes" and D (giving a false statement) must have been a Brit.

Therefore case 2 is correct and the Falklander was guilty.

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Graham Millington has some surprises

up his sleeve! Competitions, elimination prizes and
forfeits will continue to make the evening a really
great success.

WE'RE keeping the price of tickets at *B 550* each

- same as last year. Numbers must be restricted to

300 so sign up early to avoid disappointment. The

Register will be open at the beginning of November.

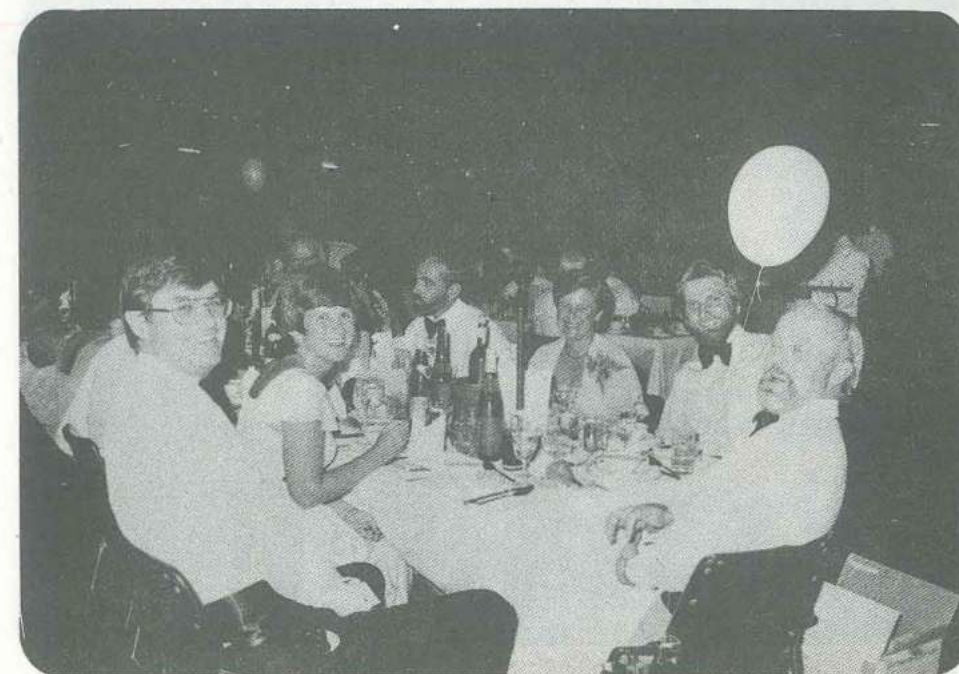
More news later but put the date in your diaries now!!

Dress - Red Sea Rig or National dress.

Photos from last year's X'mas Ball



..... Just to remind everyone



... what a super occasion it is!



BILLIARDS

New Bylaws

Reviewing the section Bylaws, one or two anomalies were apparent so revision seemed to be in order. At the same time a new bylaw reserving tables at peak times for Members (and their guests) has been added, the requirement for supervision of young players has been changed (the supervisor must now be over 21 and a member of any category) and the requirements for dress (unchanged) have been incorporated as a bylaw. New pages for substitution in the blue book are sent to all members with this issue of Outpost. A copy of the new bylaws will be framed and hung in the Billiards Room.

The Donofield Cup

While transferring the billiards and snooker trophies to their new display cabinet, another handsome cup came to light. Presented to the Club in 1958 by Mr. J.H. Donofield, (Chairman 1962-1964) this trophy is for an annual singles handicap competition in volunteer snooker. Many players have suggested a handicap competition so the discovery of this trophy is a happy event. So, with apologies to Mr. Donofield for overlooking his trophy in our search last year, the Donofield Cup competition will be run as soon as the Hamilton Cup or O'Connell Cup Competition is completed. It will be interesting to see what handicaps the organisers come up with!

