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Coming Events

Board Meeting Thursday, Dec 9th @ 6:30pm, at the home of Ken Jukes. Members welcome but please call ahead (see Page 8) as space is limited.

Coffee Morning – 10:30-12 noon on Tuesday Dec 14th, at the home of Sue Ford, contact info see Page 8. Mark your calendars for the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

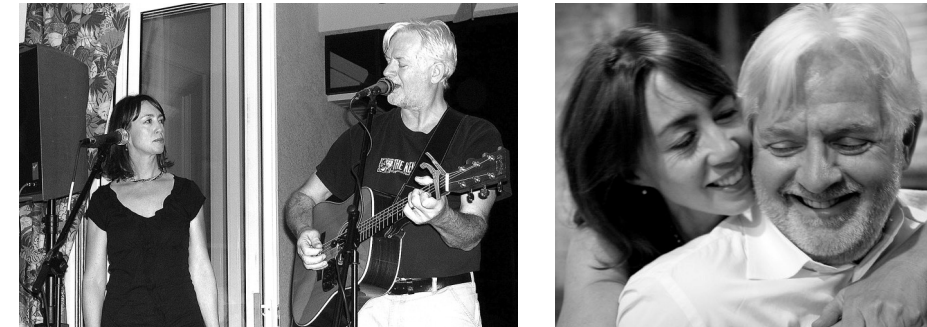


2010 Christmas Party , 11 Dec Heritage Oaks Golf & Country Club, 4800 Chase Oaks Drive, Sarasota. Entertainment by the 'MC Squared' band, for dinner and ticket ordering, see the Christmas Dinner link from the website. **\$40 members & \$50 non-members**



House Concert—Friday January 21st at 7:30 at the home of Brian & Jane Thompson at Lakewood Ranch. A return visit by Minnesota's Bill & Kate Isles. Check out their music at www.billandkateisles.com \$12pp, BYOB and food to share. As numbers are limited, let us know your interest in advance : Please email to lakewood2@gmail.com or phone 941-388-8018

Bill and Kate charming the audience last January .



Our website is www.SarasotaBritishClub.com

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

Letter from President Ken Jukes

So to my final entry as 2010 President. First can I thank the entire Board for the enormous amount of work they have put in, and also to the many members who helped with events on numerous occasions. Each activity takes a lot of planning and effort and we could not handle it all without the excellent support we have been given. I know that members would wish me to say a special thanks to Past President Sue Ford, not only for her innovations and her contributions to so many of our events, but for hosting the enormously successful monthly coffee mornings. We need also to thank James Croshaw, who even with his and Amy's move to Savannah, has continued his webmaster input to our website. Leaving the Board are Newsletter Co-Editor Sue Bridgman, Secretary Joan Forsberg, and Director Phips Hakes. I thank them on behalf of the entire Club for their excellent input.

The 10th Anniversary made this a special year, as did our feature on WEDU TV. The latter seems to have brought us a number of new members and we aim to feature on WEDU again in the near future. It is gratifying to see our membership increase to over 220 and also for the books to continue to balance. At the time of writing we are blessed with the visit from England of my son Russ, wife Elly and grandsons Toby (2 years old) and Gus (7 months). What bundles of energy, even at 4:00am as they adjust to the time zone changes!

So to the Christmas Party and to wishing all of our members, 2011 President Gary Lee, and the new Board, every success and a Happy New Year..

Finally, the November fun spot answer: "What is heavy going forward but not coming back?" **TON** (groan, groan 😊)



November Board Meeting Precipis

The Meeting was held on Thursday, November 10th. The Treasurer's report was distributed by Gary Lee. The bank balance is \$7,776.42, which includes reservations paid for the Christmas Party.



The 10th Anniversary Party at the Southbay Yacht and Racquet Club was very enjoyable with 80 people attending. The party was subsidized by the Club at a cost of \$3.59 per person. The raffle added \$90. The Guy Fawkes Party, chaired by Phips Hakes, was held at Twin Lakes at 5:30 on November 6th and had a very good turnout of over 70 people. Everyone had a good time, despite the unseasonably cold weather. The AGM was held after the meal and the new board for 2011 was approved.

Eight new members have been added, bringing the membership total to 220. Jane Thompson proposed holding a new-members' tea at her home on December 4th. More details later. The Board sanctioned buying new Union Jack bunting for the Club as the old one is looking decidedly worse for wear.

The next Board Meeting will be on December 9th, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. Ken has kindly offered to host this meeting and the 2010 and 2011 Boards will be present.

The Cruise

We Cruised to Jamaica, Grand Cayman Islands, Key West...leaving from Ft Lauderdale...on the 14th November A 15 seater bus picked us up at Cattleman taking us straight to the port of Ft Lauderdale. 18 members were welcomed aboard with a glass of bubbly and lunch...from there on anything could happen. Doug Schuler booked us in to their supper 'Steak Restaurant' Tuesday evening where we were waited with a full silver service. By the time this 'news letter' comes out we would have returned home to FL. I can't promise any more information on the events on this trip in next month's letter...as it may be a case of 'what happens on board stays on board' this is a pretty outrageous group!But, I will have my camera!

Sue Ford

Christmas party

Our Christmas party is our flagship event, we go all out to give you the best in food, entertainment and value...please help us by getting involved and asking friends and family to join you at this event. All payments to be accompanied with your choice of menu sent to our PO Box address...wine can be ordered before the evening or when you arrive. We have been asked about the dress code, it's your choice...you can dress to the nines or dress smart...no shorts is our only request to you.

