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2020

HAPPY CHINESE NEW YEAR

新年快樂

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40%
Tax for UK & Non
UK Property Owners
(Series of 3 IHT Seminars)



UK Inheritance Tax Update

- Do you own UK property or are you thinking of buying UK Property?
- Find out what property agents haven't told you.
- Are you aware that 40% tax is now applicable to anyone holding UK Property?
- Do you know Offshore Companies and Trusts may no longer be viable options for Non British Property buyers?

This seminar will examine the various tax changes that have occurred in recent years and discuss what non-UK nationals should be aware of if they own, or are thinking of owning, UK property.

Hong Kong Football Club
3, Sports Road, Happy Valley, HK SAR
Wednesday, 19th February 2020
Time – 7pm
Drinks & canapés will be provided

Limited seating please email to register your interest:
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Seminar 1 – The Impact of IHT on Non-Domiciled UK Property Owners

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The Thoughts of the Chairman

主席的話



Michael J. Wood
Chairman

Welcome to the New Year and I trust that everyone had a great Christmas and New Year break. Despite the social unrest, December proved to be a busy month for the Club and thanks are in order to all our Staff for providing the usual high standards of service across the Festive period.

Following feedback from last year's Focus Groups, the Town Hall meeting and the recent Satisfaction Survey, we are currently working on re-development of the Club's website which will see a series of improvements added throughout 2020. The first change you will see will be in February, when the website will go live with a new design, to better reflect that the Club is primarily a sports club. The new homepage will show regularly updated sports activities and results of the Clubs' senior and youth teams, which incidentally, will be directly uploaded to the site by the Sections and Societies. You will also notice that the website is optimised for smartphones and tablets, alongside PCs.

Towards the end of May and over the summertime you will begin to be able to make online bookings for various sports facilities and reservations at the Restaurant. Also, the member's login area will start to provide you with more information about your membership and your transactions. These online booking facilities will be introduced one by one as they become fully functional. There is much work to be done, but the ultimate goal of the redesign is to make **hkfc.com** one of the most important communication channels for members to engage with the Club.

At the last AGM Members voted in favour for the increase in the monthly subscriptions so please be reminded that with effect from this January the new amounts are:

For Full Members, Corporate Members (including nominees) and Associate Members	HK\$1,850
For Sports Debenture Associates, and Senior Junior Associates	HK\$740

I believe that the Club continues to offer excellent value for money given the first class facilities on offer, and our subscriptions will be in the mid-range when compared to other comparable Clubs.

The Lunar New Year holiday comes early this year starting on Saturday 25th January until Monday 27th January. As such, please note that the Club will be closed from 5pm on Friday 24th January, being closed all day on Saturday 25th January, and then reopening at 9am on Sunday 26th January. Following that, the annual Staff Party will take place on the evening of Sunday 9th February with the Club being closed from 5pm that day and reopening at 9am on Monday 10th February.

So, please note these dates in your diary.

In closing, on behalf of the General Committee I would like to wish everyone a very Happy and Prosperous Year of the Rat.

Kung Hei Fat Choy!

Michael J. Wood
Chairman

踏入新的一年，我相信大家都過了一個愉快的聖誕和新年假期。儘管社會動盪不安，12月還是球會繁忙的月份，我非常感謝所有員工在佳節期間如常提供高水平服務。

在考慮去年焦點小組的反饋意見、市政廳會議和最新的滿意度調查後，我們正重新規劃球會網頁，網頁在整個2020年將添加一系列的改進措施。你將會在2月看見第一個改變，屆時網頁會開始使用新設計，更能反映球會是以體育為主的。新首頁會定時公布最新的體育活動，以及球會成年隊和青年隊的賽果，這些資訊將由各部門和會社直接上傳至網頁。你亦會注意到網頁同時適用於電腦、智能手機和平板電腦。

接近5月底和整個夏季期間，你將能開始在網上預訂各體育設施和餐廳服務。另外，會員的登入介面將開始為你提供更多有關個人會籍和交易的資訊。當網上預訂功能投入服務時，各體育設施和餐飲服務預訂將在網上逐一推出。球會需要進行更多的工作，但重新設計的最終目的，是讓**hkfc.com**成為會員與球會之間其中一個最重要的溝通渠道。

會員於上次周年大會上投票贊成增加每月會費，所以請注意由1月起，新的月費為：

正式會員、公司會員 (包括獲提名人) 和附屬會員	港幣\$1,850
體育債券準會員、資深準會員 和準會員	港幣\$740

我相信球會可繼續為會員提供物有所值的一流設施，而相比其他類似的球會，我們的會費是屬於中價位的。

今年農曆新年假期較往年為早，於1月25日星期六開始至1月27日星期一。因此，請注意球會將於1月24日星期五下午5時關閉，1月25日星期六全日關閉，並於1月26日星期日早上9時重新開放。假期過後，年度員工派對將於2月9日星期日晚上舉行，球會於當日下午5時關閉，並於2月10日星期一上午9時重新開放。

所以，請把這些日期標記在你的日程簿上。

最後，我謹代表理事會祝大家鼠年大吉，萬事如意。

恭喜發財！

主席胡米高



THE CLUB GENERAL COMMITTEE 2019-2020



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PORTRAIT DETAILS OF STANDING SUB-COMMITTEES

The following portfolio functions have been summarised to show terms of reference previously approved by the General Committee (GC).

POLICY WORKING GROUP – Mike Wood

Function: to formulate policies for the approval of GC, to ensure the effective and proper implementation of the Club's published Mission Statement.

FINANCE – Fred Teng

Function: to take into account financial considerations emanating from proposals and policies considered by the GC, and to advise and, if appropriate, give recommendations to GC for approval.

CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS – Jeff Lane

Function: to consider ongoing review of Articles and Club Bye-laws either by initiative or upon instruction from GC, and to make appropriate recommendations.

DEVELOPMENT – Maurice O'Brien

Function: to raise and consider appropriate ongoing and new development initiatives in the short, medium, and long-term for Club facilities with a view to recommending selected proposals to GC for consideration and implementation.

DISCIPLINE – Malcolm Kerr

Function: to process complaints and breaches of the Bye-laws in accordance with standard procedures to be advised (and to ensure Club Staff are briefed on these matters) and to apply appropriate sanctions to those Members found in breach. Finally, to provide information to assist GC in evaluating Membership acceptance/adherence to current Bye-laws etc.

MEMBERSHIP – Neil Roberts

Function: to be responsible for admission of new Members and also to monitor existing policies and to advise on issues involving membership, including procedural matters (including Sections) and enforcement of these policies.

SPORTS and RECREATION – Karin Looram

Function: to facilitate the development of, and Members' participation in, recognised sporting activities and competitive recreational activities, and to work with Management towards the optimum use of the Club's sports facilities.

From the Desk of Mark Pawley

總經理的話



Mark Pawley,
General Manager

Whilst January is upon us and we all, no doubt, look to set those New Year resolutions that revolve around reduced food and alcohol intake and more exercise than usual, unfortunately (for you) the F&B Department appear to have other ideas particularly on the alcohol front!

Our series of **Wine Masterclasses** continues during the supposed "Dry" month when on **Thursday 9th January 2020 we have Australia vs New Zealand in Happy Valley Suite 1**. This is followed on **Friday 17th January 2020 with the Italy Meets Australia Wine Dinner in the Restaurant**.

As regards Chinese New Year the Chairman has noted in his article when the Club will be closed during the holiday period but please also have a look at the revised opening hours for food and beverage outlets over the New Year period (which is on page 8) as some of these will be different to our normal opening hours. And, as with last year we will be putting on a **Chinese New Year Bazaar in the Lockhart Room which is open on Saturday 18th January and Sunday 19th January from 1.30pm to 6.30pm**.

For lovers of American Football, put **Monday 3rd February** in your diaries for our **NFL Super Bowl Breakfast held in the Sportsman's Bar and shown "Live" from 7am**.

And, here is some advance notice of the ever popular **Lion Dance starting at the Front Entrance of the Club which will be on Sunday 9th February 2020 from 11.30am**. As usual, if you haven't seen this beforehand it is well worth watching!

And, many congratulations are in order to Staff members Eric, Cheung and Enya (photographed below) who are the recipients of the Quarter 4 Staff Star Awards. Also, well done to all the other Staff members who were nominated for the Award.

On behalf of the Management and Staff of the Club, I would like to wish everyone a very Happy Year of the Rat.

Kung Hei Fat Choy!

I look forward to seeing you all at the Club!

Mark Pawley,
General Manager

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著1月到來，大家都會有新一年打算，下定決心要少進食、少喝酒和多運動，但可惜（對你而言），餐飲部好像有不同的打算，尤其是鼓勵大家喝酒。

我們一系列的**葡萄酒大師班**於這「乾燥乏甜」的月份繼續開放，於**2020年1月9日星期四**，我們將會在 Happy Valley Suite 1 舉行澳洲與紐西蘭的葡萄酒對決，而隨後於**2020年1月17日星期五**，在Restaurant舉行意澳合璧葡萄酒晚宴。

關於農曆新年，主席給會員的文章中已談及球會在假期期間的關閉時間，但也請看看新年期間各食肆最新修訂的開放時間（參閱第8頁），因為部份食肆的開放時間將與我們正常的開放時間不同。另外，與去年一樣，我們將會在**Lockhart Room**舉行**年宵市場**，市場於**1月18日星期六和1月19日星期日下午1時30分至6時30分開放**。

若你是個熱愛美式足球的人，趕緊在日程簿標記**2月3日星期一**這個大日子，我們將從早上7時起在 **Sportsman's Bar** 舉辦NFL超級盃早餐，並且直播賽事。

我亦在這裏預先通告大家，廣受歡迎的**舞獅**將於**2020年2月9日星期日早上11時30分**在球會正門開始表演。一如以往，如果你從沒有看過舞獅的話，這個表演絕對值得一看。

此外，熱烈祝賀下圖中第四季度之最佳員工的得獎者，他們分別是餐飲部的郭飛燕、工程部的李偉祥和會計部的楊芷欣，而其他獲提名的員工也表現優秀。

我謹代表球會的管理層和全體員工祝大家鼠年快樂。

恭喜發財！

我期待在球會見到大家！

總經理龐禮文

2019 Q4 Staff Star Award



Kwok Fei Yin, Eric – F & B (Kitchen)



Lee Wai Cheung – Engineering



Yeung Tsz Yan, Enya – Accounts



HONG KONG FOOTBALL CLUB
RACE BOX
 AT THE HAPPY VALLEY RACE COURSE

The Club maintains a shared Box at the Happy Valley race course which is available for Members to book in advance.

COST:

Standard buffet: \$630 per head.

Admission badge: \$60 per head.

■ UPGRADE PACKAGE(S) AVAILABLE

Please note that if you choose an upgrade package that this will then apply to each person under the same booking.

- Upgrade package: (additional beverage – incl. selected red and white wines, imported beers and spirits)
extra \$100 per head
- Upgrade package: (half doz oyster) extra \$155 per head
- Upgrade package: (assorted sashimi platter)
extra \$145 per head

F&B ARRANGEMENT:

The Race Box is provided with a Buffet and unlimited drinks which includes:

- Soft drinks, mineral water, house beer, orange juice, tea and coffee.

Beverages are available from 6pm, and Dinner Buffet is available from 6.30pm to 9.30pm

BOOKING:

Booking Forms are available at Reception and from our website www.hkfc.com.hk.



