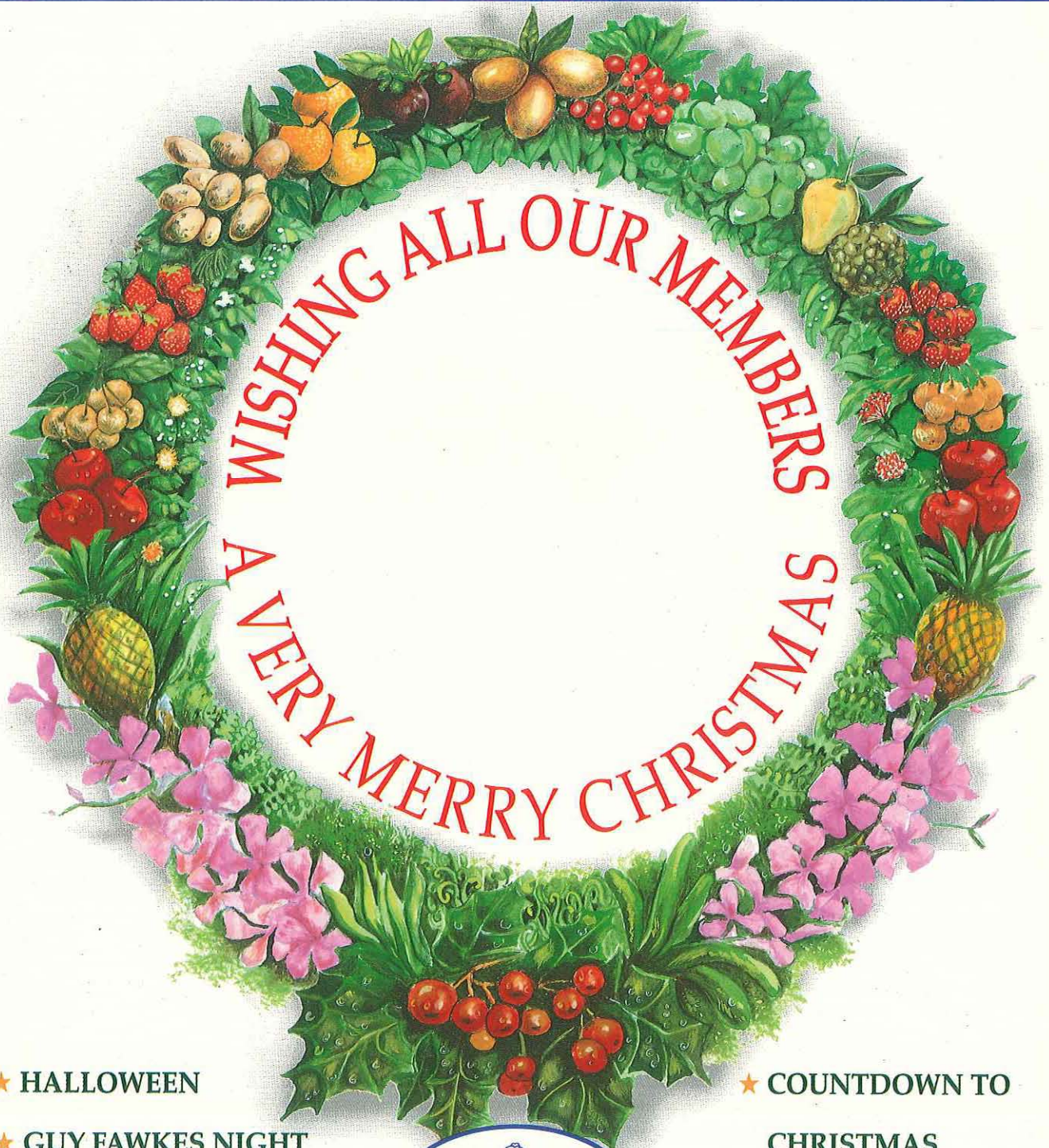


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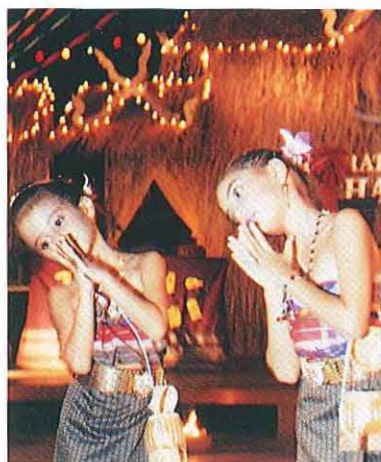


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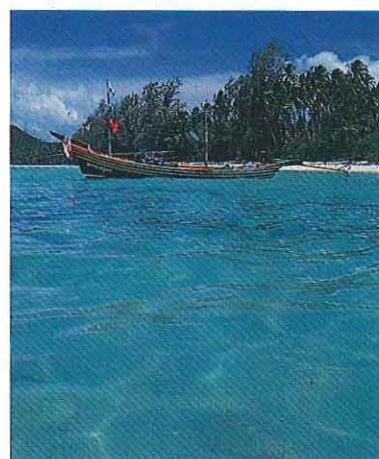
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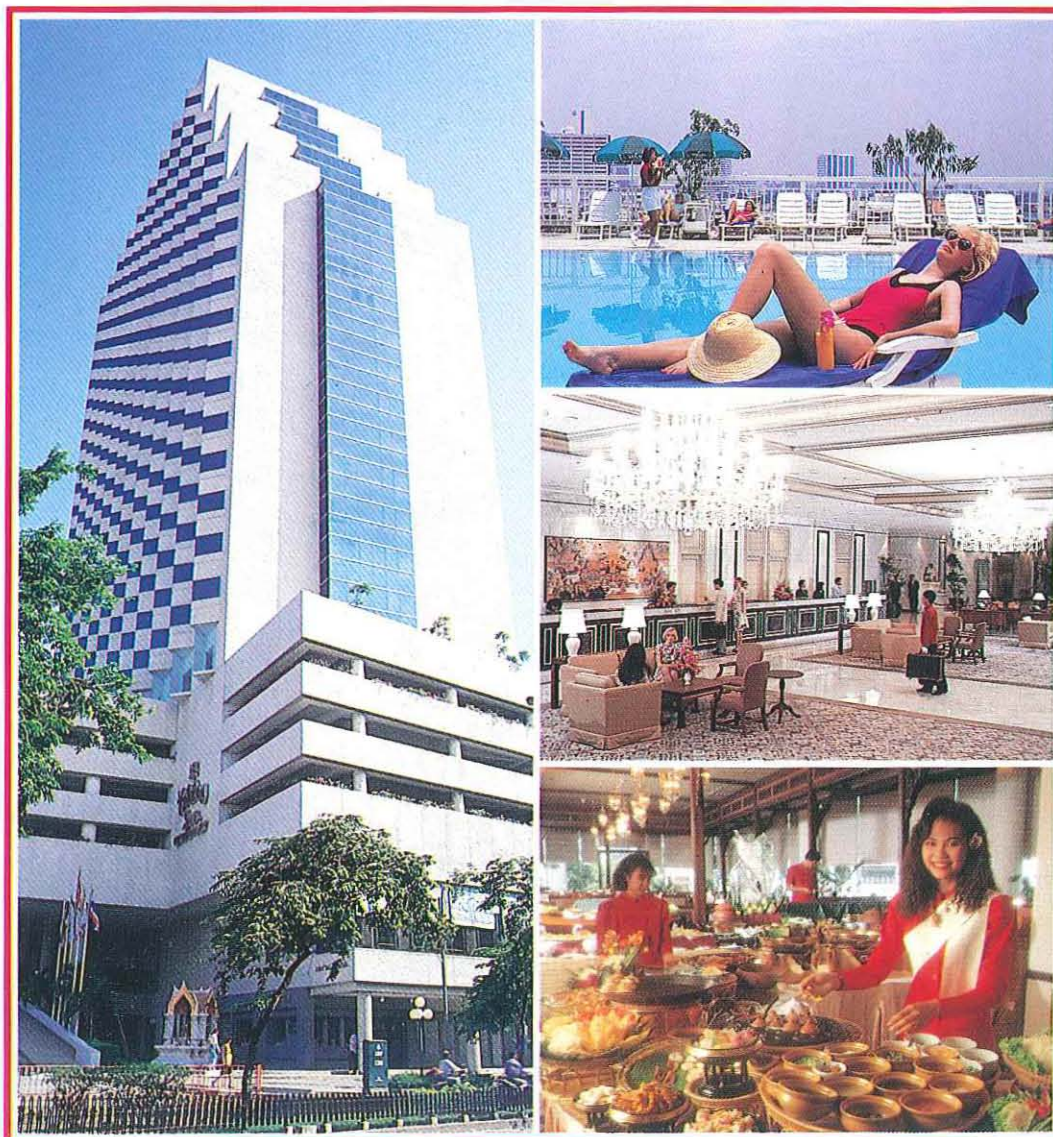
*The Club House all lit up on Loy Kratong*

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## FROM THE EDITOR

**T**ime flies and once again it is time to wish each and every one of you a very Merry Christmas and a happy, successful New Year. In this Outpost we have tried to give you a bit of variation, Sharon from the Dusit Fitness Centre is giving advice on how to cope with stress. Judy Leddy informs us on the history of the dinner jacket and there is a letter from Spalding's Anton. I also found a few cooking hints for Christmas, from England, for your British Christmas Turkey in Bangkok. Tennis, squash, football, rugby, golf are of course the regular editorials and maybe you find one or two surprises hidden away.

A small message for the regular contributors, please



remember that what you are writing in November will not be published until December (I hope), so think ahead and plan your write-ups accordingly, otherwise they will be out of date.

Once again I was caught out getting it wrong! I mixed two Fiona's up, Fiona Scott should have course read Fiona Mulligan. Fiona Scott is still here and

not leave with Andy at all (November Outpost). Sorry Fiona, I hope I did not cause you any problems. By the way, Joe and I have finally succumbed to the lures of Sukhumvit and will be moving on December 1st. The Grunwells' new fax/telephone number is 258-9509. See you in the New Year!!!

**Bea Grunwell**

## FROM THE MANAGER

**I**t's here again, yet another Christmas in Bangkok and another year older, but yours truly feels a few years younger shedding all of 12 kg. I've really enjoyed the past 12 months working for you all. I have to thank my staff who have served us all and deserve the Members' and Management's gratitude, they are a very important part of the Club and a real big family whom we should all look after and keep for the benefit of this great Club.

Christmas Day Lunch will be a family affair this year, so whether you are a single member or a family member of long standing, or you have just arrived in Bangkok and want to be home from home, please join my family and I, here at the Club. Lunch will be served on a very large table which everyone will be welcome at and be part of the Club Family. Book now!



Just a little reminder about delinquent accounts, (1) We love to see you, (2) We love to serve you food and drinks, (3) We love to entertain you, (4) We love to give you credit. But most of all we really love to be paid on time, so that we can continue with 1, 2 and 3.

One last big thank you to a lady who contributes a great amount of time and effort behind the scenes and who is often at the receiving end of my frustration. To my wife Wan, I love you dearly and thank you for putting up with me. Finally the Management and Staff of the British Club would like to wish its Members a Happy Christmas and a successful New Year.

**Keith Bell**



# FORTHCOMING EVENTS FOR DECEMBER

2

St. Andrew's Society Final Dance Practice plus "Beat the Retreat" (with the pipes and Drums of the Second Battallion of the Scots Guards) on Front Lawn

11

Bangkok Community Theatre "Return of the Old Time Music Hall" in the Surawongse Room

21

Children's Christmas Parties on the Back Lawn, (afternoon)

4

St. Andrew's Society Ball at the Dusit Thani Hotel

12

Bangkok Community Theatre "Return of the Old Time Music Hall" in the Surawongse Room

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Carols by Candlelight on the Front Lawn

5

St. Andrew's Society Breakfast on the Front Lawn (5am onwards)

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Annual Christmas Ball on the Back Lawn

25

Christmas Day Lunch at the British Club

9

Bangkok Community Theatre "Return of the Old Time Music Hall" in the Surawongse Room.

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Teens Disco Party in the Suriwongse Room

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New Year's Eve River Cruise on the Chaophya River

Remember, check all the sports pages for upcoming events... and don't forget the regular features listed below



## regular features

Monday	9.00 am BWG Mahjong Wordsworth Room • 5.30 to 9.00 pm Happy Hour
Tuesday	7.00 am Ladies Golf • 8.00 pm Bridge Silom Room • Rugby Training
Wednesday	6.00 pm Onwards Tennis & Squash Club Night
Thursday	8.00 pm Darts • Football Training
Friday	9.00 pm Accumulator Night
Saturday	• 6.00 pm Flicks for Kids
Sunday	11.00 to 1.00 pm Badminton • 5.00 pm Flicks for Kids • 3.00 to 6.00 pm Tennis Afternoon • 5.00 pm onwards Family Buffet

• New Member's Night is on the first Monday of the month except for Public Holidays, please call for details.

