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TWO SUSPECTS STILL AT LARGE IN NATIONWIDE 'FAKE GOLD' SPREE

Scammers on the run

Phuket police join hands with nationwide forces to track 'fake gold' scammers

By Kritsada Mueanhawong

POLICE are still searching for two suspects out of nine men and women allegedly involved in a nationwide spree of 'fake' gold sales. Four men and three women were arrested between June 3-4 for allegedly selling 4 million baht worth of fake gold in several Phuket gold shops over the period of a month.

"We have already issued arrest warrants for the remaining two and informed police stations nationwide to help us apprehend them," said Phuket Provincial Police Deputy Commander Peerayuth Karajedee.

Five of the suspects were nabbed at Tah Chat Chai checkpoint, one in Patong, and one in Koh Samui. The suspects are believed to have conducted more than 50 transactions in Patong, Phuket Town, Kamala and Chalong during this period.

Col Peerayuth has urged gold shop owners to exercise caution.

"Let this case be a lesson to everyone. While we are doing our best to keep an eye on and get rid of all such activities, we also urge everyone to be vigilant and thoroughly verify everything when conducting transactions," he said.

The colonel held a press conference on June 5 to provide details of the arrests.

One of the victims, Buathip Thanetnathasombat, 35, filed a complaint at Phuket City Police Station. She owns 'Thongthip' gold shop, which has three branches in Phuket Town and Patong.

"Ms Buathip said that until recently she hadn't suspected that the gold was fake. She only became suspicious during the last interaction when she asked the suspect to provide identification and he refused. He then quickly left the shop," said Col Peerayuth.

She looked back and checked all the



Col Peerayuth at the press conference where he provided details of the spree of scams as well as the subsequent arrests of seven out of nine suspects. Photo: Kritsada Mueanhawong

gold that she had bought so far, only to discover that it was coated with gold on the outside but made of silver inside.

Ms Buathip said that between May 31 and June 3 alone, she had bought 170,000 baht worth of gold from various members of the gang. Officers checked CCTV footage from the shop and the road to identify the suspect and learn his vehicle licence plate number.

"We tracked his movements and were able to capture him and four others at Tah Chat Chai checkpoint while they were trying to leave Phuket on June 3 at about 5:30pm," said Col Peerayuth.

The suspects were driving a black Ford pick-up and named by police as Prakong Rattanapratum, 36; Boontian Konsongkroh, 43; Suphab Damdin, 40; Kanuangrat Hankamphaeng, 25; and Athit Kongjorn, 28.

Another suspect, Pisit Sermthong, 42, was captured on June 4 in Patong after he walked into Phuket City Police Station to ask for a mobile phone charger. Coincidentally, one of the staff members from the gold shop was there at the time. A woman named Uraiwan Sa-Eibkong was arrested in Koh Samui.

Police seized the pick-up truck along with 115,000 baht in cash, two gold necklaces, two gold rings and other items.

"They were taken in for questioning and soon confessed to charges of forgery. We have asked the court to issue arrest warrants for all of them, as well as the two others who are still on the run," said Col Peerayuth.

Mr Suphab said he bought the fake gold from Bangkok from a man he only knows as 'Jo' for 12,000 baht for a baht of gold (approx 15.16g). The others would then take the gold and sell it to shops in Phuket.

The men said they divided the money equally and received about 1,000 baht each per baht of gold.

"We are trying to track the source of the fake gold and have contacted police in Bangkok to help us hunt down the supplier. These crimes were not just conducted in Phuket, but in other provinces as well," said Col Peerayuth.

"We will do our best to broaden the investigation and capture the rest of the suspects as soon as possible," he added.

Hospital chief vows patient not 'ignored'

Krabi Hospital officials denied reports that they 'ignored' the condition of a British man who was brought in with severe head injuries following a motorbike accident in Krabi. The victim's friend has alleged that the hospital could not diagnose him properly.

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Just 20km off Phuket lies the pristine island of Racha Noi, which provides an ideal day-trip for anyone looking to 'get away' for a while.

