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The British Club Bangkok have kindly agreed to place a Rotary Club Bangkok South (RCBS), Charity Collection Box in the main reception area, for the months of December 2022 and also January 2023.

On Friday the 21st of October, the British Club General Manager, Tim attended the RCBS luncheon at the Crowne Plaza, Silom, and was photographed here with Membership Sales Manager, Ammy, when they were presented with the charity box by Club member and Rotarian Gareth Winter.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Each month we like to introduce some of the New Members who have recently joined the Culb. These are some of the Members who joined during the last few months



▲ Maria, Eduard and Richard, Angela



▲ Chandra Anitha and Shilpa



▲ Robert and Sandy



▲ Fay, Tom and Ned



▲ Mike, Yarika and Miko



▲ Justin, Shesiedo and Alexis, Elliot



▲ Joachim Gram



▲ Dorothy Hung



▲ Richard and Lu



▲ Daniela and Isidro



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▲ Richard



▲ Gerald and Kanjana



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Front Cover

The festive season has arrived

This Month

Our GM accepts a charity collection box, we welcome our new members, the chairman reflects on a very busy month, the Fry Group cover returning to the UK, we revisit the year 1955, reciprocal club Circulo del Liceo, Barcelona gets reviewed, a new seniors section is announced, quiz winner and events reviewed, our sections have their say.



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Chairman's Message



Brian Brook



Merry Christmas / Happy Holidays

As I write this in mid-November it seems a little premature, but this will be the last Outpost magazine published before Christmas. I hope all Members and their families will enjoy the holiday period and seasonal festivities.

The Club has lots of seasonal events planned for December, as advertised elsewhere. I look forward to seeing you at one or more of them. I am particularly looking forward to the Christmas Day lunch.

Meanwhile, the Club has already been busy with several events, notably:

Trafalgar Dinner

I joined some 50 Members and Guests, mainly Embassy / Military who gathered in the Wordsworth Lounge and on the 1910 balcony for a splendid grapefruit cocktail, before sitting down to an excellent four course dinner, washed down with admiral wine of the month, followed by a glass of port for the toasts, which by tradition are drunk sitting down, to avoid hitting our heads on the (imaginary) ship's ceiling (or whatever the mariners call it). The dinner was interspersed with the reading of letters and poems, and completed by a fine speech from the British Defence Attaché. After dinner, most guests visited the Churchill Bar on the way home, some staying there quite a long time.



Guy Fawkes

Almost 400 members and guests attended this party on the back lawn, with kids' activities, international buffet, live music, and burning of the Guy. Unfortunately, there was a gremlin with the booking system, such that some members who turned up were not expected or not seated where they had requested. Some frantic running around with extra tables, chairs and food ensued, but generally the value of Keep Calm, Enjoy Yourself, prevailed, with the party concluding with spectacular pyrotechnic 'fireworks.'



Remembrance Day

Sunday 13th November 2022 was the fourth time that the Remembrance Day service has been held at the Club, since the War memorial was re-located from the grounds of the old British Embassy in Wireless Road. The service was conducted by the vicar of Christ Church, with music from Shrewsbury school choir and the British Club Pipe Band. Wreaths were laid by senior diplomats from many embassies plus representatives of the Royal Thai military, the Royal British Legion Thailand, international schools, loyal societies, and other community organisations, and of course the Club itself.

The War Memorial lists those who lost their lives during the First World War, but the remembrance service includes all those who have died in other conflicts since, including the current conflict in Ukraine. After the service, all attendees were invited by the British Embassy to the back lawn for light refreshments.

With the security measures necessary and the quietness required for the service, normal entry to and use of the Club had to be restricted during the morning. A thank you to the Members for their adherence and understanding.



Golf Section Dunlop Cup

It was great to catch up with the British Club Golf Section at Soi Dao Highlands Golf course for the annual Dunlop Cup competition on 29th and 30th of October. Soi Dao is some 300Kms or four hours plus drive, close to the Cambodian border about 40Kms north of Chanthaburi.

The course is a fantastic design and in very good condition, with each hole providing a different challenge. The on-site accommodation and catering are run by Chatrium, who served an impromptu Saturday night dinner under the stars.

Yurachatr and I were on holiday in UK over ten years ago and played at Bakewell Golf Club in Derbyshire. At the end of the round, we asked to go into the Bar for a drink, and the lady who answered the door said sorry the steward was at a funeral, but noticing a small Thai flag on my golf shirt asked if we were from Thailand. She then said "I used to live in Thailand, my husband was Managing Director of Dunlop there." Having previously worked for Dunlop myself and met all but one of the Dunlop Thailand MD's (there had only been five in about sixty years), I immediately responded "you must be Mrs Robinson." After recovering from shock, she took us home to meet her husband, who wanted to know all about the Golf Section and whether the Dunlop Cup he, John Robinson, donated in 1969, was still being played for. To prolong the 'small world' syndrome, we discovered that John and I were both born and brought up in the same city. Really!

In fact, the Dunlop Cup has been played for every year since 1969, except once when it was completely washed out two years ago. Thanks go to David and Dale Lamb for continuing to sponsor the event, and well done to the Golf Section Committee for organising another brilliant weekend.



Club Sections

The Club is blessed to have Sports and Social Sections, run by Members to arrange competitions and activities. Currently active are Balut, Bridge, Cricket, Golf, Squash, Tennis, and the Pipe Band. Also, 'Seniors' has just begun (see page 14).



An Evening with The Fry Group

Speakers:

Martin Wright (Host)

Senior Financial Planner, The Fry Group

Max White

Director, Schroders Wealth Management Asia

Date:

Thursday, 12 January 2023

6.30pm - 8.30pm

Location:

The British Club Bangkok

Suriwongse Room

189 Surawong Road

Bangrak, Bangkok 1050

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Join us for a presentation, hosted by Martin Wright, Senior Financial Planner at The Fry Group Singapore with guest speaker, Max White, Director at Schroders Wealth Management Asia.

This event will focus on key topics including:

- Returning to the UK
- ESG Investing
- Investment market update

What you can expect to learn from this presentation?

- Consideration factors and implications of returning back to live in the UK
- The main types of ESG investing, how to do it, and why
- What is happening in the investment markets and importance of a well-positioned portfolio

This presentation will include a Q&A session and an opportunity to chat informally with our guest speakers over a complimentary British Club dinner and drinks.

Returning to the UK?

By Martin Wright

Increasing healthcare costs, changes in circumstances, redundancy or feeling “trunky” are just some of the reasons why people consider moving back to the UK.

If you’re thinking about a UK return, it’s crucial to plan ahead and understand the key issues which may affect you. This will help reduce the chance of a significant, and perhaps unnecessary, tax bill.

Because of the UK’s complex tax system, it’s important to give yourself plenty of time; ideally 6-12 months before beginning the process.

Unfortunately the luxury of time may not be an option. Nevertheless it’s important to understand the consequences of your return to ensure it is the right decision for your personal circumstances now and in the future.

WHEN TO RETURN

Although there’s no perfect time, an understanding of the UK resident system is a good place to start. This will allow you to be aware of when you’re likely to become a UK tax resident - it’s sometimes not as straightforward as it may seem!

