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August 28 - 30

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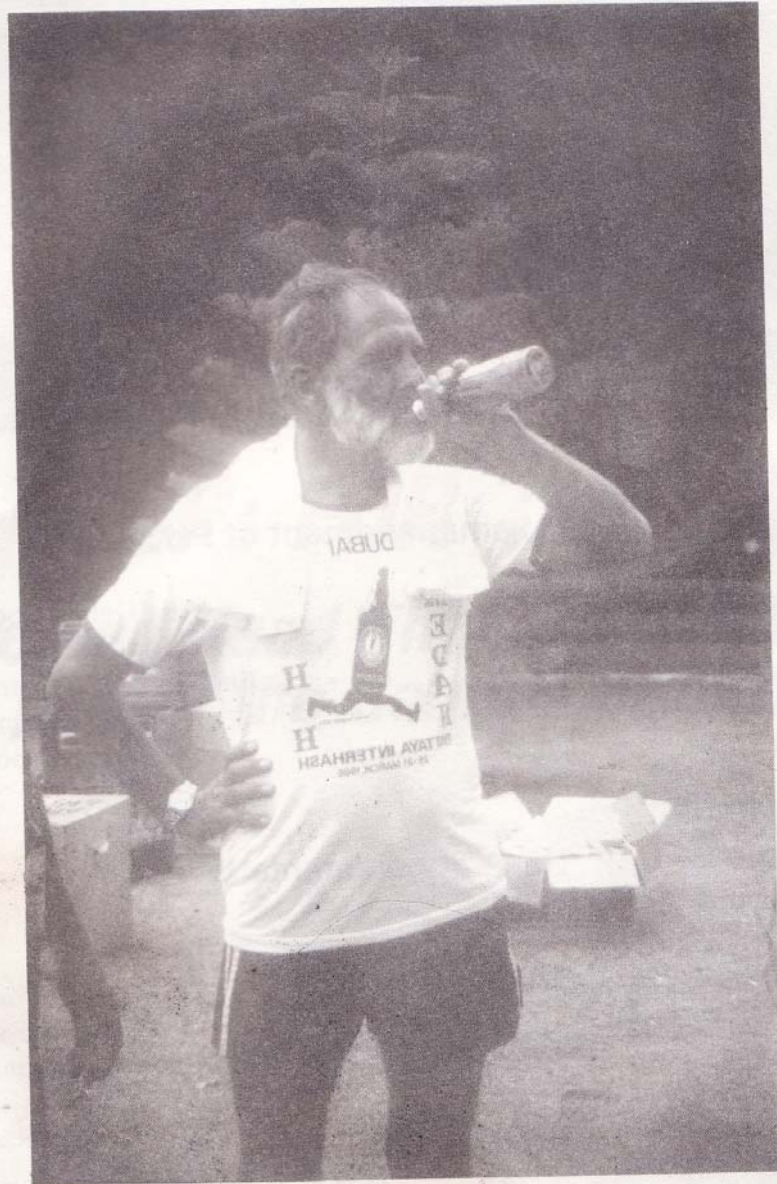
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Mathew Hedrick
Sri Keenan
Jim Simpson
Frans Recourt
Marie Cooke
Inica Jan Vet
Hannes Birbaun





Alan Cooke

HashAsia '87

Programme of Events

Friday, August 28

- 2:30 pm Registration commences at Holiday Inn.
Come on over and collect your kit.
- 6:30 pm HashAsia '87 Reception
Official Welcome
Buffet Dinner and Show
- 10:00 pm Time to investigate the Patong Beach Bar scene.

Saturday, August 29

- 3:00 pm Buses depart for run sites.
HashAsia '87 Runs around Phuket Island.
- Giant On-On-On
Hashers entertain each other.
Boat Races and Down-Down Contest.

Sunday, August 30

- 3:00 pm Buses deoart for run sites
Select a different run today
Giant On-On-On Part 2.
Wrap up.

Monday, August 31

- 5:00 pm Phuket Hash House Harriers Run No. 67
Area south of Patong Bay.
Assembly details at Holiday Inn.

INFORMATION

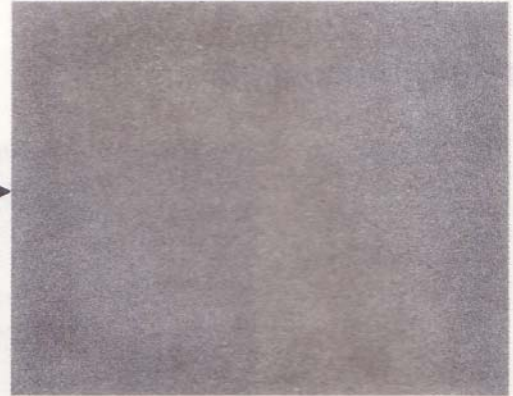
HashAsia '87 information points, at both the Holiday Inn and also the Lucky Star Bar, will be manned throughout the weekend at different times.

LOST PROPERTY

Please hand in anything that you find, with name of finder, to the Secretariat office at the Holiday Inn. If something has gone missing you should report its loss, where and approximately when.

Serious Stuff

This is "paper"



We have used the Phuket Hash system for laying paper. The trail will be marked with yellow paper printed with HashAsia on one side.

If you find white paper, and you shouldn't, ignore it.

The trails will be laid with handfuls of yellow paper at 5 to 10 metre intervals or closer when on an undefined track.

Checks and falsies will NOT be indicated with signs or symbols.