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Interested parties should submit a written application to:
 The Membership Services Manager
 Hong Kong Football Club,
 3 Sports Road, Happy Valley, Hong Kong



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 HONG KONG FOOTBALL CLUB

HKFC CHRISTMAS FETE

2019

Saturday 7th December

A fun-filled afternoon of Christmas Festivities including games, fantastic music and great entertainers!



Download a QR code reader on your smartphone and scan this code to download and view more pictures.



FOOD AND BEVERAGE MONTHLY PROMOTIONS



9th Thursday
Australia vs New Zealand Masterclass
Happy Valley Suite 1
7pm to 8:30pm



26th Sunday
Carvery Semi Lunch Buffet
In the Restaurant
Noon to 2.30pm



Chairman's Bar

- Afternoon Set Tea
- International "Sunday Brunch Buffet" – every Sunday

Happy Valley Suites

- International "Sunday Brunch Buffet" – every Sunday

Restaurant

- Carvery Semi Lunch Buffet – Monday to Sunday



17th Friday
Italy Meets Australia Wine Dinner
In the Restaurant
7.30pm to 8pm: Pre-Dinner Drinks
8pm to 11pm: Dinner



Year of the Rat Lunch Buffet
In the Coffee Shop
Noon to 2.30pm



CNY Family Dinner Buffet
In the Coffee Shop
5.30pm to 9.30pm



CNY Brunch
In Happy Valley Suites and Chairman's Bar
11.30am to 3pm (Last arrival 2pm)



18th-19th
Saturday and Sunday
Chinese New Year Bazaar
In Lockhart Room
1.30pm to 6:30pm



27th Monday
Carvery Semi Lunch Buffet
In the Restaurant
Noon to 2.30pm



Year of the Rat Lunch Buffet
In the Coffee Shop
Noon to 2.30pm



Dinner Buffet with Auspicious Dishes
In the Coffee Shop
5.30pm to 9.30pm

Coming Soon in February

Monday 3rd

NFL Super Bowl Breakfast
In the Sportsman's Bar

Sunday 9th

Lion Dance
At the Club

Thursday 13th

Southern Hemisphere – Shiraz/Syrah Masterclass
Happy Valley Suite 1

Friday 14th

Valentine's Day Dinner
In the Restaurant

Friday 28th

Mollydooker Wine Dinner
In the Restaurant

For more details please call the Restaurant at 2830 9562 / Coffee Shop at 2830 9569 / Happy Valley Suites and Chairman's Bar at 2830 9559 / Sportsman's Bar at 2830 9531

Chinese New Year Opening Hours

The Club will close at 5pm on Chinese New Year's Eve, Friday 24th January and be closed all day on Chinese New Year's Day, Saturday 25th January. The Club re-opens on Sunday 26th January from 9am.

for F&B Outlets*

*Last orders in the F&B outlets on Friday 24th January will be accepted 45 minutes prior to closing.

	Fri 24th Jan (Chinese New Year Eve)	Sat 25th Jan (Chinese New Year)	Sun 26th - Mon 27th Jan (2nd and 3rd Day of Chinese New Year)
CHAIRMAN'S BAR	Noon to 5pm	closed	Noon to Midnight
COFFEE SHOP	7.30am to 5pm	closed	(Sun) 9am to 10.30pm (Mon) 7.30am to 10.30pm
RESTAURANT	Noon to 3pm	closed	Noon to 3pm 6.30pm to 10.30pm
HAPPY VALLEY SUITES	closed	closed	11.30am to 3pm
CAPTAIN'S BAR	8am to 5pm	closed	closed
FAMILY LOUNGE BAR	11am to 5pm	closed	11am to 8pm
KIOSK	10am to 5pm	closed	10am to 7pm
SPORTSMAN'S BAR	closed	closed	11am to Midnight

for Sports Facilities

	Fri 24th Jan	Sat 25th Jan	Sun 26th Jan	Mon 27th Jan
BOWLING ALLEY	8am to 4pm	closed	10am to 9pm	10am to 9pm
FITNESS CENTRE	6.30am to 4pm	closed	9am to 9pm	8am to 9pm
GOLF SIMULATORS	7am to 4pm	closed	9am to 9pm	8am to 9pm
INDOOR GREEN	9am to 4pm	closed	9am to 9pm	8am to 9pm
OUTDOOR GREEN	closed	closed	2pm to 7pm	1pm to 7pm
INFIELD AREAS	8am to 4pm	closed	9am to 9pm	8am to 9pm
CLUB SHOP	10am to 4pm	closed	10.30am to 7.30pm	10.30am to 7.30pm
SPORTS HALL	9am to 4pm	closed	9am to 9pm	8am to 9pm
SQUASH CENTRE	7am to 4pm	closed	9am to 9pm	8am to 9pm
SPORTS THEATRE	9am to 4pm	closed	9am to 9pm	8am to 9pm
SWIMMING POOL	7am to 4pm	closed	9am to 9pm	8am to 9pm
TENNIS COMPLEX	7am to 4pm	closed	9am to 9pm	8am to 9pm
CHILDREN'S PLAYROOMS	9am to 4pm	closed	9am to 9pm	8am to 9pm
LIBRARY	10am to 4pm	closed	10.30am to 7.30pm	10.30am to 7.30pm
CHANGING ROOMS	7am to 4.30pm	closed	9am to 9.30pm	8am to 9.30pm

Please note that the Car Park will not be operational at the time(s) the Club is closed.

Kung Hei Fat Choy!

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- ✓ INTERVIEW PREP

Year 7 - Year 8

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- ✓ ESSAY WRITING
- ✓ MOCK PRACTICE



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(Saturday)
10am - 11.30am**

Location:
Meeting Room 1-2
Hong Kong Football Club

Registration:



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World Cup 2019 Report

- The tournament reached its climax in November. Records are smashed, old rivalries stoked, and controversial decisions given amidst alarming allegations of bribery.
- Hong Kong opens up the challenge with a powerhouse performance by captain **Angel Choi** and led right up to the end despite a strong finish by England, who thought they were playing for penalty deciders. **Andy Ward** who scored a massive century for England told reporters in between sips of tea and mouthfuls of buttered scones, “I’m gutted by the outcome. Really gutted”.
- Other century makers are **Noe Vartarian** (101), **Adco Leung** (101), **Simon Ng** (105), **Bharat Khanna** (103) and Angel Choi (114). **Khanna**, the Indian captain, said “ I put this down to the selfless behaviour of my team who supported me especially [absent captain] **Ajay Hazari** who couldn’t make it today. This one is for you, Captain.”
- Emotions were clearly on display in the tournament. The match tally between England and the EU ended an even 3-3 suggesting that England may still remain. Or not.
- The Trans Pacific Alliance handed out a resounding 4-2 defeat to ASEAN further souring ongoing trade discussions. Sadly the ASEAN team may be relegated to the second tier zone as a result leading to suggestions of a new breakaway nation coming in led by Irish players **Dave Murray**, **Dave Robinson** and **Chris Caves** who reluctantly played under different flags this year.



- Paul Simons**, no stranger to controversy, appears in the limelight when a computing error puts him ahead in the scoring stakes representing the United Nations. Fortunately sharp-eyed officials correct the error and the member of staff responsible for the mistake has been suspended on allegations of being drunk in charge of a keyboard. Simons was unavailable for comment. His captain, **Pieter La Roux** tells reporters,

“integrity, honour and duty are at the heart of our team. We did not offer any beer to the organiser. At all. We will train harder and come back stronger next year.”

- Lifting the trophy at the end of the tournament winning HK captain Angel Choi gives a tearful press interview to reporters. “This is a great honour for me to represent the city and the people that I love,” she said.

Final Results

	No.6	No.5	No.4	No.3	No.2	No.1	Total
ASEAN	61	74	64	69	71	67	406
England	71	86	99	61	75	113	505
EU	105	96	66	92	89	63	511
France	101	74	70	63	81	90	479
HK	114	101	90	65	83	73	526
India	81	93	103	54	89	57	477
TPA	70	67	56	80	78	69	420
United Nations	93	56	74	82	97	55	457



HKFC Squash League Roundup

HKFC continues to field the most teams in the HK Squash League, both in main league, masters league and ladies league – here is a snap shot on how the teams are doing.

Div 1 having played 6 matches, HKFC are in joint 2 place with **Eric Ho** ranked #3 in the league.

Div 2 HKFC is in 3rd place with some solid competition from the other clubs.

Div 3 we are in 2nd place with some excellent squash from **Alex Lau** and **Wilson Chan**.

Div 4 sees HKFC leading the division after 5 matches being played.

Div 5 sees us in 2nd place in an intensive challenging division. Looks like it will go down to the wire to find the winning team.

Div 6 sees both HKFC teams in joint 1st place with **Peter Wat**, **Obadiah So** and **Joshua Williams** all playing some impressive matches.

Div 7 which plays on a Friday night sees HKFC in 4th place.

Div 8 sees us racing ahead in 1st place and securing a solid early lead. **Wilson Chou**,

Bharat Khanna, Teddy Pun, Julian Ragless all challenging for the leader board.

Div 9 sees us at the top of the table with **Jackie Lee** and **Alex Busteed** having won all their matches.

Div 10 sees us in 2nd place despite having lost 2 matches.

Div 11 sees us struggle a bit after 6 matches, still have lots of matches left in the season.

Div 13A HKFC lies in 4th place.

Div 16 sees HKFC at the top of the table without a loss.

Div 18 sees HKFC top of the league, with some solid squash from **Lucas Tulloch** and **Gordon Kerr**.

Div 19A sees us in joint 3rd place.

In the masters division, for 35+ of age, some truly exceptional squash is being played.

M1 – sees HKFC M1B in first place with HKFC M1A in 4th, exceptional squash sees **Andrew Ward**, **Malcolm Kerr**, and **Vincent Yu** all in the top 4.



M3 – with 12 teams playing in this deep division, HKFC M3C is top of the league.

M4 – sees us at the lower end of the tables – still lots of squash to play.

In the Ladies, with 3 divisions sees L1 in 3rd place.

In L2 has our 3 teams in 2nd, 3rd and 4th place.

In L3 our L3A team is out in 1st place.

Burma doubles tournament

This Burma doubles tournament was in its 4th year and with **Glenn Hitch** and myself being the inaugural winners, I was determined to put on a good show. In the absence of Glenn at this year's event I was fortunate enough to have **Carmen Lee** partner me to take on this year's opponents. The tour kicked off with a round of golf with our old buddies from the Tanglin Club of Singapore.

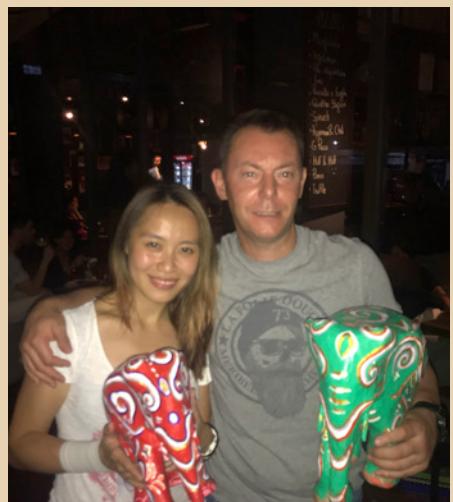
The start of the squash tournament came early on Friday morning with the format being 2 boxes with 6 teams in each box, so a total of 5 matches. The winner of each box would go through to the final on the Saturday. The teams came from HK, Singapore, UK and Burma. Carmen and I got off to a good start with 2 wins within the first 2 hours, and then proceeded to play our remaining 3 matches within the first day without dropping a single game, which thus secured our place in the final.

