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Internet of the Stone Age

Carrier pigeon faster than email here, claim expert expats as speeds plummet and drop outs soar

■ HUA HIN, THAILAND

The last couple of weeks in the Hua Hin area have seen the performance of all the internet providers suffer from service drop outs, speeds reduced to a fraction of what is advertised, and consequently both business and personal internet users rueing lost or delayed emails, the unavailability of the internet for long periods and potential lost customers and earnings.

While this is not a new problem in Thailand, it appears that the existing infrastructure cannot cope with the demand being placed on it as more and more people in the area want to access the wonders of the computer age, and specifically the worldwide web.

The announcement and instigation of the Hua Hin City Wide free wifi system was warmly welcomed

and widely applauded but speed of connection and access is not that good at present; this is being afflicted by the same woes that paying subscribers are facing with TOT, TT&T and CAT.

While we cannot be sure of the causes, many speculate that the main culprits are over subscribed ADSL packages and the aging wiring in use in many places. The somewhat irregular electricity supply must also likely play a part as short power cuts, and some longer ones are becoming more commonplace, again probably caused by aging cabling and

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Stone Age Internet

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increased demand.

However there are some other possible causes for a proportion of the problems being faced; new personal customers usually are given no option but to buy the routers supplied by the telephone and internet providers, which often turn out to be cheap and nasty, overheating frequently and dropping the connection.

A tip for anyone who has been having problems is to switch everything off (computer and router/modem) and let them cool down for thirty minutes or so, and then try again, and sometimes just a simple restart of the router is enough, when the cause is too many people trying to connect at the same time, as restarting moves you back to the front of the queue in effect.

It is unlikely that these problems will be sorted out any time soon, so it is something that the internet users of the area will just have to grin and bear for now. However, if you do experience constant problems often the best way to resolve them is to call the relevant call centres for your provider, as follows:

TOT - 1100
TT&T - 1103
CAT - 1322

At the very least they will be able to tell you if there is a general problem or one specific to your location, and in the case of the latter, arrange for a technician to either talk to you or visit you.

If you are lucky they might even give you a carrier pigeon!

Like Books? Read on...

■ HUA HIN, THAILAND

A new local book club has been set up at Ye Olde Buffalo Tavern for all you bookworms out there. Just pay a one off refundable deposit of 300 baht and then 50 baht for every book you take (and return) from an increasingly impressive selection. As book lovers here know, books are expensive to buy, and the money raised is used to get more good quality books.

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■ CATANIA, ITALY

No apologies at all for another Italian WAG!

Having only seen Italian TV in fragments on the internet, it would appear that their entire programming schedule is based around filming spectacular beauties with huge cleavage wobbling around atop fake surfboards, or similar activities that make their chests move.

For this reason, one of the stars of the Italian telebox is Rosaria Cannavò, ex-girlfriend of workshy Antonio Cassano and current sentimental partner, for the second time, of Christian Panucci.

Rosaria is a 28-year-old model and TV personality from Catania, and her skills do not stop at pretending to surf - she is a trained ballerina as well.

She also recently took part in the reality show “Uno, Due, Tre..Stalla“, which translates to “One, Two, Three…Stall“. It’s anyone’s guess what this show, or indeed any other Italian show is about.

Local Weather

Hua Hin weather forecast next 7 days

Day	Conditions	Temp °C Low	High
Sat	Cloudy with a shower or two	26	32
Sun	Considerable cloudiness	26	32
Mon	Still cloudy	26	32
Tues	Variable clouds	26	33
Wed	A thunderstorm or two	26	33
Thur	A shower in the a.m.; cloudy	26	33
Fri	A morning shower	26	33

World Weather

Forecast for Friday 7th August 2009

City	Min °C	Max	Conditions
Amsterdam	17	28	Showers
Athens	21	33	Rain
Auckland	6	15	Fine
Beijing	23	31	Showers
Berlin	16	29	Cloudy
Buenos Aires	4	14	Fine
Chicago	17	26	Cloudy
Copenhagen	15	21	Fine
Dubai	31	42	Clear
Dublin	9	19	Showers
Geneva	17	29	Fine
Helsinki	15	25	Chance of Rain
Ho Chi Minh	26	33	Thunderstorms
Hong Kong	28	34	Chance of T-storms
Islamabad	28	36	Chance of Rain
Jakarta	24	33	Cloudy
Jerusalem	20	30	Fine
Johannesburg	4	20	Cloudy
Karachi	29	34	Cloudy
Kuala Lumpur	24	34	Fine
London	14	24	Showers
Madrid	21	34	Cloudy
Manila	25	30	Thunderstorms
Mexico City	12	27	Rain
Moscow	9	19	Fine
New Delhi	32	34	Showers
New York	17	27	Cloudy
Oslo	13	23	Clear
Paris	21	24	Thunderstorms
Perth	8	21	Chance of Rain
Phnom-Penh	24	35	Chance of Rain
Rio De Janeiro	15	26	Mist
Riyadh	30	43	Clear
Rome	18	29	Fine
San Francisco	12	18	Cloudy
Singapore	26	33	Haze
Stockholm	13	24	Chance of Rain
Sydney	10	22	Fine
Tokyo	26	30	Cloudy
Vientiane	23	33	Thunderstorms
Yangon	20	29	Thunderstorms
Zurich	15	30	Fine

Currency Exchange Rates

At 6th August 2009 (mid-market rates)

Code	Currency	Value (Baht)
USD	United States Dollar	34.0044
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EUR	Euro	48.9668
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NOK	Norwegian Krone	5.64882
SEK	Swedish Krona	4.75258
CAD	Canadian Dollar	31.6987
AED	UAE Dirham	9.25926
BHD	Bahrain Dinar	90.4404
KWD	Kuwaiti Dinar	118.582
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Hua Hin Hospital 032 511 743
San Paulo Hospital 032 532 576 to 585
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Hua Hin's Hot Topics from HHAD

Hua Hin's annual Golf Festival is now underway and golfers can enjoy a round for 800 baht at most of Hua Hin's major golf courses. There are a couple that won't play ball, namely Black Mountain that still wants 1,500 and Banyan that forces you to take a cart at an additional 650. The rest including Royal Hua Hin, Majestic Creek, Palm Hills, Springfield and Lakeview are offering the discount. A topic has been started for readers to share their Hua Hin Golf Festival stories and questions about the event.