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Briefly

Hospital denies ignoring injured British man

KRABI Hospital officials on June 6 denied reports that they 'ignored' the condition of a British man who was brought in with severe head injuries following a motorbike accident in Krabi the week before. The accident occurred in front of Tesco Lotus in Krabi Town. The victim, 35, was named only as 'Jo' in a social media post shared by his friend, Facebook user 'Toon Tosapol Chairit'.

Mr Toon said that his family showed up the next day and transferred him to Phuket, whereas doctors in Krabi did not even give him when his stitches.

He also alleged that doctors at Krabi Hospital could not identify the victim's injury and that only doctors in Phuket were able to determine that he had a skull injury and urgently needed to be admitted to the Intensive Care Unit (ICU).

Mr Jo is reportedly out of danger now, and Krabi Hospital officials have responded to the backlash on social media.

"When he was initially admitted, we were more focused

Severe weather fells several trees near airport



Officials removed several large trees that fell prey to the weather on the road alongside the runway of Phuket International Airport on June 6. Several accidents and deaths were also caused by heavy rain and slippery roads. The Thai Meteorological Department has issued warnings of heavy rains, strong winds and flash floods in Phuket for the entire week. Photo: Traffic Police Line Group

on internal bleeding or brain injuries, which is why we did not immediately give him stitches. We were also worried about the dirty wound causing infection, so we tried to treat his internal injuries first. We have continu-

ously followed up about his condition with doctors in Phuket and hope he makes a full recovery soon," said Krabi Hospital Director Supoj Pukawluan.

– *Kritsada Mueanhawong*

munal land granted to them by the government.

"Six pioneer communities of Phuket do not fulfill the criteria of being qualified as a community," said Seksan Sukneuk, the leader of the network.

"The reason provided was that we live too close to town and are expanding quickly; that some of the land provided to us is being used for personal, rather than community use; and that some of it overlaps with other people's land. However, we came to live here long before the others did," he added.

"I have discussed this issue with the community leaders. We will invite them to meet with us again in order to work out a solution. As for the rest, we will prioritize the launch of 'community chanotes' to solve their ongoing land issues," said Phuket Governor Norraphat Plodthong.

– *Kritsada Mueanhawong*

E-work permit in the works

PHUKET officials have announced the launch of an electronic work permit for migrant workers from Cambodia, Myanmar and Laos, to become effective on November 1.

The initiative is part of Thailand 4.0 and intended to cut down on processing time and simplify the registration process for both employers and employees.

"This is a form of 'smart card' intended to prevent the spread of counterfeit ones. It will work by simply scanning a QR-Code on a smartphone. This new technology will save a lot of time for both migrant workers and officials," said Phuket Vice Governor Siworn Chuasawad.

"The last date to switch to an e-work permit is March 31, 2018," he added. – *Phanita Jongathikitphaiboon*

Poor communities protest for land rights

HUNDREDS of people from poor communities in Phuket gathered outside Phuket Provincial Hall on June 5 to protest an official announcement disqualifying them from attaining 'community' status.

The sit-in was organized by the '23 Communities Network', which comprises of poor and marginalized communities. As an officially-labeled 'community' the group would be entitled to the use of com-





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Local bus driver charged for smuggling marine creatures

By Kritsada Mueanhawong

A bus driver was arrested in Phang Nga on June 2 with nearly one thousand protected marine creatures. He was enroute to Phuket.

"We received information from one of our sources that a big delivery of marine creatures would be made by bus today. We monitored the route and finally spotted the bus on Petchkasem Road in Moo 2, Tai Muang sub-district," said Col Somyos Seehabua, superintendent of Tai Muang Police.

"We found 16 categories of marine creatures, including various types of fish and starfish, inside plastic bags," said Col Somyos.

The driver, Athikorn Eimwilai, 28, denied ownership of the creatures and said that another man, whose name he did not know, paid him to deliver them from Phang Nga to Phuket. Nevertheless, he was charged with possession of protected marine creatures.