Ladder

Activity has been slack for some while although the billiards room is always in use for friendly games. It was suggested that 3 frames often took too long so your sub-committee have changed the Ladder rules to allow players to agree on the number of frames to be played. A proviso gives the challenged player the right to insist on the best of 3 frames so that he can reject a frivolous challenge. The question of counting competition results for the ladder is also being considered. Any comments?

AGM - POSTPONED!

The Billiards AGM just wouldn't fit into the December calendar of BC events so is postponed to a date in January, 1983, to be announced.

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BRIDGE

Duplicate continues to be popular and is now on every second week - next one is November the 8th. Winners last month were Simon & Leslie Brewin early in the month and Bob Chance & Malcom at the second session. We seem to be steady at 5 to 6 tables but with a donation from Qantas of 17 packs of cards we can manage a few more.

Standard is as always variable but the cards are perverse enough to ensure close games -- only one point separated the top three pairs last time.

Alternate weeks we are playing Chicago but there is a ground swell for duplicate every week -- let us know how you feel on the subject.

See you on Monday night.



"I'll say this for you, Cosgrove. You are not a yes-person."



CRICKET

The Cricket Section held a pre-season meeting at the Club on Wednesday 6th October, and the first meeting of the Thailand Cricket League Committee was held on Tuesday 12th October. The following momentous decisions and arrangements have so far been made for the forthcoming 1982/83 cricket season.

1. British Club Responsibilities

Club Captain - Jack Dunford, Vice Captain - John Coghill, Treasurer - Brian Brook, Thailand Cricket League Rep - Jack Dunford, Outpost and Kit - Don Goodin.

2. Practice Nets

Practice sessions will be held at the Club nets on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 4.45 p.m. Nets start 3rd/4th November.

3. Chiangmai Fixture

Details of the opening game in Chiangmai 4th/5th December have already been circulated separately. Please return forms by 1st November - everyone is welcome.

4. Thailand Cricket League Committee

A committee was formed with one representative from each team and this committee will be responsible for organising and controlling the League programme.

5. British Club Fixtures

There will be 2 League competitions this year -- a 25 over league with 8 teams playing in 2 Divisions of 4, with semi-finals and a final to decide the championship winners - and a 40 over league with 7 teams playing on a round-robin basis. Our first league match is scheduled for Saturday 8th January. A full list is on the Club notice board.

6. Other Fixtures

British Club players will have an opportunity to play in a number of other games, including the Marshall Trophy match against RBSC, and the Booker Trophy match between the British and Australian Ambassador's respective XI's.

7. League Playing Conditions

The League Committee has drawn up playing conditions for the 1982/83 season including the points system and walk-over regulations. A copy will be posted on the Club board and they will hopefully also be included in a fixtures card for all players.

8. British Club Match Fees

For the British Club matches there will be a match fee of £50. per game to cover kit costs. This will be collected by the Treasurer at matches.

9. Sign-Up Sheet

There is a sign-up sheet for players on the Club Notice Board.

10. Season Opening Social

There will be a Social for all cricketers and friends at RBSC on Tuesday 23rd November.

11. Cricket for Juniors

We are hoping to organise practice/training sessions for youngsters at the Club if there is sufficient interest.



