

**Continued from last month:-**

Numbers 11 to 24 of the 24 immutable laws of golf  
LAW 11: -All vows taken on a golf course shall be valid only until the sunset.

LAW 12: -Since bad shots come in groups of three, your fourth consecutive bad shot is really the beginning of the next group of three.

LAW 13: -If it isn't broke, try changing your grip.

LAW 14: -It's surprisingly easy to hole a 50-foot putt when you lie 8.

LAW 15: -Counting on your opponent to inform you when he breaks a rule is like expecting him to make fun of his own haircut.

LAW 16 -Nonchalant putts count the same as chalang putts.

LAW 17 -It's not a gimme if you're still 4 feet away.

LAW 18: -The shortest distance between any two points on a golf course is a straight line that passes directly through the center of a very large tree.

LAW 19: -You can hit a 2-acre fairway 10% of the time, and a 2-inch branch 90% of the time.

LAW 20: -Every time a golfer makes a birdie, he must subsequently make a double or triple bogey to restore the fundamental equilibrium of the universe.

LAW 21: -If you want to hit a 7-iron as far as Tiger

Woods does, simply try to use it to lay up just short of a water hazard.

LAW 22: -There are two things you can learn by stopping your backswing at the top and checking the position of your hands: how many hands you have, and which one is wearing the glove.

LAW 23: -A ball you can see in the rough from 50 yards away is not yours.

LAW 24: -Don't buy a putter until you've had a chance to throw it.

Thanks to Terry Sweeney



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# BritClub News

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## Coming Events

**Board Meeting** —Thursday August 12th @6:30 p.m. at the home of Brian & Jane Thompson Members welcome but please call ahead, see Page 12, as space is limited.

**Breakfast Brunch** — Sunday August 19th Save the date for a delicious Sunday breakfast brunch at the University Park Country Club at 11:30am. The cost is \$22, \$35 per person (which includes tax and a tip). Your first Bloody Mary or Mimosa is just a dollar.

RSVP to Edith Edmonds 941 925-4077 or edith2484@aol.com. Checks should be mailed to Sarasota British Club, PO box 21063, Sarasota FL 34276  
There is a limit of 40 people so get your checks and reservations in.  
Photo from the University Country Club's web page.



### Our website is [www.SarasotaBritishClub.com](http://www.SarasotaBritishClub.com)

From here you will find local information, Club news, coming events, photos from past events and many past newsletters .

**A Tour of the SNN Television Studios and Herald Tribune Newspaper offices** —August 16th at 11 am . Details on Page 3



**Fish and Chip Night**—September 15th at Beckham's

Our first Fish and Chip night this year is chaired by Glen Stilwell. We know that for many of you Beckham's holds many memories of the small restaurant in Osprey where we all met and shared a vibrant evening of happy chatter. Due to the size of their Sarasota restaurant we no longer have concern about numbers. We are hoping for a good response from you. Glen's contact info. is on the back of your newsletter, he is waiting to hear from you.

**Meal and AGM** — October 20th at 6.30pm at the Oriental Buffet, Bee Ridge Road, Sarasota. More details in next month's newsletter.



**Letter from President Sue Ford**

So far so good, at the time of writing this piece, no really bad weather has affected our State...long may it last. But, as me old granny used to say, 'I can feel it in me water' better be ready for the worst; 'just in case'.



Since my last newsletter my husband and I returned to England for a family wedding at the end of June. We were so lucky, the weather was good to us with no rain and it wasn't even cold. To be in Hertfordshire and smell the country side, see the thatched cottages and drive the country lanes was wonderful. After the wedding, we drove to Kent going through the areas of our childhood. Some places haven't changed at all. Being a Tottenham girl, I wanted to check out the damage done earlier this year in the 'Tottenham riots'. I was so surprised to see only a couple of buildings with work to be completed. I guess with the Olympics being held close by, repair work was carried out immediately. The Tottenham Hotspurs football stadium has grown beyond belief. Whereas it used to be just part of the background, it now dominates the foreground. We really sounded like our parents; 'I remember when.' Once through the Blackwell Tunnel on the A2 looking to our left we saw the O<sub>2</sub> Concert Arena and one of the Olympic Villages, it is looking fabulous. Not at all as we remembered the area. The excitement in London is catching. I know they say the recession has hit, but London is vibrant, we saw no sign of it. Seven days isn't long to tick off all the things you want to do and eat, but we managed. It was a wonderful week's trip.