"Mr Athikorn said he was told that someone would collect the packages at the Phuket Bus Terminal. He said he knew the packages contained marine creatures, but did not think that it was illegal to deliver them," said Col Somyos.

Police say they hope to unravel the network further using contact details of the receiver which were written on the box.

"We learned from our source that a big network in Takuapa was involved in trading pro-



The driver denied ownership of the creatures and said that he had been paid to deliver them to Phuket. Photo: Kritsada Mueanhawong

ected marine creatures. They are sent all over Thailand, including Phuket and Bangkok. By using the local bus service, they hope to dodge law enforcement officers," said Col Somyos.

"We will cooperate with Takuapa Police and other relevant officers and do our best to put an end to protected marine life trading. We will also closely monitor any deliveries made by bus," he added.

The confiscated creatures have been placed at the Phang Nga Coastal Fisheries Research and Development Office while the case is under investigation.

Just days before, the carcass of a 10-meter-long whale in a state of advanced decay washed ashore at Surin Beach.

"We received reports that the body of an unidentified marine animal had washed up at about

11am. We have identified it to be a whale, but have yet to learn the exact species," said Patsorn Visudthiwatcharakul, director of Public Health and Environment at the Cherng Talay OrBorTor.

"We believe it died at least seven days before the body washed up," she added.

Officers from Phuket Marine Biological Center came to collect samples for further examination.

On June 2, a dead turtle in an advanced state of decay washed up, again at Surin Beach. The turtle was taken back to the lab. It had a wound on its left arm, which seemed to come from a sharp object such as a boat propeller. Officers also found a large quantity of foam and undigested fish in its stomach.

Additional reporting by Winai Sarot.

One injured as Phuket airport ceiling collapses



The falling ceiling injured one passenger. Photo: Kritsada Mueanhawong

A 59-YEAR-OLD Thai passenger was hospitalized with head injuries when part of the ceiling at Phuket International Airport's domestic terminal crashed down on June 3.

Bancha Sanguannam was travelling to Bangkok via NokAir. He was seated at Gate 81-82 while waiting for his flight when the incident occurred. Mr Bancha was taken to Thalang Hospital where he received nine stitches in his forehead.

"I heard a loud noise and then saw that the ceiling had collapsed. I did not notice the blood on my head until the other passengers pointed it out. Airport staff were very helpful and immediately came to my assistance," said Mr Bancha.

"Initially, I was sitting on the other side, but when I saw a Chinese family looking for a place to sit together, I moved to accommodate them. It's lucky that no tourists were injured; otherwise, it could have negatively affected Phuket tourism," he added.

Mr Bancha thanked AOT staff and said he understood that it was an accident.

Phuket International Airport Director Monrudee Gettuphan visited the victim at Bangkok Hospital Phuket where he was transferred for a brain scan after doctors at Thalang Hospital discovered a mark on his skull.

"We sincerely apologize for this unfortunate accident and accept full responsibility. The building is quite old – it was built in 1988 and last checked in 2002," said Ms Monrudee.

Anoma Wongyai, director of the Tourism Authority of Thailand in Phuket and NokAir representatives also visited Mr Bancha at the hospital. He was offered a reimbursement for his original flight as well as a free ticket to travel when he chose.

Director Monrudee says that the area has been closed and that the ceiling will be fixed 'as soon as possible'.

– Kritsada Mueanhawong

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Ongoing struggle to protect marine life

THE recent arrest of a bus driver en route to Phuket with over 1,000 protected marine creatures raises a number of important issues that should be addressed by authorities.

First is the issue of Thai law enforcement's ongoing struggle to preserve what little remains of our natural resources.

One week we read that a foreign tourist is behind bars for feeding breadcrumbs to fish inside a marine national park. Then, a few weeks later, officials recover 1,000 specimens of protected species under transport on a public bus. A Hollywood scriptwriter specializing in dystopian sci-fi fantasies could not make such stuff up.

The driver was charged, but there was no indication that he spent any time behind bars. If the driver was really unaware that his delivery was illegal then we feel sorry for him, because he is not only very ignorant, but also got caught holding the bag while the real culprits remain at-large, as usual.

