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Naughty or nice?

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■ HUA HIN, THAILAND

We are sure that most of you have been naughty at some point this year, and for those of you that haven't you obviously need to get out more, but either way our wishes to you remain the same - have a great Christmas and an even better New Year, and thank you for reading and supporting AWOL.

Whether you like it or not, we will be returning in 2010 after a well earned break next week, so our first issue of the New Year will come out on Friday 8th January 2010. We hope all you other hard working people, and the lazy slobs, will also enjoy the break and will come back refreshed, revitalised and hungry for more of our ramblings.

In the meantime, we suggest that you dive into some of the events and activities that will be going on, with the most notable being the superstar tennis match that will be gracing our town on 2nd January 2010 as the opening salvo of the town's 100th anniversary celebrations; the match is being held at the Centennial Park, part of the Intercontinental Hua Hin Resort complex and tickets are available through Thai Ticket Major, as well as at the Major Cineplex in Hua Hin's Market Village.

Judging by the spectacular lighting display in the centre of town, it will also be worth attending the Hua Hin Countdown 2010 event that starts today at Market Village. Highlights of the event include the Miss Polynesian beauty pageant, Thai cultural dances, performances,and bartending shows by leading bartenders from hotels in the Hua

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Hin/Cha-Am area. On the day of the countdown, visitors can enjoy the "Marathon Concert," a 12-hour concert mixture of indy and traditional Thai music as well a performance by Tawee Ketngarm, a popular local artist who will be performing music and art together on stage. There will also be lucky draws and prize giveaways as well as a light and sound show.

The town will be very busy over the New Year holiday period, with many people from all over Thailand heading here, and unfortunately this will also mean the town's roads are likely to be gridlocked at certain times. In combination with the traditional carnage on the roads and proclaimed crackdown on drink driving, it seems that this year, more than ever, it is worth either walking or using one of the taxi, tuk tuk or motorcycle taxis to go to and from your festive partying.

And party we should! Given the depressing nature of 2009 and all the gloom and doom talk of recession, unemployment, climate change, tax rises and political turmoil, the perfect antidote is to get yourself out and about, have a few drinks, spin a few yarns and forget about the troubles of the world.

Our Christmas page 3 star Pat from Harley's Bar, agrees that we should all go out and enjoy Christmas and New Year.

2010 promises to be a different proposition, if only from the 'it can't be any worse' angle; certainly the number of new businesses and projects springing up in and around town suggests that there is plenty of confidence about the future; new hotels, new hospital, new retail projects, new golf courses and new housing developments are all due to be completed or well on their way in 2010.

So AWOL says - rats to recession, codswallop to climate change, and push off to politicians, we're going to party like its ~~1999~~ 2009!

Tiger Woods Story - an apology

Following some complaints about last week's story on this page, headlined 'Tiger Woods Embraces His Thai Half By Denying Reality', AWOL would like to unreservedly apologise to those who were offended by it. The story was intended to be a humorous spoof of the real life events surrounding the golf superstar, and was not intended in any way to be taken seriously. There was also no intention to besmirch Thailand or the Thai people. This particular story was not written by anyone at AWOL, but we still thought our readers might enjoy it, so clearly we were wrong. We would like to encourage our readers to give us feedback on any aspect of AWOL by sending us an email to info@awolonline.net, so whether you enjoyed, were shocked, angry or even bored by anything in the paper please tell us. Nobody is perfect but you can help us keep our imperfections to a minimum.

Thank you for reading AWOL, and once again we apologise for any offence caused by this story.

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Only a few weeks have passed since her first appearance on this page, but our Christmas Page 3 was a no contest after the pleas we received for Pat from Harley's Bar to make a return visit; and to satisfy you completely, Pat is dotted throughout this issue to bring some Christmas cheer!

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Day	Conditions	Temp °C Low	High
Boxing Day	Increasing cloudiness	23	33
Sunday	Brilliant sunshine and nice	23	32
Monday	Showers around in the morning	23	29
Tuesday	Partly sunny and pleasant	23	31
Wednesday	A passing afternoon shower	23	29
New Year's Eve	Cloudy and humid	23	30
New Year's Day	Humid with low clouds	24	31

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Auckland	14	23	Fine
Beijing	-3	2	Overcast
Berlin	-5	0	Cloudy
Buenos Aires	22	30	T-Storms
Chicago	1	3	Rain
Copenhagen	0	2	Cloudy
Dubai	18	26	Sctd Clds
Dublin	-3	5	Showers
Geneva	1	4	Rain
Helsinki	-11	-3	Ptly Cldy
Ho Chi Minh	21	32	Mist
Hong Kong	17	20	Sctd Clds
Islamabad	4	21	Clear
Jakarta	23	33	Rain
Jerusalem	11	17	Fine
Jo'burg	16	27	T-Storms
Karachi	12	30	Cloudy
Kuala L'pur	24	32	T-Storms
London	-1	6	Showers
Madrid	8	12	Rain
Manila	24	29	Cloudy
Mexico City	5	22	Fine
Moscow	-4	1	Snow
New Delhi	5	22	Mist
New York	-5	2	Cloudy
Oslo	-7	0	?Snow
Paris	1	6	Rain
Perth	16	33	Ptly Cldy
Phnom-Penh	22	35	Clear
Rio	19	32	Showers
Riyadh	10	22	Clear
Rome	17	22	Rain
San F'cisco	6	13	Fine
Singapore	24	31	T-Storms
Stockholm	-5	2	?Snow
Sydney	23	25	Rain
Tokyo	7	13	Cloudy
Vientiane	22	32	Clear
Yangon	16	33	Clear
Zurich	2	4	Rain

Exchange Rates

At Christmas Eve 2009
(mid-market rates)

Currency	Value (Baht)
US Dollar	32.19
Pound Sterling	52.35
Euro	47.2
Japanese Yen	35.62
Malaysian Ringgit	8.95
Singapore Dollar	23.31
Brunei Dollar	22.77
Chinese Yuan	4.16
Indonesian Rupiah	2.03
Indian Rupee	0.61375
Korean Won	0.0241
Australian Dollar	28.73
New Zealand Dollar	23.06
Swiss Franc	31.55
Danish Krone	6.15
Norwegian Krone	5.51
Swedish Krona	4.38
Canadian Dollar	31.12
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Bahrain Dinar	59.58
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Feeling grumpy 'is good for you'

