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Here goes with the latest issue of our informative and irreverent look at Thailand's construction scene.  
We hope you enjoy this issue, and let's have some feedback from you all (send us some jokes please).  
- ED.

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Believe in yourself as much as this woman believes in her blouse buttons



## The only way to start – with a joke or two

→ **NEED SOME NEW JOKES PEOPLE!!! Keep sending us a few jokes we can use. Cheers!** ←

**An Englishman and a Scotsman were out for a walk on the moors one day.**

The Englishman points down to the valley. *“See those two houses down there? We’ve got two new doctors who just moved in.”*

The Scotsman replies, *“And what type of doctors would they be?”*

*“One is a Genealogist and the other is a Gynaecologist,”* responds the Englishman.

The Scotsman asks, *“Aye, so what’s the difference between the two?”*

*“Well, one looks up your family tree...and the other looks up your family bush”*

### **Cowboy chili**

A cowboy walks into a seedy old café in Wyoming. He sits at the counter and notices an old cowboy with his arms folded staring blankly at a full bowl of meaty chili.

After a few minutes of just watching him staring at the chili, the young cowboy bravely asks the old cowpoke, "If you ain't gonna eat that, mind if I do?"

The older cowboy slowly turns his head toward the young wrangler and in his best cowboy manner says, "Nah, you go ahead." "Eagerly, the young cowboy reaches over and slides the bowl over to his place and starts spooning it in with delight. He gets nearly down to the bottom and notices a dead mouse in the chili.

The sight was very shocking and he immediately barfs up the chili back into the bowl.

The old cowboy quietly says, "Yep, that's as far as I got, too."

**An Englishman, Irishman and Scotsman are stranded on a island when a magic lamp washes up on the beach.**

The Englishman picks it up and rubs it.

Whoosh a genie appears.

*“I will each grant you a wish”* the genie says.

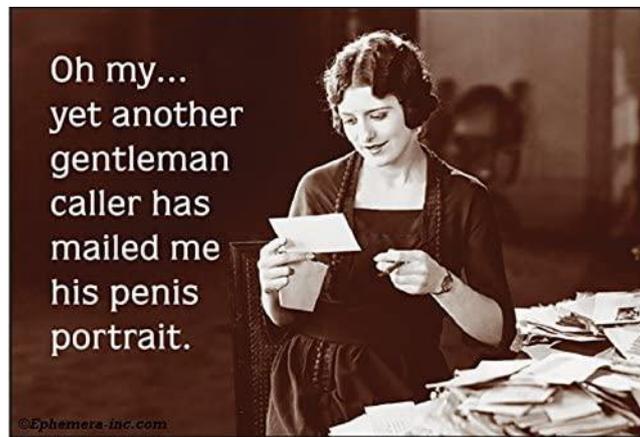
The Englishman says *“I wish I was back home in the pub with a pint of beer and watching football”*

And whoosh the Englishman vanishes.

The Scotsman says *"I wish I was back home in the pub with a dram of whisky watching the rugby"*

And whoosh the Scotsman vanishes.

The Irishman looks at the genie and says *"Christ it's lonely here now I wish the lads were back"*.



**Three guys were sitting in a pub in Australia talking about their favourite bar back home.**

A Scot tells his friends about this pub in Glasgow; if you buy three drinks the bartender will buy the fourth.

An Irishman says that's nothing; I know this pub in Dublin; if you buy two drinks the third is on the house.

An Englishman tells about a bar in his hometown. When you go in there all the drinks are free; if you want weed or coke that's free too. He tells them there are rooms upstairs where you can have all the sex you want for free.

The Scotsman and the Irishman just don't believe him; and ask if this is true.

The Englishman replies, *"I haven't been there myself yet, but my sister goes there all the time."*

i thought this lady was fuckin staring at me for 5 minutes till i realized it was a magazine



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Do you or your company have some news?

Won a new project you would like to tell us about?

Opened a new office?

Have a new product?

Contact us for inclusion in TCN.