Sandwiched between these events were a number of other reminders that our marine environment is in decline. These include the discovery of a dead sea turtle at Surin Beach on June 2, just two days after the decaying carcass of a whale was found at the same location.

We understand that such events are anecdotal and that the whale might have died of natural causes. That doesn't seem to be the case for the turtle, however, which had a lacerated flipper consistent with a propeller strike, not to mention a stomach full of plastic and foam debris.

Vans have largely taken over from buses as the main form of inter-provincial public transport in the South. The government needs to do something to address their horrible driving. The drivers text and talk on their phones even while undertaking dangerous overtaking maneuvers. To supplement their incomes, drivers also run side services delivering parcels, all too frequently screeching to a stop by the side of a highway to pick up or deliver packages that might contain anything from C4 to starfish, as this latest episode shows.

Simply putting an end to letting them get distracted by sideline work would be a quick, easy way to improve passenger safety and allow real delivery services to compete on a level playing field.



Phuket also needs smarter drivers

Re: Private entrepreneurs reveal plans to launch 'smart buses', Jun 1

This is really good news and a step forward to provide passenger comfort and service.

There's only one fly in the ointment – where do they get smart drivers to operate this smart new transport?

*Seht1912
Gazette forum*

Billion baht project, but no planning

Re: Bypass trees chopped down to 'ease traffic', says Phuket highways chief, Jun 6

I missed out on this part in the article: "However, construction of the Chalong underpass has run into 'some' difficulties. We are in the process of negotiating with land owners in the area."

Makes you realize why things are as they are.

You plan and start building a multi-million baht road project without having even acquired the land for it first!

*Mr Phuketvisitor
Gazette forum*

Unfortunate trash situation in Phuket

Re: Another dead marine creature washes up on Phuket beach, Jun 3

I've been to Phuket many times and that's one thing I noticed. Walking down many popular streets and I cannot see any bins for the public. I pre-

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sume the Phuket council hasn't got the budget to pay for a rubbish run everyday. I remember the dirty look I got from a bar owner when I off loaded a little rubbish into their bin.

Since then I've been just laying empty bottles on concrete ledges or the outsides of garden beds. I hate littering, I can see how much rubbish is scattered and I'm just adding to the problem now.

I've given my rubbish to some tuk-tuk drivers, but then it feels like a trade off and nearly feel obligated to pay for a ride because he's done me a favor.

Just get some rubbish bins out, surely they can improve on this system. I can see how much Thai people have pride within their work space. Just unfortunate.

*Peter Hallmen
Facebook*

They deserve to live in better conditions

Re: E-work permits planned for migrant workers in Phuket, Jun 2

I'd be happier if the local government spent more time on housing them in decent accommodation and protecting their rights, rather than housing most of them in revolting tin shanty towns.

The average pig in Phuket has finer lodgings than these unfortunate creatures.

*Bob
Gazette forum*

Unbelievably naive

Re: Phuket woman wanted for allegedly cheating 'savings group' out of millions, Jun 3

Cannot imagine lending or depositing my money (same thing, an extension of cash/credit), to/with a bunch of strangers as a group or individually. Unbelievable, the naive.

*Bill Carpenter
Gazette forum*

Discipline AOT

Re: One injured as Phuket Airport ceiling collapses, Jun 5

I wonder what disciplinary action, if any, will be taken against AOT management for failing to ensure passenger safety there. This could have had immensely more serious repercussions.

*Duane Robinson
Gazette forum*

Illegal lottery system still exists

Re: Million-baht-a-month lottery ring busted, Jun 2

It is as illegal as prostitution in Thailand.

Happens in every city, town, village & police station. Stop being self righteous – that is pure hypocrisy!

*James H Miller
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The hidden charms of Koh Racha Noi

Footloose

By Anand Singh

RACHA Noi Island is located some 20 kilometers off the southern tip of Phuket.

Unlike its big brother, Racha Yai, Racha Noi is much smaller, more secluded and less frequented than Racha Yai.