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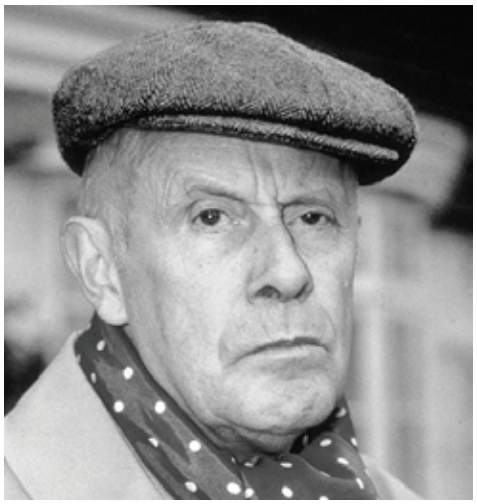

In a bad mood? Don't worry - according to research, it's good for you.
An Australian psychology expert who has been studying emotions has found being grumpy makes us think more clearly.
In contrast to those annoying happy types, miserable people are better at decision-making and less gullible, his experiments showed.
While cheerfulness fosters creativity, gloominess breeds attentiveness and careful thinking, Professor Joe Forgas told Australian Science Magazine.
The University of New South Wales researcher says a grumpy person can cope with more demanding situations than a happy one because of the way the brain "promotes information processing strategies".
He asked volunteers to watch different films and dwell on positive or negative events in their life, designed to put them in either a good or bad mood.
Next he asked them to take part in a series of tasks, including judging the truth of urban myths and providing eyewitness accounts of events.
Those in a bad mood outperformed those who were jolly - they made fewer mistakes and were better communicators.
Professor Forgas said: "Whereas positive mood seems to promote creativity, flexibility, co-operation and reliance on mental shortcuts, negative moods trigger more attentive, careful thinking, paying greater attention to the external world."
The study also found that sad people were better at stating their case through written arguments, which Forgas said showed that a "mildly negative mood may actually promote a more concrete, accommodative and ultimately more successful communication style".
His earlier work shows the weather has a similar impact on us - wet, dreary days sharpened memory, while bright sunny spells make people forgetful.

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Merry Christmas

The traditional greeting at Christmas - very commonly used on Christmas cards.

"A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to You" was the verse that was shown on the first commercially available Christmas card in 1843. Christmases has been merry long before that though. The use of 'Merry Christmas' as a seasonal salutation dates back to at least 1565, when it appeared in The Hereford Municipal Manuscript:

"And thus I comytt you to god, who send you a mery Christmas & many."

1843 was also the date of the publication of Charles Dickens' Christmas Carol and it was around that time, in the early part of the reign of Queen Victoria, that Christmas as we now know it was largely invented. The word merry was then beginning to take on its current meaning of 'jovial, and outgoing' (and, let's face it, probably mildly intoxicated). Prior to that, in the times when other 'merry' phrases were coined, for example, make merry (circa 1300), Merry England (circa 1400) and the merry month of May (1560s), merry had a different meaning, i.e. 'pleasant, peaceful and agreeable'.

That change in meaning is apparently viewed with disfavour by Queen Elizabeth II, who wishes her subjects a 'happy' rather than 'merry' Christmas in her annual Christmas broadcasts. The idea of a modern-day merry England is presumably unwelcome at the palace.

The best-known allusion to merriment at Christmas is the English carol God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen. The source of this piece isn't known. It was first published in William Sandys' Christmas Carols Ancient and Modern in 1833, although versions of it probably existed as a folk-song and tune well before that but weren't written down. Sir Thomas Elyot, lists the phrase 'rest you merry' in his Dictionary in 1548: "Aye, bee thou gladde: or joyfull, as the vulgare people saie Reste you mery."

It is often assumed that the carol's lyric portrays the wish that jovial gentlemen might enjoy repose and tranquility. The punctuation of the song suggests otherwise though - it's 'God rest ye merry, gentlemen', not 'God rest ye, merry gentlemen'. In this context 'to rest' doesn't mean 'to repose' but 'to keep, or remain as you are' - like the 'rest' in 'rest assured'. 'Rest ye merry' means 'remain peacefully content' and the carol contains the wish that God should grant that favour to gentlemen (gentlewomen were presumably busy in the kitchen). It isn't the 'rest' that is being given but the 'merry'. Anyone misreading that comma is in good company though. God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen was the carol that Dickens was referring to in A Christmas Carol:

"The owner of one scant young nose, gnawed and mumbled by the hungry cold as bones are gnawed by dogs, stooped down at Scrooge's keyhole to regale him with a Christmas carol: but at the first sound of
God bless you, merry gentleman!
May nothing you dismay!
Scrooge seized the ruler with such energy of action that the singer fled in terror."

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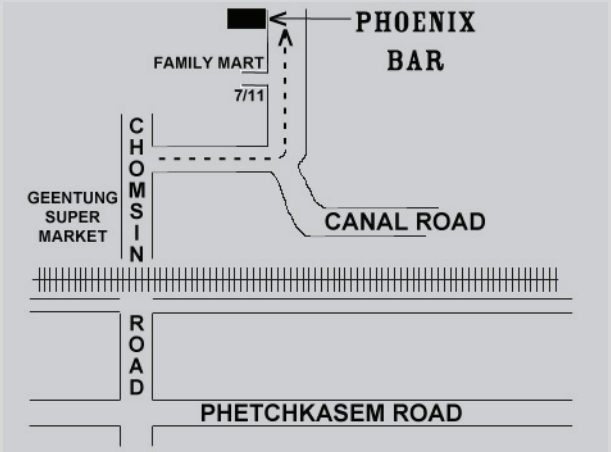

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Weird News

■ BOSTON, USA

Mother calls cops to stop son playing Grand Theft Auto

Police say a frustrated Boston woman called police to say she couldn't get her 14-year-old son to stop playing video games and go to sleep.

Officer Joe Zanoli, a police spokesman, said that the mother called for help around 2:30am on Saturday to say that the teenager also walked around the house and turned on all the lights.

Surprisingly, her call actually worked, as two officers who responded to the house persuaded the child to obey his mother.

Zanoli says the mother's police call over the teen's video game enthusiasm 'was a little unusual, but by no means is it surprising - especially in today's day and age when these kids play video games and computer games.'

According to The Boston Herald, who first reported the police call, the boy was playing 'Grand Theft Auto' (although they don't report which entry in the GTA series had so grabbed the boy's attention.)

■ SWANSEA, WALES

Un-merry Christmas for woman called Mary Christmas

A would-be festive reveller is having a rather hard time booking tables at restaurants – because her name is Mary Christmas.