If you return in the middle of the tax year and have been receiving overseas income, obtaining UK split-tax year treatment will be important. This allows you to split the tax year in two - one part applying to when you’re UK resident, and one when you’re not.

DO I NEED TO TELL HMRC WHEN I RETURN?

Telling HMRC that you’re returning to the UK is very important. It can be done personally, or by your tax adviser. It’s always a good idea to seek tax advice before your return, and this could be part of an overall package of a pre and post UK Tax Advice service.

CONSIDERATIONS FOR A UK RETURN

There are lots of things to consider, but the key points to focus on are:

- Seek UK Tax Advice – and use a professional qualified UK tax adviser
- Check your UK banking arrangements – if you don’t have a UK bank account speak to your previous UK bank
- Understand foreign pension provision – can it be withdrawn before your return?
- Review currency exchange rates – if transferring significant amounts research the most efficient way of doing so
- Review investment funds – they could be taxed differently in the UK
- Find a home - give tenants the correct notice if you have a UK property or do your research if moving to a new home in a new area
- Plan healthcare needs - NHS hospital treatment is free for those resident in the UK and applies immediately if you’re returning permanently
- Research schools – explore the options and be aware that children must be physically present in the UK to enroll
- Check your insurance - consider your general (motor, home), and personal (private medical insurance, life assurance and critical illness) cover; personal insurance is normally cheaper in the UK
- Make sure your UK driving licence is still valid – this is especially important if you’ve been absent from the UK for a long period

Returning to the UK is a big step so do plan ahead both personally and financially. Over the years we’ve helped many people relocate to the UK, so please get in touch to discuss your plans.