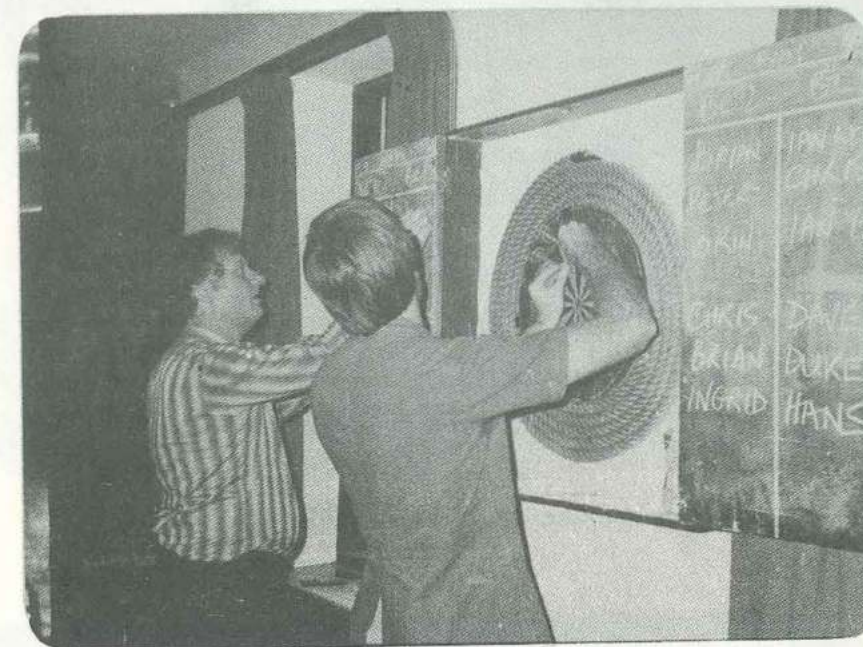
"My great hope for the future is money getting into the wrong hands."

Cricket Section Treasurer



DARTS

There is no article, but here are some photos from the BC I v. BC II event!



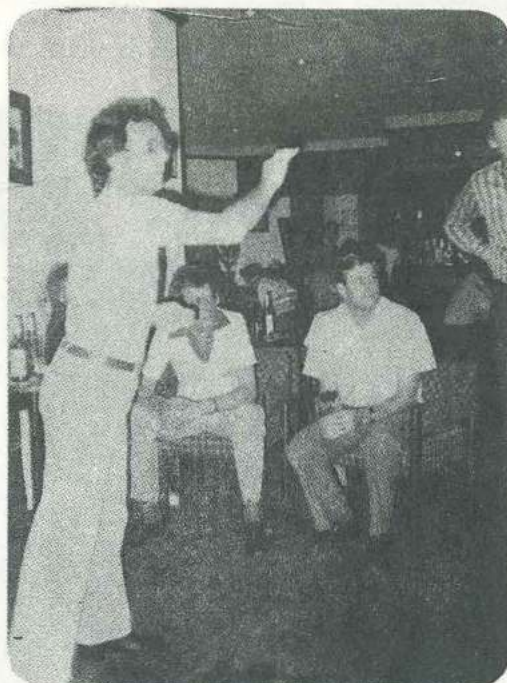
BC I Captain Ian W-M removes his arrows,



Then scores for Brian Heath



Duke in full flight!



Rubbish!

DARTS PHOTOS (continued)



Dave W. lines up with Bryan Baldwin checking.



The whole mob - over the optimum Amarit level!



LADIES' GOLF

The Kitchen Sink Competition is over for another year. It was fun for everyone -- I think --, despite the water-logged course where webbed feet would have been a distinct advantage! All the Competitors received gifts before they Tee'd off. For the ladies a pair of tights (kindly donated by Meridian Advertising Agency) and for the men a bottle of Baby Lotion (By courtesy of Johnson and Johnson) just what they all needed of course!! I did hear that a mistake or two was made - so if you see a B.C. male golfer wearing tights - Wee??!!

We had prizes galore, although not everyone managed to take one home. The ladies on the Committee i.e. Ella Mallaret, Ann Johnstone, Pam Hardy and Eileen Ford supplied finger nosh which was duly appreciated by all when they arrived back at the Club House after the endurance test on the course! The prize list is far too long to detail fully but here is an abridged version:-

Combined Stableford Points Prize Winners

Husband and Wife or Draw

1st Prize	Ann and Alastair Johnstone
2nd "	Kinston Persson and Neil Duggan
3rd "	Eileen and Tom Ford
4th "	Meg Friel and Ken Boughton
5th "	Lena and Ulf Svensson

