

## PATTAYA CITY EXPATS CLUB

# The Sunday Meeting

THE CLUB MEETS EVERY SUNDAY MORNING AT THE HOLIDAY INN, EXECUTIVE TOWER, 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR "WORKSHOP" MEETING ROOM



***Since the Club was founded in March 2001, it has continuously met every Sunday***

The Holiday Inn provides the meeting facilities and audio/video equipment free to the Club. Consequently, in return, we encourage members and guests to purchase the buffet breakfast or if a full breakfast is not your preference, you may purchase coffee, tea, pastry, etc. in the Flow Restaurant on the ground floor and bring to the meeting room (Club members upon showing their membership card receive a 25% discount).

Many members and guests enjoy visiting with each other while enjoying their breakfast prior to the program getting underway at 10:30am. The breakfast is available from 9am to 11am for 235 baht.

The meeting program usually has the following format:

- The Master of Ceremonies (MC) welcomes everyone and opens the meeting with some general announcements.
- Usually there are one or more guest speakers to talk on subjects of interest. The subject matter varies. The Club has welcomed Thai government officials as the guest speaker such as the Mayor of Pattaya, the District Chief, and the Provincial Governor. Other speakers have been book authors that write about Thailand or have a Thailand theme to their stories, health professionals, etc. Occasionally, a member will share their travel or life experience. Sometimes, the representative of a commercial business may speak

about the usefulness of their product or service; but not to make a pitch to purchase it from them. In such cases, the Club invites the speaker to provide information, but does not endorse the particular business, its service, or its product. Each of the Club's Newsletters has a summary of the previous week's program and speaker's topic.

- After the speaker, there will be a highlight on some of the more important upcoming events in and around Pattaya (the Club's Newsletter has more detailed information on these and future upcoming events – an abbreviated Newsletter is available at the meeting, but the full weekly Newsletter is available [by subscription](#)).
- The program concludes with the Open Forum. During the Forum, members and guests are free to ask and answer questions, such as where to find a good plumber, a particular hard to find product, or the best way to deal with a bureaucratic situation involving a Thai government agency. They also can share information about finding a good restaurant, a recent movie they have seen, or relate a humorous story or joke

The meetings are meant to be both informative and entertaining as well as a place to socialize with fellow Expats. The meeting is usually over around noon or a little after.