Martin Wright
Senior Financial Planner

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Paul Cheesman

~~~PAST PARTICIPLE~~~ *Auspicium Melioris Ævi*

We continue the story of the British Club Bangkok ... 1955

Death in Service

April 30th was due to have been the retirement day of our Permanent Assistant Secretary Mr. Jules Jean Mottet after five years' service but sadly he died on April 15th without warning, just prior to his retirement presentation. The Club financed his funeral and gave his retirement gifts and funds to his widow. He is buried in the Bangkok Protestant Cemetery in Chareon Krung Road.



▲ Jules Jean Mottet - RIP

A Bumper Naval Year

Our Club's links with the Royal Navy have been well documented in this series but 1955 was a bumper year with ships from four Commonwealth navies and one foreign navy, a guest of the Naval Attaché – a grand total of 1,000 officers and ratings were entertained to Tiffin.

In early March the Club was host to over 400 Royal Navy ratings over two lunchtimes: in town were our regular visitor HMS Alert (K647), a Bay-class frigate, this time with HMS Opossum (U33) and HMS Modeste (U42) both modified Black Swan-class sloops. The plaque from HMS Opossum is still displayed in the Churchill Bar.

In June, the Club was host to 310 ratings over two lunchtimes: in town were four ships from the commonwealth: HMNZS Kaniere (F426), a Loch-class frigate, HMAS Tobruk (D37), a Battle-class destroyer with HMAS Arunta (D130) and HMAS Warramunga (D123), both Tribal-class destroyers. Two plaques survive in the Churchill Bar.

In July, ARC Almirante Padilla (F11), a frigate of the Columbian Navy visited Bangkok as a guest of the British Naval Attaché, Commander J.S. Kerans RN. The Club extended use of its facilities to their Officers whilst on-shore.

Finally, in November, four ships of the Pakistan Navy visited Bangkok. The Club extended use of its facilities to their Officers whilst onshore. These are recorded as PNS Sindh (F52), a Black Swan-class sloop, PNS Tippu Sultan (D49) and PNS Tughril (1951), both O-class destroyers, and PNS Taimur (1954), a C-class Destroyer.



▲ Three Commonwealth Navies

Witthayu!

The evening of May 27th was an event of great excitement amongst Club members as a 'receiving set' (wireless or radio) was borrowed and installed in the Bar in order that members could listen to the UK General Election results as they came in. A special Steak & Kidney supper was laid on and "many members" stayed long into the night.

The event was deemed a success so the Club purchased its own radio set, and it was placed in the Rotunda Room [the Wordsworth Lounge as is now] so that members could tune in as they wished.

13. ELECTION NIGHT IN U.K.

It was agreed to install receiving sets and wire the Club for the night of the 27th May to enable Members to hear the election results from U.K. as they came in. A steak and kidney supper to be served.

▲ Wireless

No Entry!

Early in 1955, Bangkok Municipality decided to upgrade Suriwongse Road into a more durable roadway. The work took months as they heightened the road and built a new bridge over Khlong Chong Nonsi. As a result the Club's Suriwongse Gate was out of use for many months with members having to enter and leave by the Silom Gate only. The end result was an awkward 'bump' to exit onto the 'new' Suriwongse Road, which they took until the next year to level!

CLUB ENTRANCE FROM SURIWONGSE ROAD

Mr. Pegg reported that the municipality had approved the lowering of the "hump" on the pavement at the entrance and it was agreed to ask Shell Co.'s Contractor to put the work in hand, for Club a/c.

▲ Minutes 19.01.1956

Service

1955 was an almost perfect year on the General Committee – Charles Mabbatt was yet again elected Chairman yet again (see Past Participle, April 2022) and chose no vice-chairman as usual. William Brownsey remained as Honorary Secretary.

1955-56

CHAIRMAN:	Charles S.I. Mabbatt CBE
VICE-CHAIRMAN:	(not appointed)
HONORARY SECRETARY:	William Brownsey
HONORARY TREASURER:	David L. Millar
MEMBERS:	
	R.E. Bentley
	Richard B.A. Cantopher (went Absent 20.10.1955)
	John H. Donofield
	C.H. Edwards (co-opted 20.10.1955)
	Thomas N. Jackson
	Peter B. Kirrage
	J.A. Pegg
	E.A.G. Wheeler

▲ General Committee 1955-56

A newcomer, Mr. David L. Millar, of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China, was elected as Honorary Treasurer and he served in the role most of the next year as well.

There was one other 'newcomer' to the committee and that was Mr. C.H. Edwards, of Louis T. Leonowens, who replaced Mr. Richard Cantopher who went onto the Absent List.

Club News

Following the passing of Mr. Mottet, Mrs. Barbara Havers was appointed as Permanent Assistant Secretary, starting on 1st May 1955.

Sadly the Club also lost its first post-WWII Chairman, and Honorary Member, in the November when Brigadier Victor Jacques died. An account of his service to the Club can be found in the March 2022 edition of Past Participle, available on the Club website.



▲ Brigadier Victor Henry Jacques CBE, DSO, MC & Bar 1896-1955



▲ Snow in Chiang Rai

In Other News

The lowest ever recorded temperature in Bangkok was 9.9°C (49.8 °F) on 12th January 1955. Five days beforehand, on the 7th, it was 'claimed' that it "snowed in Chiang Rai" – the only snow recorded in Thailand ever!

Bangkok's first Public Lending Library was built in 1955, in Lumpini Park. The Lumpini Public Library was fully opened on 24th June the following year. In 2018, it was restyled 'Lumpini Park Learning Library'.

On 1st May, Christ Church in Convent Road, celebrated its building's Golden Jubilee celebrations with The Rt. Rev. Henry Wolf Baines, the Bishop of Singapore, in attendance for ten days of celebration. Christ Church's Curate, Revd. Walter Henry Fowke, was replaced in the October by Revd. John Logan Gilmour. Nine years later, Mr. Fowke would write the book "A Century of Worship, 1864-1964" for the Mission's centenary.

Commander J. E. E. D. Haward RN became a short term Naval Attaché, joining the Club on 8th August, replacing Commander J.S. Kerans RN, and leaving on 31st December; thence Commander Bruce John Bevis Andrew DSC RN became Naval Attaché and joined the Club on 13th December.

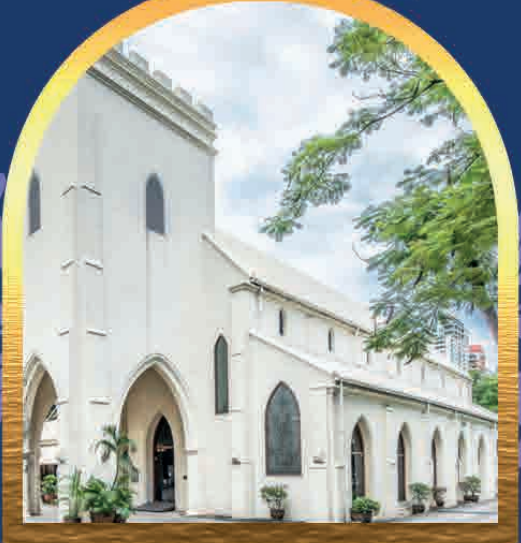
Next month ...
Speed Bumps

Paul Cheesman
