



Phuket International Women's Club

e-newsletter

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CLUB NEWS

Hello Members and Friends

In our last newsletter it was noted that it was raining heaps here in Phuket town. Well luckily at present we are having wonderful weather. For the so-called wet season, this is great. However we still have a 'flood' of information and events to keep you all on your toes for the coming month. Things have been somewhat quieter here lately but now that it's October, we all look forward to the return of all those members who cannot stay in Europe for the cold season! Anyway we welcome you back with open arms. Hope you all enjoyed your time away.

SCHOLARSHIPS

We are very pleased to be able to announce that all scholarship presentations have been completed for this year. By all accounts, the recipients of the scholarships are very happy and so should you all be. The efforts put in by the membership throughout the year, especially for our GALA BALL, are what make this all happen. Members are now working hard to make that a success so that we may continue the good work.

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.

Once again our lunch organiser Carole Dux organised a great lunch at Café Java on Bang Tao Beach. What a gorgeous setting. Khun Alen and Gwen ensured a lovely spread and as usual, the company was fun.

Thanks also to Bangkok Phuket Hospital for hosting our morning coffee on Thursday 25th September.

UP AND COMING

Monthly Lunch

To be held Thursday 16th October at the wonderful Watermark Restaurant at the Boat Lagoon. The Watermark staff always make our club and members very welcome so please do support this event. Please email Carole Dux on mummydux@hotmail.com no later than 5 pm Tuesday 14th October.

October Coffee Morning – 23rd October

Lyn Carthew will be hosting a morning coffee for us on October 23rd. Lyn lives in Kamala. We will have directions sent out closer to the date. Lyn will give you a great big welcome to her gorgeous home overlooking the ocean. Thanks Lyn.

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 Speed at speedjspeed@hotmail.com. New members get a free copy. Comments on improvements, additions, errors would be most welcome and can be sent to Jennie or Christine sweetpea_robinson@yahoo.com

ANNUAL GALA BALL

Tickets for the ball are going fast so avoid disappointment and get yours quickly. Don't forget the number of tickets available this year are limited. Reminder: tickets are 4000 Baht each. Contact Joan on imm@loxinfo.co.th to either organise a table of 10 or if you prefer, Joan will place you on someone else's table.

The Hilton are pulling out all the stops to make this a memorable evening and are offering a superb menu. The price also includes champagne reception, free flow wines and spirits and, of course, the fabulous Lai Thai Orchestra, guaranteed to get everyone's feet tapping.

The theme, for those who have missed it somehow, is "Diamonds are Forever"

Of course we are still seeking sponsors for the Gala Ball. We also need offers for the raffle or items for the silent auction. Please contact Carole Dux at mummydux@hotmail.com if you know of anyone you think would like to be generous to us in this way.

Remember also that you can book accommodation at the Hilton for the night at the reduced rate of Baht 2700++. Just contact Reservations at the Hilton and quote the PIWC Gala Ball.

MEMBERS NEWS AND NEW MEMBERS

- Welcome to new members Cristy Baker, Gamze Northen, Natalie Grassmann, Sarah Johnston and Susie Costello.
- Baby Ruby is doing much better now. She is thriving, gaining weight and looks like she will be well enough to have her heart operation towards the end of this year. Thanks for everyone's help and concern.
- Update on David Dobson: David has had a 10 hour operation for skin grafts and thankfully all went well. He is hoping to be out of hospital some time this month – after nearly two months. What a blessing that he has done so well after his terrible accident.
- The club would like to send our condolences to Maggy and Robert Wigman on the passing of Robert's mother. You are in our thoughts.
- Congratulations to Jackie Bettles on winning the prize for the best score on the final day of the Hong Kong Mid Amateur Open Ladies Golf Tournament last week
- Look at the calendar below to see where our performing members - Karen and Denise - will be showing their respective talents at the 1st Phuket Fringe Festival October 4-13.
- There is going to be a 'PHUKET YESTERYEAR' ball on 22 October at The Royal Phuket City Hotel. There will be Dinner and a stage show and more information and tickets can be obtained by contacting Wipa on 0818924247 or wmk@loxinfo.co.th

HELP NEEDED – PLEASE

We need some volunteers to man (or woman) a stall at the IBAP (International Business Association of Phuket) Fair at Central on Saturday and/or Sunday 25th/26th October. If you would be happy to volunteer 2 hours of your time on those dates, please notify Sue Arnulphy on arnulphy@loxinfo.co.th. Times will be from 10 am – 7 pm on both days.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Oct 9	Meet and Greet 10a.m –12p.m.	Starbucks At Central Festival	
Oct 5	Phuket Academy of Dance	Playhouse Theatre Restaurant Patong	Limited seating Contact: Karen lecumming@gmail.com
Oct 9	Tongues and Tales: Seductive Stories at Supper Time presented by Denise Bertrand and friends	Playhouse Theatre Restaurant Patong 7:30 includes 3 course dinner	Limited seating Contact Denise: dtbertrand@gmail.com 0831819079
Oct 11	PAWS – Annual Fund Raiser	Royal Ascot at Laguna	Contact: Athena Athena@phuket.ksc.co.th 0851979416
Oct 23	Coffee Morning 10 a.m. 12 p.m.	Lyn Carthew Kamala	Contact: Lyn Carthew lyncarthew@hotmail.com or 0813979145
29 Nov	THE GALA BALL!	Hilton Arcadia Hotel	Contact: Carole Dux mummydux@hotmail.com

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