Field Pickering from Tanglin Club had made an excellent job of organising a few dinners throughout the weekend and Friday night bash was a belter with drinks at the Yacht Club followed by dinner and pub quiz at a local favourite restaurant.

Saturday saw the remainder of the group matches being played and with 2 teams tying for 1st place in the second box it was decided that least games losses would decide which team went through to the final with Carmen and myself. Field and his local Myanmar partner made it through so the scene was set for our final.

With our handicaps being similar we only started with a -1 point in the first game which we managed to take relatively easily by winning 15-9 but with a twist to the handicap scoring system, if you won your first game you then were handicapped a further 5 points for the 2nd game, which saw us starting off at -4 and Field team +2 which made things a lot closer in the second game and we were 9 - 0 down before we knew what had happened, but with Carmen seeing her first doubles victory in sight and my 10th we battled it out and wore the opposition down and eventually won the 2nd game 15-13 to take the title.

We were utterly delighted with the victory and celebrated with a few local beers court side.



Our Burmese elephant trophies were presented to us at the farewell dinner.

A big Thanks to Field Pickering of the Tanglin Club Singapore for organising the event again this year.

■ **Phil Head**

Alyssa Ho



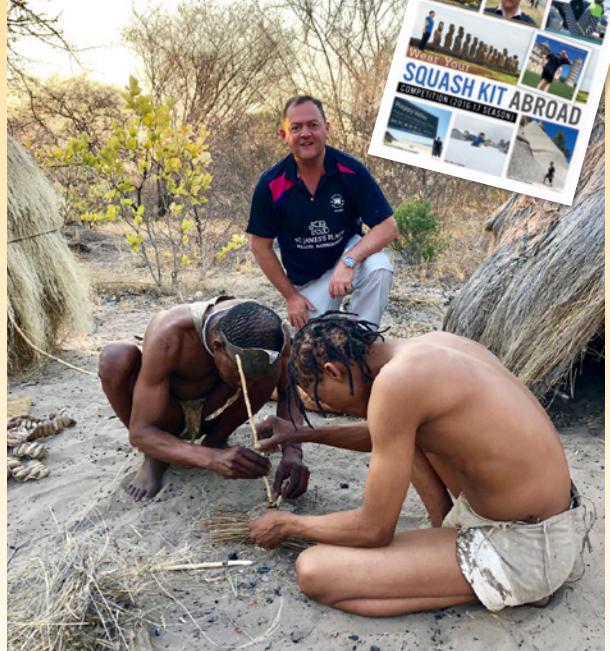
A huge congratulations to Alyssa Ho for winning the GU13 category at the Redtone KL Junior Open held in December.

This is a large tournament with over 800 entries and is the biggest win for her in an Asian Junior Super Series event. A huge thank you for all the coaches who helped her out to prepare for this event.

Alyssa beat Whitney Wilson 3-0 in the final.

Awesome performance.

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During this festive season and throughout the season, please continue to send in your photos to publicity@hkfcsquash.com

For the previous, 2018/2019 competition – **Dean Thompson** was selected as the winner for the photo above. The Publicity team will be reaching out directly to Dean for price presentation.

Thank you

HKFC Publicity

LION DANCE

at the Club
Sunday 9th February 2020

We will be holding our special Lion Dance which starts at the Front Entrance of the Club at 11.30am.

For those of you that have not seen this spectacle then do try and make a date to watch it!

A must watch entertainment for all Members.

FEBRUARY PREVIEW

Message from the Soccer Captain



Sebastian Page,
Soccer Section Captain

Hi All,

I hope everyone had a great Christmas and New Year break and that 2020 is a year of great success both on and off the pitch for all!

The football season didn't stop for the holiday though, with lots of the rescheduled games from the HKFA taking place as well as the annual AIA Festival of Football – as ever a great success and we will have a full report on it next month.

We also had the Section's Christmas Party which took

place at The Executive Centre this year. It was a great night expertly arranged by **Mia Williams**, the highlight being the team Christmas carol sing-off which was won by the Ladies team, with **Scott Semple** in a close second place!

This month we look back on the Henrik Lorenz Memorial Game which took place in Phuket in November, a very special annual event.

I look forward to seeing everyone down at the Club soon.

■ **Sebastian Page**

Henrik Lorenz Memorial Game, HKFC vs SCC Youth Football Home, Phuket, Thailand – 23rd November, 2019

The teams gathered on a very hot and humid afternoon at the Youth Football Home founded by the legend that is Henrik Lorenz. This was the thirteenth meeting between HKFC and SCC.

It was really fantastic to see that the Youth Football Home continues to go from strength to strength and great to see a new generation of children at the Home. Some of the children we met when we first played this fixture have gone on to play professional football in Thailand and others have become football coaches and they return to the Home to coach on a regular basis.

There were eighteen members of the HKFC squad at the fixture, sixteen willing to put the boots on and run around in temperatures of 33°C. Most travelled from Hong Kong, but there were also lads there from Japan and Europe.

On to the game; Singapore kicked off the first twenty minutes quarter and HKFC were soon on the attack. **Mark Bavis** started at left back and in the second minute received the ball and looked to move forward at pace, in the **Andy Robertson** mould, only to walk the ball over the touch-line and give a throw to SCC. Friday night's excesses were coming back to haunt him!

For the first ten minutes, HKFC absolutely dominated the game. However, HKFC's finishing was abysmal, you would not believe the number of chances that went begging. Ask **Menopause Mark** and **One in a Million**.

In the eleventh minutes SCC had their first shot on target from outside the box and they go one up, against the run of play. HKFC continued to dominate. I could go on, but suffice to say that HKFC had 31 opportunities to score in that first twenty minutes period and never once troubled SCC's keeper.

To the second period and much the same, loads of chances no goals although HKFC were getting closer they did hit the post. Half time and SCC still led 1 – 0.

In the third quarter and legs are really getting heavy due to the heat, humidity, pitch condition and Friday night! GOAL! On 50 minutes a slick move on the edge of the SCC sees **Freek** play a classy one two with



Fitzy and he slots it in the bottom left-hand corner in a manner which suggests that he has done this before.

The SCC keeper has made some really good saves in the last two periods to keep SCC in the game, but it's now 1-1 after an hour.

The final period and the HKFC management are confident that this is the period that the team will grab the headlines and they did, but for nearly all the wrong reasons. SCC were really struggling, but they have a decent, fit midfield and the ball broke fortunately to them in the centre circle on 75 minutes. They connected first time and with **Mark Devonshire** frantically backtracking it sailed over Mark's head and into the net. An absolute worldy! Can you believe it, total domination and we are now trailing 2 – 1!

SCC have had three shots on target. Two goals and a great save from **Devo**! There is no justice.

Into the last five minutes and HKFC are still pushing forward, a sense of injustice means that feelings were running high. SCC are trying to run the clock down and in the 89th minute a handbags incident sees a **Glasgow Celtic** supporting Dynamic receive a yellow and another yellow and therefore a red. We are down to 10 men.



Freek to the rescue and Fitzy is the provider again! In the 90th minute Fitzy plays the ball down the right and Freek runs into the SCC box and slots it in to the bottom left hand corner, via the hands of the goalkeeper and the legs of one of the defenders. Some justice for a decent performance.

It finishes 2 -2.

Great to see so many Section members doing their bit to support such a fantastic cause and we hope to see more younger Section members touring Phuket in future years.

Crusaders Soccer News

The HKFC Crusaders – onwards and upwards!!

Already almost halfway through the season and the ranks of the HKFC Crusaders continues to grow both with new players and, new coaches. One of the main HKFC Coaches – **Monty** – has joined the coaching ranks and he will be helping to set drills for the Tournament Squad and assist in evaluating the training techniques of the All Ability Squad. Welcome Monty!!

The less humid evenings have brought out even more players and produced a superb work rate from all, which is testing the fitness of the coaches!!

The coaches have all contributed recently to **Nigel** via their comments, to the re-evaluation of the programme and the Monday evening sessions and, as from early January, the HKFC Crusaders will take on a new look and move to a new level and a more detailed training schedule. More skill and demanding drills will be set for the Tournament Squad and the All Abilities group will be split into 2



sections, 1 being the introduction of a weekly “Walking Football” game – a hopeful pathway to a Tournament Squad position – and the other section being more focused on drills and exercises promoting mobility, fitness, social interaction and fun. Due to this expansion of the programme, we always need more coaches and volunteers to join our ranks so, if you would like to help out with the HKFC Crusaders on a Monday evening – your presence is required and coaching ability is not 100% necessary



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Regretfully, the protests stopped the HKFC Crusaders competing in their annual exhibition match for the Operation Santa Claus charity day (late November) however, they have the HKFC International 7's showcase game to look forward to in the 2nd half of the season.

Nigel met with **Robbie Bacon** – the HKFC Soccer Section Chairman in late November to discuss further HKFC Crusaders interaction with the Section and hopefully amongst other initiatives, some of the HKFC 1st Team Squad will come and play walking football against the Tournament Squad (who will not be walking!!) in the 2nd half of the HKFC Crusaders season.

1st Team ... you had better be on your best game as the HKFC Crusaders tournament squad take NO prisoners!!! Be warned!!!

■ **Nigel R Merritt, HKFC Crusaders Head Coach**

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With the end of the year approaching, it offers a great chance to reflect on the recent months within the Rugby Section.

At the time of writing, Club sit at the top of the Premiership with 4 games remaining, in what can only be described as an 'incredibly long season'. After the same number of games, Drags also sit top of the Premiership A with 5 wins, having only taken to the pitch 4 times. A combined Drags and Club team also finished off the pre-season Challenge Trophy halfway through the season, beating HK Scottish to ensure they won the first piece of silverware on offer.

Ice build on another impressive run of form, and sit in 4th place and contention for a knockout spot come the end of the season. Fire are also sitting in fourth place looking to round up another knockout position in the Women's National League 1.

Scorps have rampaged through the Championship amassing an 11 point lead over second place University – **Andy McEvoy** finally finding his feet in the team after 3 years of trying. Select, likewise, are 'head and shoulders' above the rest – **Dom Varley** also a great advocate of 'head and shoulders' shampoo. Bulls sitting pretty in second, with our 'old boys' Sequins following closely behind in 4th position in National League 1. And to round it all off, Expendables ensuring all HKFC teams are currently in a playoff position. Exciting stuff as we turn to the second half of the league.

In other mentions, **Tony Forrester** is set to win his 100th Cap for the Section in what will certainly be a big occasion for the Bulls; and perhaps bigger news, **David Harrity** lost the Split the E Championship, along with his Guini sponsorship.

We also say goodbye to some big names at the Club; **Rousey** returns to Australia, and **Glancy** also moves on to newer pastures in Bangkok – this



did bring out some of the old guard as **Frenchy**, **P Mac** and **Ant Phillips** looked to turn back time and ran out one last time alongside Glance.

As we move in to the second half of the season, one can only hope that **Roberto Jones** has seen the light, and no longer has 4 pints before training; but we can only dream.

With that thought in mind, I wish you all a Merry Christmas and good luck for 2020.

Forever yours at Christmas and in Rugby,

■ **Niall**

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HKFC Rugby – THANK YOU!

HKFC Rugby would like to thank its supporters, families and sponsors for their support so far this year.

We especially thank them for joining us on 9th November for Family Day and 30th November

for the Club and Sponsors Day. We hope you enjoy some of the pictures from both days and we wish everyone a happy and safe holiday period. See you pitch side for the Rugby in the New Year! Kung Hei Fat Choi!