Now home it's back to everyday things. I was hoping after Gary's write up in the June newsletter concerning the need for members to step up for the 2013 board, I would have received emails from interested members, but sadly only one this week. I cannot emphasize enough that without your input the club will suffer...we need more members to stand for the new board. We have a great club with some fabulous members and it

is up to us all to keep it going. By coming forward to replace members that have served for many years, you can bring to the club fresh ideas and new impetus. I am looking forward to hearing from you. Thank you for taking the time to read my piece.

Hugs to you all,

**Sue Ford**

**CALL FOR CANDIDATES FOR THE 2013 BOARD**

As we enter the second half of 2012, it's the season to begin assembling a slate of candidates for next year's SBC Board to be elected at our AGM set for mid-October. Our membership is fortunate to boast a wide spectrum of wonderful talents and interests. All organizations stand to benefit and grow stronger by the infusion of new ideas and creative energies brought by members to leadership positions. For the Club, this extends as well to ideas for new and interesting social events and venues that keep members engaged. Do bring your own talents and ideas to the fore by

standing for the SBC Board. **The Board positions are: President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Membership Director, Public Relations Director, Newsletter Editor, Director at Large.** If you are interested in being a candidate for a Board position or want more information, please contact Gary Lee (glee01@verizon.net or 941-706-1172). We look forward to hearing from you.



**Precised Minutes Sarasota British Club Board Meeting, from July 12th, 2012**

Meeting held at the home of Roy and Sue Ford. Currently 203 members in the club. Our balance in the treasury is \$8,139.77. The Raymond James Gallery Tour had a dozen members in attendance enjoying a great day with lunch afterwards. The evening at Sharkey's on the Pier is expected to be well attended. A Sunday brunch is planned for mid August at the University Club. The 'Fish and Chips' night at Beckham's is always popular with members. The AGM is on course for October 20th at the Oriental Buffet in Sarasota. All places on the SNN/Herald Tribune tour have been filled and entry is now closed. Plans for 'Guy Fawkes Night' are going well. Other ideas for future events are being discussed by the Board. The New Member's Tea is coming up in August. A discussion by the Board on encouraging members to put their names forward for the 2013 Board was held.

*Submitted by Mary L. Shelley, recording secretary*

*Royal Reply*

I was asked by the board, in my capacity as recording secretary, to send a congratulatory card to William and Kate on the celebration of their first wedding anniversary.

I have recently received a reply (column 2) from Kensington Palace thanking the SBC for their kind thoughts and they in return sent their best wishes to the club members.

*Mary L Shelley ..Club Secretary..*



*The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge were so touched that you took the trouble to write as you did on the anniversary of their Wedding. It really was most thoughtful of you and Their Royal Highnesses send you their warmest thanks and best wishes.*



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## Locations to Hold Our Events

We put out a call to all members who could offer their clubhouse as a location for a Sarasota British Club (SBC) events, and members have generously responded. So... A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE INDIVIDUALS. The Board will be busily organizing and coordinating events for those locations at our monthly meetings—we'll keep you posted. This keeps our events affordable to all members, and adds diversity for our get-togethers. The SBC will cover overhead charges, and our members generously volunteer to help with the set-up and clean-up. If other members can offer their clubhouse, please contact sueford47@yahoo.com with suitable dates and locations. Thank you for your support.



**BUSINESS GLIMPSES:** We would like to hear from our members who have found their business niche in and around Sarasota. If you would like to write to us, we'd enjoy catching a glimpse of your business enterprise in our local economy. Your article can be sent to lakewood2@gmail.com, and we will select one 'Business Glimpse' each month.