Individual Prize Winners

	<u>Ladies</u>	<u>Men</u>
1st Prize	Meg Friel	Ron Dodsworth
2nd "	Kinston Persson (on c/b)	Alastair Johnstone
3rd "	Eileen Ford	Peter Speed
4th "	Joan Jurgens	Peter Smith
5th "	Ann Johnstone	Neil Duggan

Longest Drives

	<u>Ladies</u>	<u>Men</u>
Hole No. 7	Kinston Persson	Hans Daniels
" " 16	Ella Mallaret	John Davidson

Nearest to the Pin

Hole No. 4	Joan Jurgens	Ron Armstrong
" " 6	Meg Friel	Ian McLean
" " 14	-	Don Goodin

Regrettably the Ladies lost the overall kitchen sink tournament to "The Brutes" this year, and the Frying Pan Trophy was handed over with due ceremony to Don Goodin who accepted it with noticeable glee". Never mind ladies there is always another year!!

Ann Johnstone our Secretary left for a holiday in Europe with Alastair immediately after the competition. The hard going on the course will almost certainly have ensured a good nights sleep on the long journey! I wish them both a most enjoyable holiday.

Photographs this month by Joan Jurgens.

Fixtures

At the Army Course unless otherwise stated.

19.10.82	- L.G.U. Medal	Starter: Judy King
2.11.82	- Ts & Fs	" Ella Mallaret
9.11.82	- Stableford	" " "
16.11.82	- L.G.U. Medal	" Pam Hardy
23.11.82	- Captains Prize (at Navatanee Golf Course)	" Eileen Ford
30.11.82	- L.G.U. Medal	" Judy King
7.12.82	- Bisque Bogey	" Ann Johnstone
14.12.82	- Annual Round Up Stableford	" Eileen Ford



Lady Captain Eileen Ford graciously presents the famous FRYING PAN to Don Goodin (accepting for the Men's Committee). Well perhaps next year is the Ladies' chance; they are devising a NEW system for scoring!

P.S. Next photo was destroyed showed Eileen with the Frying Pan in a murderous position.



Neil Duggan inspecting Alistair Johnstone's golf-shoes-cum-swim-fins at the Rose Garden Swamp during the Kitchen Sink Open.



SQUASH

We are having a boom season lately for squash as anyone who has tried to book a court only a day ahead will verify. Further confirmation of this appears in the bookings of courts for August which show 800 stickers booked in that month. That was the heaviest usage since October 1980. Those players now spurred to dreaming of a glass backed air conditioned court number 4 can settle down because we are still paying off court 3 from the sticker income. Speaking of glass backed courts the UK squash scene has launched into the shuttle era with news that the 1982 world open will be played in a new 3 sided glass wall court at The National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham in November.

Imagine such a court in Bangkok with GOGO dancing between points! Unfortunately our car park is too small for such events. We do have some other big events coming up on the squash calendar so please read on.

37th League

The feeling seems general that each league produces closer competition as the handicappers sharpen divisional placings with more and more form or refer to. Newcomers are always welcome at any level and can scan the poolside notice board for entry details. Highlights of this league included:

- 84 entries 13 divisions.
- Withdrawal by reason of pregnancy was accepted but broken arm (different player) case could have used other arm.
- Rod Carter won a division for the third time since league 1 (one). Where were you Bernie?
- Nigel Price aged 11, won division 13. Maybe it was age 13 winning division 11? Anyway Nigel is our youngest winner ever and deserves special applause for his record.
- Divisions 7 and 12 had a 100% record with all games played thus no withdrawals or walkovers.
- Walter Coleshill is still hanging in there and will be open for challenges soon as Nigel is out of town.
- George Stretton had a clean sweep in division 10. No one won a game against him. Others who won all their games and gave away very little were:

Colin Hastings	Div. 2
Roger Gain	Div. 5
Mike Rickard	Div. 9
Sue Edmunds	Div. 11
Mavis Clements	Div. 12
Nigel Price	Div. 13

TSRA

This will be underway at time of print and the BC has a fine selection of volunteers to carry the flag in the 4 divisions. We raked up 10 teams (7 men + 3 ladies) plus reserves and are looking at 2 teams in Div. 1, 3 in Div. 2, 3 in Div. 3 and 2 teams in Div. 4. Player skill cuts across the board so this competition will be good for the squash level of the club generally. Nov/Dec will be the play offs and the finals are to be held in January 1983.

