



Phuket International Women's Club

e-newsletter

September 2008

CLUB NEWS

Hello Members and Friends,

When it rains it sometimes pours and for the last couple of days it certainly has been pouring here in Phuket. You may find that this newsletter is over flowing with news, updates, reminders and the Mark your Calendars has a few new items wherein our members will be either hosting, presenting or performing. So if it is raining now, I suggest grab a cuppa something hot and enjoy the newsletter.

SCHOLARSHIPS

On August 20th at Satee Auditorium the Scholarship Committee proudly presented 180 of the 250 scholarships awarded to this year's selected students. Many members of the press were present and highlights of our event were aired on NBT (Channel 5), Channel 11 and Phuket gazette TV.

This is the culmination of the year's work for the scholarship committee. Without the hard work of Khun Wipa and Khun Carol Fryer in particular we would not have been as organized as we were. Some students had tears in their eyes and others you could just feel the gratitude pouring out of them. Thanks as well to all the members who gave their support on that day.

LAST MONTHS ACTIVITIES

The new website is a work in progress, but it can be accessed by going to WWW.PHUKETIWC.COM Why not have a look and bookmark it on your browser.

Those who were present at the Tawai lunch said it was fantastic. Khun Noi, our lovely host, has promised us a cooking lesson as well as learning some 'old' family recipes". We also know Khun Noi enjoyed herself as she has now re-registered with us as a PIWC member. Welcome back Noi!

A big thank you as well goes to Peter and team at Les Anges for putting up a great coffee morning.

UP AND COMING

Monthly Lunch

To be held the third Thursday of the month at Java Café on Bang Tao Beach. Great view! Map arriving soon in your email account.

September Coffee Morning – 25th September

Bangkok Phuket Hospital will be hosting a morning coffee for us on September 25th. We shall be having a talk about healthy topics. We will update you soon via email.

Insider's Guide to Phuket

A new PIWC publication "The Insiders' Guide to Phuket" tries to make living in Phuket a bit easier. Puzzled by how to get a Thai driving license or how to pay your electricity bill? Where do you get those difficult to get items? A trio of members have put together their "insiders knowledge" of Phuket in a booklet. Copies 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 - REPORT

Ticket sales for the ball are doing well, to avoid disappointment or having to look for scalpers, get your tickets now. We are selling 350 tickets this year. Tickets are 4000 Baht each. Contact Joan on imm@loxinfo.co.th

Members, we are still actively 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 whom you think would like to be generous to us in this way.

Come and dance to the great Lai Thai Orchestra to our theme "Diamonds are Forever"

MEMBERS NEWS AND NEW MEMBERS

- Congratulations to John and Jennie Speed on their 50th Wedding anniversary.
- Congratulations to Pavinee and Bernard Moran on the adoption of their little baby, Nicole.
- Look at the calendar below to see where our performing members; Karen and denise (yep me) will be showing their respective talents at the 1st Phuket Fringe Festival October 4-13.
- The whole club joins us in wishing David Dobson a speedy recovery after his frightening accident.
- Lets welcome Barbara Wiley from America and of course as already mentioned Khun Siranda Panpetch (who we know as Noi).

Hope it has stopped raining by now!
denise Bertrand

MARK YOUR CALENDERS!

Sept 11	Meet and Greet 10a.m –12p.m.	Starbucks At Central Festival	
Sept 13	Soi Dog Foundation Fundraiser	Evanson Phuket and Six Senses Spa	Contact: Joan Watson imm@loxinfo.co.th
Sept 18- Oct 29	Photo Exhibition by Ilse Gibson	Mom Tri's Boathouse	Contact: Ilse Gibson Dr.Gibson@web.de
Sept 18	Lunch 11.30-2p.m.	Café Java Restaurant Bang Tao Beach	Contact: Carole Dux mummydux@hotmail.com
Sept 25	Coffee Morning 10 a.m. 12 p.m.	Bangkok Phuket Hospital	Contact: K. Wipa wmk@loxinfo.co.th
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
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