Local restaurants received both praise and criticism as diners shared their experiences on the forum. A couple of anonymous members claimed that anonymity on the internet was unfair on local businesses, however we feel differently. Not many publications let people discuss both the good and the bad aspects of dining out, and everyone is welcome to get online and have their say. The internet should be used as a guide, there is no substitute for visiting a venue yourself and getting first hand experience, naturally some will be better than others.

Another topic on how expensive Hua Hin is compared to the west and other parts of Thailand came up again. Yes, Hua Hin is not cheap when compared to the rest of Thailand (with the exception of maybe Phuket and Samui) however when compared to Europe it certainly is. Golf again was used as an example, a round at a good course in Hua Hin costs at least 2,500 baht, up the road in Ratchaburi you can play a course of the same standard for just 600 baht. On the flip side you can go to Phuket and won't get much change from 4,000 baht on one of their top courses, it is all relative. What is expensive for some will be cheap for others, all depends on how fat your wallet is!

The road turning off Petchksaem into Soi 56 where Hua Hin Tansamai and 7-Eleven is caused a big discussion as it is a hot spot for accidents and general road carnage at peak times of the day. Little has been done to alleviate problems at this dangerous turning which are usually caused by idiots double parking and blocking one lane of traffic while they order some noodles or people turning in and out of the narrow soi. A set of traffic lights would be perfect but they put them in the wrong place, a kilometre further north!

For all of these hot topics and plenty more get online at ***www.huahinafterdark.com/forum/*** - Hua Hin's only active web community.

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Have you ever wondered where a certain phrase comes from, or what it really means?
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Hand over fist

This means quickly and continuously.

This is probably of naval origin. We hesitate to say definitely as the earliest reference to it, although clearly referring to pulling on a rope, doesn't explicitly mention ships.

The allusion in this phrase is to the action of hauling on a rope. An earlier version of the phrase was 'hand over hand', which dates to the mid 18th century. This is found in a paper by Cooke in the Royal Society's Philosophical Transactions for 1736:

"A lusty young Man attempted to go down (hand over hand, as the Workmen call it) by means of a single Rope."

Not longer after that William Falconer's An universal dictionary of the marine, 1769 has this entry:

"Main avant, the order to pull on a rope hand-over-hand."

The term is now used to suggest speed and profusion, especially in financial dealing, e.g. 'making money, hand over fist'. In the 18th century 'hand over hand' and the later 'hand over fist' had a different meaning though and meant 'making steady progress'. 'Hand over fist' is a little more descriptive of hauling on a rope than 'hand over hand', after all, when we grab on a rope to pull it we do make a fist and then reach forward with our other open hand. This term makes an appearance in William Glascock's The naval sketchbook, 1825:

"The French ... weathered our wake, coming up with us, 'hand over fist', in three divisions."

Many of the early citations refer to slow steady progress - exactly what could be expected if a ship were being pulled closer to another by means of a rope.

The 'making money hand over fist' figurative use is a clear allusion to grabbing handfuls of money and pocketing it. This is later, but not much later, in Seba Smith's The life and writings of Major Jack Downing, 1833:

"They... clawed the money off of his table, hand over fist."

Your STARS
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A new record is being set this week, with Spanky the Monkey, our Sage, managing four weeks of horoscopes in a row; no one could have predicted that! And of course this means that there has been no sighting of our original sage, who rumour has it has been offered a role in the next Harry Potter movie as, not too surprisingly, a fortune teller. We hope his new career goes well because there's fat chance he will be working here again!

Capricorn
Dec 22 - Jan 19
This week will see your fortunes turn with the tides. Roughly every twelve hours you'll go from feeling fit to deadly tired, and vice versa. Don't feel alarmed by this; it's quite a common occurrence.

Aquarius
Jan 20 - Feb 18
Mars, Venus and Sirius will all align in a special way with the tip of your star sign's jug come Wednesday evening. This indicates a big argument with a strong female, but it could also mean absolutely nothing.

Pisces
Feb 19 - Mar 20
Your upcoming business trip abroad is going to pleasantly surprise your acquaintances in town. When they say the place is not the same without you, they mean that after you leave they're a lot more relaxed to go around.

Aries
Mar 21 - Apr 19
While driving across town coming Tuesday, avoid hitting jaywalking trees by gluing seven fresh coconuts to the grille of your car. You could also just take a taxi when you're drunk.

Taurus
Apr 20 - May 20
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Gemini
May 21 - Jun 21
You will find that your right hand doesn't know what the left is doing, because there are too many things going on in your life right now. Try to learn hand co-ordination, so that soon you will be able to learn how to speak.

Cancer
Jun 22 - Jul 22
A hot eighteen year old will try to get your attention throughout the weekend. You however are so slow to realise this person's intentions are purely erotic that you blow any chance getting laid this week.

Leo
Jul 23 - Aug 22
When it rains, bring an umbrella. When the sun shines, do the same thing. As a matter of fact, bring an umbrella every time you venture out this week. The birds hold a nasty grudge against you, and anything they drop is targeted at you.

Virgo
Aug 23 - Sep 22
Try to eat as many vegetables as possible this week. This won't change your fortune dramatically, but replenishing your vitamins once in two decades is good for your health.

Libra
Sep 23 - Oct 23
Spanky the Monkey has produced a seven, and the letter L for you. This indicates that also this week has seven days, and that a certain action starting with L will bring you good fortune.

Scorpio
Oct 24 - Nov 21
The moon has as always had a strong influence on your life, but on the twenty-eighth day of this moon, you'll suddenly start bleeding out of your face. This is a side effect of the nasty attitude you have towards your co-workers.

Sagittarius
Nov 22 - Dec 21
A rather tall person will enter your life very soon – say in anywhere between 2 and 6 minutes from now. If this person's name starts with one of the first 13 letters of the alphabet, you should prepare for... No, you'd better just RUN!

Weird news round up

■ WISCONSIN, USA

Women superglue man's penis to stomach

Four women in the US have been charged after supergluing a man's penis to his stomach.

The incident occurred as part of a pre-planned ambush in a motel room by the man's wife and his various lovers.

The victim, Donessa Davis, had agreed to meet one of the women, Therese Ziemann, for an intimate tryst at the Lakeview Motel near Lake Winnebago in Wisconsin.

He agreed to be tied to the hotel bed, whereupon Ziemann summoned the other three women by text message. She then struck Davis in the face, and glued his penis to his stomach.

