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Expats rally round stricken Englishman

■ HUA HIN, THAILAND

An early December day in the idyllic resort of Bang Saphan, some two hours or so south of Hua Hin, and a smoothie on the beach for breakfast was the normal order of the day for one former resident of Hua Hin who had moved away some months earlier. Chris Brown, once a well known figure to be found at his wife's bar Sugar Cane in Hua Hin, had become as popular in his new home as he had been in Hua Hin, and the waitress who brought him his morning drink had made a little extra, so encouraged him to drink some so she could top it up with the excess. He obliged, only to suddenly double up in pain and fall to the floor. He was rushed to the local hospital who quickly diagnosed that he had a perforated ulcer in his stomach, and he was transferred to a hospial in Chumphon for an emergency operation.

Four operations later and at least two weeks in critical condition, Chris is still suffering, both physically and financially, as the bills for his treatment mount up. Most would expect that his health insurance would cover these bills, but as

A photo of Chris taken at one of the pool trophy presentations a couple of years ago

Chris has suffered with ulcers for many years they are a 'pre-existing condition' that no insurance will cover, and he has been left with massive costs of several hundred thousand baht that he has no way of paying.

On hearing of his plight from his wife Oi, the expat community in the shape of Hua Hin After Dark and in particular a Norwegian called Ole, got their act together to help Chris; at first it was personal donations of cash, which got him moved from a crowded noisy ward to a private room when Chris was in his life and death struggle, and now several fund raising events have taken place or are planned to at least alleviate the financial burden. The first of these took place on Thursday night at Red Bar, with a pool competition and raffle, and other events planned are a pub crawl and another pool competi-

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Charity begins at home

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tion.

For those of you that don't know Chris, you might be asking why such an effort is being made to help him? The answer is that other than being a friend to many, Chris has been instrumental in running and expanding the local pool leagues first started by Osmo Hupli over 5 years ago. These are an important part of the Hua Hin area's social scene, bringing together both our Thai hosts and all the different nationalities living and visiting here every Wednesday, and are valuable not just for the enjoyment they provide but also as a way of keeping in touch. Chris still runs an 8-ball and 9-ball league in Hua Hin even though he doesn't live here, and has often ended up out of pocket providing the trophies and organising the events.

The charitable efforts by the expat community should be heralded and applauded, and Chris himself has been humbled by them, and he wishes to extend his utmost gratitude to everyone for the help. He never asked for the help but it was provided when sorely needed, and he also wishes to use his plight to highlight the potential pitfalls for any expats living here; while health insurance could not have helped him in this instance, it is something that every expat, young or old, should maintain.

It now appears that Chris has got through the worst of his ordeal, although he is still in hospital and still bed ridden, and the doctors are still concerned about the pain he is suffering despite the pain killers prescribed; it is still not known when he will be able to go home to Bang Saphan, and every day the bill is mounting. A further concern is his visa situation, as from past experience the immigration authorities have been less than sympathetic to sick or injured expats, but Chris is in no fit state to travel and would not be even allowed on a plane for several months, possibly years, due to his condition.

At least for the meantime the expat community is pulling through and dealing with the immediate problem of the medical expenses, and it is heartening that the community spirit is alive and well. We should all take this situation as a warning though, because not everyone will be fortunate enough to get this sort of support.

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Ronaldo scores!

...but not in the Premier League in the last couple of months. Recently given some time off by his boss, Sir Alex Ferguson, AWOL is wondering whether the Portuguese midfielder has taken his eye off the ball and been casting it a little too often over Spanish beauty Nereida Gallardo? Or maybe she has dumped him, causing his recent ill temper on the field? One way or another, we are predicting that the lure of Spain will be too much come the end of the season and last season's player of the year will depart the Red Devils for a hefty fee.

Nereida Gallardo, a good reason for anyone to lose their rag, as she appears to be about to lose hers

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Local Weather

Hua Hin weather forecast next 7 days

Day	Conditions	Temp °C Low	High
Sat	Partly sunny and breezy	16	27
Sun	Sunshine and beautiful	17	27
Mon	Partly sunny and pleasant	17	28
Tues	Pleasant with partial sun	18	27
Wed	Clouds and sun	19	28
Thur	Partly sunny	21	29
Fri	Sunshine	21	31

World Weather

Forecast for Friday 9th January 2009

City	Min °C	Max	Conditions
Amsterdam	-3	1	Fine
Athens	6	15	Rain
Auckland	17	25	Cloudy
Beijing	-7	-1	Cloudy
Berlin	-11	-3	Cloudy
Buenos Aires	19	32	Cloudy
Chicago	-8	-3	Cloudy
Copenhagen	-6	0	Fine
Dubai	15	23	Scattered Clouds
Dublin	-2	4	Fine
Geneva	-2	1	Fog
Helsinki	-9	-1	Snow
Ho Chi Minh	22	32	Bright
Hong Kong	8	18	Clear
Islamabad	4	18	Clear
Jakarta	23	30	Rain
Jerusalem	5	12	Cloudy
Johannesburg	17	27	Thunderstorms
Kuala Lumpur	24	32	Thunderstorms
London	-3	3	Bright
Madrid	-2	3	Cloudy
Manila	22	29	Showers
Mexico City	8	25	Fine
Moscow	-12	-10	Snow
New Delhi	5	21	Mist
New York	1	3	Cloudy
Oslo	-7	2	Partly Cloudy
Paris	-2	0	Cloudy
Perth	20	38	Clear
Phnom-Penh	19	30	Rain
Rio De Janeiro	19	30	Mist
Riyadh	8	21	Clear
Rome	8	14	Rain
San Francisco	7	13	Cloudy
Singapore	24	32	Cloudy
Stockholm	1	4	Clear
Sydney	17	22	Showers
Tokyo	4	9	Cloudy
Vientiane	11	28	Clear
Yangon	20	32	Clear
Zurich	-5	-3	Fog

Currency Exchange Rates

At 8th January 2009 (mid-market rates)

Code	Currency	Value (Baht)
USD	United States Dollar	35.0508
GBP	Pound Sterling	52.3697
EUR	Euro	47.6508
JPY	Japanese Yen	0.373281
MYR	Malaysian Ringgit	10.0217
SGD	Singapore Dollar	23.8084
BND	Brunei Dollar	23.8084
CNY	Chinese Yuan	5.12524
IDR	Indonesian Rupiah	0.00322663
INR	Indian Rupee	0.721066
KRW	Korean Won	0.0267116
AUD	Australian Dollar	25.3171
NZD	New Zealand Dollar	20.9921
CHF	Swiss Franc	31.8502
DKK	Danish Krone	6.39431
NOK	Norwegian Krone	5.0739
SEK	Swedish Krona	4.46794
CAD	Canadian Dollar	29.5718
AED	UAE Dirham	9.54417
BHD	Bahrain Dinar	93.2227
KWD	Kuwaiti Dinar	124.719
OMR	Omani Rial	91.1577
QAR	Qatar Riyal	9.62937

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Crime 195
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Highway Police 1193
Tourist Police 1699
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Police Station at Hua Hin District 032 511 027
Cha-Am Police Station 032 471 321
Hua Hin Hospital 032 511 743
San Paulo Hospital 032 532 576 to 585
Hua Hin Red Cross 032 512 567

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Hua Hin Immigration Office 032 513 574
Hua Hin Bus Terminal (non air-con) 032 511 230
(air-con) 032 511 651, 512 543
Hua Hin Railway Station 032 511 073
Tourist Information Centre 032 512 120
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Hua Hin Water 032 511 677
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PAD To Sell Golf Clubs, Plastic Handclappers To Pay For Damages

■ BANGKOK, THAILAND

Facing claims for billions of baht in damages resulting from their 8-day seizure of Suvarnbhumi Airport, the People's Alliance for Democracy (PAD) has announced that it will be holding a year-end yard sale at the grounds of Manager Media company through Sunday.

