



BritClub News

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COMING EVENTS

SBC BOARD MEETING

Next meeting will be TUESDAY, August 8th (Note change of day!). Village Des Pins Clubhouse: 7964 Timberwood Circle, Sarasota @ 6:30 pm. Guests welcome (*please let us know you are coming!*)

NEW MEMBER SOCIAL

New Members (joined since Jan 2016) are invited to a social get together on August 16 at 6 pm. The event will be held at the Village Des Pins Clubhouse: 7964 Timberwood Circle, Sarasota. Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be provided.



Please RSVP BEFORE AUGUST 8 to Paul Wilkinson pwilkinson18@comcast.net

CALUSA BREWING GAMES NIGHT AUGUST 2

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FRIDAY LUNCH IN AUGUST will be at Pier 22 in Bradenton.

“Located on Bradenton’s Memorial Pier, PIER 22 has become a distinctive destination for casual fine dining in downtown Bradenton. In addition to our magnificent views of the Manatee River, charming ambiance and impeccable service, what has made us so popular with guests from near and far is our commitment to using only the highest quality ingredients to prepare all of our foods.”

When? Friday August 25, 12 noon
Where? Pier 22, 1200 1st Street Bradenton.
RSVP : Vivienne Sivak
viviennesivak@msn.com or 941 251 7494

SCAVENGER HUNT, SUNDAY SEPTEMBER

10 A group of members are organizing a Scavenger hunt for the afternoon, and a dinner venue for the early evening. See Page 7 for full details.



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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

I am sitting in my living room on another gloomy, wet afternoon wishing I was somewhere other than Florida in July! However, I look at holiday pics from my niece who is in Norway, Iceland, Ireland (in Father Ted's front room) and other European spots and she looks dressed for the Iditarod sled races! Thank you to all who have wished me well, I am feeling (and looking apparently) very healthy but I'm impatient to get treatment over so I can get on with life. The worst thing for me is being 'grounded' for 6 months, I'm used to going where I want when I want and I hate not being able to get up and go when the mood takes me but I'm using my time wisely racking up the airline points on my credit card (don't tell Ross). Gotta pay for those Australia trips somehow, that's my excuse.

We had a lively group of 22 join us for our Full English Breakfast; Lionel and Kathy made us very welcome at The British Corner Shop and served us a great 'fry up'. My tummy is not up for a big breakfast right now so I made myself useful by pouring mimosas and socializing. Many thanks to Glenys Oldham for putting this event together, it is good to try something different once in a while.

I look forward to seeing many of you at Calusa Brewery, we had a good night there a few weeks ago. I am not a beer drinker but was couldn't resist trying their milk stout, I felt just like Ena Sharples in the Rovers! (with Minnie Caldwell and Martha Longhurst). I actually enjoyed the beer but one small one was enough. I also hope to see some of you at our new member event in August. The Club has not had a new member event for a few years and I hope we can revive this as a regular feature every few months. We sent invitations to members who have joined since I became President of the Club but I would like to extend the invitation to any newer members who would like to come along, just let Paul know so we can plan accordingly.

Jane Jacobs



Image from Wikimedia



Image from flickr.com

UK CURRENCY CHANGES

The U.K. is changing various currency items, there is a new £1 coin and a new plastic £5 note now. Coming later this year, a new plastic £10 note with Jane Austen on it plus a new plastic £20 note scheduled for 2020. The pound coins need to be exchanged by October 15, 2017 after which they are no longer legal tender. They estimate that after 30 years in circulation, there are currently £45 million in fake £1 coins

Deadlines for new and old money

March 28- new 12 sided coin went into circulation

May 5- old £5 note is withdrawn

October 15- round £1 withdrawn

Summer 2017- new plastic £10 launched

2020- new plastic £20 note launched



new £1 coin—Image from flickr.com

From Maggie Hughes

Exchange rates from Moneycorp.com (July 27th.)

From	To	Rate
 GBP	 USD	1.3147
 EUR	 USD	1.1695

COMING EVENTS CONTINUED

GUY FAWKES NOVEMBER 5

WE WILL MEET AT THE SIESTA KEY PUBLIC BEACH PAVILION TO CELEBRATE OUR 5TH ANNUAL HOT DOGS AND BAKED POTATOES!