MOVEMBER 2019

In 2019, the HKFC Rugby Section once again participated in Movember - the annual event where throughout November a band of perfectly ordinary men take on the brave task of growing a moustache for charity in a bid to raise awareness and funds for health issues facing men.

For those who may not know, Movember is a charity movement raising awareness and vital funds for the biggest issues in men's health: prostate cancer, testicular cancer, and mental health and suicide prevention. It aims to change the face of men's health, to encourage everyone

to talk about the important stuff and to have a good time while they're at it.

The Section closed out this year's Movember campaign with a shave off on Family and Sponsors Day to celebrate the hard work and dedication of the players who grew their glorious moustaches. It was a huge effort from the players involved and we are proud to say the team was able to raise over HK\$43,000! We want to give a massive thank you to each of the players for staying strong and spreading the word to friends and family to pledge their support.



The HKFC Rugby Section is extremely appreciative of the effort and enthusiasm from all the members, sponsors, families and friends that made this Movember a success.

We'll see you next year. Mo on!

Welcome to 2020

The second half of the season kicks off. At the end of last year, we had the disappointment of the cancellation of Sandy Bay's Festival due to the transport disruptions caused by the protesters. We look forward to the rescheduled new date and the end of the troubles.

Centaurs Tournament

Teams from U8, U9, U10 and U11 represented the Club at the Centaurs tournament in Singapore. Reports follow.

That's it from me: happily a short report.

Best,

■ **Denis Brock, Chairman, HKFC Mini-Rugby**

Spirit of Rugby Award

The Mini-Rugby Section were recently the recipients of a generous donation from **Jack Walton**. Jack is the father of **Clive Walton**, the HKFC Rugby Section Captain who passed away, along with many others, in the Bali bombing of 2002.

We will use the funds to institute an annual prize – the 'Spirit of Rugby Award' to be awarded to the best teammate for the U12 boys and U12 girls team to supplement the best player awards currently handed out at the end of the season. The winner will be announced and the trophy presented at the end of the HKFC Mini-Rugby Festival in March 2020.

All members of the Mini-Rugby community at HKFC pass on their thanks to Jack for his donation.

■ **Paul McSheaffrey**

Singapore Tour Centaurs Tournament 2019

U11 (Playing in U10)

U11 playing in the U10 year group, went with 1 team and in the hope of coming home with the Cup. Not an easy feat I can say but one that we believed in, improving on Bowl runners-up in May at TRC.

Saturday arrived and the morning looked promising, blue sky and not too hot. The boy's first game was a win against the Titans Assassins which was a very easy start (32-0).

Now this gave the boys the impression the Cup was coming home and to be honest a false

impression. There were still 2 more games in the pool groups and a win in each would secure the cup pool on the Sunday.

Next, the Saints (Singapore), very big lads and without tackles from **Kobe** and **Sean** it could have turned the other way. A settling period ensued, and the game then started to unfold in the FC way. Some fine driving by the forwards, **Maximilian, Kai** and **Matthew** with **George** passing out wide to Sean, then **Justin** and Kobe to finish the Saints off (28-0). The final pool game saw a very different FC team and one that they will surely remember against the SCC Black (Singapore) with a very good reputation in being strong, and well managed. And did they perform SCC did and with a routing that saw the FC boys demoted to the Bowl. A 6-point deficit in the tables to Sandy Bay saw them finish 5th in the 12 teams and into the Bowl semi.

Sunday, now a different day and the semi-finals for the Bowl. Up against the Australian Team, West Scarborough. An entertaining game and well fought. West Scarborough hitting hard and the play was tight in all areas. A slight slip up and we are 5 points down. Regroup and off we go again every chance to get it over the line but the defence from the Australian lads is immense and they manage to pull off the win: 10-0. Another loss and now in the Shield Final.

OK time to come home with something, Final of the day and the Shield, against the TRC of Singapore.

After some encouraging words by Coach **Robin** and some hard-hitting moral boosts off they went to battle and with the aim to come home with something in their hands. A different team

on the pitch, wow now did they play well oh yes they did. Taking every single play to the limit. The forwards **Kai, Ryusuke, Maximilian, Casper, Zach** and **Matthew** all in turn hitting hard and driving through the middle. The backs **Justin, Kobe, George, Mitchell, Adrian** and **Sean** all doing exactly as needed and passing the ball wide. Justin taking the first try followed by Adrian and then the forwards Kai pushing over the line and the last one from Kobe.

The Shield is coming home. Not the Cup agreed but, in the end, they learnt a valuable lesson in playing as a team and delivering a fine finish where they can all be very happy.

A big thanks to the coaches: **Sias, Dave** and **Duncan** and the Parents as well.

Well done lads.

■ **Robin Zavou**

U10

Following a heart-breaking loss on a count back rule in the TRC Cup Final in May the U10s travelled to Singapore for the Centaurs tournament aiming to avenge our loss to Singapore Cricket Club and come away with silverware.

The first pool game on Saturday vs the Saints saw the boys get off to a fast start and ultimately cruise to a lopsided 57-0 victory. The next game was against Tanglin and proved much tougher. Tanglin scored an easy super try after some defensive miscommunication at a scrum. However the boys got their heads back in the game and did well to pull a try back only for Tanglin to score another try late on and win 12-5.





U10



U9



U8

Next up was the game the boys were fired up for to avenge our final loss in May and one which brought out their best rugby of the day. We started really well and had most of the game in the Singapore Cricket Club half, but only had one try to show for it. Singapore Cricket Club started to come back and eventually got a super try as time expired to win 7-5. A real heart-breaking loss for the boys given they were on the front foot for most of the game.

Our last pool game was played in rainy and muddy conditions against Cottesloe Pirates from Perth. We spent most of the time in their half and ran out winners by 7-0 in difficult conditions. Back to the hotel for some pool time and the gala dinner. Coach **Tim Barton** introduced the boys to a staple of a rugby tour with a series of child-friendly fines.

On the Sunday we played in the Bowl and in the semi-final best West Scarborough from Perth handily 15-0. Arguably our best game of the weekend as the boys moved the ball wide and offloaded to keep the ball alive well and score some nice tries.

To the Bowl final where we once again faced Cottesloe Pirates. Most of the game was played in our half and some fantastic goal line defence stopped Cottesloe from scoring a number of times. However we couldn't break out and as time expired we tried to move the ball wide and had an interception allowing the Pirates to score the winning try. A tough end to a great weekend but the boys showed a lot of character in defeat and are ready for the TRC Cup in May.

A great team and weekend with **Shiv Cooke, Toby Hudson, Hugo Morgan, Anthony Wickens, Leo Barton, Liam Hull, Charlie Davis, Tristan Butteux, Kyle Champion, Miki Lagutaine, Michael Harrison, James McSheaffrey** as well as two guest tourists from Valley Fort – **Max Talbot** and **Logan McKean**.

■ **Paul McSheaffrey**

U9

HKFC U9s can proudly report back on a superb weekend in Singapore – both on and off the pitch – at the Centaurs tournament.

Our squad of 11 players (1 sub) was drawn from across our regular training groups, meaning the

opportunity for players to make new friends, and learn from other players with varying levels of experience.

Day 1 saw a strong first game (W 9-0) against Centaurs, a 'wake-up call' against a very good Tanglin side (L 1-5), then a 'battle royale' against a strong Singapore Cricket Club (SCC) side (W 4-3) who had underestimated us a little. So players headed to the pool for cool down, debrief and refreshments in good spirits. Well done to the following: **Michael** and **Anish** (for enjoying the step up in standard and more than holding their own), **Hugo Mendes** and **Liam** (for consistent pressure and strong defence in mid-field), **Hugo Cubells** (for strong and opportunistic running), **Gus** (for reliable cover-tackling) and **Simon** (for being our power-house).

The players of the day awards (and ice cream challenge contestants) from Day 1 were **Arde** (for enjoying the biggest learning and improvement curve), **Naomi** (for superb defence and strong character after receiving some 'rough' tackles), **Will** (for opportunist try-scoring, including a hat-trick in our 3rd game) and **Ollie** (for controlled aggression and physicality).

Day 2 saw SCC gain their revenge in the Cup quarter-final, followed by 2 resounding victories for HKFC in the Bowl semi-final and final, meaning we picked up the Bowl trophy!! Coaches and parents were extremely proud of the performance in the final – a resounding 4-0 victory over 'local rivals' Sandy Bay. **Simon** was simply outstanding in the Final, both in attack and defence, and led a team who were all prepared to contribute and simply refused to allow Sandy Bay to score!

We would like to thank all parents for making the effort of coming on tour, and the key committee organisers (Denis and Declan) for arranging the tournament and logistics.

A final word to **Michael Herratt** who is moving to the UK – thanks for coming on tour, and all the best with your continued studies (and rugby) in Blighty!

Roll on Tanglin in May 2020!!

■ **Duncan Grewcock**



U8

U8

The HKFC U8 squad were well represented by 11 experienced touring athletes at the Singapore Centaurs tournament.

The team had a strong central spine of **George Brock, Liam Booth, Everett Lee and Odhran Hogan** ensured defensive cohesion and gain line momentum. They were supported by creative playmaking from **Sebastian Lai** and **Declan Tsui** to ensure quick ball movement to our nippy wingers **Harry Davis, Nicholas Kenyon-Edwards, Jacob Chan** and try machines, **Lachlan McGowan** and **Max Randall**.

The team started strongly in the group stages and won 3 of their 4 group matches to maintain their perfect record to compete in the elite Cup competition in the Sunday knock-out games

On Sunday, the team again met old adversaries Singapore Cricket Club and Fire Dragons but unfortunately lost in 2 competitive games to come runner-up in the Plate competition.

A big thank you for the key coaching team, '**Sur' Andy Randall** in driving the team on pitch, stirring leadership from Chairman **Brock**, the inspirational team talks from **Chris Kenyon-Edwards** and **Daniel Booth** and the organisation nous of **Declan Hogan**

The team will be ready to compete at the highest level in May for the TRC Cup when we meet the challenges of playing in their first full contact tournament.

■ **Mark Tsui**

Section Christmas Party



On what a night! Thanks to all the Festive Fun-timers who made this year's Hockey Section Christmas Party such a great event. This year's Christmas theme was "Naughty or Nice". A special "Ho Ho Ho" goes out to the Ladies G Team Naughty Nuns who walked away with the Best Dressed prize. In typical Hockey Section fashion, the costuming was excellent and everyone had an exceptionally good time. A special mention to all involved in arranging the festive fun, in particular to the HKFC Staff and **Lyndsay McKenzie** and **Mike Heaven** for overseeing all arrangements.

As we come out of the Christmas break a good number of teams are leading or are within striking distance of the top of their respective divisions... Here's to the rest of the season being just as successful, and 2020 – an Olympic year, being a season with plenty of trophies heading to the Club. Wishing everyone a super successful 2020!



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HKFC JUNIOR HOCKEY FESTIVAL 2019

What a welcome relief it was to host this year's annual HKFC Junior Hockey Festival under bright sunny skies and in a calm yet vibrant Happy Valley. It's always happy days when over 800 kids meet up for a hit around, and given the tensions in Hong Kong of late, this was a particularly enjoyable day out for all.

Ninety-nine teams took part in this year's tournament (a record number). It was the first time the Junior 6s participated in our tournament. It was also fantastic to see so many 'new to hockey' participants enjoying their very first tournament event. In particular, it was fantastic to welcome the Tai Po Titans, a brand new hockey club, who have only just this last 12 months established a junior programme under the support and guidance of the HKHA P&D Committee.