The Club would like to thank the following merchants for their cooperation in spreading the good word about our Club by allowing the *BritClub News* to be distributed in their premises: **Word of Mouth (3), Champions Pub, Tastefully British, 4 & 20 Pasty Company, The Open Pub & Restaurant, The King George Pub, Beckham's, The White Horse Pub, McAllister's, Scot's Corner, British Open Pub & Restaurant of Venice, Bentley's Resort Hotel, Scrambles, Ezpiez, Yellow Strawberry Salon (LWR), Simon's Coffee House and Café Continental Patisserie.**



LITTLE MISS SUNSHINE

### Did you know?

The Club has a "Sunshine Club" which will send a greeting to a member when we hear of a special happy, sad or momentous event in their lives.

Please let us know of such events, contact Mary Shelley, her details are on Page 12.

Don't forget that the Sarasota British Club is on Facebook. The Club's logo is the profile picture.

Check out the numerous photos from recent events. Why not 'friend' us for another way of keeping in touch with the Club and its members. Why not add your event photos to the 'wall'.



## We are in the News

A Tour of the SNN Television Studios and Herald Tribune Newspaper offices which are situated on Main Street Sarasota will take place on August 16th at 11 am. The tour will last approximately one hour and will be followed by lunch at a mutually agreed venue on Main Street., those who are overcome with excitement at meeting Justin Mosely will be excused and sent home..

Unfortunately we are limited to only fifteen persons so it will be on a first come first served basis who gets to go..The better news is that more tours are in the pipeline for later in the year..depending upon interest levels..

The Tour is free..The restaurant unlikely to be so.. Please book your reservation by contacting Mary Shelley, SBC secretary by email at dhydrangea1@aol.com..or by calling 941 244 2288

a badge, please send your payment of \$10 to the Club's PO Box (see back page) or contact Doug Schuler at rschuler@tampabay.rr.com. Please note that any member with a pacemaker should order the badge with a pin fastener.

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### Advice for daily living.

If you are sitting next to Elvis Presley on a bus and suddenly a large flat fish with orange spots sits down on the other side, then you're between a rocker and a hard place.

It is bad luck to walk under a bladder.

Always proofread. You might have something out.

Two rules for success

1. Never tell all you know.



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### HEAR YE! HEAR YE! NO MORE PINHOLES IN YOUR CLOTHING!

The Sarasota British Club now has magnetic name badges available for members. The badge shows the club logo and your name in white lettering on a sapphire blue background. If you would like to order

Work smarter and not harder and be careful of your speling.

Remember that every morning is the dawn of a new error.

The face of a child can say it all, especially the mouth part.

Avoid unsightly wear marks on the elbows of your favourite jacket by cutting them out and leaving them in your wardrobe.

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### Florida Trivia

The United States city with the highest rate of lightning strikes per capita is Clearwater.

Gatorade was named for the University of Florida Gators where the drink was first developed.

Miami installed the first bank automated teller machine especially for rollerbladers.

The first graded road built in Florida was Old Kings Road in 1763. It was named for King George of England.

Miami Beach pharmacist Benjamin Green invented the first suntan cream in 1944. He accomplished this development by cooking cocoa butter in a granite coffee pot on his wife's stove.

## Art Gallery Visit

**W**ow !!! Two of my favourite things in one day – art and curry. Oh, my !!!

On Tuesday, 10th July, Brian and Jane Thompson were there to meet us all in the imposing lobby of the Raymond James Financial Center on Carillon Parkway in St. Petersburg, the headquarters of the corporation. Our charming and knowledgeable guide for the tour of Mr. James' art collection was Emily Shrider, Raymond James Art Administrator. And what a collection !!!



The focus is on American Indian art, with stunning examples of paintings, sculptures and bronzes. There is also a floor devoted to wildlife art, especially African animals. The ground floor has examples of the work of Picasso, Warhol, Dali, Hirschfeld and many others, together with up-and-coming artists. Scattered around there was some lovely glassware and other objets d'art. The walls of every corridor in the building are so full of paintings that they are running out of space and we were only able to see a small selection of their treasures in the one and a half hours we were there.