The four stunners (above) who took their revenge on the victim, aspiring Don Juan Donessa Davis; from left Therese Ziemann, Wendy Sewell, Tracy Hood Davis and Michelle Belliveau

Ziemann told police she met the man online, fell in love and paid for a room at the motel for the past two months. She said she gave him about 3,000 dollars. But then at the end of July she learned from his wife that Davis was married, had other girlfriends and was "using them for money."

During the ambush Sewell asked the man, "Which one do you love more?"

The man later escaped from the bed by chewing through one of his bindings. He then went outside and borrowed a telephone from the motel owner to call police.

The four women involved in the stunt comprised the victim's wife, Tracy Hood-Davis, and three others: Ziemann, her sister Michelle Belliveau, and Wendy Sewell. All are charged with being party to false imprisonment. Ziemann also is charged with sexual assault. The women face six years in prison.

■ DORSET, ENGLAND

Road kill a la carte, anyone?

Rat stew is the order of the day for Jonathan McGowan Rat stew, fox cub fricassee, hedgehog casserole – no it's not a medieval banquet, they're the main courses at Jonathan McGowan's roadkill dinner parties.

The 41-year-old trawls the streets near his home looking for fresh, pre-minced remains of small mammals, also including badgers, snakes and mice.

After scraping them off the Tarmac, he cooks the rubber-tinged meat with ingredients such as garlic, onions and sultanas to serve up dishes including tawny owl tikka masala and heron bolognese to unwitting guests.

"I go out as often as I can to pick up the night's victims," the taxidermist said.

"Whenever I have friends round, I serve up dinner and they say, ;Ooh that's lovely, what is it?' and I tell them.

"There are always a few red faces while people think about it but then they say they didn't realise it could be so delicious."

Mr McGowan grew up on a farm and developed an interest in wildlife and taxidermy when he was 14.

He now claims to eat almost solely roadkill meat, arguing that it is cheaper and healthier than 'barbarically' farmed beef, pork and lamb.

If he goes out on a roadkill hunt, he will find up to 40 carcasses, half of which will be useable.

And in case you were wondering, rat tastes like ham, hedgehog is very fatty and fox has a mild, salty taste, said Mr McGowan, of Bournemouth, Dorset.

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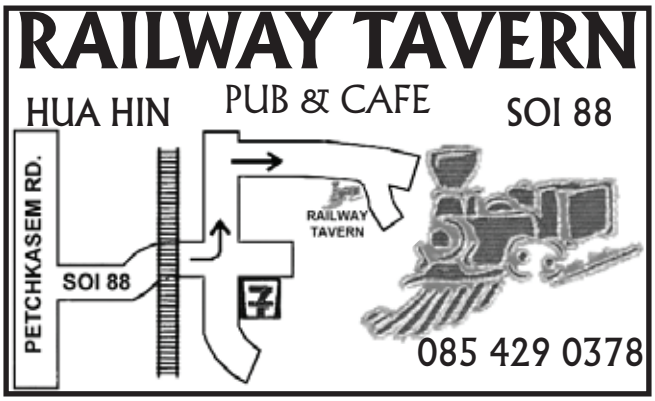

THE WIDOW

A lonely widow, aged 70, decided that is was time to get married again. She put an ad in the local newspaper that read:

HUSBAND WANTED: MUST BE IN MY AGE GROUP (70's), MUST NOT BEAT ME, MUST NOT RUN AROUND ON ME, AND MUST STILL BE GOOD IN BED! ALL APPLICANTS PLEASE APPLY IN PERSON.

On the second day she heard the doorbell. Much to her dismay, she opened the door to see a gray-haired gentleman sitting in a wheel chair. He had no arms or legs.

"You're not really asking me to consider you, are you?!" the widow said. "Just look at you .. you have no legs!"

The old gentleman smiled, "Therefore, I cannot run around on you!"

"You don't have any arms either!" she snorted.

Again, the old man smiled,

"Therefore, I can never beat you!"

She raised an eyebrow and asked intently,

"Are you still good in bed??"

The old man leaned back, beamed a big smile and said, "I rang the door bell, didn't I?"

The wedding is scheduled for Saturday.

THE TIMES CROSSWORD

A couple of city types and a Vicar were in the same railway carriage, doing the Times crossword and heading in to London. One city type says."Finished it, that's a record for me, normally still not finished this close to the station." The second city type says. "Well done old boy, I've still got a couple to go myself. I'm stuck on a simple one, twenty six across, it's only four letters and I've got three of them..u n t." The first city type says. "Oh yes 'Relatively Feminine', it is simple, the answer is aunt..as in female relation." The Vicar says. "Does anyone have a rubber?"

AT THE DOCTORS

A guy goes to the doctors.

"Whats the problem?" asks the doctor.

"Well" says the guy, "it's a bit embarrassing - my manhood has turned orange!!"

"I'd better have a look", says the doctor.

There it was, bright orange. "Blimey I've never seen anything like it", says the doctor.

"What kind of work do you do?" asks the doctor.

"I don't work," replies the guy.

"What, no work of any kind?" asks the doctor.

"No, nothing," replies the guy.

"What do you do all day?" asks the doctor.

"I sit at home watching porn and eating Wotsits."

A FEW RULES TO LIVE BY ....

The journey of 1000 miles begins with a broken fan belt and a flat tyre.

Sex is like air. It's not important unless you aren't getting any.

Don't be irreplaceable. If you can't be replaced, you can't be promoted.

Always remember you're unique. Just like everyone else.

Never test the depth of the water with both feet.

If you think nobody cares whether you're alive or dead, try missing a couple of mortgage payments.

Before you criticise someone, you should walk a mile in their shoes. That way, when you criticise them, you're a mile away and you have their shoes.

If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you.

Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach him how to fish, and he will sit in a boat and drink beer all day.

If you lend someone £20 and never see that person again, it was probably worth it.

If you tell the truth, you don't have to remember anything.

Good judgment comes from bad experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.

Duct tape is like the Force. It has a light side and a dark side, and it holds the universe together.

There are two theories to arguing with women. Neither one works.

Generally speaking, you aren't learning much when your lips are moving.

