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Dear fellow Members,

DURING the course of the summer we have twice lowered the flag in memoriam to those who passed away in the floods in China and to the tragic loss of life of Hong Kong holidaymakers in the Philippines recently.



In the July/August edition of the Magazine, I explained that the Club was required to change its Articles to include a non-discriminatory clause regarding membership as part of the lease renewal commitment. I would like to emphasise that the same non-discriminatory policy also applies to recruitment of staff.

During my time as President of KCC, one of my many objectives has been to curtail our vast losses incurred via 'Food & Beverage.' I am pleased to advise that due to the consistent hard work and perseverance of Robert, William, Teresa and Richard Chen (F&B Convenor), we have seen F&B turn around the HK\$1 million loss from the previous year to a net profit for the end of the 2009-2010 financial year.

This is a very creditable achievement that has been accomplished without compromising quality of food and service. However, as much of the income is derived from corporate events, menu prices may need to be increased to accommodate inflation.

Congratulations to Ah Kwong, who recently completed forty years of service as our longest serving staff member – a milestone achievement.

The coming sporting season presents new challenges for our sections and societies. Sports individuals are back into a strict training regime, trying to rid themselves of the 'summer excesses' as they prepare for the competitions ahead.

KCC continues to be a dominant and successful multisports club, where we need to keep attracting young sporting members and minimise losing talented youth to other clubs.

The Lawn Bowls, Football and Hockey sections hosted Interports against RBSC and, as always, the tournaments were very successful. A total of 53 guests came from Bangkok for football, showing their commitment to continue with this tradition. The Lawn Bowls section also hosted a successful Interport against SCC.

Sadly, in August, we have seen the passing of Peter Hinds. Our condolences go to his family.

I hope you had a very enjoyable summer and I look forward to seeing you around the Club.

Burji Shroff