
Brit Club News

October, 2004

British Club of Sarasota, P. O. Box 21063, Sarasota, FL 34276

Vol. 4, Issue 8



Coming Events

October 5

Board Meeting – at Tastefully British, 2236 Gulf Gate Drive, Sarasota, 5:30 p.m. Board meetings have been changed to the first Tuesday of each month.

MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!

October 29

Halloween Party and Annual General Meeting – Due to the success of the last event held at the South Bay Club, we have booked it for our Halloween Party and Annual General Meeting (AGM). There will be a child's fancy dress competition and we hope that you grownups will come in fancy dress



to add to the fun (not compulsory).

As we are holding our AGM on this night (a quick meeting to

elect our new board of directors and then a lovely party), there will be no cost to members. Non-members cost \$5 each, which is refundable if you join that evening. There is a room limit of 80 people, so please phone Sue Ford or Ann Doran no later than October 27 to confirm your place.

The room has cost us \$120 and we hope to recoup the cost of the room by holding a raffle. We are looking for donations for the raffle prizes that evening. Please phone Sue Ford at 966-5566 if you are willing to donate a prize, or bring it along that evening.

Our membership is growing daily, and that is because of each and every one of you. – there might even be a wonderful prize for the best costume!!

November 2

Board Meeting – at Tastefully British, 2236 Gulf Gate Drive, Sarasota, 5:30 p.m. Board meetings have been changed to the first Tuesday of each month.

MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!

November 12

Daughters of the British Empire Fashion Show – We have been invited to attend this yearly event, which will be held at 11:30 a.m. at the Venice Yacht Club. Tickets are \$25 and the menu will be chicken crepes with asparagus and julienne carrots, rolls and butter, etc. Dessert is at the whim of the chef, but they promise to try to make it diet friendly. Always a lot of door prizes and raffles to win. The fashions are

shown by members of the Chapter and are provided by Drapers and Damons, located in The Landings Shopping Center. Phone Marion Ogle at 485-1379 for information and reservations.

November 14

Boot Fair – If there are enough of you wanting to do a boot fair outside the Tea Room in Gulf Gate on this date, please let Sue Ford know. The last boot fair we did was great fun and it enabled many of us to get rid of the bits in the house and to get to know other members in the club. We need to have at least 12 cars to cover the cost of the advertisement we will put in the Herald Tribune (each car pays \$2).

December 15

Annual Christmas Party – Our annual Christmas party at the Waterside Room is a fabulous start to the Christmas season. Because of the success we've had this year, our funds have enabled us to hire a brilliant DJ who is sure to make this Christmas party one to remember. So get ready to enjoy a beautiful meal with friends or family and dance the night away!

We have been asked if we could hand out tickets early this year, so as long as you are a member and sign for the amount of tickets you take, this can be done. Last year we had 98 people and this year we are hoping for 150. Look for more information in next month's newsletter and at the Annual General Meeting.

Toffee Apples

Despite all these terrible storms, it's hard to think we are now into Fall, and the apples are coming into season. I have fond memories of this time of year, and enjoying toffee apples. However, not the soft caramel type one gets in the States, but the kind I remember having in England, with crunchy toffee surrounding a crisp apple. Any type of apple can be used, but I tend to favour McIntosh for this recipe. Just use your favourite, and be sure the apples have been washed and dried before using. Hope you enjoy my version.

