

# UDON THANI EXPATS CLUB

## MINUTES OF MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Meeting number: MOMM 0096  
Location: [Garden @ Coffee Station](#)  
Date: Sunday, February 28, 2021.  
Subject: See Agenda (*Distributed by e-mail and shown on the website*)  
Participants: See attendance list (*For Club's Administration only*)  
Secretary: Joop van Spaandonk

### 1. [Secretary](#)

Members started arriving from around 11.00 am at the [Coffee Station](#); this month's gathering location.

Secretary (**Joop**) opened the meeting and introduced the Chairman for today:

The Assistant Secretary **Mr. Colin H. Mundell (CHM)**.

**CHM** explained to the group why he was appointed being the Chairman and making today's announcements. Firstly to familiarize himself with the pros and cons of the role of Secretary, in preparation when **Joop** formally retires in May or June this year. Secondly to replace **Gary Ralston** who has retired from the role as speaker with immediate effect. A round of applause was had to thank **Gary** for his time and effort over the last few years.

2. [In Memorial](#): N. A.

3. [Administrative issues](#):

**19** Members, **0** Partner(s), **0** Child(ren), **0** Honorary member(s), **1** Associate member(s), **1** visitor(s) {[Mr. Karl \(Charley\) Amstutz from Switzerland](#)} and **0** (Potential) Sponsor(s) attended the meeting.

[Quorum](#); **OK**, > 40% of "**Qualifying Members**" present.

4. The minutes of Annual Membership Meeting (MOMM 0095) are approved at last Board Meeting.

5. [Introduction of Guest-speaker\(s\)](#): N. A.

6. [Installation of new members](#): N. A.

7. [Installation of new Sponsors](#): N. A.

8. [Announcements by Board and Committees](#):

1} **Sven Hedell** who was nominated as a board member in January, this needed the approval of the membership. A vote was taken and a show of hands confirmed unanimously in favour of **Sven** Joining the board.

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2} **Bill Merritt** has e-mailed the Secretary confirm that due to ill health, he has to resign from the board, with immediate effect.

The Expats Board, Committees and Membership would like to take this opportunity to thank **Bill** for his valued contribution over the years, wishing him well and look forward to seeing him soon.

3} Website, **CHM** advised the group that a team consisting of **himself, Joop, Nathan,** and **Ed Mahoney**, had started to look at the website, in view of making it more attractive to all users. With more up to date and relevant information, and asked the members that if they had any ideas of making improvements, then they should send an e-mail to the Secretary with their suggestions. Another website-meeting is scheduled for Wednesday March 10<sup>th</sup>. With a target to go live with the new website sometime in April. **Ed Mahoney** will as from Monday **March 1<sup>st</sup>** take over the role as Webmaster from **Nathan Grady**, however **Nathan** will still retain his seat on the board.

4} **CHM** reconfirmed the locations of the weekly brunch. Reiterating that it would be good to see more members attending the morning brunch. The locations being.

Monday – **Coffee Station**

Wednesday – **Country Grill**

Friday – **Good Corner**

For possible changes and location details see Website

5} **CHM** confirmed that **Gary Ralston** will continue with his “**Healthy Aging**“ group, being held at the **Coffee Station** every **2<sup>nd</sup> Friday** of each month. Starting between 12.00 – 12.15 pm to approx.. 2.30 pm.

6} **CHM** suggested to the group that we would be interested to hear from companies who would wish to make a presentation to the **Expats**, but confirmed that any one taking up the offer, would need to become a **Sponsor** first. Any members who might know of any companies who would wish to do so, should send the details to the Secretary.

## 9. Presentation:

During the meeting our member **Mr. Dirk Sumter** arrived. Shortly after **Dirk and Hans** offered a picture, he framed, taken at the Coffee Station during the Chinese New year, to the **Staff** of the **Coffee Station**. Which they really appreciated and accepted with much pleasure and thanks.



## 10. Coffee Break:

N. A. for this meeting.

## 11. Members' suggestions and “Open Discussion” on actual issues.

Without Comments.

## 12. Closing

The official part of the meeting ended at 2:00 PM. Many used the opportunity to stay and continued with their conversation.

Next **Meeting** will be on **Sunday, March 28, 2021.**

Details will be communicated by e-mail and the UTEC Line address.

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Please consult [www.udonexpatsclub.com](http://www.udonexpatsclub.com) for agenda, location and possible changes.

March 1, 2021

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FYI:

<https://infographics.channelnewsasia.com/covid-19/map.html>

<https://www.thaivisa.com/>



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## ORGANIZATION

(on the year 2021)

Chairman / President:	Per event appointed by the Board.	
Board Members (in order of seniority):	Hans van Geffen,	Treasurer
	Joop van Spaandonk,	Secretary
	Nathan Grady,	
	Sven Hedell.	
Nominee for the Board:	Vacancy	
Assistant-Secretary:	Colin Mundell	
Assistant-Treasurer:	Vacancy	
Intermediary:	Associated Clubs, External contacts: Joop van Spaandonk	
Inspector:	Vacancy	
Webmaster / Hosting:	Ed Mahoney / Nathan Grady	
Committee Members:		
- Public Relations, Marketing and Sponsorship	Jacob W. Thomas, Back-up by Board	
- Refreshments:	David Lee, Back-up by Jacob W. Thomas	
- Activities, Media and Events:	Jacob W. Thomas, Board and Volunteers	
- Graphics (Photographer):	Vacancy	
- Membership and Nominating	Gary G. Ralston; Back-up by Board	
- Attracting monthly Guest-speakers:	Vacancy (Interim by Board)	

*REALIZE and KEEP IN MIND that due to practicing and respect for the CATCH-PHRASE*

**“VOLUNTEERING IS NOT WITHOUT OBLIGATION”**

*this Club still exists and did not disappear into oblivion.*