BC Squash Sub-Committee

On 18 October the committee met to thank Eddie Rennie for his chairmanship during 1982 and elected Jack Dunford as his replacement. Eddie will be staying on as travels permit to help on the committee. At September's meeting Sue Edmunds was welcomed on the committee and given a spirited welcome as the chits would show. The newly revised committee now comprises of:

Chairman :	Jack Dunford
Secretary :	Bernie Grogan
Treasurer :	Brian Brook
TSRA :	Colin Hastings
Training/Fixtures :	Len Alexander
Publicity :	Dick Souter
Ladies Squash :	Lyn Cook
	Sue Edmunds
Members :	Eddie Rennie
	Andy Dunlop
	Tom Prendergast

League/Ladder Courtesy of Jack/Bernie/Brian/Lyn.

SQUASH BYE-LAWS AND COURT BOOKING RULES

These have been updated and are now approved by the General Committee. They will be displayed at the Poolside notice board and on the Court doors. We are told that they will be enclosed in loose leaf form in this issue of Outpost, so that you can update your "blue-book". In brief:

If you want to play - use a sticker

RULES OF SQUASH

A copy of the International rules have now been acquired, and will be displayed. Len has agreed to find some way of explaining them to all those interested. Meanwhile the hottest debate currently concerns 'turning'.

Some clubs introduce a local rule but the British Club have decided to adopt the International rules. These make no mention of turning, therefore it is allowed. But if you shout "Turning", or anything else while the ball is in play your opponent can claim the point for "court distraction".

HOGMANAY GALA DISCO BUFFET

We didn't know what to call it but its not to be missed. Along the lines of the successful Squash Disco & Barbecue held in the Sala in June your hardworking organisers Lyn Cook, Len Alexander and friends (yes, they still have friends) are scheming to put on the best 'New Year' celebration in town.

For only £200 per head, you (all Club Members & their friends) can eat the Club BBQ and drink Beer, Scotch & Gin free of further charge -- at least until the booze runs out, but if it does most of you won't hear "Auld Lang Syne"

If you would like to join in the fun from 8 p.m. on 31st December to 1.00 a.m. (????) on 1st January, look out for the booking sheet at Reception about the middle of November.

DEPARTURES

Always fast on the feet, the squash section says goodbye to Clive and Wendy Miller plus Guy and Sue Jillings. Besides being active in golf Clive was a strong voice on the squash committee up to early this year and we wish him bon voyage ahead.



SWIMMING

The big day has come and gone. What a superb day it turned out to be. Everybody who was at the 2nd Friendship Swimming Meet held at our own pool on 17th October will long remember the occasion.

Our guests for the day were the ISRC and the Lions Club of Nonthaburi and they turned up in force to join battle for the privilege of winning the Lady de La Mare Cup. Our own swimmers knew that they would have to swim harder and faster than ever before if they were to retain the trophy and how they tried.

Scott Younger opened the day at 8 o'clock sharp and it was then straight into the day's swimming. The standard for the competition was set almost immediately with three Pool Records being broken in the first handful of events. These performances came from Lions Club swimmers and it was clear even at that early stage that they had their eyes firmly on the Lady de La Mare Cup.

Cassidy Smith, Melinda Laing and Alexander Fleming swimming in the under 7 years age group earned the first points for the British Club and everyone else then took up the challenge.

Who were the British Club star performers? Of course it was everybody who took part. But, we should give special mention to our medal winners. Emily Nancarrow collected one Gold and three Silvers for an outstanding day's swimming. Selinla Collins, Dzung Williams and Kate Nancarrow were also Gold medal winners. Seksan Collins was the proud winner of four Bronzes and Lisa Laing with another fine set of performances won three Bronzes. The young ones were also swimming well. Cassidy Smith won two Silvers and a Bronze and Alexander Fleming one Silver and three Bronzes. Extra medals were also won in the relay events.