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■ DEAR MARY,
I recently had a very unfortunate incident where a lover took revenge on me for cheating on her by supergluing my manhood to my stomach. While I managed to get help and the doctors were able to rectify everything with no permanent damage, something is not quite right. Whenever I am in a shop or supermarket and I see or smell any glue, I get a commotion in my underpants and find I am rising to the occasion if you know what I mean. I don't know whether my experience has left me with a weird fetish but to be honest its a bit uncomfortable and sometimes embarrassing. Just the other day I was in Tesco Lotus in the drinks section, and unknown to me the assistant behind me started using some glue to repair something and in no time I had turned round and knocked a whole shelf of wine bottles over with my proud member! Please help me...
Sticky, Surat Thani

Mary says:Dear Sticky,
This is a strange one; one would have thought the bad experience would have had the opposite effect, but you do find yourself a bit *stuck* don't you? If you had *adhered* to being faithful of course you would never have found yourself in such a *bind*. After all it is a bit *tacky* having a wife and two lovers isn't it? Didn't you *seal* your wedding *bond* with a kiss and a ring? I guess this might *fix* your loyalty issues, so you can form a more lasting *attachment* to someone and *cement* your future. Of course you will probably *cling* to your old ways and *cleave* to the pattern you have already established, so you had better *fasten* your seatbelt as that will surely light another woman's *fuse* and leave you and your manhood *united* again - both pricks!
Or you could marry a glue sniffer...

DEAR MARY,
My question is about women who wear leopard-skin - fake stuff will do. I wanted to go to the pub at the weekend and no-one else I knew did. Someone told me the women in Cha Am pubs all wear leopard-skin to dissuade me but it only encouraged me. However on arriving at Soi Bus Station I found there was not one woman attired in this way.
I have been told that no women wear leopard skin any more due to changes in fashion. Is this true or do they still exist ?
Your biggest Fan,*
Skinny, Cha Am

*please note that this wasn't actually said, but we all know he intended to say it.

Mary says:Dear Skinny,
Well what can I say? Of course women still wear leopard skin! Leopard skin is the height of elegance and those people who wear it will not be slaves to fickle fashions. They will be broad minded, highly intelligent people with a unique style all of their own. With that said it should not surprise you to hear that I myself have on occasion taken to wearing a leopard skin top. I found a particularly nice top in a big black bag when the girl was tidying up her room… She had thrown it in there saying:
"what on earth was I thinking buying that?!
I've had it nearly five years and not worn it once"
The girl does not have the same unique style that I have but her loss was my gain and I think that I look rather fetching in it as I'm sure you'll agree if we should happen to meet on Saturday around 8pm in Scandic Bar.
So don't give up hope. As long as there are classy ladies like myself there will be wearers of leopard skin.

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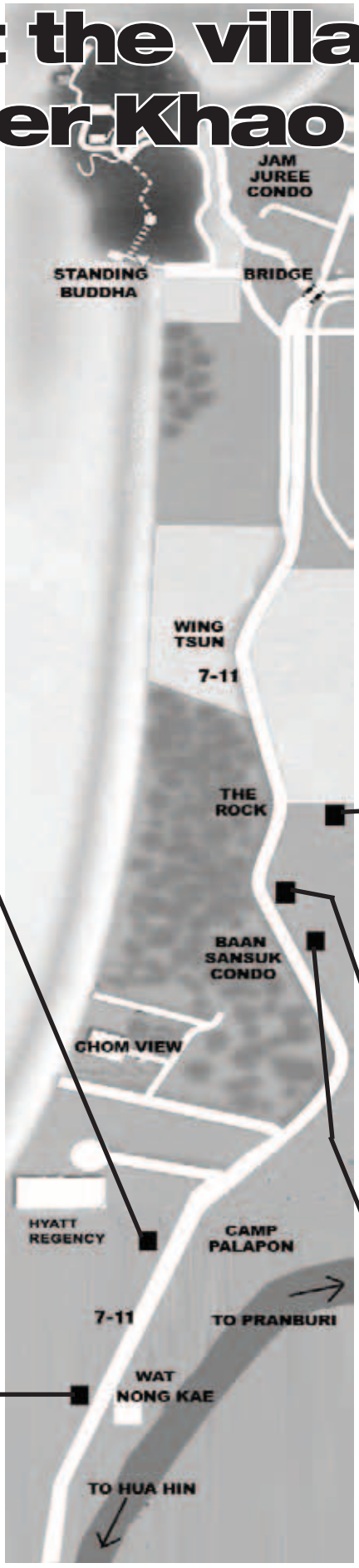

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Puzzle 1

7				9				
						8		
2	9	5				3		6
							1	
		3				5		
	2	8	5		6	9	7	
					3	1		
	5			7				
	6		9		2			

Puzzle 2

				8				
3		4	9				2	1
				6		9	8	
				4		5		
1	5							
9			1	5	6			
	6		4					
2					9			
		7		1				3

Sudoku Hints For Beginners

Look for the obvious. Is there a row, column, or region that has one cell unsolved? If there is you can quickly find the solution. Count from 1 to 9 locating each number in that row, column, or region. The missing number is the solution for that empty cell.

Where do you start? It is better to have a systematic approach to solving Sudoku. A good way to start is by first looking for a number that has the most "givens".

Look for the only possible choice. Sometimes you will encounter the situation where there is only one place a number can possibly go. This is discovered by working systematically through each line and box in turn. Good luck!

Last week's solutions

Puzzle 1

1	8	4	2	3	7	6	5	9
9	7	5	4	1	6	2	8	3
2	6	3	9	8	5	4	7	1
8	4	2	7	9	3	1	6	5
5	3	9	6	4	1	7	2	8
6	1	7	5	2	8	3	9	4
4	2	8	3	7	9	5	1	6
3	5	1	8	6	2	9	4	7
7	9	6	1	5	4	8	3	2

Puzzle 2

6	2	1	5	7	9	8	3	4
3	8	5	4	1	2	7	9	6
7	9	4	3	8	6	5	1	2
8	4	7	1	2	3	9	6	5
9	5	6	8	4	7	3	2	1
2	1	3	9	6	5	4	8	7
5	7	8	2	9	1	6	4	3
4	6	2	7	3	8	1	5	9
1	3	9	6	5	4	2	7	8