The 43-year-old wed Paul Christmas 12 years ago - without realising what was in store.

'Once I booked a table for 20 under my name but they thought it was a joke so, when we arrived, we couldn't have dinner.

'Now I always book under my maiden name, McCarthy,' said the 43-year-old from Gorseinon, Swansea.

■ CALIFORNIA, USA

Lizard smuggler pleads not guilty

A man accused of strapping 15 live lizards to his chest to get through customs at Los Angeles International Airport has pleaded not guilty to federal charges.

Michael Plank of Lomita, California, entered his plea on Monday to a count of smuggling wildlife into the United States, which carries a maximum penalty of 20 years in prison and up to $250,000 (£156,655) in fines.

The US Fish and Wildlife Service says Plank was returning from Australia in November when customs agents found two geckos, two monitor lizards and 11 smaller lizards fastened to his body.

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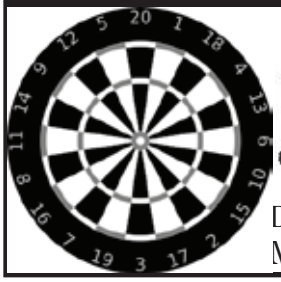

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Look for the obvious.

Is there a section that has one cell unsolved? Quickly find the solution by counting from 1 to 9 locating each number in that row, column, or region. The missing number is the solution.

Where do you start?

Take a systematic approach to solving Sudoku. A good way to start is by first looking for a number that has the most "givens".

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Puzzle 1 (Easy)

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

Puzzle 2 (Hard)

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

Last week's solutions

Puzzle 1

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

Puzzle 2

9	3	2	8	7	5	4	1	6
8	4	6	2	9	1	3	5	7
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3	5	7	6	2	4	8	9	1
7	1	5	9	4	8	6	3	2
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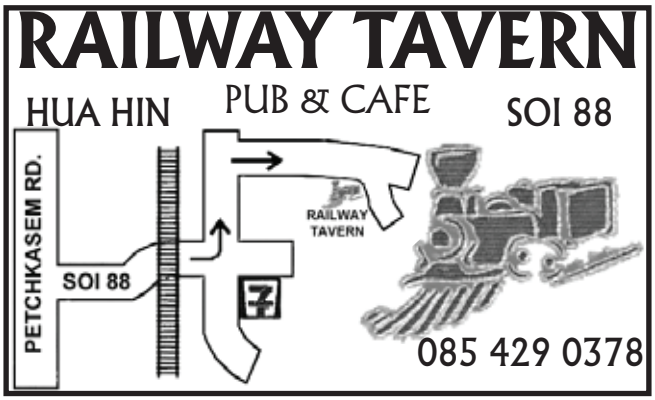
And then drooling felt her thigh.
The slit was wet and all was set,
He gave a joyous cry.
The hole was wide...he looked inside.
All was dark and murky.
He rubbed his hands and stretched his arms...
And then he stuffed the turkey.

GRAND SPORT ROCK'N' ROLL CONCERT

Please note that the concert scheduled to take place on Saturday 26th December has been cancelled and rescheduled for 30th January 2010 due to events outside of the organisers control.



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We have a special guest astrologer this week as we took pity on the recently sacked Manchester City manager Mark Hughes and offered him the chance to make a bit of pin money; unfortunately he said no, so we dragged some random bloke off the street instead to do it and gave him a hot bath, a cup of tea and a biscuit.

Capricorn Dec 22 - Jan 19

Christmas comes but once a year, which is one time more than you will in the next 12 months! Still that is probably a good thing, seeing as you will be incarcerated with several hundred mean, angry men.

Aquarius Jan 20 – Feb 18

Turkey isn't your favorite food, probably something to do with a nasty encounter you had as a child at a petting zoo, although your testicles did eventually recover. Wild Turkey on the other hand goes down a treat this New Year, so you'll probably be gobbling for hours.

Pisces Feb 19 – Mar 20

Don't bite down too hard on your Christmas pudding this year, as unknown to you it is a new recipe that has replaced the traditional sixpence with a walnut; unfortunately the cook failed to crack it first. If this message reaches you too late call 0800 EMERGENCY DENTIST.

Aries Mar 21 – Apr 20

Don't act too disappointed when you fail to win any cracker pulls this Christmas, as your destiny is ill starred for wearing paper hats and using miniature sewing sets. However you could do with one of those miniature nail clippers.

Taurus Apr 21 – May 21

The charts have been plotted, the planets alignment checked and just for good measure the coffee grounds and tea leaves have been read. There are no two ways about it - 2010 is going to be nothing like the movie sequel to 2001, and even less like 2012 for you.

Gemini May 22 – June 21

Christmas came early for you this year, around August, so when your friends and relatives fail to give you any cards or presents don't take it personally. Just be happy that the dog you got in August didn't turn out to be a St Bernard.

Cancer Jun 22 – Jul 22

Cancerians are the worst star sign to hang out with at this time of year, as they wallow in self pity, getting drunk and morose. If you see anyone sobbing into their beer this New Year, there is a 90% chance they are or have crabs.

Leo Jul 23 – Aug 22

This week you will have to explain to the doctors at Hua Hin Hospital how you ended up with your three foot Christmas tree and all its lights and decorations rammed up your backside.

Virgo Aug 23 – Sep 22

This festive season you are in danger of getting a nickname based on the 70's TV show 'The Golden Shot'. Unfortunately your aim is bad and your target, a toilet bowl, is missed frequently by all the objects you send its way.

Libra Sep 23 – Oct 23

Your attempts to obtain the 'Morecambe and Wise Christmas Specials' DVD end prematurely as the BBC's crack piracy unit track you downloading it and you are arrested. The fact that you also had a terabyte of porn does not go down well with the judge, but it does keep the police away from their duties for a while.

Scorpio Oct 24 – Nov 21

Having enjoyed your forays into the Wii bowling league every Thursday, you treat yourself to a console for Christmas. Unfortunately your addiction to Tiger Woods PGA Tour 10 results in your partner arguing with you, and you storming out of the house and driving into a tree. How realistic is that?

Sagittarius Nov 22 – Dec 21

The fact that everyone always gives you joint birthday and Christmas presents has always irked you, but this year you run the risk of being a bit OTT in your reaction; avoiding gun shops and anywhere selling sharp implements is strongly advised.

