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Coming Events

Board Meeting , Thursday July 8th @ 6:30pm– at the home of Doreen Wilson, Members welcome but please call ahead (see p.8) as space is limited.

Coffee Morning – 10:30-12 noon on Tuesday 13th July, at the home of Sue Ford, see also page 7



Casino Night July 17th, see page 7

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. Members should bring their favorite appetizer to share and BYOB 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 (941) 966-9330 or at pedrowil2@verizon.net after July 23. Directions will be printed in the August newsletter.



10th Anniversary Party: Saturday October 16th , Southbay Yacht & Racquet Club

6–Night Cruise—14th November , see page 7

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

Well, my prediction of England 2 USA 0 was way out, as injuries and the England goalkeeping nightmare struck again. Well what do you expect from a Wolves/West Brom supporter? Still, it was nice that some 16 club members met at Shaners and shared the misery, which was offset by good food and drinks at a very reasonable price.

You may have heard that Board members, James and Amy Croshaw have resigned following their move to Savannah, Georgia. I have thanked them both, on behalf of all members, for their magnificent contribution to Sarasota British Club over several years and have wished them well for the future. James will continue to service the website and we are very grateful to him for his offer to do this. SBC have been in correspondence with the British American Club of South-West Florida, from the Naples area. We are considering having a very first joint event, mid-way in Punta Gorda, at a British pub, and focusing the meeting on a lunch and darts match. I would like to get some 16 or members to go to the event, preferably on a Saturday, and would welcome expressions of interest in participating. You can contact me as shown on the back of the Newsletter. We would arrange car-pooling.

Did you scratch your heads over last month's teaser? *Three guys went to a very cheap motel and the clerk charged them \$30 for the room. The owner came in and said the charge was too high and that it should only be \$25. He took five singles from the cash drawer and told the clerk to refund their money. The clerk gave each man \$1 and put the other \$2 in his own pocket. Thus each man spent \$9. However, 3 times 9 + 2 = 29. Where is the other dollar?* Each man has \$1, the Clerk pocketed \$2, and there is \$25 in the till to pay for the room. Total \$30.

JUNE BOARD MEETING PRECIS

The meeting was held on Thursday, June 3rd. The Treasurer's report was distributed to the Board by Gary Lee. The bank balance as of June 3rd was \$4,914.93.



We are sorry to announce that Board members, James and Amy Croshaw, will be moving to Savannah shortly. They have therefore tendered their resignations from the Board, although James has volunteered to continue managing the Website. The Board accepted James' offer and, on behalf of Sarasota British Club members, thanked them for their dedicated service over the years and wished them well in their new home.

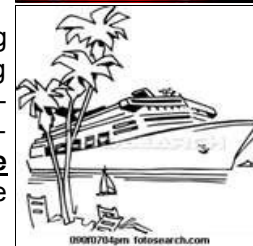
A Happy Hour Party on June 26th at Sue Ford's home, and a Carnival cruise in November have recently been added to our list of events.

The next board meeting will be at the home of Doreen and Peter Wilson on Thursday, July 8th. Members are welcome, but please call ahead as space is limited.

Casino Night: July 17th. At the Lakeshore Village Clubhouse. Keep your calendar free for this exciting evening of throwing the dice, spinning the wheel of fortune, racing the horses, and more. Venue to be confirmed next month, but we need your help and support as 'Dealers' for the fortune-activities, and 'Servers' as this will be a catered event. Please let's hear from you, you lovely volunteers. Contact Ken Jukes..



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. Excludes bus cost to Ft Lauderdale. Cabin spaces are available for singles wishing to share a cabin with like-gender. Participants need to **register by June 14th.** 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.



Coffee Morning... What a party the June's coffee morning turned out to be, thank you for coming along en masse, .you all made my birthday a real social day...those that didn't come, you missed out on the best chocolate birthday cake made by our own Doreen Wilson...it was fabulous. Our Coffee morning event has been such a success over the last two years...if there is anyone in the club willing to hold a coffee morning in their home, please let us know...I know many drive from Venice to Bradenton and say, no problem, it's their high-light of the month. July's fare, will be more savories. It's going to take months to fight our June's calories intake of chocolate, cream cakes, cookies and scones
Hugs Sue Ford

'Here & Away' Websites: Would you like to mention a website of local or British interest that you feel other members may enjoy ?

