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SPEED CAMERAS POP UP ON PHETKASEM

● **HUA HIN**

Motorists entering Hua Hin from either the north or the south on Phetkasem Road may have noticed that Hua Hin is now the proud owner of two sets of speed cameras. The installations were completed in the last couple of weeks, and have been operational for about a week now, although it is not clear as yet if they are just warnings for drivers to slow down, or if they are set up to issue fines with accompanying photos as proof.

If speeding fines are going to be issued, these are posted to the address the vehicle is registered at, and if they are not paid within a certain time period, the fine is effectively doubled; if they are not paid by the time the next road tax is paid, the fine will be added on to that bill, so there is no escaping paying. We suspect that, at least initially, these new installations won't be resulting in fines, but will do in the very near future after a short testing phase.

The northern speed cameras are in a particularly tricky position as at that point on Phetkasem Road it is a three lane highway and vehicles would have been travelling at or close to the national speed limit not much before it, so to drop to fifty kph is not that easy, although it is understandable due to the proximity to a u-turn; however that speed is not very helpful in terms of efficient running of an engine, and the sudden drop could actually cause more accidents than it prevents.

The authorities are clearly trying to address the issue of safety on the roads in Hua Hin, but we are not convinced these latest additions will do that; given the location of them, it seems that the problem would more likely be improved by eliminating u-turns and introducing an alternative way for people to make turns; the obvious candidates for that would be traffic lights or roundabouts, as both are designed to prevent drivers having to turn across the fast lane.

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WEATHER & TIDES

WORLD WEATHER (18-1-18)

CITY	WEATHER	HIGH °C
Amsterdam	Light rain	3
Ankara	Light rain	4
Athens	Cool	13
Auckland	Light rain	20
Beijing	Overcast	1
Berlin	Passing clouds	2
Buenos Aires	Passing clouds	22
Cairo	Clear	14
Chicago	Passing clouds	-7
Copenhagen	Passing clouds	2
Dubai	Passing clouds	15
Dublin	Passing clouds	4
Helsinki	Light snow	-3
Ho Chi Minh City	Fog	32
Hong Kong	Clear	21
Islamabad	Partly sunny	10
Istanbul	Sprinkles	8
Jakarta	Light rain	26
Jerusalem	Chilly	8
Johannesburg	Passing clouds	18
Karachi	Clear	17
Kuala Lumpur	Broken clouds	30
London	Passing clouds	11
Madrid	Clear	1
Manila	Overcast	29
Mexico City	Clear	11
Moscow	Snow showers	-10
Mumbai	Clear	28
New Delhi	Fog	9
New York	Overcast	-5
Oslo	Light rain	-2
Paris	Light rain	7
Perth	Partly sunny	24
Phnom-Penh	Fair	34
Rio De Janeiro	Clear	24
Riyadh	Sunny	9
Rome	Clear	2
San Francisco	Fog	12
Seoul	Fog	2
Shanghai	Partly sunny	10
Singapore	Partly sunny	31
Stockholm	Passing clouds	-5
Sydney	Sunny	27
Taibei/Taipei	Broken clouds	22
Tokyo	Partly sunny	11
Vancouver	Mostly cloudy	10
Vientiane	Fair	32
Yangon	Clear	28
Zurich	Chilly	2

LOCAL FORECAST AND TIDES

	RAIN (MM)	CONDITIONS	TEMP. °C H	L	TIDES 1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH
SA	0	Pleasant; clouds, sun	31	23	03:22 1.3m	07:18 2.6m	18:41 1.2m	20:10 2.1m
SU	0	Partly sunny	31	23	03:51 1.3m	07:40 2.5m	18:59 1.2m	20:42 2.1m
MO	0	Humid	32	23	04:20 1.3m	07:57 2.5m	19:13 1.3m	21:25 2.1m
TU	0	Mostly cloudy	31	24	04:43 1.4m	08:03 2.4m	19:20 1.3m	22:38 2.2m
WE	1	Partly sunny; shower	29	24	04:46 1.5m	07:35 2.3m	19:14 1.3m	-
TH	0	Mostly sunny	31	24	05:22 2.3m	18:38 1.3m	-	-
FR	0	Increasing clouds	30	25	03:58 2.3m	17:37 1.2m	-	-

THAILAND WEATHER (18-1-18)

Place	Temp	Hum	Conditions
Aranyaprathet	29 °C	41%	Clear
Ban A To	25 °C	73%	
Ban Baen Chado	31 °C	55%	Clear
Ban Bang Bamru	31 °C	55%	Clear
Ban Bang Duan	31 °C	55%	Clear
Ban Bua Chum	27 °C	50%	Haze
Ban Fai Na	30 °C	62%	Partly Cloudy
Ban Hua Tho	31 °C	55%	Clear
Ban Ko Thung	26 °C	56%	Mist
Ban Krathing Lai	31 °C	49%	Haze
Ban Na Si Nuan	29 °C	42%	Clear
Ban Nong Pladuk	27 °C	51%	Clear
Ban Samphan	28 °C	48%	Clear
Bangkok	31 °C	46%	Clear
Chaiyaphum	26 °C	45%	Haze
Chanthaburi	30 °C	43%	Haze
Chawang	24 °C	91%	Mist
Chiang Mai	25 °C	54%	Partly Cloudy
Chiang Rai	23 °C	73%	Clear
Chok Chai	26 °C	50%	Haze
Chumphon	27 °C	61%	Mist
Kam Paeng Phet	26 °C	60%	Mist
Kamalasai	29 °C	42%	Clear
Kanchanaburi	28 °C	54%	Haze
Khanom	31 °C	70%	Partly Cloudy
Khlong Yai	31 °C	58%	Partly Cloudy
Ko Lanta	31 °C	62%	Partly Cloudy
Ko Samui	31 °C	70%	Partly Cloudy
Ko Sichang	31 °C	58%	Clear
Krabi	29 °C	74%	Scattered Clds
Lampang	26 °C	57%	Partly Cloudy
Lamphun	25 °C	56%	Partly Cloudy
Loei	25 °C	69%	Clear
Lop Buri	31 °C	55%	Clear
Mae Hong Son	19 °C	83%	Mist
Mae Sariang	19 °C	82%	Mist
Mae Sot	26 °C	61%	Haze
Mukdahan	25 °C	51%	
Nakhon Phanom	26 °C	43%	Clear
Nak. Ratchasima	26 °C	60%	Clear

