



## **Chris Kays Memorial Rugby Tournament 2018**

### **“The Pattaya 10’s “**

First of all please accept my sincere apologies for the delay in getting this invitation finalised and out to you all. I do know that many of you have been anxious to finalise your arrangements and I hope that this delay has not caused too many problems or led to your team deciding against attending. I am delighted to inform you that the delay has been well worth it and I am sure that you will all enjoy a bigger and better tournament. On behalf of the Pattaya Panthers Rugby Football Club, I would like to extend an invitation to your club to participate in the forthcoming Chris Kays Memorial Rugby Tournament 2018 aka “ The Pattaya 10’s “. We are pleased to announce that the tournament will be staged at the campus of the Rugby School Thailand in Khao Mai Kaew ( check out the website [www.rugbyschoolthailand.com](http://www.rugbyschoolthailand.com) ), which is currently under construction. I believe that it is fitting that in the 20<sup>th</sup> year of the clubs’ founding and for the eighteenth edition of this tournament we should be moving to such a wonderful new location.

All of the previous tournaments have been very successful and it has been said that they get better every year!!! At our new venue I am sure that this year’s tournament will be much better than those that have gone before!!! This year’s Tournament will take place over the weekend of Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May and Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2018. As Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May is “a public holiday in Thailand there is every opportunity to come early or stay a little longer so that you can have a really enjoyable stay ..... make a holiday of it!!!

The Tournament grows in stature every year and we are confident that you will enjoy the rugby and the craic at this tournament, which has become one of the most prestigious competitions in the region. The Chris Kays Memorial Rugby Tournament is a “CLUB” tournament and our objective is a standard commensurate with "mature touring teams". There is always a heavy emphasis on off the field activities and we aim to create a competitive spirit in a festive atmosphere with all the camaraderie associated with the great game of rugby. The tournament will be played in a “round robin” format on the Saturday with each team fighting out pool games to determine the seeding for the knock out stages to be played on Sunday. Each team will have at least two games on the Sunday depending on their results.

Situated on the gulf of Thailand, Pattaya is one of the nation's premier beach resorts and with the latest upgrades in infrastructure is approximately one and a half hours drive from the Suvarnabumi International Airport (Bangkok). There is an excellent range of accommodation available in Pattaya and whether one just wants to relax on the beach after the rugby or pursue other more athletic pursuits there is something for everybody. For example within a 50-Km radius of Pattaya there are more than twenty golf courses and offshore there is excellent sailing and diving.

The entry fee has been maintained at only Thai Baht 10,000 ( US \$ 300.00 ) for the Tournament in 2018 and this represents excellent value. If your team is interested in participating in this year's tournament please reply to this invitation soonest. We have already received the payment from 2 overseas teams just to ensure that they got in!!! I am sure that there will be a big demand for places so get your replies and your payments in as soon as you receive this invitation. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact myself, Damian McCoy or the club captain Adrien Simon or his stand-in Chris Mander at the email addresses below. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

I close with my very best wishes for a VERY HAPPY and SUCCESSFUL NEW YEAR to you all. I and everyone associated with the Panthers is committed to making this a tournament to be remembered!!!

Yours in Rugby,

Jim Howard  
Chairman  
Pattaya Panthers RFC

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### REGISTRATION FORM

Our Club/Team wishes to compete in the PATTAYA 10's TOURNAMENT 2018  
To be held at the campus of Rugby School Thailand at Khao Mai Kaew, Chonburi  
Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2018

Club Name/Corporate Team – .....

Contact Person/s .....

Postal Address – .....

State - ..... Country ..... Post Code - .....

Telephone - ..... Email – .....

### **CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

1. A registration fee of Thai Baht 10,000.00 ( US \$ 300.00 ) is payable for each team entered.
2. Registrations must be in by March 31<sup>st</sup> 2018
3. Entry fees should be paid on application by bank transfer to :-

Account Name : Pattaya Panthers RFC  
Account Number : 3423040132  
Bank Branch : Bangkok Bank Public Company Limited  
Naklua Branch  
Swift Code : BKKBTHBK

Please send details of your payment to Jim Howard at [jimbo@loxinfo.co.th](mailto:jimbo@loxinfo.co.th)

4. Teams are requested to send a team photograph and brief write up for the tournament programme by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018.