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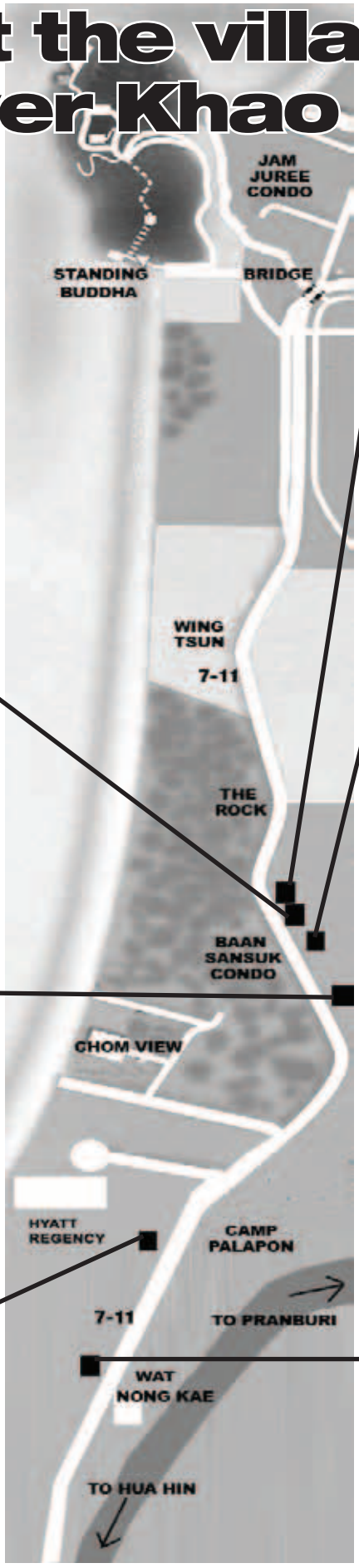

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■ DEAR MARY,
My daughter is starting to ask the inevitable questions: Where do babies come from? What happens when people die? Why does mummy have so many 'special friends' to stay over? etc. Obviously, as it's nearly Christmas, she's now starting to ask about Santa Claus and if he's real or not. Do you think I should get it over with and tell her the truth before she turns 30?
Geraldine, Pranburi

Dear Geraldine,
Let's examine the facts. From birth, children are convinced, via a complicated and elaborate parental charade, that there is a benevolent person called Santa Claus who comes down the chimney at Christmas, delivering presents to all the good little boys and girls around the world in his reindeer-drawn flying sleigh. Despite the fact that our mummies and daddies suspect anyone and everyone of being a predatory paedophile for 11 months of the year, come December, children everywhere are forced to sit on the knee of sinister bearded strangers in disguise, who smell vaguely of cigarettes and McEwan's Export, and who insist you call them Father Christmas whilst rubbing the small of your back. Call me a big spoil sport, but I'm getting mixed messages. And then suddenly, one day, your mummy and daddy take you to one side and inform you that they have been lying and that Santa doesn't really exist after all. You'd think that shaking the foundations of your entire belief system would be enough, but your parents continue to insist that although they lied about Santa, they weren't joking about Jesus, and he really can walk on water and eat 500 fishes at once without spewing and turn water into alcoholic beverages with his mind. And they expect us to believe whatever else comes out of their putrid, lying mouths? I would make a comparison with Pinocchio here… but apparently he's also a cynical, manipulative invention. So Geraldine, whatever you decide to tell your daughter about Santa, just make sure you get your story straight beforehand.
Hope that helps!

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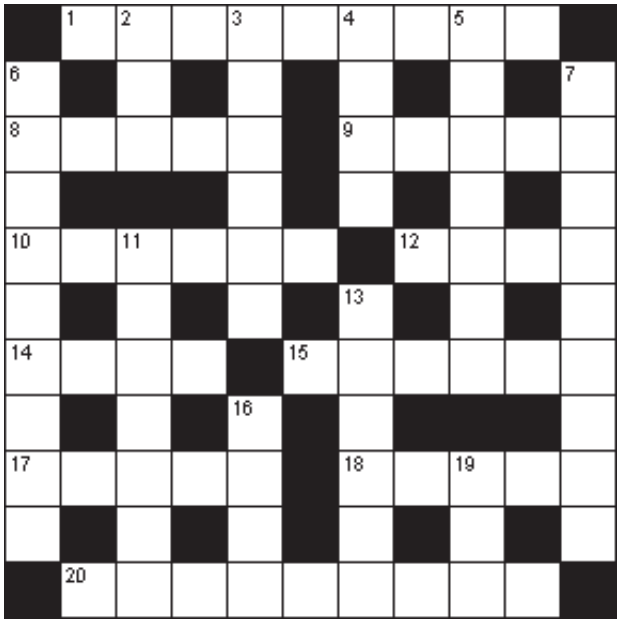
1. Morning meal
8. Later
9. Liverpool airport
10. Knapsack
12. Bloodsucking insect
14. Leave out
15. Sterile
17. Vision
18. Cut
20. Institution for orphans

Down

2. Decay
3. Antenna
4. Clenched hand
5. Person who spells words
6. Horse used for carrying loads
7. Remaining part
11. Part of a gun
13. High-kicking dance
16. Engrave with acid
19. Worthless piece of cloth



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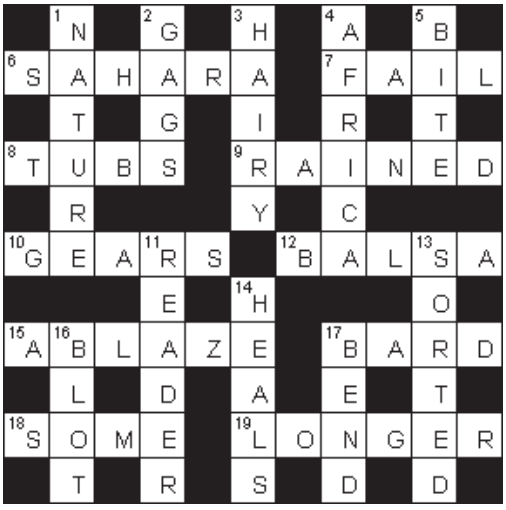