Place	Temp	Hum	Conditions
Nakhon Sawan	27 °C	64%	Mist
Nan	25 °C	54%	Partly Cloudy
Nang Rong	25 °C	53%	Haze
Narathiwat	28 °C	79%	Partly Cloudy
Nong Khai	27 °C	54%	Clear
Pattani	30 °C	60%	Scattered Clds
Pattaya	31 °C	49%	Haze
Phayao	23 °C	73%	Clear
Phetchabun	25 °C	58%	
Phetchaburi	28 °C	59%	Mist
Phitsanulok	29 °C	55%	Partly Cloudy
Phrae	22 °C	69%	Mist
Phuket	30 °C	62%	Partly Cloudy
Prachin Buri	28 °C	51%	Haze
Prach. Khirikhan	28 °C	57%	Mist
Ranong	31 °C	55%	Clear
Rayong	32 °C	75%	Haze
Roi Et	26 °C	43%	Clear
Samui	31 °C	70%	Partly Cloudy
Sattahip	33 °C	56%	Haze
Satun	31 °C	54%	Scattered Clds
Songkhla	30 °C	70%	Partly Cloudy
Sukhothai	27 °C	61%	Partly Cloudy
Suphan Buri	31 °C	55%	Clear
Surat Thani	29 °C	74%	Scattered Clds
Surin	26 °C	44%	Haze
Tak	24 °C	68%	Mist
Takua Pa	32 °C	77%	Partly Cloudy
Tha Tum	26 °C	52%	Clear
Tha Wang Pha	25 °C	54%	Partly Cloudy
Thoen	27 °C	61%	Partly Cloudy
Thong Pha Phum	26 °C	68%	Mist
Thung Chang	25 °C	54%	Partly Cloudy
Trang	31 °C	62%	Partly Cloudy
Trat	31 °C	58%	Partly Cloudy
Ubon Ratchathani	29 °C	55%	Clear
Udon Thani	27 °C	54%	Clear
Umphang	26 °C	61%	Haze
Uttaradit	26 °C	56%	Mist
Wichian Buri	26 °C	62%	Clear

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SUDOKU

Each week we have an easy and a hard Sudoku puzzle. Just fill in the empty squares so that each horizontal and vertical line, and each section, has all the numbers 1 to 9

PUZZLE 1 (EASY)

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

PUZZLE 2 (HARD)

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

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LAST ISSUE'S SOLUTIONS

PUZZLE 1

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

PUZZLE 2

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

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CODEWORD

Each letter in this puzzle is represented by a number 1-26 Can you crack the code and solve the crossword? Every letter of the alphabet is used at least once. Two or three letters are already in place to get you started. Use the 1-26 small grid to keep track.

7	12	26 M	20 B	6	8	■	19	12	25	23	17	8	16	23	
8	■	22	■	12	■	■	■	15	■	11	■	15	■	25	
23	12	14	8	2	25	■	10	13	17	24	23	17	16	18	
■	■	17	■	17	■	■	■	8	■	25	■	18	■	22	
1	25	26	17	1	■	25	5	8	24	3	25	24	13	■	
22	■	12	■	24	■	14	■	15	■	■	■	22	■	3	
7	22	26	20	25	24	8	8	■	■	9	8	26	12	24	
25	■	■	■	12	■	16	■	6	■	24	■	■	■	8	
6	25	23	12	10	■	■	20	22	24	8	9	25	25	23	
8	■	25	■	■	■	20	■	4	■	17	■	5	■	1	
■	19	12	22	16	2	22	24	21	■	18	24	22	15	11	
5	■	10	■	22	■	20	■	■	■	11	■	23	■	■	
25	20	6	17	5	17	25	16	■	10	23	24	17	5	8	
3	■	8	■	22	■	25	■	■	■	8	■	25	■	21	
10	17	2	8	6	25	16	18	■	20	24	25	16	4	8	

LAST ISSUE'S SOLUTION

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

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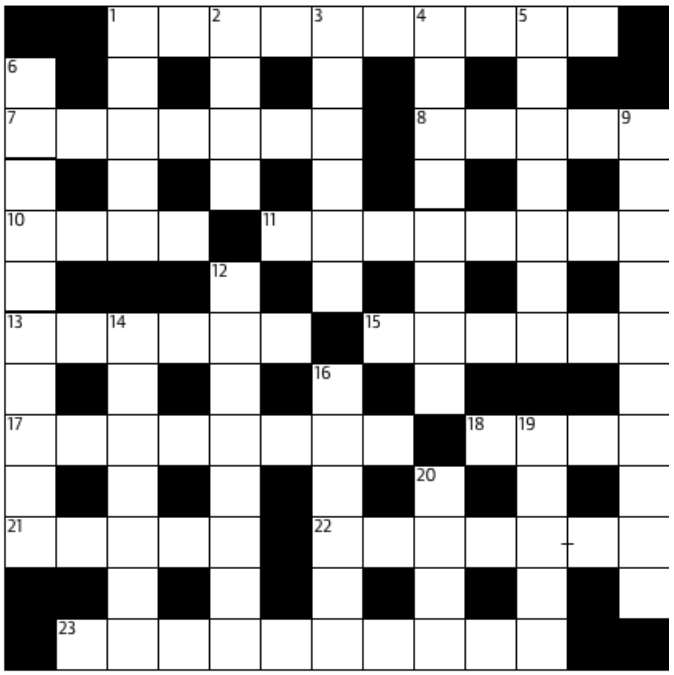

ACROSS

1 Open-handedness (10)
7 Neptune's spear (7)
8 Taken for a ride (5)
10 Woman of refinement (4)
11 Central American country, capital Tegucigalpa (8)
13 Polish composer, d. 1849 (6)
15 Confuse (6)
17 Roomy (8)
18 Hock (4)
21 Rapid — writer — bird (5)
22 I daren't (anag) (5-2)
23 Constituent (10)

DOWN

1 Pulverise (5)
2 Coward who wrote and acted, d. 1973 (4)
3 Fixed restricted allowance (6)
4 Percussion instrument (4,4)
5 Predate (anag) (7)
6 Regardless of the sacrifice involved (2,3,5)
9 Showing good judgement (10)
12 Member of the clergy (8)
14 Formal speech (7)
16 Extremely disappointed (informal) (6)
19 Turn aside (5)
20 Decrease in size (4)

The solution to last week's puzzle is on page 19

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● **REMARKABLE**

A dog walks into a butchers shop and the butcher asks, "What do you want?"
The dog points to some steak in a glass case and the butcher says "How many pounds?", the dog barks twice "Anything else?" asks the butcher.
The dog points at some pork chops and barks four times. The butcher wraps up the steak and chops and puts them in the dogs mouth.
He takes the money from a purse around the dogs neck and shows him out.
A customer who has been watching in amazement follows the dog to a house where it jumps up and rings the bell. The owner comes to the door and the customer says "What a remarkable dog you have there."
"Remarkable my arse" says the owner. "That's the second time this week he's forgotten his bloody keys".

● **NIGHTMARES**

I keep having recurring nightmares about fruit machines.
My wife has been really supportive, she wakes me up with a nudge, and then holds me.

● **HOSPITAL**

Just back from the Hospital. They reckon I might have Pneumonoultrmicroscopicsilicovolcanconosis, But it's hard to say...