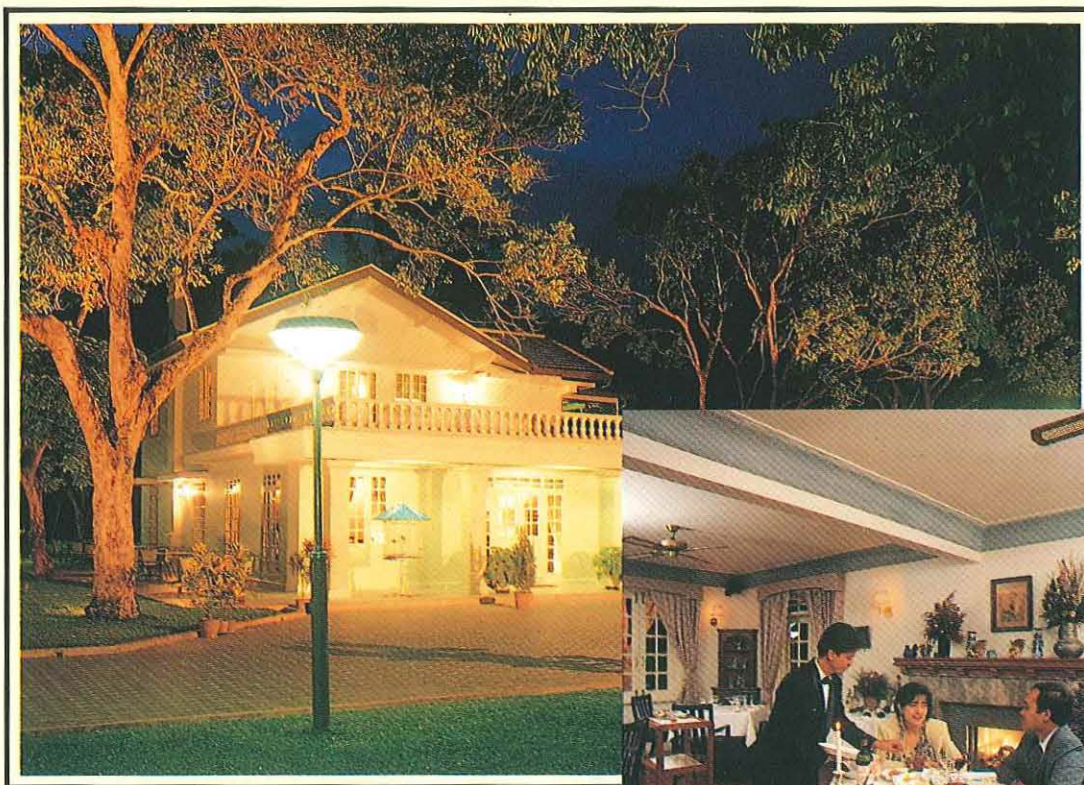


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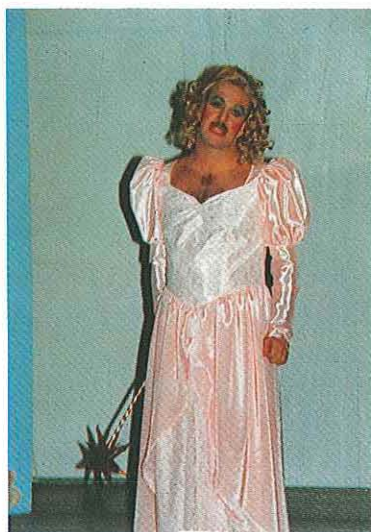


# OLD TIME MUSIC HALL



Top: A Seaside Scene

Below: Have we won the prize for best costume?



Above: Nobody loves a fairy when she's 40

PHOTOGRAPHS FROM LAST YEAR'S  
OLD TIME MUSIC HALL



Above: Great Hats

Below: A tense scene from "The Chinese Pendant"



It's time to roll out the barrel - again! Who can resist a rousing chorus of 'Daisy Daisy' a tearful rendition of 'Keep the home fires burning' or an energetic burst of 'Knees up Mother Brown'? Well, clearly not you lot judging from the Bangkok Community Theatre's 'Old Time Music Hall' last year.

We are delighted to report therefore that on December 9th, 10, 11th and 12th, by popular demand, BCT will once again be taking to the British Club stage to sing, dance and act their hearts out in this very nostalgic and purely British form of entertainment.

For those of you not so familiar with the genre, an evening in an Music Hall was, until moving pictures came along, Britain's most popular night out. At nominal cost it seated its audience in palatial surroundings, provided drink, made them laugh and cry and sent them singing homeward.

Music Hall thrived from around 1850 to the outbreak of the First World War, and the songs reflect the lives, opinions, loves and hates of the generation they were written for.

Last year's production was a great success although many people were not able to get tickets due to the overwhelming demand. For those who did, who will ever forget the

poignant, yet insightful story of 'The Ratcatcher' performed by Messrs. Dunford, Taylor and Truslow? Or the heartbreaking rendition of 'Waiting at the church' by Mrs. Jackie Lundquist? How many of the very old jokes did you have to greet again like very old friends?

This year an extra night has been added to ensure that everyone who wants to, gets to see the show! The evening commences in the Suriwong Room with a traditional 'British' dinner at 7.30 pm (following a few warm up exercises in the Churchill Bar of course), and then Act I of the show. At interval time dessert is served and Act II commences.

The audience is encouraged to come dressed in period costume (from the Edwardian/Victorian era) and then stamp, bang, hoozah, rattle their jewellery, or do whatever else seems appropriate to show their appreciation in true Music Hall style! All this is cajoled and curtailed by The Chairman, this year once again ably personified by Geoff Thompson - a gentleman who is no stranger to the Music Hall judging from the state of his gavel! (That's a small wooden mallet, Madam!) Louise Truslow is once again Madam Director, and Richard Hopkins will be adding his wide ranging talents to the musical direction. Although the cast has

changed, many of them will be familiar faces.

The programme, although adhering to the traditional Music Hall format, will be entirely different to last year and will have a Christmas theme, appropriate to the time of year. Although every night will be dinner theatre, Wednesday December 9th, will be a special Gala Black-tie evening in celebration of Bangkok Community Theatre's 20th Anniversary year! On this night, ladies are encouraged to wear 'Old Time' hats, and there will be a prize awarded for the best millinery creation! On the remaining 3 nights, Thursday December 10th, Friday December 11th and Saturday December 12th, everyone is encouraged to come dressed in period costume and there will be prizes for the best dressed tables or 'groups'. Tables will be for 10 people, but if your party is less you will be asked to share with others.

Given the informal and participatory nature of the evening, most people find this a rather sociable and agreeable arrangement. So come on, what's the use of worrying? Pack up your troubles, say Goodbye to Piccadilly and give me your answer do! If you haven't done so already, book now at the British Club reception for Bangkok Community Theatre's Old Time Music Hall 1992.



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THAI INTERNATIONAL MOVING & STORAGE



New Members night was held on Monday, 2nd November. As usual the new members had the chance to meet the committee members and others and fun was had by all. Some of the stories these new members had to tell were very interesting, but possibly a little exaggerated in some cases - a pinch of salt may need to be taken as you read some of their details!



Carol Golsby was on her own as husband Stephen was on business in Singapore. They have 2 boys, Edward of five and Christopher of eight. They came to Bangkok from Surrey but lived in Zurich before that. They both play tennis and Stephen plays golf. They enjoy running but Carol says she has not attempted that yet in the four weeks they have been here. Stephen is here for Lever Brothers. Carol was a part-time lecturer in Guildford Technical College Leisure Services before leaving for Thailand.



Single, desirable and eligible this is how Christopher Aspden was introduced to me by Kevin Chapman. Wendy and I checked him out and he was not far wrong. He is here with British Gas and is a teetotaler and vegetarian. On New Members Night I saw him down several pints and eat a large steak. He claims to have a criminal record as on a visit to Moscow he smashed a bottle of champagne in Red Square and was arrested by the KGB. He should make an interesting companion for adventurous ladies out there.



Douglas Down a sophisticated gentleman of good banking stock, is here to take over from Joe Hodges as a Financial Consultant for Collingwood. He spent the last 7 years in Hong Kong and has been in Bangkok for a week. He has 2 daughters in England. He is an ex rugby player and athlete. He used to be a private pilot but let his license lapse, he now collects antique clocks. He has lived all over the world whilst being a banker, India and Pakistan, and hopes to settle down in Thailand.



Howard Randall - please disregard any of the following information - has 13 children and has been married 4 times. Brian Lewis and Roderick Turner kindly supplied the above information. He says he is here for Christiani Nielsen and does concrete erections for them. Of course not knowing at all what Christiani Nielsen are into I believe everything he told me. He hates Marvin Lewis as he proposed him for membership and managed not to turn up. He was well looked after however and managed to volunteer his services as a referee to Joe Grunwell by the end of the evening. He spent 15 years in South Africa and that is probably where he has his sense of humour from. He enjoys playing squash.



Peter Sobiech came to the BC on his own as wife Maureen was child-sitting for their two children in the hotel. Matthew (11) and Elizabeth (7) will be going to Bangkok Patana school. He works for Lever Brothers and is their Development Manager for detergents but told me not to divulge any secrets overheard on the night. We shall see if Lever can come up with something that does not bleach our t-shirts from canary yellow to that indescribable colour between off-white and lemon. They both play golf and his hobbies are golf, golf and golf. He was made to do a lot of D.I.Y.-ing in England but buried his tools before coming out to Bangkok. Maureen is a novice tennis player and they think Bangkok is a fascinating place.



Michael Forrer, holds down two totally different jobs, one is Management Consultant and the other is ordained priest, he is a working C.O.E. priest. Bangkok is going to be home as he sees no reasons for going back to the U.K. He has been commuting to the Far East for the last 6 years and worked in Hong Kong for 3 years. Certainly not a stranger to Eastern culture. Michael enjoys tennis and swimming. Listening to music, reading a good book and socialising are priorities on his list of other hobbies.





Mark (Gordon Bell's brother in law) and Linda Dobson, joined a few months ago, but Mark pleaded to be included in this column again as his lovely wife Linda has joined him and he would like to introduce her to the world (and the BC). They both enjoy their time here and Mark admits to life being better now 'the wife' is here. For more information see August/September Outpost.



Paul Mason had to be photographed and interviewed at different times during the event. He has a healthy appetite and in 12 minutes he had managed to eat one omelette and chips, and a plateful of bubble and squeak plus bacon. Dressed in his striped jacket I immediately thought he was a master spoofer but he will only admit to being a bad football and darts player. He also enjoys shooting. He is engaged to Sophie who is currently in Japan. Paul spent two years traveling around Asia on a shoestring budget.



Mr. Kiyoshi Ueno from Japan was introduced to the Committee by Chris Clement-Jones (see photograph). His wife Miekio is in Japan with their two children a boy of 17 and a girl of 14 but they will join him here for the holidays. He is the new Chief Operating Officer for Alcan Siam. Quite a useful tennis player Kiyoshi looks forward to playing for the BC. He also likes golf and listening to folk music.



Robbie and Christine Selwyn from New Zealand told me they had moved 7 times in 7 years and hoped to stay for a bit in Bangkok. He is the President of Mobil Oil, which made me decide to be ultra nice in this write-up as we could do with some sponsorship from Mobil. They are an extremely nice and chatty couple and of course very, very attractive. They have two beautiful children in New Zealand, one in university and the other attending high school. They are both keen golfers and will of course be an asset to the BC Golf Section.

## members round-up

The BC has to say **GOODBYE** to some long standing members, amongst which • Mr. Joe Hodges • Mr. Rob Montgomery • Paul and Sheila Myers • Joe and Sonoles Hodges • Peter and Nicola Davies • Colin and Clare Brown • Robin and Jennifer Brown • Tim Mitchell • Eric and Carolyn Young • Ray and Beryl McHugh • John and Anne Alsbury • Chris White • Peter and Lisbeth Bergman • Ole Nielsen: We wish them well in their new abodes and hope to see them again. The stalk arrived so **CONGRATULATIONS** to Alison and Paul Clements-Hunt on the birth of their baby boy, Cameron Patrick, born on 11th November, and to Louis and Jane Niven on the birth of their baby boy, Thomas Francis on 21st October also to Tommy and Nong Keenan on the birth of their first child, a 4 kilo baby girl, Malinee and finally(!) to Carole and Iain MacKenzie a baby girl on 19th November who will be called Amy Katherine. **CONGRATULATIONS** to newly weds Stephen and Chalika Butling who married on 15 November at the British Club.



Tadashi Washimi from Japan has been in Bangkok for 20 years. He is the Sales and Marketing Manager for The Plantation which is a hotel in the Seychelles. His wife Mari was not around on the night as she was at home looking after their two children, daughter Rie and son Tanai. He hates golf (surprise, surprise) but likes to swim. He is also into short-wave radio listening, and is the official monitor for German, Dutch, Canadian and Japanese radio stations.



Goodbye to Joe Hodges

This new section is open to all members who wish to announce any special occasion. Remember all announcements must be made prior to the 1st of each month and sent to Bea Grunwell on fax/telephone number: 258-9509. We will do our best to include every message.



Master Thomas Niven aged 6 days and mum Jane  
Below: Newly weds Stephen & Chalika Butling  
receiving blessings from old family friends







The bar staff on New Members Night: Khun Prasert, Khun Prapit, Khun Paitoon, Khun Somsak

# THANK YOU TO OUR STAFF



Khun Petchara and Khun Anong having fun



Khun Premchai and Khun Vanin dishing up the food ...

