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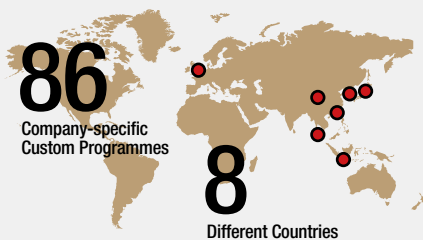


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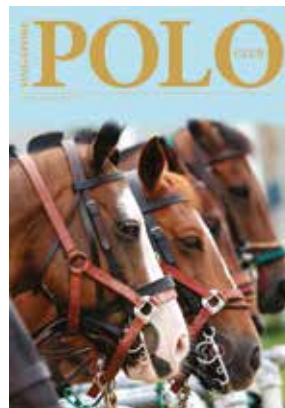
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Dear Members,

The months flew by so quickly and here we are, already in October, less than three months away to the start of a fresh new year. As the year comes to a close, we can look back at a great year with many successful events such as the Tata Communications Singapore Open, the Inaugural BMW Singapore Beach Polo Championship, Bronze League, Gold League and Gold Cup as well as the National Dressage Championships, Summer Camp for children, Mid-Autumn Lantern Festival, The Inaugural Tennis Round Robin and our 130th Anniversary Open House Celebration, which drew a crowd of almost 1,000 visitors and members.

With 130 years of rich history, the Club and its members have so much to be proud of. Turning 130 only means looking forward with greater dreams and aspiration. In line with this, the next General Meeting will decide on the re-development, renovation and upgrade of the Clubhouse, which is necessary to reposition the Club to keep up with the changing landscapes and competition.

At the present, our financial is under some pressure, hence we have to increase some of our fees for Riding and Polo, which are our main activities. Our issues probably reflect the general downturn in spending habits nationwide. Stretching from Polo, Jackpot to Membership, we are also affected by the Ministry of Manpower (MOM)'s new regulations for labour and the ongoing tightness in the labour market as well as restriction on the movement of horses overseas.

The outcome of our Mediation with EFS on 24th August 2016 has unfortunately had no immediate conclusion. However, with the good will of both parties and the insistence by Sport SG, the matter will continue with a taskforce appointed which will look into all angles again. Hopefully, an agreement will be reached by the end of the year.

There is still plenty to look forward in the next few weeks, with the spooky Halloween trick or treat and magical family Christmas party, Battle of the Sexes, the exclusive SPC vs Polo Club du Domaine de Chantilly, featuring the French Polo team, and the proposed SPC 130th Anniversary Gala Dinner on 19th November. This will definitely add colour and excitement to the year end.

With the holiday season drawing near, I send my warm greetings to you and your loved ones. Thank You for another wonderful year!

Best Regards,
Rickard Hogberg
 President





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Dear members,

How time flies and before we know it, the year end is around the corner with festive cheers to look forward to with family and friends at our Club.

The results of the Membership Survey was very encouraging with quite a number of members sharing their experiences and feedback about our level of service and how we can improve. Amongst the various sections that stood out well, the reception team garnered the highest score and I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the team led by Front Office Manager, Bea Hartini and Head, Membership, Marketing and Communications, Stephanie Lim.

There were also valuable feedback in the areas of master planning, sports and recreation and food and beverage which would be taken into consideration wherever possible to make your every visit to the Club a positive experience. My team and I would like to thank you for your participation and look forward to the next membership survey sometime in January 2017.

In a move to improve on the standards of grooming and cleaning of the yards, the Club recently purchased a ride on mechanical sweeper and cleaning machines to improve on the quality of maintenance. Deserving supervisors and grooms have attended the BHS certification course Level 1 and 2 and will share with their teams what they have learnt to improve grooming standards.

The Committee has endorsed Management's Strategic Plan and the team, working together with the various sub-committees, have managed to improve streamlining certain operations and procedures to ensure consistency all round. Management's SOPs have been completed and endorsed by all HODs to ensure consistency in its implementation. We seek your understanding while we continue to improve our standards all round for you.

The Club's 130th Anniversary Open House Celebration had a turnout of about 1,000 in attendance and I look forward to seeing you at other forthcoming events in this last quarter.

The Management team would like to thank our Committee for their guidance and support in the various initiatives we have and all of you for your patience and understanding while we endeavour to make your Club one that you can be proud of.

On behalf of my team, I would like to wish everyone a wonderful festive season ahead with lots of blessings and good cheer!

Sincere wishes,
Sylvan Braberry
 General Manager



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NEW MEMBERS

July – September 2016

A warm welcome to the new members who have recently joined the Singapore Polo Club family. We look forward to seeing you at the club!

REGULAR INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

- Annette Olsson
- Antonio Luis Vazquez Medem
- Bellin Serge Paul Christian
- Chandramouli Gayathri
- Chew Thiam Huat
- Damian Charles Alexander Stewart
- Edmunds Jonathan Richard Lawrence
- Eleanor Elizabeth Slade
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- Lindsay Ann McClendon
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- Stuart James Robinson
- Wong Kim Siong

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- Brook Llewellyn Charles Thomas
- Debbie Brittany Lim
- Dominique Marie Jooris
- Douglas Iain Brown
- Eva Marylou Spaete
- Hui Pui Ling Ivy
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POLO

15 – 16 October

Club & Novice Tournament

27 – 30 October

Battle of the Sexes

1 November

Melbourne Cup

5 November

British Polo Day

12 – 13 November

SPC vs Polo Club de Domaine de Chantilly

26 – 27 November

Grooms Cup & Club Tournament

RIDING

12 November

Show Jumping Competition

13 November

Dressage Competition

3 December

Show Jumping Competition

4 December

Dressage Competition

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

28 October

Halloween Party

19 November

Singapore Polo Club 130th Anniversary Gala Dinner

3 December

Magical Family Christmas Party

Congratulations!

A round of applause to Employee of the Quarter, Haaribalaan Subramaniam, a NEP Livery Groom for his constant initiative on the yard. Always ready to help, Haaribalaan often takes on the role of Supervisor whenever his yard supervisor is on leave. On occasions when the livery yard is short of manpower, Haaribalaan is quick to step in to ensure the horses are ready on time.

Job well done, Haaribalaan!



Haaribalaan receiving his award from General Manager Sylvan Braberry



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The Nurturing Hands

Of the Club's past presidents and a recollection of their time

Over the years, the Club has grown from strength to strength and seen various improvements. This would not be possible without the guidance of our past presidents. We managed to speak to some of our past presidents to find out more.

Ameerali Jumabhoy

President from 1969 - 1978



Why did you choose to run for Presidency?

I did not choose to run for Presidency. When I joined the Club, the main members were from the British armed forces and English members of British firms, such as President R.G Bennet.

My first job which I accepted was that of Stable Manager, a committee position. I learned how syces took care of the horses, what horses were fed &

cleaned etc. I was then promoted to Vice President and when R.G Bennet stepped down, I was voted unanimously for President, a post I held for 10 years, being re-elected every year.

What was the biggest change you made during your time as President?