Honorary Secretary

For Members interested in our Club's history, the Club Timeline has been updated with over 1900 entries and pictures over 175 pages and can be found on the Website under 'The Club – History'.

CHRIST CHURCH BANGKOK

WE WISH YOU A



Merry Christmas

AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

DATE/TIME	SERVICES
SUNDAY 18TH DECEMBER 6PM	CAROL SERVICE
SATURDAY 24TH DECEMBER 6PM	CHRISTINGLE SERVICE
SATURDAY 24TH DECEMBER 11PM	MIDNIGHT COMMUNION SERVICE
SUNDAY 25TH DECEMBER 7.30AM & 10AM	CHRISTMAS DAY CELEBRATION

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Círculo del Liceo, Barcelona, Spain

Visited in July 2022

Paul Doust and Prasit Jangkamol (a.k.a. Jack)



The Gran Teatre del Liceu in Barcelona is the city's opera house, and the Círculo Del Liceo is a private member's club in the same building. Founded in 1847, it's the oldest private member's club in Spain that's retained its original location. The club's long history has enabled it to accumulate a unique collection of art, the most notable of which is a set of 12 oils paintings by the Catalan artist Ramon Casas which are displayed in a special room on the 1st floor. Many of the club's rooms are decorated in an art nouveau style, and all the rooms on the ground and 1st floors feel very elegant. As one might expect in this kind of setting, the dress code is formal, with jacket and tie required for men. However, apart from a billiards room, there's no gym or sports facilities, and no accommodation either.

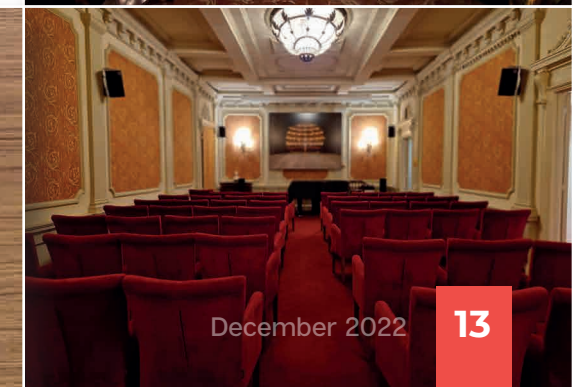
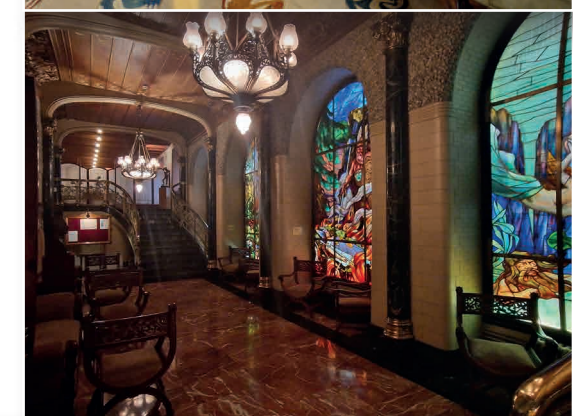
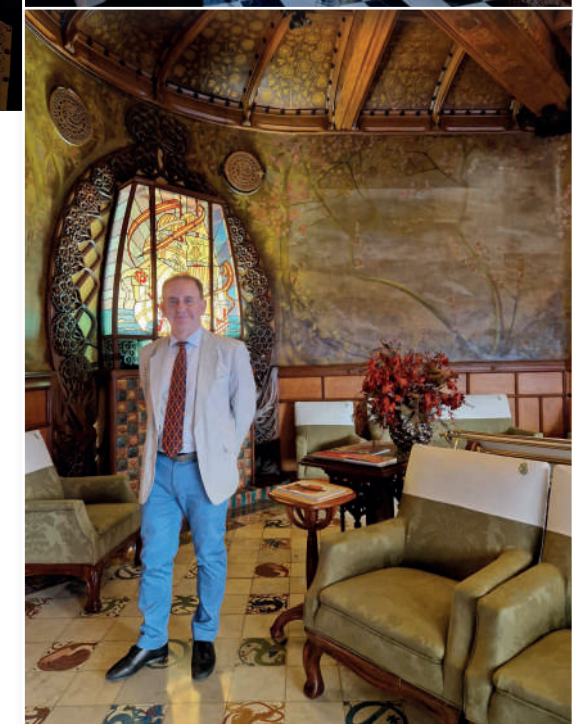
The club is open for lunch and dinner Monday to Friday, but it's closed at weekends unless there is an opera in the Gran Teatre del Liceu, in which case the club opens before the opera and closes afterwards. Originally the club was men only, but these days women are allowed to join too. The club has around 1700 members, and all



members' names are displayed in lists on the wall in the hall on the 1st floor. There's a bar on a mezzanine level between the entrance level and the 1st floor, and at the front of the building on the 1st floor there's a dining room. On the higher floors there's a library, a room for playing cards and a small auditorium with a TV.

We were in Barcelona last July, so one weekday evening we booked dinner at this club. On arrival, we found our way into the club via the right-hand side door at the front of the opera house, and then by ringing a doorbell a few steps up the staircase. Although the concierge didn't speak any English, he was expecting us and made us feel welcome. Apart from staff, there was no one else on the ground floor, in the bar at mezzanine level, or in the rooms on the 1st floor. However, the staff were preparing for a small drinks event in one of the 1st floor rooms, and we did see some of the club's members watching an opera on the TV in the small auditorium on one of the higher floors.

With the summer weather, our dinner was served on the roof terrace instead of the dining room. Although the dress code for men is jacket and tie, there was just one other table dining on the terrace with us, and several of the men on that table were not wearing ties. On seeing this Jack took his tie off too, and because it was warm we asked the waiter if we could take off our jackets too. The waiter said that we could, but about half an hour later, a more senior waiter asked us to put our jackets back on! Luckily it was cooler by then. In spite of dress code confusion, we had a lovely evening. As expected, the wine list was almost 100% Spanish, but unlike some of the other private member's clubs in Spain, I was happy to see that vintages were specified for the more expensive wines. Recommended for any British Club members visiting Barcelona, especially for members who love art and opera.



Thanks to David Quine for giving me one of his balut mats to use as a mouse mat. I can't write these reviews every month without the right equipment!



Christmas Set Menu

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Winter Vegetable & Lentil Soup

homemade to perfection

or

Chicken Liver Pate

with Marmalade sauce & garden salad



Poached Salmon

*with organic baby carrots, boiled potatoes, & spinach
served with orange butter sauce*

or

BBQ Ham

*with grilled pineapple, savoyard potatoes,
steamed vegetables and cranberry sauce*

or

Roast Turkey

*with chestnut stuffing, roasted pumpkin,
Brussels sprouts, cauliflower broccoli cheese,
pigs in blankets, & cranberry sauce*



Christmas Pudding

with vanilla sauce



Mince Pie

Coffee or Tea



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SPARKING PROSECCO COCKTAILS - 199 ฿



**James Bond Kir
Royal 007**

French Kiss

Prosecco Punch

The Mionetto Spritz

**Christmas Cranberry
Mimosa**



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Dedicated to promoting Health, Wellness, and Socialising for our many Senior Members

A message from the newly elected Chairperson of the Seniors Section:

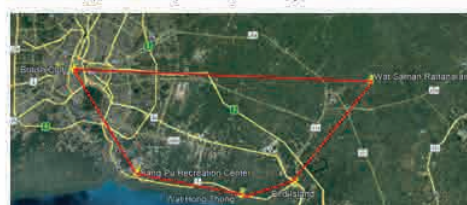
A currently very small Seniors Section Committee has recently been formed, and I am delighted and honoured to have been elected as Chairperson. But we do need more committee members willing to spend some time to get us fully up and running in providing a wide range of activities, events, functions and trips, to usually be undertaken weekday mornings/afternoons, to satisfy the health, wellness and socializing needs of our many Senior Members and their spouses/partners. Of course, any Club member or spouse/partner may attend any of the Section activities.

We are particularly seeking as much diversity as possible in the makeup of the Section Committee, so if you have interest and have some time, please do not hesitate to contact me to discuss – my contact details are set out below. **Lady and Associate Members would be particularly welcome.**

Shown below are some initial thoughts on possible activities, events, functions, and trips with a number of them currently being worked upon. Other suggestions would be welcome. When fully established and running the thinking is to provide at least 2 activities and functions per week, but this obviously relies upon support for both the committee and attendance at events.



- Aerobics, Chair Aerobics