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- ✓ You're tendering a project or a package of a project and want new interested contractors rather than the same old faces, send us some brief details and your contact details...
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- ✓ You've some news, gossip, rumour, etc...
- ✓ Loads of joke emails circulate don't they [we know cause we're as guilty of the rest of you of spending all days reading them instead of working, specially the mucky ones, right – Ed] ...send then on to us and we'll include the best ones [rude ones will be included...we're all over 18, right? – Ed]
- ✓ You got something to say about the industry you work in; life in general; football; Aussie rules; special offers you've seen; your Thai in-laws (!); Thai drivers; you're looking for something in Thailand; we're interested to hear from you just about any subject not just serious old construction. Send it to us by email - Ed]

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## Pratim (Tim) Ghose

I was sad to see this announcement on LinkedIn just the other day from Tim Ghose's son, [Amrit Ghose](#). I have tried to contact Amrit without luck so far, but I am sure he will not mind me posting this to inform all of Tim's colleagues and friends in Thailand and the region of Tim's sad passing.

I knew Tim from about 20 years ago when I did some work with Bob Boulter and David Stewart of Boulter Stewart Ltd and Tim was resident in their offices. Tim was a very likeable and knowledgeable man – a real character! R.I.P Tim.



Amrit Ghose and Tim Ghose

*My father [Pratim Ghose](#) (known as Tim) passed away in India earlier this week.*

*Dad was well known in the civil engineering industry and worked on some amazing projects during his career.*

*He started in the UK on site at Sizewell B and moved on to bridge designs at Freeman Fox under Oleg Kerensky, then supervision of bridge construction in Northern Ireland in the 1960's, which was the start of his love of all things Irish. Dad stayed in NI and then Ireland for the next 25 years working on some of the country's largest infrastructure projects including highways, power stations, water supply and treatment, also the steel cross erected in Phoenix Park for Pope John Paul II's visit to Dublin and many overseas projects in Africa and the Middle East.*

*He became an expert on contracts and arbitration, including ICE and FIDIC, and accepted an offer to lead the client's contract team in Hong Kong on the \$20bn Chep Lak Kok Airport, working alongside [Douglas Oakervee](#), CBE, Hon. DEng, FEng.*

*He retired in Thailand after the project, but undertook occasional contract advisory roles.*

*He was an extremely active member of professional institutions, a Fellow of ICE, ASCE, IEI, IHT, HKIE, CIARB, was a mentor and professional reviewer, a committee member of ICE in Asia organising the ICE President's visit, was a Regional Governor of ASCE and a member of the Society of Professional Engineers of Thailand (SPET).*

*On one trip I made to Thailand I was given 2 days' notice by dad – he'd heard I had written an ICE journal paper on bridge impacts and there was a SPET meeting during my visit. So I ended up giving a presentation at a beer & curry evening at the British Club – typically a very enjoyable social afterwards with dad having the craic!*

*In the week before he passed away he chatted with me and his granddaughter [Emily Ghose](#), who has just started as an Environmental Graduate in [Arcadis UK & Ireland](#), a successor company of Freeman Fox.*

*Dad was always supportive with wise advice, with family central in his thoughts, he lived life to the full and was always life and soul of the party.*

*Please forward the news to any former colleagues of Tim that you know [Graham Plant](#) [Clinton Leeks](#) [Kevin T. Poole](#) [Ali Adam, P.E.](#) [CEng MICE MBA ENV SP](#) [Liam Prendiville](#) [Pierce Power](#).  
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If you would like to contact Amrit Ghose, then you can try to do so via his LinkedIn [Amrit Ghose](#)

R.I.P Tim.

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**Michel (Mike) Riemer**



The only photo on the internet I could find of Mike

Those of you who have ever read to the very bottom of any Thailand Construction News E-Letter of the past few years will have seen the advertisement 'ARE YOU REQUIRING A DECENT WEBSITE DEVELOPER / MANAGEMENT COMPANY?' about the services of the website development company that [www.Thailand-Construction.com](http://www.Thailand-Construction.com) and [www.QSCThailand.com](http://www.QSCThailand.com) have been using since 2014, called **Ad & Web Agency Services**, run by Mike Riemer.

Mike seemed to disappear recently and just wasn't contactable. We eventually found out that he had passed away suddenly in the night two months ago from heart problems.