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Khun Chalengpoi



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Khun Chemchoi & Khun Sumol



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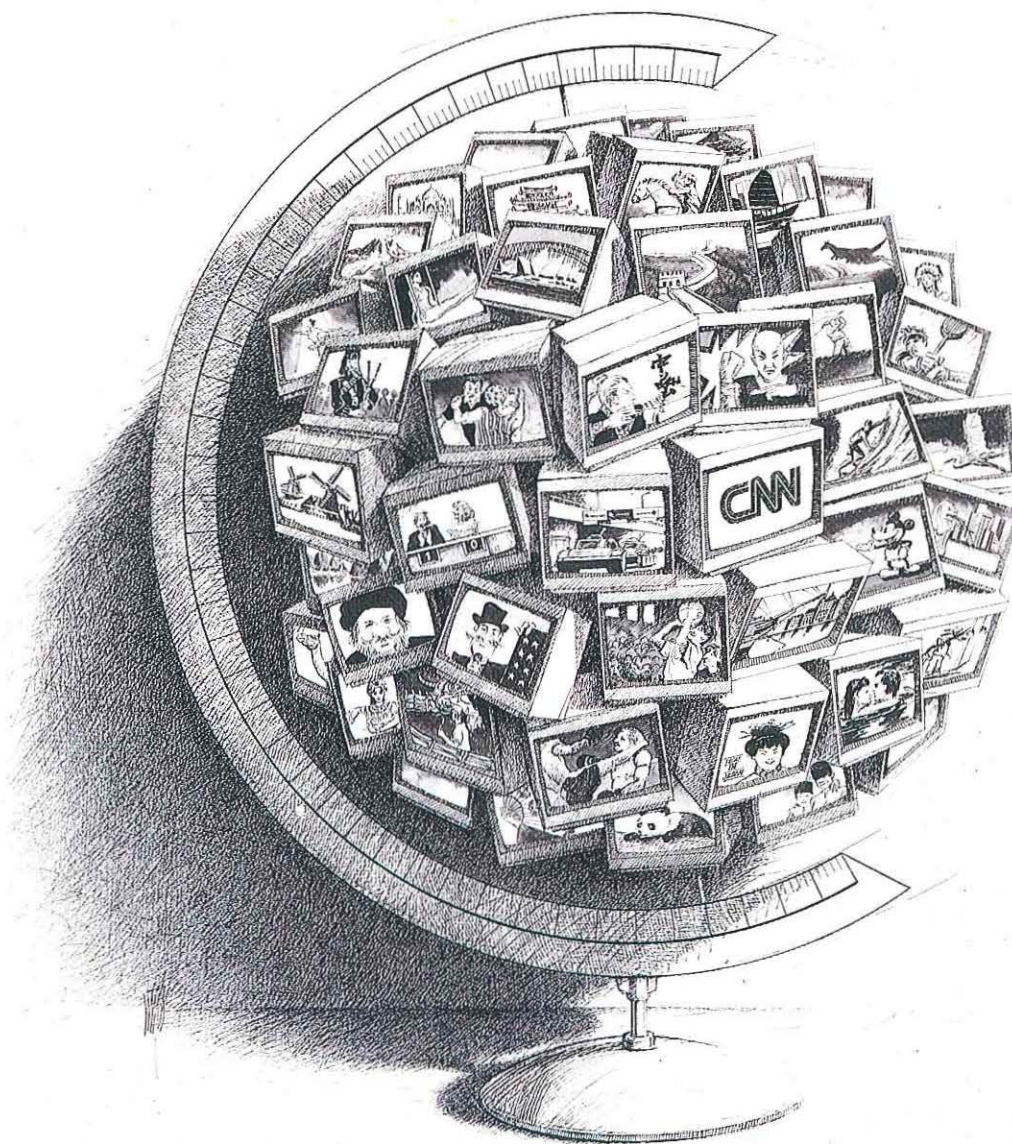
The Committee members are from left to right: David Overington Ladder/Match Organiser, Mike O'Connor Treasurer, Pauline Dalton Chairperson, Chitchavee Veskase Committee Member, Gaynor Dewit Secretary, Peter Dalton Vice Chairperson, Anne-Marie Beasley Team Captain.

## badminton section

The newly formed Badminton Section continues to flourish with an average 20 to 26 Club Members turning out every Sunday morning to enjoy social and competitive games of Badminton. The atmosphere on and off court gives any new comers the opportunity to mix in well and feel part of what is considered to be the best mixed social section this Club has to offer. The Section has now elected a Committee at their Inaugural A.G.M. held on Sunday November 1st. If you are just a beginner or an advanced player, do not hesitate to come along any Sunday morning, the Section charges B50 for a two hour session including shuttlecocks.



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# TRIP TO KOH KRAD

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around the island. Two hours and eighteen minutes later we had circled the island and were ready for breakfast. Lunch was served on Koh Kood after enjoying a swim in the surf and messing about on the beach. The journey back proved to be a little bumpy due to the cyclone which was on its way. Afternoon tea on the beach followed by a trip inland on board a tractor trailer to look at wild deer and yes, there were deer, 300 of them spread all over the island. The following morning we had to leave earlier than anticipated due to an expected storm. On the way back we headed into some rough seas which had a rather unnerving effect on some of our passengers. The boat, needing some running repairs to the pumps, kept to the shoreline of one of the islands, the skipper in best Thai

tradition got stuck into the engine room and proceeded to have his fingers ripped to shreds whilst the engine was running. Dry land proved a welcome break and we were all looking forward to join the bus and head for lunch. Unfortunately, the tour company changed the landing point and the message which was relayed to Bangkok was not passed to the driver. After a walk-about to nowhere, we eventually boarded mini-busses to our appointed lunch restaurant where we devoured the food in split seconds and got down to some more serious refreshments. Eventually, our wayward bus arrived and off we set for Bangkok hitting all the home bound holiday traffic. The whole group arrived back at the club safely but exhausted.



*All adrift and ready for nowhere!*



*One of the many tranquil islands*



*Enjoying one of the smaller crabs!*



*6 am in the morning and all is well*



*David lost for words*



*Look! I can float!*

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# LOY KRATONG



*Holly and Sam Prichard and a little Thai friend sing a song in perfect Thai*



*The little boy in front and the girl in pink with an orchid in her hair both received prizes*



*Floating the Krathongs*

This typical Thai festival was celebrated at the British Club by over 100 people. A dance by 6 children was performed first after which a buffet including a roast pig was served. There was an original Thai Orchestra and a group of Thai dancers, all from Chankasem University. Later, the Krathongs were floated by adults and children alike. All Krathongs were made of natural materials. The evening was closed by a fireworks display. Keith Bell presented presents and thank yous to the little dancers and staff members, including Khun Sakdep (administration), Khun Yoryos Head Gardener) and Khun Puvana, pronounced Bonai, who makes all banners and stages. Flowers were also given to Wan Bell who organised the making of the Krathongs and did a lot of work behind the scenes.



*The beautiful ladies lined up for the Thai costume competition*



*Winner of Nang Noppamard, Tracy Elan on the right*



*Fireworks are noisy!*



*It's a family affair for the Schattens*

# GUY FAWKES DAY



*Mums joined in with the fun and games*

Competitions, Guys and Dolls, Flames and Fireworks - what a day was had by all. Everyone was overawed by the spectacular fireworks display. A big thank you to all involved, especially security people, nurse of the day and fire brigade for standing by.



*Guys were there in all shapes and sizes*



*I am first!*



*A guy with his guy*



*Barriers up - kids out of the way - Keith is here with his matches!*



# HALLOWEEN

Halloween, Family Party, October 31st. This annual fixture was moved to the Suriwongse Room due to the downpour the previous night. Judging by the reactions of the children and parents alike, it was the best thing the Club ever did. With a back drop of luminous skeletons, spooky lights and a smoke machine we all had a great evening. Congratulations must go to Mums and Dads who must have spent hours on the costumes. We saw witches, Dracula's, Skeletons, Clowns, Cats, Hairy Things

with snakes etc.etc. The children all joined in the apple, sausage, toffee and hard boiled egg eating competitions. Dads were transformed into Mummies and Mothers into even nicer Mummies. All in all, a great evening with some little troopers still rock'n'rolling 'until 10pm.



Winning witch Nena Bell



This little guy was mummified so tightly he could not even walk!



Jonathan Meggison has obviously seen his dad in action



Laura and Nicole with their prizes



Toffee apple eating competition - must be difficult with whiskers!



Winners of the older children's costume competition



The ghouls gaining a round of applause



How to mummify instructions! Watch out dads



The youngest age group with James the Skeleton the overall winner



Sausage eating competition



Mummifying dads!



# THE FIRST 100 YEARS OF THE DINNER JACKET

## THE FIRST HUNDRED YEARS OF THE DINNER JACKET

During the next few months we will be experiencing an abundance of 'Social Balls' (Does anyone know the collective term for Ball?), accompanied by invitations with the curt instructions: Dress - Black Tie/Formal. But Gentlemen (and Ladies), have you ever wondered as you fasten your bow tie, slip into your jacket and gaze admiringly at the dashing figure reflected in the mirror, just what history lies behind the Dinner Jacket? Well, it may interest you to know that the Dinner Jacket was 106 years old last October.

## THE SENSATIONAL START OF THE DINNER JACKET

On October 10, 1886, Mr. Griswold Lorillard arrived at the Autumn Ball at Tuxedo Park Country Club, New York, removed his silk hat, white scarf and evening coat and caused a profound sensation. Gentlemen that night were naturally wearing what gentlemen dining in public with ladies present were wearing everywhere else, that is a tail suit with white waist coat, starched shirt, stiff winged collar and white bow tie. To the astonishment of fellow guests Mr. Lorillard was wearing a short black coat with satin lapels and a black bow tie. What a stir he caused, insulting the ladies and making an exhibition of himself, but at the same time he was also making a bit of social history. This was the first recorded instance of the modern dinner jacket worn on a public occasion.

## THE ORIGIN OF THE DINNER JACKET

Men's fashions, it is said, all start as sports clothes and progress to the great occasions of state in easy stages. They become informal day wear, then evening wear. Then they go over the top and are taken over by functionaries - Head Waiters, Toast Masters and High Court Judges. The tailcoat, which started out as a hunting coat, is just finishing such a journey. The tracksuit is just beginning one. I don't

know how well the dinner jacket fits this theory. What sport was played in a short black coat with shiny lapels? Perhaps smoking counted as a sport. That was its role before Mr. Lorillard set out for the Ball at Tuxedo Park Country Club; a comfortable and useful jacket to slip into when, with a few male cronies, you took yourself off to the smoking room. It was years before the new dinner jacket was accepted as truly respectable by the English, but it was a tremendous hit in American society which was only too pleased to get rid of the boiled shirt. We should remember with gratitude that it was the Americans who first started wearing soft shirts with black ties. It was the new Prince of Wales, later Duke of Windsor, who started the fashion for dinner jackets in England at the beginning of this century. His father, King George V, was the most conservative of men and opposed all change to his wardrobe, wearing side creases in his trousers until the day he died. However, his eldest son had his grandfather's (Edward VII) passion for clothes. He embraced every successive change in fashion and introduced a great many himself. He replaced his fly button with a zip (a revolutionary move) and his Fair Isle pullovers, shorts and Windsor Knots were considered by some to foreshadow the end of the Empire. But perhaps his greatest contribution to the fashion of his time was his pioneering work in the wearing of the dinner jacket. He and his younger brother and young Lord Mountbatten started wearing them in public in the 1920's, and soon just about everyone else did too.

## THE DINNER JACKET TAKES OVER

For a while the tailcoat and the dinner jacket co-existed with new gentlemen's agreements about which should be worn when. But just as the First World War had finished off the frock coat, so the Second World War tolled the knell for tails. After 1945 the dinner jacket rapidly took over

and now it has the dining rooms and ballrooms pretty much to itself. In America indeed, it has conquered other social occasions too, as John McEnroe demonstrated by wearing a dinner jacket and white tennis shoes when he married Tatum O'Neal. The Americans have always had a taste for white tuxedos, the evening jackets named after the Club where Mr. Lorillard caused such a stir. The British regard this garment as suited to cruise ships and tropical climates, but, at home they tend to stick to the black dinner jackets. It suits the climate and the news, both customarily sober.

## LITTLE VARIATION IN STYLE

The style of the dinner jacket has not changed much in over 50 years. The double breasted jacket with a stepped lapel, popular in the 1930's, went out of fashion, but is now popular again as are the wing collars and stiff shirt fronts. The new wing collars are seen everywhere, but now are soft and attached to the shirt, no longer making it necessary to wear studs or have the shirt starched. If you are contemplating buying a new one, Saville Row may advise a classic single breasted jacket, probably with a peaked collar though shawl collars are still well liked, trousers are straight and worn with braces and possibly a waist coat. If Saville Row is rather a long way for you to travel, you have no doubt battled your way through the Bangkok traffic to one of the millions of tailor shops where you have been offered various styles from their catalogues and hopefully come away with something that vaguely resembles the ensemble you had in mind. So where will the dinner jacket develop and expand (fairly literally judging from some gentlemen's waistbands spotted recently) from here? Who knows - somewhere out there may be another Griswold Lorillard waiting to burst into the Churchill Bar and cause another sensation

Judi Leddy







The happy winners of the Dundee Cup major prizes: Anne-Marie, Rita, Maud, Sponsor Khun Supranee, Saundra, Barbara & Debbie



Near Pins Winners: Gill, Anke, Rita, Saundra with Khun Supranee



Winner of the Dundee Cup Maud Linck presented by Debbie and Khun Supranee



Long Drive Winners: Nena, Rita and Erika

Things are reviving for the BCLG as we approach the year's end, with one more major competition behind us and several more big events coming up. So whatever you do, keep reading and mark your calendars of you haven't already!

October was marked by another major competition, the Dundee Cup, on the 13th. We were delighted by the huge turnout of 33 players, which even included our old friend and member Judy Farmer.

Unfortunately, the course condition was rather poor, very wet and soggy after many days of rain, so the scores were not the best. But the prizes were hotly contested, as six ladies were involved in countbacks for four of the prizes!

It was nice to see some new names emerge as the top winners, with Maud Linck taking first prize, Saundra Pixley second, Barbara

OCTOBER 6 MUANG AKE			
		PTS HCPS	
SILVER			
Winner	Lavita	53	16
Runner up	Debbie	54	15
BRONZE I			
Winner	Hank	45	27
Runner up	Joke	47	23
	Erika	47	25
BRONZE II			
Winner	Barbara W	46	30
Runner up	Saundra	48	36*
NEAR PINS			
6 JJ, 8 Lynda			
BIRDIES			
Gill, Lynda, Magda, Lavita, Joke			



The enormous turnout of BCLG golfers for the Dundee Cup surround Sponsor, Khun Thaweesak



Good friend Judy Farmer back from Down Under to join in a game with Debbie, Lavita, JJ and Nena

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Kelley third and Rita Crawford fourth, followed by Debbie Arbogast fifth and Anne Marie Hasselquist sixth. Congratulations to these ladies, who each took home a beautiful piece of crystal.

Our thanks for these prizes, along with several other, go to Dave Stewart and SGS Stewart Project Management, and of course to Supranee Stewart for presenting the prizes.