The main change would be securing the grounds of our Club which was threatened to be taken away when the local police commissioner wanted it for the Police Academy. Aside from building the first covered riding school, I also founded the Singapore Equestrian society, so members could take part in Olympic sports, such as Show Jumping and Dressage. I also ensured as a Club, we had very good relation with the Malaysian clubs such as Royal Johore, Royal Pahang, Royal Selangor Polo Club and even in Penang and Johor. We used to take ponies up to their clubs to play, and they would play in our Club too.

Were there any regrets during your time?

The only regrets were not expanding membership especially to non-players and personal animosities, which should not exist outside the challenges on the field. I would have liked for non-players to sign up for membership as it would be the only Club where children, dogs and family can get together.

Steven C F Loh

President from 1985 – 1986



Why did you choose to run for presidency?

I joined the Polo Club in 1973 and started playing polo that year. At that time, the club was very small and the atmosphere was fantastic where everyone was so friendly and warm. However, only a few hardcore members could spend their spare

time to assist in the running of the club and mostly at their own costs and time. The Club then had only one or two staff as the club could not afford it. Hence, the running of the clubhouse was entirely by the committee members, mostly at their own expense. I decided to play my part and tried to contribute wherever I could. I was a committee member, Hon Secretary and Vice President for nine years before I ran for Presidency. When I was the Vice President, I was also in the Building Committee to re-develop the whole Polo Club as I am an engineer by training.

What was the biggest change you made during your time as president?

As President, I was involved in the preparation and official opening of the New Clubhouse by the late Minister of Law, Mr. E. W. Barker, followed by a Grand Polo Tournament. It was also the first official visit to Singapore by His Majesty, The Sultan of Brunei. I was involved in the preparation of this official visit which was sponsored entirely by Singapore's Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Were there things which you wanted to tackle but you couldn't? Or any regrets during your time?

Yes, together with the Hon Treasury, we tried very hard to talk to bankers and other semi-government bodies to assist us to secure a special loan for the re-construction of the new clubhouse but without much success. Although we had insufficient funds then, the club had no choice but to proceed with the re-construction as the committee felt that the government could acquire the polo ground if nothing was done to improve the land. However, with a very dedicated committee, new ideas and plans were developed with a view to generate income for the club.

Derek G Mitchell

President from 1993 - 1995



Why did you choose to run for Presidency?

I had been a Committee Member, Polo Captain and Vice President before. I was then asked to take on the Presidency, which of course I did.

How was it like being a President for the first time?

Having been a Member of the Committee

for many years, there was no pressure, as I knew all the Committee Members. I assigned each Committee Member with a task involving different aspects of running the club and I coordinated with the Manager to make sure what was proposed by the Committee was carried out.

What were some of the obstacles faced during your time?

The same obstacles which all other presidents faced like drawing in new members, raising enough money to run the Club, making sure members were happy and that there were enough activities/entertainment to satisfy them, whether they were Polo/Riding or Social Members.

Wee Tiong Han

President from 2005-2008



Why did you choose to run for Presidency?

It is a privilege and honor to serve at a club with a long and distinguished history. It is a responsibility that requires passion and commitment.

What was the biggest change you made during your time as President?

We reconfigured the club redevelopment in synergy with the previous committee and saved the club more than a million dollars. All credit goes to KC Loh and Ali Namazie for their effort and tireless commitment.

Again with a lot of encouragement and support from the Committee, we were asked to bring Polo into the SEA games in 2007. The first in 70 years sanctioned by the Olympic Council. We won the Silver medal and Polo will be played again in Malaysia at the 2017 SEA Games.

Lastly, bringing in more than a million worth of sponsorship from Cartier, AP and other world class sponsors.

Were there any regrets during your time?

No regrets and we did bring in the next generation of leaders who we are confident will take the Club to the next level.



Leon Chu

President from 2011-2012

Why did you choose to run for Presidency?

I did not choose to be the President of the Singapore Polo Club. After being in the committee for a number of years and Vice President for 5 terms, my mates in the committee insisted that it was "my turn" to helm the club.

What was the biggest change you made during your time as President?

One of the biggest changes I did during my tenure was to turn the club profitable. I had also introduced the "greening" of the club by introducing tropical trees and plants all over the club.

What are your thoughts on being the President?

I had fun being the president as I had very capable and fun people in the committee. However, my two young children did not like the idea that I was not spending enough time with them. I would encourage the younger members to run for presidency when they are presented the opportunity.

Rickard Hogberg

President from 1995 – 1998, 2014 – 2017

Why did you choose to run for Presidency?

The first time it was a natural progression of having been served in the committee for 6 years. My family's second home was the polo club where my children grew up, my good friends, me and my ponies engaged our time. I guess I felt the responsibility but also the excitement to be able to do good things for the club I love. We were starting on the redevelopment, targeting a doubling of members and the Rolex, Mercedes and Cartier tournaments were on the calendar together with a SEA Games Gold in Cross-country. The second time it was more out of duty as there was a clash among previous committee members and some senior members insisted I must stand to resolve the issues. Again, I agreed to help the Club I love.

What was the biggest change you made during your time as President?

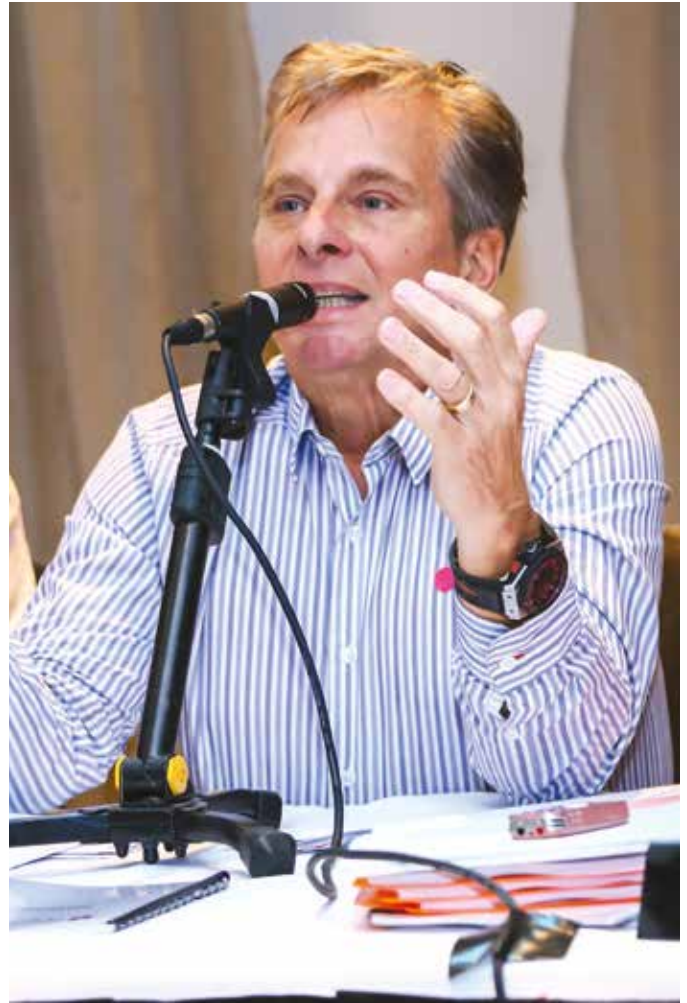
Alone, a president makes no changes, it is a team work and one of the things we see today is the new main stable block, the covered arena and the building consisting Jackpot, Spa and Gym. We also closed the field for a year and played at Marina Bay where it stands today and we shipped in 4,000 tonnes of sand to fill the field with one meter and with new drainage.

