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BritClub News



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Moving between countries is often exciting but full of challenges. One of which can be making your UK pensions and investments work across both the US and UK tax systems.

The US tax system can be particularly hard on foreign investments like UK ISAs/PEPs & Bonds. Pension funds too are affected and your UK lump sum might be taxable.

I can help you: from reviewing your short and long term Pension options, managing your investments through to tax & estate issues in the UK and US. I can also refer you to US contacts with cross-border experience.

A 30 min call-back or initial email exchange is free for SBC members. Call IAN MANWARING on +44 (0)1952 850359 or you can email me at: uk2us.wealth@btinternet.com
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STOP PRESS: I'm in Sarasota in August



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Coming Events

Board Meeting , Thursday August 12th @ 6:30pm– at the home of Joan & Brad Forsberg. Members welcome but please call ahead (see Page 8) as space is limited.

Coffee Morning – 10:30-12 noon on Tuesday August 10th, at the home of Sue Ford, contact info see Page 8. Mark your calendars for the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

Cocktail Party: Saturday, August 21, Come to the home of Doreen and Peter Wilson in Osprey for a cocktail party from 5-7 p.m. For directions see Page 7.

Members should bring their favorite appetizer to share and BYOB (NO red wine please!) and \$1 each for paper goods. The club will provide sodas. Space will be limited for this popular event and reservations will be taken by Doreen Wilson at pedrowil2@verizon.net

10th Anniversary Party: Saturday October 16th at 6.30 pm at Southbay Yacht & Racquet Club, Osprey.

Make a note in your diary for this very special event and book your places now by emailing or calling the Chair, Sue Ford (sueford47@yahoo.com; 941-751-3811). Please let Sue know the names of each member of your group. **The Party is a catered event, including food and drinks, and there will be a unique range of entertainment including (a) a Barber Shop Quartet (b) a Magician and (c) a comedy skit featuring founder members and past Presidents!!** The cost for this great evening is \$18 pp for Members, and \$22 pp for Guests. Please send checks to our PO address Page 8.

Annual General Meeting (AGM): 6.00pm sharp, Saturday October 16th at Southbay Yacht & Racquet Club, Osprey. Note that the AGM is **free of charge** and is **separate** from the Anniversary Event. Your attendance will be much appreciated. Please email kena.jukes@yahoo.com or call Ken on 941-927-6499 to let him know if you plan to be there for the AGM.

6–Night Cruise: 14th November 6–Night Cruise, 4-Star 'Carnival Freedom': Departing from Ft Lauderdale going to 'Key West' Grand Cayman and Jamaica. Starting price Inside Cabin \$399; Ocean View \$539; Balcony \$629; Suite \$969. Excl.des bus cost to Ft Lauderdale. Cabin spaces are available for singles wishing to share a cabin with like-gender. Prior to booking, please contact **Sue Ford**, by e-mail or phone to ensure everyone is using the same booking agent, and receiving all the same info.

Our website is www.SarasotaBritishClub.com

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



Letter from President Ken Jukes

Despite the unusually large number of members away in July, 46 people attended another fun and successful Casino Style evening. We owe a great deal to those who set up and run events and I thought I might tell you what it can involve. First, thanks to Phips Hakes who provided the equipment for the Horse-Racing, Blackjack and Wheel games, Phips having got the horses reset on painted stands. The attendance followed ads in our Newsletter (editors Brian Thompson & Sue Bridgman), group emails by James Croshaw (Webmaster), Sue/Jane Ford & myself. Only about 6 members are not on email and I write individually to those. I booked Lakeshore Village Clubhouse and Phips and I loaded her van on Saturday morning and were met by Gary Lee, Derek Curran, and my wife Ildiko. There we set up the games, tables, chairs, flags and decorations, with Derek also bringing the wine, beer and soft drinks. I brought along a cake from Sam's Club, beautifully decorated with our logo and Club name. Ildiko purchased knives, forks, plates and decorations, set the tables, made up table names, and sorted out attendee badges. Gary also tracked my attendee lists, and handled the financial matters. Sue Ford ordered and brought along all the food, as well as prizes for the night and for a raffle. Sue, Ildiko, Sandra Cherry, Sue Boros and Kathy Curtin served the food; our guest, Mike Mulholland, the wine. Jane Hersey-Lee and Hana Mares-Sirotkova finalized the table set-up, Jane and Jane Ford also selling raffle tickets and helping run the raffle. The casino tables, including a very happy Left/Right/Centre table, were run by Glenn Stillwell, Andy Reeves, Ildiko, myself, Kathy Curtin, and Antony Eminowicz. Tidying up is a big job and we had many willing hands helping. I must mention Doug Schuler, our regular Hoover man! Also Glenn & Sandra Stillwell who take away and dispose of all the garbage, a huge help to me. Finally Phips rounded off the event, meeting me next morning to load her van with the gaming kit. I apologise if I have missed anyone out, but as you can see, it requires a splendid team effort and my thanks go to all.