A huge amount of thanks must be shared, and as with all junior festivals and tournaments, there are too many to name individually. However, I am very grateful for the support of many. Firstly, to the Club Management and Staff for their professional hand in helping with a number of key pieces of the puzzle needed to make the event go ahead and to be the

success it is year after year. To the participating teams, their coaches and parents, who all took part with great enthusiasm and positivity. To the huge number of volunteers who helped prepare and support the event on the day (well over 100 HKFC Hockey Section Seniors and Youth players as well as Junior Hockey parents). To our team of umpires (managed expertly by **Al Clarke**), many of whom are from the HKFC Premier Division teams or Youth squads, including some willing and capable youth players from the Valley RFC hockey programme (youth umpiring is an area we will continue to support and help develop going forward). To the HKFC teams, expertly managed by our Age Group Managers (**Sam Edwards, Chris Hattam, Mel Miers, Claire Cairns, Sim Archer-Perkins and Sophie Lindsay**), our magnificent coaches (most ably led by **Dev, Ishtiaq and Ahmed**), and our loyal cheering squads, who were all massively involved and supportive. By no means least, to my small but highly efficient Festival Committee team mates, **Helen Dowding, Ellie Poulton, Nari Kennedy Price and Anika Deblank**.

We must also thank Shutterbox who provided a fun photo booth and our Hockey Section sponsors for their continuous support: **Norton Fulbright Rose, Liquidnet, Splendid Group, Smart Key**.

The following table of results and individual awards demonstrates the strength of junior hockey across the city, with a number of different teams performing well across the various age groups and divisions. It was, as always, delightful to see the little ones all enjoying themselves so much, but also to witness some very talented children, particularly in the J10 and J12 age groups, who are beginning to show maturity in their skill execution and game play. Credit to the many hard working coaches who are all sharing their knowledge with the next generation of players (and one day coaches also perhaps).

Well done all! Already looking forward to the next one...

■ **Simon Chapman, Director of Hockey**





Age/Division Results

J6 – Division 1

1. Khalsa
2. Home Court
3. Shaheen. A

J8 – Division 1

1. Home Centre
2. KCC. A
3. Khalsa. A

J10 – Division 1

1. GSIS. A
2. Shaheen. A
3. DB Pirates. A

J12 – Division 1

1. HKCC. A
2. HKFC Antlers
3. GSIS. A

J6 – Division 2

1. HKFC Bears
2. Kai Tak
3. HKCC. A

J8 – Division 2

1. Kai Tak
2. GSIS. C
3. DB Pirates. B

J10 – Division 2

1. GSIS. C
2. Kai Tak
3. Kei Fook

J12 – Division 2

1. Shaheen
2. Khalsa
3. Kei Fook

J6 – Division 3

1. HKFC Cubs
2. DB Pirates
3. Tai Po. B

J8 – Division 3

1. Kei Fook
2. Home Court
3. Shaheen. B



Star Player Awards

J6 – Regis (Khalsa), Jayda (Home Court), Ian (HKCC), Quinn (Kai Tak), Edwin (Tai Po), Harriet (HKFC)

J8 – Bennett (GSIS), Maya (DB Pirates), Sherlock (Kai Tak), Micaela (HKCC), Ethan (Home Court), Lui Pui Yee (Kei Fook)

J10 – Elliott (GSIS), Samara (HKFC), Scotter (Kai Tak), Mia (Shaheen)

J12 – Siena (HKFC), Will (HKCC), Darren (Shaheen), Shina (HKFC)





Club Bowlers Rock!

Accolades Won in Premier Leagues 2019

This year's premier leagues bowlers completed the season on a high note with two best rinks clinched in Women's Team A in Division 1 and Men's Team F in Division 9. Equally formidable were our Division 1

Skips **CT Wong** and **Emmie Wong** topping the all-player lists in their divisions respectively.



Players in the Best Rinks were as follows:

Women's Team A – **Emmie Wong** (skip), **Phyllis Wong**, **Lydia Yang**, **Christina Yeung**

Men's Team F – **Denis Hamelin** (skip), **CC Leung**, **David Chui**, **Edward Yu**.

Men's team F crowned Champion of Division 9 and will be promoted to Division 8 next season. Overall, the results of the Club's teams were as follows:

Men's Premier League 2019

Team A	Division 1 Ranked 3rd
Team B	Division 1 Ranked 6th
Team C	Division 3 Ranked 5th
Team D	Division 6 Ranked 6th
Team E	Division 7 Ranked 6th
Team F	Division 9 Ranked 1st

Women's Premier League 2019

Team A	Division 1 Ranked 4th
Team B	Division 1 Ranked 10th
Team C	Division 3 Ranked 7th

Gear Up for new format of 2-Wood Triples in Winter League 2019

Salute the enthusiasm of our Section Bowlers, as the Club will field six men's teams and four ladies' teams in this year's Winter Triples League, adopting a new format of 2-Wood Triples for 18 ends.

The opening games will take place on 14th December and bowlers are all ready to battle for titles!

Six men's teams are as follows:

Division 1 - Teams A & B
Division 2 - Team C
Division 4 - Team D
Division 8 - Teams E & F

Four ladies' teams are as follows:

Division 1 - Team A
Division 2 - Team B
Division 3 - Team C
Division 4 - Team D





HKFC Recapture RBSC Inter-port Championship

HKFC Bowlers defied the home advantage of Royal Bangkok Sports Club (RBSC) and recaptured the title in this year's Inter-port Championship staged in Bangkok between 29th Nov and 2nd Dec.

A total of 20 HKFC Bowlers together with players from Hong Kong Cricket Club enjoyed the two-day tournament of round-robin 2-Wood Triples competition. Three rounds were played. In the final round on 2nd Dec, HKFC beat RBSC with 5 rinks won and 1 rink tied.

Everyone enjoyed not only the authentic Thai hospitality but also wonderful live music at the closing prize presentation dinner. We look forward to welcoming the Thai bowlers to Hong Kong next year!



Private Functions and Events at Hong Kong Football Club

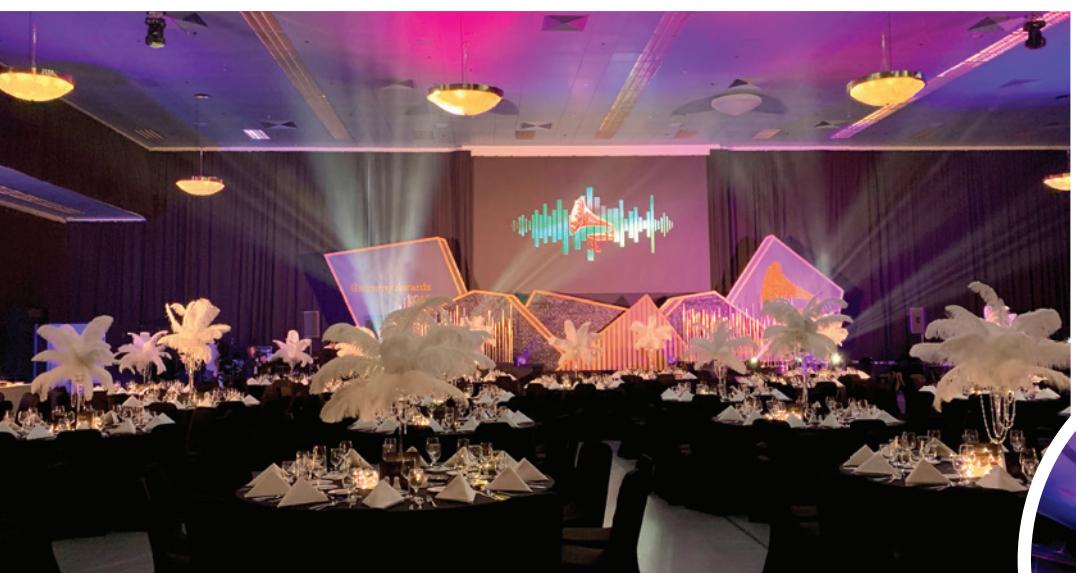


Whilst Hong Kong Football Club boasts some of the finest Sport and Recreational facilities in Asia it is also home to a comprehensive array of private rooms and spaces for all manner of meetings, parties, conferences and business networking events. These facilities and the professional services that support them are available exclusively to Members of the Club.

VENUE OPTIONS

The Hong Kong Football Club offers both indoor and outdoor venues of varying capacity.

All indoor options offer well appointed contemporary design combined with the latest in multimedia technology and views across Happy Valley Race Course.



Sports Hall

The high ceiling, pillar free Sports Hall on the Club's first floor can accommodate up to 648 seated guests and is equipped with a 27 foot LED Screen and Public Address System, making it an ideal venue for large scale catering events. Buffet or plated service is available.



SUPPORT TEAM

The Club's Food and Beverage Department have an exceptional team waiting to assist you in planning and executing your event. With menus and packages to suit all occasions and budgets our Catering Department and Culinary team will guide you through the process whilst our Banqueting service team will ensure attentive service on the day itself.

Sportsman's Bar Back Patio and 'The Deck'

If it is an outdoor venue you need, then look no further than the Back Patio at the Sportsman's Bar, a popular venue for BBQ dinners and gatherings. The adjacent deck, overlooking the main pitch is an ideal space for cocktail parties of up to 100 guests.





Happy Valley Suites

Located on the Clubhouse second floor the Happy Valley Suites comprises two rooms that can be opened up into one seating up to 200 guests, or each room on its own approximately 100 guests. This versatile event space is suitable for seminars, corporate training or lunch / dinner functions, it also boasts spectacular views over the Club's main pitch, the Jockey Club Race track and beyond to Happy Valley and the surrounding hills.



Lockhart Room

A beautiful room with spectacular half moon floor to ceiling window, a built in laser projector and screen as well as its own bar and reception area. The room is 130 sq metres and is an ideal venue for presentations and cocktail receptions of every description.



Meeting Rooms

Adjacent to the Indoor Lawn Bowls green, our three in one Meeting Room offers seating for twelve in each of the three distinct rooms or up to 80 in seminar style when the three rooms are opened up into one. Similarly, two rooms can be opened up to accommodate a smaller number, making this well appointed suite of rooms an excellent choice for meetings, seminars and gatherings of all descriptions.



For enquiries and more information, please contact the Catering Office at 2830 9513 or catering@hkfc.com.



Chairwoman's Report

I can't believe I am saying this but 2020 is here! Welcome back everyone and I trust you all had a wonderful Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year. Going into this half of the season we have Club reigning supreme in the Premier League, being undefeated in the first half of the season. Typhoons are hot on their tails with a top 3 finish for the first half also, moving into the Premier division and once again proving that a HKFC vs HKFC grand final is looking promising. Whirlies had a rough start to the season with injuries plaguing the team each week but they proved their worth in Division 1 under the watchful eye of coach **Kath**. Hurricanes are pleased to introduce their newest mascot, with coach **Kate** giving birth to a beautiful baby boy. And the Hurricanes have been doing her proud in her absence putting some wins on the board. Tornadoes are also going from strength to strength, moving up into Division 2 in the second half of the season and are set to meet the Hurricanes on court in the coming weeks (which is sure to be a barrel of laughs).

We also had the first of our DSA socials at Xmas, with all players and coaches getting together to celebrate the successes of the first half of the season and have a good chin wag (and possibly a few too many champagnes). They call it the silly season for a reason I guess. For now though, it's back to the courts to run off the extra serving of turkey and a few too many mince pies we (perhaps the Royal we) indulged in recent months. Grand Final day in April is fast approaching!!

