# Brit Club News

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# **Coming Events**

### April 3

WEDU BritCom Celebration - 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., at WEDU's Studios at 1300 North Boulevard in Tampa. Cost is \$15 per person for WEDU members and \$18 for non-members, and includes a luscious buffet presented by The Moon Under Water British Tavern in St. Pete and an open bar. Julius Cain of the BBC and Mike Seymour of the Programming Service for Public Television will unveil what's new in British comedies and answer your questions about your favorite shows and actors. Phone 1-800-352-9338, extension 2293 for information and reservations.

#### April 6

**Board Meeting** – 6:00 p.m. at Tastefully British, 2236 Gulf Gate Drive, Sarasota.

**MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!** 

### April 11

**British Business Club** – 6:00 p.m. at the Shakespeare Pub on Osprey, just south of Siesta Dr. Call Susan Burmaster at 377-5593 for more information.

### April 15

Let's Go to the Dogs – Meet at the Sarasota Kennel Club Car Park outside the main entrance at 6.30 (De Soto Road off University Parkway opposite



#### Also in April:

Shakespeare on the Bay: Much Ado About Nothing at the Crosley Estate, April 19-29. If you are interested in going with other British people, please phone Amv Croshaw at 751.6194 or e-mail acroshaw@tampabay.rr.com to arrange a date. (Please note, this is not an official Brit Club event.) Adult tickets are \$15. For more information, see www.shakespeareonthebay.com.

### May 4

**Board Meeting** – 6:00 p.m. at Tastefully British, 2236 Gulf Gate Drive, Sarasota.

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### <u>May 9</u>

p.m. at the Shakespeare Pub on Osprey, just south of Siesta Dr. Call Susan Burmaster at 377-5593 for more information.

### May 20

Turtle Beach BBQ – Let's all meet at the Turtle Beach Shelter from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.. This is a FREE event for Members and \$10 for non-members. Reservations are essential as space is limited –

space is reserved for no more than 70 people and preference



will be given to paid-up members. Please note that this is a BYOB (bring your own beverage) event and that no glass containers are permitted on the beach. A portion of the Christmas rebate will fund this event. Please RSVP to Amy Croshaw at 751-6194 or email at acroshaw@tampabay.rr.com no later than May 5<sup>th</sup>.

### <u>June 24</u>

**Pub Crawl** – Mark this date on your calendar – it's always a fun event! Details to follow in future newsletter.

# Our website is www.SarasotaBritishClub.com

# From Our President

I write this after a perfect Spring day enjoyed with fellow members of the Club who attended the Lakewood Ranch Polo Club. It was exciting, ending in a tie break and the spread was plentiful. If you missed it, it was your loss and you will have to wait for another year.

At our last Board meeting we commended Rose for her newsletter, and if anyone has any contributions or suggestions, please send them in. When the club's website is up and running we will try to send all members with an e-mail address who agree a newsletter via the internet.

The Club a has new brochure which you can pick up at Tastefully British. Many of you will know Sandra and her partner have sold the shop to a new family who we will welcome in April. We have been assured "it will be business as usual." Sandra is recovering well and will still be with us as a stalwart of the Club.

The Board spent a long time debating the offer of the Waterside Room for a free cocktail event and unanimously agreed to decline their offer, as we felt the membership would not support such an event, as they would have to pay for drink at exorbitant prices whilst they battled for a piece of cheese and pate!!!

I am pleased to announce that the Board has reserved the Stoneybrook GCC for Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> of December for a three course served dinner. By avoiding a buffet, we can all get the same food. You will have three choices of excellent food in a brand new renovated club house. Rochdale Pete will be back. This will be a spectacular event with prices held at the same as last year. Put it in your diary now, as we have limited space available.

Amy Croshaw, our Social Chairperson, has just had major surgery and we wish her well in her recovery, so I am reporting the future social events in this report.

### **SOCIAL**

The advertised car treasure hunt will not take place, as the organizers cannot honor the date. In its place, *Let's go to the dogs on Friday the 15<sup>th</sup> of April.* This is the only notice we can give as the next newsletter is after this event. Meet at the Sarasota Kennel outside the main entrance at **6.30** (De Soto Road off University Parkway opposite the airport. **Entry fee is \$1**, food available either take away or sit down. Call or email Peter or Maureen at 966-9421, sport1gold@comcast.net to confirm or for details.

May 20<sup>th</sup> TURTLE BEACH 6-9 p.m. BYOB and RSVP by 05/05/05 to Amy at 941-751-6194. Numbers limited to 70. Priority will be given to paid up members (n.b. many member renewals are due you will be reminded to pay) to whom this event will be free. Barbecue food will be provided by an outside caterer. The expenses will be defrayed from monies refunded from event.