● **GEOGRAPHY LESSON**

THE GEOGRAPHY OF A WOMAN
Between 18 and 22, a woman is like Africa . Half discovered, half wild, fertile and naturally Beautiful!
Between 23 and 30, a woman is like Europe . Well developed and open to trade, especially for someone of real value.
Between 31 and 35, a woman is like Spain . Very hot, relaxed and convinced of her own beauty.
Between 36 and 40, a woman is like Greece . Gently aging but still a warm and desirable place to visit.
Between 41 and 50, a woman is like Great Britain , with a glorious and all conquering past.
Between 51 and 60, a woman is like Israel . Has been through war, doesn't make the same mistakes twice, takes care of business.
Between 61 and 70, a woman is like Canada . Self-preserving, but open to meeting new people.
After 70, she becomes Tibet .Wildly beautiful, with a mysterious past and the wisdom of the ages. An adventurous spirit and a thirst for spiritual knowledge.

THE GEOGRAPHY OF A MAN
Between 1 and 80, a man is like North Korea and the USA ; ruled by a pair of nuts.

● **JOB**

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● A POUND OF FLESH?

Expats who find the exchange rate and increasing cost of living in Hua Hin are becoming too much to manage might want to consider selling things. And what easier way to do that than online?

No, I don't mean the family heirlooms or the Condo. Body parts can fetch big money, providing of course they are parts you can live without. A good start could be to test the market with your loved ones hair, especially if the loved one in question happens to have very long black locks. UK websites offer between 60 and 200 pounds sterling for top quality hair which is more than 19 inches long. That's 48 centimetres in Thai, and it's legal to trade human hair online. On the down side you would have to wait up to three years for the next crop to grow.

Other bodily by products you can do without can be sold in more murky unregulated parts of the internet, where there is a demand for finger nails (hopefully just the clippings) as well as urine and under arm hair. Of course if you don't fancy selling to the fetishist market there is money to be made from sperm donations, which in the UK earn the donor 35 pounds a time for healthy intelligent sperm. But with a maximum payment of 750 pounds per donation cycle that might not be worth the cost of a flight.

Human skin sells for about 6 pounds per square inch, not enough to compensate for the pain and sterile dressings, while blood is much easier to harvest and in the UK is worth 225 pounds a pint. The problem with that is the UK expects to get it's blood donations for the price of a cup of tea and a biscuit, so you might have to try the US instead.

While hearts are said to be worth almost half a million pounds sterling, a safer bet would be to sell a kidney, for which there is a booming black market. The World Health Organisation estimates that up to 7,000 kidneys a year are illegally trafficked, which might be your only option. In 2007 a young British man tried to clear his gambling debts by advertising a kidney in an online chatroom. He agreed a sale price of 24,000 pounds, but before the deal could be done the sale was cancelled and he was prosecuted for 'inviting the supply of human material for transplant.' His prison sentence was suspended and he committed suicide six months later.

In an earlier case another Brit tried an ad on eBay for one of his kidneys. The website was still in its infancy but soon withdrew the ad and there was no prosecution, probably because of the circumstances. The man was trying to raise money to help his daughter who had cerebral palsy. In the following year, 2004, it actually became illegal in Britain to sell human body parts for profit, or to give or receive any reward with a financial value which could influence the decision to provide an organ for transplantation.

With a growing problem in the UK because of the shortage of organ donors, some interesting moral and ethical dilemmas are being raised. Paying for live donations such as kidneys is one option supported by an ethicist at Manchester University, who says that payment would increase the supply of organs and save more lives. It could also prove more economically viable to the National Health Service. The present cost of supporting a dialysis patient for example averages 35,000 pounds a year, while a fair price for a kidney, which should last for five years, would be 30,000 pounds. (Not a bad inflation rate since 2007 when our unfortunate gambler had settled for 24,000.)

That idea may seem sensible to some people, but is probably a bit too radical for the UK, where Theresa May is going for a change to the organ donor system, whereby people would have to opt out of donating after death rather than opting in as they do now. So if you do fancy taking a chance with one remaining kidney don't rush to book a flight, at least not to the UK, and remember that valuation if you decide to find a buyer elsewhere.

On This Day

On January 19th 1955 Scrabble went on sale, and since then plenty more words have been added to the English dictionary. Not all of them sound quite right though, and often seem to be made up for the purpose of appearing smart. A selection of such words will appear in THAB from time to time, beginning with 'specificity', as in 'this specificity (making a list) helps to....' Please don't lose any sleep over it.

STOP PRESS

MISSING MEN FOUND BUT ONE DEAD

● **HUA HIN**

Further to last week's front page story, there have been further developments. Unfortunately as AWOL went to print, the body of Martin Wood was discovered in the forest close to Cha Am beach, not far from where he was staying, and about 300 metres inland. An autopsy is due to be carried out to determine the cause of death, but the police believe that he had been dead for 18 days. We would like to express our sincere condolences to his family and friends.

The other missing man, Michael O'Brien, was found safe a few days earlier in Bangkok. Mr O'Brien was reported as suffering from amnesia which led to a long overstay,, and he was found at the immigration detention centre, where he had either been unable or refused to give the officials any details to contact his family - they have now made arrangements to assist him.

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The rest of the year will seem to fly right by, along with a few hundred others, after you're frozen in a giant block of ice.

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Despite the efforts of literally hundreds of singers to tell you "let's go," you have yet to actually go.

GEMINI MAY 22 – JUNE 21

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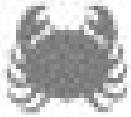

You're not usually the kind of person who cries at weddings, but this one's of a former lover, you're at a strange place in your life, and soot gets in your eyes when the whole church burns down with everyone inside.

LEO JUL 23 – AUG 22

It's sad to think that when they tell the story of your life, you'll only be remembered as one of two guys whose most notable achievement was to walk into a bar.

VIRGO AUG 23 – SEP 22

You and a man with no arms will be stuck in an elevator together for three and a half hours, but it'll only take you eight minutes to piss him off with insensitive questions about ass-wiping.

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SCORPIO OCT 24 – NOV 21

After your 17th time around as an underpaid office worker in the late-20th-to-early-21st centuries, you're really starting to become disenchanted with the whole reincarnation thing.

SAGITTARIUS NOV 22 – DEC 21

Sometimes you actually hate yourself for going out and drinking until five in the morning, but most times that's just what you tell people.

● A section for all you budding etymologists where each week the origin of a word or phrase is investigated.

THIS WEEK IT IS.... REST ON ONE'S LAURELS

To be satisfied with one's past success and to consider further effort unnecessary.

The laurels that are being referred to when someone is said to 'rest on his laurels' are the aromatically scented Laurus Nobilis trees or, more specifically, their leaves. The trees are known colloquially as Sweet Bay and are commonly grown as culinary or ornamental plants.