- Yoga, Pilates
- Aqua Aerobics
- Walking Netball
- Lawn Bowls, Croquet
- Tai Chee
- Indoor Games, Darts
- Lectures, Debates
- 1 day, 2 day trips by mini bus



SENIORS SECTION



Terry Adams

Below is an advert for the first day trip that is currently being finalized:

A BC SENIORS SECTION EVENT
A Day trip by minibus with lunch included:
Explore Ancient Pathum Thani's River Front
(See <https://www.bangkokpost.com/travel/2403003/tracing-history>)

WHEN: Wednesday, 11th January 2023
DEPARTURE: From BC at 8.45 am
RETURN: To BC approx 4.45 pm

Example only as costs not yet finalised

BC

Wat Bang Luang

Pathum Thani City Hall Museum

Wat Sing

Wat San Chao & Market

Baan Ta Nid Restaurant

Ong Ang Ancient Building

Cost:
Seniors Section Members: B500
BC Members: B600
Guests: B700

Make it really enjoyable Day:
Beat the traffic and enjoy a relaxing breakfast at the BC before starting the trip, then early dinner afterwards?

As with all Club Sections, Senior Section activities will be self-funded, i.e., without direct Club financial support. But the Club will provide support in many other areas, just as it does for the already established sections.

So as to ensure direct two-way communication with Section Members we have already established a Section Facebook Group. Sign-ups for Section events will be available through the Club's online Booking App or directly to me if preferred.

First Section events will be starting early in the new year, hopefully before!

NEXT STEPS:

Interested to **JOIN THE COMMITTEE** and shape the future of this new Section

or to join as a **SECTION MEMBER**

or just wanting to discuss or make enquiry please call Terry Adams on 081 750 1087, or email to:

terry.adamsbkk@gmail.com,

or stop me when you see me at the Club. (Photo included so you can recognize me)

Terry Adams

**Chair
Seniors Section Committee**



Quiz Night

01/11/22

A brand-new team Brussels Buddies rocks the boat by winning on their first ever quiz, some very happy faces and lots of work for the regulars to regain their bragging rights next month.



Intimate Wine Night

Exploring New Zealand

11/11/22

A beautiful journey through the vineyards of New Zealand was enjoyed by a select wine lover group of members. The next Intimate wine night will take place in January 2023 look out for the date.



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Guy Fawkes

05/11/22

Over 400 people attended and were treated to a fantastic evening of games, activities, live music, and fireworks. Thank you to everyone that made the night a great club success



Let your little ones come and join the fun
Every Saturday & Sunday from 12.00pm - 4.00pm

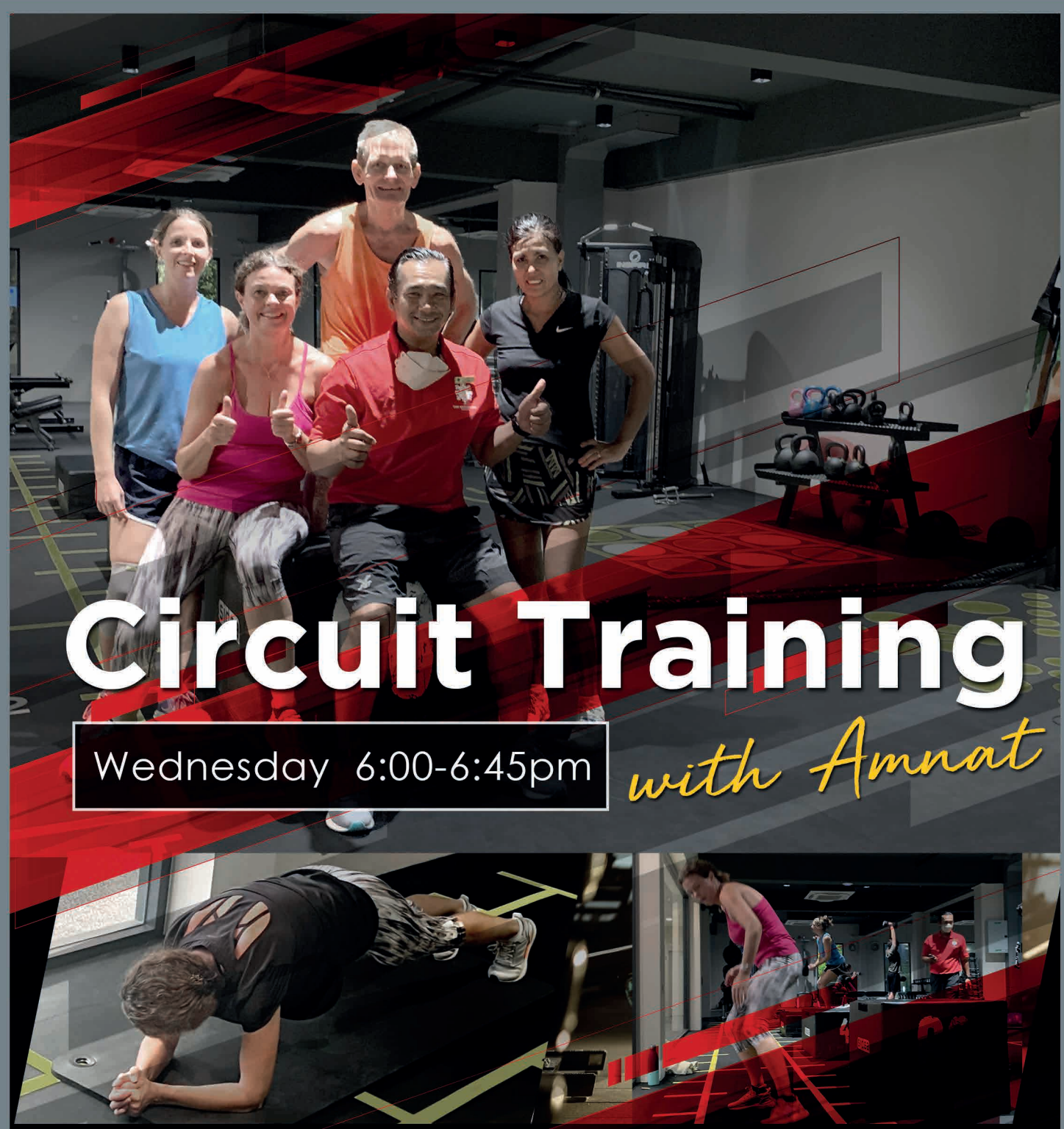
BC BEE'S KIDS CLUB

*Khun Natt will run the BC Bees Kids Club
Every Saturday & Sunday*



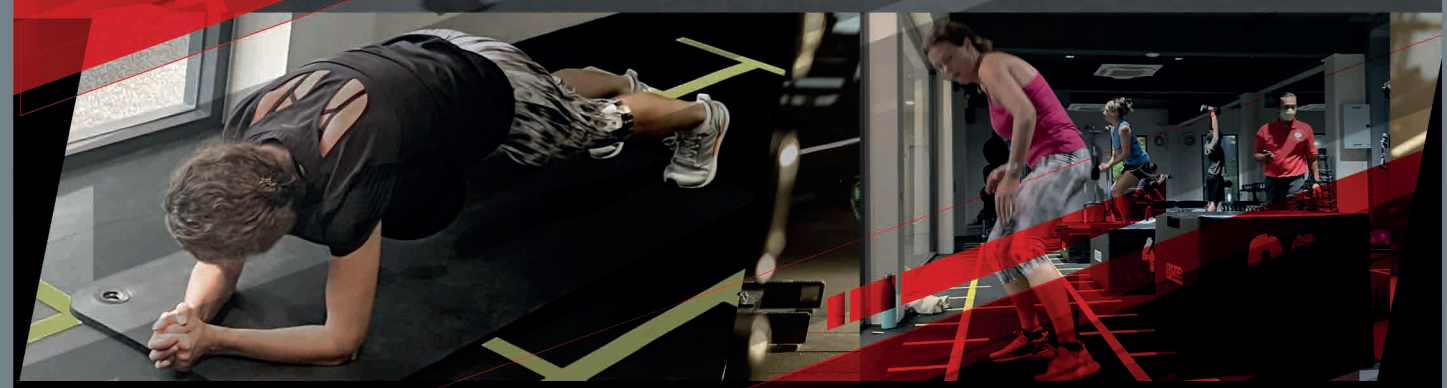
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Circuit Training

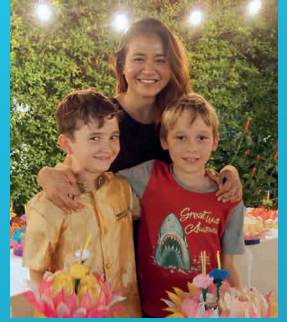
Wednesday 6:00-6:45pm *with Amnat*



Khun Amnat's weekly circuit training class every Wednesday for 45 minutes takes members through a series of exercise circuits, the class is FREE.

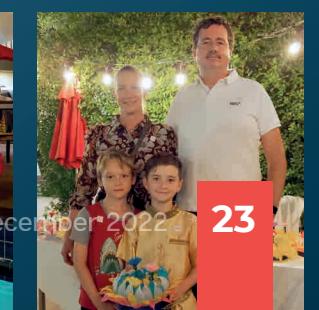
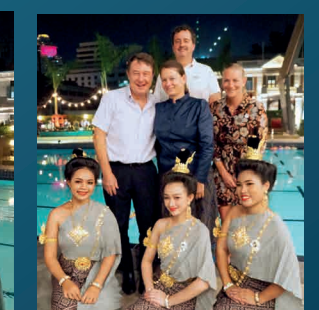


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Loy Krathong 08/11/22

For the first time the club had traditional Thai music and Thai dancers to entertain the 100+ members who came to celebrate Loy Krathong. Our chefs supplied an authentic Thai Buffet featuring four regions of Thailand and some very delicious desserts





Remembrance Day

13/11/22

On Remembrance Day, we acknowledge the courage and sacrifice of those who served their country and acknowledge our responsibility to work for the peace they fought hard to achieve.



Jubilee Bar
Every Wednesday
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Ladies Night

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SATURDAY 17TH DECEMBER 6:30PM - 11:30PM

SPORTS LEGENDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Front lawn 6:30pm cocktail reception, signature drinks & canapes with live music

Back lawn 7:30pm a sumptuous festive buffet including a spit roast, seafood, Indian and vegetarian dishes

Live music to get you on the dance floor from the Boss Band and DJ Steve together with a raffle draw and prizes for best dressed outfit

Members 1800 ฿ | Guests 2100 ฿
Includes food and free flow red & white wine,
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DRESS CODE: dress as your favourite sports personality and enter the party arena



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Annual Wine Tasting

19/11/22

Finally, the weather was on our side for once and the Club was able to produce one of the best annual wine tastings under the stars on the front lawn. 5 wine suppliers, craft beers, imported ciders, and a festive buffet to match. The evening was then made extra special with the musical talent of Mini Moons live duo.





HAPPY New Year 2023

31st December 2022

CHAO PHRAYA PRINCESS

Celebrate New Year's Eve countdown and welcome the year 2023 on Chao Phraya Princess with International Seafood Buffet, free flow open bar drinks throughout the night, and unobstructed views of the largest firework display in Bangkok! (Programs A and B only)

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Program A

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Available Piers

- Special Show
- Free flow whiskey, wine, beer and soft drinks
- International & Seafood Buffet
- Countdown fireworks display!
- Lucky Draw
- New Year Gift
- Live Music



19:30 - 00:30



19:30 - 00:15



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Coming Events

December 2022

4th	Sunday	Kids Christmas Party
6th	Tuesday	Christmas Quiz
7th	Wednesday	Carol Night
17th	Saturday	Sports Legends Christmas Party
25th	Sunday	Christmas Day

January 2023

Polar Swim
Madagascar Pool Party Thailand Children's Day
African cup of nations 6th Feb
Quiz Night
An Intimate Wine Night
Australian Open Tennis till 30th
National pie day feature with Sunday Brunch
Wine Tasting
National croissant day feature with Sunday Brunch

February 2023

Chinese New Year
Quiz Night
Valentine's Day
Super Bowl
Valentine's Day
Wine Tasting

Event & Activities 2022

DECEMBER Highlights



Sports Legends Christmas Party Saturday 17th December