JULY BOARD MEETING PRECIS

The Meeting was held on Thursday, July 8th. The Treasurer's report was distributed by Gary Lee. The bank balance as of July 8th, 2010 was \$5,147.07. The Happy Hour fund raiser at Sue Ford's netted an income of \$435.85. The Board wishes to thank all those who contributed to its success.

Upcoming events were discussed. A recent new addition will be a dinner and quiz at The Open Pub and Restaurant on September 25th (see write-up in this Newsletter). The Board discussed and voted on holding the AGM on October 16th before the Tenth Anniversary Party. This will be a separate, free event and will start at 6:00 p.m. sharp at Southbay Yacht and Racquet Club. Ken and Michael Miner of WEDU have been in touch and plan to meet soon.

The Board has nominated Sue Ford as Chairperson of the Nominating Committee for next year's Board.

The next Board Meeting will be at the home of Joan and Brad Forsberg on Thursday, August 12th at 6:30 p.m.

Members are welcome, but please call ahead as space is limited.

COCKTAIL PARTY DIRECTIONS: Sat, Aug 21st, 5-7 pm.

From I-75 Exit 200 (SR681, Oscar Scherer State Park/1st Venice Exit). After approx. 3 miles the road splits; take right lane to Osprey. Turn right onto Rt 41 heading north. Drive past Rosebuds Restaurant/Oscar Scherer State park on the right. At next light, bear right onto Old Venice Road.

If coming from 41 north, heading south, turn left at Blackburn Point Road onto Old Venice Road (sharp V-turn). Take 1st right into The Woodlands at Rivendell. Continue over bridge. Take 4th right, Rainbow Point Way. At end, turn left onto Shadow Bay Way. Turn right onto Mallard Marsh Drive. Doreen and Peter are the 11th house on the right., Nr. 1104. A reminder to make your reservations ahead of time.



Under the terms of our Bylaws, the following Officers and Directors are elected annually: (a) Officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer (b) Directors: Membership Director, Program Director, Public Relations Director. Members wishing to run for election to any of these positions are required to notify the President (kena.jukes@yahoo.co, tel 941-927-6499) within 15 days of receipt of this notice. The Newsletter aims to go out by the first of each month and so the final date for notifying the President will be taken as August 16th 2010. The election takes place at the AGM on Saturday October 16th. Under our Bylaws, no nominations will be accepted from the floor during the AGM. Again within our Bylaws, a Nominating Committee has been selected (Chair: Sue Ford), whose role includes presenting a slate of nominees to the Board within 30 days of the AGM; members then being notified of the slate at least 20 days before the AGM.



Under our Bylaws, the Board includes the Immediate Past President as an Officer. It also includes as Directors, the Newsletter Editor, Webmaster, and Director-at-large. These latter three positions are appointed by the incoming President, with the consent of the Board.

We encourage members to stand for the elected positions (please contact Sue Ford) or to inform Ken Jukes of their interest in being considered for any of the latter three directly appointed roles.

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- **2011 board members.** It's hard to believe we are already half way through this year, and time
- to start working towards putting a new Board together for the AGM to be held in November. If
- you have time on your hands and are prepared to attend 12 Board meeting a year as well as
- taking an active role in events and the organization of events...we would love to hear from
- you.... please contact me Sue Ford @ sueford47@yahoo.com
- The positions are :- **President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Members Secretary,**
- **Public Relations, Editor, Co-editor. Director at Large.**
- We are a great club with many wonderful talented people in it...by us hearing your ideas and
- receive your input the club will grow in the way 'you' the members direct it.
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Let a familiar face get you there.

