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Today's Topic:

**"CLASSIFICATION INTERVIEWS"**



MEETINGS:  
EVERY FRIDAY  
AT NOON

## MAJOR AVIATION DISASTERS ARUN MISHRA REGIONAL DIRECTOR ICAO, ASIA PACIFIC REGION



Leaving 270 dead, the now infamous flight blew up over Lockerbie, Scotland killing 11 on ground. Gaddafi took responsibility and Libya paid compensation to victim families as did the Americans for their misadventure.

Another deadlier terrorist event was the Air India June 1985 bomb planted by a Sikh terrorist that killed 329. The final terrorist act mentioned was 9/11 as this more than any other event has changed the way we travel and the security levels we now 'enjoy'.

The final category was tragic accidents that have led to improvements in safety enjoyed today.

The Riyadh, August 1980 Saudi 163 - Lockheed Tri-Star disaster killed 301 and changed the procedures employed when making an emergency landing. In this case, the pilot, aware of smoke from the cargo bay, returned to the original airport and for some unknown reason parked at the end of the runway with engines running making it difficult for the ill-equipped rescue team to reach them. Today this would not happen and rescue teams are better prepared.

The Paris March 1974 Turkish Airlines Flt 981 – DC10 crash (346 dead) was due to a faulty cargo door causing decompression and cabin floor collapse. The JAL August 1985 crash was due to improper repair procedures in a vital control area; something unlikely to happen again.

The Charkhi Dabri India, November 1996 mid-air collision between a Saudi 747 and a Kazakhstani Airlines IL76 was due to poor English knowledge by Kazakh pilots and led to the mandatory use of traffic-collision avoidance systems.

The Tenerife March 1977 KLM and PanAm ground collision of two 747s killed 583; the deadliest accident so far was also attributed to pilot error and miscommunication and led to standardized terminology employed throughout the industry.

Mr Arun returned to the safety theme and reiterated that due to investigations undertaken after each accident, improvements are made in procedures or equipment, which is why, today air travel, is so safe.

By RTN Tim Cornwall

Before Mr Arun talked about death and destruction, he allayed our fears by highlighting how extraordinarily safe flying has become. In 2016, there were only 325 deaths, down from 2015 at 560 but a bit more than the 2103 record (265). Motorcycling, he added, is 3000 times more deadly and travelling in a car or truck 100 times riskier.

The disasters chosen were based on fatality numbers with two events incorporated due to their unique characteristics.

Of these ten, two fall into the category, "wrong place at the wrong time". The first was near Sakhalin Island in September 1983 when Korean Air (KAL 007) was shot down by the Russians leaving 269 dead. A routine flight from New York to Seoul via Anchorage, the aircraft drifted off course and strayed into Russian prohibited air space and when, despite several warnings, the flight crew did not change their flight path, it was shot down.

One of the bleaker moments during the Cold War, the US had their turn at shooting down a passenger plane five years later (June 1988) in the Strait of Hormuz. This time it was an Iran Air Airbus 300 with 290 passengers and crew killed when a US Navy carrier mistook the flight for an Iranian F-14 TomCat fighter.

The second category, terrorism, started with the Lockerbie Bombing in December 1988 when Libyan agents planted a bomb on Pan Am 103.



*RTN Sievert and RTN Ragil enjoy fellowship*



*Alec Lockhart and RTN John Chirgwin share a joke!*



*PP John, Guest Speaker Khun Arun, P Ken presents a certificate of appreciation with RTN Rakesh*



*RTN Adrian holds the Cosmos award of the week..*



*RTN Pat and his new born son, Thynn... Congratulations!*

# RCBS ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT 2017

## THURSDAY, 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

### ROTARY CLUB OF BANGKOK SOUTH



At Thana City Golf and Sports Club  
THURSDAY, 30<sup>th</sup> March 2017



#### 3,500 BAHT PER PERSON, TEAMS OF 5, INDIVIDUAL ENTRIES ACCEPTED

Fee includes: Green Fee, Caddy Fee, Noodle Brunch, on course Food/Drink Stations, Pre-dinner drinks, Free-flow Vodka Bar, Buffet Dinner, Wine and Beer. (Caddy tips and golf carts not included)

09:30-11:00	Register and Brunch
12:00	Shotgun Start
18:00	Pre-Dinner Drinks
18:45	Dinner, Presentations and Prize Draws



Dear fellow Rotarians and your golfing friends,

**This Year RC Bangkok South is holding our 28<sup>th</sup> annual golf day at Thana City Golf Club on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2017 Shotgun start at 12.00.**

We invite you to join us for a wonderful day of golf fun and fellowship.