When there is no paper, then you are on either a check or a falsie. The next paper will be found within a 100 metres radius. That means it could be up to 100 metres straight on or off to the left or right, or even 100 metres back from the last paper. Go look for it!

Hash Etiquette

Please take care when in cultivated areas. Remember we Phuket Hashers will want to run the area again one day.

Regarding any personal gear and bags left in the buses while on the run. We shall endeavour to keep an eye on it but cannot accept any responsibility for loss.



Birth of the Hashers

by Jane Wilsdon



A few weeks ago I reported that some people were interested in starting a Hash House Harrier club on the island.

Well, that interest has now grown into a reality, and the Phuket Hash House Harriers held their second hash run last Saturday evening at 5:00 p.m.

The HHH originated in Malaysia. Hash House was the nickname given to the institution food of the Selangor Club Chambers, where many bachelors and others separated from their wives (which was common of colonial life at that time) resided.

A man called Gispert is given the credit for being the one who got the whole thing off the ground in 1938/39. Unfortunately, Gispert had only a short time to view his extraordinary creation, as he was killed in fighting on Singapore Island in 1942.

Exactly what happened to him is somewhat obscure, but according to the Regimental History, he was in a position somewhere short of 200 yards up the old dairy farm road in Bukit Timah at 4:00 a.m. one morning when an enemy patrol took him by

surprise. Officially he is still just "missing".

The joint driving force behind the Phuket venture is Alan and Marie Cooke. Whilst living in Medan, Alan and Marie were the Grand Master and Grand Lady of the Medan Hash, so they have a great deal of experience when it comes to organising people, runs and trails.

I attended the second meeting last Saturday which had an attendance of 32 runners, seven up on the previous Saturday. I was a little unsure of what to expect, as I had been led to believe that the Hash House Harriers were more a drinking club than a running group, which I found out was far from the truth!

During the week prior to the run, Alan surveyed the area and worked out the hash. On the morning or the the early afternoon he then set the hash, which means he laid the paper trail.

The run should take 45 to 60 minutes, depending on the country, and the distance is approximately six kilometres or a little under. The trail for the run is laid in such a way that the strong, fast runners cover a greater distance than those who walk and just run a little.

If the run has been well laid, the fast and slow runners should reach the home base within a few minutes of each other.

There is much jargon you must learn before you start the Run, as not knowing them is unfair and rude for the other runners.

"Paper" - The paper trail laid by the hares. This is what you follow.

"On On" - When following Paper you call "On On" to announce you are on Paper and to let other hashers know so that they may also follow you.

"Are you on?" - A call to know if anyone is on Paper. The reply is either Checking or On On as appropriate.

"Check Back" - When the paper stops, those in front call Check Back for those behind to look for the Paper. This may be in any direction, so Hashers should spread out and look. When paper is found, hashers should call On On.

"Checking" - Looking for Paper. If you are doing so, this is the reply to Are You On?

"A Check" - A break in the Paper. The trail actually goes straight on but the front-runners do

not know this until they Check On.

"Falsie" - This is when the Paper leads in a false direction. The true trail will lead off elsewhere. This gives an opportunity for the slow runners to catch up, or even go to the front of the pack.

"Hash Horn" - This is sounded by the Hash Horn carrier when he is on Paper, and is a call for the Hash to follow. The Hash Horn should be a good runner.

After the Hash is finished there are cold beers and soft drinks on hand to quench your thirst, and later the Grand Master invites those who wish to join him, to a nearby restaurant for dinner - each person responsible for his own tab. The HHH welcome anyone who wishes to run with them.

Contact either Wim at the Lucky Star Bar or Neena at Neena's Bar, both in Patong, or Hannis at the Rimlay Restaurant in Rawai. Tel: 215890.

Or the Grand Master and Grand Lady (Alan and Marie Cooke) at Tel: 211970. The run is a mixed run and it is great fun. Everyone is welcome.

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Care of the Hash Boot

Gentlemen:- Nike, New Balance, Adidas, Puma, you name it and the chances are you'll see a pair at next Saturday's run. red, blue, green, 300 Baht or 2,000 Baht, all with one thing in common - Hash Boots that fall apart after no more than 10 runs. The answer gentlemen is a little bit of care and Dubbin.

Let's be frank now. How many of you arrive home on Saturday night and throw your sweaty or wet, shiggy covered boots in the general direction of the maid's room for her to "wash" on next morning with the laces still in and then place out in the full sunshine to dry out. Great - you've now got a pair of bone dry boots but the stitching has started to split and the insoles are curling up at the edges. You'll be lucky to squeeze 4 or 5 more runs out of 'em before they completely disintegrate.

Yes, the trials and tributions of the Hash are well known but if you wish to obtain a few more kilometres out of your footwear, the following systems is worthwhile:-

1. Towards the end of the On-On, place your boots in an officially

MARGARITA RESTAURANT at Patong Beach, Phuket

also 8/20 Soi Nana Nua,
Sukhumvit Road, Soi 3, Bangkok

Mexican food
Steaks
Sea food
Vegetarian food
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Wiener Schnitzel
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approved Hash Bag available from any Foodland Supermarket check-out counter and deposit carefully in trunk of car.

2. The following Sunday morning, gingerly crawl downstairs, ascertain that car is where it should be, open trunk and remove Hash Bag.

3. Inspect boots closely and if covered in shiggy proceed to remove as much as possible with wooden spatula or scraper and then place prized boots carefully back in trunk of car. Hash Bag may be washed for further use.