How do you think being President has changed your outlook on things?

You realize that we have to balance the interest between different groups of members for the club's overall good. I became more humble and saw the importance of building on a vision.

What were some of the obstacles you faced during your time?

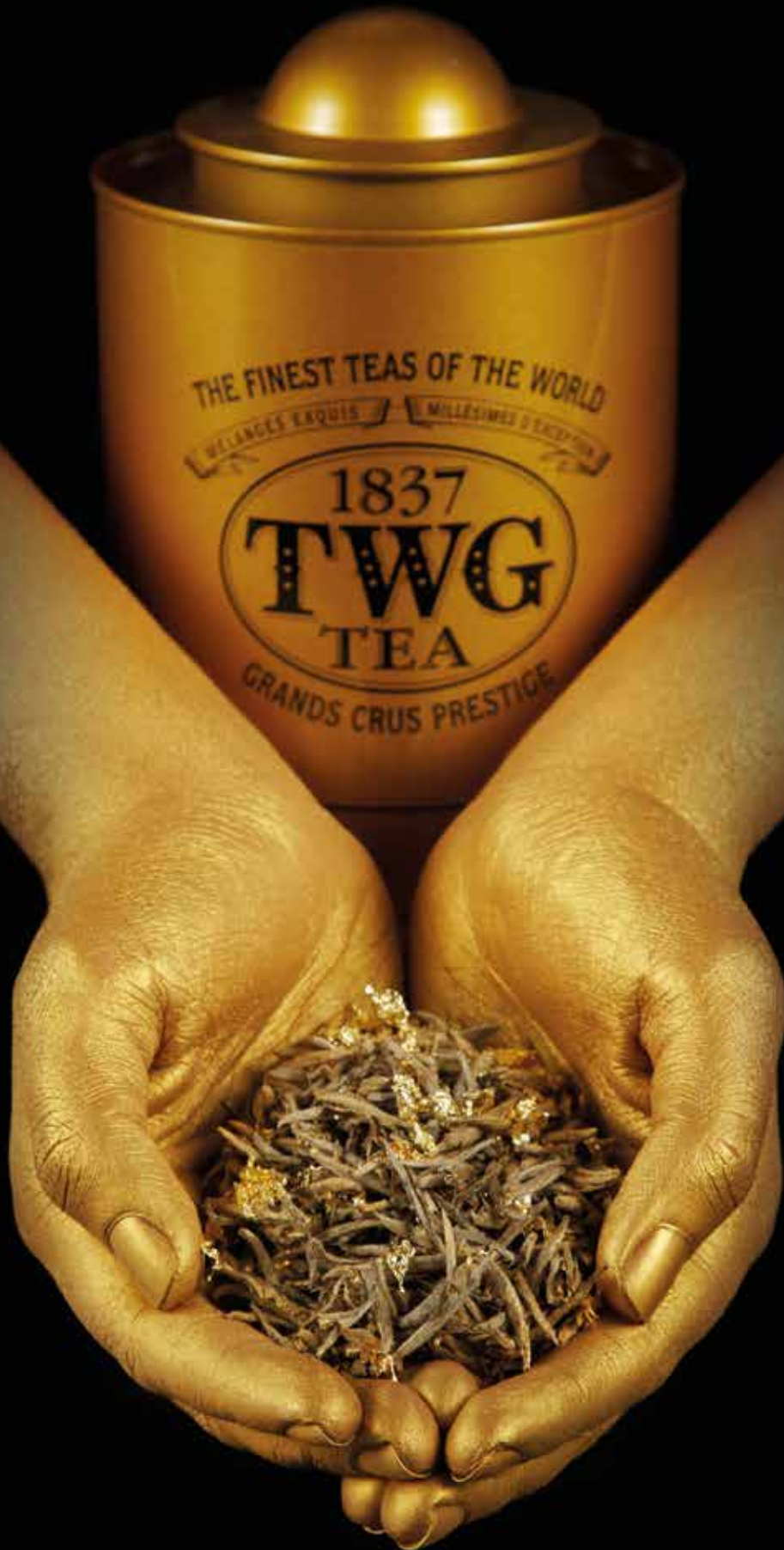
The last term has been much tougher as too much energy has been spent on distractions, conflicts within the membership and with EFS, our umbrella body. The members of today are also more demanding and busy. We also spent time socializing to seek solutions while hanging around the bar which increases the risk of conflict. I had hoped to settle our issues with EFS this term however I am happy that we



have a promising employed management and new budding smart committee members to carry on.

Would you encourage your children to run for Presidency in years to come?

I think it is up to each and everyone. A dedicated committee member can spend 20-50% of his time in the Club between meetings and reading up. If job and family life allows it, why not? But do it for the right reasons benefitting the community and the Club.



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Of brotherhood, horses and future aspirations

When eight-year-old Gonzalo, belonging to Margaret Pang was about to breathe his last, he called out to the man who showered him with love and affection over the last four years.

"I was actually having a lesson and Gonzalo looked at me and was making a lot of noise. I was wondering why is he so noisy, and then I sensed something was wrong. So, I excused myself from my lesson and went to see him. He put his head on my shoulder and he sat down slowly. I realized that he was saying goodbye," recounts Singapore Polo Club Polo Instructor Sanaullah Khan as one of the saddest moments in his career when his favourite horse passed away due to internal injuries which he did not foresee.

"It is important to be connected to the horse. If you give 100% to the horse, the horse gives you 200%. Horses can recognize people and voices. They should be treated with love and not like a machine," shared Sany when asked what it takes to be a Polo pro.

Gonzalo was special to Sanaullah not only because he was the first horse with whom he connected when he first joined the Club, but it turned out to be Gonzalo's owner, Margaret Pang, who helped Sany settle in to the Club when he first arrived in Singapore from Karachi.

As Sany had a non-existent grasp of English, Margaret would take time out of her packed schedule to teach Sany the basics of the language, as well as the proper way to care for a horse. With her motherly support, Sany soon grew more comfortable in his new surroundings and he knew he was in the right job.

His love for horses is hardly unexpected since he comes from a long line of polo players, including his four brothers and a father who is a 2-goaler, but Sany's inspiration to pursue polo full-time was a sweet surprise. Whilst most people idolize professional polo players, Sany looked up to his elder brother, Sattar Khan, also a polo instructor at the Club.

For 38-year-old Sany, the age difference of 13 years was never detrimental to the relationship between him and his elder brother whilst they were growing up. Instead, it created a stronger bond, with Sattar playing the role of not just a loving and supportive brother, but also of teacher and confidante. Even today, when both brothers have their own families, they are just as close as they were.