WALK TO END ALZHEIMER’S NOVEMBER 11

(SEE PAGE 7)

BREW LIFE PIZZA AND BEER OCTOBER 24

CHRISTMAS PARTY SAT DEC 9



STAY UP TO DATE

TO KEEP UP TO DATE ON OTHER ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE LOCAL BRITISH COMMUNITY PLEASE VISIT THE LINKS PAGE OF OUR WEBSITE. www.sarasotabritishclub.com



JOKE

A mother was concerned about her kindergarten son walking to school. He didn't want his mother to walk with him. She wanted to give him the feeling that he had some independence but yet know that he was safe. So she had an idea of how to handle it. She asked a neighbour if she would please follow him to school in the mornings, staying at a distance, so he probably wouldn't notice her. She said that since she was up early with her toddler anyway, it would be a good way for them to get some exercise as well, so she agreed.

The next school day, the neighbour and her little girl set out following behind Timmy as he walked to school with another neighbour girl he knew. She did this for the whole week.

As the two kids walked and chatted, kicking stones and twigs, Timmy's little friend noticed the same lady was following them as she seemed to do every day all week. Finally she said to Timmy, 'Have you noticed that lady following us to school all week? Do you know her?'

Timmy nonchalantly replied, 'Yeah, I know who she is.'

The little girl said, 'Well, who is she?'

'That's just Shirley Goodnest,' Timmy replied, 'and her daughter Marcy.'

'Shirley Goodnest? Who is she and why is she following us?'

'Well,' Timmy explained, 'every night my Mum makes me say the 23rd Psalm with my prayers, cuz she cares about me so much. And in the Psalm, it says, "Shirley Goodnest and Marcy shall follow me all the days of my life", so I guess I'll just have to get used to it!'

CALUSA BREWING – GAMES EVENING

AUGUST 2, 2017 AT 7PM

5701 DEREK AVE, SARASOTA



Come and join us for a fun evening of craft beer (wine also available) and games, with a food truck available outside. Whilst Calusa offer a pool table, dominoes, cards and chess (amongst others) you are free to also bring your own board games – so please do so!

In case you've not visited before here's some background on the place

Who Are Calusa:? Calusa Brewing is a family-owned and operated craft brewery based in Sarasota, Florida. We are committed to creating quality brews inspired by Florida's rich aquatic heritage & culture. The Calusa Brewing Tasting Room is open Tuesday-Sunday. Visit our 8,500 sq ft Brewing Facility & one-of-a-kind Tasting Room at 5701 Derek Avenue in Sarasota, FL. We are proud to feature Calusa Craft Beers, French Roast Coffee & Florida's Top Food Trucks.



Paul Wilkinson is leading a team to raise funds for the way to Alzheimer's first survivor by participating in the Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's®. Currently, more than 5 million Americans have Alzheimer's and that number is expected to grow to as many as 16 million by 2050. Our future is at risk unless we can find a way to change the course of this disease.

The Walk will take place on Saturday, November 11, please join us or make a donation to help us meet our goal of \$1,000

Contact **Paul Wilkinson** with questions – pwilkinson18@comcast.net

Thank you for joining the fight against Alzheimer's!

[To join the team - CLICK HERE](#)

[Donate to the team - CLICK HERE](#)

GOLF LESSONS

ONE OF THE ADVANTAGES BOWLING HAS OVER GOLF IS THAT YOU SELDOM LOSE A BOWLING BALL. - Don Carter



YOU CAN MAKE A LOT OF MONEY IN THIS AS A PRO GOLFER. JUST ASK MY EX-WIVES. BOTH OF THEM ARE SO RICH THAT NEITHER OF THEIR HUSBANDS WORK - Lee Trevino

THERE ARE TWO THINGS YOU CAN DO WITH YOUR HEAD DOWN - PLAY GOLF AND PRAY. - Lee Trevino

A LITTLE GIRL WAS AT HER FIRST GOLF LESSON WHEN SHE ASKED AN INTERESTING QUESTION: "IS THE WORD SPELLED P-U-T OR P-U-T-T?" SHE ASKED THE INSTRUCTOR.

"P-U-T-T IS CORRECT," HE REPLIED. "PUT MEANS TO PLACE A THING WHERE YOU WANT IT. PUTT MEANS MERELY A VAIN ATTEMPT TO DO THE SAME THING."



JIM SAID HE WANTED TO GET MORE DISTANCE. I TOLD HIM TO HIT IT AND RUN BACKWARD. Ken Venturi, on Art Rosenbaum

I READ THE GREENS IN SPANISH, BUT PUTT IN ENGLISH. - Chi Chi Rodriguez

THE ONLY THING IN MY BAG THAT WORKS IS THE BUG SPRAY. - Bruce Lansky

GOLF IS A GAME IN WHICH THE SLOWEST PEOPLE IN THE WORLD ARE THOSE IN FRONT OF YOU, AND THE FASTEST ARE THOSE BEHIND.