A highlight of the tour was a visit to the Raymond James boardroom. It has windows across one wall with a great view of the city and a table as long as a football field – well, not really, but that's the usual standard of measurement in these parts. There is an oil painting of Mr. James and I think collecting art must make him very happy, as he is smiling, somewhat unusual in official portraits. He takes a special interest in all the artists and is supportive of new talent. There was a Mr. Raymond, but he is no longer with us and the comma got lost somewhere.

Upon leaving the building there was a final treat as opposite the entrance there is a sculpture garden with some beautiful bronzes. Then it was off to St. Petersburg bay front to The Moon Under Water

'British Colonial Tavern' for lunch. It was easy to find, but a little tricky for parking. (Bring a couple of dollars in quarters to feed the back of the meter!) Inside, one look at the menu let us know that we had certainly come to the right place – all the traditional British dishes (including our national dish, Chicken Tikka Masala !!!), and a comprehensive selection of more American fare. The beer, including beer on tap, was just the job on a hot day. The service was pleasant and efficient. Everyone agreed that the food was excellent, and we must thank Jean and Mark Malkasian for their recommendation. A perfect ending to the morning.

And, of course, a big thank you to Brian and Jane for making all the arrangements. (Note that visits to the art collection are by appointment only.)

*Diana Bradford*

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## OLYMPIC TRIVIA

Did you know that all athletes competed in the nude at the ancient Olympics?

The only Olympian ever to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize was Philip Noel-Baker of Great Britain, who won the silver in the 1500-metre dash in 1920. More athletes than spectators attended the 1900 Paris Olympic Games.

The country of India has the lowest number of total Olympic medals per capita.

Pigeon shooting was one of the sports on the program in Paris in 1900. Fortunately this shooting event was short lived. It was the only time animals were killed on purpose during an Olympic event.

Great Britain is the only nation to have won at least one gold medal at every Summer Games.

The only female competitor not to have to submit to a sex test at the 1976 Summer Olympics was Princess Anne, who was competing as a member of the GB equestrian team. As Queen Elizabeth II's daughter, such a test was seen as inappropriate.

**A British team is the only nation to win an Olympic cricket contest (in 1900), becoming the only Olympic gold medalists in cricket, and therefore the current Olympic Champions!!**

## ANSWERS TO THE QUIZ on Page 8

- 1) How long did the Hundred Years War last? 116 years
- 2) Which country makes Panama hats? Ecuador
- 3) From which animal do we get cat gut? Sheep and Horses
- 4) In which month do Russians celebrate the October Revolution? November
- 5) What is a camel's hair brush made of? Squirrel fur
- 6) The Canary Islands in the Atlantic are named after what animal? Dogs
- 7) What was King George VI's first name? Albert
- 8) What color is a purple finch? Crimson
- 9) Where are Chinese gooseberries from? New Zealand
- 10) What is the color of the black box in a commercial airplane? Bright Orange (of course)

## Some photos from the July 19th visit to Sharky's on the Pier.



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**Welcome New Members  
Paul & Diana Wilkinson**

**P**aul & Diana Wilkinson have been married 38 years, originally from Worcester, they were childhood sweethearts! In 1983 the international company that Paul worked for asked if they wanted to do 3 years in the US. They jumped at the chance, and 8 weeks later they were in Pittsburgh. From there they moved to Ft Lauderdale, where their one (and only) son was born, and they became permanent residents. From there they moved to Chicago, then to Boston, and most recently Annapolis, MD. Paul & Diana fell in love with Siesta Key on a weekend break in March this year, and decided to take advantage of the property market to move, so here they are! Paul still works for a privately held Food Safety and Pest Prevention company, where he designs and manages programs for major national clients. Diana most recently worked at the library HQ in Annapolis, and is now a full time renovator of their new home! They both look forward to meeting the members of the Club, and will be happy to get involved.