On sale will be a host of items, including 25 three-woods, 42 nine-irons, several putters and eight thousand colourful handclappers.

"I am sure if someone fishes around for awhile, you will be able to assemble a half decent set of clubs," said PAD spokesman Parnthep Pourpongpan.

Parnthep said the group also plans to raise money by selling its homemade swords, tires, barbed wire and wood planks with nails jutting out for scrap.

PAD say that THAI's claim is toothless

If those measure fail to cover the potential damages, PAD leaders Sondhi Limthongkul and Chamlong Srimuang said they would put up their "entire public fortunes", which consist of Sondhi's bankrupt Manager Group and Chamlong's sleeping mat.

Despite the astronomical damages requested of the PAD, such as 20-billion baht by THAI Airways, Sondhi is unconcerned, claiming he has a contingency plan, which would involve auctioning his own personal handclapper to the highest bidder.

"Kasikornbank, Central and Bangkok Bank have all expressed interest in this 'special collector's item'," said Sondhi, "as well as a potential secret bidder. She really, really wants it."

Analysts and especially journalists were sceptical that any business, entity or individual would recover any losses from the PAD.

Said one journalist who worked for Sondhi's Asia Times, "Good luck THAI in getting that 20 billion baht back."

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English corner

Have you ever wondered where a certain phrase comes from, or what it really means? Every week we will expand your knowledge of English and its etymology with a different word or saying. This week it is...
Start from scratch
'Start from scratch' is an expression which has altered slightly in meaning since it was first coined. It is now usually used to mean 'start again from the beginning' - where an initial attempt has failed and a new attempt is made with nothing of value carried forward from the first attempt (as opposed to 'made from scratch' which means 'made from basic ingredients').
In the late 1800s, when 'start from scratch' began to be used it simply meant 'start with no advantage'. 'Scratch' has been used since the 18th century as a sporting term for a boundary or starting point that was scratched on the ground. The first such scratch was the crease, which is a boundary line for batsmen in cricket.

John Nyren's Young Cricketer's Tutor, 1833 records this line from a 1778 work by Cotton:
"Ye strikers... Stand firm to your scratch, let your bat be upright."

It is the world of boxing that has given us the concept of 'starting from scratch'. The scratched line there specified the positions of boxers who faced each other at the beginning of a bout. This is also the source of 'up to scratch', i.e. meet the required standard, as pugilists would have had to do when offering themselves for a match.
Scratch later came to be used as the name of any starting point for a race. The term came to be used in 'handicap' races where weaker entrants were given a head start. For example, in cycling those who were given no advantage had the handicap of 'starting from scratch', while others started ahead of the line. Other sports, notably golf, have taken up the figurative use of scratch as the term for 'with no advantage - starting from nothing'.

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MELVIN

A young girl who was writing a paper for school came to her father and asked, “Dad, what is the difference between anger and exasperation?”
The father replied, “It is mostly a matter of degree. Let me show you what I mean.”
With that the father went to the telephone and dialled a number at random. To the man who answered the phone, he said, “Hello, is Melvin there?”
The man answered, “There is no one living here named Melvin. Why don’t you learn to look up numbers before you dial”. “See,” said the father to his daughter. “That man was not a bit happy with our call. He was probably very busy with something and we annoyed him. Now watch....”
The father dialled the number again. “Hello, is Melvin there?” asked the father.
“Now look here!” came the heated reply. “You just called this number and I told you that there is no Melvin here! You’ve got lot of guts calling again!” The receiver slammed down hard.
The father turned to his daughter and said, “You see, that was anger. Now I’ll show you exasperation.”
He dialled the same number, and when a violent voice roared, “Hello!”
The father calmly said, “Hello, this is Melvin. Have there been any calls for me?”

LOCAL BAR SUES LOCAL CHURCH

In a small Texas town, a new bar/tavern started constructing a building to open up their business.
A local church started a campaign of petitions and prayers to block the bar from opening.
Work progressed, however, right up until the week before opening, when a lightning bolt hit the bar and it burned to the ground.
The church folks were rather smug in their outlook after that, till the bar owner sued the church on the grounds that the church was ultimately responsible for the demise of his building, either through direct or indirect actions or means. The church vehemently denied all responsibility or any connection to the building’s demise in its reply to the court.
As the case made its way into court, the judge looked over the paperwork. At the hearing, he commented, ‘I don’t know how I’m going to decide this, but as it appears from the paperwork, we have a bar owner who believes in the power of prayer, and an entire church congregation that doesn’t.’

SCOUSE VASECTOMY

After having their 11th child, a Liverpool couple decided that was enough, as the social wouldn’t buy them a bigger bed and they weren’t strong enough to nick one. The husband went to his doctor and told him that he and his wife didn’t want to have any more children. The doctor told him there was a procedure called a vasectomy that would fix the problem but it was expensive. A less costly alternative was to go home, get a firework, light it, put it in a beer can, then hold the can up to his ear and count to 10.
The Scouser said to the doctor, ‘I may not be the smartest guy in the world, but I don’t see how putting a firework in a beer can next to my ear is going to help me.’ ‘Trust me, it will do the job’, said the doctor.
So the man went home, lit a banger and put it in a beer can. He held the can up to his ear and began to count: ‘1, 2, 3, 4, 5,’ at which point he paused, placed the beer can between his legs so he could continue counting on his other hand.
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Women's Hands Dirtier Than Men's - official

■ COLORADO, USA

For some reason, women have a far greater variety of bacteria on their hands than men, and all of us have more types of bacteria on our hands than the research team from the University of Colorado ever expected to find--some 150 species for the average palm. "One thing that really is astonishing is the variability between individuals and also between hands on the same individual," study co-author Rob Knight told The Associated Press. Lead researcher Noah Fierer added, "The sheer number of bacteria species detected on the hands of the study participants was a big surprise and so was the greater diversity of bacteria we found on the hands of women."

For this study, the researchers took samples from both palms of 51 college students--102 hands in all--and tested the samples with a new, very detailed system for detecting bacteria DNA. Some 4,742 species of bacteria were identified overall, but only five of these were on every hand. Even the left and right hands of the same individuals shared only about 17 percent of the same types of bacteria.

Why do women harbour so much more bacteria? The researchers aren't sure, but speculate it may have something to do with the acidity of the skin. Men generally have more acidic skin than women, which could inhibit bacteria. Other possibilities are gender differences in sweat and oil gland production, as well as the frequency of use of moisturizers or cosmetics, skin thickness or hormone production, reports AP.

And if that's not gross enough for you, ladies, get this: Women appear to have more bacteria living under the surface of the skin where it is not accessible to washing. When AP asked Knight if guys should worry about holding hands with girls, he quipped, "I guess it depends on which girl." Then he reassured us all by saying, "The vast majority of the bacteria we have on our body are either harmless or beneficial...the pathogens are a small minority."