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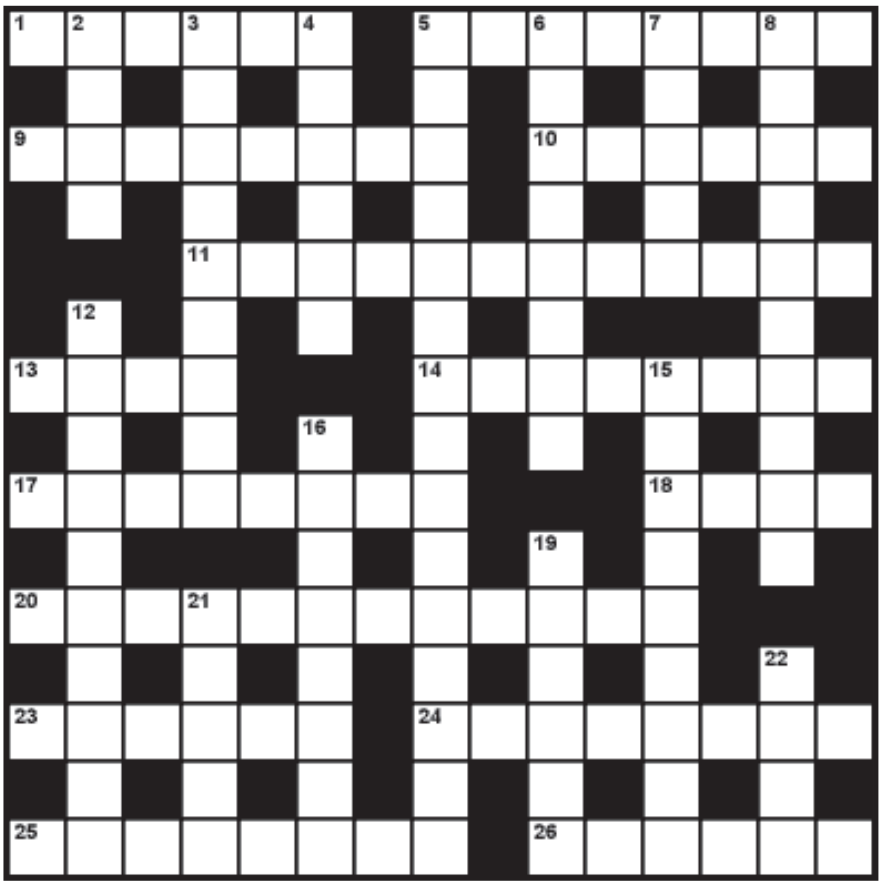

Following a number of reader requests, we are bringing to you every week a cryptic crossword to supplement our Quick XWord on page 15.

No prizes, just the personal satisfaction of unriddling, anagram spotting and deciphering the clues. We hope that you will all enjoy our latest addition to AWOL's roster, and please let us know what you think about this and any other part of the paper, by emailing us on info@awolonline.net.

The solution to this puzzle is on page 20, and space permitting we will have a new puzzle and solution every week.

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Across

1 For example, green influence (6)
5 Timetable of clues he'd produced (8)
9 Is Nero brought back into Free Church belonging to courts of law? (8)
10 East wing emitting, in part, a sudden pain (6)
11 Mauritania travelling is within extremely halcyon philanthropist (12)
13 Dishes of soldiers, you heard (4)
14 Plagued in France with steed, perhaps (8)
17 Servant's row (8)
18 A method, not at home (4)
20 Craftsman's room on ship with Alien producer (7-5)
23 Inspector about to stomach authoritative statement (6)
24 Taking no active part in bazaar: MC Hairdo (8)
25 Destroyed arid fern of a certain wavelength (8)
26 Flowery or neat, somehow (6)

Down

2 There's nothing in award for instrument (4)
3 Love river going underneath writer's hotel, with visitors welcome at any time (4,5)
4 Restart summary (6)
5 Deputy canon commends Di's construction (6-2-7)
6 Fiery man, very loud and attractive person (3,5)
7 Not as wet as doctor that is redhead (5)
8 Where bags and suitcases may be carried, in new language (very good) (7,3)
12 Conclusion for every speech (10)
15 Aquatic creature reported to visit mischievous child (3,6)
16 Decoration of vessel going around river (8)
19 Elbows out - a girl's personal problem (6)
21 Bury in porcelain terrain (5)
22 Metal with Turkish leader's dye (4)

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Football Preview *Extra*

FA Cup 3rd Round
(all times Thai)
Saturday, 2 January 2010
Bristol City v Cardiff, 12:30
Accr. Stanley v Gillingham, 22:00
Aston Villa v Blackburn, 22:00
Blackpool v Ipswich, 22:00
Bolton v Lincoln City, 22:00
Brentford v Doncaster, 22:00
Everton v Carlisle, 22:00
Fulham v Swindon, 22:00
Huddersfield v West Brom, 22:00
Leicester v Swansea, 22:00
MK Dons v Burnley, 22:00
Middlesbrough v Man City, 22:00
Millwall v Derby, 22:00
Nottm Forest v Birmingham, 22:00
Plymouth v Newcastle, 22:00
Portsmouth v Coventry, 22:00
Preston v Colchester, 22:00
Scunthorpe v Barnsley, 22:00
Sheff Wed v Crystal Palace, 22:00
Southampton v Luton, 22:00
Stoke v York, 22:00
Sunderland v Barrow, 22:00
Torquay v Brighton, 22:00
Tottenham v Peterborough, 22:00
Wigan v Hull, 22:00
Sunday, 3 January 2010
Reading v Liverpool, 00:15
Man Utd v Leeds United, 20:00
Chelsea v Watford, 22:00
Notts County v Forest Green, 22:00
Sheff Utd v QPR, 22:00
West Ham v Arsenal, 23:15
Monday, 4 January 2010
Tranmere v Wolverhampton, 01:15

No space to do a match by match preview and prediction, so we will just highlight the eye catching ties and the potential banana skins for you.

Starting with the big boys, there are three all Premier League clashes' Villa/Blackburn, Wigan/Hull and West Ham/Arsenal, with the latter being the one picked out

for the prime time football slot on the Sunday. With all of these, we are going to favour the home side, despite West Ham's precarious league position.

The most eye catching ties, and more to do with history sometimes, are Man Utd/Leeds, Chelsea/Watford and Middlesbrough/Man City. Out of those three we only think Man City are at risk of being knocked out, but they should all be passionate affairs and not for the faint hearted.

Potential banana skins are Bolton/Lincoln, Everton/Carlisle, Fulham/Swindon, MK Dons/Burnley, Nottm Forest/Birmingham, Portsmouth/Coventry, Southampton/Luton, Stoke/York, Sunderland/Barrow, Reading/Liverpool, Notts County/Forest Green and Tranmere/Wolves. We are going to pick these 'minnows' to win - Swindon, Nottm. Forest, Luton, Barrow, Reading and Forest Green.