■ **Olivia Burgess**



ITALY MEETS AUSTRALIA WINE DINNER



MENU



Aperitif

Sorelle Bronca Prosecco Treviso Modi NV - Veneto, Italy

Appetizer

Grilled Italian Octopus Salad on a Cannellini Bean Humus, Thyme Dressing

Tenuta di Corte Giacobbe Pinot Grigio 2018 - Veneto, Italy

Ad Hoc Nitty Gritty Pinot Grigio 2018 - Pemberton, Western Australia

First Dish

Homemade Tortellini with Ricotta and Spinach
Tossed in Tomato Sauce and Fresh Basil

G.D Vajra Langhe Rosso 2017 - Piedmont, Italy

Jamsheed Pepe Le Pinot 2018 - Yarra Valley, Australia

Main Course

In-House 30 Days Dry Aged AUS Grass Fed Beef Tenderloin
On a Saffron Mash Potato, Baby Carrot and Roasted Turnip

Casa Brancaia Cabernet Sauvignon 2016 - Tuscany, Italy

Mr Riggs Coonawarra Cabernet Sauvignon 2016 - Coonawarra, Australia

Dessert or Cheese

Puff Pastry Apple Strudel with Almond and Crème Patisserie

DATE. TIME. VENUE.

Friday 17th January 2020

PRICE

558 per Member

618 per Member's Guest

In the Restaurant

7.30pm to 8pm: Pre-Dinner Drinks
8pm to 11pm: Dinner

Limited seating available

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* All the above Wine will be served in limited quantity

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***The A la Carte will not be available on that evening.

Match Reports



U12 Lightning

The Lightning girls have gotten to know each other at lightning speed, and have had a great 1st season: 2 strong wins and 2 very closely fought games, both with just a point between them (1 win, 1 defeat). This performance saw them into the 3/4 place playoffs, with a final win for 3rd place. Some great shooting by **Chloe, Emily, Frankie and Zoe**; impressive speed by **Ann, Flo and Thiya**; fantastic passes by **Coco** and **Sonia** and brilliant defence by **Leah, Nickie** and **Violet**. Worth a mention: Ann's amazing lobs! Look forward to more of the same in Season 2.

■ **Clare Arnold**



U19 Mavericks

U19 Div 1 3rd/4th place playoffs showcases the second match up this season between HKFC's own Mavericks and Twisters. Both teams got off to a flying start, keeping within one point of each other throughout the 1st quarter. The team moved the ball well through centre court. At our defensive end, defenders turned back multiple Twisters attempts to enter the circle. Coupled all that with very steady shooting, Mavericks pulled out with a few more goals in the 2nd quarter.

In the 3rd quarter, Twisters stepped up and came roaring back with a streak of 4 straight goals, but Mavericks held their ground and managed to land a few more goals to hold on to the lead. The game ended 19-12 to the Mavericks. What a fantastic way to exit this season with two of our U19 HKFC teams delivering great netball for both players and spectators.

■ **Alfreda Yu**

Nettas – Awards

Playing mid afternoon on 30th November, our Nettas enjoyed some fun filled competitive friendlies. This wrapped up the third Saturday games and during our last training session we presented the players with their certificates and awards.

Below are the HKNA Autumn competition winners:

SNOWFLAKES

Most enthusiastic: **Charlotte Fenwick**
Most Improved: **Kate Law**
Best Team Player: **Edith Greenwood**

ICICLES

Most Enthusiastic: **Ella Busteed**
Most Improved: **Jade Wong**
Best Team Player: **Louise Lindsay**

SNOWSTORMS

Most Enthusiastic: **Zoe Johnson**
Most Improved: **Charlotte Dunn**
Best Team Player: **Iris Greenwood**



Photos from the Finals



Thunder



Rainstorms



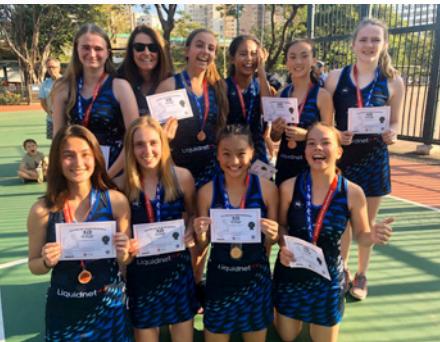
Blizzards



Breakers



Lightning



Mavericks



Storm

the reason behind the JNA successes – thank you **Amelia Handford, Kathryn Curley, Jane Peters, Hannah Johnson, Rachael Alsop, Adele Rooney, Lindsay Elliot, and Janie Grant.**

In addition, I just wanted to mention we are so happy to have **Rebecca Thompson** join us this term and we welcome her sporting expertise and experience to help keep building an even better and stronger JNA.

HKNA Autumn Competition Finals

On sunny Saturday 30th November the HKFC JNA players fought hard from the very first whistle. Here is a brief overview of the day, the results and the photos:

U12s Thunder (RED) finished 3rd place with a win 13 to 5 against HKCC Eagles. Playing their final game **Michaela Reidel** and **Erin Quinn** will be sadly missed.

U12s Blizzards (GREEN) fought back in the final quarter to capture a win and 3rd place, the final score was 9 to 7 (HKCC Jaegars).

U12s Lightning (YELLOW) had a strong 3rd place win only conceding one goal – 17 to 1 (Valley)

U14s Storm (Div 1) were playing against their old rivals SKS Stingrays for the division win however they were minus their key goal players. They still managed to match their opponents and lost by a small margin to be runners up. The players farewelled **Simi Bergkvist**.

U14s Rainstorms (Div 1) – this was clearly the game of the day and what a nail biter! A golden goal scored in time secured Rainstorms 3rd place win against HKCC Cranes – 23 to 22.

U16s Breakers (Div 1) – playing DB Pretty Pollies the Breakers were forced to play with 6 players and gave it their all. They finished up in 4th place.

U19s Mavericks vs Twisters (Div 1) – conflicted and not knowing who to support, both teams played an outstanding game, with Mavericks finishing slightly stronger on the day with the 3rd place win – 19 to 12.

U19s Red Rain (Div 2) and U14s (Div 2) Tremors both finished 5th.

Well done coaches and players – onwards to the 2020 Spring Competition that will kick off on 20th January.

Mary Vlogianitis

Convenor's Report

As I sit down to write and reflect on term one of the JNA 2019/20 season, I realise it has been filled with excitement and anticipation as well as the need to be accommodating to ensure the safety of our netball community. The autumn HKNA competition was disjointed yet we were able to secure 8 of our 10 competitive teams into final playoffs (see below for more).

A big thanks to all the parents and players for their support both on and off the court and to the wonderful coaches whose commitment is

HKFC Fast Four Tournament

On 16th Saturday November the Tennis Society hosted the inaugural HKFC Fast Four Tournament.

The tournament was played between 4 teams, HKFC, HKCC, American Club and LRC. Each team consisted of four players, 2 men and 2 women. The format was a fast exciting format with matches played only to 4 games, no add scoring and no lets to keep the speed of the matches moving.

Each team played a series of matches in a round robin format. Each series of matches consisted of a Mens Singles, Ladies Singles,

Mens Doubles, Ladies Doubles and 2 mixed doubles. Each tie was to be played over 2 hours.

HKCC entered a really strong team and at the end of the day came out victorious over HKFC by a slender margin of 7 games. Super close considering going into the last round HKCC held a 3 game margin.

All players had a fantastic afternoon of tennis while meeting new players and teams.

We are hoping for this tournament to grow eventually into an international tournament in the years to come.



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HKFC ATA TERM 2 2020 EVENTS CALENDAR

JANUARY

6 TH	JTP START
10 TH	JUNIOR LEAGUE START
11 TH	WEEKEND WARRIOR
17 TH	FRIDAY LADIES MORNING SOCIAL
29 TH - 31 ST	CNY CAMP

FEBRUARY

1 ST	AUSTRALIA OPEN SOCIAL
8 TH	WEEKEND WARRIOR
15 TH	MINI RED, ORANGE BALL 12 - 4 PM
19 TH	TIEBREAK SHOOT OUT COMPETITION
29 TH	WEEKEND WARRIOR

MARCH

1 ST	FAMILY FUN DAY 1 - 6 PM
7 TH	MINI GREEN BALL COMPETITION 12 - 2 PM
11 TH	LADIES MORNING SOCIAL MATCHPLAY
21 ST - 22 ND	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
28 TH - 29 TH	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

APRIL

3 RD	END OF JTP
30 TH MARCH - 3 RD APRIL	EASTER CAMP
6 TH - 9 TH	EASTER CAMP
14 TH - 17 TH	EASTER CAMP

INTERNATIONAL “SUNDAY BRUNCH BUFFET”

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The Club's family friendly Sunday Brunch in the Happy Valley Suites and the Chairman's Bar welcomes Members and their Guests.

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Dress Code Reminder:

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- Ladies are required to dress to a comparable standard
- No hats and other headwear for men (Except national, ethnic or religious costume)
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Reunification Cup, Lotus Hill Golf Club

3rd and 4th November 2019

It seems getting ten golfers to China for a Saturday morning tee time is never simple and that's the way the Cup started. With the start sheet in handicap order with lowest out first **Jonny Brock** and **Terry Wright** off at 1 and 2 for HKFC always had fate against them and as it turns out a desperately slow shuttle driver who treated our golfers to a leisurely drive around Zhuhai waterfront and a crawl down the expressway.

Barely time to dump the bags the lads were straight onto the first tee. Jonny responded well with a nice drive down the middle and Terry's strong pull well folks they are still looking for that one, through the tops of the trees and across the road! Easy to relax once the frantic dash to the 1st tee was completed both these experienced golfers settled into their work well with Jonny a very healthy 37 stableford points and Terry a creditable 35 after a pointless first hole in all senses of the word. The format of this competition is team of ten golfers scoring individual stableford scores with the highest and lowest discarded and the remaining 8 becoming the team score.

With the rest of the team out in a more orderly/leisurely fashion in most cases good news flowed in off the course as the golfers returned. Debutant **Ted Li** bringing home 38 points was the highlight with solid 34 point efforts from **JP Cuvelier** and **Nick Allen** just topping the 33 points of **Andrew Wood**. With the golfers targeting at least 30 points there were a few disappointed golfers with 3 scores not reaching that mark but having our lowest score retained at a respectable 28 points it ensured we would come away with a solid total.

Golf gave way to rugby briefly as the team watched South Africa shatter England's dreams of a Rugby World Cup title as the wheels well and truly fell off the Chariot and the golfing words of **Owen Davis** bizarrely seemed to mirror the difficulty England seemed to be having on our screen as he reflected on an unhappy round – "The harder I tried it seemed the harder it got!"

So it turned out that evening after totalling the team scores HKFC held a solid 21 point lead over Chinese Recreation Club (CRC) with 4 points back The American Club battling away with only 9 golfers and 15 points back to HK Country Club in 4th place.

Another solid performance surely could see the trophy back in the cabinet at Sports Road. What could possibly go wrong? Indeed, reflected the English.

Well just where do I start?

JP Cuvelier having slipped getting out of the shower Saturday evening was seemingly OK over the pool table later on but woke up with a shoulder that would not work. HKFC now faced with a 9 men team and no ability to drop the low score. Task now much more difficult but not impossible. Lots of news filtering through the course at crossover points of golfers not having a great day caused a little concern but a long way to go yet and much can happen.