Construction is forbidden so it leaves Racha Noi with no hotels or accommodation. The island is covered in dense tropical jungle and is uninhabited by people.

Most visitors from Phuket are more likely to visit Racha Yai, just 12 kilometers south of Phuket, being the more popular choice for tourists to Thailand.

The island is bigger and more well-catered to, with shops, luxury resorts and plenty of mooring space for boats inside the sheltered Bungalow Bay.

This bay is also an ideal dive spot for beginner divers who are getting into open water for the very first time.

Many dive tour operators organize trips to Racha Yai on a daily basis for students and inexperienced divers. Speed-



Racha Noi Island is the ideal spot to take a day trip from Phuket to. Photo: Phuket@photographer.net

boats often take less than 20 minutes to reach Racha Yai from Phuket. Larger boats take about 45 minutes.

The downside is that the island is often packed because it is so convenient to reach from Phuket.

For visitors who do not mind journeying on, Racha Noi is around ten kilometers further south of Racha Yai.

This small island will ap-

peal to visitors who are looking for a raw tropical island experience.

On approaching Racha Noi, the natural beauty of this island starts to capture ones imagination. Nearly the entire surface of the land is covered with lush green forests.

Another worthwhile attraction at Racha Noi is that the closer you get to the island, the clear water starts revealing a

thriving coral reef underneath the surface.

Racha Noi is renowned for its breathtaking coral reefs. It is home to several popular dive sites that surround the island, including some shipwrecks that have turned into thriving artificial reefs.

Unlike Racha Yai however, Racha Noi's dive sites are much deeper, and not suitable for beginners.

Additionally, because the island is situated in the open sea with no shelter from monsoon winds, the current can be quite strong and unpredictable.

On the other hand, experienced divers who come to Racha Noi have a good chance to spot large open water species such as whale sharks, manta rays and sea turtles, which are frequent visitors to the island.

Non-divers can still marvel at the beauty of the coral reefs by snorkeling close to the island's shores. If you are not a big fan of snorkeling, you may choose to relax on the white sand bank, or go for a swim in the crystal clear sea.

If you are looking for a secluded paradise to get away from the hustle and bustle of Phuket just for a day, Racha Noi might be the perfect place. The best time to visit would be from November until April or mid May.

The boat trip can get very choppy if the weather turns bad so best avoid visiting during the monsoon months. Since there is no accommodation on Racha Noi Island, it is best to organize a day trip from either Racha Yai or Phuket. Pick a sunny day and you will not be disappointed.

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Property market ripe for a rebound



By The Book

Kevin Hodges

TIMING in life is everything but timing markets is always difficult. Buy low and sell high is easier said than done. At the top of the market is when most are buying, media news is positive and the consensus is cheery, while at the bottom people are fearful the market will go lower still.

For some time now many of our articles have talked about the market reaching a bottom and that buyers should now be looking to buy back in. This is, of course, viewed with some skepticism of trying to 'talk up' the market.

However during April and May, Siam Real Estate has experienced a marked increase in buying activity, mostly in the resale markets where price reductions have reached a level where buyers are buying back in.

We have also started to see more inquiries from developers who are looking to buy new land plots for future development or looking for market information to judge when and what to build.

Why has the market been



Real estate in Phuket looks to offer good value right now, especially in the resale market. Photo: Supplied

soft? There are several reasons: 2014 was a peak year in terms of prices. After the Russian economic crisis, Russian buyers' currency lost half of its value and that market dried up. Oil prices went from US\$200 a barrel down to US\$30 a barrel. A lot of people employed in the oil industry live in Phuket and buy and rent properties here. The drop in prices caused the oil industry to slow

down. Brexit caused ructions for many British buyers looking to invest in the market here. Lastly, of course, Thailand itself has had an eventful few years.

So what has changed? First off, the world economy is gaining strength, interest rates remain at record lows and people are looking to put their cash to work. Phuket real estate has attractive rental returns

and despite negative media in the past couple of years, Thailand has proved itself to once again be resilient and is currently very stable with elections due next year.