Having watched Sattar play polo when he was much younger, Sany often dreamt of playing in the same team with his brother and he was inspired to pursue polo full time. Fast-forward to 2008, and Sany's dream came true when he participated in his first ever major scale tournament with Sattar.



"Give a horse what he needs and he will give you his heart in return" – Anonymous

Although they did not win the 8-10 goal Veuve Clicquot tournament, Sany still feels triumphant as it was the memory of playing with his brother which is significant to him.

As for his legacy, he hopes to inspire youngsters and introduce Polo to the next generation, so they will be able to represent the country and keep the sport going. He also has plans to spearhead a new programme to train young players up to Olympic standard.

Asked if he wants his three-year-old son to follow in his footsteps, he says he will leave it to the young boy to decide for himself if he wants to pursue Polo when he is older. For now, Sany wants to introduce the sport to him without any pressure.

Even after fifteen years in the Club, Sany is still enthusiastic about his first and only job.

Thank You for your dedication to the Club, Sany!

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Polo instructor Shane Boyd recollects his memorable Polo journey

Singapore, New Zealand and South Africa each hold a special memory for Shane Boyd, who has played extensively and worked in the many lush polo fields around the world. For some, this sounds like an ideal lifestyle.

“Polo has left me with many great stories of people, places and games played on and off the field. People often think we are lucky to travel with our work but they forget we spend most of our time away from our close friends, family and home,” said Boyd, a New Zealander who started playing polo at the age of 18 in his hometown.

With the paternal side of his family playing polo for generations and the maternal side heavily-involved in eventing, Boyd was very comfortable with the sport and naturally adored

“Just because you think your students may not have had their best day doesn’t mean they feel the same way, always be positive towards every student” – Shane Boyd

horses. However, it was not after years of playing polo in many different countries that he realized the joy of coaching and helping others to pick up this wonderful game was something he wanted to pursue further.

Having experienced much of what the Polo world has to offer, Boyd still looks back at the time he met the late Carlos Gracida, a Mexican Polo player who reached the sport’s maximum 10-goal handicap as his most memorable moment.

Boyd recalls that when he was

younger, Gracida was at the top of his game, winning most of the world’s major tournaments, including the US Open for an astounding nine times, and to have met him later in life and talk to him about horses and polo was the best feeling ever, even up till today.

Inspired by Gracida, who was a well-loved coach to household names such as Sylvester Stallone and Prince William, Boyd wanted to encourage and nurture others to feel passionate about the sport – hence his decision to coach full-time.

Unknown to many, the 38-year-old full-time polo instructor at the Singapore Polo Club is also a certified Carpenter who owned a small farm for about 8 years!

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The Horse Whisperer

From having no prior experience in dealing with horses to confiding in them, Groom Agilan shares his experience in the Club

Two years ago, Agilan A/L Manikamvasagam nearly lost his eyesight when a playful horse bit him on the side of his face, just half an inch away from his right eye. Even though it came as a 'bit' of a shock, it did not deter Agilan. Instead, he laughs every time he talks about it.

Currently in his fifth year at the Singapore Polo Club, 29-year-old groom Agilan, who is affectionately known as 'Lan' to all, was doubtful he would last this long in a job for which he did not have prior experience. However, all of that changed when Lan was taught how to take care of a horse on his first day of work.

"When I looked at the horse, I thought to myself, it is such a nice and elegant animal, immediately I did not feel scared. Rather, I wanted to shower all the horses with love and take care of them well," shared Lan as he recalls the first time he came in contact with a horse.

Lan knew that it was going to be a roller-coaster ride for him to learn the basics of caring for a horse, from grooming and shampooing to feeding and tacking up, but he was determined

to do a good job so as to be able to provide for his family as well as to challenge himself.

On dealing with difficult horses, Lan explained that he would rather not believe a horse is difficult, and that he prefers working with the horse personally first.

Caring for approximately 45 horses in the Club is now not a feat for Lan, whose family once feared for him and despaired of his choice of career because of his small frame. For a man whose Facebook page is filled with selfies of him with various horses, Lan is surprisingly shy in person even though he commands respect from his peers and members because of his outstanding performance at work.

Arriving first and leaving the last in the yard, Lan's enthusiasm for his work has not gone unnoticed. From winning the quarterly Employee Award and receiving compliments from Members to being given the opportunity to learn how to ride, Lan is an independent and modest groom who has worked his way up with the support of his team.

Kora Bremner, Riding and Livery Manager, said, "We are always trying to

find ways to make it interesting for our staff to grow and learn, so we thought we would teach Agilan to ride since he is very comfortable around horses."

"Mo is a very memorable horse for me because the first time I started work here, my training horse was Mo and even today, I still care for him and I like him a lot because he is a very friendly horse. I feel like I have a friend in each of these horses," chuckles Lan when he revealed that Mo, Rossa and Star are his "favourite friends" who he always talks to whenever he feels down and that they respond!

Currently pursuing the Level 2 Diploma in British Horse Society Knowledge and Care under the sponsorship of the Club, together with three of his colleagues - Nelson Thomas, Dao Madukar Reddy and Sabate Francisco Llamelo - Lan is grateful to the Club for the many wonderful opportunities it has given him. Looking ahead, Lan hopes to be a Stable Manager and share his knowledge and experience with his fellow colleagues.

All the best Lan!

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Our Rising Stars

The next generation of young Polo players share their hopes and aspirations for the future

With the growing traction of Polo, are there enough young talents to sustain the sport in the long run? We speak to some of the Club's finest young talents to understand their views.

Eric Hogberg, 29

Growing up with Polo



What makes you love Polo?

Unlike other sport, Polo is all about coordination with your horse and working together with your team mates. This adds to the intensity in the field and that's what I love about Polo. It's also nice to see appreciations given to the horses during each tournament. It's been more than ten years since my father introduced me to the

sport and I've never looked back.

In terms of playing polo, where do you see yourself in the next few years?

I would love to represent Singapore at the next Southeast Asian Games.

We don't see many of the younger generation taking up polo these days, what are your views on this?

Even with the long history, Polo is a challenging sport in Singapore and not many people know about its existence here. Perhaps that is why the younger generation isn't taking up Polo. In addition, it is a sport which requires commitment, time and finances.

What kind of support do you think is lacking to inspire the younger generation?

I feel there is a need for more government support to build and grow the younger generation of players. Polo is an expensive sport so we would need some financial support in terms of funding to nurture and generate talents outside of the current pool of players.

If you had the chance to play with any player, who would it be and why?

I would be honored to play with our senior players like John Wong and Brian Miller as they were legends back in those days and there's so much to discover and learn from them.

What sport would you be doing today if you were never introduced to Polo?

I don't think I'd be doing any other sport passionately except for occasional soccer with friends.

Imran Jumabhoy, 27

Playing actively for 6 years



What makes you love Polo?

The horses, speed, teamwork, competitive & physical nature of the sport and the mental acuity required to play.

In terms of playing Polo, where do you see yourself in the next few years?

I aim to make the squad for the Southeast Asian

Games (SEA) next year. Generally, I hope to continue to play as much polo as I can in Singapore and overseas so as to improve my standard of play.