While regular hand washing is always a good thing, it won't eliminate bacteria. "Either the bacterial colonies rapidly re-establish after hand washing, or washing (as practiced by the students included in this study) does not remove the majority of bacteria taxa found on the skin surface," the researchers said in their report, which was published in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

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To learn more about the Hash House Harriers go to **www.gthhh.com** or **www.huahin-hhh.com**. For information about the next run, e-mail Slackbladder (**partt@hotmail.com, 087-852 2565**) or Ballbanger, **donaltetley@yahoo.com or 085-088 7181**. In Cha Am, get the scoop at the Chicken Coop from Noi. Get a cold beer and the hot hash gossip from Dave at the California Mining Cantina near the Sofitel.

If you have half a mind the join the hash, that's all you need.

Does my butt look big in this?

■ SAITAMA, JAPAN

A groin-clutching exoskeleton promises to make your daily tasks easier ... and make you look like you have just sat on a robot.

The 'Walking Assist Device' by Honda is designed to support your body-weight and make walking, going up and down stairs and crouching easier.

It reduces the load on leg muscles and joints (in the hip, knees, and ankles) by supporting a portion of the person's body-weight while allowing them full movement.

They hope the machine could be used by OAPs and would mean they were able to walk, move and even run as they did before their old age.

And while we have no doubt it works, it will look like an ASIMO humanoid robot is disappearing up their arse.

Starting this month Honda will test the walking assist device at its Saitama Factory (in Sayama, Saitama) to evaluate the effectiveness of the experimental model.

They began research on a walking assist device in 1999 with the goal to provide more people with the joy of mobility.

The first walking assist device, announced in April 2008, has a stride management system and was designed for people with weakened leg muscles, due to reasons such as aging.

The research and development of Honda's advanced humanoid robot, ASIMO, including the study of human walking, provided Honda with the knowledge necessary to develop the walking assist device.

The two different aids developed by Honda: the first one (left) that is close to production, and the new experimental one (right)

Blinded by the flight!

■ ESSEX, ENGLAND

A pilot who loss his sight when he suffered a stroke while flying a plane at 15,000ft was able to land his plane after being guided in by the RAF.

65-year-old Jim O'Neill had radioed a mayday alert after instantly becoming blind - he said he could not see the instruments of his two-seater Cessna, or the runway.

The RAF scrambled one of their Tucano T1 planes from RAF Linton-on-Ouse to see if they could help him.

Luckily the bloke behind the wheel (showing our complete lack of aviation knowledge) was Wing Cdr Paul Gerrard, the RAF chief flying instructor.

He flew to within 50m of Jim's plane and talked him through touching down safely, including steering towards the runway and helping control his landing.

Operations commanding officer, Wing Cdr Andy Hynd said: "Paul used his voice to guide him down by telling him to turn left and right, to lower the plane and to do his pre-landing checks.

"At very short range he still couldn't see the runway and it was only at the last minute that he could. He landed about halfway down and came to a halt just at the end.

"The RAF routinely practises shepherding but we are usually shepherding lost aircraft, we are not used to shepherding blind pilots, which is what makes this amazing."

Jim was taken to Queen's Hospital in Romford, Essex where he is being treated.

Your 2009 STARS with Destiny Dan

Capricorn Dec 22 - Jan 19
Hazard warnings have never bothered you very much however now might be the time to review your views on such things. You have been lucky, and your luck may run out especially on Tuesdays well into July.
Pluto is having ructions with one of its many moons which means that any attempt at becoming a mediator in a dispute is set from poor to disastrous depending on the time of the year. Mostly keep your distance, unless it is your job to mediate, in which case you only have yourself to blame for your career choices way back when.
Your chart for July seems to indicate that you are about to come in for a substantial amount of wealth, or stuff. Be forewarned: set up an Ebay sellers account in a split second to maximise your returns.

Aquarius Jan 20 - Feb 17
Your plans for the new year are well laid, even though they may seem to you to be haphazardly planned or maybe even the plan of no plan. Don't worry just be happy and just suck the marrow out of the bone of life, failing that just sit in a chair quietly until it passes.
February holds out the prospects of a large windfall and by April the marvellous year you are about to enjoy will be well set in motion, with long cigarette holders and lounge coats firmly starred.
Avoid water when possible, and everything with water in it. All humans are about 90% water so take care.

Pisces Feb 18 - Mar 19
A call on a phone, is set to add intrigue into your life for much of May. Running, jumping, but not flying are all highly starred depending on your body weight.
Welding and sewing are both extremely likely around the 17th of each month, except July - take this opportunity to catch up with your welding and sewing chores.
You are 25% likely to invent a new cocktail in October. You have a 3% chance of becoming Time magazine's person of the year 2009 for this invention that is set to help the world in a serious economic downturn.

Aries Mar 20 - Apr 19
Horses are exceptionally well starred until well into noon of the 12th November 2009, however beware: Horses of abnormal sizes and shapes are so badly starred that there is the equivalent of a storm advisory from the weather service, but from the mystic and horoscopes authority, for most of the first half of 2009. Wind is otherwise well starred, as is wind power generally in what could be the precursor to your most environmentally friendly year ever.
Light and shade will vary in danger for most of the year, with darkness pipping lightness' badness at times. Beware graveyards and things much bigger than you that go bump in the night.
September could be a time for remonstrations with tax officials and their like.

Taurus Apr 20 - May 19
Your brutish Taurean appearance is set to offer many benefits this year, especially if fighting and punching is required to end disputes. If law and order breaks down you have the ability to triumph over adversity by simply sneering or cocking your eye with disdain.
Blancmanges and jelly (jello) are both well starred, but not in the pre-school party sense. Cures for diseases may well be found in sweet desserts, and you will play your part in this discovery that could make what we at the turn of the year believe to be unhealthy food, into super-super foods that everyone should eat for a healthy life.

Gemini May 20 - Jun 20
Seasonal fruits and vegetables are set to provide moments of culinary panic through most of the year, as Saturn and Mercury go toe-to-toe. Vegetable seasonality and luck are set to diverge systematically, with strawberries and berry fruits in general offering moments of disaster proneness not seen since 1929.
Contempt for the rules in your favourite sport are set to lead you to continued moments of sending off, or reprimands from stewards.
A husband or wife may gain over 20 pounds due to mysterious reasons that can only be explained by secretly placing a camera in the kitchen.

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Cancer Jun 21 - Jul 21
The letter 'p' is set to provide moments of unfettered joy this year, but not in January, February, March, July and October where nothing but evil will result.
Dogs with big fluffy ears are initially well starred, but Jupiter begins a transjunct of the Plutonian Mercurial from 8am on the 16th January until well into evensong of the 17th November, which will cause canines of all hues to masticate wildly on your arrival. A similar situation may occur with people of all hues: stand your ground and refuse to clean up after the merriment has passed.
Jupiter predicts a year filled with piffle.

Leo Jul 22 - Aug 22
A Walt Disney type incident with some kind of cute Bambi type animal on a back road, or possibly in a street or built up area, will enchant a small person who knows you. This might be a child, a dwarf, or a pet. Ensure you have enough food in your car at all times and possibly a blanket and bottle of water.
A January sale is set to satisfy your clothing needs for the whole year, especially around the 10th of the first month - indeed, your sale buying selections may alert the attention of a senior store manager who is both horrified and admiring of your money saving abilities rarely seen in a member of the public.
Shorts and short skirts are well starred if Jupiter has his way on the 5th of every month in the year. Wear yellow to thank the planets' favourable attention.