The origins of the phrase lie in ancient Greece, where laurel wreaths were symbols of victory and status. Of course, ancient Greece is where history and mythology were frequently mixed, so we need to tread carefully. The pre-Christian Greeks associated their god Apollo with laurel - that much is historical fact, as this image of Apollo wearing a laurel wreath on a 2nd century BC coin indicates. The reason for that association takes us into the myth of Apollo's love for the nymph Daphne, who turned into a Bay tree just as Apollo approached her (anything could happen if you were a Greek god). Undeterred, Apollo embraced the tree, cut off a branch to wear as a wreath and declared the plant sacred. Their belief in the myth caused the Greeks to present laurel wreaths to winners in the Pythian Games, which were held at Delphi in honour of Apollo every four years from the 6th century BC.

Following the decline of the Greek and Roman empires, the use of wreaths of laurel as emblems of victory seems to have taken a long holiday and didn't re-emerge until the Middle Ages. Geoffrey Chaucer referred to laurels in that context in The Knight's Tale, circa 1385:

With laurer corouned as a conquerour
And there he lyueth in ioye and in honour .
[With laurel crowned as conqueror
There he lived in joy and honour]

A 'laureate' was originally a person crowned with a laurel wreath. We continue to call those who are especially honoured laureates although the laurel leaves are usually kept for the kitchen these days. Nevertheless, laureates benefit in other ways; Nobel Laureates get a nice medal and 10 million Swedish Krona and Poets Laureate (in the UK at least) get a useful salary and a butt of sack (barrel of sherry).

As to the phrase's meaning, to 'rest on one's laurels' isn't considered at all a praiseworthy strategy - it suggests a decline into laziness and lack of application. That's not the original meaning. When 'rest on one's laurels' or, as it was initially, 'repose on one's laurels' was coined it was invariably part of a valedictory speech for some old soldier or retiring official. An early example of that usage is found in The Memoirs of the Cardinal de Retz, 1723:

The Duke [of Orleans] was old enough to take his Repose under the Shadow of his Laurels.

Of course, the 'repose' was figurative - no one was imagining someone sleeping on a bed of laurel leaves, although the citation above could be construed as referring to laurel trees rather than laurel wreaths. No such doubts with a slightly later citation from the London-based Gentleman's Magazine, 1733, on the retirement of a schoolmaster of Westminster School:

So thou, paternal Sage, may'st now repose.
Nor seek new Laurels to adorn thy Brows.

As soon as we move into the energetic 19th century, the meaning changes and the phrase is used with a distinctly disapproving tone. The review magazine The Literary Chronicle, 1825, which praises the work of Maria Edgeworth:

We do not affect to wish she should repose on her laurels and rest satisfied; on the contrary, we believe that genius is inexhaustible... For Miss Edgeworth there must be no rest on this side the grave.

We are hardly any more charitable these days. 'One-hit wonders' are sneered at and, with proper Anglo-Saxon earnestness, Anthony Burgess dismissed his fellow author Joseph Heller's inability to write a second book for 13 years following the success of Catch-22 by sniping that "Heller suffers from that fashionable American disease, writer's block".

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● **THAILAND**

Man tried to beat excess luggage fee by wearing all his clothes
A man who tried to avoid British Airways' excess luggage fee by wearing all his clothing has been arrested – for wearing an excessive amount of clothing. Ryan Carney Williams was allegedly denied a boarding pass at the BA desk for his flight from Iceland to England after he put on all the clothes that wouldn't fit in his luggage. He tweeted his anger and posted a video slamming the airline for 'racial profiling'. He said: '@ British_Airways hi being held at Iceland Keflavik airport because I had no baggage put all the clothes on and they still won't let me on. Racial profiling? Or…..'

Footage shows him asking employees why he wasn't allowed to board. Airline staff can be heard saying 'do we need to call the police?' to which he replies 'yes, if needs be. I haven't done anything wrong.' According to British Airways, Williams was acting rude so they turned him away, but when he refused to leave the desk they called a security guard. In a later tweet, Williams said he was arrested, sprayed with mace and held on the ground when he refused to lave. After giving a statement to police, he returned to the airport the next day to get an EasyJet flight, but once he'd gone through security, he claims he was stopped from getting on the plane again.

He tweeted: 'And AGAIN! Refused from 2 flights in 2 days for no valid reason.' He claims he was stuck at Iceland airport with no money and his luggage already on the plane to England without him. Williams eventually arrived back home after getting a Norwegian airline flight and was allegedly refunded the price of his flights from BA and easyJet. A spokesperson for British Airways told Metro.co.uk: 'We give our customers a wide range of fares to choose from to meet their needs. Our hand baggage only fares from Iceland are as low as £47 each way, and are designed for customers who are travelling without any hold baggage. We do understand that our customers' plans can change so they can choose to pay a fee at the airport if they need an extra bag. We explained our policy to our customer, and offered him an alternative flight to London.' A spokesperson for easyJet said 'The Captain and the ground crew were concerned about reports from the previous day so we provided a refund and he travelled with another airline.'

● **UK**

Some of the weirdest calls the RSPCA has received We know about the time-wasting calls to police, along the lines of 'I just bought a kebab and it was cold'. Now the RSPCA has revealed some of the weirdest they have received, from among the 1.1 million calls they receive a year. Inspectors handling the calls (which come in every 27 seconds) have to decide whether to dispatch anyone to help. Here are some that weren't what they seemed…

Animal collection officer Vic Hurr arrived at a house in Coventry to reports of a 'reptile'. She said: 'It was around 7ins long and about 2ins wide. It was protruding from the edge of the bed and it wasn't moving at all. 'As it wasn't very light, I got out my torch to see better and that's when I realised it wasn't a lizard at all… it was a pink stripy sock! 'I advised the young girl whose bedroom it was to tidy her room and to take care of her socks, but not before reminding her that another one will turn up soon as they are usually in pairs.'

Several drivers called the RSPCA after seeing a 'horse' strapped to a trailer by its legs being towed 100 miles from Birmingham to Cambridge on February 14 last year. RSPCA officers responded, only to find it was a fake horse made of plastic.

RSPCA animal collection officer Faebien Vann rushed to a garden in Leeds on June 30 when a caller reported a heron with a broken leg stuck in the pond. But, when he arrived, he quickly established that the bird wouldn't be making a recovery from his injury – as he was a garden ornament.

Animal collection officer Sophie Wilson received a call from a farmer whose elderly neighbour was concerned for four ewes who were stuck in the hedgerow in Kidderminster, Worcestershire. 'He was clearly very worried for the sheep and had spent two days calling local farmers to try to get someone to rescue the sheep before alerting us,' she said. 'You can imagine my surprise when I arrived to find four white balloons and two blue bobbing around in the breeze.'

