



## EXPAT RECOMMENDED BUSINESSES

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During the Club's Sunday Meeting Open Forum, attendees ask their fellow Expats if they can recommend certain types of businesses or where they can locate certain products. To assist other Expats in finding a business or product, we will be listing them here.

**The Club does not sponsor or guarantee satisfaction with any of the listed businesses. The Club receives no monetary or other consideration from these businesses.**

If you wish to recommend a business, please contact us and provide their name, the goods or services provided, and a brief description of your experience with the business. Also, please state whether you have any financial or other interest in the recommended business.

Likewise, if you use one of the listed businesses and are not satisfied with the goods and/or services please advise us of your experience. Also, advise us if you find the business is no longer there.

Generally, we will list businesses that in our sole discretion we consider to be useful to our fellow Expats. You can contact us by email to: [info@pcecclub.org](mailto:info@pcecclub.org) or [info@pcec.club](mailto:info@pcec.club).

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<sup>1</sup> Express Mail, Household, Hearing Aids, Passport Photos, Septic Tank, Gym, Thai translation, Fitness

## Air Conditioning Service

### **Kungman Group**

315/155 M12, Thappraya Road, Telephone 038-251-888.

His comments about their service:

*They pulled everything apart, cleaned everything, added some Freon for just over 1,000 baht, they took just over one hour. They were also very clean protected furniture and floor and cleaned the balcony when finished. A professional job, very happy.*

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## Clothing – Large Sizes

**A SHOP WITH BIG CLOTHING SIZES** – A member reports there is a shop where you can get BIG (farang) sizes. The shop has shirts, shorts, T-shirts and is located at the Avenue Shopping mall on 2<sup>nd</sup> Road – enter the Villa Market through the doors from the mall (there is a wine shop on the left before the entry door) – just after you enter, the shop will be immediately to your left.

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## Computer Services

"A" - 08-1743-7073. He works out of his home. He comes to your location. He does repair work and can build a desk top computer to your specifications. Several members recommend him, his English is good and his prices reasonable.

**Kilin Poolswan** - 081-295-3860. He works out of his home - Repair at your home, new desk top computers built to your specifications, WiFi installation. Recommended by several members - English is good and prices reasonable.

**InvadeIT** – <http://www.invadeit.co.th/>

Located in Hua Hin. They have a listing by category for their products showing a brief description and price – they also have a link to the manufacturer's information and specifications. Their listing will show time for shipment, usually 1-3 days – they show payment may be by credit card, PayPal, or online transfer from certain Thai banks. You also choose your method of delivery; they list the shipping cost for Thai Post Office EMS or Thai Express delivery service. The Expat recommending them states: I found the products I wanted, put them in the shopping cart, completed information re name, shipping address, email address, etc. I noted that I wanted to use Bangkok Bank to make payment (no fee) and EMS service. Shortly after ordering I received a confirming email that products were available, the amount send, and a Bangkok Bank Account to use for the transfer – they note that a copy of the bank receipt for the transfer should be sent to an email address. Within about 10 minutes after transferring the funds and emailing a copy of the receipt, I received an email confirming receipt and noting they would advise when shipment was made. I received an email when the items were shipped (2 days from date ordered) along with the tracking number and a link to go to track the shipment. The items were sent by Kerry Express because the one of the items came in after the Thai Post Office closed for that day. The items were received in the afternoon of the next day.

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## Repair Services

### **Loetsiri Phanich Ltd., Part. (Glass Repair)**

Telephone: 038-426-941, 038-420-424/5, 038-360-168, 038-420-424 (fax)

Suvit Siriphaisarntavee, Manager - Mobile Telephone 081-683-3861

241/11-13 Central Pattaya Road (Next to Big C Extra)

Pattaya City, Chonburi 20150

Telephone: 038-426-941, 038-420-424/5, 038-360-168, 038-420-424 (fax)

*Expat Remarks: After having condo sliding door blown out by a sudden storm shattering all the glass. We called them the next morning and talked to Khun Suvit (good English) who said they might be able to fix that day. In the afternoon, with another storm approaching we called him, and within 15 minutes he was there measuring and about an hour later he returned with a crew and the panel of glass - by 4pm it was fixed. Total bill was 2,500 baht. I cannot imagine any better service.*

### **Leather Repair**

Located at the corner of soi Buakhaou and soi 21 (at the side of a foreign currency exchange). Diagonally across from the Bangkok Bank.

*Expat Remarks: Over the years I have used this man's services many times. I have always been impressed by his skills in his chosen field. His prices are embarrassingly cheap. So much so that he really does warrant a decent tip.*

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## Handymen

**Darko**

Telephone No. 089-095-9376

Builder

**Manu**

089-252-3510.