4. Do not open trunk of car again until Saturday morning when boots, which have been slowly drying during the week, should be removed and any surplus shiggy removed with hard bristle bursh.

5. Obtain Hash Rag from wife (for bachelors such items may be purchased from all supermarkets) and liberally apply Dubbin to all parts of boot that are, or appear to be leather, rubbing the Dubbin well into the stitching. Dubbin is a mixture of natural oils used for nourishing and waterproofing leather. It is readily available in England although may not be available in less well developed parts of the world. In this case, substitutes such as Vaseline, K-Y jelly or possibly Nivea from hound Dettmann may well be acceptable.

Use this procedure for a few weeks and you'll have supple, semi-water-proof, long lasting boots. Others may of course have other suggestions on this vexing problem.

"G"

by "Torch" Bennett in Durban

In August 1934 I arrived at Singapore on the P. & O. ship "Rajputana" to join the now defunct firm of Chartered Accountants, Evatt & Co. As we drew alongside and were looking over the rail, a ship-board friend said "You're in luck, they've sent Gispert to meet you and be your mentor". How true, he helped me enormously and we became good friends. After some years in Singapore "G" was transferred to the Malacca office and I went to Kuala Lumpur. In early 1938 I spent two months with "G" in Malacca and joined him in the weekly run of the Springgit Harriers, so called after Pringgit Hill, the enclave of Malayan Civil Servants in Malacca and who formed most of the runners. This was the seed which sprouted into the H³ when "G" finally came to K.L., the only difference was that the Springgits had female runners and we were male chauvinistic pigs in those days. The H³ flourished and in 1941 "G" who was an Englishman went on leave to Australia (which probably accounts for him being accused of being Australian in some early records), and then war broke out in the East. "G"'s leave was up and at that late stage there was a ban on people returning to Singapore, but "G" overcame that and came



A.S. "G" Gispert

back to do his duty. He was a Captain in the Volunteers, who by this time were largely disbanded, so dropped a "pip" to join the Argylls. Meanwhile Cecil Lee and I (together in the Volunteer Armoured Cars) were on the big retreat South and on reaching Johore were attached to the Argylls who were on the final inner defence of the Causeway on to Singapore Island. News had reached us that "G" was with the Argylls so after harbouring our cars, Cecil and I set out on foot to look "G" up. As we reached the H.Q. a flight of 25 Jap bombers appeared overhead and discharged their load. Cecil and I leaped into the nearest slit trench and to our amazement "G" suddenly dropped into the other end. We now move

on to 1985, last year, when I was in Scotland at a small place Port Appin on the West Coast. I found out that Brigadier Stewart, head of the Appin Stewart Clan and Colonel of the Argylls during the Malayan campaign, lived nearby, so I looked him up. He is over 90 now, very fit but deaf, and we had a very pleasant session, reminiscing. He showed me his book about the campaign, in which "G" figures prominently, he was the Mortar Officer and was killed in an ambush the day after Cecil and I last saw him. The Brigadier spoke very highly of him both as an officer and an individual. I wonder if "G" ever started a Chapter of the Hash in that place above to which he most surely went !

Torch's Letter

Dear Tim,

Many thanks for your Greetings Card and wishes which I heartily reciprocate to you and Harrier International world-wide. I did not get a card from Colin this year, is he still in Bangkok? and I trust all is well with him.

Thank you for letting me know about the Bangkok Hash,, I hope they have a memorable 500 th run and many more in the future. Although well behind K.L. I feel that they, and almost certainly through you, have done more than any other Chapter to promote the Hash world wide and produce literature to maintain interest, exchange information and keep the whole mad thing going. Long may it do so. A little query, is there any significance in the fact that a tortoise appears on the 3 baht stamp on my letter?

I have read with interest in the magazines the news of the progress of Puket (as I knew it in the 40's & 50's) to both a tourist and Hash centre. We used to manage the affairs of Puket Tin Dredging & Tin Lay which mined on the island, both I think now defunct, and I used to visit them three or four times a year. They were very interesting trips and dealing with the authorities just as crazy as I hear it still is. I remember well Charles Scott, quite a character, and the son of an early pioneer prospector who, wherever he settled down for any length of time, produced ginger haired kids and planted a coconut plantation to commemorate the event. Charles was bald when I knew him, I wonder if he is still around?

And now I must get this posted and wish you and the Hash all the best for 1987, good running and On, On,

Yours,

Torch



Torch Bennett

Where a room was 80 satang for the night

PHUKET

PAK Yok Tew, a Chinese immigrant, arrived here some 70 years ago, aged around 20, just one of many Chinese immigrants of his time.

His start in life here was typical: a year of being a five-baht-a-month labourer and a brief period as a street vendor earning two baht a day.

Later, however, he found a success in opening up his own shop selling all kinds of electrical goods and engineering equipment. He was a little over 20 by then.

By 1927 he had a two-storey concrete building of elegant architectural design standing majestically off Phangnga Road in Muang District. It was the product of his hard work and a symbol

of his wealth.

Fifty-six years have passed since, and the building, which he had originally conceived as a place to receive and house his friends, relatives and guests from distant places, has lost its 1920s modernity and gained an old-fashioned charm. It is also prob-

ably the oldest hotel in Phuket Province.

According to Mr Pak's son, Mr Keng Than-siroj, who is now over 60, groups of businessmen who thought they could make money out of the building approached Mr Pak on several occasions in its early years and proposed leasing the building to renovate it and turn it into a fully-fledged hotel. All were turned away.