With October over, we now head towards several major events. First up is our defense on November 6th of the trophy won last year in the first of our annual matches against the Ladies Golf Section of the Royal Bangkok Sports Club. 1991 saw us win the beautiful cup, donated by Thai Glass Industries, by a scant six points in an extremely tight battle at our home course of Muang Ake. This year's job will be tougher, as we must prevail at the Royal Bangkok Sports Club, a course many of our ladies will never have seen until that day! But the RBSC have promised us a lovely afternoon, with the golf to be followed by high tea and if last year's laughter and fun were any indication, we're in for a most enjoyable time.

The end of November brings our annual BCLG Championships on the 24th and 25th at Muang Ake. This two day stroke-play event is contested in three divisions, with tons of fantastic prizes for winners, runners-up, daily winners, long drives, near pins and lots more! We hope everybody will join us for those two days of play, but please do check your eligibility for the major prizes if there is any question. If you haven't done so already, sign up with Debbie (Baht 200 includes 2nd day lunch).

December brings an end to our golf for the year, but not before we finish up with a bang! On Thursday, December 3rd, we celebrate the BCLG/FLOGG Joint Roundup at the Rose Garden - our annual season ending party and a good time for all - husbands included! The day starts bright and early with bloody marys on the bus, tee-off at 8am, followed by lunch and prizes, and ending with the infamous bus ride home - songs from Christmas carols to Elvis, led by Nena Reid and her guitar while we all down some liquid cheer.

Last on the list of events... Captain's Day. This will be our final day

of golf for 1992, on Tuesday, December 8th at Muang Ake. Golf will be followed with a special lunch, at which we will hold our Annual General Meeting. This is when we will elect our Captain and Committee for next year, so please think about whether you would be willing to volunteer to serve and speak with Lavita if you are - remember, it takes all your help to make our group function. At this meeting, we will also discuss important items such as which handicap system we wish to use next year, and anything else you members would like to bring up in order to make our group better. That's it for our list of this year's events - now just a last item.

First, welcome to two new members - Sonia Duran Bonazza from Switzerland and Ade Bolding from Holland. Also Rita, Hitomi, Kanda, Landa, Vanessa, Hank, Kitty, Eileen, Wil, Sharon, Diana and Supranee have all rejoined us since the October newsletter and we're glad to see you all back! I think that's all folks, good golfing!

Debbie

OCTOBER 13 MUANG AKE DUNDEE CUP				
		NET HCP		
1st Prize	Maud	73	30	
2nd Prize	Saundra	74	36*	
3rd Prize	Barbara K	76	c/b22	
4th Prize	Rita	76	c/b31	
5th Prize	Debbie	76	15	
6th Prize	Anne Marie	77	c/b 16	
from Lynda & Livia				
LONG DRIVES				
Silver	Nena			
Bronze I	Erika			
Bronze II	Rita			
NEAR PINS				
6 Saundra, 8 Gill, 12 Rita, 17 Anke				
BIRDIES				
Lavita, Hitomi				

OCTOBER 20 MUANG AKE STABLEFORD			
		PTS	HCP
SILVER			
Winner	Debbie	31	15
BRONZE I			
Winner	Erika	34	c/b 25
Runner up	Magda	34	19
BRONZE II			
Winner	Linda C	41	33
Runner up	Annette	33	32
NEAR PINS			
8 Erika, 17 Maud			
BIRDIES			
Livia, Sonia (2)			
UNDER PAR			
Linda C (Net 68)			

OCTOBER 27 MUANG AKE STROKE PLAY MEDAL			
		NET	HCP
SILVER			
Winner	Debbie	72	15
Runner up	Lynda		
BRONZE I			
Winner	Gloria	71	25
Runner up	Anke	75	27
BRONZE II			
Winner	Annette	71	32
Runner-up	Maud	74 c/b30	
from Sharon			
NEAR PINS			
6 Kanda, 8 Gloria, 12 Erika, 17 Lynda			
LONG DRIVE			
Bronze II Annette			



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## RECENT RESULTS

4th October 1992

### Ekechai - Veterans 1

Rain began to fall from about 10 minutes before we were due to tee-off, and continued in heavy showers until the first group reached the seventh tee, when conditions became so bad, that play was abandoned. Norbert Staub turned out to present the prizes on behalf of our sponsor, Ciba-Geigy, who have agreed to carry forward the sponsorship to another day. Our sincere thanks to Ciba-Geigy.

11th October

### Muang Ake Vista

#### Bisque Bogey

Although considered a short course, there is enough challenge to make this a fairly good course for occasional matches, particularly as bookings become progressively difficult to make for large groups such as ours. Bisque Bogey is where you have, say, a handicap of 10, so that you have 10 strokes to allocate during the match, and where any number of these strokes can be used on any hole. The results per hole are recorded as O for a net par, plus for a net birdie or better, and - for a net bogey or worse.

We cannot fail to record our gratitude to Roy Barrett and Anglo-Thai for their continued support, once again at short notice and with excellent prizes; many thanks.

#### FLIGHT A

Winner	D. Forrest	+ 5
Second	J. Marten	+ 5 (Countback)
Third	R. Barrett	+ 3

#### FLIGHT B

Winner	S. Egglehoefer	+ 12
Second	S. Davy	+ 8
Third	Lavita Hughes	+ 5

#### NEAR PINS

B. Walker, E. Hudson (2)

D. Forrest

#### LONG DRIVES

P. Ingram, R. Barrett

23-25th October

Chulachomklao

### Windeler Seniors Cup

This event took place over three rounds, the first qualifying day being stoke play off of full club handicap. The result was as follows, with the top four going into the semi-final. The semi-final draw pitted D. Forrest to play C. Branston and L. Houghton to play E. Jurgens at match play.

D. Forrest	87-12	Net 75
E. Jurgens	99-19	Net 80
C. Branston	100-18	Net 82
L. Houghton	101-18	Net 83
P. Nears	98-14	Net 84
Joan Jurgens	111-27	Net 84
G. Hunt	110-21	Net 89
Linda Hunt	110-15	Net 95

#### Windeler Semi-Final

D. Forrest beat C. Branston one up on the 19th hole. L. Houghton beat E. Jurgens 5 and 4.

#### Windeler Senior Cup Final

Dugal Forrest beat Lloyd Houghton 2 and 1. Congratulations to Dugal from all of us at BCGS. And if you read this Patrick, many thanks for leaving us the trophy - you are not forgotten. First day near pins: A. Blair (2), L. Houghton, P. Nears and Long Drives: A. Blair, Joan Jurgens. Running parallel to the 'Seniors' were other events for those of more tender years. These events were once again sponsored by 'Dimple' Whiskey to whom we express our very grateful thanks.

#### Day 2

#### Quarterly Medal

#### Eclectic Competition

#### Third Day

Winner	P. Smith	80-8	Net 72
Runner up	D. Forrest	87-12	Net 75
Third	J. Jurgens	102-27	Net 75

#### NEAR PIN

Marianna Atkins, Joan Jurgens,

A. Blair, P. Smith.

#### LONG DRIVES

A. Blair, Marianna Atkins

This Competition took place over the three days for those who attended all three days, but those who took part on the last day still had a chance to win.

Winner	P. Nears	Net 60
Second	D. Forrest	Net 64
Third	C. Branston	Net 64
Fourth	L. Houghton	Net 65

#### NEAR PIN

D. Mulligan (2), E. Jurgens,

G. Revill

#### LONG DRIVE

G. Revill, Marianna Atkins



From top to bottom: 1. Bisque Bogey winner Dugal Forrest 2. Flight B winner Steve Egglehoefer 3. Dennis Farmer back in the swing 4. Renewing old friendships Peter and Judith



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Hi folks, Well here we are with Christmas almost upon us yet again. Where does the time go. We all appear to be racing to the grave as one wag said. We will reflect on the fortunes of the section over the past year later in the article but what about the Outpost milestones during the year.

Editor Fiona Mulligan's reign in succession to the 'Godmother' of the modern Outpost 'Maren White' was short-lived when her partner Andy Simmonds was transferred back to the UK. We wish them both well and they have both been a terrific asset to the Club. Enter the 'Flying Dutchwomen' the fair and lovely Bea Grunwell as Rupert Murdoch Mark III. Bea has made an immediate impression and all regular contributors hope you enjoy the new look 'colour' magazine. Enough however and on to the football action.

## Flashback

## Match Reports

Two Farang League matches were played during the month and we took two spare Saturdays to play the Chian Mai Tournament games but more of them later. Our opening League encounter was against our 'Bogey' team 'Les Gaulloise French at the excellent Polo Club venue. There was a buzz and excitement about the squad buoyed by a series of successful warm up matches against reasonable opposition where we had played some quality football. The tingle was not to last long however as the Bogey struck again. Having rightly tried various combinations in the warm up

programme Captain Carruthers picked a very strong starting line up missing only perhaps Iain MacKenzie, on rugby duty from the first choice team. Unfortunately too many players had an "off" day and whilst you could not say we played badly having almost 80 percent of the territorial advantage we did not 'click' and went down two one to an ecstatic French legion. It was one of these days, we appear to have so often against the French, when we could have played all night and not overtaken them. Ah well c'est la vie! In the game itself we lost two bad goals through a defensive slip and standing still appealing for offside instead of getting on with the game. The one bright spot was an Angus Campbell goal from a low drive across the goal by Mike Pomfret. New club and section member Rob Woolridge made his first team defeat having shown up well in Casuals games and the Thursday training sessions.

The only other League game of the month was a far more exciting affair and, all round, a better performance although in the end we did make it hard for ourselves. On an afternoon of rain more akin to Manchester than the exotic East we made our way to a sodden Polo Club ground to play rivals the Royal Bangkok Sports Club (RBSC) more in hope than anticipation that the game would be on. It was on however and Bangkok answer to the "Old Firm" match kicked off in conditions more



The touring teams



The BC football coaches and kids at the clinic



suited to ducks. Captain Carruthers had stressed in his team talk the need for victory after our disappointing start as defeat would leave us four points adrift of the League favorites. The team responded well and raced to a two nil lead through excellent goals from Johnny van de Cochrane and Willie Carruthers, who was playing in a less familiar mid-field role. Conditions were tricky for both teams but we had adapted better and it was a shock therefore when the RBSC pulled one back. In an all action first half however, we moved up a gear and in the closing five minutes Angus Campbell and Richie Crooks both scored well to give us a comfortable 4-1 lead. The second half was a different story however as the RBSC Captain changed his teams tactics to a far more direct long ball approach and this paid off with two quick goals with us trying to do too much on the ball in defence being contributory. At 4-3 the game was delicately poised and we were on the rack for around 15 minutes. We survived and regained our rhythm a bit but it still took an outstanding Paul Barber save five minutes from the end to earn us both points.

Another debut was made in this game, namely, Adam Caro the current cricket captain who proved his talents are not confined to bat and cricket ball.

## CHIANG MAI TOUR 92

Sandwiched in between the two League games was the now infamous Chaingmai Tour. Before travelling however we had to play our Casuals in the opening tournament match for the Elephant Trophy with the Chiang Mai participants, Chiang Mai Gymkhana Club (CGC) and Chiang Mai University Staff (CUS) doing the same at their end. If the Casuals were ever going to beat the first team this was their chance. The Wee team had been playing well and had a squad of 15 to play with whereas the First Team, only being allowed to use travelling players, had twelve and were missing such stalwarts as Vaughan Elias, Mike Pomfret, Frank Hough, John Cochrane and Iain Mackenzie. In a game played again in bad conditions on a semi-waterlogged pitch the firsts triumphed however and in the end it was quite comfortable. Goals from an Angus Campbell brace and Steve Castledine saw the Big team through three nil in an entertaining game. Captain Carruthers was visibly pleased after the previous week's disappointment against the French and one of the positive points was the amount of good football played with the build up coming from the back out. Lets take nothing away from a gritty Casuals performance with

Arthur Ruttle and Greg Watkins prominent. On the same day the CGC beat CUS two/one to share the lead.

The following weekend a party of forty five adults, fifteen kids and baby Sam Crooks made their way to Chaingmai by plane and luxury coach. Most went the latter route and travelled in a double decker complete with downstairs bar and toilet. The makers forgot one thing however, namely the engine, which performed like a BC player with a hang-over i.e. in fits and starts. In addition to the duff engine we also had a wheel change and the journey turned into a 15 hours epic although we did over-take two pedestrian old age pensioners at one stage. This, as usual, was not your ideal preparation for a major tournament and it showed in a lacksadaisical first half performance from the Casuals in the opening game against CGC. They did defend rather well however and were unlucky to turn round one nil down. They seemed to wake up in the second half and turned in an excellent performance but unfortunately they had left their shooting boots behind and missed two or three glorious chances to equalise. Martin Dawson in particular did well to get into position but did not have the 'rub of the green' necessary to convert this into goals. The game finished 1-0 to the



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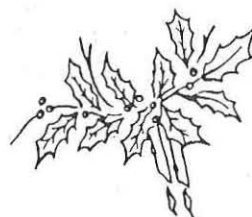


# Whose birthday is it, anyway?

The important news at Christmas is not who comes down the chimney, but who came down from heaven. We invite you to come and join us as we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ.