Virgo Aug 23 - Sept 21
Fluff is set to make this year zing with disappointment unless you take an early chance to rid the stuff from your life. Belly button fluff is particularly badly starred, especially involving electrical appliances.
The danger of attack from behind while driving, which peppered 2008 so frequently, is about to pass. From 17th February you no longer need to check the back seat for people hiding there waiting to attack you as you drive along. You will continue to do so of course because of what has happened to you earlier, but Neptune now has other things on its mind.
2009 will very much be a year to talk the walk as you decide what you are going to do. Make no rash decisions especially while Neptune and Venus are in such a funk from 3rd May to 17th October.

Libra Sept 22 - Oct 22
You are going on a long journey, according to Neptune, possibly one involving sand, hot air and bumpiness. This could be as much a spiritual one as a physical one, it can mean a kind of advancement, of learning. Whichever it is, take some apples, and eat them when you feel hungry. Buy more apples along the way and eat them when you are hungry. Apples are a good food to take while travelling both physically, metaphysically and academically because they can also double as something handy to throw at things. Belly dancing is indicated in your charts in the month of March. Ensure you have built up enough tummy blubber for this dance by eating lots of chocolate and fatty foods.
This year, your destiny suggests a deviation along the tropic of Capricorn.

Scorpio Oct 23 - Nov 21
Wobbling is majorly starred in your charts this year, be it wobbly bridges, wobbly door locks or wobbly in-car bouncy headed dogs - all are set to inspire and annoy in equal measures, as Saturn bides its time.
Jupiter is determined to give you a great 2009 despite your financial charts coming under the influence of a furious Mars. Mars hasn't been this furious with Scorpio since 1929 so watch out.
Brown furnishings continue to be moderately well starred until dusk on the 17th January and then for the rest of the year are fearfully badly starred, a bit like that television series 'Supernatural' but without getting any help from Sam and Dean.

Sagittarius Nov 22 - Dec 21
Pizzas and their fillings and toppings are set to enliven 2009 in ways too numerous to mention. Tomatoes will take on a mysticism not seen in centuries, onions, too, are about to become something more than just a vegetable to add to stuff. The bottom line is that if you could conceivably put it on a pizza the vegetable or fruit will be lucky and could possibly add a magic to your life not seen since that black and white snowy movie on the television recently.
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Top tips

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BARE patches on your lawn? Simply stop mowing a patch at the side and let it grow to a significant length. Then, with a rake, sweep it over the bare patch like Sir Bobby Charlton and TV's Robert Robinson do, to create a realistic look of healthy growth.

MEN When listening to your favourite CD, simply turn up the sound to the volume you desire; then turn it down three notches. This will save your wife from having to do it.

DEPRESSED PEOPLE Instead of attempting suicide as a 'cry for help', simply shout 'Help!' thus saving money on paracetamol, etc.

DIABOLISTS For the full effect when photographing Satan, make sure to switch off your camera's red-eye reduction feature.

HOMEOWNERS Don't hesitate to tell the rest of us how much your house has appreciated in value since you bought it. The more frequently you give us updates, the greater will be our delight at your good fortune and our admiration and respect for your financial prescience.

WHITE wine splashed onto a red wine stain will clean it up quickly. Similarly, fat splashes on clothes can be easily removed by rubbing salad onto the affected area.

DRIVERS. If a car breaks down or stalls in front of you, beep your horn and wave your arms frantically. This should help the car start and send them on their way.

BAKERS Avoid confusion and imprisonment when carrying desserts through airport customs by referring to Almond and Mocha bombs as Almond and Mocha upside-down cakes.
M Kipling, Guantanamo Bay

MOTORISTS Avoid getting prosecuted for using your phone whilst driving. Simply pop your mobile inside a large shell and the police will think you are listening to the sea.

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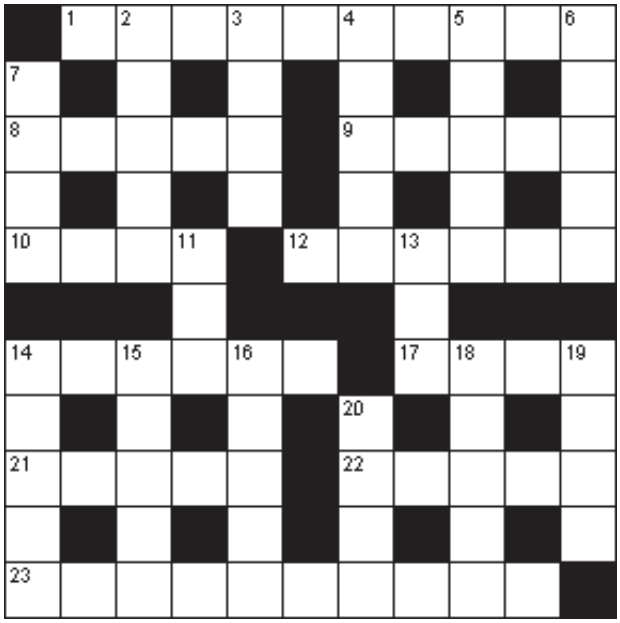
1. Achieving success (10)
8. Person who rides (5)
9. Moray Firth town (5)
10. Cat sound (4)
12. Absence of passion (6)
14. Vegetable (6)
17. Female servant (4)
21. Hog (5)
22. Pale bluish purple (5)
23. Shetland village (10)



Down
2. Mammary gland in cows (5)
3. Thin rope (4)
4. Sunrise (3-2)
5. Hard stone (5)
6. Tall and thin (5)
7. Snare (4)
11. Floor covering (3)
13. Upper limb (3)
14. Urns (5)
15. Dirt (5)
16. Standard of perfection (5)
18. Entertain (5)
19. Contest between two persons (4)
20. Little devils (4)

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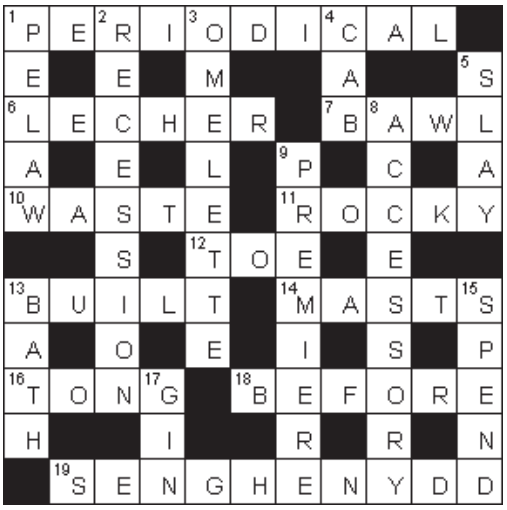
Christmas issue's solution below



