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# BritClub News



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# BritClub News

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## Coming Events

**Board Meeting** - Thursday, Jan 13th @6:30 p.m. at the home of Gary Lee. Members welcome but please call ahead (941-706-1172) as space is limited.

**Coffee Morning** - 10:30-12 noon on Tuesday Jan 11th, at the home of Sue Ford, contact info see Page 8. Mark your calendars for the 2nd Tuesday of each month.



**House Concert** - Friday January 21st at 7:30pm 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](http://www.billandkateisles.com), more on Page 7. \$12pp, BYOB and food to share. As numbers are limited, let us know your interest in advance : Please email to [lakewood2@gmail.com](mailto:lakewood2@gmail.com) or phone 941-388-8018

**President's Reception Party** - Sunday, Jan 30th—Please join club members welcoming Gary Lee as the new SBC President. The party time is 3:30-5:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse, Lakeshore Village, Sarasota. Beverages and wine will be provided; Club members are requested to bring finger foods to share. Location/Directions to Lakeshore Village Clubhouse, Lake Shore Village, Wilshire Blvd, just off Clark Road, about 300 yards east of Beneva Road. The Clubhouse is 100 yards on left. Please let Gary Lee know if you plan to attend ([glee01@verizon.net](mailto:glee01@verizon.net)) or phone 941-706-1172).



**Valentine's Event** -Group Trip to the Golden Apple Dinner Theatre—Sunday Afternoon , Feb 13th for the romantic musical "I Do, I Do ". See page 7 for more details

**Women Only Social Evening** - Wednesday March 9 from 6.30 onwards. At the home of Jane Thompson, further details & contact info on page 7.

**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 .

### **Letter from President Gary Lee**

My first order of business and on behalf of the membership, is to thank most profoundly our departing President, Ken Jukes, who so ably held the reins for 2010 and ever brims with good humor, a strong sense of purpose, and his concern for the welfare of the Club as a whole and, most importantly, its members. Happily, Ken will remain on the 2011 Board as *Immediate Past President*. Perhaps Ken will continue to favor us with his ample supply of jokes—or more specifically, groaners—for *the BritClub News*? We can but wait in writhing anticipation.

As Vice President this year, inveterate member Sue Ford promises to continue her tireless efforts for the Club and will continue hosting the very popular Coffee Mornings at her home the second Tuesday of each month at half past ten.

I am pleased to welcome back to the Board, longstanding members Shona Burtner, Sandra Cherry, Nairn' Gillet, Terry Sweeney and new Board member, Eileen Schuler. These five members join me and four other returning Board members from last year. All Board member names and positions are listed on page 8 of this newsletter.

In last month's issue, Ken expressed his appreciation and gratitude for the admirable efforts for the Club in 2010 made by departing Board members Sue Bridgman, Joan Forsberg and Phips Hakes. Inadvertently omitted from that list was stalwart member Doreen Wilson, who served as Vice President and provided sterling service as usual in her backup for Ken last year.

I congratulate the very successful efforts of Committee chair Sue ford and her committee members Shona Burner and Kathy Curtin in organising the SBC Christmas Party held at Heritage Oaks Country Club on Dec 11<sup>th</sup>. The tables were lovely and included name cards nicely printed by Rose and Nairn' Gillet. Together with the bagpiper and greeting by Father Christmas, the ambience upon arrival was immediately inviting. Most importantly, the attendees appeared to enjoy immensely the ensuing evening of good music, good food, good fun and good fellowship.

As to future Club events, the new Board heartily encourages suggestions from the membership. Events for January and February are announced elsewhere in this newsletter. Others are other consideration and will be announced next month; but I stress that your suggestions are valued and welcomed.

**My best wishes to all for the New Year.**

### **December Board Meeting Precis**

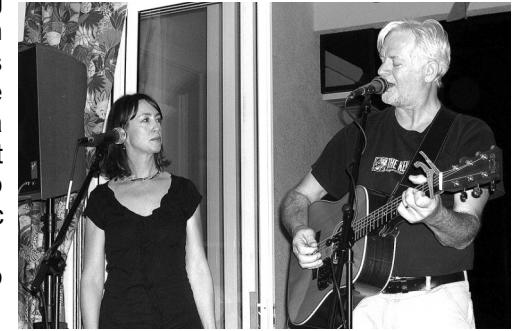
Meeting held at home of Ken Jukes. Treasurer reported a temporary bank balance of \$10,058, which included attendance receipts for the Christmas party that would largely be paid out for party catering on the night. Proposal made to have 2 Board members proofread newsletter before printing. Ken will design a prototype as back up for the SBC website. New members' reception was well attended and enjoyed. Board suggested repeating the social in the New Year. Christmas party plans in full force. The raffle prize money to be donated to "Joy," a local charity. New President's reception party will be held January 30<sup>th</sup> at Lakeshore Village. This will be an afternoon event. It was decided to participate in the Highland Games, held in Sarasota, on January 30<sup>th</sup>. Nairn' Gillet to chair the planning. Next Board meeting to be held at home of Gary Lee, January 13<sup>th</sup>.