We don't see many of the younger generation taking up Polo these days, what are your views on this?

I do not think that is the case overseas. In the United Kingdom and U.S particularly, an increasing number of people under the age of 25 are taking up polo. In Singapore we can do a much better job of encouraging youth polo by making it more accessible and fun.

What kind of support do you think is lacking to inspire the younger generation?

Young players are impatient and want to play as much as possible as soon as they start, thus reducing some of the red tape around what it takes to play polo in Singapore will certainly attract more players. It would also help to evolve a system similar to the UK where anyone who knows how to ride is able to start playing polo pretty quickly.

I think our Club can start by having beginner lessons dedicated to newer and younger players, and proper coached training sessions for the more experienced ones. There can be youth chukkas and tournaments to grow enthusiasm and encourage these young people to be more competitive. Having more regular polo tests would also allow some players who have learnt to play abroad, be able to play in Singapore.

My father always tells me stories of his younger days in polo, where games for only young players were organized and there was a strategic position taken to push younger players into the top club and national teams. We need to emulate that spirit to build a strong cadre of young players.

If you had the chance to play with any player, who would it be and why?

Definitely Adolfo Cambiasso! I would love to play with the greatest player of the last 20 years (and possibly of all time). There is so much to learn from him!

What sport would you be doing today if you were never introduced to Polo?

Probably soccer or basketball - I am a huge fan of both.

Ali Jumabhoy, 22

From Riding to Polo



What makes you love Polo?

I started playing polo when I was 14 but I've been riding my entire life. I love the thrill and exhilaration I get while playing. The bond between man and beast separates polo from most sports and I feel that is the unique aspect which sets polo apart. That coupled with the thrill of competition is why I believe polo is truly the king of games.

In terms of playing polo, where do you see yourself in the next few years?

Well I am hoping to train hard and improve as a player. Hopefully I will get the chance to represent Singapore in the Southeast Asian Games (SEA).

We don't see many of the younger generation taking up polo these days, what are your views on this?

I think the younger generation do not have enough exposure to polo, particularly in Singapore. Most Singaporeans, when you mention polo think that you are referring to water polo. I think if polo could add a bit more glitz and glam like Formula 1, you will get a lot more people interested in the sport.

What kind of support do you think is lacking to inspire the younger generation?

I think there is a lack of support on an institutional level. Singapore Polo Club has quite a few home grown young players at the moment but all of us have had to rely on ourselves and our parents to get to where we are in the polo world. There should be more of youth tournaments and initiatives with surrounding nations.

If you had the chance to play with any player, who would it be and why?

It would have to be Adolfo Cambiasso. The man needs no

introduction, he is simply the best and has dominated polo in the modern age.

What sport would you be doing today if you were never introduced to Polo?

Probably football. I used to play for my school team and am a keen Arsenal supporter.

Ameer Jumabhoy, 27

Of Fashion and Polo



What makes you love Polo?

I have been riding since I was 5 and playing since I was around 11. My grandfather was the first in my family to play followed by my dad and uncles and today, my brother and cousin both play polo - a true family affair. The thrill and adrenaline of the sport, it's extremely addictive. I also love the fact that it's a co-ed sport and in my case, something that has given my family a closeness which I think may not have happened without something common around which we rally.

In terms of playing polo, where do you see yourself in the next few years?

In the near horizon, I want to be part of the Singapore team which will represent Singapore at the Southeast Asian Games (SEA) and win Gold for my country. It has been a lifelong dream to represent Singapore at a major international tournament and I believe we have a squad that is talented enough to win gold.

We don't see many of the younger generation taking up polo these days, what are your views on this?

I think in the world today, there are so many different things which competes for the time of a young person. Polo is such a commitment that many of these other activities need to be cut out if one is to pursue the sport wholeheartedly. I feel there is a lot of choices for a young person and they may not discover a sport like polo soon enough.

What kind of support do you think is lacking to inspire the younger generation?

I think that it would be great to see Singapore participates in more international competitions and events around the world. Something Joseph Schooling has done for Singaporean athletes is to show that great things can be achieved by a small country like ours. I think that desire to achieve and that willpower could be passed from prominent and established Singapore athletes to younger ones.

If you had the chance to play with any player, who would it be and why?

Certainly Adolfo Cambiaso - he's not getting any younger but I would love to have the chance to play with the best of all time while he's still on top of his game. I'm not sure if we'd ever have a player during our lifetime who will surpass the feats of Adolfo.

What sport would you be doing today if you were never introduced to Polo?

I don't think I'd be playing a sport if I'm being honest. I used to act a lot when I was younger both on stage and television and if I wasn't playing polo I'd probably be intensely involved in Singapore's arts scene.

The Yeo Siblings

Clifton (23), Keith (19) & Creighton (17)

What makes you love Polo?

Keith: It's a fast sport, one of the fastest out there in the world and it only involves hitting a ball.

Clifton: It takes a lot of real-time split second strategy thinking. There is a thrill of moving around at high speeds with your surroundings changing on a split-second basis.

Creighton: It's like playing chess in real life while being very energetic.

In terms of playing polo, where do you see yourself in the next few years?

Keith: I hope to represent Singapore in the Southeast Asian Games (SEA).

Clifton: I wish to represent Cambridge University.

Creighton: Hopefully, I'll be able to improve to a 0-goal handicap.

We don't see many of the younger generation taking up polo these days, what are your views on this?

Keith: There is a lack of awareness of the game compared to other sports like football, rugby and tennis.

Clifton: It is not an easy sport to pick up. Players are required to attain a minimum level of riding proficiency in order to start learning the game.

Creighton: It is a high risk game which might deter people who don't understand the game. Also, there aren't many polo clubs around.

What kind of support do you think is lacking to inspire the younger generation?

Keith: There isn't enough media coverage / exposure to the sport.

Clifton: There is currently a lack of awareness and publicity on the sport. It'd be nice if a large number of people start picking up Polo.

Creighton: There could be more financial support to help open up more opportunities to expose the younger generation to the sport.

If you had the chance to play with any player, who would it be and why?

Keith, Clifton & Creighton: Our Dad! It's an amazing feeling to play as a family.

What sport would you be doing today if you were never introduced to Polo?

Keith: Probably Rugby.

Clifton: Archery and Air Pistol perhaps.

Creighton: I am not too sure what sport I'd be doing if not Polo.





From Left to Right: Mr Francois Gautier, CEO of BCP Geneva Wealth Management, John Fisher, Gregory Parkhurst, Iqbal Jumabhoy, Gary Tiernan and SPC President Rickard Hogberg

John Fisher's Impressive Nine Goals Marks the Bronze League Win for Team First Aurora

Finally, after 4 exhilarating and intense chukkas, John Fisher's goal in the last few seconds of the fourth chukka bags home the coveted Bronze League title for First Aurora on 28 August 2016. Winning 9 ½ to 8 against Team Raptor, it was a match which kept over 300 spectators at the edge of their seat when each team took turns to score immediately after their opponent had scored.

