



Phuket International Women's Club

e-newsletter

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CLUB NEWS

Hello Members and Friends

What an exciting month for our club. Every year the Vocational College in Phuket put on a lunch for our members and guests to thank us for our support throughout each year. This is a beautiful day where the students showcase their talents and where we can in turn show our support for them by purchasing from their stalls. The students also show us how talented they are with some entertainment as well. Please do try to come to this lunch – you will not be disappointed.

Secondly November is the month for our Annual Gala Ball. No doubt many of you already have your tickets for this wonderful event but for those who have not yet purchased your tickets, you have just enough time to get organised. More later in the newsletter.

SCHOLARSHIPS

As mentioned in the last newsletter all scholarship presentations have been completed for this semester. But of course, as time seems to fly by so quickly, it is almost time to begin thinking about the next semester presentations. Thanks to the Scholarship committee, lead by Carol Fryer, for doing an amazing job.

LAST MONTHS ACTIVITIES

Make sure you check out our new website phuketiwc.com There are lots of regular activities listed there for you to peruse.

A huge thank you to Stuart Bird at the Watermark for yet again, another great lunch.

Also thanks to Lyn Carthew for welcoming members to her home for a coffee morning on 23 October.

Scrapbooking was a new addition to our normal activities, hosted by Liz Charles. Liz is happy to have another morning teaching us this craft, maybe early next year so if you are interested, watch out for information in the newsletter.

UP AND COMING

Monthly Lunch

To be held Thursday 20th November, as mentioned above, at the Vocational College. You will already have received notification of this lunch in the past week. Please do not forget to reply no later than Tuesday 18th November at 5 pm to sprattmargaret@yahoo.com

Christmas Lunch

Oh my gosh – I can hear you say! Yes Christmas is almost upon us. We generally have our Christmas lunch early each year to accommodate all of the members who leave Phuket for the festive season. Our lunch this year will be held on THURSDAY 11 DECEMBER at Twin Palms. This is always such a fun day and of course The Twin Palms lunches are always fantastic.

We will also be having a Christmas tree under which you can place a gift for a child less privileged than ourselves if you wish. This should be gift wrapped, have a maximum value of B200 per gift and be along the lines of stationary, coloured pencils etc. The children love anything like that. It should be suitable for ages 4 – 10 and for either girls or boys. We look forward to seeing lots of gifts under our tree. There is no limit to the number of gifts you can put there.

You will be receiving separate notification of this lunch but please make sure you pencil it into your diaries.

Special Spa Event

We have been given an opportunity to go to Naka Yai Island for a day of pampering at the Six Senses Spa, sometime early 2009 – again watch this space! Also watch for the fantastic discount for this event!

Insider's Guide to Phuket

The new PIWC publication "The Insiders' Guide to Phuket" has turned out to be very popular. This book tries to make living in Phuket a bit easier. Copies are available for B100 from Jennie at speedispeed@hotmail.com. New members get a copy included with their joining pack. Comments on improvements, additions, errors would be most welcome and can be sent to Jennie or Christine sweetpea_robinson@yahoo.com

ANNUAL GALA BALL

It is now only two weeks to our Gala Ball. If you do not yet have your tickets act quickly to avoid disappointment. Don't forget the number of tickets available this year are limited. Reminder: tickets are 4000 Baht each, including absolutely everything from the champagne reception onwards. You can contact Joan on imm@loxinfo.co.th or Carole on 085721332

The local businesses have been very supportive and have donated some fantastic items for the auction, silent auctions and raffles. These include a trip for 2 to Dubai with hotel, a trip to Singapore for 2 with hotel, a villa in Portugal for 8, a ski chalet in Norway for 6, boat trips and so much more. The organizers have promised no more than 10 minutes will be spent for the live auctions so that we can enjoy the music of the Lai Thai Orchestra. I defy anyone to resist tapping his or her feet to this fantastic sound.

Remember also that you can book accommodation at the Hilton for the night at the reduced rate of Baht 2400+-. Just contact Reservations at the Hilton and quote the PIWC Gala Ball.

Please note that the Hilton has reduced its room rates by B300 and those who have already booked will get the new rate. Thank you Hilton. They are pulling out all the stops to help us make this a great function.

MEMBERS NEWS AND NEW MEMBERS

- Welcome to new members Amanda Wentzell, Becky Scott, Dao Ratchompoo, Jenny Gardner, Karen Ignatowicz, Kim Sae-tang, Mam Pornpolthong, Susan Hodgson and Ulla Amsinck.
- Welcome back to Phuket all our members who have been back to their home towns for the European summer. It is great to see you all back again.
- Congratulations to Lani, Jane and Linda on the arrival of their new grandchildren, there may well be others, let us know your news.

NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS

We have now made the transition to the new e-mail system so if you need to send an e-mail to us you can use info@phuketiwc.com

MARK YOUR CALENDERS!

Nov 13	Meet and Greet 10a.m –12p.m.	Starbucks At Central Festival	
Nov 20	Lunch at The Vocational College	Phuket Town	Replies to sprattmargaret@yahoo.com
Nov 29	PIWC GALA BALL 'Diamonds are Forever'	Hilton Arcadia Hotel Karon	Tickets from Joan Watson imm@loxinfo.co.th
Dec 11	Christmas Lunch	Twin Palms Resort	

Weekly Activities

Day	Activity	Place	Contact
Mondays	Mah Jong 9.30 a.m.	Member's House	Christine sweetpea_robinson@yahoo.com
	Bridge 1.30 p.m	2Gusti, Central	Christine: sweetpea_robinson@yahoo.com
Tuesday	Golf 1.00 p.m.	Laguna Phuket Golf Club	Marion: m_tideman@yahoo.com
Wednesday	Tennis 8 a.m.	Hilton Hotel	Christine: sweetpea_robinson@yahoo.com
Tues/Fri	Pilates	Carol Morris Home	Jill Robson Jill.robson@gmail.com