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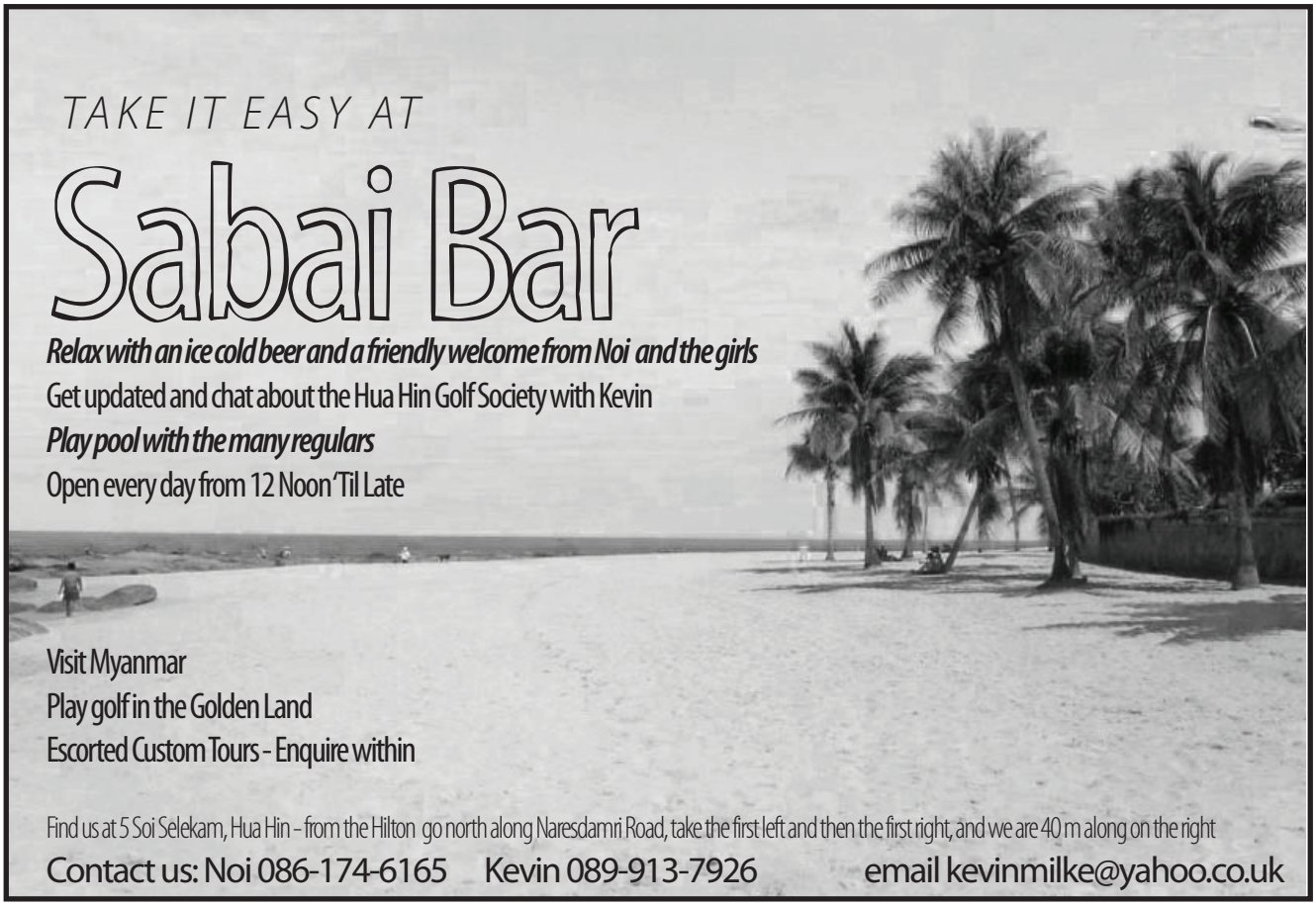

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Pictures taken throughout 2008 on the Cha Am Hash house Harriers regular runs - these were meant to accompany 'The Hash Review' but space prevented us from publishing them. Needless to say they encapsulate Hashing and if are of a mind to do so, please find a copy of AWOL dated 19th December and find the relevant review! Please see the most recent Hash Report on page 19 of this issue. Many thanks to Cannonballs for the photos.

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Your Problems SOLVED

Relationship hanging by a thread? Money troubles? Can't get on with your neighbours? Ask Mary Ann Cotton, AWOL's very own agony aunt.

■ Dear Mary
A late afternoon round of golf found me joining another man, and we got behind an extremely slow women's two-some. My partner went to tell them we're playing through. Imagine my horror as he walks back rather sheepishly and says "Big problem, one's my wife, the other's my lover". A few very slow holes later I went up myself to tell them;on returning all I could say when he asked me "What now!" was "Same problem". However my real problem came after the round. The women figured let's make good, better, and suggested that they bring another woman along and we join at their hotel room. Imagine my surprise as I arrived a bit late to find my mum in bed with all of them. Of course Mary that's not my real problem. Late that night when we got home I told my wife she actually had four lovers there and I'd like to bring two of mine for our planned "seconds" the next day. Of course she agreed so that still isn't the problem. What I need to know is why she blew her top the next day when I walked in with her little sister and mother. Why are all the women in my life such prudes about sex?
Shy Guy,
Samui

Mary says, Dear Shy Guy,
While on the one hand I completely sympathise with your predicament, having suffered with a prude for far too many years, on the other I can't help wondering how well you know your wife? Most women would give their right arm for a bit of how's-your-mother, right up to the elbow, as it is a well known fact that lesbian sex is far more erotic and stimulating than hoggins with your husband. What you have failed to consider is what were your wife's mother and sister wearing when they arrived? I wouldn't mind betting that your wife hit the roof because they had better outfits than she did, and suspected that you had bought them – if there is one sure way to enrage a woman its having an inferior wardrobe. I'd suggest the only way to appease her now is some extensive retail therapy – we're talking Gucci or Versace here now I reckon; after that you could probably invite your three ex-wives along and she wouldn't care.

Dear Mary
I look to you as my second mum so I come to you before seeing a doctor. My mum was very understanding and when she caught me flailing my one-eyed trouser snake she told me that I could go blind if I did that too much. Lucky for me I was young and at the 3 times daily stage and from that day on whenever that cobra spit I was sure to turn my head and let it fly over my right shoulder. I have to thank my mum as I saw a bunch of kids having to wear glasses when they were growing up and I have to thank mum as I know their mothers were probably not as progressive and failed to advise them. My problem is as I got older, as you know, things slow down and I wasn't quite the stud as I was and many times it wasn't an "over the shoulder" shot and it would hit my ear. I'm nearly deaf in the right ear and want to know is this permanent damage or is there something that can be done that might reverse this.
Pardon,
Pranburi

Dear Pardon,
I AM REPLYING IN CAPITALS SO YOU CAN HEAR ME BETTER. WHILE IT IS OBVIOUSLY GRATIFYING TO BE HELD IN SUCH REGARD BY YOURSELF, IF I HAD REALLY BEEN YOUR MUM YOU'D HAVE GOT A THICK EAR AND BEEN CIRCUMCISED QUICKER THAN A VERY VERY QUICK THING. AND YOU'D BE THANKING ME FOR IT NOW TOO. HOWEVER I AM NOT YOUR MUM AND WHAT YOU ARE SUFFERING FROM IS A VARIANT OF THE CONDITION 'GLUE EAR', KNOWN AS 'WINKERS (misspelling) EAR'. THERE ARE TWO KNOWN CURES; ONE IS AN EXPENSIVE MEDICAL PROCEDURE WHICH TAKES SEVERAL MONTHS, THE OTHER IS FOR YOU TO BLOCK ALL YOUR BODILY ORIFICES EXCEPT YOUR RIGHT EAR AND YOUR ARSE, AND BE ROGERED BY A LARGE BLACK MAN. EITHER WAY, YOU'RE F***ED.