An RSPCA inspector went to a field in Bradford, West Yorkshire, on August 7 following a number of calls from concerned members of the public about a dead horse. More calls came in the following day so another inspector attended and still couldn't find anything. And the following day yet more calls came in so inspector Nikki Cheetham also attended. 'After following one of the caller's directions and finding only an abandoned bathtub I called him to check I'd got the right spot,' she said. 'He said he could see the field from where he was and that I was standing right next to the dead horse! Suffice to say he was a little embarrassed.'

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HUA HIN CITY F.C

Hua Hin City F. C. is the local professional team formed in 2011 playing their matches at the Takiab Stadium in Khao Takiab.

FIXTURES

The season is over. The new season begins in February 2018 but fixtures are not yet available.

FRIENDLIES

24TH JANUARY 2018

Prachuap v Hua Hin City 16:00

26TH JANUARY 2018

Hua Hin City v Rydalmere Lions 16:00 (at True Arena)

THAI LEAGUE 4
WESTERN REGION TABLE

	Team	P	GD	PTS
1	Suphanburi B	27	36	64
2	Muangkan United	27	19	56
3	BTU United	27	20	51
4	Assumption United	27	22	48
5	Ratchaburi Mitr Phol B	27	3	39
6	IPE Samut Sakhon United	27	-1	38
7	Hua Hin City	27	-5	29
8	Look Isan	27	-19	27

HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

A DRINKING CLUB WITH A RUNNING & WALKING PROBLEM!

The Cha-Am and Hua Hin Hash House Harrier Clubs meet alternate Saturdays for around an hour's run/walk in the surrounding countryside followed by a social gathering. If you would like to come along then please visit our website www.h2h3-cah3.weebly.com for full details and directions. Please note that people attending and participating do so entirely at their own risk.

NEXT RUN SATURDAY 20TH JANUARY 2018, MEETING @ 4:00 PM FOR A 4:30 PM START

Hua Hin Hash House Harriers (H2H3) Run #377

Burns Day Celebration Run – Dress Code Tartan/Scottish

Hares: Jock Twat & Scaly Back

Hash Snacks: Miss Snickers together with Atholl Brose

Tax Collector: Tinks

LOCATION: Hua Hin Soi 102 West of Laguna

Google Map Link: https://goo.gl/maps/6D3w6YzcWr52

GPS Coordinates: N 12.545283, E 99.938267 (N 12 32.717, E 99 56.296)

DIRECTIONS to RUN SITE

From Hua Hin or Cha-Am: Google map link https://goo.gl/maps/QGJ1UMMdshk

Traveling south on Phet Kasem Road, make a u-turn after the Intercontinental Hotel. Turn LEFT into Soi 102 (HHH sign), cross the railway line after 300m. Continue for 1.2 km and turn right (HHH sign). After 1 km turn RIGHT after Ban Suk Sabai 3 (HHH sign). Travel 0.5 km along a dog leg, pot-holed road and turn LEFT onto dirt road and drive 150m to car park (HHH sign).

Alternative from Cha-Am using Bypass Route 37: (allow 30 min from Flyover Junction to run site)

Google map link https://goo.gl/maps/bqTKSjeVy8n Head south to the Flyover junction with Pala U Road, continue over the flyover and drive 6.8 km and exit LEFT onto Soi 112, (signposted for Floating Markets and Banyan Golf Course). Continue all the way to junction with Phet Kasem Road and turn LEFT taking the flyover in towards Hua Hin town centre. Drive 1.5 km and turn LEFT into Soi 102 and follow directions as above.

Any queries then please call Jock Twat on 081 259 0617

Hash Tax: Male Drinkers ฿200 Female Drinkers ฿150 Teetotalers ฿100 kids ฿50 under 8's Free). Your effort to bring the CORRECT change would be very much appreciated.

IN ADDITION there may be a Fun Run on Wednesday 24th January 2018 from the same place as above and at the same time. This will be the same trail but in reverse. Please check our website www.h2h3-cah3.weebly.com for confirmation and further details.

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BUTTERFLY ROCK GOLF SOCIETY

RESULTS
15TH JANUARY 2018
Lake View CD Stableford 27 entered
1st Simon Seymour 39 pts (09)
2nd Thor Olsen 37 pts (23)
3rd Steve Shepherdson 33 pts (06)
4th Peter Hayes 33 pts (12)

FIXTURES
22nd January 2018 Lake View Stableford
24th January 2018 Majestic Creek Stableford

PALM HILLS FRIDAY ROLL UP

Held every Friday at Palm Hills. Please contact Ronnie on 0811 942 556 if you are interested in joining in, and thanks to Ronnie for the results.
12TH JANUARY 2018
26 players
Back 9 - Ole Ingerslev (21) 19 points
Back 9 - Caroline Cunningham (19) 18 points
Overall - Ole Ingerslev (21) 36 points

HUA HIN DARTS LEAGUE

RESULTS
WEEK 5 16TH JANUARY 2018
Golden Star Kitchen 3 - 6 JW Black
Johnnie Walker Red 4 - 5 Blue Lagoon

LEAGUE TABLE

Team	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
Blue Lagoon	4	3	0	1	6	6
JW Black	3	2	0	1	1	4
Golden Star Kitchen	4	1	0	3	-4	2
JW Red	3	1	0	2	-3	2

FIXTURES
WEEK 6 23RD JANUARY 2018
Blue Lagoon v Golden Star Kitchen
JW Black v Johnnie Walker Red

HUA HIN GOLF SOCIETY

RESULTS
16TH JANUARY 2018
Lake View A + B Stableford 27 entered
1st Fred Ward 37 pts (17)
2nd Tim Dixon 36 pts (12)
3rd Geoff Mitchell 34 pts (14)
4th Denny Armstrong 34 pts (21)

12TH JANUARY 2018
Palm Hills Stableford 25 entered
1st 'Kurre' Westerling 37 pts (15)
2nd Ben Amelsvoort 37 pts (18)
3rd Hubert Maldonado 36 pts (15)
4th Kieron Bose 35 pts (06)

FIXTURES
23rd January 2018 Lake View Stableford/ Matchplay QF
26th January 2018 Banyan Stableford

CHA AM GOLF CLUB

Contact: secretary@chaamgolfclub.com
FIXTURES
23rd January 2018 Lake View New Year tournament or social golf

LAKE VIEW MEMBERS CLUB

RESULTS
12TH JANUARY 2018
Course AB
1st Bill Evans (13) 35pts
2nd Wayne Hansen (12) 33pts
3rd Peter Tucker (12) 33pts
4th Mark Simpson (11) 32pts

15TH JANUARY 2018
Course AB
1st Gary Engelman (13) 37pts
2nd David lwaver (21) 35pts
3rd David Burns (15) 35pts
4th Wayne Hansen (12) 34pts

FIXTURES
Lake View every Monday, Wednesday, Friday

SAENSUK GOLF SOCIETY

RESULTS
No results this week

FIXTURES
Monday/Friday Springfield Splinter Cell Stableford
24th January 2018 Majestic Creek followed AGM

CROSSWORD SOLUTION

Here is last issue's Crossword solution.