Leading the game within the first few seconds, First Aurora put up a strong fight to hold on to the lead but it wasn't long before Raptor's Ang Roon Kai equalized with two back to back goals single-handedly. Demonstrating a good team effort, Roon Kai along with his team mate Sanuallah Khan sealed the lead for their team in the first chukka with another goal, making it 3 to 1½.

In the second chukka, First Aurora was awarded with a penalty taken by John Fisher who heightened the hopes of his team with a magnificent goal. It wasn't long before Raptor displayed



their thirst for the grand title when they scored immediately after Fisher, much to the excitement of the crowd.

While Raptor managed to secure the second chukka, they trailed the third chukka with a ½ handicap.

Alas, in the fourth chukka, Fisher's agility in the last seconds coupled with support from his team members gave First Aurora the bragging rights for the Bronze League title. It was a game





so well-played, and it was a tough decision for the judges to pick the Most Valuable Player. Eventually, John Fisher from First Aurora walked away the deserving winner after having scored all 9 goals for his team, his fellow opponent Ang Roon Kai, was commended for his speed and immediate goals for his team.

Faviana belonging to Gary Tiernan from First Aurora and groomed by Jasmani won the Best Playing Pony while Dino, belonging to Tan Hock and groomed by Asahari was awarded the Best Turnout Pony.

Garcha Hotels also celebrated sweet victory, having won 3½ to 2 in the 3rd and 4th placing match. Just like the match between First Aurora and Raptor, Garcha Hotels battled hard against Shopmonk.com to claim the 3rd place title. With multiple penalty opportunities and some fouls, it was a thrilling game with no clear winner in sight right up till the last minute of the game. Congratulations to all teams for the great display of sportsmanship!

Aside from the encapsulating Polo finals, the audience basked in a myriad of colors of two fashion shows by Reve Creative which brought out the best of ANK and Galina Couture. It was a very refreshing addition which combined the best of Polo and fashion.

We would like to thank our sponsors, Stella Artois for the free flow of beer, La Martina for the players' jersey & sports equipment, Reve Creative for the fabulous fashion shows and TWG for the fine selection of teas and macarons.

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Penalty Shootout Win for Indochine in the Gold League Finals!



From Left to Right: John Fisher, Shane Boyd, Wee Tiong Han, Patrick Furlong and Ali Reda

SPC's 8-10 goal Gold League Finals match on 4 September 2016 was dampened by heavy rain all afternoon which, disappointingly, left the polo field in a terribly slippery and sodden condition by the time the match was due to start. Notwithstanding this, both teams displayed exemplary sportsmanship when it was decided for reasons of safety to both players and ponies that the match was to be decided by a penalty shoot-out between *Garcha Hotels* and *Indochine*.

The penalty taking required each player in the team to attempt shooting at an undefended goal first from the 30 yard line and then from 60 yards out, with each player allowed two attempts from each of the distances.

Two goaler Shane Boyd kicked things off by managing two perfect goals from 30 yards, giving *Indochine* a head start which they managed to maintain after two missed opportunities

by the *Garcha Hotels* team. *Indochine* supporters cheered when Patrick Furlong scored two more goals after Shane's. However, all was not lost for *Garcha Hotels* when Sattar Khan's two consistent penalty shots following Furlong's gave *Garcha Hotels* what they needed to remain in the running.

As *Indochine* continued to cement their lead in the first round of the penalty shootout, *Garcha Hotels* proved their determination when Nathan Kian Hall and Ang Roon Kai each scored for their teams, ending the first round of the penalty shoot-out at 5 for *Garcha Hotels* and 8 for *Indochine*.

In the second round of the penalty shootout, players had to score from a distance of 60 yards which, as usual, proved quite challenging. *Indochine* missing their first couple of 60 yard penalties, gave *Garcha Hotels* the opportunity to catch up.

However it was slightly too late, and Patrick Furlong's two consecutive

goals gave victory to *Indochine* with a final tally of 10 goals to *Garcha Hotel's* 5. *Indochine's* team consisting of team captain Ali Reda (1), John Fisher (4), Shane Boyd and Patrick Furlong (both at 2 goals), was crowned the deserving winners of the 2016 Gold League. Runners-up *Garcha Hotels'* efforts were applauded by the crowd of more than 250 spectators who despite the rain still managed to cheer enthusiastically for their teams!

Top HPA 'red collar' umpire Jason Dixon flew in for the week from the UK to umpire the tournament while visiting pro John Fisher presently based in Tianjin and the young, upcoming player Kian Hall from UK made the Gold League a memorable event.

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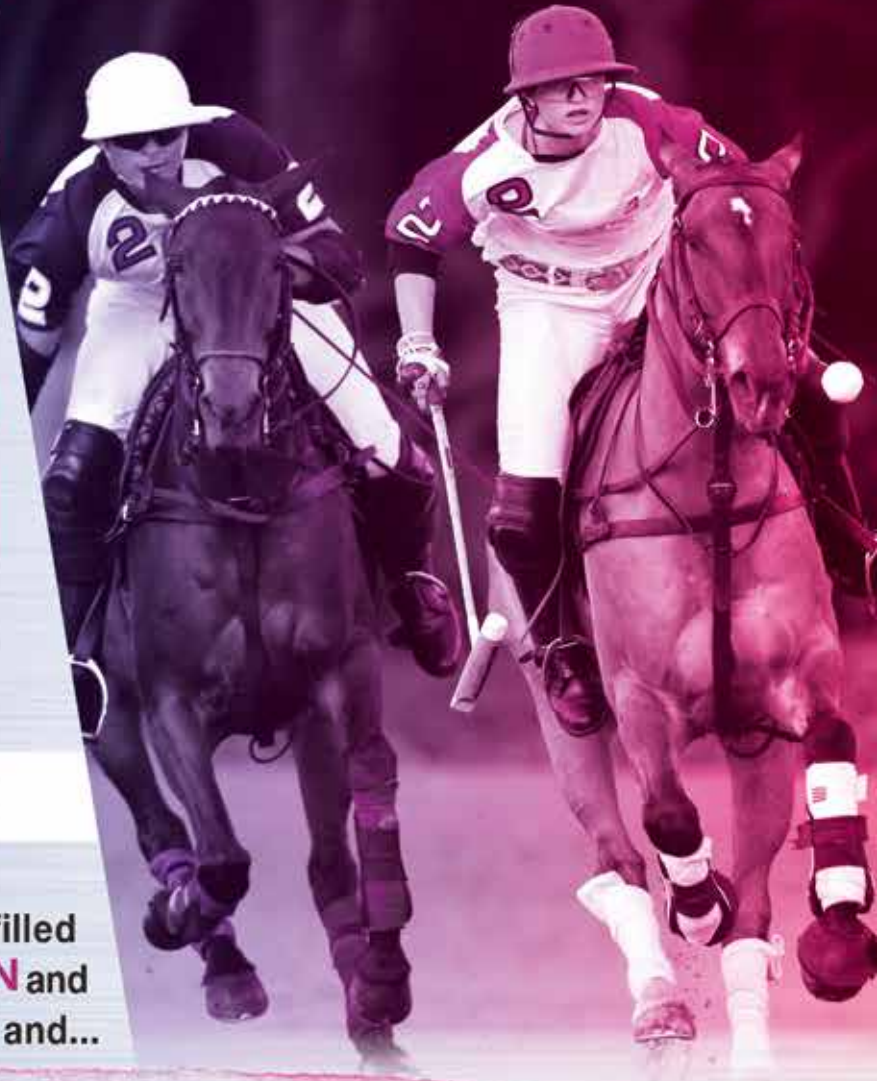
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Horsepower VS Horsepower

Polo is all about horsepower, making the synergy between BMW, one of the world's premier performance auto brands and the sport incomparable. As they celebrated their Centenary this year, the Club was also celebrating their 130th Anniversary as the second oldest club in the world. The fact that BMW were the presenting sponsor for the Club's Anniversary Gold Cup only reinforced this synergy.