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The Hash Report

CHA AM HASH HOUSE HARRIERS
HASH HELD ON 28TH DECEMBER 2008, AT A VENUE OFF SOI 6 HUA HIN
Hares: Penny Lame and Wayne Sunshield

There was a distinct feeling of Christmas déjà vu and a festive trace of hair of the dog about this Hash, the second in a week for those with the stamina and tenacity to summon up a further appearance at this extravaganza of multifarious and multi-coloured merriment we call the Cha Am Hash. Proceedings were slightly delayed by battery problems for Cannonballs (car not life support) and the ravages of Christmas revelling were swept aside as the plucky participants again showed their paces on a short but scenic trail through well manicured and leafy terrain, intersected with a few deep ditches to jolt the unwary and the semi-conscious back to life. Hashers diverged in a manner perfectly acceptable to the Hares who seemed to have laid trails which exhibited schizoid tendencies and this was attributed to the weather and festive hangovers in equal proportions.

Even the Hares' lavish pre-Hash promises, which were taken as well-meaning and belated efforts at seasonal goodwill, had not prepared the gallant globetrotters for the shortness of the trail as, all too soon, the sight of parked vehicles betokened the On In and with a mixture of disappointment and relief the whole Hash, from gutsy gallopers to insouciant saunterers fell upon the plenteous supply of amber nectar with renewed alacrity until the Circle was called.

The GM observed the usual formalities in downing Virgins, Visitors, Returners and Leavers, most notable being the departure of Wayne Sunshield and his wife and the arrival of Dave the Rave, who took the Circle and, braving jetlag, regaled the gathering with amusing tales of his flight and downed all the Thais for blockading the airports. Monkey Bum was bumped and iced to celebrate her birthday and, after a truncated and bowdlerised version of 'Christmas Day in the Workhouse' from Cannonballs, the Hash exited in the direction of The Three Girls Restaurant where merriment and feasting resumed to musical accompaniment and all departed tired but happy.

Many thanks to Cannonballs for the regular reports. Below are two photos that were meant to accompany his Hash Review in the last issue, so better late than never! More can be found on page 15.

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Hua Hin Pool Leagues

Hua Hin Pool Billiard League

Results Matchday 17 2nd January 2009

Home	Racks	Pts	Away	Racks	Pts
LSB	8	2	LSA	15	6
DA	11	3	LSS	13	5
LSL	17	5	SUG	10	3
TW	10	3	DB	13	5
OCT	12	3	CAP	14	5
JWR	19	7	DIA	6	1
SIL	3	1	QUE	18	7
EAG	17	6	JWB	13	2

Next Weeks Fixtures
Matchday 18 09/01/2009
LSA v Dick's office a
Sugar Cane v LSB
LSS v Thaiwaii
Captain's Inn v LSL
Dick's Office B v JW Red
Queens Flower v Octopussy
Diamond v Eagle
JW Black v Silverrock

League Table

Team	P	W	D	L	Diff	Racks	Pts
Queens Flower Bar	17	13	2	2	62	126	28
Lucky Shot Student's	17	12	3	2	36	54	27
Eagle Bar	17	11	4	2	50	82	26
Lucky Shot B	17	10	3	4	24	36	23
Johnie Walker Black	17	11	1	5	16	54	23
Octopussy Bar	17	9	3	5	14	22	21
Lucky Shot Ladies	17	8	4	5	12	26	20
Lucky Shot A	17	7	6	4	10	29	20
Silverrock Bar	17	8	4	5	-4	-16	20
Sugar Cane Bar	17	7	1	9	8	19	15
Dick's Office B	17	6	2	9	-16	-29	14
Johnie Walker Red	17	3	5	9	-22	-49	11
Thaiwaii	17	3	2	12	-30	-56	8
Captain's Inn	17	2	3	12	-44	-82	7
Diamond Bar	17	1	3	13	-56	-105	5
Dick's Office A	17	1	2	14	-60	-111	4

Hua Hin 8-Ball League

League Table

Team	P	W	D	L	Diff	Pts
Harley	20	14	3	3	58	31
BenTho	20	13	3	4	66	29
SilverRock	20	14	1	5	58	29
Komhom	21	12	2	7	36	26
MrDanA	19	11	2	6	32	24
SportCtre	19	8	5	6	26	21
Dolphin	20	8	3	9	-20	19
Phoenix	17	7	2	8	-8	16
DicksA	17	4	5	8	-16	13
B'fly Rock	14	6	0	8	-8	12
MrDanB	19	4	3	12	-62	11
DicksB	17	3	3	11	-44	9
LilleMan	19	3	2	14	-80	8
BambooGr	10	1	2	7	-38	4

Results Week 21
31st December 2008
Harley 7 - 5 SportCentre
LilleMan 2 - 10 BenTho
MrDanA 7 - 5 Komhom
SilverRock 10 - 2 MrDanB

Week 22 results will be in the next issue of AWOL

Next Weeks Fixtures
Week 23 14th January 2009
BambooGrove v Butterfly Rock
DicksA v BenTho
Dolphin v Harley
LilleMan v DicksB
MrDanA v SportCentre
Phoenix v MrDanB
SilverRock v Komhom

Hua Hin 9-Ball League

League Table

Team	P	W	D	L	Diff	Pts
Mr Dan A	11	8	0	3	21	16
LilleMan	11	6	0	5	-23	12
Dolphin	10	5	0	5	23	10
Red Bar	8	5	0	3	11	10
Plas Place	9	5	0	4	10	10
Dicks B	10	5	0	5	-3	10
BenTho	11	5	0	6	-12	10
B'fly Rock	7	4	2	1	8	10
Dicks A	10	2	1	7	-12	5
Mr Dan B	11	2	1	8	-23	5

Results
Week 12 5th January 2009
BenTho 16 - 11 Dicks B
Dicks A 13 - 13 Butterfly Rock
Dolphin 19 - 7 Mr Dan B
Mr Dan A 16 - 8 LilleMan

Next Weeks Fixtures
Week 13 12th January 2009
Butterfly Rock v BenTho
Dicks B v Dolphin
LilleMan v Dicks A
Mr Dan B v Plas Place
Red Bar v Mr Dan A

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Hua Hin Pool Leagues

Hua Hin and Khao Takiab Pool League

Results

Wed 7th January 2009

Bob & Noks 10 - 8 Free Time Bar
Dara Bar 10 - 8 Dizzy Dolphin
Kun Koom 9 - 9 Eagle Bar
Railway Tavern 6 - 12 Oasis Bar
Sunset B'vard 9 - 9 Harleys Bar

Next Week's Fixtures

Wed 14th January 2009

Eagle Bar v Dara Bar
Free Time Bar v Kun Koom
Harleys Bar v Bob and Noks
Oasis Bar v Sunset Boulevard
Railway Tavern v Thaiwaii
Dizzy Dolph Bye Deja Vu withdrew

League Table

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	Pts
Eagle Bar	6	4	2	0	68	40	28	10
Oasis Bar	6	4	2	0	64	44	20	10
Free Time Bar	6	4	1	1	64	44	20	9
Bob and Noks	5	4	0	1	52	38	14	8
Harleys Bar	6	2	1	3	56	52	4	5
Dizzy Dolphin	6	2	1	3	53	55	-2	5
Kun Koom	5	1	2	2	45	45	0	4
Thaiwaii	5	2	0	3	38	52	-14	4
Sunset Boulevard	5	1	1	3	37	53	-16	3
Dara Bar	5	1	0	4	32	58	-26	2
Railway Tavern	5	0	0	5	31	59	-28	0
Deja Vu	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Hua Hin Social Pool League