POOL LEAGUES

HUA HIN KHAO TAKIAB SUPER POOL LEAGUE

RESULTS
WEEK 34 11TH JANUARY 2018
Drink & Shelter 8 - 13 Lanla Bar
High Five 10 - 11 Tore's Bar
Home 13 - 8 Arilds Bar
Le Kiss Bar 9 - 12 Muan Bar
N & G Bar 13 - 8 Pits Cafe
Nok Bar 16 - 5 Star Bar
Tap House Bar 15 - 6 Mucky Duck

FIXTURES
WEEK 35 25TH JANUARY 2018
Lanla Bar v Home
Le Kiss Bar v High Five
Muan Bar v Bobby's Birds
Nok Bar v Drink & Shelter
Pits Cafe v Arilds Bar
Star Bar v Tiki Bar
Tap House Bar v N & G Bar

LEAGUE TABLE

Team	P	W	L	+/-	Pts
Tap House Bar	29	27	2	205	407
Tiki Bar	28	22	6	130	359
N & G Bar	28	24	4	128	358
Mucky Duck	30	21	9	78	354
Muan Bar	28	20	8	116	352
Drink & Shelter	28	19	9	72	330
Pits Cafe	29	15	14	45	327
Lanla Bar	29	13	16	-1	304
Home	26	14	12	40	293
Arilds Bar	27	13	14	-31	268
Bobby's Birds	28	11	17	-52	268
Nok Bar	26	10	16	-20	263
Le Kiss Bar	27	8	19	-65	251
Star Bar	29	8	21	-123	243
Tore's Bar	29	5	24	-159	225
High Five	26	6	20	-128	209
Hut Bar	29	2	27	-235	187
Hut Bar	31	2	29	-239	206

THURSDAY FRIENDLY POOL LEAGUE

RESULTS
WEEK 12 11TH JANUARY 2018
Mint Bar 18 - 2 Mausi Bar
Mr Dan's 88 1 - 19 MasterCues Bar
Nalee Bar 12 - 8 Hua Hin Bar
Sabai Bar 10 - 10 Silver Fox Wolverines
Silver Fox 11 - 9 Jaew Bar
Squealing Pig 12 - 8 Big Kahuna
The Connection Cafe 6 - 14 Bar 80 Saloon

FIXTURES
WEEK 14 25TH JANUARY 2018
Big Kahuna vs The Connection Cafe
Hua Hin Bar vs Sabai Bar
MasterCues Bar vs Nalee Bar
Mausi Bar vs Silver Fox
Mint Bar vs Mr Dan's 88
Noum Bar vs Squealing Pig
Silver Fox Wolverines vs Bar 80 Saloon

LEAGUE TABLE

Team	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
MasterCues Bar	10	10	0	0	80	160
Hua Hin Bar	12	9	0	3	44	160
Nalee Bar	11	10	0	1	62	156
Mint Bar	12	5	2	5	16	140
Bar 80 Saloon	11	6	1	4	14	130
Squealing Pig	11	6	2	3	2	125
Sabai Bar	11	5	3	3	4	115
SF Wolverines	11	4	1	6	-12	113
Silver Fox	11	3	2	6	-14	111
Noum Bar	10	4	1	5	4	111
Big Kahuna	11	3	1	7	-18	108
The Connection	11	3	0	8	-24	104
Jaew Bar	11	3	1	7	-36	99
Mr Dan's 88	11	3	2	6	-24	96
Mausi Bar	12	1	0	11	-98	73

FRIDAY TEAM LEAGUE

RESULTS
WEEK 13 12TH JANUARY 2018
Home Bar v Ba Na Na Bar n/a
Mucky Duck v Capone's n/a
Sabai Bar v Miss you Team n/a
Nalee Bar, Bobby's Bar, Aonzy Bar- no game

FIXTURES
WEEK 15 26TH JANUARY 2018
Bobbys Bar v Home Bar
Mucky Duck v Miss you Team
Nalee Bar v Sabai Bar
Capones, Ba Na Na Bar, Aonzy Bar - no game

LEAGUE TABLE

Team	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
Home Bar	10	8	0	2	72	156
Capones	10	7	0	3	34	137
Sabai Bar	10	7	1	2	32	136
Ba Na Na Bar	11	5	2	4	-6	129
Nalee Bar	10	5	0	5	6	123
Mucky Duck	9	4	2	3	6	111
Bobbys Bar	10	3	0	7	-30	105
Miss You Bar	10	0	0	10	-84	78
Aonzy Bar	6	1	1	4	-30	57

HUA HIN KHAO TAKIAB COOL POOL LEAGUE

RESULTS
WEEK 16 12TH JANUARY 2018
Exotic Bar 18 - 5 Muan Bar
Nok Bar 13 - 10 Take 5 Sports Bar
Sunset Boulevard 8 - 15 Jungle Juice
TK Roadhouse 16 - 7 High Five

FIXTURES
High Five v Sunset Boulevard
Jungle Juice v The Connection
Muan Bar v TK Roadhouse
Take 5 Sports Bar v Exotic Bar

LEAGUE TABLE

Team	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
TK Roadhouse	15	15	0	0	105	225
Jungle Juice	15	12	0	3	61	203
Nok Bar	16	8	0	8	6	186
Exotic Bar	15	8	0	7	9	177
Take 5	15	5	0	10	-27	159
Muan Bar	14	7	0	7	-11	155
Sunset B'vard	15	5	0	10	-53	146
The Connection	13	4	0	9	-14	142
High Five	14	2	0	12	-76	123

102 & 88 SATURDAY POOL LEAGUE

RESULTS
WEEK 8 13TH JANUARY 2018
Bobby's Bar 8 - 10 Big Kahuna
High 5 4 - 14 Banana Bar
Master Ques 13 - 5 Silver Fox
Mucky Duck 10 - 8 Bobby's Babes

FIXTURES
WEEK 9 20TH JANUARY 2018
Big Kahuna v Banana Bar
Bobby's Babes v Bobby's Bar
Master Ques v High 5
Silver Fox v Mucky Duck

LEAGUE TABLE

Team	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
Banana Bar	8	5	2	1	38	12
Master Ques	8	5	1	2	24	11
Bobby's Bar	8	4	2	2	18	10
Mucky Duck	8	5	0	3	-4	10
Silver Fox	8	3	1	4	-4	7
Bobby's Babes	8	3	1	4	-6	7
Big Kahuna	8	3	0	5	-14	6
High 5	8	0	1	7	-52	1