Electrician (limited English)

**Toh**

086-140-7595. Plumbing – only speaks Thai.

Expat Comments: *My toilet was stopped up. He removed and reinstalled for 400baht.*

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## Custom Kitchens

**Planet Kitchen, Ltd.**

Kieran Oldham

Telephone: 081-862-6438 038-252-568

315/55 Theprasit Road

Does custom kitchens

Expat Remarks: *Excellent work. May be a bit higher than other companies, but well worth it for having it done properly – he stands behind his work – if his workers don't do it properly, he has them correct it.*

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## Insurance Agents

### **AA Insurance Brokers**

Telephone: 038-415-795/6 Fax 038-374-251 Skype: AA Insurance Brokers Pattaya  
565/62 Moo 10 (Next to Big C, South Pattaya)

Website: <http://www.aainsure.net/index.html>

They offer all types of insurance. They also have offices in Phuket, Chiang Mai, Udon Thani, and Hua Hin. AA Brokers currently administers the Pattaya City Expat Club's group insurance policy.

### **Neng (Chamnong Anusat-utai)**

Telephone: 084-003-6030, 038-427-585, 038-420-707 Fax 038-429-773

E-mail: neng611@hotmail.com

Pattaya Service Center (same office at Pattaya People)

20/15-16 M.10 Soi Day-Night Hotel, South Pattaya Rd.

Neng is an individual broker offering all types of insurance. He is recommended by several Club members. Speaks good English. Sometimes he is traveling, so contacting him by email may be best.

### **Wanarom (Wana) Hiranprapakul**

MLG Consulting Service Co. Ltd

63/14-15 Moo 10 South Pattaya Road

Telephone: 038-427-904/5, 038-424-534 Fax: 038-424-535

Email: wanarom@mlgconsultingservice.com

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## Mechanic - Auto

### **United Pattaya Auto**

**Telephone: 099-491-2929**

At the Sunday, August 28, 2016, meeting, we received a recommendation for car repairs. United Pattaya Auto for service and accessories. The Manager speaks good English. Telephone number for English 087-129-2427 per their brochure – the above number was given to the Expat who used their service and highly recommended them (PCEC suggestion, you may want to contact by telephone to be sure the Manager is there when you bring your vehicle in for service). They are located on Sukhumvit Road between Pattaya Klang (Central) Rd and Pattaya Nua (North) Rd on the West (Ocean) side – going North from Pattaya Klang they will be after the PTT station – there is a car dealer than United Pattaya Auto.

### **Khun Sakda**

**Telephone: 081-715-6819**

Expat Remarks: For the past eight years I have been driving an ancient Mazda 626. For the first three years I was constantly being ripped off by mechanics who took money for work which later proved not to have been done. Five years ago I was introduced to a mechanic and I have been constantly amazed by his total honesty and great service. He works from his house which is far from the city center however he will come to your home, leave his car there, and take yours away. He charges foreigners exactly the same as Thais and his work is excellent. He does speak some English however for the initial contact in giving the address it would be helpful to have a Thai speaker call him.

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## Products/Services

### EXPRESS MAIL

#### **Pattaya Courier Service (DHL, FedEx, and UPS)**

To contact them for information, pickup locations, etc. or to Express ship an item, visit their website at: [http://www.pattayashipping.com/Fedex\\_DHL.php](http://www.pattayashipping.com/Fedex_DHL.php). They list locations for sending by DHL, Fedex, and UPS.

*The member recommending them said he contacted their DHL location by telephone for an item he needed to send. They came to his house on the East Side to pick it up – no extra fee for this pick up service.*

To contact them for information, pickup locations, etc. or to Express ship an item, visit their website at: [http://www.pattayashipping.com/Fedex\\_DHL.php](http://www.pattayashipping.com/Fedex_DHL.php).

### HOUSEHOLD

#### **ARC**

Showroom: 389/114 Moo 6, Sukhumvit Road, Naklua, Banglamung, Chonburi 20150

Telephone 038-716-868 or 086-112-8908; Fax: 038-223-893

Website: <http://www.pvcwindowsthailand.com/index.html>

Windows, sliding doors, home improvement - Located on Sukhumvit Road between Pattaya Nua (North Road) and Pattaya Klang (Central Road). *Member purchased sliding glass doors for condominium. Well satisfied with product and installation. Sales person he dealt with was Derek.*

### HEARING AIDS

#### **DMED Hearing Center Co., Ltd. Pattaya Branch**

389/8-9 Moo 6, Naklua, Banglamung, Chonburi, Thailand  
(located on Sukhumvit Road opposite Pattaya Orphanage)

Tel. 038-719-047

Office hours: 9am to 6pm (closed only on Sunday)

Website: <http://en.dmedhearing.com/tag/hearing-aids-pattaya>

Located on East side of Sukhumvit Road, almost opposite Pattaya Orphanage.