Results

Week 18 – 7th January 2009

B'fly Rock v Jungle Juice A – n/a
Billys v Lazy Daze 12-7
JW Black v PP 10-9
Headrock v Red Bar 13-6
Limelight v Sabai – n/a
U Turn v JW Red 15-4
J Juice B v Billys Babes – n/a

Next Weeks Fixtures:

Week 19 – 14th January 2009

Jungle Juice B v Butterfly Rock
Billys Babes v U Turn
JW Red v Limelight
Sabai v Headrock
Red Bar v JW Black
PP v Billys
Lazy Daze v Jungle Juice A

League Table

Team	P	W	L	F-A	Pts
PP	18	15	3	197-145	30
Billys Bbs	16	12	4	172-132	24
J Juice B	17	11	6	185-136	22
JW Black	17	11	6	171-152	22
Lazy Dze	18	10	8	178-164	20
J Juice A	15	10	5	149-136	20
Red Bar	17	9	8	168-150	18
Billys	17	9	8	164-161	18
Sabai	15	7	8	134-158	14
Headrock	17	6	11	145-178	12
U Turn	15	6	9	141-143	12
Limelight	16	3	13	123-162	6
B'fly Rock	11	1	10	87-123	2
JW Red	13	1	12	81-152	2

Hua Hin Darts Leagues

Missing Fixtures – Please arrange ASAP
Week 9 Butterfly Rock v Mojo
CUP Scandic Bar v Butterfly Rock

Next Week's Fixtures

Week 19 13th January

Division 1

No Game v Lazy Daze
CAT v Oasis
No Game v J.W. Red
J.W. Black v Dicks Office B
Scandic Bar v Paradise Bar

Division 2

CAT B v Bamboo Grove
Butterfly Rock v Love Bar
Dicks Office A v Mojo
Good Friends v Jaew
No Game v Lucky Shot

Top 16 standings:

Top 10 -Div 1

Name	Bar	Pts
Tao	JWB	142
Mark	O	134
Stuart	P	130
Peter	JWB	126
Golf	SB	119
Dicky	JWB	119
Martin	LD	114
Noi	CAT	108
Rune	SB	100
Martin	CAT	98

Top 6 - Div 2

Name	Bar	Pts
Don	CAT	182
Tao	CAT	181
Eero	BR	156
Muay	JB	119
Mojo	M	108
Howard	M	107

Results Week 20

Division 1

Paradise Bar v No Game
Dicks Office B v Scandic Bar 1-9
J.W. Red v J.W. Black 2-8
Oasis v No Game
Lazy Daze v CAT 3-7

Division 2

Lucky Shot v CAT B 4-6
Jaew v No Game
Mojo v Good Friends 5-5
Love Bar v Dicks Office A 0-10
Bamboo Grove v B'fly Rock 2-8

Division 1

Team	P	W	D	L	PF-PA	Pts
JW Blk	11	9	1	1	76-34	19
P'dise	12	8	0	4	71-49	16
Scandic	12	6	2	4	72-48	16
CAT	11	6	3	2	65-45	15
Dicks B	12	3	3	6	47-73	9
Oasis	12	4	0	8	51-69	8
JW Red	12	3	1	8	46-74	7
Lazy D	12	2	2	8	42-78	6

Division 2

Team	P	W	D	L	PF-PA	Pts
CAT B	14	14	0	0	120-20	28
B'fly Rk	12	8	1	3	72-58	17
L'y Sht	14	8	0	6	77-63	16
Jaew	13	8	0	5	70-60	16
Mojo	12	6	2	4	66-54	14
Dicks A	12	5	1	6	56-64	11
Gd Fds	14	3	1	10	51-89	7
B Grve	12	2	1	9	37-83	5
Love	13	1	0	12	31-99	2

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@observergroup.net or contact Noi at Sabai Bar (Tel: 086-174+6165).

Saturday 10th January 2009 - Ye Olde Buffalo Tavern Charity party from 7pm with Lee Shamrock, raffles, auctions buffet and lots of fun. Tickets selling fast 250 baht each, all for charity.

Wednesday 14th January 2009 - JWs Pub and Restaurant special drinks prices from 5pm to 8pm; small bottles Chang 40 baht, Singha 50 baht, Heineken 60 baht. Full food menu and specials available.

Regular Events

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays - Pool Leagues **Tuesdays** - Darts League (various venues, see previous page, free food for players)

Fridays - Bar-B-Q party every week at Le Velo Rouge, Khao Takiab - Green Lotus Bar & Restaurant, Soi 88 (Bonkai) 169 baht BBQ every fortnight

Saturdays - Bobby's Good Friends (now Kun Koom) Restaurant and Bar Khao Takiab 7.30.pm till late. Live Filipino Band, come and dance the night away.

Hua Hin Golf Society

This week's results:

6th January - Kaeng Krachan 38 Players

Group 'A' - 0-18 hcp - Stableford 17 players

1st Dickie Bird 35 pts 8 hcp, 2nd Rami (g) 33 pts 10 hcp, 3rd Trevor Firth 31 pts 15 hcp, 4th Leena S (g) 29 pts 16 hcp, 5th Nigel Chatfield 29 pts 16 hcp, 6th Usko 27 pts 8 hcp.

Group 'B' - 18-36 hcp - Stableford 19 Players

1st Ann Buasri 37 pts 31 hcp, 2nd Kurre 36 pts 22 hcp, 3rd Sheila Bird 36 pts 21 hcp, 4th Herta 34 pts 36 hcp, 5th Nid Byrne 33 pts 21 hcp, 6th Hans Roupe 33 pts 29 hcp.

Nearest the Pin No. 25 Mountain Moui (g), No. 12 Valley Vivienne C

30th December - Panurangsi. 35 Players

Group 'A' - 0-16 hcp - Stableford

1st Erkki 34 pts 16 hcp, 2nd Al Tikkanen 33 pts 5 hcp, 3rd Rami (g) 31 pts 10 hcp, 4th Sam Sheriff 30 pts 7 hcp, 5th Richard Wasiluk 30 pts 12 hcp, 6th Janne 29 pts 16 hcp.

Group 'B' - 17-36 hcp - Stableford

1st Paul Moran 39 pts 20 hcp, 2nd Geoff (Bristol g) 36 pts 17 hcp, 3rd Paul Sandal 32 pts 17 hcp, 4th Sheila Bird 30 pts 21 hcp, 5th Rolf Reitz 30 pts 20 hcp, 6th Kurre 29 pts 23 hcp.

Nearest the Pin No. 6 Sheila Bird, No. 10 Mick Evans.

Next week's fixtures:

Tuesday 13th Majestic Creek

Friday 16th Lake View - Team Stableford Competition

Butterfly Rock Golf

This week's results:

Dec 31st - Palm Hills 17 Players - Stableford

1st Nid Byrne 43, 2nd Ken Thompson 38, 3rd Craig Miller 36.

Jan 2nd - Palm Hills 13 Players - Stableford

Front 9 - 22 pts - Deborah Rawlings, Timo Ripatti, Back 9 - 19 pts - Gary Marshall, Overall - 38 pts - Deborah Rawlings

Jan 5th - Lake View AB ?? Players - Stableford

1st Jill Leonard 36, 2nd Peter Fitz 35, 3rd Craig Miller 35.