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#### \*\*\* ADVENT SUNDAY \*\*\*

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10:00 : ADVENT EUCHARIST & Lighting of Advent Wreath  
15:00 : Thai Service  
18:00 : ADVENT CAROL SERVICE

#### \*\*\* ADVENT II - THE EMPTY MANGER \*\*\*

Sat Dec 05 17:30 : Eucharist [Decorate the Church Day]  
Sun Dec 06 07:00 : Eucharist (1662) 08:00 : Morning Prayer & Communion  
10:00 : PARISH EUCHARIST + Sunday School & Creche  
(Scots Guards Pipers in Church:  
Slum children for Picnic afterwards)  
15:00 : Thai Eucharist  
17:30 : Norwegian Lutheran Service

#### \*\*\* ADVENT III - PAGEANT DAY \*\*\*

Sat Dec 12 17:30 : Eucharist  
Sun Dec 13 07:00 : Eucharist (1662) 08:00 : Morning Prayer  
10:00 : SUNDAY SCHOOL PAGEANT & EUCHARIST  
15:00 : Thai Service

#### \*\*\* ADVENT IV \*\*\*

Sat Dec 19 17:30 : Eucharist  
Sun Dec 20 07:00 : Eucharist (1662) 08:00 : Morning Prayer  
10:00 : PARISH EUCHARIST + Sunday School & Creche  
15:00 : Thai Service  
18:00 : CHRISTMAS CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

#### \*\*\* CHRISTMAS EVE \*\*\*

Thu Dec 24 15:00 : Scandinavian Society Christmas Service  
23:00 : CHRISTMAS DAY AT MIDNIGHT -  
FESTIVAL EUCHARIST

#### \*\*\* CHRISTMAS DAY \*\*\*

Fri Dec 25 09:00 : FAMILY CHRISTMAS EUCHARIST - *Children bring presents  
for the underprivileged Children*

#### \*\*\* FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS \*\*\*

Sat Dec 26 17:30 : Eucharist  
Sun Dec 27 07:00 : Eucharist (1662) 08:00 : Morning Prayer  
10:00 : PARISH EUCHARIST + Sunday School & Creche  
15:00 : THAI CHRISTMAS SERVICE  
17:00 : CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION '92 (Thai)



CGC. Two defeats for the Casuals meant they could not win and it was down to the First team to uphold BC honour. The "dirty dozen" first team squad who made the trip proved that quality rather than quantity was the important factor in an impressive display against a fit and youthful CUS team. Experience triumphed over youth yet again and although the CUS looked the part in their build up, they posed no real threat around the goal. Goals from Angus Campbell, Willie Carruthers and Peter 'Scud' Rogers gave us a comfortable 3-0 victory. The last one will be talked about in the Rogers family for years to come as the Gold Scud did enough to flick up a deep cross to the edge of the six yard line and volley it into the net as it came down. This result left the final match of the tournament BC versus CGC as the decider but a draw would be enough for us to win a goal difference. The evening was the usual riotous event at the Al Shiraz Restaurant with the girls then disappearing down the Night Bazaar and the Wall Disco whilst the fellows had a small cocktail and repaired to bed.

Day 2 saw the Casuals play CMU and again they were desperately unlucky to go down one nil. Norman Bright put on an excellent display of goalkeeping but was beaten once in the first half. The second half was all Casuals pressure but again lack of a natural goalscorer cost them dear. They can rightly feel aggrieved however when they were denied a blatant penalty in the dying minutes after Greg Watkins was pulled down whilst homing in on goal. This really was a disgraceful decision that robbed the boys of a well deserved point. The Casuals finished bottom of the table with no points and no goals but truly this did not reflect their performance and best for them over the weekend were Bright, Watkins, Maynard and Lewis. Although a round robin tournament the BC firsts versus CGC was now akin to a Cup Final and a healthy crowd turned out to see the action. We only had eleven fit players including fourteen year old Alan Campbell, son of Angus, who had made his debut the week previously. The archives will reflect that this was

'Campbells Match' as, ably assisted by his father, young Alan scored a well taken hat trick to bring the Elephant Trophy back to Bangkok. All this in front of his Granny too. Seriously it was a great performance not just from Alan but from all the team and we had the luxury of allowing injured players Alan May and Frank Hough a run near the end to share in the glory. There was a fifteen minutes spell when we were 'backs to the wall' but we withstood this well and ended on top. All credit however to what is the best Gymkhana Club team I've played against in my five years of visiting there. The evening prize-giving was another great event with Jim Howard our traditional "Fines-Master" being in vintage form and a healthy sum was raised to offset dinner costs. The on-on wasn't bad either.

To cap the week-end, Gill Hough had arranged on the last day, the Sections first ever Golf Tournament at the Gymkhana Club. The Handicapping system made for an interesting event which was won by young Scot Boyd with Frank Hough second. Nearest the pin prizes went to Scot Boyd and yours truly with the longest drive amazingly going to Ben Aston playing his first ever ball game. In the end he had to concede defeat in his personal dual with the other golfing virgin Steve Castledine. A big thank you to Gill for organizing and Jim Boyd for donating the trophy. Special thanks also to Ron Aston and Peter Downs for organizing another splendid tour. Having organized several myself I know the amount of work involved, so well done lads. Finally a thank you to Bob Malloy of the Gymkhana Club. Bob is a real gentleman and the Chiang Mai organizer. Nothing is ever too much trouble for him and we all appreciate the work he puts in to organise this very enjoyable event. From all at the Football Section we wish you a Merry Christmas.'

### Scoop

### POST-SCRIPTS

*As the year comes to a close it is pleasing to reflect on the healthy position of the Sections. The Casuals have played on every weekend bar two this year and one of them was rained out. The first have won two major trophies. We've had four tours, played against legends in football, initiated a Scotland-England game, had several discos and commenced both regular evening four a side games and Sunday morning coaching clinics for youngsters. All of this is good for not only the section but the Club as a whole. With regard to the Coaching Clinics we have had two so far with over thirty kids attending and hanging on the every word of volunteer FIFA coach Arthur Ruttlely. Even the 40 year old kids learned something from Arthur and he is another we want to thank. More clinics will be planned in 1993 and hopefully we may be able to start a BC youth team. If you want more information contact Jim Boyd. It is appropriate also at this time to thank some of the companies who have helped. Kinsun has been generous with kits whilst Inchcape continue to help by providing fine wines for us at extremely good discounts. An unlikely source of sponsorship came from Lufthansa who really came through on our Manila trip (thank you to Ottokar Rettig) white Jools, Bei Otto and Data Storage all chipped in with prizes. The support of you all is most welcome. All the Section would like to congratulate Tommy and Nong Keenan on the birth of their first child, a 4 kilo baby girl, Malinee. We are all very happy for you.*

A gunslinger came to town to be met by a little boy. "Hey mister who are you" said the kid. "I'm a gunslinger boy" said the stranger. "Ah great" said the kid, "can I see your guns." The stranger pulled out the right gun. "Fantastic" said the kid, "but what are these scratched on the handle." "Those ain't scratches kid, they are notches and I add one notch for each man I've killed with that gun." the stranger replied. "Wow" said the kid, six notches means you've killed six men. "Yup" the gunslinger said putting his gun away. "Can I see your other gun" said the excited kid. The tall stranger (note the use of adjective to set the scene) slowly pulled his other shooter out and handed it to a by now admiring kid. "Fantastic" said the kid "and look at this one, two, three, ayah, twelve notches. This means you've killed twelve people with this gun." "No kid", said the stranger, "six Mexicans." "Six Mexicans" said a puggled kid. "But you said it was one notch for every man killed." "Yeah kid, but with Mexicans you get bonus notches." That joke was brought to you courtesy of Graham Dryden.



There have been a lot of activities on the

### squash court as the year comes to a close ...

Early October the final of the Len Alexander Masters Trophy (45 and over) was played at the RBSC between Burapar Atthakon and Peter Corney. Burapar won 3-1. They were seeded to play each other in the final of the Tony Austin Cup so someone was looking for revenge. By the time you read this you will know if he got it!

The Rod Carter Open Squash Championships were held in October and attracted the best players in Thailand. Unfortunately no British Club player advanced past the quarter finals but spectators were treated to some fine squash in the semi-finals and finals.

On Saturday the 31st of October Christopher Frey, the Swiss champion for five years and Supich from the Polo Club played the first semi with Christoph winning 3-0. Supich played well and fought until the end but was no match for the more experienced Christoph. Peerapon and Orawan were supposed to play the second semi but Orawan was nowhere to be found and Peerapon advanced through to the final against Christoph Frey which was played on Sunday 1st November. Christoph took an early 5-0 lead with some very good length and nick shots but then Peerapon fought back and after some very hard and entertaining squash the final score was 9-6 with both players looking very tired after a long hard fast game.

The second game Peerapon went for touch shots which were very successful and won 9-2. The Swiss number one then got his second wind and won the next two games 9-2, 9-3. The match was very entertaining with both players getting some impossible shots and was played in very good spirit. They but put everything into the game and Peerapon never gave up even when well down and very tired. Christoph Frey won 3-1 with the scores being 9-6, 9-2, 9-3.

The November league was very generously sponsored by Securicor and thank you to them for the spirits and trophies which they supplied.

At the time of writing the league is just getting underway so the winners will be recorded in the next issue. Similarly with the match due to be played against the Oriental Hotel on Sunday 22 November, watch this space for details.

The Sunday Handicap is due to be played on 13 December and players of all

standards are welcomed and everyone stands a chance of a good days squash and victory at the end of it.

What has happened to the Ladies' Cup? No, we know where it is, it is the question of who and when and where the ladies will be playing for it. We are trying to generate a lot of enthusiasm to make the competition an interesting and worthwhile one, so we will keep you informed where and when it will happen. Interested ladies of all standards should contact Alexis Welsh or Barbara Overington.

Another question surrounds the club mix-in. When would members like to have a mix-in? Which evening of the week or at the weekend? Which day, what time, please let us know so that we can fix the most popular day and time for the regular get-together which has not been happening in recent months.

The squash ladder draw for October was won by David Turner who had B1,000 credited to his club account and Maurice Lamb will find himself B500 better off. Congratulations to both.

Two niggling problems need to be brought to your attention. Firstly, some players, even though of a high social standing and in positions of responsibility in the club, are playing without putting their stickers on. This all seems a little mean and petty, you try and get a game of squash anywhere in the world for B30! Come on chaps and chapesses, please play fair and please pay before you play.

Secondly, a reminder that black soled shoes or any other shoes that mark the squash court floor should not be used.

In the year New Year we can look forward to the January league sponsored, as it has been for the last few years, by ICI. Thank you to them and good luck to everyone who go in pursuit of the very attractive ICI shields. Hopefully, we will be taking a trip to Singapore in January/February, and will keep you informed of details. For sure players of all standards and squash followers will be welcomed.

That is all for now except to wish you a Merry Christmas and a happy and successful 1993 and hopefully see you in court.

**Mel Leddy**

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## IMPROVE YOUR GAME

Preparing for a  
Competition Game

If you are playing a league match or tournament competition the following comments may help you to play at your best:

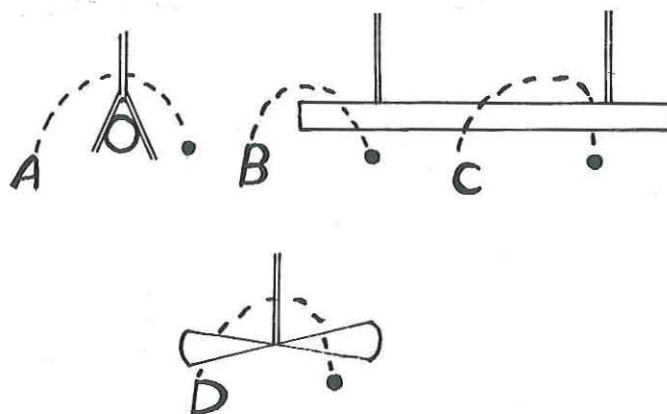
a) Arrive at least 30 minutes before start time to make sure you are mentally and physically relaxed before the game, especially if you have been driving through Bangkok traffic.

b) Do a proper warm up (jogging or stationary bike riding for at least 10 minutes) and 10 minutes of stretching exercises. This ensures that you don't pull muscles early in the match and you play much better at the start.

c) Check your equipment before going on to the court, the racquet for any cracks and make sure the racquet grip is in good condition. Ensure that the laces in your shoes are not about to break. These points may seem obvious but I have observed many players losing points because their racquet grip was worn out. It is also unfair to your opponent for you to delay the game because of a grip or lace change. It will also affect your concentration.

d) Some people are very nervous when it is a competition game, the best way to counteract this when you are feeling tense is to take two or three deep breaths. This has a very good calming effect, if you are tense your timing is affected.

e) If you are losing, change your tactics, if you are winning don't change your game, many players when they are in sight of a win suddenly become over cautious and play too defensively and let their opponents back into the game.

THE RULES OF SQUASH  
DEFINITIONS OF OUT

The ball is out if it hits the upper limiting court line or anything above it, or through an enclosed space in the roof areas. If the ball goes over a light, beam or fan, then the decision on "OUT" are as follows: If spectators line the side wall in a spectator court where the wall is cut away above the line, spectators are not considered to be permanent fixtures. If an otherwise good return hits a spectator then the rally is replayed.



Above: Christopher Frey receiving the "Rod Carter Open" trophy from Peter Corney  
Below: "Boy, that was a hard game!"



Above: Tim Mitchell in his Patpong outfit. No! Mel is not holding his hand "I left it in here somewhere!"

Below: Perrapon being presented with the "Rod Carter Open" runner-up trophy





# SQUASH LADDER RULES

**1**

## CONFIGURATION OF THE LADDER

The Ladder is made up of four flights A to D. Flights A,B and C each have the same defined \* number of players and flight D has the remainder. Each flight is numbered from 1. The co-ordinators reserve the right to adjust the defined number of persons in each flight if the total number of players on the Ladder changes significantly. \*Initially the 'defined' number of players is set at 40.

**2**

## PERIOD OF OPERATION

Ladder Challenges may be made at any time but must be made prior to the start of the match and are to be played the best of five games. League matches automatically count as ladder matches.

**3**

## CHALLENGES

Any member may challenge any of the seven 'active' players immediately above him/her on the same flight of the Ladder or the flight above. A Ladder match is valid only if the players are within the seven 'active' positions at the time of playing.

**4**

## RESULTS

All Ladder challenge results, indicating the date played, must be recorded on the Squash Result Sheets, available by the booking table, and posted in the Squash Results Book. Do not touch the names on the Ladder - Adjustments will be made by the co-ordinators.

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## POSITION

Successful challengers will be relocated on the Ladder in the position immediately above their opponent, e.g. if player number 25 successfully challenges player 23, he/she will become player 23. Player 23 will drop to 24, and player 24 will drop to 25.

**6**

## INACTIVE PLAYERS

'Inactive' players, are those who because of injury, absence or any other reason are not able to accept challenges for a period in excess of 21 consecutive days. Such a player should notify the co-ordinators by leaving a slip in the Squash Results Box. His/her card will then be reversed. It will continue to move in the same way as active players but it will not count when a player assesses who he is allowed to challenge under Rule 3.