I can book your cruise
and your plane,
even your car
or a train,
your sightseeing tour
or your hotel chain
and if I didn't teach you how
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Joke

A father asked his 10-year old son if he knew about the birds and the bees. 'I don't want to know,' the child said, bursting into tears. 'Promise me you won't tell me.' Confused, the father asked what was wrong. The boy sobbed, 'When I was six, I got the 'There's no Easter Bunny' speech. At seven, I got the 'There's no Tooth Fairy' speech. When I was eight, you hit me with the 'There's no Santa' speech. If you're going to tell me that grown-ups don't really get laid, I'll have nothing left to live for.'

On the Web

Some free software Do you receive emails with attached files that you can't open? If these files include Word documents (with the suffix .doc or docx), Excel spreadsheets (.xls or.xlsx) or Powerpoint (.pps) then you need the free downloads from Microsoft . If you have an early version of Office, this could still be useful. Go to Microsoft.com and search for Word Viewer, Excel Viewer and Word Viewer. The links are too long to display here.

Looking for Locations to Hold Our Events

A call to all members who could offer their clubhouse as a location for a Sarasota British Club (SBC) event. In order to keep our events affordable to all members, and add diversity to our meetings, we would be grateful if some members would make their clubhouses available. The SBC would cover overhead charges, and our members generously volunteer to help with the set-up and clean-up. Please contact suebridg@yahoo.com with suitable dates and location. Thank you for your support.



Would you like to advertise with us?

For advertising, our rates are reasonable and an ad not only supports the club by its revenue, but may bring you more business. Many of our members make a point of trying to support British businesses, especially ones where the owner is a member of the club. Please consider advertising your business in our newsletter. Newsletter advertising rates (for club members only) are as follows per quarter-year: 1/4 page \$15, 1/2 page \$25, full page \$40. There is a 20% discount if you purchase your advertisements annually. Sale ads for unwanted items are \$5 per month for up to 3 lines of copy. All ads must be paid for in advance. Please send your camera-ready advertisements (jpg file preferred) by the 15th of the month to Brian Thompson, 11710 Strandhill Ct, Lakewood Ranch, 34202, or e-mail to lakewood2@gmail.com.



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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 suebridg@yahoo.com, and we will select one 'Business Glimpse' each month.



Introducing Club Member Sue Bridgman's Art Business: Sue has always had a creative vein, expressing it through hobbies, University studies, then a clothing accessory business. Since settling in Sarasota 9 years ago, she became involved in the Art community with watercolour and oil painting. Sue is inspired by the birds, animals and vegetation in our Florida landscape. Sue's artwork can be seen in exhibitions in Florida, various retail outlets, and her home studio. Her work is available in greeting cards, art prints, Giclee prints, and original art form. She recently completed commissioned illustrations for an autobiography from a Canadian client. Sue combined her artistic talent with her husband's photography and love of their new hometown to produce a colourful booklet titled 'Discovering Sarasota's Special Places, Special Moments'; a travel companion and souvenir for those visiting and wishing to visit Sarasota. Sue's artwork can be viewed on the web site she shares with her husband, Howard, at www.SarasotaTravelArts.com. Sue can be contacted at suebridg@yahoo.com

Requiem for the FIFA World Cup

Osama bin Laden has just released a new TV message to prove he is still alive. He said that the England Team performance was completely bogus. British intelligence have dismissed the claim, stating that the message could have been recorded anytime in the last 44 years.

Robert Green - The only man to leave Africa without catching anything.

FIFA have released a statement saying the fan didn't break into the dressing room after all, but was let in by Rob Green.

What's the difference between Rob Green's spill and BP's spill? - Robert Green has got a cap for his.

What's the difference between Cinderella and the English football team? Cinderella wanted to get to the ball.....

"I want to live forever," I said.
 "Sorry," said the fairy, but I am not allowed to grant that type of wish.
 "Fine," I said, "Then I want to die when *England* wins the World Cup."
 "You crafty bastard !" said the fairy.



Win-Win Raffles: The raffles at some of our events are a fun way to provide pleasure to the winners, to support our club, and help lower fees for all members. Please donate any item you think someone would find fabulous, fun, or functional. Thanks ever-so.
Sue Bridgman, suebridg@yahoo.com.

Annual Membership Thanks to all our members for their support, enthusiasm, and active involvement throughout the year. Now is the time to renew Annual Memberships, and as a club 2010 is especially exciting as we celebrate our 10th year with over 200 members strong. The SBC Board Members are actively engaged in organising interesting events that bring our members together for social and supportive occasions. Please fill out the 'Join the Club' form below and send your check to the Sarasota British Club address as shown.

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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MEMBERSHIP: Single \$25 Family \$35 (includes all children under 18)

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