They have products from Siemens, Widex, and Audifon

*Several members have obtained hearing aids from DMed. Their operations are overseen by Mukda Pattana-aneek, Audiologist. In celebration of HM the Queen, they usually have a promotion during the month of August where many items can be 50% to 70% off. They will conduct a hearing test on the premises including a Medical Certificate if needed for insurance purposes.*

## PASSPORT PHOTOS

### **Fotoku Plus – Studio & Digital Output Station**

Telephone number is 038-412-612

Hours: 10am to 9pm daily

It is located on the Soi that runs on the North side of Big C North – about half way between 2nd Road and the road that goes past the back side of Big C.

*The Expat recommending the shop noted they have a sheet showing the requirements of various countries, i.e., USA, UK, etc. He obtained photos there to renew his USA passport and had no problem with them being accepted.*

## THAI TRANSLATION & ASSISTANCE

### **The Fixer - Irene Powell**

Telephone number 093-935-6696 Email [consultwingman@gmail.com](mailto:consultwingman@gmail.com)

She will assist you with all Thai Problems. Not understanding your Thai wife/girlfriend. Divorce counseling/process, Immigration Visa/Real Estate etc. Translator, get out of jail, Hospital assistance and more. Classy Visa Runs, Thailand Tour Packages, plus, plus..... Free 30 minute consultation! Fees based on individual situation. She spoke to the Club on September 25, 2016.- [click here](#) for summary. *A Club member recommending Irene Powell, provided advised said she benefited from Irene's able assistance as a translator during many of the proceedings resulting from her filing of a civil lawsuit in the Thai Courts.*

## SEPTIC TANKS

### **John**

086-155-8425

Expat Comment: *He came an emptied tank for 1,500 baht.*

## FITNESS

**"Fun Gym"** Open 07:00 am to 22:00 pm everyday

Telephone number 087-238-2366

*Expat recommending says they have all new equipment and membership fee is about one half of that charged by another popular gym in Pattaya. To reach "Fun Gym" you need to travel up Soi Siam Countryclub until you reach the traffic lights at the junction with the top of Soi Nernplubwan. While travelling east towards the reservoir, you will see a Tesco-Lotus and a 7-Eleven hugging two corners of this well-known junction. You need to get behind the buildings that house the 7-Eleven, which you can do by turning in off Nernplubwan, or by turning off Soi Siam after passing the traffic lights by 20 meters.*

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## Storage Facilities

***Storage facilities are something that many Expats often inquire about. Although we only have a specific recommendation regarding one of the two businesses listed here, they are the only facilities in Pattaya that we are aware of. You may wish to visit their facilities before contracting for storage. If you should contact or use them, we would appreciate some information on your experience – email: [info@pattayacityexpatsclub.com](mailto:info@pattayacityexpatsclub.com)***

### **Pattaya Storage**

Located off Theprasit Rd on Soi 10, (143/90) Nongprue, Banglamung  
Jomtien, Pattaya, Chonburi, Thailand 20150

Tel: English 086-008-0643 cell (MIKE); Thai 081-795-0538 (NAM); Office 038 428-924

Website: <http://www.pattayastorage.com/>

Email: [mikegillark@yahoo.com](mailto:mikegillark@yahoo.com)

Different size storage units available – monthly rental rate

### **U-Store-It**

Telephone: 087-831-7919 (Owner's name is Lee)

Their brochure states they offer 24 hour security, various size cages from small containers up to furniture from a 2 Bedroom house. Further, they will drop off a container at your location to be filled and then pick it up and take it to their storage facility. They also offer storage parking for motorcycles and automobiles. ***They offer Club members a 10% discount.*** *They also offer a discount for long term storage - A member just contracted with them for long term storage and received a 15% discount. The member said the facilities are nice, have ventilation, and CCTV cameras.*

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## Tax Preparation Services

Around the time that USA income tax returns are due, we often get inquiries about someone that can prepare USA income tax returns. If not too complicated, several of our members use TurboTax online for preparation and electronically filing their income tax returns. We have no specific information on the following, but they are the only service we are currently aware of for preparing USA tax returns. We would be interested in receiving comments on your experience with any listed by the US Embassy or the other company listed below – also, any other company that you may have dealt with and would recommend to your fellow Expats – send email to [info@pattayacityexpatsclub.com](mailto:info@pattayacityexpatsclub.com)

US Income Tax Preparation - US Embassy has list – See below – Call the American Citizens Service office at the US Embassy (02-205-4049) for any updates.