I only ever met Mike the once in our kick-off meeting. He was a very likeable and amenable guy, and was always there to help me out whenever I needed help – he seemed to be available pretty much around the clock. He has sadly passed away at a young age.

R.I.P Mike.

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## Is your company covered for Covid-19 Construction Shutdown Delays in Thailand's Dark Red Zones?

July 25, 2021

### *Force Majeure and Extension of Time Claims*

In late June 2021, the Thai government decided to close off infectious and high-risk areas including construction worker camps in Thailand's Dark Red Zones of Greater Bangkok area (Bangkok, Nakhon Pathom, Nonthaburi, Pathum Thani, Samut Prakarn, and Samut Sakhon) and four southern border provinces (Narathiwat, Pattani, Songkhla, and Yala) **for 30 days starting on Monday 28 June 2021. Under the measures imposed, construction worker camps were closed for a month, construction projects had to be temporarily halted** (but in some cases construction contracts will be allowed to be extended); troops and police mobilised to seal off almost 600 construction worker camps in Greater Bangkok. The government also imposed travel restrictions on people from high-risk areas to prevent virus transmission and other measures. Later Ayutthaya, Chachoengsao and Chon Buri provinces (bordering Greater Bangkok) were added to the Dark Red Zones. **Further COVID-19 restrictions were announced for these 13 Maximum and Strict Controlled Areas or dark-red zone provinces, effective for 14 days from 20 July 2021 and for those concerning public transport from 21 July 2021.**

Apart from avoiding incoming claims, managing the inconvenience and expense of the shut-down, Contractors, Subcontractor's, Suppliers, Logistics companies, etc., need to protect themselves from the consequences the shutdown will have on their ability to complete works on time (even though the Thai Government has mentioned granting extension of time).

Force Majeure clauses or other clauses in Contracts may or may not give relief for this shutdown or for the effects of Covid-19 suffered.

In most contracts it will be up to the Contractor, Subcontractor, etc., to seek an Extension of Time (EOT) for time/costs and to provide notice of the delay and request that the time for completion be extended by the duration of the shutdown delay.

***Not taking such action in a timely manner runs the risk of a claim for an EOT for the Construction Shutdown being time-barred, which in turn runs the risk of you being responsible for the shutdown delay duration and for the effects of Covid-19 suffered and may expose you to a claim for liquidated damages if you are late in achieving project completion.***

Most contracts contain a specific notification process for EOT events and contain a time bar on claims if notice is not provided strictly in accordance with the contract. You need to review your current contracts urgently to identify whether you are entitled to an EOT and if so, what you need to do to access or preserve your rights.

If you have any doubt as to whether you are entitled to an EOT for the Construction Shutdown, or if you are unsure as to what you need to do to lodge a claim, please [contact us at Quantity Surveying Consultants Ltd \(QSC Ltd for short\)](#) for a consultation/advice. A failure to take timely action might mean that your right to an Extension of Time is lost.

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The screenshot shows the website's sidebar with several advertisements. At the top is a search bar. Below it are three main ad spots. The first is for Siemens Industrial, featuring a photo of a man and the text 'Siemens Industrial Expands Tech Service Solutions In Energy, Building Infrastructure And Manufacturing Businesses'. The second is for McConnell Dowell, featuring a photo of a pump station and the text 'McConnell Dowell Wins EPC Contract (EPC) Works For New Pump Station And Raw Water Pipeline At Thai Oil's Sriracha Refinery'. The third is for QSC LTD., featuring the company logo and the text 'Quantity Surveying Consultants Ltd.'. Below these are two smaller ad spots for 'Thailand's Bang Pakong Combined Cycle (Units 1-2 Replacement) Power Project Achieves Milestones' and 'Thailand's Energy Ministry Plans To Buy Solar Energy Generated By Public Under New Project'. At the bottom of the sidebar is an ad for 'Ad and Web Agency Co., Ltd.' featuring a logo with a stylized 'A' and the text 'Ad and Web Agency Co., Ltd.'.

