



ENGLISH TEA HOUSE
AND RESTAURANT
Sandakan, Borneo

The Tea House Chronicle

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*Hello
and a warm
welcome from the
English Tea House
family...*



I would like to start by saying what a fantastic start to the year we've had so far! Although it rained on New Year's Eve, that didn't stop you all enjoying yourselves. Such a good time was had by all and despite the rain, the view of the fireworks was one of the best we've seen here in Sandakan. I'd like to thank all our great guests for their company and kind comments about the Tea House. It was a truly wonderful atmosphere this year!

It's that time again... Valentine's Day is just around the corner and where better to spoil your partner than the English Tea House. We welcome you and your loved ones to enjoy our special Valentine's meal and couples bookings will get a special rate!

As you may have noticed we added a delicious new English classic last month...the Roast Lunch Carvery Experience. With so much demand for a good ol' roast we hope we have successfully managed to satisfy your needs. All suggestions and feedback is gratefully received! If you haven't had a chance to try our roast yet fear not - it will also be available this month.

Cheers! Rory



*New Year's Day fun
with a game of mini
croquet!*



*'Giant'
annual staff dinner
held here last month!*



*Mr. Samuel & Mrs.
Samantha enjoying
their special day
(18th January 2011)*



February Promotions

**MUST
TRY!**



**Traditional
Sunday Roast!**

A choice of Beef or
Chicken with all the
trimmings

ONLY RM55.00++



Beef Mince & Onion Pie
Served with mashed potato
and fresh vegetables

RM18.50++



Borneo Mess
Dragon fruit, fresh cream and
meringue layered dessert

RM15.00++

TRY OUR REFRESHING NEW BEVERAGES

MOCKTAIL:

Yin & Yang

*A yummy mix of
peach, strawberries
& vanilla ice-cream
topped with cream*

RM13.00++



COCKTAIL:

Endless Love

*A perfect marriage
of tequila, rum,
orange, strawberry
& blackberry*

RM 23.00++



Valentine's Day

Although February 14th is celebrated as a lovers' holiday today, with the giving of gifts between couples in love, it originated as a tribute to St. Valentine. According to church tradition, St. Valentine was a priest near Rome. At that time the Roman Emperor, Claudius II, had issued an edict forbidding marriage. Claudius had determined that married men made poor soldiers because they were emotionally attached to their families. So he banned marriage from his empire. Valentine, seeing the trauma of young lovers, met with them in a secret place, and joined them in the sacrament of matrimony. When Claudius found out about this "friend of lovers," Valentine was thrown in jail and condemned to death. While in prison, he befriended his jailer, Asterius, who had a blind daughter. Asterius' daughter befriended the kind priest by bringing food and messages to him. Valentine fell in love with her. Asterius requested that he heal his daughter. Through his faith he miraculously restored her sight and converted the two of them to Christianity.

The emperor, impressed with the young priest's dignity and conviction, first tried to convert him to paganism to save him from certain execution. But Valentine reversed the strategy, trying instead to convert Claudius. He failed. Just before his execution, he signed a farewell message to the jailer's daughter and signed it, "From Your Valentine." He was stoned and beheaded on February 24, 270 AD. Valentine became a Patron Saint, and spiritual overseer of the annual festival. The mid-February holiday in commemoration of St. Valentine, involved young Romans offering women they admired and wished to court, handwritten greetings of affection on February 14th.



From Our Guest Book

"Delicious food and a fantastic view and the coffee was great! Love from Sweden ♥ HAPPY NEW YEAR" (Julia, Anette & Lars)

"Best cream tea I've had since I don't know when so therefore best food in Malaysia!" (Hols & Mark-England)

"Croquet, sunset and a spectacular dinner. What a delightful setting. We will have great memories. Thankyou" (McAdam Family-Australia)

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