The Christmas Party this year gets a sporting theme, giving you a chance to dress up as your favorite sporting legend and a chance to win some prizes. The long-awaited end of year raffle for range of stunning prizes that included resort stays, spas, 5-star hotels and much more. This year the price is all inclusive with selected food and beverage all night long



Christmas Day Lunch and Dinner Sunday 25th December

The British Club Bangkok Christmas day Lunch or dinner is unmatched anywhere else in Thailand for a home from home feeling. Our chefs work throughout the night to prepare the festive Roast for 450+ people each year and never fail to deliver some of the best cooked turkey you'll anywhere, and don't forget that all important visit from Santa to round the day off

DECEMBER 2022

	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 Cricket team practice 6.30pm - 8.00pm	2 Tennis mixed-in 8.00am - 11.00am Junior Tennis 4.00pm - 5.00pm Junior Cricket 5.15pm - 6.45pm Tennis mixed-in 6.00pm - 10.00pm	3 Kids Activities 12.00pm - 4.00pm Squash Mixed-in 1.30pm - 6.45pm Cricket Team Pratices 2.30pm - 6.00pm
 1903 THE BRITISH CLUB BANGKOK	4 Tennis Men Doubles Team practice 9.00am - 1.00pm Sunday Brunch 11.30am - 3.00pm Kids Activities 11.00am - 3.00pm Tennis Mix-in 4.00pm - 7.00pm Kid's Christmas Party 2.00pm - 6.00pm	5 Tennis Mixed Doubles Team practice 7.00pm - 10.00pm Squash Mix-in 5.15pm - 7.30pm	6 Football 7.00pm - 9.00pm Christmas Quiz 7.15pm - 9.30pm	7 Squash Mix-in 4.30pm - 8.15pm Balut 6.00pm - 8.00pm Circuit Training 6.00pm - 6.45pm Tennis mixed-In 6.00pm - 10.00pm Christmas Carols 6.00pm - 9.00pm	8 Cricket team practice 6.30pm - 8.00pm	9 Tennis mixed-in 8.00am - 11.00am Junior Tennis 4.00pm - 5.00pm Junior Cricket 5.15pm - 6.45pm Tennis mixed-in 6.00pm - 10.00pm	10 Kids Activities 12.00pm - 4.00pm Squash Mixed-in 1.30pm - 6.45pm Cricket Team Pratices 2.30pm - 6.00pm
 1903 THE BRITISH CLUB BANGKOK GOLF SECTION	11 Tennis Men Doubles Team practice 9.00am - 1.00pm Sunday Brunch 11.30am - 3.00pm Kids Activities 11.00am - 3.00pm Tennis Mix-in 4.00pm - 7.00pm	12 Tennis Mixed Doubles Team practice 7.00pm - 10.00pm Squash Mix-in 5.15pm - 7.30pm	13 Football 7.00pm - 9.00pm	14 Squash Mix-in 4.30pm - 8.15pm Balut 6.00pm - 8.00pm Circuit Training 6.00pm - 6.45pm Tennis mixed-In 6.00pm - 10.00pm	15 Cricket team practice 6.30pm - 8.00pm	16 Tennis mixed-in 8.00am - 11.00am Junior Tennis 4.00pm - 5.00pm Junior Cricket 5.15pm - 6.45pm Tennis mixed-in 6.00pm - 10.00pm	17 Kids Activities 12.00pm - 4.00pm Squash Mixed-in 1.30pm - 6.45pm Cricket Team Pratices 2.30pm - 6.00pm Sports Legends Christmas Party 6.30pm - 11.30pm
 1903 THE BRITISH CLUB BANGKOK CRICKET SECTION	18 Tennis Men Doubles Team practice 9.00am - 1.00pm Sunday Brunch 11.30am - 3.00pm Kids Activities 11.00am - 3.00pm Tennis Mix-in 4.00pm - 7.00pm	19 Tennis Mixed Doubles Team practice 7.00pm - 10.00pm Squash Mix-in 5.15pm - 7.30pm	20 Football 7.00pm - 9.00pm	21 Squash Mix-in 4.30pm - 8.15pm Balut 6.00pm - 8.00pm Circuit Training 6.00pm - 6.45pm Tennis mixed-In 6.00pm - 10.00pm	22 Cricket team practice 6.30pm - 8.00pm	23 Tennis mixed-in 8.00am - 11.00am Junior Tennis 4.00pm - 5.00pm Junior Cricket 5.15pm - 6.45pm Tennis mixed-in 6.00pm - 10.00pm	24 Kids Activities 12.00pm - 4.00pm Squash Mixed-in 1.30pm - 6.45pm Cricket Team Pratices 2.30pm - 6.00pm
 BRITISH CLUB BANGKOK RUNNING TEAM	25 Tennis Men Doubles Team practice 9.00am - 1.00pm Sunday Brunch 11.30am - 3.00pm Kids Activities 11.00am - 3.00pm Tennis Mix-in 4.00pm - 7.00pm Christmas Day 11.00am - 9.00pm	26 Tennis Mixed Doubles Team practice 7.00pm - 10.00pm Squash Mix-in 5.15pm - 7.30pm	27 Football 7.00pm - 9.00pm	28 Squash Mix-in 4.30pm - 8.15pm Balut 6.00pm - 8.00pm Circuit Training 6.00pm - 6.45pm Tennis mixed-In 6.00pm - 10.00pm	29 Cricket team practice 6.30pm - 8.00pm	30 Tennis mixed-in 8.00am - 11.00am Junior Tennis 4.00pm - 5.00pm Junior Cricket 5.15pm - 6.45pm Tennis mixed-in 6.00pm - 10.00pm	31 Kids Activities 12.00pm - 4.00pm Squash Mixed-in 1.30pm - 6.45pm Cricket Team Pratices 2.30pm - 6.00pm New Years Eve Countdown 7.30pm - 00.30am

BALUT



The British Club Balut Section

will have just completed The 40th Chivas Regal Interport Balut Competition by the time you read this month's review. In previous years, this competition has been held at the British Club in 2008, 2010 and 2013, so it was great to be selected to hold this competition again at the end of November 2022.

For those of you not familiar with Balut, it is a dice game that can be played by Individuals or Teams of four. Each Player takes it in turn to throw their dice to score Numbers (4, 5 and 6) or a Straight, House, Choice or the much sort after BALUT, which is five of any one number, always scoring 30. Full details of the History of Balut and How to Play Balut can be found on the website

TEAMBALUT.COM

A full review of this year's competition, complete with the winners, photos, scores and more, will be featured in the next Outpost, scheduled for January 2023.

Balut is played in Clubs all around the region, Singapore, Malaysia, Philippines, Brunei, Hong Kong, many of whom are reciprocal members of the British Club. Of course, Balut is a very competitive sport and starting in 1981 the **Interport Balut Competition** began and has been played every year since in Hong Kong, Sabah, Sarawak, Singapore and this year for the fourth time, in Thailand, at the British Club Bangkok.

Want to play Balut? It's easy to learn, a great time is had by all. Join us in **the Churchill Bar** any Wednesday at 6pm, we look forward to seeing you!

David Quine



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Sunil Mehra

TENNIS

Season's Greetings from the Tennis Section

The seasonal shift sparked by Guy Fawkes Night at the British Club and lit by Loy Krathong in November spreads through the warm winter in Bangkok with special cheer; while at the same time the pitter patter or thunderous rain disappears faster than the Taurid meteor in November skies of Thailand. While tennis players in many countries may wrap their racquets in warm covers here we can joyfully enjoy tennis throughout the winter months. Thank your blessings and make the most of those tennis courts. **Wishing everyone a very merry Christmas 2022 and a brilliant 2023!**

Goings On the Blue Grass: Tennis Leagues above the sea