After the inaugural BMW Singapore Beach Polo Championships, the 16 goal twilight polo was another first for the Singapore Polo Club this year. Even though the stars didn't start to twinkle until much later, the Singapore Polo Club Gold Cup was a sparkling affair.

Flying in to give our local players some world class support were players who represent their own nations at the highest level; Tom de Bruin from South Africa (7goals), JP Clarkin from New Zealand (7goals) and Carlos Pando from Argentina (6goals).

With the onset of the Monsoon season, weather is one very unpredictable element at this time of year, but the weather gods smiled favourably down on us to bring us a weekend of brilliant sunshine, for some top notch polo.



The 4 chukker match, provided some thrills and luckily no spills. The BMW White team of Carlos Pando, Tom de Bruin, Sany Khan and Ali Reda applied pressure from the get go, as with the big hitting JP Clarkin on the other side, ably supported by Shane Boyd, Giles Twiss and Sattar Khan could not in any way shape or form be allowed to get ahead. The first chukker was an extremely defensive one, with both teams marking well, and the breakout goal that all players hope to score under these circumstances proving extremely elusive, bringing the chukker to a close at 0 – 0. By the start of the 2nd chukker both teams had eased into more offensive roles, but the BMW White team just had the edge over the BMW Green team finishing the chukker at 2 – 1. In polo

they say that 7 minutes is a long time, and the 7 minutes of the 3rd chukker delivered more than both teams had dare hope for, the BMW White team being up 5–1 so with a significant advantage whilst the BMW Green team were on a significant deficit with only one chukker to redress the balance. Not impossible one might add, the showpiece goal of this chukker was Tom de Bruin's goal from almost halfway down the field – a straight hit in to goal – showing everyone what being 7goals is all about. With pressure such as this, the BMW Green team pulled out all the stops in the last chukker, but time was not on their side, they almost made up the deficit with Shane Boyd, JP Clarkin and Giles Twiss all manning up to bring the score to 5–4. But the BMW White



team just had the edge, and the clock in their favour, before a rejuvenated BMW Green team could recover any further; a truly valiant effort from all involved.

The post event celebrations continued thereafter with the highlight of the evening being the BMW car ballet. Choreographed by Sonja Piontek, the Marketing Director for BMW Asia – 10 models: X5, X1, M3, 6 Coupe, 7 Series, i8, M2 Coupe, 3 Series, M4, X6 M50d gracefully gliding across the polo field to the strains of Strauss’s Blue Danube. An elegant sight never before seen on the lawns of the Singapore Polo Club.

The presentation ceremony followed with the anniversary dinner which some 200 members and guests attended. The double anniversaries were marked with a traditional Scottish Quaich toast by Rajan Menon, the Ambassador for Royal Salute, the whisky which was launched in 1953 to commemorate the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II. It is quite a sight to see grown adults standing on a chair with an empty Quaich (traditional Scottish drinking Cup of the 17th and 18th Century used for drinking whisky or brandy) atop their heads, however such is the nature of this peculiar but rather elegant Scottish toast.

The festivities continued well into the night, with an eclectic playlist that spanned the decades.

According to Sonja Piontek “The successful partnership between BMW and the Singapore Polo Club is one which we strongly value and intend to develop further with future events such as the upcoming “Battle of the Sexes” on the 30th October 2016 and a full calendar of events in 2017”.

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Mid-Autumn Lantern Celebration



Chang'e, the Chinese goddess of the Moon paid the Club a very special visit on the evening of 10 September 2016 to surprise 27 little ones who were celebrating Mid-Autumn Lantern Festival at the Club! Dressed in her traditional costume, Chang'e engaged the enthusiastic little ones who were spotted with colorful face paintings with her fascinating story and amazing balloon arrows.

Earlier in the day, the little ones learnt how to make their very own lanterns. From Pandas, Tigers to Monkeys Lanterns, the right verandah was filled with plethora of colours. The crowd was also treated to a spectacular magic show with most of the little ones volunteering to be the magician's assistant.

The night ended with a fun Lantern Walk in the Polo field which lit up the beautiful night. While carrying her son's surprise goodie bag, a parent commented the activities were reminiscent of her younger days and she too enjoyed herself.



Taste Of IndoChine at The Singapore Polo Club



Sticky Rice (Khao Neo)

IndoChine (or IndoChina), is a historical name that refers to the continental portion of Southeast Asia lying east of India and roughly south of China. The historical name “Indochina” has its origins in the French IndoChine, a combination of the names of “India” and “China”, referring to the location of the territory between those two countries which includes Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos.



Larb Salmon

OCTOBER 2016 : TASTE OF LAOS

The most famous Laos dish is the zesty Larb (which means “Good Luck”), a spicy mixture of marinated meat or fish (**Larb Salmon - \$16 / \$26, Larb Australian Beef - \$17 / \$28 or Larb Chicken - \$15 / \$24**) that is sometimes raw with a variable combination of herbs, greens, and spices. People in Laos used to prepare this dish for a multi purpose ceremony such as a newborn or a recovery after a sickness. The staple food of the Lao is steamed sticky rice (*Khao*

Neo), which is eaten by hand. In fact, the Lao eat more sticky rice than any other people in the world. Sticky rice is considered the essence of what it means to be Lao. Often the Lao will refer to themselves as “*luk khao niaow*”, which can be translated as “children or descendants of sticky rice”.

Experience the true flavour of Lao cuisine by using your fingers to eat “**Khao Neo**” (\$3) with your Larb.

NOVEMBER 2016 : TASTE OF VIETNAM

Vietnamese cuisine features a combination of five fundamental tastes and senses: spicy (metal), sour (wood), bitter (fire), salty (water) and sweet (earth), corresponding to five organs (*ngũ tạng*): gall bladder, small intestine, large intestine, stomach, and urinary bladder. Each Vietnamese dish has a distinctive flavor which reflects one or more of these elements. Traditional Vietnamese cooking is greatly admired for its fresh ingredients, minimal

use of dairy and oil, complementary textures, and reliance on herbs and vegetables with borrowed flavors from the French imperialists and nearby countries like Laos, Cambodia, Thailand, and China. With the balance between fresh herbs and meats and a selective use of spices to reach a fine taste, Vietnamese food is considered one of the healthiest cuisines worldwide.