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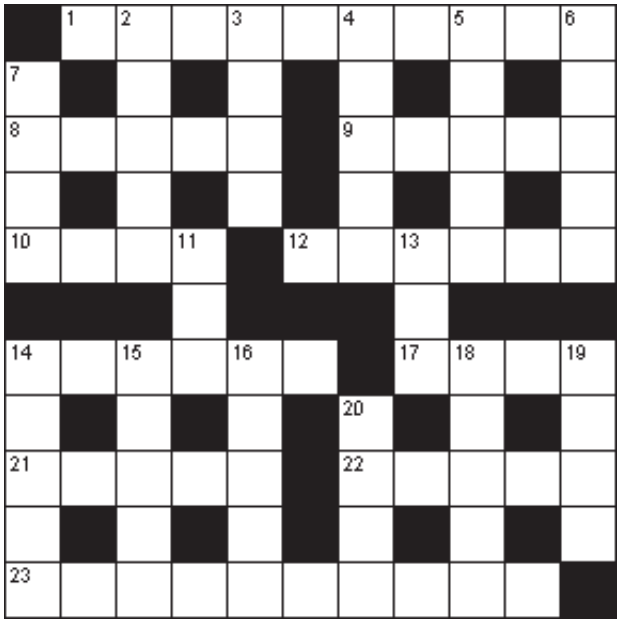
Across

1. Woman who sculpts (10)
8. Summits of buildings (5)
9. Salt water (5)
10. Sharp pain (4)
12. Pertaining to the mind (6)
14. Choose (6)
17. Spoiled child (4)
21. Utterly stupid person (5)
22. Mature (5)
23. Kentish village (4,6)



Down

2. Headgear of a monarch (5)
3. Not won (4)
4. Article of furniture (5)
5. Be (5)
6. Refined iron (5)
7. Support (4)
11. Command to a horse (3)
13. Arrest (3)
14. Rustle, as silk (5)
15. The telling of lies (5)
16. Trap (5)
18. Red cosmetic (5)
19. Small children (4)
20. Sphere (4)

Last week's solution right

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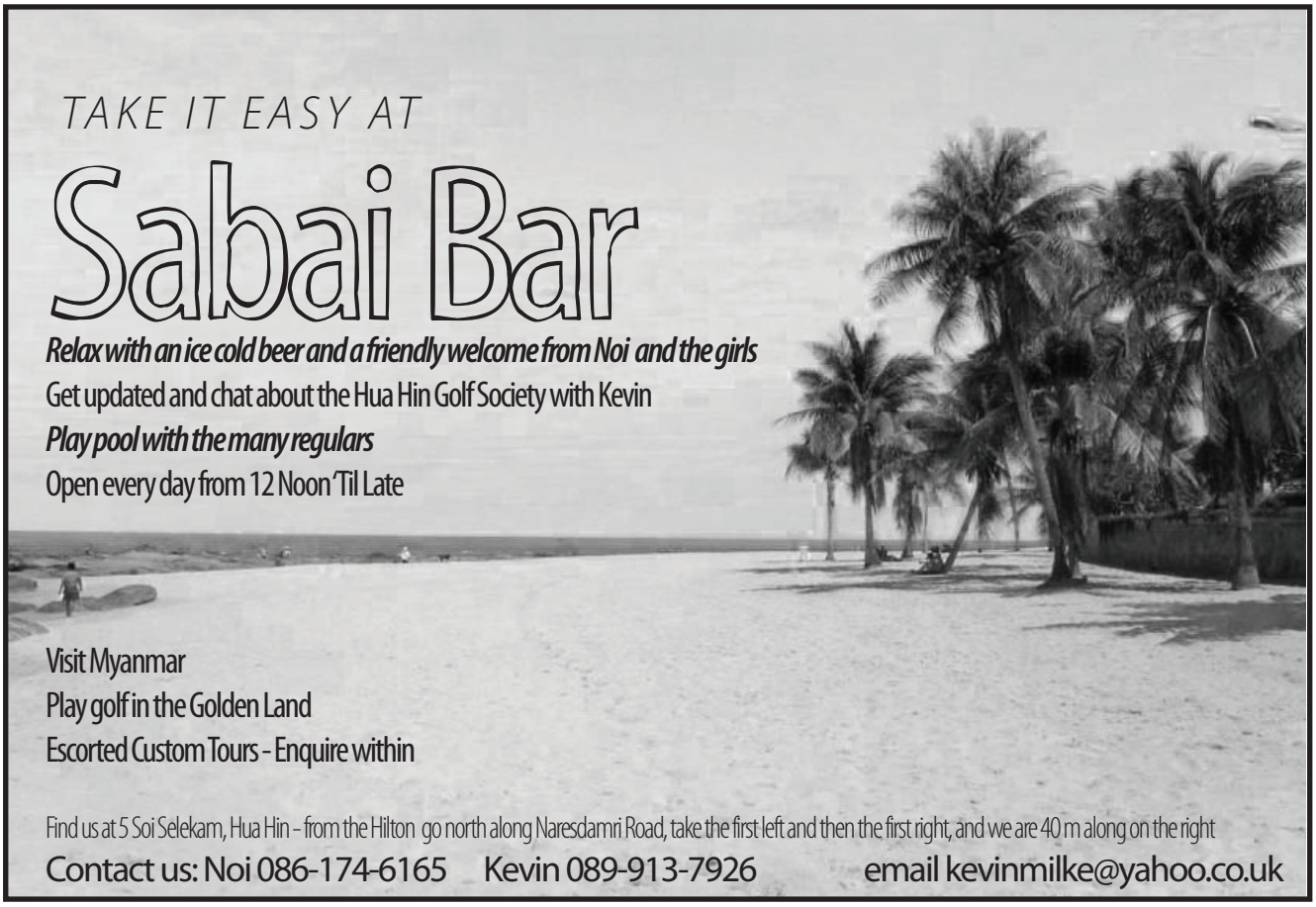

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Every issue of AWOL has featured a 'hidden' message, which has normally been a song lyric or saying; we want you to write down as many of these as possible with the issue date, and tell us the song title/ artist or the origin of the words and who said it (if applicable). The winner will be the entry with the most correct answers. The possible maximum is 46. In the event of a tie, please complete the following sentence in ten words or less:

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Entries should be submitted to awol@huahinmedia.com with 'COMPETITION' as the subject title, or by hand in a sealed envelope with 'AWOL COMPETITION' written on the front to Sabai Bar (see ad p15) by 31st August 2009. Please include contact details.