The rest of the draw is fairly uninspiring in terms of match ups, but our prediction for the last 32 is as follows:

Accrington Stanley
Aston Villa
Barnsley
Barrow
Blackpool
Bolton
Burnley
Cardiff
Chelsea
Colchester
Crystal Palace
Doncaster
Everton
Forest Green
Huddersfield
Leicester
Luton
Man Utd
Middlesbrough
Millwall
Newcastle
Nottingham Forest
Portsmouth
QPR
Reading
Stoke
Swindon
Torquay
Tottenham
West Ham
Wigan
Wolves

Hua Hin Sky Web Radio

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A new radio show aimed at the growing contingent of foreigners living in and visiting the area is broadcasting every Wednesday and Thursday mornings between 9 and 12, and is a mix of music, information, phone ins and discussion of Hua Hin and Thailand. It is being hosted by Phil Cliffe, an English teacher, and Khun Oy, and is being broadcast by Sky Web Radio on 98.5 FM, and can also be listened to online. If you want to contact the show while they are on air, the phone number is 032 526398. Special guests will be on the show to give listeners insights into specific areas of life in Thailand, and AWOL will have a feature on the show in 2010.

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Please call 080 244 6739 for any other information.

Pool Leagues

Hua Hin Social Pool League
Results
Week 3 16/12/09
Billys v No Game
Jungle Juice A v JW Black n/a
King Bar Men v Lazy Daze B 8-11
Sabai v Headrock n/a
London Bar v Limelight 7-12
PP v U Turn 16-3
Red Bar v Lord Nelson n/a
Lazy Daze A v King Ladies 11-8
Int/l B'fly Bar v Jungle Juice B 7-12
JW Red v Billys Babes 11-8

Week 4 results on 15/1/2010

Next Fixtures
Week 4 6/1/10
No Game v Billys Babes
Jungle Juice B v JW Red
King Bar Ladies v Int/l B'fly Bar
Lord Nelson v Lazy Daze A
U Turn v Red Bar
Limelight v PP
Headrock v London Bar
Lazy Daze B v Sabai
JW Black v King Bar Men
Billys v Jungle Juice A

League Table

Team	P	W	L	+/-	Pts
PP	3	3	0	40-17	6
J Juice B	3	3	0	39-18	6
Limelight	3	2	1	32-25	4
King Men	3	2	1	30-27	4
JW Red	2	2	0	25-13	4
Billys	2	2	0	24-14	4
J Juice A	2	2	0	24-14	4
King Ldys	3	1	2	25-32	2
Billys Bbs	2	1	1	24-14	2
Sabai	2	1	1	19-19	2
Lazy Dz A	2	1	1	18-20	2
Lzy Dz Gls	2	1	1	17-21	2
London	2	1	1	17-21	2
JW Black	1	0	1	9-10	0
U Turn	3	0	3	20-37	0
Int/l B'fly	3	0	3	15-42	0
Headrock	2	0	2	15-23	0
Red Bar	2	0	2	14-24	0
Ld Nelson	2	0	2	12-26	0

Hua Hin Pool Billiard League
A new season will be starting on 8th January 2010. Fixtures were not compiled at press time, but details can be obtained from Andy at Lucky Shot soon.
The following teams have confirmed their participation;
Queens Flower Bar, Eagle Bar, Lucky Shot A, Thaiwaii, Sunset Boulevard, Lucky Shot Student's, Johnie Walker Black, Lucky Shot B, Lucky Shot Thai, Return Bar, Sugar Cane Bar, Johnie Walker Red, Dick's Office B, Dick's Office A, Oasis and possibly one more to be announced.

Cryptic Crossword Solution

Here is the solution to AWOL's cryptic crossword, which is on page 18 - we know how frustrating it is to have to wait a week for the answers to these brain teasers so please try not to cheat!

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Mon	Fish & chips	140 B
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Thur	Bangers & mash	140 B
Fri	Pork chop, veg	180 B
Sat	Hotpot w/ veg	160 B
Sun	Roast Lamb (NZ)	220B
	Pork & Chicken	180 B

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Darts Leagues

Final tables and results will be in the next AWOL on 8th January 2010

Results - Week 22 22/12/2009

Division 1

Lazy Daze v Oasis n/a
ThaiWaii v JW Red n/a
Dicks Office B v Lucky Shot n/a
CAT A v Paradise 7-11
JW Black v Scandic Bar A n/a

League Table

Team	P	W	D	L	PF-PA	Pts
CAT A	18	13	2	3	220-104	28
Oasis	17	11	3	3	183-113	25
Scan A	15	12	0	3	189-81	24
JW Bk	16	11	1	4	179-106	23
P'dise	16	11	0	5	160-122	22
Lzy Dz	17	8	2	7	150-143	18
ThWai	17	4	1	12	112-194	9
JW Rd	15	3	0	12	86-184	6
Lky Sh	17	2	1	14	93-211	5
Dick B	16	1	2	12	89-199	4

Next Two Week's Fixtures
Week 23 29/12/2009
Cup Final
Scandic A v Lazy Daze at JWs

Division 2

Jaew v Pat Point n/a
Kom Hom v Scandic Bar C n/a
Railway Tavern v Cat B n/a
Jungle Juice v Dicks Office A 14 - 4
Scandic B v Kom Hom Ladies n/a

League Table

Team	P	W	D	L	PF-PA	Pts
Cat B	17	13	2	2	218-91	28
Scan B	16	13	0	3	214-75	26
Jaew	16	12	2	2	177-111	26
Kom H	16	11	1	4	183-105	23
J Juice	18	9	1	8	169-155	19
KH Ls	16	7	0	9	112-176	14
Scan C	15	4	1	10	102-168	9
R'way	16	3	1	12	101-187	7
Dick A	17	3	0	14	117-189	6
Pat Pt	17	3	0	14	86-220	6

Week 24 5/1/2010
Top 16 Competition
Venues and competitors to be announced; please contact Barry and Jill at JWs

Top 16 Individuals

Division 1 Top 10

	Name	Bar	Total Points
1	Tao	CATA	339
2	Mark	O	301
3	Golf	SBA	276
4	Don	CATA	267
5	Joe	O	239
6	Dicky	JWB	238
7	Noi	CATA	229
8	Martin	LD	229
9	Rune	SBA	223
10	Pim	P	197