There were few tourists coming to the island at that time and although Mr Pak was running a hotel business at his house — at room rates varying from 80 satang to 1.50 baht a day — he rarely had more than two or three foreign guests a week staying there. Mr Pak, however, believed that there was money to be made from the trade.

He decided to try his luck in the hotel business, and went ahead with his own plans for renovating and improving the building. The

On-On Hotel (in Cantonese it means comfort and happiness) became a success.

By that time Mr Pak was one of the wealthiest and best-known personalities in the island of Phuket, owning many businesses including a mining company.

Mr Pak died in 1967 but his hotel is still open for business as usual under the management of his sons. And even though the room rates have risen somewhat over the years to between 40 and 80 baht a night, they're still pretty good value compared with the prices charged elsewhere.

Today the On-On Hotel is the most popular stopping place in the island among small businessmen and low-budget tourists — and though it could hardly be described as first-class, its history and imposing facade put it a cut above the rest for character.



The imposing facade of the On-On Hotel.

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SINGLE ROOM.	B 70.
SINGLE WITH BATH ROOM.	B 100.
DOUBLE WITH BATH ROOM.	B 150.
AIR-CONDITIONED ROOM.	B 250.
WELCOME....	
ON ON HOTEL.....	



Doctor: Jogging is bad for women

CHICAGO, Sun. — The female body is not built for jogging, so women joggers should switch to other sports, a gynaecologist says.

"Women are not built for jogging," Dr Allan G. Charles of Michael Reese Hospital and Medical centre said. "I will be accused of being a male chauvinist, but the facts are that the female pelvis is much wider than the males.

"Further, the muscular and connective tissue supports of the female pelvis are often weakened by childbirth, and therefore the uterus is not well enough supported to withstand the repeated impact (in jogging) caused by heels striking the ground."

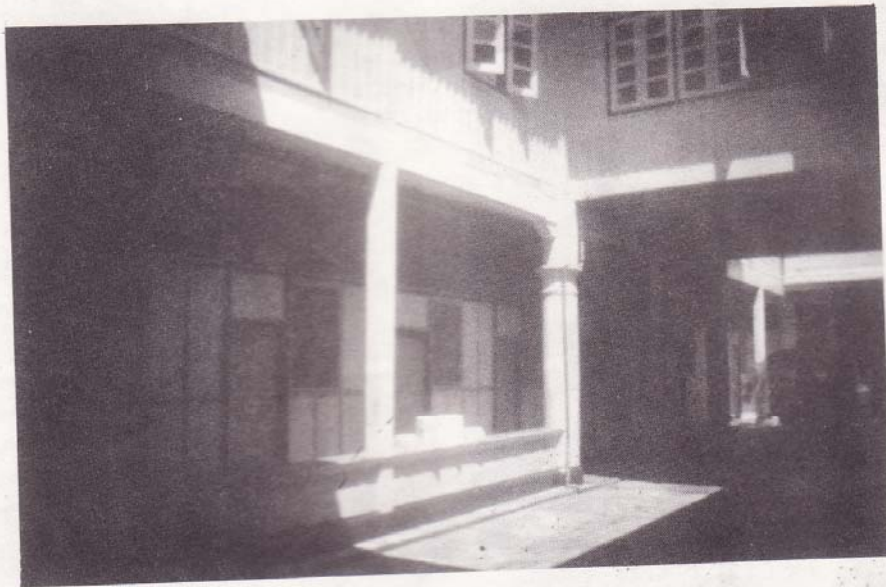
The result, Dr Charles said, is that the uterus is driven downward into a gap and doesn't always spring back.

This causes two disorders: a prolapsed uterus, in which the organ may protrude through the vagina and "stress incontinence," in which the pressure of the uterus on the bladder causes dribbling of urine of each impact.

He advises women who jog to watch for the first signs of danger: pressure on the vagina or uterus, or leakage of urine.

"If you have any of these symptoms, stop jogging," he said.

"Better yet, take up swimming or cycling." — UPI.



Phuket Hash huff 'n' puff to 50th run

PHUKET HHH (Hash House Harriers) celebrated their 50th run last Saturday. Every week for just under a year cars, mini buses and motor bikes have assembled at different venues around the Island as the members had their runs, drank their beer and then descended on some poor unsuspecting restaurants for their On On.

Last Saturday was no exception. Roughly sixty men, women and children attended the 50th Run a month long vacation in England, everything seemed fine ... until the run started.

A few honks on the Hash horn indicated that it was time to set off. And so into the distance scurried the main runners following the paper trail like lambs to the slaughter. The slower runners proceeded at a reasonable pace.

To cut a long story short, the only good thing about the one and a half hour run was a beautiful view of Phi Phi and numerous surrounding islands.

Unfortunately, the majority were too exhausted to appreciate the scenery or were watching the ground for the numerous pot holes and creepers that were the distinguishing mark of the run, or to be more correct — mountain climb.

At last everyone made it back to base and the regulation down downs were dispersed, and then it was on to a restaurant where the owner, who had been given prior notice, smiled benevolently (as they spent their money) upon these eccentric people

which was sponsored by Sum Cheong Marine Singapore, and was held near Phuket's famous Wat

Chalong.