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- WHO ARE WE?
- WHAT SERVICES DO WE OFFER?
- WHAT SERVICE OPTIONS DO WE OFFER?
- WHO DO WE PROVIDE OUR CONSULTANCY SERVICES TO?
- WHO ARE OUR CLIENTS?

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If your company have a potential contractual issue or claim developing or need assistance with any of the Services offered above by QSC Ltd, or if you just require more information on QSC Ltd or any of the services listed, then please [contact us](#) for preliminary discussion.

**SEE OUR COMPANY BROCHURE ATTACHED FOR FURTHER DETAILS**

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QSC Ltd have collaborated with [Plus Three International](#) (“PLUS 3”) to provide services in the field of construction. Both QSC Ltd and PLUS 3 provide similar services in the field of construction, with PLUS 3 being much larger and offering a full range of services (see below). It has been agreed that it would be mutually beneficial for the companies to collaborate to pursue new business and undertake specific projects together and so we have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding for QSC Ltd to (1) undertake ‘marketing’ works of PLUS 3’s construction claims service in Thailand and the Mekong Counties (Burma / Myanmar, Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam), and to (2) make ‘introductions’ of potential clients to PLUS 3. QSC Ltd therefore acts as (3) a ‘first point of contact’ in Thailand for potential clients to contact, discuss and meet (as required) to discuss the hiring of PLUS 3 services.

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### Phuket Chamber of Commerce seeks incentives to stimulate foreign demand in Thailand

September 24, 2021

Phuket Chamber of Commerce seeks incentives to stimulate foreign demand in Thailand The Phuket sandbox will help revive the residential market in the province next year, but a local business body is calling on the government to provide one-stop services and incentives to boost demand from foreign buyers. Thanusak Phungdet, president of the Phuket Chamber [...]

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### T&T Group, US partner reach deal in renewable energy in Vietnam

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T&T Group, US partner reach deal in renewable energy in Vietnam The T&T Group on September 21 signed several MoUs and contracts with US partners within the framework of President Nguyen Xuan Phuc's working trip to the US. T&T Group, US partner reach deal in renewable energy in Vietnam hình ảnh 1At the signing ceremony [...]

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### Bids for Bangkok's Bang Sue Grand station shop space 'soon'

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Bids for Bangkok's Bang Sue Grand station shop space 'soon' State Railway of Thailand wants tender done by November 2021 The State Railway of Thailand (SRT) is gearing up to accept bids for commercial spaces at Bang Sue Grand Station, which is expected to become a major source of revenue for the agency. The agency's [...]

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## Agreement Moves Myanmar's Kyaukphyu Port Project a Step Forward

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Agreement Moves Myanmar's Kyaukphyu Port Project a Step Forward An agreement to conduct preliminary field investigation work for the Kyaukphyu Special Economic Zone (SEZ) Deep Sea Port Project has been signed, signaling another step forward for the project, which forms part of China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) plans in Myanmar. The project's main developer, [...]

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## PTT-EGAT signs natural gas purchase agreement for Nam Phong Power Plant Build energy security

September 23, 2021

PTT-EGAT signs natural gas purchase agreement for Nam Phong Power Plant Build energy security Mr. Attaphol Rerkpiboon, Chief Executive Officer and President of PTT Public Company Limited, said that PTT jointly signed a contract with the Electricity Generating Authority of Thailand (EGAT) in a natural gas trading project for The new Nam Phong Power Plant, [...]

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### **Construction of new Kanchanaburi road and bridge over Kwai Noi River to link national parks, boost tourism**

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### **Laos locks down capital Vientiane for two weeks due to Covid-19 case surge**

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Laos locks down capital Vientiane for two weeks due to Covid-19 case surge Laos has locked down its capital Vientiane and banned travel between Covid-hit provinces, as cases hit a record high. By March this year, Laos had reported fewer than 60 cases — though the low number was due in part to limited testing. [...]

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### Can Bangkok's historic art deco theater 'The Scala cinema' be saved?

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### Bangkok to China by railway before the end of the decade

September 19, 2021

Bangkok to China by railway before the end of the decade There are several developments in the ultimate plan to link Bangkok to China by railway before the end of the decade. The China – Laos railway is due to open on the Laotian National Day December 2nd in 12 weeks. The 420 kilometer route [...]

