

# SIAMPOLO NEWS

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POLO IN BURMA AFTER 80 YEARS



Horacio Lizaso, polista de La Finaco, en acciyn en el torneo ganado junto a The Villages Insurance.

HRH Prince Jefri of Brunei and Khun Vichai Srivadhanaprabha inspect the shirts "Old Rangoon" and "Old Siam" for the Thailand Myanmar Friendship Polo Match set to take place in Yangon, Myanmar this year. On 14 January 2018, His Excellency, Dr. Myint Htwe, The Myanmar Minister of Health and Sport, granted permission to use the historic Kyaik-kasan Stadium for this match. This will be the first time that polo is played in Myanmar for over 80 years. The one day event will take place in December 2018 to celebrate the 70 year anniversary of relations between Thailand and Myanmar. We have not confirmed the date, because we are in the process of requesting accomplished equestrian Daw Aung San Su Kyi to throw in the first ball -- BURMA POLO

## 21 FEB 2018 -- HORNITO CUP RETURNS TO OLD SPP

After a 2 year hiatus, the beloved "Hornito Cup" has returned to the field in the Kingdom of Siam. And this year.... Suddenly, and without warning, The Black Dog Team was back. It was the first appearance of Texan Jamie Demericas on the infamous team, but he withstood everything that SPP could throw at him. Mat Mar was in command of the SPP team and no one in the world practices more than Mat. Jamie who has arrived from Texas has been practicing with gauchos Juan and Gaston for several months. He was on form today with solid passes downfield and learning to join the line before going for the ball. This year, Senorita Hornita herself made an appearance to present the coveted cup. It was Black Dog's for the taking, but in the final seconds of the final chukka, Mat Mar awoke from a long sleep and drove the ball at incredible speed almost 30 yards between the goal posts to equal the score 4-4 seconds before the final bell. In the true tradition of the Hornito Cup, the gauchos settled around the cup to cook some steaks after the match. Khun Mau and Amigo Tsu were on hand to partake of the offerings. This is the first year that Old & Original Siam Polo Park -- where it all started -- has been on the Thai Polo circuit and the field is in excellent condition. Anyone interested in coming to play, the gauchos Gaston and Juan are on hand to give lessons and eat steaks.



## 17-18 FEB 2018 -- CHINESE NEW YEAR CUP AT POLO ESCAPE



The action moved down to Polo Escape for the Chinese New Year with 3 eclectic teams on the field. The one to watch was definitely La Familia from Malaysia, with none other than the Sheik-Rattle-And-Roll Reissman himself in command of the team. Sarah Wiseman had returned from her epic performance in the King Power Ladies Tournament to take the field for Kuppa. However, she had a serious encounter with a seafood dinner the evening before, so after holding Paisano Escape to a single goal lead, she had to retire for the second match against La Familia. Alice Gipps was showing tremendous improvement and giving Nico Pepperoni and the gaucho Mike Taylor a terrible time. Marie Leng was a strong attacking player for Paisano, but she was having pain in her elbow, so we



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