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**Evening in Venice..(part 2)**

The setting sun's rays dance across the blue waters ...deflected by the blade of a great sword as it rises out of the Gulf waters..Excalibur has awakened ..does Prince Charles know..will Mummy step aside if Charlie gets to grips with this fabled sword of the Once and Future King..Our eyes are drawn to the roar of a mighty Tempest ..a figure huge in statue and terrifying to behold rides a Golden Chariot across the foaming seas..roaring his anger is Poseidon, God and Emperor of all the oceans and seas...He awakens the Kraken ..the beast who has sunk ten thousand ships.

A beast whose very being is so foul that it causes hearts to stop..or at least race..blood to freeze even if you are wearing a lambswool coat with matching mittens..A beast so..YES...I KNOW...I know none of this happened..But ..It might have done..And its surprising what goes through your mind when you are looking at a white screen wondering how to start writing a sketch

on the latest SBC bash...Ah..I know.

The SBC's first annual assault on the Lobster population of the United States began in earnest at the Oasis on the beach known to all as .Sharky's on the Pier..and a successful night's eating it was..Mary, the club secretary was delegated earlier in the day to acquire the services of a Man of the Cloth to say a few words on behalf of the human race in sorrow at the lobsters sell by date being imminent ..but she forgot..the lobsters were consumed anyway..So no harm done..provided you weren't a lobster.

A small band of musicians kept us entertained,. accompanied by a large measure of vocal support by the SBC and the rest of the patrons. It's surprising how many of our "younger" members know all the words to Elvis Presley's early hits.

Time slipped by quickly as it does when enjoyment is high...All of our party had the look of those who have wine and dined well..and as everyone was still on speaking terms it was an auspicious time to depart.

As we left ..I turned once more to gaze across the unfathomable depths of the sea..and I swear I saw a shaft of moonlight striking a glistening blade..my eyes momentarily distracted..I espy an elderly couple..they too were looking at this strange phenomena..he.. looking like a son who aspires to greatness if only Mummy would let him .. She.. with a large ill fitting hat upon her head..looking lost ..I shake my head..sigh.. and depart into the enveloping darkness.

**Norman Shelley**



**SANDRA'S RECIPE OF  
THE MONTH**



**W**ell here we are in the truly dog days of summer, and being in Florida sultry too. Although as we know many parts of the country have had record breaking high temps. Not so in England though, lots of rain, and mostly in the

60's  
Anyway I thought I would feature an old British favourite, a perfect summer dessert and so easy. You can make any variety you like. I have never been able to find out the origin of the name though, but love saying it!! ( and eating it of course!)

**Knickerbocker Glory**

1 scoop each vanilla and strawberry ice cream  
chunks of pineapple and peaches ( fresh or canned)  
Heavy whipping cream  
Chocolate syrup  
Nuts, Sprinkles and Cherries for decoration

Place alternating layers of ice cream and fruit in a tall glass. Pour the chocolate syrup over , and top with the whipped cream. Decorate with nuts sprinkles etc as wanted. Serve with a long tea spoon. Dig in, Enjoy!!



*Recipe from Sandra Cherry,  
Union Jack Food columnist. I  
welcome comments, requests  
and recipes and can be reached  
at [Yourcuppatea1@yahoo.com](mailto:Yourcuppatea1@yahoo.com)*

**On your PC**

**A**re you ever frustrated with the newer style ribbon toolbars in the recent versions of Microsoft Excel/Word etc? If you had become conversant with the old style you can add the old style menus while keeping the ribbon. Try UbitMenu at [www.ubitmenu.ch](http://www.ubitmenu.ch) — UBitMenu is a free download for personal use, and available at a reasonable price for businesses. (about \$15) It is possible to customize the ribbon to just leave the old style menu but why not try running both together and gradually learn to love the ribbon?

Another option is to create a customized 'Quick Access Toolbar' which sits just above or below the ribbon. This way you can add your most used or difficult to locate options.