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### Thailand ranks second in ASEAN for most COVID-19 jabs, sixth for two-dose percentage

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Thailand ranks second in ASEAN for most COVID-19 jabs, sixth for two-dose percentage 21 September 2021 Thailand is ranked second to Indonesia among ASEAN member countries for the number of COVID-19 inoculations, with a total of 44,742,049 doses administered by September 20th, but ranks fifth for the percentage of population receiving first doses, and sixth [...]

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## Foreign expats' lot a mixed bag in Thailand

September 19, 2021

Foreign expats' lot a mixed bag in Thailand Bangkok Post Editorial If the government hopes to entice wealthy expats and skilled professionals into making Thailand their second home, it must first improve the treatment of the millions of foreigners already living in the country. If the state is unable to do so, what kind of [...]

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## Dutchman's lawsuit to strike down higher expat fees at Thai hospitals nears verdict

September 19, 2021

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### **Bangkok Metropolitan Administration has no plans to reopen to foreign tourists on 15 Oct 2021**

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Bangkok Metropolitan Administration has no plans to reopen to foreign tourists on 15 Oct 2021 SEE ALSO: Bangkok's reopening for inoculated tourists to be postponed 2 weeks to 15 October 2021 Aswin: 70% must be jabbed The Bangkok Metropolitan Administration (BMA) has no plans to reopen to foreign tourists on Oct 15 and it will [...]

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### **Furious retirees and expats in Thailand slam government's proposals to attract wealthy foreigners**

September 16, 2021

Furious retirees and expats in Thailand slam government's proposals to attract wealthy foreigners The Thai government's ambitious proposals to attract a million foreigners in the next five years and get a trillion baht into the ailing economy – as reported by Daily News and many other Thai sites – have been roundly slammed by retirees [...]

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## **Bangkok's reopening for inoculated tourists to be postponed 2 weeks to 15 October 2021**

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Engineering Institute of Thailand (EIT) - <http://www.eit.or.th/eng/>

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**UPDATED 26.01.20** - International Chamber of Commerce (Thailand) Arbitration & ADR Commission – The current Chair is Mr Desmond Hughes of the law firm Hughes Krupica whose email address is [desmond@hugheskrupica.com](mailto:desmond@hugheskrupica.com)

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Society of Professional Engineers Thailand (SPET); SPET usually meets on the third Thursday of every month except April, when there is no meeting (usually meetings are held at the British Club); contact Christopher Moore at [chris@lasanne.com](mailto:chris@lasanne.com) .

Thai Contractor Association - <http://www.tca.or.th/html/index.asp>.

The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) - Thailand, The current chairperson of the RICS is Mr. Leong Choong Peng whose email address is [LeongCP@arcadis.com](mailto:LeongCP@arcadis.com)

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## **\*\*\*Lighthouse Club (Branches):**

All updated details below kindly provided by Janey Rogers on 18 May 2020.

DETAILS OF ALL LIGHTHOUSE CLUB BRANCH GET-TOGETHERS AND OTHER EVENTS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE LIGHTHOUSE CLUB INTERNATIONAL WEBSITE: [www.lighthouseclubintl.com](http://www.lighthouseclubintl.com)

**DUE TO THE ONGOING COVID-19 SITUATION MOST, IF NOT ALL, EVENTS HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED. SOME ARE TAKING PLACE "VIRTUALLY". SEE BRANCH DETAILS BELOW.**

### **Australia**

Generally, meet once per month or once every 2 months in the following locations: Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney. Details available from their website [www.lighthouseclubaus.org](http://www.lighthouseclubaus.org). Contact Paul Roberts, [proberts@secretariat-intl.com](mailto:proberts@secretariat-intl.com) or Nick Longley, [nick.longley@hfw.com](mailto:nick.longley@hfw.com)

### **Cambodia**

Meet monthly or every 2 months in Phnom Penh. Contact Kerr Thomson, [kerr.thomson@covathinking.com](mailto:kerr.thomson@covathinking.com) or Ben Whitrod, [md@imagineppm.com](mailto:md@imagineppm.com)

### **Hong Kong**

Meet monthly on the 1st Thursday of the month. Venues vary. Contact Robert Gordon, [robert.gordon@burohappold.com](mailto:robert.gordon@burohappold.com) or Elaine Man, [info@lighthouseclubhk.com](mailto:info@lighthouseclubhk.com). Website [www.lighthouseclubhk.com](http://www.lighthouseclubhk.com).