**7**

## NEW ENTRANTS

New players are always welcome. New names will be added to the Ladder when the player first makes a ladder challenge. He/she should contact one of the co-ordinators (names on Notice Board) who can assist in arranging appropriate games to establish the new player's correct placing within the Ladder. Results of such games, whether arranged by the co-ordinator or not, should be entered in the Squash Results Box in accordance with Rule 4. Only when the challenge is successful will the name of the new entrant be entered on the Ladder immediately above the loser.

**8**

## REMOVAL FROM THE LADDER

If a player does not play a Ladder match or enter competitions for three consecutive months, the co-ordinators reserve the right to remove the name(s) from the Ladder. Should a player wish to be removed from the Ladder he/she should place a note to this effect in the Squash Result Box. The players card will then be removed, by the co-ordinators, from the Ladder and the lower players will be moved up accordingly.

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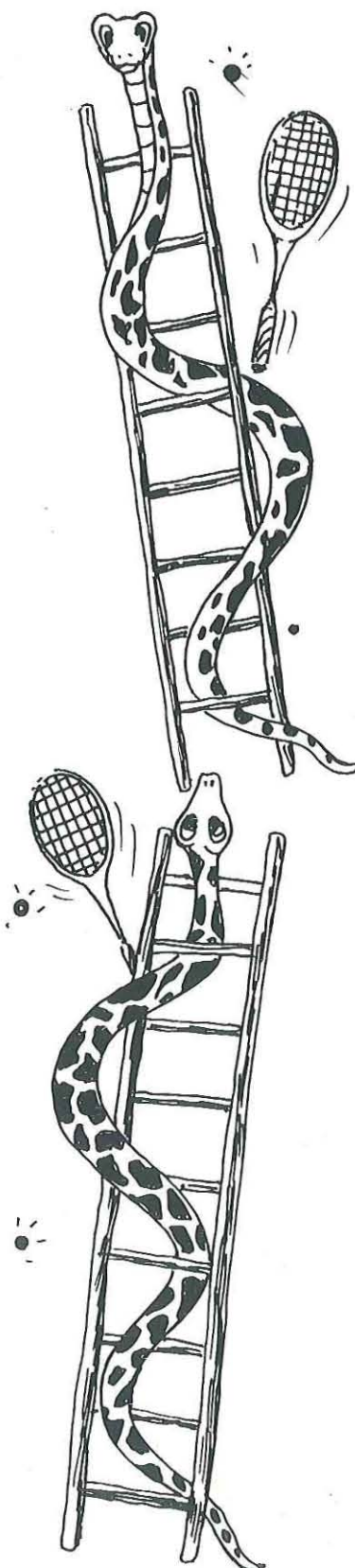
## PROMOTION AND RELEGATION

Month in which the League operates. When League games are played, which result in ladder movement, a player is free to move from one flight to the flight above but no immediate relegation takes place as a result. At the end of the League month the flights are restored to their originally defined number with upward or downward movement as necessary, allowing for new players and players leaving, but there is no automatic promotion. Month in which no League operates. All Ladder matches will be recorded in the prescribed manner. At the end of the month the Ladders will be restored to their originally defined number, which may result in movement, up or down, from one flight to another.

**10**

## UNDERSTANDING THE RULES

The onus is placed upon each player to read and understand the Ladder Rules. Games not played in accordance with the Ladder Rules will not be accepted. Players should contact a league co-ordinator if in any doubt about the interpretation of the Rules.





The Bosnian Aid Team Tennis Tournament raised approximately 40,000 Baht was raised on Sunday 1st November 1992 during the Bosnian Aid Team Tennis Tournament. This money will be donated to help Bosnian refugees, whose plight had been brought home to us by the presence amongst the tennis fraternity of Sven Alkalaj, who hails from Sarajevo, and whose parents are still besieged there.

The afternoon took the form of a team tennis tournament between eight teams of five players of roughly equal ability playing several short matches of 20 minutes each interspersed with two sessions of 5-a-side tennis. The winning team were Philippe's Panthers consisting of Philippe Basso, Jens Ahrens, Sandra Thornton, Bobby Harris and Rachel Lind. Most of the money was raised by a raffle for which prizes had been donated, and most of the prizes were won by those around the swimming pool who had been beguiled into buying tickets by the ladies of the section. In the evening there was a barbecue and a picture quiz which was won by Maria McIntyre.

## BANGKOK VOLVO TENNIS LEAGUE

The British Club has played four matches in the Bangkok Volvo Tennis League during October - two against Ramkamhaeng University on 10th October 1992 and two against Volvo 940 on 17th October 1992.

The first two were both lost but the club fared better on the 17th and won one of the two matches on that day. The matches planned for 31st October against Railway SRT Club were rained off. Anyone who would like to be considered for selection for the British Club team should contact either Ray Liang on 259-4199 (office) or 258-4017 (Home) or Eileen Cook on 392-2466 (Home). Each match involves 8 men and 8 ladies and so there are plenty of opportunities for everyone. Team practices are continuing every Monday evening from 7 pm to 9 pm.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

The Annual Club Championships will start in January and finals day will be

on 7th March 1993. This year a Junior Championships is being organised during the Christmas holidays so that children who go to school in Bangkok and those from boarding schools in UK should all be able to enter. A handicap tournament will be held over the weekend of January 16th and 17th. An afternoon of fun tennis is planned for New Years Day. Details of all these events can be found on the Tennis Section Noticeboard and entry forms are available in the tennis court booking file.

## TENNIS TOUR TO CHIANG RAI

This month we have once again been invited by the Chiang Rai Gymkhana Club and the Dusit Island Resort to spend four days "up north" - playing matches against the Gymkhana Club on Friday 11th December and Saturday 12th December, and against a Chiang Rai "Select" team on Sunday 13th December. More details can be obtained from David Haworth on 260-7305 (office), 258-7132 (Home). See next month's Outpost for news of how our teams fared.

## TENNIS LEAGUE

The bi-monthly Tennis League is also taking place this month but by the time you read this, it will be too late to enter! The next league will be held in February and the entry forms will be available in the tennis court booking file towards the end of December.

Congratulations to the winners of the October League who were:

Division 1	Pat Dean
Division 2	Chris Taggart
Division 3,	John Cochrane
Division 4	Yenni Basso
Division 5	John Sands
Division 6	Mel Leddy



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The league appeared to be very popular, with very few games not played, and will now become a regular feature of the tennis calendar at the club. The tennis ladder will now be revamped based upon the results of the October league.

### MIX-IN SOCIAL TENNIS

Tennis Social Mix-in sessions are held every Wednesday evening from 6 pm to 9 pm and on every Sunday afternoon from 3 pm to 6 pm (except when there is a special event planned). All members of the British Club, of whatever standard, are welcome to take part and the cost is 65 Baht per session on Wednesdays and 50 Baht per session on Sundays. All four courts are used. To avoid embarrassment, we should explain that, if you do not like mixing in with other players, do not like playing with players of a lower standard than yourself, or do not like playing doubles and in particular mixed

doubles, then the Mix-ins are not for you. There are plenty of other times during the week when you can play singles with your chosen partner.

### DATABASE OF TENNIS ENTHUSIASTS

We are establishing a database of the names of all the tennis enthusiasts in the British Club so that they can be kept informed of all the events that are taking place. If you would like to be included in this mailing list please telephone David Haworth on telephone 260-7305 (office) 258-7132 (Home) Tennis Court

### DRESS CODE

Members are reminded that the dress code for those playing tennis on the courts at the British Club requires that proper tennis clothing and tennis shoes should be worn.



The BC team with their guests The Heritage Club. Will Benetton use this picture in their next ad campaign?



Winners of the Bosnian Team Tennis Tournament, Sandra, Rachel, Bobby, Philippe and Jens

### DECEMBER PROGRAMME

5	• Volvo Bangkok Tennis League v Thai Air Force at Air Force Club
6	• American Tournament 2 to 6 pm followed by family buffet at 6 pm
20	• Match V Chinese Swimming Club of Singapore at the British Club
13, 20, 27	• Mix-In, Sunday Afternoons 3 to 6pm
2, 9, 16, 23, 30	• Mix in Wednesday Evenings 6 to 9pm
5, 12, 19, 26	• Group Coaching every Saturday morning 8 to 9am Advanced 9 to 10am Intermediate 10 to 11am Beginners
5, 12, 19, 26	• Childrens Tennis every Saturday Morning 8am to 10am
7, 14, 21, 28	• Team Practice every Monday evening 7 to 9pm

Don't forget the Club Championships in the New and the Club Junior Championships during the Christmas Holidays.

### RULES OF THE TENNIS LEAGUE

- 1) The league is open to men and women who are members of the British Club.
- 2) The entry fee is 100 Baht per person per month.
- 3) There will be four players in each division and each player must play a singles match versus each of the other three players in his/her division.
- 4) The names and telephone numbers of all the players in each division will be posted on the Tennis Section Notice Board by the first day of each month. Players will not be notified individually of these details.
- 5) All matches must be played by the last day of that month. There will be no extensions of time. Responsibility of organising each match rests with both players.
- 6) All matches are to be played at the British Club unless both players agree to an alternative venue.
- 7) The court for each match must be booked in the normal way by one of the players affixing the tennis court sticker on the appropriate booking sheet.
- 8) A match shall consist of 15 games. All 15 games must be played even if one player wins 15-0.
- 9) The score shall be entered on the board by the winning player.
- 10) All matches played and games won will count for the purpose of establishing the winner of each division.
- 11) In the event of a walkover both players will score NIL for that match. It is therefore important that all matches are arranged as early as possible.
- 12) A trophy will be awarded to the winner of each division each month. It is therefore important that all matches are arranged as early as possible.
- 13) A trophy will be awarded to the winner of each division each month. The names of the winners of each division will be posted on the Tennis Notice Board shortly after each league is completed.
- 14) All league matches will automatically count as ladder matches.
- 15) After the end of each league there will be promotion and relegation but new entrants to the league will normally be placed in the division which roughly equates to their tennis ability.

Players should contact the Tennis Committee if in any doubt about the interpretation of the Rules.



Winners of the American Tournament, Gwyn and Des plus runners up Maria and Martin



History Books Rewritten! Prior to October of this year, the furthest a BC side had gone was a semi-final place in the Chindarak Cup some five or six years ago. But this year the history books were rewritten as the BC reached the final of both major competitions.

Unfortunately that final step and the trophy at the end of it was to elude the BC and they had to settle for the runners-up spot. But even so, reaching two finals is a great achievement in itself and all involved should be congratulated.

#### CHINDARAK CUP

The early rounds of the Chindarak Cup are played in a league format with the top two sides in the two leagues going through to form semi-finals, the winners of which then play in a final. In the first game the BC faced their old enemy Kasetsart who have won the previous three encounters. But already in this first game there were signs that this BC side would not be toppled easily as they cruised to a 43-0 victory based upon forward power play. All seven tries were scored by forwards (Jansen 2, Pincock, Prichard, Dakers, Meggison and Olds) with four being converted by Grunwell. The second game against Rachavit was a similar affair as Jansen 2, Butler 2, Brydon, Prichard and Hunt scored tries in a 58-9 victory. The boots of Grunwell and Carling added the extras. This was the day of the Rugby Ball and the day Slap became Scarface from 14 stitches in his forehead created by an unknown boot. With a semi-final place secured and brimming with confidence the BC then dealt a blow which sent shock waves reverberating around Thailand. A 73-0 victory meant top place in the league, a semi-final place with the Navy and tumultuous applause from the newspapers. Again it was the forwards that laid the foundation for the victory which included 13 tries scored by Jansen 3, Carling 2, Hodges 2, Olds 2, Pincock, Meggison and Prichard. With Grunwell injured Carling took over the mantle of place kicker but unfortunately had an off day converting 1 from 9 attempts. Hodges converted the other 3. And so to the semi-final against the Navy on 22 October at the Chulalongkorn Stadium. A game that was expected to be close

turned into another try spree for the BC and a convincing 53-0 win over a side that tried to punch and kick their way to victory. The papers the next day reported the disgraceful display of the Seamen as several physical injuries were inflicted upon the BC including two broken ribs for skipper Jon Prichard. Jansens try record in previous games stood at 2, 2, and 3. This time he went one better and scored 4 amongst 9 tries, the others being scored by Carling, MacKenzie, Hodges, Pincock and Prichard.

In the other semi-final the Police defeated Chulalongkorn and set up a final with the BC on 27 October again at the Chulalongkorn Stadium. On the day of the final the papers analyzed the strengths of both sides and forecast a victory for the BC. But alas as on many occasions their analysis didn't take into account all factors including an off form display by the BC, dodgy refereeing decisions and the boot of Police fly-half Jayong. The BC started well enough and a 35m penalty by Grunwell earned them an early 3-0 lead. But then things went wrong, 3 penalties and a converted try where the winger was clearly in touch, gave the Police a 16-3 half time lead. In the second half the BC came roaring back with a penalty by Grunwell and a try by Pincock which was again converted by Grunwell making the score 16-13 to the Police. Then a lapse by the BC gave the Police an 8 point cushion via a try which was closely followed by another penalty authorized by divine intervention. With the score at 24-13 the BC came back again through a magnificent corner try by Carling converted by Grunwell. During the last 10 minutes mistakes crept into the BC game and they were pinned in their half until another penalty by the Police prior to the final whistle. Final score 27-20.

#### THAILAND KNOCKOUT

The disappointment of losing the Chindarak final had long gone when the BC

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met the Navy in the first round of the Thailand Knockout on Saturday 31 October. The determination and spirit was back in the ranks and the result was never in doubt from the seventh minute when Jansen crossed for the first of his three tries. This was the premiere performance of the pacific islanders, Bula Tui and his younger brother Semi, and straight away they hit the Oscar nominations. The mixture of fire and ball handling skills that is gifted to every Fijian was a delight to see and both crossed the line in their opening game. Unfortunately Thompson missed all the conversions but this was reimbursed in full by his faultless play at full-back. He also scored in the corner mid way through the first half after a thrilling three quarter move which was created by a sparkling break from Carling. On to the semi-final and a game predicted to be a show piece between two of the better sides in Thailand, the Thai Airforce and the BC.