Peter Gold, President

# **NEW Newsletter Advertising Rates**

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### **Lemon Bars**

I featured an old favourite dish to pass at the Polo games Brit Club get-together on March 20<sup>th</sup>, and had a couple of requests for the recipe. So, although it isn't really a British recipe, thought I would feature it.

### Lemon Bars

1 egg
1/3 cup softened butter
1 package lemon cake mix
2 eggs
1 cup sugar
1/2 tsp baking powder
1/4 tsp. salt
2 tsp. grated lemon peel

½ cup lemon juice



Heat oven to 350 degrees. Mix one egg, dry cake mix and butter until crumbly (I pulse in a processor). Reserve 1 cup and pat remainder in ungreased 9 x 13 pan. Bake 15 minutes or until golden brown. Combine the remaining 2 eggs, sugar, baking powder, salt, lemon peel, and lemon juice and beat until light and foamy. Pour over hot crust and sprinkle with reserved crumb mixture. Bake 15 minutes or until light brown. Sprinkle with confectioner's sugar before serving. Cool and cut into bars.

Yield 32 bars

Recipe from Sandra Cherry of Tastefully British - Britbabe44@comcast.net.

# Stan's Sports Spot

<u>Soccer</u> Chelsea tightened their grip on the Premiership title with a comfortable win over Crystal Palace. A trademark long-range Frank Lampard strike put Chelsea ahead only for his error to allow Aki Riihilahti to level. Andy Johnson had a chance to give the visitors a shock lead but he angled a shot wide before Joe Cole's well struck effort put Chelsea back in front. Mateja Kezman grabbed two late Chelsea goals with his first coming after Gabor Kiraly let a shot through his grasp. The 2 top chasers, Man Utd and Arsenal both won 1-0 but appear to be too far behind with 8 games left of the season.



**Rugby** Wales survived some anxious moments to claim **their first Grand Slam since 1978** with a historic victory in Cardiff. Mike Ruddock's side held their nerve to beat Ireland at home for the first time since 1983 and clinch the Six



Nations. A first-half try from Gethin Jenkins helped Wales to a 16-6 interval lead, with Gavin Henson weighing in with a drop goal and a long-range penalty. Kevin Morgan's try looked to be enough only for tries from Marcus Horan and Geordan Murphy to ensure a nervous end. But Wales, for whom fly half Stephen Jones added 16 points with the boot, held on to complete a remarkable transformation in fortunes. They failed to win a match in the Six Nations two years ago, but under Ruddock they have flourished by

reverting to the adventurous style of old.

Horse Racing Trainer Tom Taaffe is eyeing a Cheltenham Gold Cup hat-trick with new champion Kicking King. Taaffe's late father, Pat, rode the legendary Arkle to a Gold Cup repeat the feat. After a cosy five-length success over Take The said: "It was an electric performance. "The world is his oyster at winning one or two more Gold Cups," said the County Kildare him a 12-1 chance to do the treble and, when pressed, spokesman 1 on a four-timer.



<u>F1</u> Exciting and surprising start to the season, with Renault (Fisichella and Alonso) finishing 1 & 3 in Australia, Ferrari (Barrichello) 2<sup>nd</sup>. Schumacher hit Heidfield and both drivers retired. On to Malaysia for #2 and Renault's Fernando Alonso cruised to victory to take the world championship lead. Alonso dominated the race from pole position to win by 24.3 seconds from Jarno Trulli, who scored Toyota's

first podium in Formula One. Williams' Nick Heidfeld was third with Juan Pablo Montoya fourth for McLaren. David Coulthard was sixth ahead of Michael Schumacher, who started 13th, while Jenson Button retired after three laps with engine failure.

The answer to the last trivia: Which club did Liverpool defeat to win their only FA cup in the seventies? is Leeds United.

This month question: Who won the Irish Masters Snooker played in Dublin in March?

1) Mark Williams 2)

Matthew Stevens

3)

Ronnie O'Sullivan



### Rose's Corner

Okay, guess trivia isn't what you're looking for. I didn't get a single reply to last month's trivia contest, so I get to keep the prize! If anyone else has any ideas for a column, I'm open to suggestions. Meanwhile, check out the WEDU event at the left – great buffet, previews and a chance to make your voice heard on what you'd like to see on PBS!

Please mail articles to me at Rose Gillet, 3219 24th Parkway, Sarasota, FL 34235, fax at 366-9248, call at 366-9984 or email me at rosegillet@yahoo.com. Closing date for the newsletter is the 15th of each month.



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