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Hua Hin Pool Leagues

Hua Hin Pool Billiard League
Results
Matchday 15 31st July 2009

Home	Rks	Pts	Away	Rks	Pts
JWR	4	1	LSA	18	7
PAT	5	0	QUE	20	8
EAG	15	5	TW	11	3
SUG	11	3	JWB	15	5
SB	17	7	DA	4	1
LSB	13	4	RTB	11	4
LSS	12	3	OCT	13	5
DB	10	3	LST	16	5
Matchday 16 7th August 2009					
LSA	14	5	LSS	14	3

Next Week's Fixtures
Matchday 16 7th August 2009
Lucky Shot B v Lucky Shot Th
Dick's Office B v Dick's Office A
Sugar Cane v Octopussy
Return Bar v Thaiwaii
Pat's Point v Sunset B'vard
JW Black v JW Red
Queens Flower v Eagle

League Table

Team	P	W	D	L	Diff.	Rks	Pts
Eagle Bar	15	11	1	3	40	67	23
Sunset Boulevard	15	9	5	1	28	67	23
Queens Flower Bar	15	9	4	2	38	77	22
Lucky Shot A	15	8	5	2	32	65	21
Thaiwaii	15	8	5	2	18	32	21
Lucky Shot Student's	15	8	4	3	28	55	20
Octopussy Bar	15	9	1	5	18	25	19
Johnie Walker Black	15	7	3	5	8	24	17
Lucky Shot B	15	5	5	5	6	10	15
Return Bar	15	5	4	6	2	-8	14
Lucky Shot Thai	15	5	2	8	-12	-19	12
Sugar Cane Bar	15	4	3	8	-2	-15	11
Pats Point	15	5	1	9	-30	-66	11
Johnie Walker Red	15	2	5	8	-38	-54	9
Dick's Office B	15	1	0	14	-62	-117	2
Dick's Office A	15	0	0	15	-74	-143	0

Hua Hin 8 Ball League
Results
Week 20 29th July 2009
Eagle Bar 5 - 7 Komhom
MrDanA 9 - 3 DicksB
SC Students 8 - 4 LilleMan

Week 21 results next week

League Table

Team	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
SC Stdents	16	12	0	4	34	24
Eagle Bar	15	10	1	4	42	21
Komhom	14	7	4	3	28	18
MrDanA	14	6	2	6	10	14
DicksA	13	6	2	5	2	14
SportCntre	13	6	1	6	6	13
DicksB	14	3	2	9	-36	8
Pla's Place	13	3	2	8	-46	8
LilleMan	14	3	0	11	-40	6

Next Week's Fixtures
Week 22 12th August 2009
DicksB v Komhom
Pla's Place v MrDanA
SportCentre 3 - 9 SC Students
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Darts Leagues

Results - Week 2 4/08/2009

Division 1

Lazy Daze v JW Red 16-2
Lucky Shot v Oasis 5-13
Paradise v ThaiWaii Not played
Scandic A v Dicks Office B 16-2
JW Black v CAT A 8-10

Division 1 League Table

Team	P	W	D	L	PF-PA	Pts
Lazy Dz	2	2	0	0	28-8	4
CAT A	2	2	0	0	26-10	4
Oasis	2	2	0	0	26-10	4
Scan A	2	1	0	1	18-18	2
P'dise	1	1	0	0	18-0	2
Th'Waii	1	1	0	0	13-5	2
JW Blk	2	0	0	2	14-22	0
Lcky S	2	0	0	2	10-26	0
JW Red	2	0	0	2	7-29	0
Dicks B	2	0	0	2	2-34	0

Division 2

Jaew v Scandic Bar C 11-7
Cat B v Pat Point Not Received
Dicks Office A v Kom Hom 2-16
K Hom Ladies v Railway Tav 10-8
Scandic B v J Juice Not Played

Division 2 League Table

Team	P	W	D	L	PF-PA	Pts
Kom H	2	1	1	0	25-11	3
R'way	2	1	0	1	22-14	2
Jaew	2	1	0	1	16-20	2
Scan B	1	1	0	0	13-5	2
Pat Pnt	1	1	0	0	12-6	2
KH Ls	1	1	0	0	10-8	2
Cat B	1	0	1	0	9-9	1
Dicks A	2	0	0	2	6-30	0
Scan C	2	0	0	2	13-23	0
JJuice	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Next Week's Fixtures
Week 2 11/08/2009
Division 1

CAT A v Lazy Daze
Dicks Office B v JW Black
ThaiWaii v Scandic Bar A
Oasis v Paradise
JW Red v Lucky Shot

Division 2

Jungle Juice v Jaew
Railway Tavern v Scandic Bar B
Kom Hom v Kom Hom Ladies
Pat Point v Dicks Office A
Scandic Bar C v Cat B

Pool Leagues

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Lucky Shot Bar

Hua Hin and Khao Takiab Pool League 2009
Results - Wed 5th August 2009

Bob & Noks 13 - 3 Dizzy Dolphin
Cheap Charlies 9 - 7 Dara Bar
Railway Tavern 2 - 14 Harleys
Sunset Boulevard 8 - 8 Free Time
Thaiwaii 7 - 9 Oasis Bar

Next Week's Fixtures
Wed 12th August 2009

Dara Bar v Thaiwaii
Dizzy Dolphin v Cheap Charlies
Free Time Bar v Bob and Noks
Harleys Bar v Sunset Boulevard
Oasis Bar v Railway Tavern

League Table

Team	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
Harleys	12	10	2	0	72	22
Free Time	12	7	3	2	44	17
Bob/ Noks	12	7	3	2	42	17
Oasis Bar	12	7	3	2	20	17
S'et B'vard	12	6	3	3	20	15
Thaiwaii	12	4	3	5	-20	11
Chp Chrlie	12	4	0	8	-28	8
Dara Bar	12	2	2	8	-32	6
R'way Tav	12	3	0	9	-58	6
Dizzy Dolp	12	0	1	11	-60	1

Top 16:
Top 10 -Div 1

Name	Bar	Pts
Lek	LD	38
Tao	CATA	37
Mark	O	36
Golf	SBA	30
Rune	SBA	26
Doug	P	25
Steve	O	25
Don	CATA	25
Noi	CATA	24
Pim	P	23

Top 6 - Div 2

Name	Bar	Pts
Pob	JB	27
Ball	CatB	27
Brian	KH	26
Howard	KH	26
Nam	RT	25
Tia	SBC	23

Hua Hin Social Pool League
Results Wk 12 5th August 2009

No Game v Headrock
JW Black v Limelight 10-9
Billys v U Turn Not Played
J Juice A v J Juice B 8-11
Sabai v Billys Babes 12-7
PP v JW Red 8-11
Red Bar v Lazy Daze 9-10