The entry registration form is available on RCBS website at <http://rotarybangkoksouth.org/wp-content/uploads/Registration-Form-2017-Rotary-Club-of-Bangkok-South-Golf.pdf> or contact **Khun Khob** at [info@rotarybangkoksouth.org](mailto:info@rotarybangkoksouth.org).

We ask you to enter in Rotary Club members in a team of 5 players to be eligible for the Inter Club Team Trophy. Individual entries are also available if you cannot make up a team of 5 players.

We look forward to you and your club members joining us for this our golf day.

**Any questions, please contact our Office Manager Khun Khob at 02-632-9160 or 081-694-1139 or [info@rotarybangkoksouth.org](mailto:info@rotarybangkoksouth.org).**



# Khun Khob's Club Almanac #2642

## 17 February 2017

### Happy Birthdays:

Carol Kuhn February 17  
 Ronald Livingston February 19  
 Paul Russell February 23

### Wedding Anniversary Greetings:

None

### Attendance for 10<sup>th</sup> February 2017: 68%

Present 28, Make-up 22, Absent 24, Exemption 32, Total 106

### Visiting for 10<sup>th</sup> February 2017

#### From Local

None

#### From Abroad:

PP Per Dibber RC Barbados, Barbados

### Invited Guests:

Alec Lockhart  
 John van Lare  
 Dr. Tuntikorn Rungpatana  
 Khun Tuk

### Introduced by:

Stuart Lucani  
 Vinai Phuthinin  
 Tom Banker  
 Stuart Lucani

### Recent Makeups:

RC Barbados, 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2017: PP Stanley Mac Donald

### Makeups:

Golf Prep., 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2017: Gerard Geraets, P Krin Charnmaytesakul, Lalit Kumar, Ragil Ratnam, Ravi Sehgal, Stuart Lucani

### PHF Dinner, 9<sup>th</sup> February 2017:

Adrian Topham, PDG Alex Mavro, PP Andrew MacPherson, Frank Crocker, Dana Caron, PN Dean Outerson, PP Don Lavoie, Doug Riach, Finbarr O'Connor, John Chirgwin, PP John Quarmbly, PE Jon Plate, P Krin Charnmaytesakul, PP Krit Wong, Moto Kakiuchi, IPP Narain Suradejvibul, PP Narinder Sachdev, PP Nick Pisalyaput, PP Nigel Hardy, Ola Holmgren, PP Peter-Michael Schuster, PP Philip Baechtold, Prasert Mangkornkarn, Ragil Ratnam, Rod Vergara, Rui Belo, Sievert Larsson, Stuart Lucani, Tim Cornwall, Van Tang, PP Vichai Tantrativud, Yod Tantaranunont

### District 3350 Past Governors Council @ Rotary Centre, 10<sup>th</sup>

February 2017: PDG Alex Mavro

## CLUB CALENDAR

Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> February 2017 – Presentations by 3 Peace Fellows  
 "Why I chose to become a Peace Fellow"

Friday, 03<sup>rd</sup> March 2017 – Thailand Start Up Scene – Krating Poonpol (also Club Delegation invited to visit RC Bangkok South)

Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017 – H.E. The Ambassador of the USA – Diplomatic Adventures on Seven Continents

Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> March 2017 – Irish Day with Music (St. Patrick's Day) – Venue: Roadhouse BBQ

Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> March 2017 – Voranai Vanijaka on How is Thai Society changing?

Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 – Indian Religions (Panel of 3 Internal Speakers: Sikh, Hindu, Jain)

Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> April 2017 – Dr. Tuntikorn Rungpatana, Veterinarian of the Soi-Dog Foundation on Mass Sterilisation of Soi-Dogs

Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> April 2017 – No Meeting - Songkran Holiday

Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> April 2017 – Chris Pornchai Prasertsintanah on Thailand's Competitiveness among SEA Economies

Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> April 2017 – David Armstrong on Kamphaeng Phet Historical Park and its History

Friday, 05<sup>th</sup> May 2017 – No Meeting - Coronation Day

For more information about Bangkok South events contact:  
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