### **House Concert.**

*Continued from Page 1.* Bill & Kate Isles are touring Florida in January and we are delighted to have them here for a return concert. They sing their own songs which have a story to tell. Be pleasantly surprised on the evening or check out their website for 8 of their songs or a video at [www.billandkateisles.com/videos.htm](http://www.billandkateisles.com/videos.htm). Their last concert entranced other friends so that they have also booked them for a house concert. Be warned, their music can be addictive!

Bill said that he would prefer checks for \$12pp payable to Bill Isles.

**Brian Thompson**



### **Valentine's Event:**

Say "I will, I will" and join the Club's group visit on February 13<sup>th</sup> to the Golden Apple Dinner Theatre for pre-show dinner and performance of the delightful and romantic musical, "I Do, I Do." The show traces 50 years of the ups and downs of a couple from their wedding day forward and all to the strains of a tuneful, charming score. This musical was a Broadway hit some years ago and is a favorite of regional theatres.

**Seating begins at 4 pm for dinner; the show time is 6 pm.** Space has been booked for 30 persons at a price of \$43pp, which includes dinner, show, unlimited coffee and tea, all sales taxes and gratuities. Bar drinks and special desserts will be extra. Note that the all-inclusive price of \$43 works out better than the Golden Apple's standard senior price of \$40, which does not include gratuity, for instance. The Golden Apple Dinner Theatre is located downtown at 25 North Pineapple Ave. Space is limited and orders with full payment must be received by January 29<sup>th</sup>. Please send checks payable to SBC, P.O. Box 21063, Sarasota 34276. (For questions, please phone Gary Lee on 941-706-1172 or email at [glee01@verizon.net](mailto:glee01@verizon.net)).



### **Women Only Social Evening**

Please come & join us for an evening of fun, food & fabulous company. This will be a relaxed evening of mixing with other female members, catching up with old friends & making new ones.

**Where:** 11710 Strandhill Court, Lakewood Ranch, FL 34202.

**When:** Wednesday March 9 from 6.30 onwards.

**What:** Please bring a bottle & food to share.

Please phone to confirm, & for directions. 388-8018

Hope that you can come - I'm looking forward to seeing you all.

**Jane Thompson** .

## 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 [glee01@verizon.net](mailto:glee01@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 [lakewood2@gmail.com](mailto:lakewood2@gmail.com), and we will select one 'Business Glimpse' each month.



## GOLF QUOTES

These greens are so fast I have to hold my putter over the ball and hit it with the shadow. - *Sam Snead*

Actually, the only time I ever took out a one-iron was to kill a tarantula. And I took a 7 to do that. -- *Jim Murray*

Sex and golf are the two things you can enjoy even if you're not good at them—  
*Bill Robertson*

After all these years, it's still embarrassing for me to play on the American golf tour. Like the time I asked my caddie for a sand wedge and he came back ten minutes later with a ham on rye.- *Chi Chi Rodriguez*

Give me golf clubs, fresh air and a beautiful partner, and you can keep the clubs and the fresh air.—*Jack Benny*

I never pray on a golf course. Actually, the Lord answers my prayers everywhere except on the course.—*Billy Graham*

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More than 40 members gathered for the Christmas Coffee Morning on December 14. . As an added treat, Father Christmas called in with his helpful elf to hand out Russell Stover chocolates to all who had turned out in unusually chilly weather. It was good to have several of our newer members among the festive throng. The table was full of wonderful home made savories and included our old favorites, sausage rolls and mince pies. Sounds of talking and laughter filled the house along with seasonal songs from old crooners...think Bing Crosby and Johnny Mathis. In short, it was a wonderful Coffee Morning party. Thank you for supporting this event and making it so enjoyable for everyone there.

The cruise in November drew 16 members, who enjoyed the high seas with wonderful food, entertainment and British company. We all did our own thing through the day. Evenings we dined together, shared our experiences, and watched the shows. On the first night an American couple was seated at our table and at first they must have thought they had drawn the short straw; but we couldn't have been that bad as the couple didn't ask to be moved. In fact, they stayed with us throughout the cruise. Being on such a large vessel, it is really a bonus to bump into faces you know. At the same time, I must admit that not one of us ever made our way to or from our cabins without an unplanned detour or two! Let us know if you think you might like another cruise organised next year.

Happy New Year to you all,  
**Sue Ford** Vice President

## 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 for a full year. 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](mailto:lakewood2@gmail.com).



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If you would like more information on JOY, please contact me:

**Doug Schuler 941-739-8667.**

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4. Type define followed by your word for a dictionary definition
5. If you see the word 'cached' next to the search results, this is an old version of the web page that has been stored by Google
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