Neither side let the fans down and what a game it turned out to be, full of everything including controversy. The BC took an early lead through a penalty by Grunwell. Then we had the sending off of Paul Hunt after 10 minutes, for an incident which only the referee and all the Airforce players saw or apparently saw. This inspired the BC players into 15 minutes of wonderful attacking rugby with the forwards and backs combining in an onslaught on the Airforce try line. This culminated in three magnificent tries, two for Pincock and one for Semi Tui, two of which were converted by Grunwell.

In between the tries the Airforce converted two penalties and found themselves behind 22-6 at the interval. In the second half we saw a performance of true grit that John Wayne would have been proud of. Fourteen men against fifteen Harrier Jump Jets aided and abetted by a whistle blow-

ing Blackhawk. But the final instruction from skipper Jon Prichard as he left the field through injury shortly after half-time lifted these fourteen mere mortals, "They Shall Not Pass"(he actually said:" if they do effing pass you are all dropped").

The attacks on the BC line came in waves and droves, but each time they were blown from the sky by crunching tackles by Pincock, Brydon, Carling and Semi Tui. One flier managed to get through to register five points but that was all the Airforce could muster and towards the end of the game it was the BC that did most of the attacking. The final score was 22-11 for the BC and this must go down in the annals of BC history as one of their finest victories.

So another final and again against

the Police. A large crowd gathered to see if revenge could be obtained and they witnessed a disastrous start by the BC in which they gave away a converted try in the first few minutes. But they bounced back and scored two scintillating tries through Jansen and Semi Tui, both of which were converted by Grunwell. However, they also gave

away two unnecessary penalties for late tackles which as in the previous final, Jayong accepted with ease. At half-time the BC led 14-13. In the second half the BC were pinned in their own half by the boot of Jayong whose touch kicking and up and unders were magnificent. Mid way through the second half the Police scored in the corner and Jayong again converted. Whilst the fans kept cheering, hoping for a BC revival, it was not to be. The pressure was kept up by the Police and youth and superior fitness told at the end when two further tries were scored in the last few minutes of play. The final score was 34-14 to the Police.

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**Despite losing in two major finals and with the Rovithai Trophy still to come, the BC record this season is outstanding.**

**Kodak 7's - Runners up**

**Kodak 7's over 35's - Winners**

**Chindarak Cup - Runners up**

**Thailand Knockout - Runners up**

**Cup and Saucer Trophy - Winners**

• JANE AND LOUIS NIVEN had their first baby, a boy they named Thomas at 52cm a rugby player in the making. Congratulations Jane and Louis. • The Rugby Section will have had their final farewells to ROB MONTGOMERY at Jools restaurant by now. Rob an ever keen supporter and previous player will be missed by all. Especially the girls he used to live up to his nickname Champagne Charlie at regular intervals. Bye Rob, we wish you well. (Photographs in next months Outpost). • New players SEMI AND BULA TUI threw themselves into their 'first beers with the club' with a vengeance, at 10pm Bula's wife arrived at the Grunwell's residence expecting her husband still to be there and be able to help with the shopping and carrying their two children, by then of course he had gone out for a drink with the boys. What a way to find out about the recreational escapades of BC Rugby. • MRS. JP is appearing in the Old Time Music Hall. The Rugby Section expects to fill a table with supporters especially now we have found out she is doing her own thing with the all time favourite rugby song 'On Sunday after supper'. The Captain's wife has sent out invitations as a counter attack to the Captain's dinner on November 20th. All the ladies are expected to attend - more next month. • The Rugby Section would like to invite the football section to join them for a pre Christmas/Panto organising dinner sometime in December. PLEASE ALL JOIN IN, WE NEED ALL THE TALENT WE CAN FIND.



Beautiful people Jorda "Superstar" Jansen and Marcus "Bro" Carling



A pensive Rob Montgomery who is leaving shortly



Above: Even if we lose or win!  
Below: In the Pink - the supporters





# CHRISTMAS COOKERY COUNTDOWN

**Freezing ahead:** Prepare and freeze the bread sauce, cranberry sauce and brandy butter and the stock for gravy.

**Beginning of December:** Decide on and order your meat and/or poultry.

**One week before:** If not already frozen make and refrigerate brandy butter. Make the mince pies, store in an airtight container. Calculate the thawing time of the turkey and thaw on the appropriate day. Buy imperishables now.

**21/22 December:** Thaw your turkey in the refrigerator, timing depends on weight.

**23/24th December:** If frozen thaw and store the brandy butter and sauces in refrigerator. If not already frozen prepare the giblet stock for the gravy; simmer the giblets with 1.1 litres (2 pints) water, seasoning and a few vegetables for flavouring for about 2 hours. Glaze cake.

**Christmas Eve:** Peel the potatoes for roasting. Keep covered in cold water. Trim the sprouts, pare the carrots and store in polythene bags in fridge. Thicken the stock, making it



thicker than required so it is the right consistency when added to the turkey juices. Thread bacon rolls onto skewers. If not already made, make cranberry and bread sauces. Cool, cover and refrigerate.

**Christmas Day:** Times are based on a 4.5-5.4 kg (10-12lb) stuffed turkey in foil (see chart)

## TO SERVE AT 1 PM

**8.00 am:** Preheat the oven, complete the stuffing and fill and truss the turkey.

**8.30 am:** Put the turkey in the oven.

**9.30 am:** Put a large saucepan with of water on to boil, steam the pudding over this (check water regularly).

**10.30 am:** Lay the table, put out the cranberry sauce and prepare the wines.

**11.15 am:** Boil the potatoes in salted water for about 5 minutes, drain.

Heat a thin film of oil in a roasting tin until very hot. Add potatoes and place in oven.

**11.45 am:** Unwrap the turkey, baste and continue cooking.

**12.30 pm:** Place the chipolatas and bacon rolls alongside the turkey, or cook under a grill. When cooked, wrap in foil and keep warm. Test turkey thigh with a skewer. Turn the oven down low and leave the bird to rest for about 20 minutes (or wrap in foil and keep warm beside the cooker.) Complete the gravy by adding giblet stock to the defatted juices. Cook the Brussels sprouts and carrots. Drain, cover and keep warm. Reheat the bread sauce and add a little milk if necessary.

**12.50 pm:** Turn out the Christmas pudding, then cover with a basin to keep warm until ready to serve.

**1.00 pm:** Transfer the turkey onto a carving dish. If serving a large number, carve in the kitchen to keep portions hot.

## TURKEY TABLE

**Thawing:** Frozen turkeys must be thoroughly thawed before cooking. They should be left in their bags and thawed in the fridge for about three days. We don't think it is advisable to thaw any meat, and especially poultry, at room temperatures in Bangkok. The times given are for turkeys of an oven-ready weight of between 6 and 11 kg (13 to 25 lb). Remove giblets as soon as they are loose - use for gravy. To check that the bird is thawed, make sure there are no ice crystals in the body cavity and that the legs are quite flexible. Once thawed, cook as soon as possible.

**Stuffing:** Loosely stuff the neck end of the bird to ensure heat penetrates the centre more quickly. Extra stuffing can be baked separately in a covered dish for about 1 hr. Allow about 225g (8oz) stuffing to each

## COOKING TIMES

Oven ready weight:	5 - 6.8kg (11 - 15lb)
Thawing time:	2 to 3 days in fridge
Cooking without foil:	3 1/4 to 3 3/4 hours
Cooking foil wrapped:	4 to 5 hours
Approximate number of servings:	15 to 20
Oven ready weight:	6.8 - 9kg (15 - 20lb)
Thawing time:	3 days in fridge
Cooking without foil:	3 3/4 to 4 1/4 hours
Cooking foil wrapped:	5 to 5 1/2 hours
Approximate number of servings:	20 to 30

2.3kg (5lb) dressed weight of turkey and stuff the bird just before cooking. Sew up the neck skin or use skewers, truss bird.

**Cooking:** Weigh the bird and calculate the cooking time, to be ready 30 mins before carving. This allows the flesh to firm up, making it easier to slice. Spread with butter or margarine, grind over black pepper. Wrap loosely in foil or place straight onto a roasting tin. Preheat the oven to about 180 Degrees C (350 degrees F), mark 4 and put the turkey in. Fold back the foil about 45 mins before the end of cooking time to brown. Baste regularly.

**Testing:** Insert a fine skewer into a turkey thigh. If juices run clear, it is cooked. If not, return to the oven to cook further.



# KIDS CORNER

## THE 10 LARGEST DINOSAURS

### 1. SEISMOSAURUS

Length: 30-36 m/98-118ft. Estimated weight: 80 tonnes. A single skeleton was found in 1985 near Albuquerque and is currently being studied by the New Mexico Museum of Natural History, which may establish its position as the largest dinosaur yet discovered. It's name means 'earth shaker'.

### 2. ULTRASAURUS

Length: 30.5m/100ft, height, 16-17m/52-56ft, estimated weight: 50 tonnes. Ultrasaurus was discovered in Colorado in 1979 but has not yet been fully studied. Some authorities have claimed it's weight as 100-140 tonnes.

### 3. ANTARCTOSAURUS

Length: 30m/98ft, estimated weight: 80 tonnes. The thigh bone alone measures 2.3m/7.5ft.

### 4. SUPERSAURUS

Length 24-30m/79-98ft, height: 15m/49ft, estimated weight: 75-100 tonnes. The remains of Supersaurus were found in Colorado 1071.

### 5. DIPLODOCUS

Length 27m/89ft, estimated weight: 10.6tonnes. As he was long and thin, diplodocus was a relative lightweight in the dinosaur world. He was also probably one of the most stupid dinosaurs, having the smallest brain in relation to its body size. One skeleton was named Diplodocus carnegii, in honour of Scottish-American Andrew Carnegie, who financed the excavations that discovered it.

### 6. BRACHIOSAURUS

Length 23-27m/75-89ft, height 12m/39ft, estimated weight: 78 tonnes. Some paleontologists have put brachiosaurus's weight as high as 190 tonnes.

### 7. BAROSAURUS

Length 22-27m/72-89 ft, Barosaurus has been found both in North america and Africa, thus proving the existence of a land link in Jurassic times (205-140 million years ago).

### 8. PELOROSAURUS

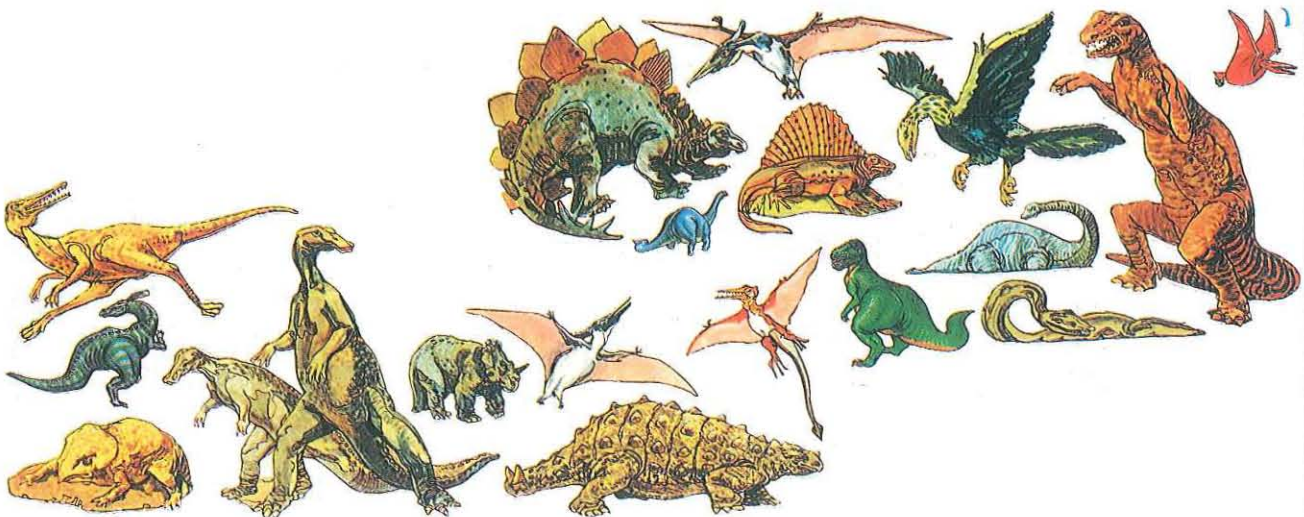
Length: 244m/79ft, the first pelorosaurs fragments were found in Sussex in 1850. The name means 'monstrous reptile'.

### 9. MAMENCHISAURUS

Length 22m/72ft. An almost complete skeleton discovered in 1972 showed it had the longest neck of any known animal, comprising half of its total body length, it is named after the place in China where it was found.

### 10. APATOSAURUS

Length 20-21m/66-69ft, estimated weight: 30 tonnes. Apatosaurus is better known as Brontosaurus, or 'thunder reptile'. The bones of the first one ever found in Colorado in 1879, caused great confusion for many years, because its discoverer attached a head from a different species to the rest of the skeleton.





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# LETTER FROM HOME

Just for once Editor is indulging in a 'letter from home'.

After visiting in July, one letter received must be shared. So read on...