Real estate in Phuket looks to offer good value right now, especially in the resale market. Compared to many international real estate markets, which are reaching heady heights and look tippy to say

the least, Phuket real estate prices have spent the last two years correcting. With the market in Phuket being 'soft', at least for a while, there has been a slowdown in new developments and supply.

Phuket properties also produce attractive rental returns. Owners should be able to achieve between 4 per cent and 7 per cent gross returns on their investment. With the long term upward trend of increasing real estate prices in Phuket, this makes for a very good investment.

Research findings by Global Property Guide Research match those of our in-house research into the average rental returns from properties in Phuket.

Should the trend of recent months continue, we will be able to look back and say that Q1 2017 was the bottom of the market by which time deals in the resale market will start to dry up as properties are sold and sellers begin to increase asking prices.

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Helping to preserve her ancestry

By Sukawin Tanthavanich

PAWADEE Suwannakarn is a Phuket native who has worked in her family's business 'Taweesuwan' for years.

Taweesuwan was originally established as a local jewelry business, selling diamonds pendants, necklaces, rings, earrings, bangles and bracelets. It is also one of the oldest and most well-known jewelry businesses on the island.

A graduate from Exeter University in the United Kingdom, Ms Pawadee helped her family establish the Peranakan Museum in Thalang. She currently works as the general manager of the museum.

She is now responsible for launching the latest project of the family business, a contemporary museum reflecting the uniqueness and charm of the ancient Baba culture in Phuket.

Taweesuwan opened its first branch on Montri Road in Phuket Town before expanding to a second branch at Central festival. The business has been

around for three decades and Ms Pawadee is the fourth generation to have served in it.

"We have own factory where we manufacture jewelry and accessories in the Peranakan style. We conducted a lot of research about different parts of Southeast Asia that share similarities in culture with Phuket. This led me to travel extensively in the region, including Singapore, Penang and Malacca, where I found out more about their historical background. I received a lot of support and information from my family, particularly my grandmother," says Ms Pawadee.

"First, we must acknowledge the difference between 'Baba Yaya' and 'Peranakan'. Peranakan means 'half-bred' and it covers the overall aspect of Chinese and local culture. In Phuket, we call it 'Baba-Peranakan' which refers to the bloodline of Chinese ancestors who married Phuket locals," she adds.

Ms Pawadee says that

Phuketians have a very narrow view of Baba Yaya and Peranakan culture.

"We share many similarities in culture with people in different regions. You can see similar elements in Singapore or Penang, the differences are only due to the influence of culture and language. Phuket cuisine is also influenced from nearby regions, but each area has it's unique taste as well," she says.

Some of the features of the museum include local Phuket food, Peranakan boutique selling jewelry from Taweesuwan and a studio where visitors can try on Baba dresses. There is also a simulated 'mock-up' of Old Phuket Town buildings.

"The displays will cover various subjects of Phuket history and life. The 'Origin of Peranakan' will have exhibits showing how our ancestors brought bark from China into Phuket. 'Building & Architecture' will present various models of famous buildings in Phuket and how Chinese archi-

tectural style merged with Western style," says Ms Pawadee.

"Additionally, 'Shophouse' will present the traditional style of Phuket shophouses. 'Goldsmith' will present antique Peranakan necklaces and traditional methods of housing decoration. 'Botan Room' will show the evolution of traditional dresses and 'Culture Room' will show Phuket local culture and how it has merged with foreign culture over the years," she adds.

The Peranakan Museum was launched two months ago in coordination with the Tourism Authority of Thailand.

Tickets cost 300 baht for adults and 150 baht for children aged 4-12. Children under four can enter for free.

"I believe this will be one of the best sources of knowledge regarding Phuket," says Ms Pawadee.

"We will take you back on a journey to the old era of Phuket

and help you understand its roots. I want visitors to know that we have more than beaches to offer," she says.



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 Email: sirirats@bisphuket.ac.th, nussaran@bisphuket.ac.th

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