Despite all these splendid efforts, however, it was not to be our day. The Lions Club continued to build up a commanding lead throughout the day and were the worthy winners of the Cup. The ISRC swam into second place with the British Club finishing a proud third.

It was a day that will be long remembered.

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Special thanks must of course go to all those who worked behind the scenes to make the day a success. Not least thanks must go to Bob Vlietstra and Khun Adisak and all their staff for all the arrangements made to make the day a showpiece for our guests.

Back down to earth again, the next Club Gala will be held on 7th November followed by the Family Gala in December. It would help Helen Jamieson if those families holding Cups won in 1981 would return them well before the end of November.

These are a few photos rushed through for this issue. There will be lots more in November's OUTPOST - with real captions!



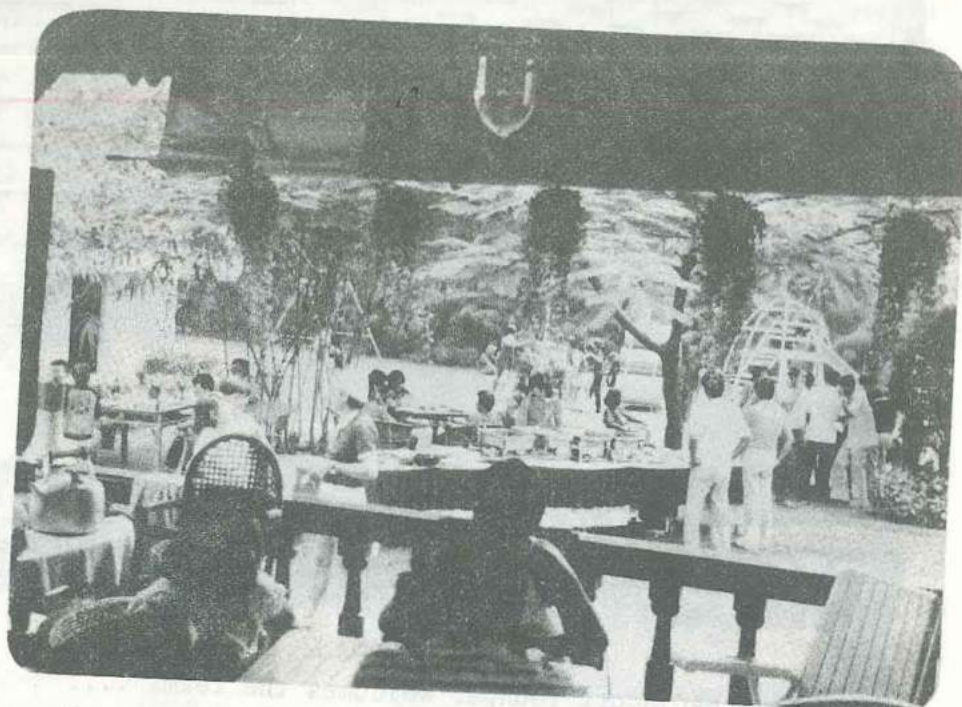
The teams line up (early in the morning!)