**W**as I Really there? It was one of those uneventful days; wet cloudy with a general air of 'what the hell am I doing sitting in Spalding!' The countless cups of coffee were making the only excitement my frequent trips to the bathroom, tripping down the steps as my eyes adjusted to the darkness of the passage-way. It was on one such trip that the teak musician decided to cross my path and fall from the wall leaving his three colleagues smiling suggestively as he flew through the air trying to make me trip to avoid crushing him. It was at that moment that telephone, cheque book and the City of Angels all combined to force me to the Gin bottle and the fax machine. Yes, Joe was still in his office and Qantas would happily transport myself and travelling companion on a most memorable flight on a quarter full 747/400 Spirit of Australia. The seven days prior to departure was an endless tunnel of mundane 'how can I pass the time' activities, including jabs in arm, leg and posteria. Our stay in Bangkok was an enlightenment to be envied by most, not least of all the Emerald Buddha, who was one of our first visits. The majestic and regal flamboyance of the Grand Palace was 'gob striking'- excuse the colloquialism which reminds me of Yorkshire. The colour and gold of interior and exterior, which could be described as gaudy in England, sparkled with a brilliance that made on stand in awe of the persons responsible for it's creation. You've all been in London on one of those busy days, when you are trying to get somewhere in a hurry; you stand in the street getting nowhere very fast; no such problem on the river in Bangkok! The Express Boats are a must, especially the full ones. It's like parachuting without a canopy and trying to land in a moving car. Having said that, apart from the Thai boy playing a rather repetitive concerto for unaccompanied whistle, it is a fantastic way to see the skyline of the city, including many interesting temples and monuments. The ideal way to conclude this aquatic speedway is to take one of the long tail boats for a trip around the many canals which dissect the Chao Phya River. The pageantry and splendour of the floating regalia on the Thames seems the finest in the world; have a look at the Royal Barges and see the Brits sinking into sec-

ond place. A word of warning when arriving back by Express Boat, don't be alarmed if it does not stop at your stop. It's not that they forget but distance means nothing to the Thais and the one foot jump at the beginning of the trip is roughly the same as the 35 metre leap at the end. Sometimes they decide to get in a little closer! Tell them not to bother,- stay on and catch it next time around; it's like a monkey changing gear in a car with no synchromesh together with a cacophony of instruments joining the solo whistle player. The floating market at Damnoen Saduak is an interesting morning out, but it is rather a long way and a coach party is not to be recommended but a small punt to take you in the middle of the hubbub surrounded by a melange of floating stalls, smells and cries. Travelling through, one can find an indescribable peace and quiet amongst the coconut growers; a quiet not experienced anywhere in Bangkok during our stay. It was a welcome break after an exciting and glitzy night painting the tiles in Patpong, it's little cafes and bars bulging with excitement until deep into the night. Rome Club, a must for everybody, with a fantastic show at 1pm on Friday and Saturday night, but be prepared, people are not what they seem! Everybody will at sometime fall into the trap of being advised by the over eager native. We were no exception and two silk shirts, two silk cushion covers, a silk scarf and a wooden Buddha later, we left the Thai Silk and Gem Factory (a dubious name if ever I heard one). This was on Ban That Thong. We were delighted with our purchases, but our hosts told us that with them present we could have obtained them much cheaper. We eventually believed them, especially when the same well dressed Thai, still with mobile phone, was sitting on the same seat on Rama I four days later. One of the most fantastic finds took us to Sri Ayutthaya Road, the Suan Pakkard Palace is an absolute must for visitors. It nestles amongst the hustle and bustle of Bangkok totally secluded from the metropolis and all it's modernity. It consists of five Thai houses full of worldly treasures. B50 is a small price to pay for an English speaking guide and a complimentary fan. The Thais tend to nibble, graze, pick and push food around plates, hands and plastic bags all day long. One is

advised to try to keep ones Western constitution especially as the stay may only be a short one. However, the Thai cuisine is exciting and fun, in any of the abundant Thai restaurants one can order a selection of food, be prepared to share, it's much more fun. I would not presume to talk about Thai food, as ignorance is the worst form of ignorance. Our many new expat friends were delighted to tell and experiment with us, novices, about the many dishes in their hot, spicy, meaty, ricey and soupy forms. Coriander and lemon grass, however, seem to be the flavours of Thailand. I must mention some restaurants in particular that we visited during our stay. Bobbies' Arms, in the middle of the multi storey car park in Patpong, is a real English pub with superb food with a slightly French flavour. As with everywhere we went, the prices are incredible. After Bobbies' it's a short walk to the whirl and excitement of the midnight street market that lines Patpong, not forgetting the wonderful bars selling all kinds of unusual wears such as razor blades and frogs. Some of the signs I just couldn't understand. On Phaholyothin Soi 7, there is a very good Vietnamese restaurant, but again be careful, people are not what they seem and the length of their fingernails and elegant strides to the kitchen might give them away. Neil's Tavern, well, I have never eaten such a good steak before. This again is a Western style restaurant, where the food is sensational and the quality and quantity might put many English to shame. It's rather more expensive than most, but still very affordable to the average tourist. Well, it's nearly time for me to go to the old Gin bottle and fax machine again. These are just a few of my thoughts and observations during my stay in this wonderful city. My mind has been triggered off and my eagerness to experience the many facets of this wonderful culture has left me shaking with excitement. A final word, watch out for the lady in Pink, sitting at a dining table counting receipts, her Capabilities are great but not inside S.

Love from

**Anton**



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Badminton



## THINGS YOU WISH YOU HADN'T SAID



It's amazing you can get anything done in this mess.  
So Alice is your third wife  
I'm astonished you manage to stay so optimistic.

So what was it really like in the sixties? I was only a toddler at the time.

Personality is so much more important than looks, you are lucky to have him.

I guess it must be frustrating not to have the legs to wear short shirts.

When is the baby due?

Your husband?

I thought he was your son.

You have to see this movie ..

I could not stop crying when he died at the end.

Sex doesn't mean that much to me either. It is communication and friendship that counts.

Well, you can stay for one more drink.

You can stay at my apartment for a week,

what are friends for?

Were you born with that mole on your nose?

Sorry I can't invite you to the dinner party, but we feel you just won't be comfortable with this group.

O.K., I admit it, I cannot stand your mother!

Are you sure you want to wear that bikini?

Don't bother to bring anything, I'll make everything for the party myself.

You must be Marilyn's father.

If I don't get an office with two windows I'll quit.

You're absolutely right about Freddie, If I were you I'd divorce him.



## (NEARLY) FAMOUS PEOPLE WHO MIGHT WISH THEY'D NEVER SAID THE FOLLOWING

... and how long have you had this lifelong ambition?

Gary Davis

The speed of light is very fast

Carl Sagan

Tell me what you do for a living ... you're an insurance broker, are n't you?

Eamonn Andrews

Conditions on the road are bad, so if you are just setting off for work, leave a little earlier.

Kelvin O'Shea

The battle is well and truly on if it wasn't on before, and it certainly was.

Murray Walker

He's bitten off a bit more than he can chew.

Brother of hunger striker Raymond McCreesh

... Maria Scott, from Fleetwood, the 17-year old who has really plummeted to the top ...

Alan Weeks

....as they come through, absolutely together with Wells in first place ...

David Coleman

Two little jumps there - one big one and one small one.

David Vine

I must apologise to the deaf for the loss of subtitles.

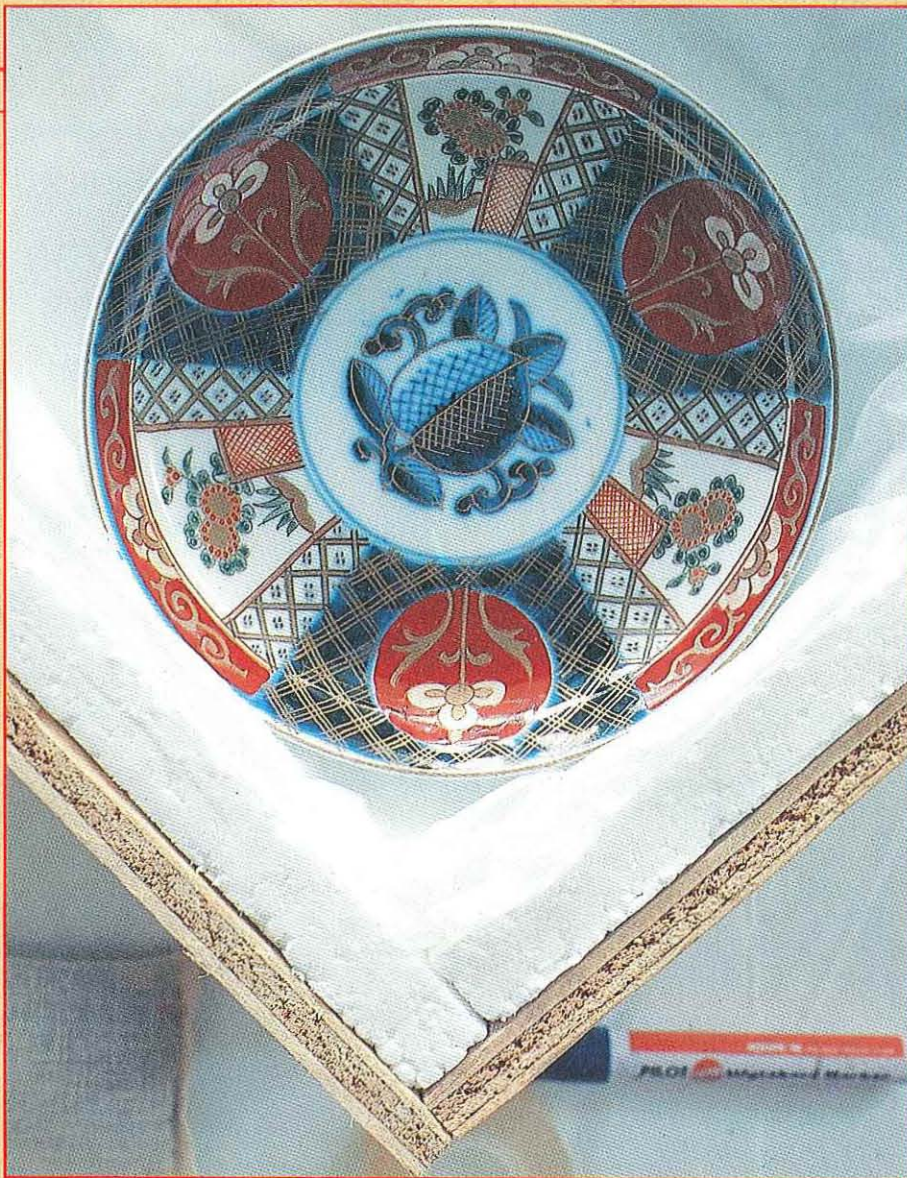
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... a very powerful set of lungs, very much hidden by that chest of his.

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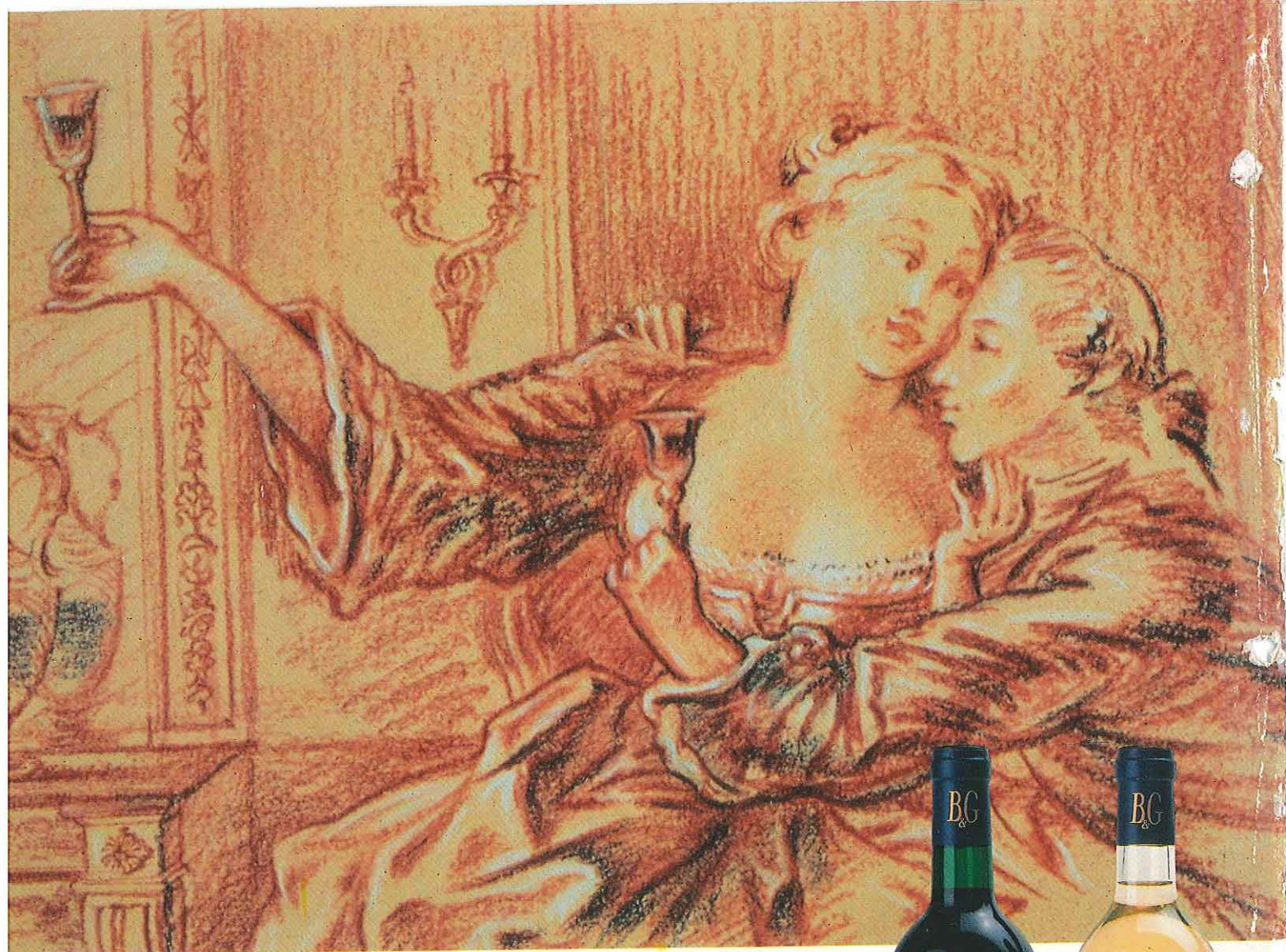
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