Division 2 Top 6

	Name	Bar	Total Points
1	Cop	SBB	269
2	Ball	CatB	252
3	Howard	KH	233
4	Oil	JJ	210
5	Sak	SBB	208
6	Brian	KH	198

All league and individual tables not updated

Pool Leagues brought to you by Lucky Shot Bar

Hua Hin & Khao Takiab League 2009
Results
Week 10 16th December
played 23rd December
Bob & Noks 10 - 8 Sunset B'vard

League Table

Team	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
Thaiwaii	10	7	2	1	44	16
Harley's	10	8	0	2	42	16
Oasis	10	8	0	2	40	16
Garden 2	10	6	1	3	10	13
Dizzy Dolp	10	4	3	3	12	11
Bob / Noks	10	5	1	4	8	11
Sunset B'd	10	5	1	4	-2	11
Free Time	10	3	3	4	4	9
Dara	10	3	2	5	-18	8
Sports Bar	10	2	0	8	-46	4
Bobby's	10	1	1	8	-46	3
Railway T	10	0	2	8	-48	2

Next Fixtures
Week 11 6th January 2010
Harley's v Garden Bar 2
Oasis v Free Time
Railway Tavern v Dizzy Dolphin
Sports Bar v Dara
Sunset Boulevard v Bobby's
Thaiwaii v Bob and Noks

Hua Hin 8 Ball League
Results Week 16 23/12/2009
Curly's Bar B 4 - 8 Komhom
DicksB 3 - 9 Pla's Place
Eagle Bar 9 - 3 DicksA
LilleMan 8 - 4 Curly's Bar A
MrDanA 10 - 2 Purple Pig

League Table

Team	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
MrDanA	16	14	2	0	88	30
Eagle Bar	15	14	0	1	70	28
Komhom	15	9	0	6	34	18
Curly's A	16	8	0	8	-12	16
Pla's Place	16	7	2	7	-12	16
DicksA	16	6	0	10	-22	12
Curly's B	16	4	3	9	-24	11
LilleMan	16	4	2	10	-30	10
Purple Pig	16	3	3	10	-44	9
DicksB	16	3	2	11	-48	8

Next Week's Fixtures
Week 17 30/12/2009
Curly's Bar A v DicksB
DicksA v Curly's Bar B
Komhom v LilleMan
MrDanA v Eagle Bar
Purple Pig v Pla's Place

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Regular Events

Live music every night from midnight - at Heaven on Soi Binthabaht
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Everyday Happy Hour at Headrock 10am - 8pm (until 2am Mon & Fri) - 55 baht all beers and selected spirits
Every Day - Harley's Bar all drinks only 50 baht from 10am to 5pm. (see ad p 3)
Every fortnight - Komhom Fun Charity Quiz and Bingo night (please check with Komhom; see ad p 15)
Tuesdays - Dizzy Dolphin Live band from 8pm (ad p 3)
Fridays - Dizzy Dolphin Karaoke/ Live music alt Fridays (ad p 3), Dick's Office open darts 7.30pm (ad p 24)
Saturdays - Beach Hut Bar (ad p 13) live band every week
Sundays - British style Sunday Roasts available at: Lin's Cafe, Phetkasem Road between Soi s 80 &78 - Roast Beef Dinners Every Day (ad p 4), Jungle Juice, Soi Selekam (ad p 20), Dick's Office, Soi 80 (ad p 24), Ye Olde Buffalo Tavern, Chomsin/ Naresdamri (ad p 8),
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:

23rd December - Panurangsi 35 Entrants

Group 'A' - 0-17 hcp 18 entrants Stableford
1st Stephen Bailey (g) 37 pts 10 hcp. 2nd Paul Sandal 37 pts 17 hcp. 3rd Geoff Mitchel 37 pts 15 hcp. 4th Diane Gallagher (g) 36 pts 15 hcp. 5th Dickie Bird 34 pts 8 hcp. 6th Timo Ripatti 33 pts 5 hcp.
Group 'B' - 18-36 hcp 17 entrants Stableford
1st Brian Gallagher (g) 36 pts 24 hcp. 2nd Rob Daelow 33 pts 19 hcp. 3rd Mahnee Ripatti (g) 33 pts 36 hcp. 4th Ian Woodridge 31 pts 22 hcp. 5th Winfried 29 pts 30 hcp. 6th Rob Barnes (g) 29 pts 18 hcp.
Nearest Pin No. 6 Geoff Mitchel, No. 10 Dickie Bird

18th December - Lake View 47 Entrants

Group 'A' - 0-18 hcp 24 entrants Stableford
1st Trevor Firth 45 (yes 45) pts 13 hcp (he won't see that for a while). 2nd Simon Rouse 37 pts 7 hcp.
3rd Gareth Knight (g) 37 pts 18 hcp. 4th Ian McClean 36 pts 6 hcp. 5th Colin Devonshire 36 pts 11 hcp.
Group 'B' - 19-36 hcp 23 entrants Stableford
1st Berny Morgan 37 pts 21 hcp. 2nd Keith Brown (g) 36 pts 28 hcp. 3rd Roger Perrin 35 pts 23 hcp. 4th Mario Biccai 35 pts 20 hcp. 5th Martin Swift 34 pts 25 hcp.
Nearest Pin No. 8 Patrick Hillier, No. 17 Colin Devonshire

Next two week's fixtures:

Tuesday 29th Black Mountain - 1st Tee Time 11.28
Friday 31st New Years Eve - No Competition
January 2010: Tuesday 5th Royal Ratchaburi - Transport from the Bazaar 7.45 - Stableford
Friday 8th Lake View - 1st Tee Time 11.04 - Monthly Medal

Butterfly Rock Golf

This week's results:

Monday 21st December Lake View AB-stableford format 27 players entered

Division 1 - 1-13 handicap - 12 players: 1st - John Pritlove (11) - 37pts, 2nd - Paul Williams (2) - 34pts, 3rd - Bryan McLeod (8) - 34pts
Division 2 - 14 - 36 handicap - 15 players: 1st - Thew Khantonghao (30) - 36pts, 2nd - Barbara Anstee (24) - 35pts, 3rd - Gary Ross (15) - 34pts

Friday 18th December Palm Hills - stableford format 11 Players entered

Front 9 - 20 pts - Jim Lynch (22). Debs Rawlings (33), Back 9 - 18 pts - Nid Byrne (20)
Overall - 37 pts - Nid Byrne. Jim Lynch