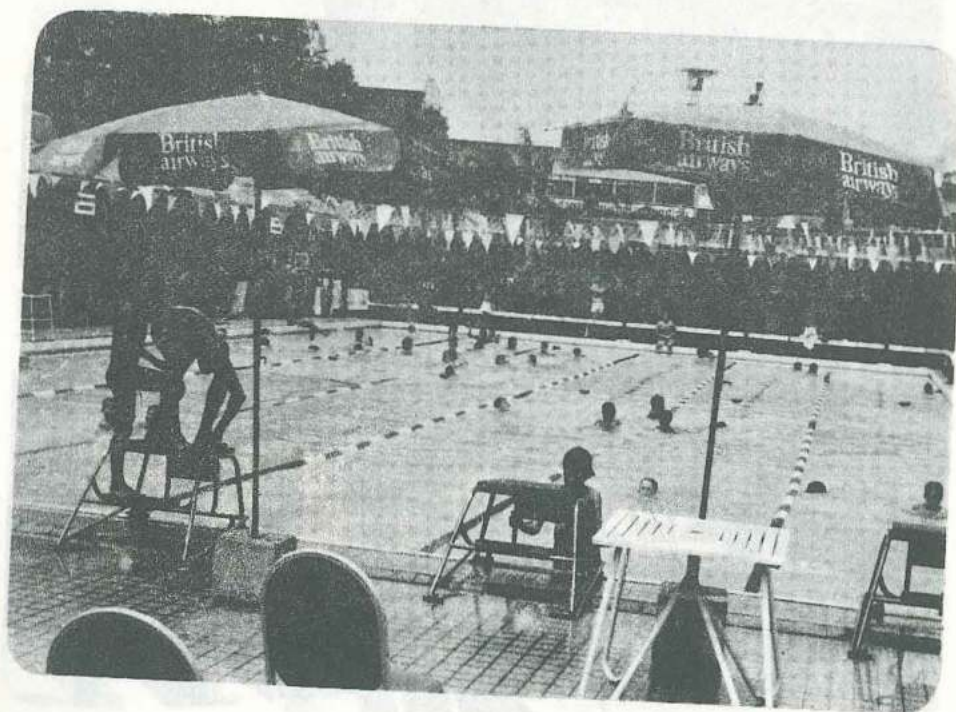
Chairman Scott Younger welcomes the teams



.... and Mrs. Panida replies for the Lions Club



Lunch time, and....



.... Relaxing!

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Regardless of your religious denomination you will be most welcome to attend and participate in Christ Church's many services and activities.

For further information, please contact the Vicar, the Rev. Ian Bull at 234-3634.

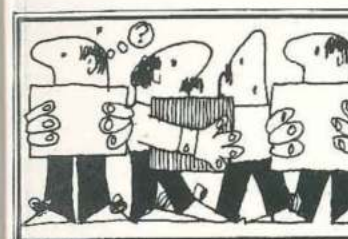
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Everyone would agree that moving can be troublesome, worrisome and wearisome. Right?

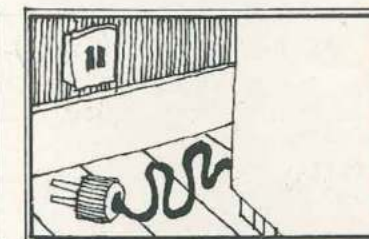
These useful tips will help you...



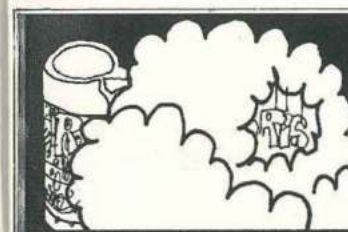
Avoid crowds during packing days by selling unwanted items well in advance. Packing is more secure and faster if only packers are present during packing days.



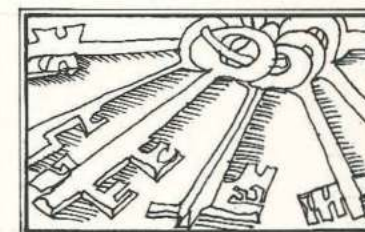
New furniture should be delivered at least two weeks before packing to ensure dry finishes. Furniture should not be oiled during the last two weeks as the oil might seep during transit: wrapping paper may adhere to and spoil finishes.



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



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



All furniture keys should be taped to respective items, preferably to the insides of drawers, etc., and you should keep a complete set of duplicate keys for yourself.