### **Macau**

Meet monthly on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month. Venues vary. Contact Keith Buckley, [keith.buckley@lighthouseclubmacau.com](mailto:keith.buckley@lighthouseclubmacau.com) or Phil Clarke, [phillip.clarke@lighthouseclubmacau.com](mailto:phillip.clarke@lighthouseclubmacau.com)

### **Malaysia**

Meet monthly in KL on 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month. Venues vary. Contact Bert de Munck, [bdmunck@gmail.com](mailto:bdmunck@gmail.com) or check out their Facebook page [www.facebook.com/LighthouseClubKL](http://www.facebook.com/LighthouseClubKL)

### **Myanmar**

Meet monthly usually on last Wednesday of the month. Venues vary. Contact John Anderson, [johna@meinhardt.net](mailto:johna@meinhardt.net)

### **Philippines**

Meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> month. Venues vary. Contact Sam Powell, [samuel.powell@hmrphils.com](mailto:samuel.powell@hmrphils.com)

### **Singapore**

Meet monthly on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month. Venues vary. Contact Jim Chessell, [jchessell@bkasiapacific.com](mailto:jchessell@bkasiapacific.com) or check their website [www.lighthouseclub.org.sg](http://www.lighthouseclub.org.sg)

### **Thailand**

Meet monthly every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month and every last Friday of the month for the Late Lunch. Contact Gareth Hughes, [gareth.hughes@rsmthailand.com](mailto:gareth.hughes@rsmthailand.com)

### **Vietnam**

Meet every 2 months. Venues vary. Contact Colin Johnston, [cjohnston@bkasiapacific.com](mailto:cjohnston@bkasiapacific.com)

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## The 'Outro' [it never changes]: Your contributions are needed

Thailand has become home in recent decades to many expatriates from countries all over the globe and particularly for those of us in the construction, engineering, oil, petroleum, property and telecommunications industries. We work in huge industries, we're spread all over the nation and we're all so isolated and living in our little world that we all know a little bit of what's happening out there in the industries but there's currently nothing available as an instrument to convey and inform us more about what's currently happening outside one's little office, project site, 6 pm sundowners bar or wherever your little world is, other than word of mouth. TCN reckons that Thailand needs a 'jungle drum' to which we can all contribute to disseminate [ooh, big word – Ed] our own little knowledge to others. TCN wants to be that 'jungle drum' [a kind of an emailed version of the stuff you talk about in those rather nice bars in Soi 33 on the way home – that 4<sup>th</sup> beer is the dangerous one isn't it, eh! – Ed] to make it work though we will need the input of you, you and you - our subscribers. Contribute as much as possible, PLEASE.

To make TCN interesting and worthwhile we need your contributions, simply put we can't do it all on our own. The concept of TCN is that you use us to help you.

- ✓ For example, you want to let others know something that you or your company are doing...
- ✓ You're having a get-together, seminar, talk, knees up, whatever it is let us know and we'll pass it on.
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- ✓ You're tendering a project or a package of a project and want new interested contractors rather than the same old faces, send us some brief details and your contact details...
- ✓ You have a staff vacancy... send us 100 words or so on the position and your contact detail and we'll see if we can help you find that special employee....
- ✓ You've some news, gossip, rumour, etc...
- ✓ Loads of joke emails circulate don't they [we know cause we're as guilty of the rest of you of spending all days reading them instead of working, specially the mucky ones, right – Ed] ...send then on to us and we'll include the best ones [rude ones will be included...we're all over 18, right? – Ed]
- ✓ You got something to say about the industry you work in; life in general; football; Aussie rules; special offers you've seen; your Thai in-laws (!); Thai drivers; you're looking for something in Thailand; we're interested to hear from you just about any subject not just serious old construction. Send it to us by email - Ed]

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