Forthcoming Fixtures

Monday 12th January Lake View

Friday 16th January Palm Hills

Scoreboard

(EPL unless stated)

The FA Cup 3rd round

Friday, 02 January 2009

Tottenham 3-1 Wigan

Saturday, 3 January 2009

Arsenal 3-1 Plymouth
Cardiff 2-0 Reading
Charlton 1-1 Norwich
Chelsea 1-1 Southend
Coventry 2-0 Kidderminster
Forest Green 3-4 Derby
Hartlepool 2-0 Stoke
Hull 0-0 Newcastle
Ipswich 3-0 Chesterfield
Kettering 2-1 Eastwood Town
Leicester 0-0 Crystal Palace
Macclesfield 0-1 Everton
Man City 0-3 Nottm Forest
Middlesbrough 2-1 Barrow
Millwall 2-2 Crewe
Portsmouth 0-0 Bristol City
Preston 0-2 Liverpool
QPR 0-0 Burnley
Sheff Wed 1-2 Fulham
Sunderland 2-1 Bolton
Torquay 1-0 Blackpool
Watford 1-0 Scunthorpe
West Brom 1-1 Peterborough
West Ham 3-0 Barnsley

Sunday, 4 January 2009

Gillingham 1-2 Aston Villa
Southampton 0-3 Man Utd

Monday, 5 January 2009

Blyth Spartans 0-1 Blackburn

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ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE

EPL Fixtures Preview

(All times Thailand)

Saturday, 10 January 2009

Aston Villa v West Brom, 19:45

This should be a feisty local derby with the Villains flying high and the Baggies rock bottom. Unless West Brom have signed a striker before this game can only be a home win.

Arsenal v Bolton, 22:00

Traditionally a tricky game for the Gunners but Megson's Bolton do not have the means to upset Wenger this time. Home win.

Everton v Hull, 22:00

Both these teams are desperately short of strikers but have managed to score a surprising number of goals, 55 between them. Cue a goalless draw then!

Fulham v Blackburn, 22:00

Fulham are now tough to beat, much like the visitors were a couple of seasons ago. Sam Allardyce will no doubt want to keep it tight away from home and a low scoring draw is on the cards.

M'brough v Sunderland, 22:00

A north east derby relegation battle! Both have been conceding too many goals, while 'Boro aren't scoring many, which is a recipe for disaster. Sunderland to continue to improve with an away win.

Newcastle v West Ham, 22:00

Both teams seem to be pulling clear of the relgation zone but a reverse in this game would quickly alter that. Both will feel they can win it which should make it an entertaining game. Score draw.

Portsmouth v Man City, 22:00

City have a dreadful away record but can undo anyone. Pompey are in danger of going into freefall, and another defeat today would be three in a row, and we think a draw is likely.

Sunday, 11 January 2009

Stoke v Liverpool, 00:30

Liverpool have been solid this season, despite Rafa's rotations, but that policy could come unstuck here. Stoke are not a bad side and this is the sort of match they will revel in, so we are going for an unlikely home win.

Wigan v Tottenham, 20:30

Despite the 'Redknapp Revival' and the Cup win, Spurs are still in trouble and this is not an easy game to start the year with in the league. Wigan are not 7th by accident and we predict a home win.

Man Utd v Chelsea, 23:00

The big game of the weekend which pitches United's undefeated home record against Chelsea's away one; we think the latter will fall as United show their title credentials.

Thursday, 15 January 2009

Man Utd v Wigan, 03:00

One of United's games in hand and one they need to win. A tough test though, but one they should scrape through by the odd goal to leave them a point behind the leaders if our other predictions are right!

Barclays Premier League Table

			Home					Away						
	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Liverpool	20	6	4	0	16	6	7	2	1	19	7	22	45
2	Chelsea	20	4	4	2	17	6	8	2	0	23	3	31	42
3	Man Utd	18	7	1	0	20	4	4	4	2	9	6	19	38
4	Aston Villa	20	4	5	1	16	11	7	0	3	17	11	11	38
5	Arsenal	20	6	2	2	17	11	4	3	3	16	12	10	35
6	Everton	20	2	4	4	12	15	7	1	2	15	10	2	32
7	Wigan	19	5	2	3	11	10	3	2	4	13	11	3	28
8	Hull	20	3	2	5	10	20	4	4	2	18	17	-9	27
9	Fulham	19	6	3	1	16	8	0	5	4	2	6	4	26
10	West Ham	20	4	1	5	13	15	3	3	4	11	13	-4	25
11	Bolton	20	3	2	5	8	11	4	0	6	14	17	-6	23
12	Portsmouth	20	4	2	4	14	17	2	3	5	7	16	-12	23
13	Man City	20	5	0	5	24	11	1	4	5	14	19	8	22
14	Newcastle	20	4	3	3	16	17	1	4	5	10	15	-6	22
15	Sunderland	20	3	2	5	11	13	3	2	5	10	16	-8	22
16	Tottenham	20	3	3	4	7	7	2	2	6	13	18	-5	20
17	M'brough	20	3	3	4	9	14	2	2	6	8	15	-12	20
18	Stoke	20	5	2	3	12	11	0	3	7	6	22	-15	20
19	Blackburn	20	2	3	5	10	17	2	3	5	12	19	-14	18
20	West Brom	20	4	2	4	13	16	1	1	8	3	19	-19	18

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Drastic new proposal to end 'Big 4' domination

LONDON, ENGLAND

The triumvirate of organisations that runs English football, the Premier League, Football Association and the Football League, are actively considering implementing a dramatic proposal put to them by a secret 'football think tank', aimed at not only breaking the grip of the Big 4 clubs of Manchester United, Chelsea, Arsenal and Liverpool on the major silverware, but also to spread the money coming into the sport more widely.

The think tank, nicknamed 'POOFS' as an acronym of its brief, namely 'Possible Options for the Organisation of the Football Structure in England", has come up with a radical suggestion, partly based on the American Football system of draft college picks, which aims to give an advantage to faltering teams and prevent successful teams from winning too often, thus maintaining the entertainment spectacle of the sport. The key and most controversial part of the suggestion, is that the top 5 Premier League clubs, at the beginning of every new season, must put their three best players (as assessed by an independent panel) into a 'pool' of 15 which will then be ranked and assigned to the other 15 clubs dependent on their finishing position the previous season. In addition, the other 15 teams would be allowed to swap these players between themselves in the event that the player allocated to them did not fit their squad.

The system would also operate in the lower leagues in some form, but the main talking point for the Championship and below is that all the Premier League teams would be forced to loan at least 5 reserve or youth players to the lower leagues, and no loans would be possible between Premier League clubs. Existing loan rules may also be altered to ensure the players are spread out evenly and not go where the money is.

Blatter (left) and Scudamore (right) at loggerheads over foreign player proposals

In addition to this the authorities are also planning to quell the number of foreign players plying their trade in England and denying opportunities to young English talent, but this is where the Premier League is out of step with the League and FA, having already made their position known when Sepp Blatter proposed in May 2008 that only 5 foreign players should be allowed in the starting line up for any team. The Premier League do have a powerful ally though in the EU, who say that the Blatter proposal goes against the laws currently in place on discrimination.

The proposal concerning the money in football is less clear cut, but it seems that the idea is for a percentage of the TV money paid to Premier League clubs must be paid into a pool which will be handed out 'from the bottom up' according to one insider. It is thought that it might be as much as 20%, which would be a huge windfall every season for the lower league clubs.

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