HUA HIN SOCIAL POOL LEAGUE

RESULTS
WEEK 2 17TH JANUARY 2018
All Nations GH 12 - 7 Bluebell bar
JW Black 14 - 5 Booz Bar
Jungle Juice Cheetas 9 - 10 JJ Leopards
Limelight 10 - 9 King Bar A
N&G bar 12 - 7 Coconuts bar
Pink Panther Cato 7 - 12 JW Red
Tiger Bar 10 - 9 Bentho Bar

FIXTURES
WEEK 3 24TH JANUARY 2018
Bluebell bar v Bentho Bar
Booz Bar v Jungle Juice Cheetas
Coconuts bar v JW Black
JW Red v All Nations GH
JJ Leopards v Pink Panther Cato
King Bar A v N&G bar
Limelight v Tiger Bar

LEAGUE TABLE

Team	P	W	L	+/-	Pts
JW Black	2	2	0	12	4
N&G bar	2	2	0	12	4
Bentho Bar	2	1	1	10	2
Jungle Juice Cheetas	2	1	1	6	2
King Bar	2	1	1	2	2
Coconuts bar	2	1	1	-2	2
JW Red	2	1	1	-2	2
Jungle Juice L'pards	2	1	1	-2	2
Limelight	2	1	1	-2	2
Tiger Bar	2	1	1	-2	2
Pink Panther Cato	2	1	1	-4	2
All Nations GH	2	1	1	-6	2
Bluebell bar	2	0	2	-6	0
Booz Bar	2	0	2	-16	0

FRIENDS OF HUA HIN WEDNESDAY POOL LEAGUE

RESULTS
WEEK 15 17TH JANUARY 2018
High Five Bar 9 - 11 Mucky Duck
Muan Bar 9 - 11 Master Cues
Sunset Boulevard 11 - 9 Silver Fox
T.K. Roadhouse 10 - 10 Bobby's Bangers

FIXTURES
WEEK 16 24TH JANUARY 2018
Bobby's Bangers v Muan Bar
Master Cues v Sunset Boulevard
Mucky Duck v Bobby's Beauties
T.K. Roadhouse v High Five Bar

LEAGUE TABLE

Team	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
Master Cues	15	14	1	0	136	29
T.K. Roadhouse	14	9	1	4	28	19
Bobby's Bangers	13	5	5	3	12	15
Muan Bar	14	6	2	6	18	14
Silver Fox	14	6	2	6	-34	14
Sunset B'vard	14	5	3	6	-14	13
Mucky Duck	14	4	3	7	-10	11
Bobby's B'ties	14	5	0	9	-20	10
High Five Bar	14	0	1	13	-116	1

NWPL NEW WEDNESDAY POOL LEAGUE

RESULTS
WEEK 22 17TH JANUARY 2018
Fame 13 - 9 Jaew Bar
Home Bar One 17 - 5 Aonzy Bar
Sabai Bar 14 - 8 Home Bar Two
Squealing Pig 12 - 10 BRGC@Bar80
Tores Bar 11 - 11 Breeze Bar
Tree Bar 17 - 5 Noum Bar

FIXTURES
The season is over. Congratulations to BRGC@Bar80 on winning the league. New season details will appear here when available.

LEAGUE TABLE

Team	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
BRGC@Bar80	22	18	1	3	114	55
Home Bar Two	22	17	0	5	88	51
Sabai Bar	22	18	0	4	86	51
Home Bar One	22	14	1	7	56	43
Tree Bar	22	12	1	9	40	37
Fame	22	8	4	10	-16	28
Squealing Pig	22	9	1	12	-16	28
Tores Bar	22	7	3	12	-18	24
Jaew Bar	22	7	3	12	-16	21
Breeze Bar	22	5	6	11	-68	21
Aonzy Bar	22	3	2	17	-130	11
Noum Bar	22	1	4	17	-120	7

Please note: Some points deductions have been made to three teams

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POOL LEAGUES

TUESDAY POOL LEAGUE SOI 94

RESULTS
WEEK 8 16TH JANUARY 2018
Arilds Bar 16 - 4 Na-Na Bar
Connections Bar 13 - 7 Nalee Bar Eight
Forget Me Not 11 - 9 MausiBar
Home Bar One 17 - 3 Tore Bar
Nalee Bar Nine 11 - 9 Tiki-Bar
Tree-Bar 10 - 10 Home Bar Two

FIXTURES
WEEK 9 23RD JANUARY 2018
Home Bar One v Tree-Bar
MausiBar v Home Bar Two
Na-Na Bar v Connections Bar
Nalee Bar Eight v Forget Me Not
Tiki-Bar v Arilds Bar
Tore Bar v Nalee Bar Nine

LEAGUE TABLE

Team	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
Tiki-Bar	8	6	0	2	62	123
Home Bar One	7	6	0	1	56	110
Arilds Bar	8	4	1	3	34	106
Connections Bar	8	7	0	1	20	104
Tree-Bar	8	3	3	2	16	97
Nalee Bar Nine	7	5	1	1	20	91
Home Bar Two	8	3	1	4	-10	82
Tore Bar	8	3	0	5	-32	70
Nalee Bar Eight	8	1	1	6	-38	64
Na-Na Bar	7	2	1	4	-26	62
MausiBar	8	1	0	7	-46	59
Forget Me Not	7	1	0	6	-56	44

HUA HIN SOI 80 TUESDAY POOL LEAGUE

RESULTS
WEEK 6 16TH JANUARY 2018
Bar 80 Nomads 14 - 4 Nok Bar 2
Exotic Bar 13 - 5 Ma Di Bar
Mona Bar v Mint Bar n/a
Nok Bar 1 7 - 11 Bar 80 Saloon
Som Bar 15 - 3 Hut Bar

FIXTURES
WEEK 7 23RD JANUARY 2018
Bar 80 Saloon v Exotic Bar
Ma Di Bar v Hut Bar
Mint Bar v Bar 80 Nomads
Mona Bar v Som Bar
Nok Bar 2 v Nok Bar 1

LEAGUE TABLE

Team	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
Bar 80 Nomads	6	5	1	0	28	79
Exotic Bar	6	4	0	2	22	73
Nok Bar 1	6	4	0	2	22	73
Mint Bar	5	4	1	0	20	64
Mona Bar	5	4	0	1	10	58
Bar 80 Saloon	6	2	0	4	-2	57
Nok Bar 2	6	2	2	2	-8	56
Som Bar	6	1	1	4	-6	54
Ma Di Bar	6	0	1	5	-30	40
Hut Bar	6	0	0	6	-56	26

LEAGUES NOT CURRENTLY RUNNING

Details of new seasons will be printed here when available. Organisers please contact AWOL with any information.