Division 7 saw two courageous newcomers Delilah Annetts and Friend Fryer step out of their comfort zone and play competitive matches. Both did well, and with a few matches yet to be completed Willem Adolfs had amassed an unassailable lead with 3 wins, and thus becomes our *Division 7 Champion*, to be promoted to Division 6 next season.

Division 6 saw a field of five whittled down to three players after Jerry Sapkasem and Jack Millington were forced to withdraw because of injuries. With the results from their matches being cancelled it means the overall winner was Laila Inchaisri; who gets the promotion to test her monster forehand and power hitting against the Division 5 players next season.



▲ Mook and Pierre Tennis Champions 2022: The ones to beat!



▲ Tic & Willem



▲ Div 7 Delilah & Friend

The British Club Tennis Championship 2023

Hot off the press – The British Club Tennis Championship 2023 was launched in mid-November. So what are you waiting for? Check the poster below and more on the Tennis Notice-board. The Entry Forms are available from the Sports Desk and on Facebook. Your challenge is to beat the reigning champions of 2022

Summary of Results Tennis Survey

Many thanks to all who completed the survey including 67% male and 33% female respondents. Their length of time at the club varied widely, thus providing a cross-section of opinions. Members were generally very supportive of the court quality and the suitability of the tennis balls but suggested improvements could be made to the maintenance and floodlights. Mix-ins were praised but some felt that the committee should look to make adjustments to their organisation. The vast majority of members agreed that there were plenty of opportunities to play tournaments and competitive tennis. Interestingly, members wanted more tennis socials to be organised as they reported that they much enjoyed the social events that they attended.

There was some interest in providing kids fun tennis activities, family tennis events and even some support for developing a Junior Tennis section. A number of members were keen to develop Senior tennis leagues, events or matches with one member challenging the bizarre 'over 40s' definition of seniors, when they were actively playing at 76! Members were generally happy with the communication from the Tennis section, welcoming emails and Facebook updates but some felt that a Line group would much improve communication.



Common positive themes reported included: the club being welcoming and friendly, the quality of the courts, mix-in, good players and coaches, tournaments and events, meeting friends and even 'drinking' being mentioned. The committee also welcomed suggestions for improvements such as maintenance, a doubles league, a ladies league, modified mix-in times, more opportunities to play with upper level players, healthy snack availability and more social events.

Finally, and of great interest to the British Club hierarchy, on a scale of 1 to 10, 97% of respondents said that they would highly recommend the club to others and 83% stated that they were highly satisfied with the club and its provision, rating it between 8 and 10. *Thank you to all members who took part in the survey.*

Thinking of playing tennis – get in touch via the Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/bangkokbritishclubtennis> OR BCTS.bangkok@gmail.com



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Ben Eastwell



▲ A rare warm up

The 2022/23 cricket season got underway in style last month, with the British Club's debut in the A division resulting in an emphatic victory. This was followed up with hosting the Pangolins on tour from Malaysia, the annual away tour down to Phuket and welcoming the Delhi Viceroys for a social day of cricket – all garnished with an eventful T20 world cup in which England were crowned champions.

British Club V Marina CC BCL A division Sunday 6th November

A clear Sunday afternoon at AIT set the tone for BC's opening encounter in the A division versus mid-table finishers the season prior, Marina CC. This would be the first of 11, 25 over group games in the upper echelons of the Bangkok Cricket League since earning a promotion last season.

BC were asked to field first after losing the toss and set to work dazzling the crowd in the new coloured playing kit in line with the new white ball regulations. Tyrone on debut for BC set precedent for the fielding standards with a swooping catch to start the wickets tumbling, with seasoned openers Denzyl and Dilip applying early pressure to the batting side who had a couple of team members yet to arrive. With some magic from Sunil back behind the

HARD BALLS



▲ Pangolins on tour

stumps and a fiery few overs from Kamalakannan, the energy was high and the belief was strong throughout a clinical bowling attack which eventually restricted Marina to 61 after Tyrone cleaned up with 2 wickets in 4 balls.

Tyrone and Mak made light work of Marina's reply – taking advantage of gaps in the field and running well to keep the rate well above par. Mak holed out after playing some majestic drives which allowed Shri to the crease, rewarded with a free hit on his first ball which was bludgeoned back over the bowler's head to kick off a quick cameo to assist in chipping off the total in just over 5 overs. A 9 wicket win to start the campaign was certainly not expected and the star-studded side is of course yet to be properly tested but it was an enjoyable positive start which previous seasons have been lacking.



▲ Tyrone bags man of the match on debut



▲ Winners are grinners

BC v Pangolin CC Touring Match Saturday 12th November

Endangered as they may be, the BC encountered the Pangolins for the third time this year in Mid November, following the section's post COVID away tour and a group clash during the Koh Chang beach cricket tournament earlier in 2022. The British Club hosted the touring side from Malaysia at RBSC in what turned out to be a low scoring thriller and fantastic social outing which spilled back to BC turf for an extended debrief. The fixture which now dates back over 10 years was gladly welcomed back after the travel restrictions over the past few.

As the Pangolins unravelled from an apparently long evening, visiting captain James was asked to bat first on a tricky wicket and was treated to a watchful display of batting from his openers who saw off