All the monthly specials featured above are available at Polo Restaurant & Bar by IndoChine



Bánh Xao

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This popular Vietnamese street food is named **Bánh Xao (\$16)**, translated to mean “sizzling”, because of the sound it makes as it cooks in the hot pan. This delicious dish consists of minced tender chicken and prawns with bean sprouts, onion, carrot, black mushroom, bamboo shoots and yellow beans, stuffed in a crispy round Vietnamese pancake, served with fresh lettuce, full flavoured mint and coriander leaves coated in a traditional tangy sauce.



Bánh Hoi Thit Nuong

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Delicate in flavour with a slight tang, *banh hoi* rice noodles are a special event Vietnamese food that is often enjoyed at parties and celebrations. They are instantly recognizable as the white noodles are shaped like rectangular mats of thick white cheesecloth. **Bánh Hoi Thit Nuong or BBQ Meat Set (\$19)** is banh hoi rice noodles with tender grilled beef marinated in lemongrass, garlic and Vietnamese spices which is served with star fruit, cucumber, mint leaves with lettuce. Gently wrap your combination together and dip into our signature IndoChine sauce.



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Stuffing** **\$20.00+** per no
600gms

Honey Baked Ham **\$78.00+** per no
cooked weight 2kg
(includes honey pineapple and apple sauce)

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Raw weight 2.5-3.5kg
(includes honey pineapple and apple sauce)

ACCOMPANIENTS ON TRAY

Brussels sprouts... **\$30.00+** per tray

Roasted mixed vegetables... **\$25.00+** per tray

Roasted herbed potatoes... **\$20.00+** per tray

{ Last Date of Order until 18 December 2016 }
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DECEMBER SPECIAL

**Classic Cordon Bleu Chicken
Breast, Greens & Fries**

Classic recipe served with
greens and golden shoestring fries

\$19+





Totally WTA...Worth the Adrenaline

Of heavy top-spin serves and good teamwork, the manly duo of Brian van Ginkel and Richie Ong cruised their way to victory at the Singapore Polo Club's Inaugural Tennis Round Robin on 30 September 2016.

Walking away with the prestigious WTA Racquet Club tickets for two and tennis balls autographed by Simona Halep, Petra Kvitova and Gabine Muguruza. Both players, who prior to this did not know one another were extremely surprised by their win and partnership.

"It was great night with many tight matches filled with a lot of laughter and good spirit on court. Thanks to the organizers for the very generous gift but as I mentioned earlier 'I had youth on my side' with the very capable Richie," expressed Brian van Ginkel.

Organised by the Singapore Polo Club, Vantage Tennis, Lagardere Sports and with supporting partners from The French Cellar, Peroni, Ice Mountain and 100 Plus, the inaugural tennis round robin received overwhelming response from tennis enthusiasts who along with their friends were excited to grand slam the evening away and socialize with one another over Beer, Chips and Wine.

The Runner-up doubles was presented with a pair of Premium Tickets to the opening night of the WTA Finals 2016! In addition to the winning prizes, a special Family Day pass was won by a deserving player in the Lucky Draw contest!

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Happy 130th Birthday Singapore Polo Club!

The equestrian and lifestyle open house celebration which intrigued members of the public



With the red and gold balloons at the entrance, a group of friends enthusiastically picked their wacky props at the instant photo booth station and a child beaming with joy while cruising on his animal ride, the Singapore Polo Club 130th Anniversary Open House Celebration injected fun and energy on 8 October 2016!

About 1,000 visitors including members and guests thronged the grounds of the Club to experience the exquisite blend of lifestyle and Polo. As early as 9am, the crowd started streaming in, with ladies in their yoga attire who were gearing up for their free barre2barre session at the Chukka Bar, dog enthusiasts who brought their furry pets for a go at the dog agility interactive obstacles and pony club kids were all dressed up for their fancy dress horse pageant.



Tearing his coupons in excitement for a photo session with the ponies, 8 year old Marcus Lim said *"This is like a dream because I've never been so close to a pony before and this is my first time touching a pony. I am very happy."*

Blessed with sunny skies, highlights of the celebration included the well-received Truck Rides for both adults and their little ones, Pony rides for children, engaging stable tour which intrigued both the young and old, friendly intense polo exhibition match, a tension relief seated massage and a very generous lucky draw for 4D/3N stay at Marriott's Mai Khao Beach, Phuket courtesy of Marriott Vacation Club.

During the fancy dress horse pageant, the crowd was applauding and cheering for the children who were all decked out in vibrant costumes along with their matching ponies. Each team's representative was given the opportunity to convince the crowd why they should vote their team as the deserving winner. Eventually, the





winning team was decided based on the loudest cheer. Congratulations children for all your hard work!

"I would like to thank the efforts of the parent helpers, Lucinda Harding, Tory Lodder, Tracy Dallimore, and Amelie Moore. Without them helping me prep the children and to lead the horses, this would have been an impossible feat," expressed riding instructor Krystal Wang.

As the second oldest Polo Club in Asia and the oldest sporting ground in Singapore, the Club committee and Management wanted to leverage on this joyous occasion to create an even greater opportunity for families and friends to bond and expose them to the wonderful equestrian world.

From an array of savoury delights including the Club's very own Gunner cocktail which is said to be the inspiration behind the Singapore Sling, the Open House celebration showcased the best of equestrian activities including a Quadrille Performance, Showjumping Competition and Tent Pegging which surprised members of the public.

"The Quadrille performance was so synchronized. I never knew horses could do that so elegantly! The music they used totally caught me off guard too! I was expecting some classical tune but this is so modern!" said 26-year-old Nur Amalina who found out about the event through her friends.

42-year-old Siva Manikam who often passed by the Club said he initially thought tent pegging was about building tents to house the horses until he witnessed the spectacular action in the field.

The full day celebration marks a new chapter for the Club with future plans to strengthen the Club's position among other sports and social activities.

A special mention to our kind sponsors Ashley & Co, Ice Mountain, 100 Plus, Peroni, Smartdoggy Academy, Get Together, Lush Spa, Vantage, Barre2Barre and Marriott Vacation Club.

Thank you everyone for making the Open House celebration a resounding success. Happy 130th Birthday Singapore Polo Club!









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Spooktacular Halloween

28 October 2016, Friday

6.30pm-9.00pm

(6-12 years old)



- 🎃 Tricks or Treats
- 🎃 Pony Rides, 7.00pm - 7.30pm
(Only applicable for those who are dressed to the theme)
- 🎃 Magic Show
- 🎃 Best Costume Award

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Member	\$40+
Guest	\$45++

Magical Family Christmas Party

3 December 2016, Saturday

4.00pm - 8.00pm

Of interactive Games, an enchanting Magic Show, exclusive Photo-taking with Santa Claus, good ol' Christmas Carol, candy floss and a sumptuous Buffet Dinner, spend a magical Christmas at the Club this December!

Programme is subject to changes, Terms & Conditions apply

	Family Package (2 Adults & 2 Children)	Adult	Child
Member	\$200	\$68	\$40
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PROGRAMME

7.00pm - 8.00pm

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8.00pm - 10.30pm

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