Contact me at [lakewood2@gmail.com](mailto:lakewood2@gmail.com) for any help with these.

**Topical Joke**

Higgs Boson goes into a Catholic church.  
The priest says, "You're not welcome here."  
Higgs Boson says "Well you can't have mass without me."

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**T**hanks to Eileen Schuler for this recipe which went down very well at a recent Board meeting.

**Chocolate-Covered Caramelized Matzoh Crunch**

- 4 to 6 sheets unsalted matzohs
  - 1 cup (230g) unsalted butter, cut into chunks
  - 1 cup (215g) firmly-packed light brown sugar
  - 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
  - 1 cup (160g) semisweet chocolate chips (or chopped bittersweet or semisweet chocolate)
  - 1 cup (80g) toasted sliced almonds
1. Line a rimmed baking sheet (approximately 11 x 17", 28 x 42cm) completely with foil, making sure the foil goes up and over the edges. Cover the foil with a sheet of parchment paper. Preheat the oven to 375F.
  2. Line the bottom of the sheet with matzoh, breaking extra pieces as necessary to fill in any spaces.
  3. In a 3-4 quart (3-4l) heavy duty saucepan, melt the butter and brown sugar together, and cook over medium heat, stirring, until the butter is melted and the mixture is beginning to boil. Boil for 3 minutes, stirring constantly. Remove from heat, add the vanilla, and pour over matzoh, spreading with a heatproof spatula.
  4. Put the pan in the oven and reduce the heat to 350F (175C) degrees. Bake for 15 minutes. I usually bake for 10 minutes. As it bakes, it will bubble up but make sure it's not burning every once in a while. If it is in spots, remove from oven and reduce the heat to 325F (160C), then replace the pan.
  5. Remove from oven and immediately cover with chocolate chips. Let stand 5 minutes, then spread with an offset spatula.
  6. If you wish, sprinkle with toasted almonds (or another favorite nut, toasted and coarsely-chopped), a sprinkle of flaky sea salt, or roasted cocoa nibs.
  7. Let cool and then put pan in fridge for chocolate to harden.

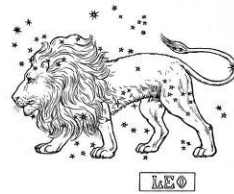
When cool completely, break into pieces and store in an airtight container until ready to serve. I keep in fridge and also freezer. You can serve the Crunch directly from the freezer.

**For those with a birthday at this time....**

**Leo (July 23 - August 22)**

The Lion is considered the king of the jungle, and likewise you Leos have an air of royalty about you. Some Leos even have hair resembling the thick mane of the Lion. But Lions are more than roar, for they are truly magnificent beasts. The Lioness proudly cares for the young, hunts and takes care of survival with relentless intent and ferocity, when needed. And proud are you Leo! Perhaps that's why Leo often chooses work that puts you in the center of stage or in the spotlight of appreciation.

*Sue Ford*



**New High School Exit Exam, .  
(Passing requires 4 correct answers)**

- Ready? Go!
- 1) How long did the Hundred Years' War last?
  - 2) Which country makes Panama hats?
  - 3) From which animal do we get cat gut?
  - 4) In which month do Russians celebrate the October Revolution?
  - 5) What is a camel's hair brush made of?
  - 6) The Canary Islands in the Pacific are named after what animal?
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  - 8) What color is a purple finch?
  - 9) Where are Chinese gooseberries from?
  - 10) What is the color of the black box in a commercial airplane?

Remember, you only need 4 correct answers to pass. Check your answers in the next page.



Part of the group that visited the Raymond James Art Collection in July, in the adjacent garden with its statues, see page 4

**Come and Join the Club**

The Sarasota British Club (SBC) serves the needs of its membership in the spirit of friendship and mutual support. This includes the planning, developing and overseeing of a social setting where members can meet and exchange interests. The SBC assists British newcomers in settling into the community, and provides British businesses with valuable networking and support. To join, please fill in the information below and send it with your check to: Sarasota British Club, P.O. Box 21063, Sarasota, FL 34276.

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