Next Week's Fixtures
Week 13 – 12th August 2009

Lazy Daze v No Game
JW Red v Red Bar
Billys Babes v PP
Jungle Juice B v Sabai
U Turn v Jungle Juice A
Limelight v Billys
Headrock v JW Black

League Table

Team	P	W	L	F-A	Pts
J Juice B	11	10	1	121-88	20
JW Red	11	9	2	114-95	18
PP	10	8	2	101-89	16
Lazy Dze	11	6	5	102-107	12
U Turn	10	6	4	102-88	12
Sabai	10	6	4	98-92	12
H'drock	10	5	5	100-90	10
J Juice A	11	5	6	110-99	10
Billys	9	3	6	76-95	6
JW Blk	11	3	8	95-114	6
L'light	10	2	8	85-105	4
Red Bar	11	2	9	91-118	4
Blys Bbs	11	3	8	97-112	4

Balloon Chasers Guide

Welcome to the most vital guide around! All the parties, celebrations and balloons you could want (along with some booze and food of course!) Tell us about it by the Thursday before and we will include it here...send some photos and we will do our utmost to publish them; email awol@huahinmedia.com or contact Noi at Sabai Bar (Tel: 086 174 6165).

Coming soon! Saturday 22nd August - Lee Shamrock live at Ye Olde Buffalo Tavern - more details soon

Regular Events

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays - Pool Leagues

Tuesdays - Darts League (see p 17 for venues, free food for players)

Fridays - Dick's Office open darts night from 7.30pm

- Bar-B-Q party every week at Le Velo Rouge, Khao Takiab

Every Friday and Sunday at TNT Bar, Soi Sarakam (runs between Binthabaht and Selakam), live Filipino band from 8.30

Sundays - Scandic Bar, Cha Am, open darts evening from 7.30pm . FREE return transport from Dick's Office departs 7pm - please call 089 745 3992 (Anne) or 089 894 4310 (Mack) 3 hrs before to book transport

Hua Hin Golf Society

This week's results:

4th August - Springfield A & B 50 Entrants

Group 'A' - 0-15 hcp 24 entrants Strokeplay

1st Ulf Sparvman 68 net 2 hcp. 2nd Jimmy Gilmour 71 net 13 hcp. 3rd Jill Moore 74 net 13 hcp. 4th Roger Donaldson 75 net 5 hcp. 5th Mick Evans 76 net 10 hcp. 6th Tip Gouldby (12) & Chuan Walker (10) 76 net.

Group 'B' - 16-36 hcp (Members) (Guests 0-36 hcp) 26 entrants Stableford

1st Jan (g) 34 pts 12 hcp. 2nd Chris Davidson 34 pts 17 hcp. 3rd Mod Rea 33 pts 29 hcp. 4th Kevin Donaldson (g) 32 pts 6 hcp. 5th Greg Dickinson 32 pts 18 hcp. 6th Ooi (28) & Bill Henderson (g) (8) both 31 pts.

Nearest the Pin No. 4A Sheila Dixon, No. 6A Colin Devonshire, No. 5B Rick F, No. 8B Jill Moore

31st July - Banyan 4 Person Team Waltz 48 Entrants 12 Teams.

1st Franz / Arnold Ruijs / Mario A / Vladimir - 117 pts. 2nd Peter Oosterbaan / Jackie / Paul / Anja Clausmans - 116 pts. 3rd Al Acherman / Mona / Cornelius / James Barber - 111 pts. 4th Kari Matti / Timo Ripati / John Rouhiala / Ali - 110 pts. 5th Chua Walker / Nitha / Sheils Bird / Dickie Bird - 110 pts.

Nearest the Pin No. 2 Robert Laminit, No. 15 Mike Humphrey

Next week's fixtures:

Tuesday 11th Black Mountain - Pairs Better Ball ¾ Handicap.

Friday 14th Royal Hua Hin - Stableford Competition

Butterfly Rock Golf

This week's results:

Wednesday 5th August Royal HuaHin - Bogey format

1st Dermot Murphy (17) -2, 2nd Jan Fridberg (21) -3, 3rd Bob Welsh (9) -3

Monday 3rd August Lake View A & B - stableford Any Tee Start

1st Kevin Dwyer (13) 39pts, 2nd Bryan McLeod (10) 38pts, 3rd Timo Ripatti (5) 38pts

Friday 31st July Palm Hills - stableford format 11 players entered

Front 9 Kevin Dwyer (14) / Craig Miller (5) 19pts, Back 9 Kevin Dwyer 19pts, Overall Kevin Dwyer 38pts

Forthcoming Fixtures

Monday 10th August Lake View

Wednesday 12th August - 3 Clubs + Putter played at Lake View AB from 10am

Friday 14th August Palm Hills

Transfer Rumours and Done Deals

Done deals:

Alberto Aquilani (Roma) to Liverpool

Fernando Guerrero (Independiente del Valle) to Burnley Loan

Scott Sinclair (Chelsea) to Wigan Loan

Xabi Alonso (Liverpool) to Real Madrid

Darren Bent (Spurs) to Sunderland

Frederic Piquionne (Lyon) to Portsmouth Loan

Fabian Delph (Leeds) to Aston Villa

Franco di Santo (Chelsea) to Blackburn Loan

Fabio Daprela (Grasshoppers) to West Ham

Rumours:

Lucas Neill (free), Ahmed Al-Muhammadi (ENPPI), David James (Portsmouth), John Mensah (Lyon), David Bentley and Michael Dawson (Spurs) to Sunderland

Antti Niemi (Free) and David Nugent (Portsmouth) to Stoke

Jozy Altidore (Villarreal) to Hull

Mark van Bommel (Bayern Munich) and Christopher Samba (Blackburn) to Spurs

David Silva (Valencia) and Sergio Aguero (At Madrid) to Man Utd

Joleon Lescott (Everton) to Man City

Rafael van der Vaart (Real Madrid) to Chelsea

Salomon Kalou (Chelsea) to Arsenal

Miguel Angel Angulo (Valencia) to Bolton

Pascal Chimbonda (Spurs) or Habib Beye (Newcastle) to Hull

Philippe Senderos (Arsenal) and Albin Ebondo (Toulouse) to Everton

Benjani (Man City) and Nikola Kalinic (Hajduk Split) to Blackburn

Stephen Warnock (Blackburn) and Wesley Sneijder (Real Madrid) to Aston Villa

Rasmus Elm (Kalmar FF) to Fulham or Everton

Stefan Maierholer (Rapid Vienna) to Wolves

Armand Traore (Arsenal) to Birmingham on loan

Premier League friendlies

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Saturday, August 8

Aston Villa v Fiorentina, 15:00
Bolton v Hibernian, 15:00
Liverpool v Atletico Madrid, 15:00
Man City v Celtic, 15:00
Motherwell v Wigan, 15:00
Portsmouth v Rangers, 15:00
St Johnstone v Burnley, 15:00
Valencia v Arsenal, 20:30
West Ham United v Napoli, Bobby Moore Cup