Sunday's round started on the 10th hole so the finishing hole was #9 with lots of water and an elevated green with big deep bunkers. The 3rd toughest hole so everyone was getting a shot. Surely whatever happened before this point we could pick up some extra points on this last hole. Captain Wright walked off the last with zero points for the hole having been beaten by the bunker to be greeted by the news that both Jonny Brock and Ted Li before him had suffered similar fate. JP was next with the zero, he scored on each hole followed by Nick Allen who had a chance but missed the short putt to end the 9th with zero points as well. Next in the distance was the fluro green shorts of Andrew Wood in what now appears to be Sunday ritual driving too long into the water and taking relief to hit the next into the bunker and score 7 for zero points. It could have been an action replay of 2018, had we not changed our shirts this year. A sad end to a solid round of 34 which topped the scoring with Wright's 34 also achieved with zero points on the 9th minutes earlier just by different means. So the fears that

having only nine golfers would be very difficult proved no less of a challenge than the actual 9th hole itself. First six golfers all in with zero points. **Anatole Le** and **Bill King** managed to break the duck and finally score some points on 9 but could this lack of ability to score on the 9th hole prove fatal?

Lunch was taken while the scores were being tallied. The organising team CRC with their staff busily doing the sums. Then a few murmurs and then smiles from the CRC table – that can't be a good sign. The numbers go up and the final result sees CRC with 483 points in first place to HKFC's 480 points with The American Club in the 3rd followed in by HK Country Club. Wow! What a tight finish and a bit shattering to lose by such a small margin after leading comfortably on day one.

Oh! How it could so easily have been! Lots of golfers with scores they were disappointed in, including Owen who like the English rugby side had still not recovered his Mojo from Saturday. Playing with just nine golfers clearly didn't help and of course that damn 9th hole. You can look for many reasons for not retaining the Reunification Cup but as usually happens in sports fixtures we just didn't play well enough to win. Any one of our golfers could have scored the extra 3 points on Sunday we needed to retain the trophy (with the possible exception of "broken wing" JP) but the fact is we didn't. Which is why we will be back next year to prove that we can.

Thanks to Lotus Hill for a well presented golf course.

■ **Terry Wright, Golf Captain**

Footnote: Serious rumours have already started of an intensive 9th hole training camp for anyone wanting to be selected for next year's team.



Christmas Cup, Lotus Hill Golf Club

23rd and 24th November 2019

The Christmas Cup is a two day event normally held at Lotus Hill each year. Nine members joined this year's event with some new faces among the players. Following the cancellation of the morning ferry to Lotus Hill, we changed the travel arrangements to go by coach from Huang Guan terminal. To our pleasant surprise we were able to complete the trip between 7.45am and 9.20am with remarkably smooth traffic leaving us plenty of time to warm up on arrival at Lotus Hill.

The first to tee off were **Albert Lam, Steve Lee, Jonathan Li** and myself. I have played with Steve a few times before and Steve has improved tremendously. His driving is more consistent and the ball striking has greatly improved. However, his short game still needs to be improved. He eventually scored 5 pars and 39 points to claim second place for this event. When Steve finished the round, he was so happy to tell everyone that this is the first time to have 5 pars and shot below 100! Congratulations! Sadly for Steve, **Lana Woo** was on hot form again shooting 92 for 43 points to claim the victory! Meanwhile her team member, **Lily**, also shot 38 stableford points to claim third place.

On day two, we were playing Texas Scramble format. I was playing with Steve Lee and Jonathan Li, however we were struggling to make birdies. We only managed to score one birdie over 16 holes. At hole 17, I hit a pitching wedge and left 10 yards to putt. Jonathan went for the aggressive line and sank it for a birdie, so 2 under over the round. At hole 18, if you can drive 270 yards, you can go for the aggressive line by aiming for the small island. After seeing Jonathan and Steve drive, I am safe to go for the aggressive line. Lucky for us, the ball went over the island and left us 110 yards to go for the green. I hit a 52 degree wedge and left 6 yards for the eagle. Jonathan went to putt first and the ball just went left of the hole. Steve was able to read his putt and went on to sink the eagle putt! Marvellous teamwork to score 4 under par with gross 68 and net 59 to claim the victory on day two.



Jonathan Lee driving off



Steve Lee contemplating a tricky situation

Here is breakdown of the event:

Nearest to the Pin

Hole 2 – Ted Li

Hole 11 – Ted Li

Hole 14 – Steve Lee

Hole 17 – Ted Li

Longest Drive Male – Albert Lam

Longest Drive Female – Lana Woo

1st Place – Lana Woo – 43 stableford points

2nd Place – Steve Lee – 39 stableford points

3rd Place – Lily Chan – 38 stableford points

Day 2 – Texas Scramble

Winner-Gross – 68 Net 59 – Ted Li, Jonathan Li and Steve Li

Happy Golfing

■ **Ted**

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Elsa Lee a magnificent drive



Melbourne, Wright, Hakli and Shum



Cronin, Paul, Hayward and Brock laugh it up



Sam Shei puts for the win on 18

HKFC Golf Society vs Kowloon Cricket Club, Macau GCC

25th November 2019

A stunning day greeted both teams as they approached Macau in the ferry. Cloudless with a touch of smog but very importantly only a light breeze so great conditions for golf.

A tight schedule saw HKFC's first pair almost straight off the bus onto the first tee. A quick couple of putts seemed to be all **Scott Laws** and **Bill King** needed as they started strong winning 3 holes straight to be 3 up after 3. Unfortunately the magic was lost at that point as KCC's **Vincent Lee** and **Sanjay Nainani** regrouped and went on to dominate this match and win on the 15th hole 5 and 3.

KCC off to a great start. Could KCC skipper **Duncan Paul** and **Barry Cronin** keep the momentum going. **Jonny Brock** and **Helen Hayward** would prove to be tough opponents right through to the 18th tee where the 2 teams were locked up all square. Combining well with strong play from Jonny on the front 9 and Helen finding form on the back 9 this match was settled in spectacular fashion with Helen carding a net eagle on the 18th to take the point for HKFC. A fine 1 over par back nine by Helen finished off with a rather large exclamation mark.

HKFC Captain **Terry Wright** and **Jukka Hakli** were next out against **Peter Shum** and **Barry Melbourne**. It wasn't looking good losing the first hole but the HKFC pair regathered their composure immediately and won 5 of the next 6 holes to be 4 up. 4 down at the turn the KCC pair decided to dig their toes in and chip away at the lead until they reached the 18th tee

now only 1 down and the game getting tense but still very much alive. 2 solid pars from the HKFC pair however saw this match closed out in HKFC's favour 2up.

Next team to hit the 18th was **Andrew Wood** and **Sam Shei** for HKFC against **Johnny Cheung** and **Erle Pereira**. Had this match been decided yet? No. Despite being 3 down after 11 holes the HKFC pair had clawed their way back to be all square on the 18th tee. Another one down to the wire and a very relieved Woody sank the final putt to take this match 1up to HKFC.

A definite trend was evolving here with 3 matches being decided on the 18th hole all in HKFC's favour. Not wanting to be left out of the fun and a bit of tension HKFC's next pairing of **Justin Faulkner** and **Ian Petersen** grabbed their own piece of 18th hole drama by also winning 1 up on the 18th when Ian sank the final putt to secure the point.

Only 1 flight left and Terry and Jukka waiting on the 18th green had been well entertained by the unfolding dramas to this point. What would the last group serve up? You guessed it another 18th hole nail-biting decider. After hitting a lovely tee shot on 17 to comfortably claim the near pin **Elsa Lee** had been unable to sink the birdie putt to give her and **Dallas** a 1 up advantage on the 18th tee so yet another group arrived all square with just the 18th to play. Macau's 18th is a great finishing hole, a long par 5 flanked on one side by bush and the other the ocean. If that wasn't tough enough already they threw in a large lake in

front of the green to make the approach shot even tougher. Dallas and Elsa seemed to be in a strong position as we watched **David Brettell**'s 3rd shot barely clear the lake and run up short of the green. Still with a very difficult shot left he calmly chipped to within a foot of the hole for a net birdie. Both Elsa and Dallas still had chances to halve with difficult 30 foot putts but unfortunately their 2 great putts narrowly missed and their net pars whilst being very good scores were not good enough on this day. **David Brettell** and **Daphne La Rosa** winning for KCC 1up.

Wow what a day! The fantastic weather made a perfect backdrop to this great battle where 5 of the 6 matches were decided on the 18th hole – that's getting value for money. Both teams played well and HKFC could feel very fortunate to come out on top 4-2 on a day where a couple of putts sinking for KCC could easily have seen that result reversed. The spirit of the matches carried on afterwards with the great camaraderie between the teams continuing over a few drinks and dinner. Great golf course, great contest and great weather were the reasons everyone was smiling.

Near Pins on the day to: Ian Pettersen, Jonny Brock, Barry Melbourne, Helen Hayward and Elsa Lee.

Long Drives : Daphne La Rosa and Dallas Reid.

■ **Terry Wright, Golf Captain**



CHINESE NEW YEAR FESTIVITIES AT THE CLUB

Friday 24th January – The Club will be closed from 5pm onwards

Saturday 25th January – The Club will be closed all day

Sunday 26th January

◆ RESTAURANT ◆

Carvery Semi Lunch Buffet

12noon to 2.30pm
2-Course: 168
3-Course: 197

Restaurant A la Carte Menu

6.30pm to 10pm

◆ COFFEE SHOP ◆

Year of the Rat Lunch Buffet

12noon to 2.30pm
226 per Adult, 113 per Child (age 4-11)

CNY Family Dinner Buffet

5.30pm to 9.30pm
226 per Adult, 113 per Child (age 4-11)

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CNY Brunch

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(with unlimited flow of chilled juice)

Monday 27th January

◆ RESTAURANT ◆

Carvery Semi Lunch Buffet

12noon to 2.30pm
2-Course: 168
3-Course: 197

Restaurant A la Carte Menu

6.30pm to 10pm

◆ COFFEE SHOP ◆

Year of the Rat Lunch Buffet

12noon to 2.30pm
226 per Adult, 113 per Child (age 4-11)

Dinner Buffet with Auspicious Dishes

5.30pm to 9.30pm
226 per Adult, 113 per Child (age 4-11)

HKFC vs Little Sai Wan, Kai Sai Chau (North)

4th December 2019

Following days of jousting with the opposing traitorous Captain (our very own **JP Cuvelier**) over such matters as handicaps, playing the course and team members, we set off to Sai Kung with the larks in full voice against a beautiful sunrise. However, the Northern monsoon had arrived in Hong Kong the day before and it was down to a chilly 11C with some strong blustery winds.

En route, bad news, when I received a text message that one of their players had spent most of the night in “the little boys’ room” after an overdose of sausages and sauerkraut. We thought that Oktoberfest was already over, but this occurrence to **Lorenz Zimmermann** deemed him down and out. So, once again, 12 became 11 and berthing at the Kau Sai Chau ferry pier on choppy waters, I was thinking who would have to play for fun.

Little did I know, the opposition true to their scheming, had during the check-in recruited a lonely Frenchman to replace Lorenz at the very last minute. **Pierre Lisnard** turned out to be a smart “acquisition”, playing off a 6 handicap.

All pairings took place in a random draw by opposing players one-by-one at 8am sharp in the course Coffee Shop, with lots of light hearted banter with breakfast being served.

The format was 100% handicaps singles match play, which we rarely play.

The Results:

Jeremy Porter (7) defeated **Peter Aherne** (9) (3 birdies); 5 and 4 (scoring nett 73 and 75 respectively!)

