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# SOUTH WIND

## THE ROTARY CLUB OF BANGKOK SOUTH



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### Fellowship Day

No 3426

3 February 2012

#### Rtn Chris Thatcher Why teachers drink

After a couple of last minute speaker cancellations for the Friday lunch on 20 January, Rotarian Chris Thatcher graciously stepped in to give us a follow-up to his talk last year on his experiences as a teacher in the British school system. However, this particular version of his talk was titled, "Why Teachers Drink", but the reason for the new title was not immediately apparent.



Indeed, Chris began the presentation by again relating some anecdotes about his experiences, both at school and at national teacher conferences, where it appears that teachers not only drink extensively, but engage in all forms of "social interaction". The President of the National Teachers Association (Rtn Chris) seems to have been particularly "lucky" in that regard.

While these stories of mild drunken debauchery on the education circuit

were certainly entertaining, the real fun began when Chris switched to his powerpoint presentation and showed us the real reason "Why Teachers Drink".

The presentation consisted of a series of clever but incorrect answers students gave to exam questions.

These included:

Question: Briefly explain what hard water is.

Answer: Ice

Question: What was Sir Walter Raleigh famous for?

Answer: He is a noted figure in history because he invented cigarettes and started a craze for bicycles.

Question: What did Mahatma Gandhi and Genghis Khan have in common?

Answer: Unusual names.

Question: Name six animals which live specifically in the Arctic.

Answer: Two polar bears and four seals.

Question: Where was the America Declaration of Independence signed?

Answer: At the bottom.

Question: What is the meaning of the word 'varicose'?

Answer: Close by.

Question: Explain the phrase 'free press'.

Answer: When your mum irons trousers for you.

Question: Where was Hadrian's Wall built?

Answer: Around Hadrian's garden.

It was rather obvious from the laughter in the room that the members of Bangkok South appreciated the irreverence of the students' answers and possibly remembered some of their own school day hijinks, so many years ago. It was definitely a Friday lunch to remember and the perfect way to kick off the weekend.

Article by Rtn Dean Outerson



# Rotary in pictures

Perhaps a new record in giving away and receiving club banners...



**Per Henriksen**  
Ostesjo, Norway



**Lars Wensell**  
Oslo, Norway



**Jarmo Snominen**  
Naantali, Finland



**Robert Glazier**  
Eppine, UK



Caught in the act, Rtn Ken tries to hide in vain

▶  
**Khun Prakai's**  
final time to  
work the front  
desk... fol-  
lowed by  
lunch with  
those who  
have worked  
the closest  
with her over  
the past few  
years.



▶  
**Rtn Frank**  
and PP Don  
having fun



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## Khun Khob's Club Almanac

No 3426

3 February 2012

### Happy Birthdays

PP Don Lavoie (2 February)  
 Tim Cornwall (6 February)  
 PP Krit Wongsangarunsri (8 February)



Attendance for 20 January 2012: 69%  
 Present 42, Make-up 15, Absent 26, Exemption 26,  
 Total 109

### Visiting on 20 January 2012

RC Bangkok, Satpal Sachdev

### From Abroad

Per Dibber (Bruxelles Vesale, Belgium)  
 Lars Wensell (Oslo, Norway)  
 Jarmo Snominen (Naantali, Finland)  
 Per Henriksen (Ostesjo, Norway)  
 Mark Wolf (Bruxelles, Belgium)  
 Robert Glazier (Eppine, UK)

### Invited Guests

Ben Ferguson  
 James Burnett  
 Kristian Wewsell  
 Ritla Snominen  
 Stuart Luciani

### Introduced by

John Cassella  
 Steve Cook  
 Mark Butters  
 Jarmo Snominen  
 Doug Riach

### Recent Make-up

Suriwong, 13/12/11: PP Koichiro Ishihira  
 Sathorn, 19/12/11: IPP Andrew MacPherson, PE Nick Pisalyaput, Arie Bloed

### Make-up Credit

**Golf Committee, 13/01/12:** Chris Thatcher, Douglas Riach, John Watson, Junior Shaw, Nathan Christoff, Tyrone Jenkins

**Board of Directors 2011/12, 16/01/12:** P. Mark Butters, Dana Caron, Adrian Topham, Rakesh Sodhia, Douglas Riach, Jon Plate, David Record, and Dean Outerson

**Golf Committee, 16/01/12:** Douglas Riach, Jamie Cummiskey, Stan Bailey

## Club Calendar

Friday, 3 February  
 Fellowship Program

Friday, 10 February  
 TBA

*Polio Plus Phase 2: 15 February 2012*

Friday, 17 February  
 Khun Arin Jira  
 ASEAN Economic Community 2015  
 (AEC 2015)

### Thursday, 01 March 2012 Club Golf Tournament

**For Bangkok South Events**  
[rotarybangkoksouth.org/  
 calendar-of-events](http://rotarybangkoksouth.org/calendar-of-events)

### Khun Prakai's Retirement Lunch, 19/01/12:

Adrian Topham, Andrew MacPherson, Carol Kuhn, Chip Bowness, Chris Thatcher, Dana Caron, Dean Outerson, Don Lavoie, Frank Crocker, Gary White, Graham Brain, Jim Fowler, John Quarby, Jon Plate, Krit Wongsangarunsri, Leo Alexanderson, Manu Mekdhanasarn, Marco Casanova, Mark Butters, Mike Schulz, Narinder Sachdev, Nart Liuchareon, Nigel Hardy, Niti Meyer, Peter Upperton, Praphan Hutasingh, Prasert Mangkornkarn, Rakesh Sodhia, Renato Porzio, Rui Belo, Tim Cornwall, Tyrone Jenkins, Vibul Pattarathammas, Vichai Tantrativud, Volker Betsch, Wanit Mekdhanasarn, Wolfgang Minderjahn, Yongyuth Tirachaimongkol

**Golf Committee, 20/01/12:** Douglas Riach, Chip Bowness, Mike Shultz, Tyrone Jenkins, Junior Shaw, Arie Bloed, Tim Cornwall, Ron Livingstone, Morgan Perkins,

**Incoming Board, 23/01/12:** Nick Pisalyaput, Vince Shueh, Tyrone Jenkins, Narain Suradejvibul, Michael Schulz, Dana Caron, Junior Shaw, Chip Bowness, Jon Plate, Rakesh Sodhia



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