### American Embassy

Bangkok, Thailand

American Citizen Services Unit  
95 Wireless Road  
Bangkok 10330

Telephone: (66) (2) 205-4049, Fax: (66) (2) 205-4103  
Website: <http://bangkok.usembassy.gov>

#### INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

Website: [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)  
Telephone Assistance  
1-800-829-1040 (Individuals)  
1-800-829-4933 (Businesses)

By mail for taxpayers outside of the U.S.:  
Internal Revenue Service  
P.O. Box 920  
Bensalem, PA 19020  
Tel: 215-516-2000  
Fax: 215-516-2555

#### TAX CONSULTANTS/PREPARERS IN THAILAND

The following individuals/companies in Bangkok have indicated that they can provide tax consulting services and assist in the preparation of income tax returns for U.S. taxpayers in Thailand. The list is not exhaustive nor its inclusion meant to be an indication of U.S. Embassy endorsement for the quality of services available.

1. Taxplan Ltd.  
4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Panunee Bldg.  
518/3 Ploenchit Road  
(Next to Amarin Plaza)  
Tel: 02-251-9832 / 02-251-2323  
Fax: 02-652-0788  
Email: [taxplan@taxplan.co.th](mailto:taxplan@taxplan.co.th)
2. Nawarat, Williams & Co., Ltd.  
Tax Services for Expatriate Americans  
The Royal Place II  
6/311 Soi Mahadlek Luang 2  
Ratchadamri Road, Lumpini  
Bangkok 10330  
Tel: 089-925-9905  
Fax: 02-650-5800  
Email: [lanny@loxinfo.co.th](mailto:lanny@loxinfo.co.th)
3. American Taxpayer Services  
Joseph "Joe" Krebs, MBA-CPA  
Kriangsak "Sak" Pukawan, PhD-CTA  
Webpage: [www.us-taxpayers.com](http://www.us-taxpayers.com)  
Tel: 053-869-155  
Fax: 053-878-658  
Email: [krebs@us-taxpayers.com](mailto:krebs@us-taxpayers.com)  
[pukawan@us-taxpayers.com](mailto:pukawan@us-taxpayers.com)

#### JP Rooney & Associates Ltd.

4th Floor, Panunee Building, 518/3 Ploenchit Road, Bangkok 10330  
Tel: 02-254-7343, 02-251-2323, 02-251-9832 Fax: 02-652-0788  
Email: [taxplan@taxplan.co.th](mailto:taxplan@taxplan.co.th) Website: [www.jprooney.com](http://www.jprooney.com)  
They advertise tax preparation and advisory service for USA.

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## Legal Services

Thai888 Law Co., Ltd offers a 50% discount to PCEC members for preparing a Last Will & Testament (normally 10,000 baht plus and now 5,000 baht). Members obtaining a Last Will & Testament have recommended this service. No Expat reports on other legal services have been received.

They have made arrangements to represent Allison Monkhouse Funeral Directors for the Chonburi-Pattaya area offering Living Will, Executors, Funeral Services, Probate, Repatriation of remains, and disbursement of assets. Please note, their discount offered to PCEC members relates only to drafting a Last Will & Testament. [Click here](#) for a summary of the presentation by Allison Monkhouse's International Manager in Bangkok.

For information on their firm, visit <https://www.thai888.com/> or contact Jeab on 080-102-8978 or by email to [jeab@thai888.com](mailto:jeab@thai888.com).

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## FUNERAL SERVICES

Based on several Expat recommendations, we will be adding Allison Monkhouse Thailand, a subsidiary of the Group of the same name in Australia and has been operating Funeral Services in the Thailand for more than 20 years. They also have a Pre-Paid Funeral Program – [click here](#) for more information.

Some of our members have availed themselves of this program so that friends and family will not be burdened with making arrangements. Representatives from Allison Monkhouse spoke to the Club in September 2014 – [click here](#) to read a summary of the presentation. They are located in Suite 302, S16 Building, 256/9 Sukhumvit 16, Klongtoey, Bangkok, Thailand 10110. For more information, call 02-261-7929 or email Ms. Pim Karnasuta, at [pim@allisonmonkhouse.com](mailto:pim@allisonmonkhouse.com).

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