Wednesday 16th December Black Mountain - stableford format 27 players entered

Division 1 - 1-15 handicap - 14 players
1st - Timo Ripatti (5) - 36pts, 2nd - Barry Fitzgerald (14) - 31pts, 3rd - Gary Ross (15) - 31pts
Division 2 - 16 - 36 handicap - 13 players
1st - Marius Mulder (19) - 33pts, 2nd - Nid Byrne (20) - 31pts, 3rd - Martin Lewis (20) - 31pts

Forthcoming Fixtures

Mon Dec 28th Stableford & Skins at Lake View from 10am
Wed Dec 30th Stableford played at Palm Hills from 10am
Friday 1st Jan - Palm Hills?? (please check)
*********BRGC 2010 Season Starts here!!!*********
Mon Jan 4th Stableford & Skins at Lake View from 10am
Wed Jan 6th Bisque Bogey played at Majestic Creek from 10am

Football Preview

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Premier League

(all times Thai)

Saturday, 26 December 2009

Birmingham v Chelsea, 19:45

Tight match but Chelsea to edge it, probably late on.

Fulham v Tottenham, 20:00

Should be a cracker and in form Fulham to win.

West Ham v Portsmouth, 20:00

Will be billed as a vital game understandably but we think both will stay up and a home win.

Burnley v Bolton, 21:00

A crucial Lancashire derby which we think Burnley will triumph in.

Man City v Stoke, 22:00

The Mancini era begins with an easy home game and a win.

Sunderland v Everton, 22:00

Another tight game which we think will be a draw.

Wigan v Blackburn, 22:00

Another Lancashire derby which should be fiery and a draw.

Sunday, 27 December 2009

Liverpool v Wolves, 00:30

Logic says a home win but we think a draw and more woe for Benitez (below) and the Kop.

Arsenal v Aston Villa, 20:30

Important top 4 clash that tests the credentials of Villa, and we think they will fail.

Hull v Man Utd, 23:00

Hull tend to do well against the bigger sides but we don' think they will here - away win.

Monday, 28 December 2009

Tottenham v West Ham, 19:45

Huge match for both for different reasons; always entertaining but can only see a Spurs win though.

Blackburn v Sunderland, 22:00

Tired legs, mistakes and Sunderland to take advantage.

Chelsea v Fulham, 22:00

Another derby which we can see being a draw.

Everton v Burnley, 22:00

Burnley are hopeless on the road and we can't see that changing here - Everton win.

Stoke v Birmingham, 22:00

Not many goals in this so we'll stick our necks out and say 0-0.

Tuesday, 29 December 2009

Wolves v Man City, 02:45

Not as easy as it might appear for City and we think Wolves can get something; draw.

Wednesday, 30 December 2009

Aston Villa v Liverpool, 02:45

Tough Christmas fixtures for Villa but we think they can topple the misfiring Reds.

Bolton v Hull, 03:00

Two of the teams under threat of relegation and neither will be happy with the draw we predict.

Thursday, 31 December 2009

Portsmouth v Arsenal, 02:45

Pompey need to win their home games and the Gunners won't fancy this - home win.

Man Utd v Wigan, 03:00

United to shake off their recent poor form with a resounding win.

Sat, 2 & Sun, 3 January 2010

FA Cup 3rd Round See p19

Wednesday, 6 January 2010

Stoke v Fulham, 02:45

Fulham aren't too good away, and Stoke are very good at home - home win.

Thursday, 7 January 2010

Arsenal v Bolton, 02:45

This is likely to be a good hiding for Bolton, and could well spell the exit for Megson (above).

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Premier League Table

	Team	P	GD	PTS
1	Chelsea	18	28	41
2	Man Utd	18	20	37
3	Arsenal	17	24	35
4	Aston Villa	18	15	35
5	Tottenham	18	18	33
6	Man City	17	6	29
7	Birmingham	18	1	28
8	Liverpool	18	9	27
9	Fulham	17	6	26
10	Sunderland	18	-3	21
11	Stoke	17	-5	21
12	Wolves	18	-14	19
13	Blackburn	18	-15	19
14	Burnley	18	-16	19
15	Everton	17	-8	18
16	Wigan	17	-18	18
17	Hull	18	-20	17
18	Bolton	16	-10	16
19	West Ham	18	-9	15
20	Portsmouth	18	-9	14

AWOL Challenge Fantasy League Top 10

#	Team	GW	TOT
1	I am...Sasha Fierce	43	982
2	Sassy Thai	33	979
3	simply red	45	972
4	Mr ChaAming	28	969
5	Gusto Creative	49	935
6	Huahindick	50	919
7	Wanderlust United	55	912
8	Thailand Lover	29	893
9	Sorco United	33	886
10	Jobless Army	31	883

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AWOL'S 12 Football Predictions of Christmas

ON THE FIRST DAY of Christmas our prediction came to be...
A legend who misses the World Cup... Michael Owen doesn't convince Fabio Capello.

On the second day of Christmas our prediction came to be...
Two Davids buying... Sullivan and Gold give up on West Ham and buy Charlton instead.

On the third day of Christmas our prediction came to be...
Three players leaving... from Manchester City as the fallout from Mark Hughes sacking continues.

On the fourth day of Christmas our prediction came to be...
Four more years of hurt...as England once again fail to lift the World Cup.

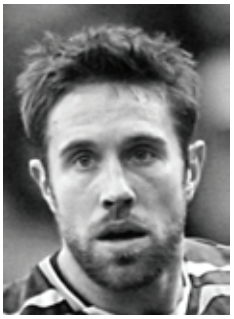
On the fifth day of Christmas our prediction came to be...
Five dodgy deals...'Arry Redknapp and cohorts finally get found out.

On the sixth day of Christmas our prediction came to be...
Six points in front...the lead Chelsea will have at the top of the Premier League at season end.

On the seventh day of Christmas our prediction came to be...
Seven WAGS a-dancing...despite the England manager's insistence they do not go to the World Cup, they will be there.

On the eighth day of Christmas our prediction came to be...
Eight teams a-sweating...as the relegation battle heats up in the Premier League.

On the ninth day of Christmas our prediction came to be...
Nine FA Cup wins...for Spurs on the all time list.



On the tenth day of Christmas our prediction came to be...
Ten million pounds...bid for Matthew Upson from Liverpool.

On the eleventh day of Christmas our prediction came to be...
Eleven nil to someone...a new record is set for the biggest win ever in the Premier League.

On the twelfth day of Christmas our prediction came to be...
Twelve defeats in a season...ends any hopes Liverpool have of a European place.

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