the shine of the new ball without too much trouble. Spreading the load around the multitude of bowling options, it wasn't until the 12th over Sunish got the breakthrough – the departing batsman all too happy with the prospect of putting his feet up in the pavilion after a long stint. A flurry of wickets contained the visitors after drinks and BC pulled the run rate back to a manageable target, 3 from Chan who carved out the Pangolin middle order.

Now the Pangolins had woken up, a sharp opening spell saw 3 Wickets fall cheaply inside 5 overs for just 12 runs, with the BC batters expertly picking out the fielders, struggling on a slow wicket which was somewhat similar to the tourists home ground. Ahad (34*) on debut held things together at 3 but could not find a partnership as the home side collapsed, only Pramodh offering 19 for the next highest score and Dilip begging to stay after a controversial LBW shout.

Despite wickets falling regularly, the total always remained in reach with the run rate barely creeping above 6 but BC eventually ran out of lives as the shadows grew, the umpire concluding the game with a debatable stumping – apparently late home for his dinner. Armed with a 26 run victory, the visitors were welcomed back to the British Club for food, fines and a few beers before being released back into the wild and their spiritual home of Nana Plaza.

Wishing all the section members and supporters an enjoyable festive period. Next month's edition will report on the Phuket tour, Viceroy's match and hopefully another league victory. Merry Christmas.

Anyone who wants to get involved with the section in any capacity, please feel free to drop into one of our regular nets sessions on Thursday evenings and Saturday afternoons.



▲ New season, new kits



▲ Welcoming the Pangolins at BC



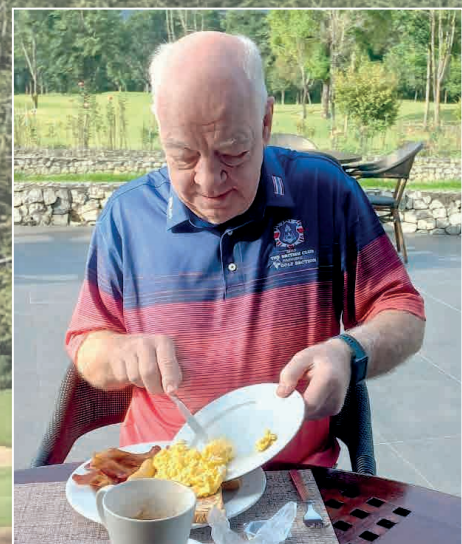
BRITISH CLUB GOLF



▲ John Bell and Frank Fawkes Dunlop Plate Winners



▲ Roy Robertson, Andrew Stray and Mark Adderley at Lam Lukka



In the last weekend of October 14 pairs travelled to Soi Dao to play the Dunlop Cup. This is one of our long-standing major competitions and named after our generous sponsor, David Lamb. The format is better ball stableford on day 1, with the 2 leading pairs playing match play on day 2 to decide the champions. The rest of the field play stableford again on Day 2 to decide the plate competition.

Soi Dao is a fantastic course with a new Chatrium Hotel on site and located near the Cambodian border. The breath-taking scenery and abundant wildlife make it a wonderful place for a short break even if you are not a golfer.

Joining us at Soi Dao were long time golf section member, club chairman Brian Brook, who is pictured preparing for the exertions ahead.

Day 1 winners were Mark and Becky Adderley with an immoral score of 51 points. Second place was won on count-back by Club Captain Jon Standen and his wife Suzie.

The final was initially a close affair however 4 pars in 8 holes by Becky, when she was receiving 1 and sometimes 2 shots, changed the contest and Mark and Becky ran out 5 n 4 winners.

In the Plate Frank Fawkes and Jon Bell repeated their 47 points from Day 1 and ran out clear leaders

We held our October Medal at Subhapruek on the preceding weekend. The rainy season appeared to have ended and we were blessed with cool dry conditions.



▲ Mark & Becky Adderley Dunlop Cup Winners



▲ Pete Gale back in the winners circle

We welcomed 1 new member, Greg Paterson, and hopefully this will be the start of a long career with the Golf Section

Overall winner was Peter Clark, with a fine net 70 off a handicap of 8. Division 1 winner was Mark Adderley and Division 2 was Roy Robertson, who both played to their handicaps

Our November Stableford competition was moved to Lam Lukka at the last moment as we had more players than the original course could accommodate. Their championship course is truly stunning but with many hidden water hazards waiting to trap players not familiar with the course and tiny greens. It is also in bowl which appears to make it even hotter than Bangkok.

We welcomed back James Lawden, who had been in Japan for many months and he very generously provided a fine bottle of wine for the winner.

There were several fine scores with Andrew Stray scoring an excellent 42 points and Roy Robertson 39 points. These would usually be

enough to win however I shot a lifetime best of 77, which gave 43 points to just pip Andrew.

Suzie Standen beat Bally Gudail in the annual match play, and now advances to the semi final.

On 20th November we play for the Magpie Putter against a team from the Bangkok Wanderers, which is fiercely contested. The following

weekend we hold the Club Championships at the Banyan golf club in Hua Hin to decide the Champion Golfers of the year.

If you would like to join these or any of our events, please just message us at bcgs.bangkok@gmail.com – new members are always warmly welcomed



Veranda | Suriwongse Room
Churchill Bar | Back Lawn
25th December 2022

Christmas Lunch or Dinner

11:00am - 3:00pm

5:00pm - 9:00pm

MEMBERS 1,200 ฿, Kids 650 ฿, below 3 300 ฿
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Honey glazed baked ham	800/kg
Roast leg of lamb (whole leg) with gravy & mint sauce	3,200/per Leg
Chipolata sausage wrapped in bacon "pigs in blankets"	30/each	.....	.....
Chestnut stuffing with sage & onion	390/kg	.....	.....
Roast potatoes	170/kg	.....	.....
Brussels sprouts	350/kg	.....	.....
Roast pumpkin	160/kg	.....	.....
Honey roasted mixed garden vegetables	280/kg	.....	.....
Turkey bisto gravy	300/litre	.....	.....
Bread sauce	150/litre	.....	.....
Homemade mince pies	60/each	.....	.....
Christmas pudding	600/500 gr	.....	.....
Christmas fruit cake	1,300	.....	.....
Chocolate christmas yule time log	950	.....	.....
Homemade shortbread	40/each	.....	.....
Black forest gateau	950
Blueberry cheese cake	900
Strawberry cheese cake	950
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Rhubarb & ginger crumble	850
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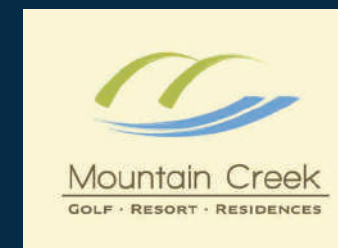
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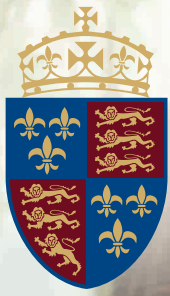
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