HUA HIN POOL BILLIARD LEAGUE

HUA HIN WEDNESDAY POOL LEAGUE

HUA HIN STAR POOL LEAGUE

HUA HIN/KHAO TAKIAB LADIES POOL LEAGUE

RESULTS
WEEK 16 15TH JANUARY 2018
Aonzy 0 - 22 Tk Roadhouse
High Five 7 - 15 Master Cue
Mausi Bar 11 - 11 Sunset Boulevard
Muan Bar 15 - 7 Silver Fox
Patty'88 v The Connection n/a
Silver Fox..Kh 16 - 6 Tore's Bar
The Squealing Pig 12 - 10 Muan..Super

FIXTURES
WEEK 17 22ND JANUARY 2018
Master Cue v Patty'88
Muan Bar v The Squealing Pig
Silver Fox v Aonzy
Sunset Boulevard v Silver Fox..Kh
The Connection v Mausi Bar
TK Roadhouse v High Five
Tore's Bar v Muan..Super

LEAGUE TABLE

Team	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
Muan..Super	16	12	1	3	96	25
Master Cue	14	11	2	1	88	24
Muan Bar	13	9	3	1	70	21
Squealing Pig	14	9	2	3	28	20
Sunset B'vard	14	7	4	3	52	18
Tk Roadhouse	14	8	1	5	36	17
The Connection	13	7	1	5	26	15
Patty'88	13	5	3	5	-4	13
Silver Fox..Kh	14	6	0	8	-40	12
Silver Fox	14	5	0	9	-20	10
Mausi Bar	16	4	1	11	-54	9
Tore's Bar	16	3	2	11	-26	8
High Five	14	2	2	10	-72	6
Aonzy	15	1	0	14	-180	2

FIXTURES

(all times Thailand)

SATURDAY 20TH JANUARY 2018
PREMIER LEAGUE
Brighton v Chelsea 19:30
Arsenal v Crystal Palace 22:00
Burnley v Manchester United 22:00
Everton v West Bromwich Albion 22:00
Leicester City v Watford 22:00
Stoke City v Huddersfield Town 22:00
West Ham United v Bournemouth 22:00
CHAMPIONSHIP
Derby County v Bristol City 02:45
Aston Villa v Barnsley 22:00
Bolton Wanderers v Ipswich Town 22:00
Fulham v Burton Albion 22:00
Leeds United v Millwall 22:00
Norwich City v Sheffield United 22:00
Preston N.E v Birmingham City 22:00
QPR v Middlesbrough 22:00
Reading v Brentford 22:00
Sunderland v Hull City 22:00
Wolves v Nottingham Forest 22:00

SUNDAY 21ST JANUARY 2018
PREMIER LEAGUE
Manchester City v Newcastle Utd 00:30
Southampton v Tottenham H. 23:00
CHAMPIONSHIP
Sheffield Wednesday v Cardiff City 00:30
SCOTTISH CUP - FOURTH ROUND
Fraserburgh v Rangers 19:00
Heart of Midlothian v Hibernian 21:05

TUESDAY 23RD JANUARY 2018
PREMIER LEAGUE
Swansea City v Liverpool 03:00

WEDNESDAY 24TH JANUARY 2018
SCOTTISH PREMIERSHIP
Partick Thistle v Celtic 02:45
EFL CUP - SEMI-FINAL
Bristol City v Manchester City 02:45
(agg. 1 - 2)

THURSDAY 25TH JANUARY 2018
SCOTTISH PREMIERSHIP
Dundee v Hibernian 02:45
Hamilton Academical v Hearts 02:45
Kilmarnock v St Johnstone 02:45
Motherwell v Ross County 02:45
Rangers v Aberdeen 02:45
EFL CUP - SEMI-FINAL
Arsenal v Chelsea 03:00 (Agg 0-0)

ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE TABLE

	Team	P	GD	PTS
1	Man City	23	50	62
2	Man Utd	23	32	50
3	Liverpool	23	26	47
4	Chelsea	23	25	47
5	Tottenham	23	25	44
6	Arsenal	23	11	39
7	Burnley	23	-1	34
8	Leicester	23	2	31
9	Everton	23	-13	27
10	Watford	23	-9	26
11	West Ham	23	-12	25
12	Crystal Palace	23	-12	25
13	Bournemouth	23	-11	24
14	Huddersfield	23	-20	24
15	Newcastle	23	-10	23
16	Brighton	23	-12	23
17	Southampton	23	-11	21
18	Stoke	23	-27	20
19	West Brom	23	-12	19
20	Swansea	23	-21	17

FANTASY PREMIER LEAGUE - AWOL CHALLENGE

	Team	GW	TOT
1	Colonial	71	1305
2	Mr. Cha Aming	71	1302
3	Lost Cafe	82	1288
4	Carthorses Are Go	79	1287
5	RentMyThaiVilla	87	1286
6	FC ROCA	73	1254
7	AC Clacton	39	1232
8	HH Jambos	54	1199
9	AWOL Wanderers	71	1154
10	Wanderlust United	80	1154
11	Dannyxcollinz	56	1150
12	JR Brutd S.C	63	1099
13	Portsmoth city	61	1085
14	Atletico Pathetico	73	1082
15	Hua hin jambos	49	1055
16	Frankies 11	32	1021
17	Pink Panther AFC	43	949
18	Shortimeagain	46	930
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FEATURED GAME

SATURDAY 20TH JANUARY 2018
PREMIER LEAGUE
Stoke City v Huddersfield Town 22:00
Stoke's appointment of Paul Lambert to replace Mark Hughes has not gone down well with many Potters fans, but equally Hughes seemed to have no way to turn his sides fortunes around. If they are to survive, they have to win games like this; however Huddersfield are better than last week's result against West Ham indicated, and this is also a game they need to win to halt their own slide. We expect them to do so, and pile the pressure on the new manager, but we think there will be goals for both sides.

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FAMILY MAN

RYAN GIGGS ASKS PLAYERS TO BRING PHOTOS OF THEIR WIVES TO FIRST TRAINING SESSION

● **WALES**

New Wales manager Ryan Giggs has already proved to be a family friendly coach by insisting that all players bring in pictures of their wives and girlfriends when they meet for their first training camp.

Giggs, who has a history of making the most of his close family, requested that, in order to cheer up his office, he would rather have sunny holiday snaps taken on the beach or by the pool.

One senior Wales player told us today, "It's really fantastic that Ryan is showing such a strong interest in our family life, and is very keen to make sure that our female partners are here in spirit to support us."

It has even been rumoured that, once training sessions are underway, Giggs will go well beyond what would normally be expected of him as team manager, and go out of his way to visit the WAGs at home – in order to make sure that they aren't getting lonely while their partners train.

"He's just a top bloke," the player went on, "to think that he would selflessly find time in his busy schedule to go and check on the girls, well, it speaks volumes for the kind of man that he is.

"I'm sure if the girls do need anything, anything at all, he'll make sure that they get it."

The Welsh FA today stated that the focus on Giggs' new role would be firmly on "creating a new generation of young welsh talent, and we are sure that Ryan Giggs will be pivotal in doing just that."

Left: Ryan Giggs contemplates the happy and trusting atmosphere that he will oversee

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