I'VE HAD A GOOD ROUND OF GOLF WHEN I DON'T FALL OUT OF THE CART - Buddy Hackett

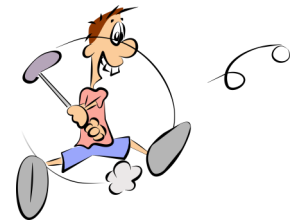
RELAX? HOW CAN ANYBODY RELAX AND PLAY GOLF? YOU HAVE TO GRIP THE CLUB, DON'T YOU? - Ben Hogan

MY BODY IS HERE, BUT MY MIND HAS ALREADY TEED OFF.

GOLF IS WHAT YOU PLAY WHEN YOU'RE TOO OUT OF SHAPE TO PLAY SOFTBALL.

I FOUND OUT THAT ALL THE IMPORTANT LESSONS OF LIFE ARE CONTAINED IN THE THREE RULES FOR ACHIEVING A PERFECT GOLF SWING:

1. KEEP YOUR HEAD DOWN.
2. FOLLOW THROUGH.
3. BE BORN WITH MONEY



DONATION TO ALL FAITHS FOOD BANK

Paul and Diana Wilkinson (and Yukon) met recently at the All Faiths Food Bank and presented Elena Mann with a check for \$500.

Your Board unanimously supported Jane Jacobs' proposal to make a donation towards the Campaign Against Summer Hunger, and our contribution was greatly appreciated.

When School Ends, Hunger Begins

There are 40,000 kids in Sarasota and Desoto Counties who will need our help finding nutritious food this summer. No one can tell by looking at a child that he or she is hungry. Because smiles mask it and laughter muffles it, child hunger is deceptive, and it exists everywhere. Please join the Campaign Against Summer Hunger. If you want to make a personal donation, there is a donation box at all Goodwill stores.



OUR A.G.M APPROACHES.

As it's just passed mid-year, it's time to begin assembling a slate of candidates for the 2017 SBC Board that will be elected at our AGM this autumn

We are fortunate that our Club membership reflects a wide spectrum of strong talents and interests. All organizations stand to benefit and grow stronger by the infusion of new ideas and creative forces brought by members to leadership positions For our Club, this extends as well to ideas for new and interesting social events and venues that keep members energized, active and engaged.

Do bring your own talents to the fore by standing for the SBC Board. The Board elected positions are President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Membership Chair, Website Liaison Director, Newsletter Editor and Director at Large (2). If you are interested in being a candidate for a Board position, please contact Gary Lee (glee01@verizon.net or 941-706-1172). I will put you in touch with the nominating Committee. We look forward to hearing from you.





**Sarasota British Club
SCAVENGER HUNT
AKA Mr. Toad's Road
Rally!!**



Sunday, September 10, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

**We hope you have your calendar marked
for the upcoming road rally/scavenger hunt.**

Departure Point: Parking lot of Chick-Fil-a Restaurant at the Palmer Crossing Shopping Center on Clark Road.

Time: First car will leave at 2:00 p.m.

Cost: \$10 per car to cover cost of prizes ... (yes, there will be prizes) ... and supplies.

RSVP Deadline: Wednesday, September 6

Reply to: skburtner@hotmail.com or call (941)925-0462 and leave a message.

We need to know how many people will be in each vehicle. (Remember it is much more fun to have 3 or 4 people along for the ride.) We also need a head count for dinner.

The rally/hunt usually takes approximately 2 hours. Once everyone is gathered at a local watering hole for libations and dinner, the "toad" team will mark the rally sheets and determine which car is the big winner.

A lot of work goes into making this a fun event, so please come out and enjoy the afternoon.

**Shona Burtner, Kath Curtin, Tina Smith
Toad Road Rally Team**

2017 World Rowing Championships

The World Rowing Championships are looking for volunteers to help with the organization and logistics of the Event.

There are multiple opportunities available where members of our organization will be able to interact with the athletes and coaches representing Great Britain. Opportunities include volunteer positions such as, Team Ambassadors and Translators.

Moreover, during the week of the event, they will be hosting students from Sarasota and Manatee counties for their Adopt a Team program. These students have learned about specific countries participating at the 2017 World Rowing Championships, including Great Britain. They would be thrilled if members of our organization would be willing to participate.

For more information on how to get involved in this exciting endeavor, please contact Stephanie Manzano at: Stephanie@wrch2017.com or [\(941\) 200-3607](tel:9412003607).



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