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

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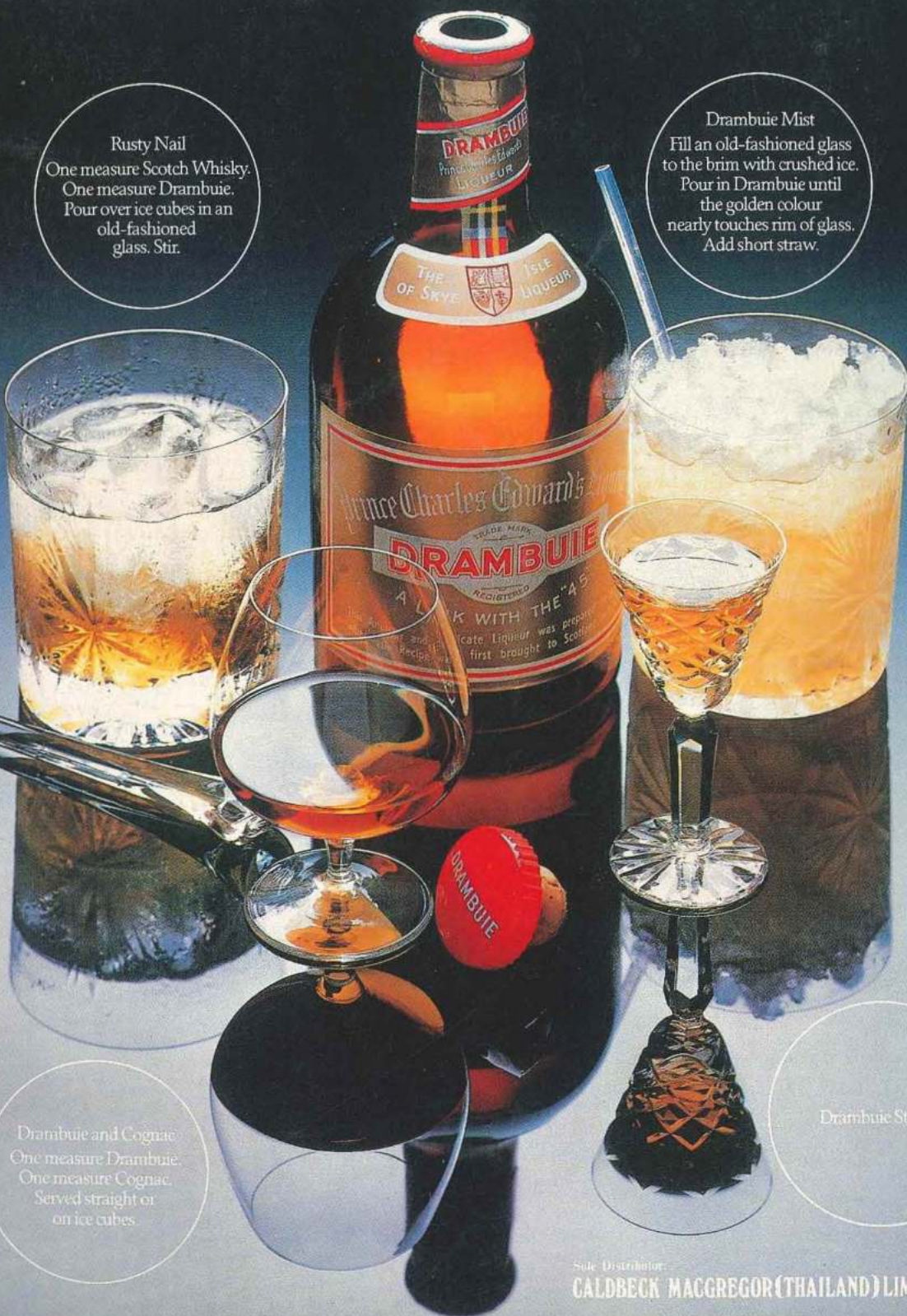
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One measure Scotch Whisky.
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Pour over ice cubes in an
old-fashioned
glass. Stir.

Drambuie Mist

Fill an old-fashioned glass
to the brim with crushed ice.
Pour in Drambuie until
the golden colour
nearly touches rim of glass.
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