With the return of Phuket Hash House founder, Alan Cooke, from

Six months on a bum rap

DAVID Brown will be spending an extra six months behind bars because he showed a California judge his bottom in court. Mr Brown, 20, pleaded guilty to contempt of court and indecent exposure on Monday after mooning Superior Court Judge Joseph Biafore. After being sentenced on Friday to two years in jail for burglary and probation violation, Mr Brown asked: "May I say one thing, your honour." "You may," the judge replied. Mr Brown then turned around, pulled down his orange trousers and displayed his lunar aspect.



who chase paper through jungles for fun!

If you are still game after reading this, then here is next week's run No. 51 starting at 5.00 p.m. All visitors are very welcome.

Leaving from town, going south take the left hand fork (at the traffic lights) Sakdidej Road to Ao Makham. Proceed for 3 1/2 kilometres and look for the HHH sign on the right beyond the school.

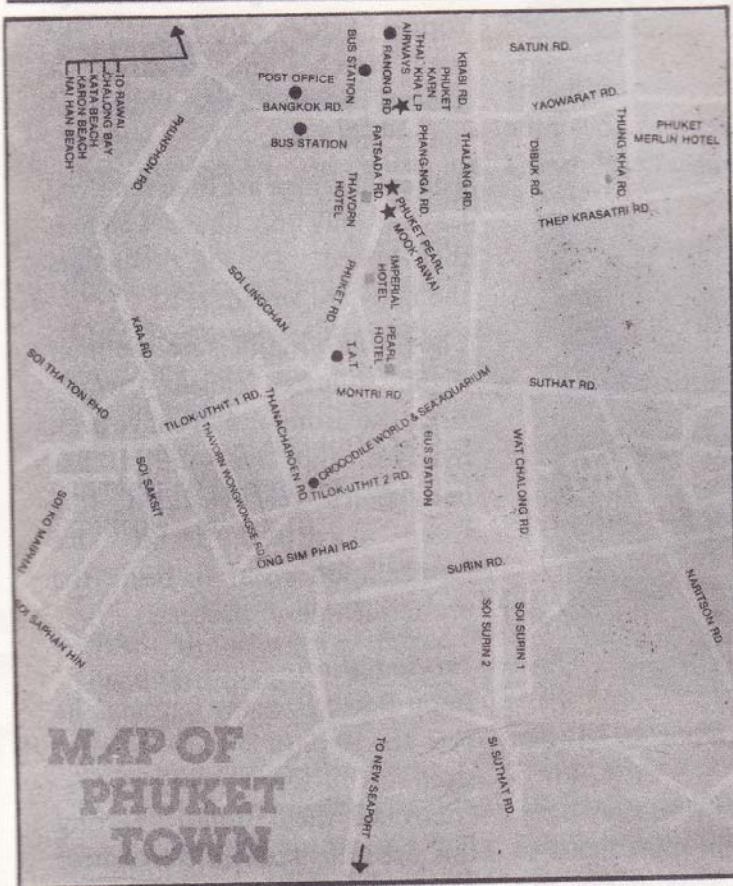
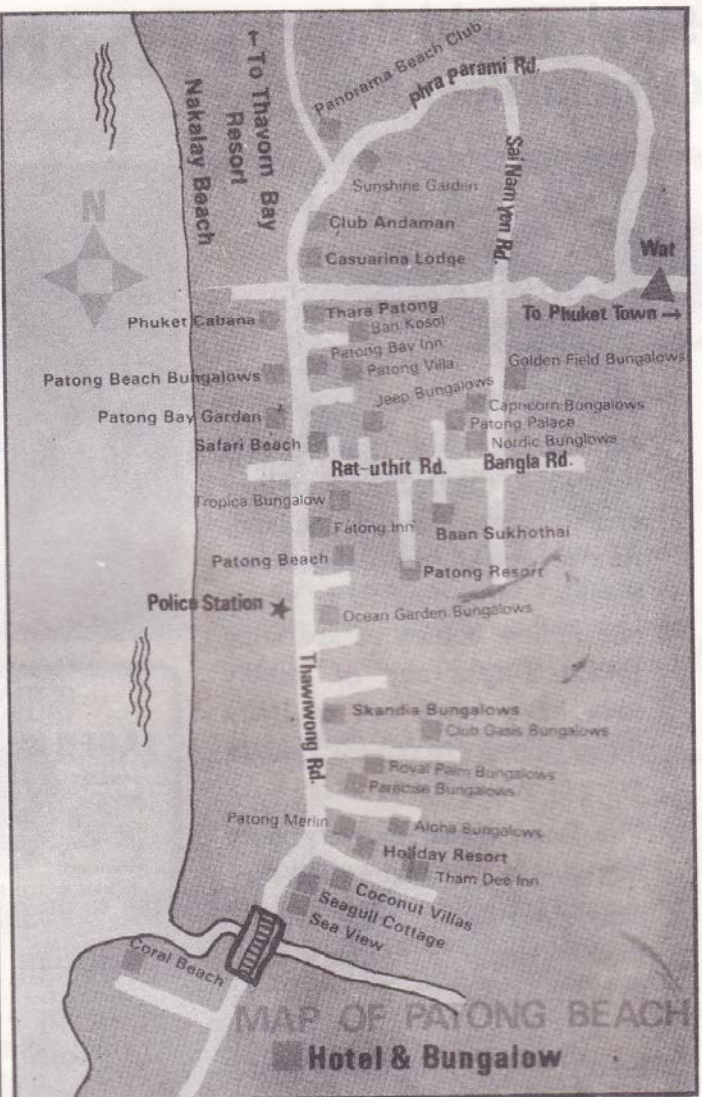
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Singha Gold the Official Beer for

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History

On July 6, 1934, the cap was popped off the first bottle of beer ever to be produced in Thailand. As everyone knows, that beer was Singha. Since that time, nearly one billion bottles of sparkling golden Singha and of bubbly soda have rolled out of Boon Rawd Brewery to refresh Thais in every corner of the country.