John Harris (11) defeated **Scott Laws** (9); 3 and 1, with Scott suggesting we should convert our Outdoor Lawn Bowls rink to a putting green, such were his woes on the short grass.



Noel Prentice sending his match report to the SCMP



The Captains, enough said

JP Cuvelier (15) defeated **Fergus McCoig**; 3 and 2, with some claw grip putting magic.

Sandy McKintosh (15) lost 5 and 3 to our ringer **Laurent De Greef** (6), another **Belgian**.

Dave Collins (15) and **Andrew Wood** (14) Captain on the day (also 3 birdies) ended up All Square.

Nigel Farmer (12) defeated our Flying Finn **Jukka Hakli** (15); 3 and 2.

Peter Boothby (10) defeated **Helen Hayward** (13); 3 and 2. Great to see a lady competing in this annual fixture for the first time.

Noel Prentice (15) defeated **Jonny Brock** (7); 3 and 1. Johnny assures us he will be back with a vengeance once his new set of irons bed-in.

A jet-lagged **Jim Costello** (4) lost to **Marco Jorge** (8); 4 and 2, with Marco making a nonsense of his sore back from overdoing it at football training the previous night.

Nick Gikas (18) defeated **Justin Faulkner** (15); 4 and 2

Ringer **Pierre Lisnard** (7) defeated another French speaker, **Gilles Bonnier** (17); 3 and 2.

Mark Cameron (13) lost to **James Riordan** (17); 2 and 1. A fitting finale from James who left our shores mid-December, returning to The Emerald Isle. Best of luck from all the team and hope that you will continue playing for us when back on business.

So, it was not to be for us this year. Final score – LSW 8 ½, HKFC 3 ½.

Many thanks to all who showed up during what is a busy, festive month and on a golf course that was playing tough, against a very solid opposition.



VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER

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GOLF EVENTS - 2020 SCHEDULE

(As of 1st January 2020 - Subject to change when required)

GOLF SOCIETY

JANUARY

- 8/9 Jan (Wed/Thur) Junan Country Garden Golf Club
- 17 Jan (Fri) Match vs FCC, KSC North
- 20 Jan (Mon) KSC North

FEBRUARY

- 8 Feb (Sat) Match vs MiB, KSC North or South
- 13 Feb (Thur) Xili Golf Club
- 21 Feb (Fri) AIA Pairs Event, HKGC Eden
- 24 Feb (Mon) Match vs RHKYC, Macau

MARCH

- 6 Mar (Fri) KSC South
- 25 Mar (Wed) KSC East

APRIL

- 9 Apr (Thur) Petersen Texas Scramble HKGC (TBC)
- 21 Apr (Tue) Phoenix Hill Golf Club

MAY

- 2/3 May (Sat/Sun) GS Committee vs General Committee, Lotus Hill (TBC)
- 6 May (Wed) Clearwater Bay & Annual General Meeting (TBC)
- 11 May (Mon) Match vs WAGS, Macau
- 18 May (Mon) Match vs HK Club, Macau
- 22 May (Fri) KSC South President v Chairman Cup (TBC)
- 29 May (Fri) Intersection Cup, Macau (TBC)

JUNE

- 10 Jun (Wed) Walmsley Cup at KSC East
- 15 Jun (Mon) Match vs Big Sai Wan, Macau (TBC)
- 26 Jun (Fri) Xili Golf Club

JULY

- 15 Jul (Wed) KSC South

AUGUST

- 21 Aug (Fri) Indoor Golf golfgzon

SEPTEMBER

- 3 Sep (Thur) KSC South
- 5/6 Sep (Sat/Sun) Ryder Bowl Match vs. American Club, Lotus Hill (TBC)
- 11 Sep (Fri) Match vs HK Cricket Club, Macau (TBC)
- 21 Sep (Mon) Phoenix Hill Golf Club
- 28 Sep (Mon) Match vs DB Residents Club, DBGC (TBC)

OCTOBER

- 6 Oct (Tue) Match vs HK Country Club, Clearwater Bay (TBC)
- 15 Oct (Thur) Annual Club Champs at KSC North
- 19 Oct (Mon) Match vs Little Sai Wan, Macau
- 26 Oct (Mon) Clearwater Bay TBC

NOVEMBER

- 2 Nov (Mon) Match vs HK Seniors, Macau
- 7/8 Nov (Sat/Sun) Reunification Cup Match, Lotus Hill (TBC)
- 11 Nov (Wed) KSC North Texas Scramble 28/29
- 28/29 Nov (Sat/Sun) Christmas Cup, Lotus Hill

DECEMBER

- 3 Dec (Thur) KSC East
- 16 Dec (Wed) Christmas Gathering at Deep Water Bay



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Swimming & Triathlon Report



Phuket Triathlon:

It was an exciting month for the HKFC triathlon team, as the Laguna Phuket Triathlon took place on 23rd to 24th November. This is a premier race for us and we had an unbelievable weekend and absolutely dominated the event. With 14 competitors travelling to Phuket for the race, it was a strong showing with amazing results. In their respected divisions we had

three 1st place finishes. Well done **Richard Hall**, **Cat Sen**, and **Alex McCarroll**. The team of **Robyn Charter**, **Farah Master**, and **Jessica McCarroll** also took home a golden elephant by placing 2nd in the relay division, and 3rd in her age group respectively.

The team also had their annual Christmas social on 30th November. It was a festive occasion with lots of holiday cheer and friendly competition.

in the Lockhart Room
Sat 18th and Sun 19th January 2020
from 1.30pm to 6.30pm
二〇二〇年一月十八日及十九日
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Preparation for Chinese New Year, gifts for friends or family, is never an easy task for families. So do your shopping this year at the Lockhart Room to avoid a last minute rush. You can find a variety of goods here like decorations, dried seafood, abalone, chocolate, biscuits, wine and more...

農曆新年將至，是時候為至親好友準備新年賀禮。今年，餐飲部將於二樓駱克房特設「農曆新年年宵市場」，備有多款精選賀年佈置、海味、鮑魚、朱古力、餅乾禮盒及各款餐酒，以供各位會員選購，為親友送上新年祝福！

Badminton Society Update

Welcome Message for the New and Existing Society Members

Welcome first to our new committee member **Tanya Gan** who will be working alongside **Helena Ko** in organising social events and activities for society.

"Thank you for becoming a member of the HKFC Badminton Society! We are thrilled to have you on board and look forward to having a game together soon. Training sessions are led by our professional coaches John Leung and Jay S Binás (<https://www.torqbadminton.com/team-of-coaches>). We have a range of levels and experience from social players looking for a bit of weekly exercise (like myself) through to Junior National Champions. To help you get involved, you will receive schedules of the Society sessions periodically as well as other events we have planned for the month. We very much look forward to welcoming new members to the Badminton Society and existing members back."

Tanya Gan

News On Junior Badminton Development – Junior Mixed Team Championship 15th -16th Feb 2020

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Team Coach John Leung

How do you feel about being the team coach for the Badminton Society?

There is an exciting 3 years ahead of us. I feel there's a lot of work that needs to be done. My job includes setting up a competitive structured Society to fulfil members' needs. They include the element of coaching and developing the juniors as well as the seniors.



How do you see the Society developing in the next five years?

I feel excited for the junior development programme in the next 5 years due to the potential of the current junior national players who like to train with us at the Club. I feel there is a pathway within badminton through education and performance to achieve the highest levels in competitive play and also in education now badminton is within the English curriculum. The programmes that we do, cater for all standards. I do think that badminton is a lifelong sport where any player of any ability can come along and have some fun.

What do you love about the Club?

It is one of the most unique places I have ever been to or worked at. I feel that the Club has been a part of sporting history within Hong Kong in all sports. The facilities including restaurants and the courts are all awesome places to play, train and work out. The environment is very family-friendly and children-friendly. The activity programmes in the Club are outstanding and its location is quite unbelievable which surpasses all my expectations here in Hong Kong and this is one of the highlights of my playing and working career.

Team Captain Ivan Ho

What do you think a competent team captain should be like?

First of all, it is my honour to be the team captain of HKFC badminton team. Generally, a good team captain should be committed, motivated, trustworthy. However, I think being a good communicator is very important in our team as we have lots of reforms in this season. It's my duty to be able to assign roles to each member of the team and to guide them as they work together so that everyone becomes productive and gets to contribute to the overall development and performance of the team.



How do you see the Society developing in the next 5 years?

As mentioned, we have lots of reforms this season. We have invited a new head coach to join our team, team training becomes more efficient. I am sure this will lead to good results in competitions tournaments. Besides, the Society has started a new focus on junior development, many potential junior players are invited to join the training. Hopefully, more junior players will join the Society.

What do you love about the Club?

HKFC is a great place where you can spend time with friends and family. Besides, lots of resources are provided to the Society so that we can try different new team development programmes.



Henry Luy
Chairman of BIG

BIG Report

The 13th Hong Kong Inter Club Ten Pin Bowling Prize Presentation dinner was held on 26th September 2019 at the Ladies Recreation Club Banquet Hall. For the HKICTB League 2018-19, BIG won the 1st Runner Up BOTH in the Scratch and Handicap Score. Congratulations to all the participating BIG team members. **Tracy Tam** won the Ladies High Game 206 on scratch and Ladies' High Game on Handicap Score 269 and Ladies' High Series on Handicap score 740. **Emy Clarke** won the Series on Scratch 560. Congratulations to our two ladies for their outstanding performance throughout the year.

For the HKICTB Team Challenge Cup Tournament 2019, BIG won the 2nd Runner Up Cup for the Scratch Series. We thank all

the participating BIG members for the Team Challenge Cup.

We started off the 14th HKICTB league 2019-2020 with our first game at Hong Kong Cricket Club on 24th October 2019. **Anto** joined the team and the team scored 20 to 2 against the HKCC for scratch and scored a 14 to 8 in the handicap series. BIG had a team score of 2931 vs HKCC's 2568 for the nine games for scratch and 3705 vs HKCC's 3564. It was an exciting and challenging night with two out of the nine games won by a margin of 11 to 13 pins each! For the ladies, Emy did a game with 200 with Tracy doing 190. Anto and **Charles** did 190 and 180 respectively. Well done, Team for a good start!

The second match was also an away game which took place at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club (RHKYC). BIG lost 14:8 in scratch and 16:6 in handicap to RHKYC. The Team scored 2589 vs RHKYC's 2664 for scratch and 3459 vs RHKYC's 3687 for handicap. **Adrian** got a high game of 201 and Emy got 184.

The third match was a home game against the Hong Kong Club. We had a strong comeback this time with BIG getting a high team score of 2950 vs HKC 2673 for the nine games for scratch and 3691vs HKC's 3561 for handicap. BIG scored 18 to 4 for scratch and 15 to 7 for handicap against HKC. Well done Team!

We still have three matches to go before the end of the 1st half of the league. BIG, keep on Striking!

■ **Henry Luy, BIG Chairman**



LAI SEE PACKETS REUSED AND RECYCLING PROGRAMME



With the Lunar New Year approaching, the Club will run a promotion in association with Greeners Action, entitled "Lai See Packets Reused and Recycling Programme".

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We also encourage our Members to put their used (but still in good condition) Lai See Packets at the Club Reception from 3rd to 17th February 2020.

To learn more about the campaign, please visit: www.greeners-action.org

Thank you for your participation and support of this project.



FEBRUARY PREVIEW

Mollydooker Wine Dinner

Date: Friday 28 February 2020

Venue: The Restaurant

Time: 7:30pm - 8pm (welcome drinks)

8pm (dinner)

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