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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 roll in events and the organization of events...we would love to hear from you.... please contact me Sue Ford @ sueford47@yahoo.com
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- 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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Joke

Little Johnny was watching TV in his room one night & decided to go & ask his mum & dad about something he'd just heard.

He goes downstairs & asks them "What's Love Juice?"

Dad is horrified & after looking at mum who's also gob-smacked, proceeds to give little Johnny the dreaded explanation.

Johnny sits there with his mouth wide open in amazement.

Dad finishes the talk & asks "So what is it you've been watching that you shouldn't be?"

Johnny replies "Wimbledon."

On the Web Some free software

<http://audacity.sourceforge.net/> Audacity is free software for recording and editing music.

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<http://www.piriform.com/products> Ccleaner is highly rated software for optimising and cleaning PCs

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.



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Introducing Club Member Doug Shuler's business —

Doug's company is PAD PRINTING TECHNOLOGY based in 62nd Ave. E. Bradenton which he started in 1995. (see <http://www.pad-printing.com>)

'Pad printing' is defined by Wikipedia as a printing process that can transfer a 2-D image onto a 3-D object. So a very appropriate name for the company which prints on almost any shape, surface and material. Their specialty is printing on medical parts, so putting the emphasis on quality and cleanliness. The quality of PPT's management system has been recently recognized (January 2010) by the company's certification for ISO9001 which is an internationally recognized quality standard. As many companies look for ISO9001 certification for their suppliers, it is hoped that it will help in gaining future business.

Although Doug had no background in pad printing, he had 12 years of experience with Linco, a Union Carbide independent distributor, in the medical segment of the industry. Selling gases (oxygen and anesthesia) and related equipment into highly sensitive areas with strict standards, such as neonatal care units, laid a solid base for PPT's entrance into the medical device industry.

Doug attributes the successful launch of Pad Printing Technology to "being at the right place at the right time" Doug says "Pad Printing Technology is the premiere pad printer for the medical device and diagnostic industry. We specialize in providing complex, permanent markings to meet the exacting standards of the medical OEM. With our experience, we have mastered medical device pad printing technology and dominate the marketplace with regard to innovation, problem solving and reliability. Our proprietary medical device pad printing equipment has been specially customized to provide the ultimate in quality, consistency and efficiency. ISO certification ensures quality operational follow-through and the superior customer satisfaction that the medical device pad printing industry demands. Pad Printing Technology has earned International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 9001:2008 registration for its quality management system. In December 2009, PPT successfully completed a registration audit performed by BSI, recommending ISO:9001:2008 registration for PPT. The ISO registration provides PPT with a distinction in the industry, recognizing the company's focus on customer satisfaction.

Joke

A woman in a supermarket is following a grandfather and his badly behaved 3 year-old grandson. It's obvious to her that he has his hands full with the child screaming for sweets in the sweet aisle, biscuits in the biscuit aisle; and for fruit, cereal and pop in the other aisles. Meanwhile, Granddad is working his way around, saying in a controlled voice, "Easy, William, we won't be long . . . easy, boy." Another outburst, and she hears the granddad calmly say, "It's okay, William, just a couple more minutes and we'll be out of here. Hang in there, boy." At the checkout, the little terror is throwing items out of the cart, and Granddad says again in a controlled voice, "William, William, relax buddy, don't get upset. We'll be home in five minutes; stay cool, William." Very impressed, the woman goes outside where the grandfather is loading his groceries and the boy into the car. She said to the elderly gentleman, "It's none of my business, but you were amazing in there. I don't know how you did it. That whole time, you kept your composure, and no matter how loud and disruptive he got, you just calmly kept saying things would be okay William is very lucky to have you as his grandpa."

"Thanks," said the grandfather, "but I'm William . . . the little bastard's name is Steve."



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.

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