The Boon Rawd Brewery story began in 1930 when the company's founder, Phya Bhirom Bhakdi began preliminary steps to brew a quality beer equal to or better than foreign imported beers. Tests showed that Thailand had exactly the right kind of water for a top-grade beer and quality ingredients were available in abundance.

After locating skilled brewmasters, Phya Bhirom built his brewhouse on the banks of the Chao Phya River. In 1934, the first bottles were offered to an expectant public. It was an instant success. Today, Thais drink more Singha than any other beer in the Kingdom.

Name & Emblem

Shortly after its beer was introduced, Boon Rawd Brewery asked customers to choose a name for it. Among the suggestions offered were: Singha, Rot Fai, Wat Arun and Pakpao. When the final vote came, Singha won it hands down. For beer-drinkers, Singha, a mythological lion, suggested not only a golden



beer but one with heart like a lion.

The unique Singha symbol can be found in Thai art and architecture dating from the Ayutthaya period. For Thai beer-drinkers, it is best known as the proud, strong lion that graces the label on the front of each bottle of Singha Beer.



How Singha Beer Is Made Ingredients:

A fine beer starts with fine ingredients. The main ingredients in Singha Beer are hops, barley and

water. The hops in Singha Beer come from the finest hop growing region in the world.

The golden barley comes from the fields of Germany, Austria, the U.K., Denmark and Australia. Each consignment is cleaned and checked to ensure the seeds are of the correct ripeness. Only then are they ready for brewing.

Boon Rawd Brewery is now growing its own barley on experimental plots in the North. If the fields are of the same quality as the imported grains, Thai barley may soon form a portion of the final grain mixture.

Brewing

Boon Rawd Brewery uses the German process to produce a lager beer. First the water and crushed malt (barley which has been allowed to germinate) are mixed and then poured into huge copper kettles, to convert the malt starches into sugars. A process which takes a total of about one hour.

The solid grains are then removed leaving only the liquid which is then boiled. During this stage, the hops are added.

The finished liquid is a bitter malt sugar solution called "wort" After the protein solids have been removed and the solution has been cooled, yeast is added. It is then pumped into the fermentation cellar to begin the pre-fermentation process.

Fermentation

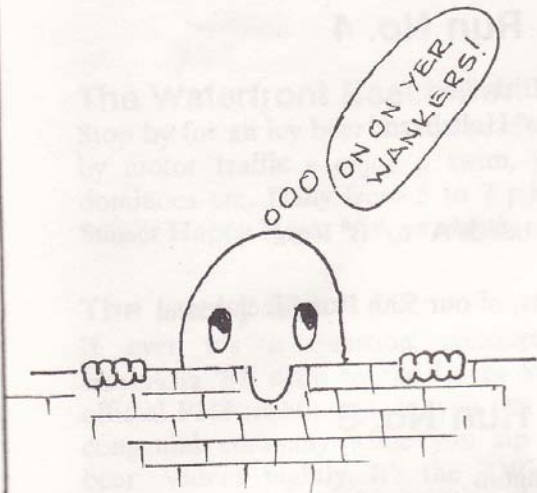
Boon Rawd Brewery ferments its beer for 10 days in huge stainless steel vats in special temperature-controlled tiled rooms. During this time the yeast converts most of the malt sugars into alcohol

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and get your arse down to...

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and carbon dioxide.

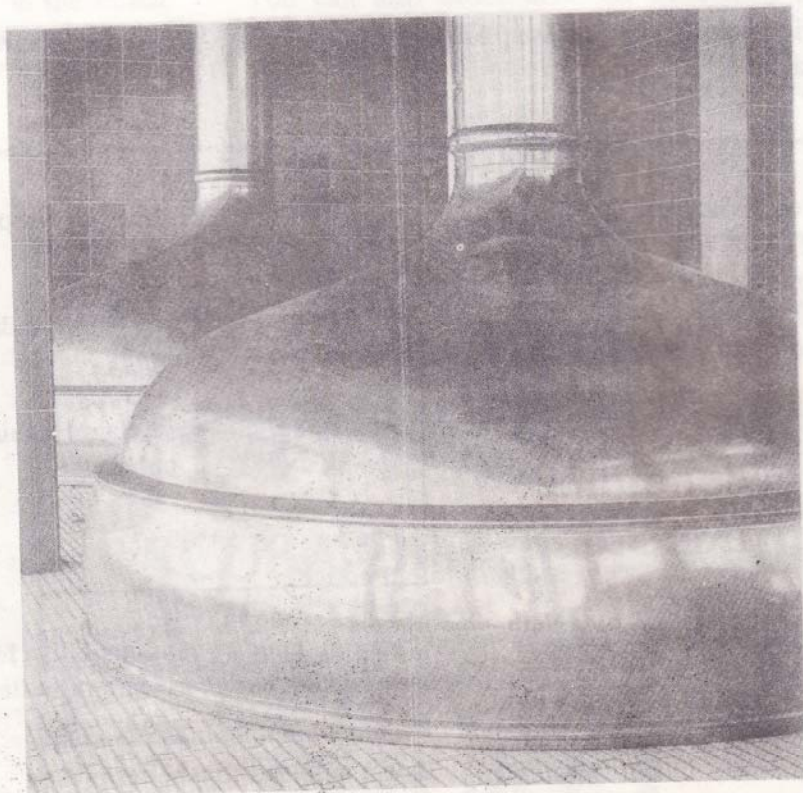
The liquid at this stage is called "young beer". To bring it to final perfection, it must be "lagered" or matured, cooled and for the next two months, stored under pressure in tanks.