As always we are looking for donations towards the raffle prizes, please phone Sue Ford if you are able to contribute. All money from the raffle will be going to charity...the charity will be announced and awarded to its Representative on the night. There will also be a 50/50 which is not included in the charity donation.

If you haven't booked your seats by now, please hurry, the event is almost upon us. God Bless you all...looking forward to seeing all of you at Heritage Oaks.

Focus on a local British-owned Business— SCOTS CORNER

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Scots corner opened in October 1984, and is still at the same location today. Sheila Jackson has owned and operated the store for over 25 years, and is joined by her daughter Kathy Wilson for the last 12 years where she attends Highland Games all over the country.



Scots Corner has a vast array of British foods including meat pies, sausage rolls, English bacon, steak & kidney pies and of course HP sauce, Flakes, Crunchies and all the great foods we remember and crave from the old country. They also carry all the Tartans, kilts, highland dress, books, china and so much more. Christmas goodies will be arriving soon - Christmas cakes, mincemeat pies, selection boxes & stockings and of course a great selection of Christmas crackers.

Please stop in and see Sheila, or visit Kathy at the many Highland Games they attend all year. Scots Corner is located at:- 3452 17th Street, Sarasota, FL 34235
Contact info: (941) 953 6707 www.scotscorner.net scotscorner@juno.com

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 club house, please contact garyjan-lee2@verizon.net 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 suebridg@yahoo.com, and we will select one 'Business Glimpse' each month.



'Here & Away' Websites: Would you like to mention a website of local or British interest that you feel other members may enjoy? Send an e-mail to suebridg@yahoo.com.

JOKE

A man is stopped by the police at midnight and asked where he's going.
"I'm on the way to listen to a lecture about the effects of alcohol and drug abuse on the human body."
The policeman asks, "Really? And who's going to give a lecture at this time of night?"
"My wife", comes the reply.

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Coffee Morning

Thanks to all you wonderful members who support the coffee morning, and who contribute to its great success by taking the trouble to bake or buy for our shared table. We all enjoy meeting up with old friends, as well as making new ones. November's meeting was a full house; we had members everywhere—over 30 of you came, and enjoyed a restful and enjoyable morning in the garden and around the house.

If you haven't been to one of the coffee meetings you are missing out. This isn't a women's only event: it's so nice watching the men mingle amidst other male company, and enjoying the friendliness of a mixed crowd. Many members say they would miss this morning as it's s-o-o-o enjoyable.

Hope to see you for the Christmas Coffee morning...there could be a surprise guest: I have cleared my chimney in readiness?????

Hugs, Sue Ford



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On the Web

Don't forget that the Sarasota British Club— 'Community' is on Facebook. Look for the "Big Ben" picture then 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.

Did you miss our TV ad? View it on the Facebook page.

Note that the previous Facebook entry with our logo is no longer being updated.



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 keep fees low for all members. For our upcoming 10th Anniversary the Brit Club would especially appreciate your generous donation of an item you think someone would find fabulous, fun, or functional.

Thanks ever-so. Contact Sue Bridgman (see page 8).



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Moon Star Readings

Having lived with nicknames like 'The Happy Medium', 'Septic Sue', and 'The Wicked Witch' gives you an inkling to the kind of reactions I have received from family and friends over the years about my interests. By now many of you within the club know I am 'Astrology' - and that I am always looking for answers to life, the universe, and with the unknown. My belief system keeps me focused on the word 'Why' Even as a child I wondered why some folks have it easy, while others have it so hard, and why? Why do I get on with one person, but feel ill at ease with another? Astrology has answered so many of my questions for me.



Many members, who realize I go under the name Susan MoonStar, and carry out readings as well as calculating birth charts, have spoken to me about their own spiritual experiences, and asked me questions about 'Astrology' and the 'Psyche'. You seem to have so many questions that you think I should have the answer for. Let me ask you A QUESTION: If tomorrow you had to go on a long, unexpected journey the first thing I am sure you would do is to look up directions on how to get there by the quickest and safest route. Am I right? If you answer yes, then why not do the same with your life?

A birth chart is a map, which I, as an Astrologer, read; giving you your personal direction, helping you avoid a wrong route, and keeping you on the shortest, safest path of arrival as you travel life's journey. I calculate this by using your data which will fall into rightful position within the zodiac. These placements show me which direction your career, love, partnership and character are heading. Recently I did a chart for a friend's husband. My friend phoned to say 'thank you,' I said, "That's OK." She said "I'm not thanking you for the chart, I'm thanking you for letting me realize I'm not going to be able to change my husband. All that he is, is written in this chart, but I now understand why he acted as he did. If only I had read his chart earlier I would never have acted so stupidly towards him. I feel I understand him better."Thankfully their marriage is strong and their problems are resolved.

The moment my own grandchildren were born I recorded the time and calculated their charts. It's amazing how often I look at the chart and see the results are happening as predicted. My granddaughter, a 7-year old, Gemini: I will put money on her being in the Medical field, singing will also interest her as she has Taurus influences. My 11-year old Grandson, a true 'Sagittarius,' flits from one thing to another, wanting to do ten things at once and never really settling on anything

I believe Astrology helps us through life, it shows our destiny, and no matter how we try to ignore it events will take us where we are meant to be, with whom we are meant to be with, and we 'will' reap what we sow. Life is a circle with no beginning and no ending. That is my belief and what Astrology has shown me.

Feel free to write and comment on this article. If you are interested in a 2011 calendar forecast, Birth Chart, or Baby life line forecast go to my web page or email address: Sue@moonstarreadings.com and www.moonstarreadings.com is my web page.

May the Angels always walk by your side.

Sue Ford