Sunday, August 9

Manchester United v Chelsea, FA Community Shield, Wembley, London
Tottenham Hotspur v Olympiakos

Other sports this week

Cricket

7th - 11th August, 4th Test, England v Australia, Headingley

AWOL - HHAD Challenge League

The new Premier League season starts on August 15th, so why not have a bit of fun and give the games added meaning? We have set up a 'mini league' in the official Fantasy Premier League and want you all to join in! To take part you first need to sign up at **http://fantasy.premierleague.com/** and create your team; once you have done that, click on the 'Create/Join leagues' link on the right hand side of your team, and enter the following code in the appropriate box under 'Join a private league'; **268163-66733**

There are comprehensive rules and FAQs on the site, as well as a forum for players in our league to chat, and you will probably also want to visit **www.huahinafterdark.com/forum** where you will find a dedicated thread in the 'Sports Fans' section for our league. Of course, every Friday AWOL will publish the league table and will highlight any notable achievements by managers. It costs nothing to join, and your team will also be in competition with thousands of others worldwide, with prizes on offer from the Fantasy Premier League for the overall winner and monthly leaders in the main league.

We would suggest that everyone who wants to play reads the Rules and FAQs on the website, including people who have played before as there have been some changes from last season.

VIEIRA COMES HOME TO DIE

■ LONDON, ENGLAND

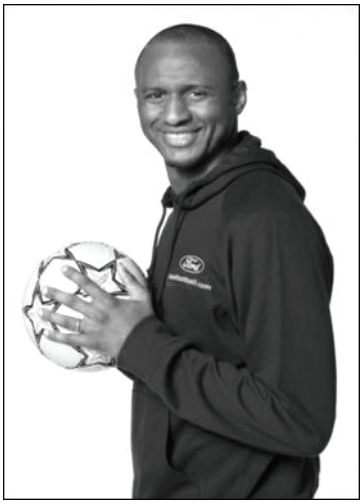
THE Vieira, a species of footballer not seen on these shores for many years, is coming back to its former ground to die.

Experts say that after trekking to North London from its feeding ground in Milan, it will roam the centre circle until early 2010, when it will finally succumb and the Fabregas will take over Arsenal's herd as the dominant male.

Eventually its remains will be picked over by vultures in the 'Midfielder's Graveyard', alongside the bleached bones of the Gilberto and the Ray Parlour.

Arsenal coach Arsene Wenger said: "The return of the Vieira to the ground of its youth is one of nature's greatest and most mysterious spectacles.

"No-one really knows how they find their way back. Is it smell? Is it sonar? Is it money?"



The Vieira; also known as Wij

Vieiras typically play into their thirties unless poached by Italian clubs or viciously attacked by Bartons. Although placid by nature, they can become easily enraged when confronted by Roy Keanes, only to suffer potentially fatal injuries.

Wenger added: "I want to give this magnificent Vieira a dignified last resting place. He can teach the younger players important lessons, like going fucking ballistic in the tunnel before a game.

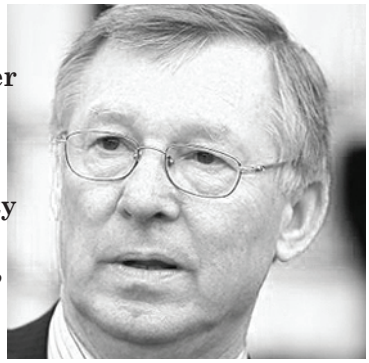
"Besides, I need somebody I can talk to properly. I can't understand half of what the boys talk about. How can you spitroast somebody with a phone? It would melt."

The Vieira said: "Mon dieu, I remember when all this was industrial estate. I'm 33, you know. Of course, back in my day we used to win big metal cups. Everything's different now."

Setting the tone

Bragging rights at stake in Wembley curtain raiser

Sunday, August 9 Manchester United v Chelsea, FA Community Shield, Wembley, London



■ LONDON, ENGLAND

It really doesn't seem so long ago we were waving goodbye to the football season and saying hello to cricket, tennis and golf, but here we are again on the brink of the new season.

Kicking it off is the traditional showpiece game between the League Champions and the FA Cup Winners, the Community Shield. Last season was one of the tightest races ever in the Premier League, and this season is expected to be even closer, so these two teams will want to hit the ground running, even in this official 'friendly'.

United have been shorn of two of their megastars, Ronaldo and Tevez, and it will be interesting to see how they line up, but we suspect a more static formation this season, rather than the fluid front line seen in previous seasons. Sir Alex will want to get the best out of his available first choice strikers, Berbatov and Rooney, and we expect them to play down the middle, rather than with Rooney being on the wing more often than not. We do not expect surprise arrival Michael Owen to start many matches for United, at least in the first half of the season, unless there are injuries to either of the other two. No doubt he will come on during the Community Shield though.

We feel Van De Sar could be a weak link now, but presumably Sir Alex believes that Foster or Kusczak can make the step up; we are not so sure.

Antonio Valencia will presumably play in generally wide positions on either side and United must hope he can be the supply line for a lot of goals. It must be said though that the squad as it stands does not look as strong as last season, and it could be a difficult season.

Chelsea haven't made many signings, with Yuri Zhirkov (right) the only one of note so far; more important though is retaining Terry, Drogba and several other key players, although the transfer window still has a few weeks left.

The big question mark is the new man at the helm, Carlo Ancelotti; in recent years several successful foreign managers have arrived in the Premier League and promptly failed, and despite his great record at other clubs the fear must be that the same fate could await the Italian. Will he try to change their style, or cause disharmony? This season is a crucial one for players with the World Cup next year and they will want to be playing for their clubs to prove themselves. This could be one of the biggest tests of all the managers in the Premier League this season.

As to the match itself, in theory Chelsea should be able to continue smoothly from last season without any radical changes, while United will have to change, as has been admitted by the manager. Not a lot of goals, but depending on the attitude of the players, could be quite a good exciting game, and a Chelsea win.

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