When it emerges, the yeast and remaining proteins are filtered out. A new high-efficiency filter can process 60,000 liters of beer an hour and ensure better quality control.

The final product is a lager beer with an alcohol content of 4.7 percent, the strength preferred by Thai beerdrinkers. The beer is now ready to be bottled.

Packaging and distribution

The beer is pumped to bottling machines which automatically fill and cap the bottles. The bottles



are then automatically labelled. Inspectors have been checking the beer throughout the entire process, testing it in the brewery's large laboratory. Now comes the final inspection to make sure each bottle is full and that there are no impurities in it. After this

the beer is ready for distribution. The beer is taken by the brewery's network of distributors to restaurants, bars and stores throughout the country so it can be enjoyed by its millions of devoted fans.

The HashAsia '87 Runs

Run No. 1

Hares: Allen Vee Boon
Yankee

Description: Probably an "A" to "B" Run.

Good mix of country. There's a choice towards the end of this run. Either take a short cut or run all the way around the reservoir.

Run No. 2

Hares: "Gorgeous" Keenan
"Spiderman" Hedrick
Sri Keenan

Description: Probably an "A" to "B" Run.

Varied country, great views, laid by two very fit Hashers.

Run No. 3

Hares: Krianglert D.
"Big Benz" P.
Sayan

Description: Quite likely an "A" to "B" Run.

Very scenic area with good running country. In fact it's the GM's favourite territory.

Run No. 4

Hares: Hannes Birbaun
"Herm the Germ" Holtsbernd
Ravin Birbaun

Description: A stated "A" to "B" Run.

A repeat, of sorts, of our 50th Run, declared a winner on the day.

Run No. 5

Hares: Lek Thongtan
Piet Jan Vet
Tum Thongtan

Description: An almost certain "A" to "B" Run.

Great area, marvelous views and varied terrain.

Run No. 6

Hares: Jim Simpson
Klong

Description: Indicates this may be an "A" to "B" Run

First class Hashing area with good mix of country.

NOTE: All subject to change without notice!

The editor of this souvenir programme accepts no responsibility for the truth or otherwise of the above statements. Both the hares and the GM have been known to lie before.

GETTING AROUND PHUKET

In town, mini-buses charge five baht a ride within the municipal area. To get to the beaches, go to the market area on Ranong Road just past the circle. Buses leave for the major beaches every half hour or so, and charge 10-20 baht depending on the distance.

Buses stop running after 5:30 p.m. After that mini-buses charge 150 baht or more for a trip to the beach.

Recognised PH3 Bars and Eateries

Potong Beach

The Waterfront Beach Bar:

Stop by for an icy beer on the beach. Undisturbed by motor traffic - enjoy a swim, play chess or dominoes etc. Daily from 5 to 7 p.m. take in the Sunset Happy Hour. Videos nightly.

The Lucky Star:

If ever it's a question concerning PH3 or HashAsia '87, drop by the Lucky Star. Being the official PH3 meeting place, you can be assured of congenial company while you sip cold draught beer. Videos nightly. It's the "Official HashAsia '87 Hash Watering Hole". Wim and Ann are the ones to look up here.

The Viking:

Don't miss this open-air restaurant on the beach. The food is excellent, offering innovative Thai dishes and fresh seafood. After your meal, try the bar for a beer and video.

The Bamboo Benz:

Drink yourself into a blissful buzz at the Benz. Located in the middle of "the Strip" you are assured of a front row seat from which you can watch the nightly scenery.

The Expat:

Across from the Benz, the Expat has it all. An airconditioned video room in the back and air open bar on the strip. Rock to the C.D.s and enjoy the lovely company.

Margarita's:

If you fancy food with a different taste, then Margarita's is for you. The Mexican steaks, tacos burritos, chili con carne, etc are excellent. You can also order delicious Thai food and seafood. Give it a try!

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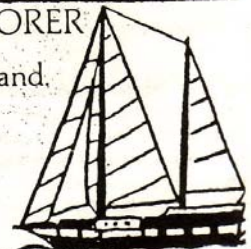
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Meet Some Of The Visiting Clubs

Hashers are coming from a wide range of clubs around Asia and even outside the region. Here is an introduction to some of the participating clubs in HashAsia '87, the first event in an on-going series.

HASH HOUSE HARRIERS SINGAPORE

The Singapore Hash is one of the longest standing traditional style Hashes in existence. Membership is restricted to men only, neither ladies nor dogs being welcome. The Hash meets every Monday. The runs usually last for an hour or so followed by a stint of fairly solid drinking. The on-on's are either on site or at a local restaurant. The Hash is fairly conservative and the excesses of certain other organisations are usually, but not entirely, avoided.

CHINA HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

The China HHH meet Sundays at 12:30 p.m. and Thursday at 7:30 p.m. The Sunday runs are 7-10 k cross country runs in the mountains surrounding Taipei. Onlms are often at temples in the hills for shelter from the North Taiwan's frequently rainy weather. Thursday night runs are in the streets of and the mountains which surround the Tien Mu and Peitou suburbs of Taipei. The China HHH runs in all weather conditions but for the most severe of typhoons. Summertime membership average is 80; wintertime average 40-50. The Backtracker is the name of the CH3 newsletter.

LADIES OF HONG KONG HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

LH4 has always been the Ladies Hash and never Harriettes. The Men's Hash hate it, but it's great to annoy them. Running every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. the average pack is usually around 60 Hashers.

The club was formed in 1971.

LION CITY HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

Like most of us, the Friday run was created on impulse after a few beers. Having a Singapore Hash on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, Saturday and Sunday, left us nothing to do on a Friday, and bedsores were reaching epidemic proportions. Don and Veronica Nally having previously owned an I.Q. came up with the brilliant suggestion of a Hash run on Fridays.

An advert was placed in the Times under the 'idiots Wanted' column. The result was staggering, as were most of the applicants. The few that could read and write were formed into an elite nucleus for a committee and the Lion City Hash was spawned.

HONGKONG HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

H4 is the original Hash in Hongkong being founded in 1970 by a bunch of tossers who got together in 'The Pub' in D'Aguilar Street. John Beavon was nominated as the hare for the first run and 22 runners turned up for the start at the Peak Tram Car Park on February 23. The

On On was held at the Little Cafe across the road.

We now have approximately 90 members with an average pack of 45. The run day and time is Monday at 6:00 p.m. We reach our 950th Run later this year.

HIMALAYAN HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

This H4 was founded in October 1971 by Lt.Col Keith Robinson who ordered Major Roger Binks to help him get it off the ground. The Kathmandu Valley allows trails to be laid in a host of wonderful and varied areas. For most of the year we can savour the exquisite views of the Himalayas as a backdrop to our runs. The rest of the year it pours with rain.

The first Hash Horn was a brass Indian Taxi horn which appeared on Run 4. Our Hashsit appeared on our 7th run. It was a pink rubber duck glued to the top of a full can of beer (brand unknown) before it met its fate.

KLANG HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

The first inaugural run was held on Friday, November 13, 1981 at the Bukit Rajah Estate, Klang and members of the Klang Club were at the helm of the group. The latter group comprised of the young, the pot-bellied gentlemen and ladies, all in all totalling 72. Even despite the torrential rain that poured down on our first On On, the green and experienced kept singing some of the HHH choruses - and the songs your mother never taught you. It was indeed a tough job teaching the new group wahta Hashing was all about, because we ourselves still do not know what it is all about...except for the beer...(burp)...bliss.

KOTA MELAKA HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

1979 seems as though it was just yesterday. A group of buggers, under the Grandmastership of Camel Leong started KMH3 with a run at 7th mile Sungai Udang. Each bugger was given a T-shirt. Now each one of us turns his back on possessions, friends (especially those of the other gender - we're all batangs!!!) to bring himself out to the runsite - sometimes hostile - to be tortured along laterite roads, jungle paths, shiggy, streams, uphill and downhill, rubber estates, oil palm estates, barbed wire and whatever else you may think of. When all this is thro' they gather at the beer wagon, down pints after pints, then adjourn to other eating and watering holes - usually restaurants and pubs/massage parlours until late into the night, before dragging themselves home.

KAMPAR JAYA HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

Founded by the 'Rebels' over a meeting at the Kampar Club on June 24, 1981. We are a bunch of hardcore rods, goons, degenerates, madhatters and what have you, who Hash on

Mondays scouring hills and forests. We do not forsake the plentiful mining areas around us. Our efforts are directed towards furthering the Harriers' idea of the 'Communion of Men' where class, creed and citizenship have no bearing during our weekly sessions of social intercourse. We have become more cultured following endless renditions of 'Songs our Mothers Never Taught Us' and through the years, we have become well-versed with the mores and norms of the Hash. Mondays are days when businesses are set aside. On! On! Batangs!!!!

IPOH HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

Although there were no circulars or records then, it is almost certain that the first run of the Ipoh HHH took place in January 1965. This accords with the Hash Historian's own memory and is corroborated by the circular of 20/1/67, which refers to a 2nd. anniversary celebration at Kam Loong Restaurant on 30/1/67. The runs have continued without break ever since.

In the early days the Hash prided itself on its lack of organisation. There were no circulars, no beer van and certainly no registered society. The starting place of the run was notified by 'bush telegraph' and the hare was responsible both for bringing and paying for the beer. Soft drinks had not been invented in those days.

PATTAYA DIRT ROAD HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

This chapter became world-famous almost from day one, with 'dirt road' runs and chapters being emulated (of sorts) in many areas around the world. Two black-garbed roving ambassadors, Frankie and Martin, are currently on a world goodwill tour, drinking, puking, rogering, fornicating and wanking their way to fame, handcuffed to their enormous beer mugs. Inter-Dirt '86 was one of the most amazing pieces of organisation ever on an InterHash. Ask any one of the participants of this run held on the Thursday prior to InterHash '86 in Pattaya.

MEDAN HASH HOUSE HARRIERS

The Medan Hash was founded on August 6, 1973 by Nick Gent. What a gent he was to introduce this to Medan! It is a very socially active club which, together with our sister Harriettes, enjoys some of the best Hashing country in the world. Consequently this breeds dedicated Hashers with the ability to walk on water. The club is admirably supported by our sponsor Bir Bintang who maintain a constant supply of the necessity of life and numerous run trophies. The Committee is 'elected' each year by the out-going mismanagement and each new committee is expected to guide the rest of the mob for the following year.

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