TOFFEE APPLES

1 lb. light brown sugar
1/2 cup water
2 Tbsp. Lyles golden syrup
1/8 tsp. cream of tartar
2 tsp. vinegar
4 Tbsp. butter (not margarine - won't taste or set properly)
8 medium sized apples

Dissolve the sugar in water in a large heavy saucepan over medium heat, stirring constantly. Add the syrup, cream of tartar and vinegar; boil for three minutes stirring constantly. Add butter a tablespoon at a time and stir until melted. Boil the mixture, stirring occasionally, until it reaches the hard candy stage or 290 degrees on a candy thermometer. Insert a wooden stick in the centre of each apple, and dip quickly into the syrup, swirling around so the whole apple is covered. Place on a well greased baking tin to cool and harden. *(Not a good idea to offer these to anyone with loose dentures!!!)*

Recipe from Sandra Cherry of Tastefully British

A Few Words from our Social Committee Chairperson

Banana bay B-B-Q night was a wonderful success, thanks to all 70 of you that came along to join in the fun. Gina and David Warren really gave us a night to remember. David Warren and Peter Gold made very little of the fact that they cooked over 100 burgers and the same amount of hot dogs. People mixed and chatted, enjoying the wonderful surrounds they were in. The rain stayed off until we had all had far too much to drink to worry about a little rain getting us wet. A great night was had by all.



Thank you to members who have called and offered their clubhouses for future meetings!!



South Bay Halloween Night on the 29th October is our next event. We are restricted to numbers, so if you are interested in joining in the fun, please phone Sue Ford to have your name put down. This is a fancy dress event and is also our AGM (Annual General Meeting) where a new board for next year is to be formed. There is no charge to you for this evening, but we do we ask you to bring along a dish to share and your own beverage.

There will be a raffle, and if you are able to donate a raffle prize, it will be gratefully received. We hope to recoup the cost of the clubhouse from the raffle money.

At this event you will be able to sign up and take with you your tickets for the **Christmas party**. It is our hope to increase the numbers to 150 (last year there were just under a hundred who attended).



So, if you are in business, why not make this your firm's Christmas party?

This year we have seen a great increase in membership in the club, thanks to all of you telling your friends about us. Keep it up – the more of us there are, the more friends we make.

Bless you all,
Sue Ford

Stan's Sports Spot



Soccer Five games in to this season we see a strong Arsenal leading the premiersip with Chelsea running a close second. World Cup qualifiers are underway and Group Six has Austria and England tied 1st with 4 points, Wales in 4th with 2 points and N. Ireland in 6th with 1, all after two games.

F1 Rubens Barrichello powered to his first victory of the season to seal a Ferrari one-two with world champion Michael Schumacher at the Italian Grand Prix. The Brazilian started on pole but had to weave his way to the front after being forced to make three stops in damp conditions in Monza. Ferrari teammate Schumacher also poured on the pace as he battled back from an early spin to clinch second. Britain's Jenson Button took third and David Coulthard was sixth.



Golf As I write this we are going in to Ryder cup week at the beautiful Oakland Hills in Michigan, these players will go through a tough 5 days of matches and Bernhard Langer is a great choice of Team captain, we need a cool, calm and calculating captain to lead the challenge of retaining the cup on American soil, good luck.

TENNIS Tim Henman reached the semi finals at the U.S. Open only to be defeated by the eventual winner, Roger Federer.



The answer to the last trivia, "Who (with four) won more major championships than any other golfer during the Nineties?" was Nick Faldo.

This month's Trivia question: Which club did Liverpool defeat 9-0 on 12th September 1989, when a record 8 men scored in the game?

- a) Ferencvaros
- b) Crystal Palace
- c) Swansea

Get Your 15 Minutes of Fame

We are looking for couples who would like to be part of a UK-TV special on relocating to Sarasota. They are looking for British couples who have already relocated to the Sarasota area and a couple in the process of finding a property. Here's a chance to get your 15 minutes of fame!!

Got Kids?

Do you have children under 12 and would you be interested in them attending holiday parties specifically for them? If so, please contact Sue Ford at 966-5566.

Newsletter Advertising Rates

Newsletter advertising rates are as follows:

- Business card size\$25.00
- Quarter Page\$35.00
- Half Page.....\$50.00
- Full Page\$75.00

There is a 20% discount if you purchase your advertisements annually. All ads must be paid for in advance. Please send your camera-ready advertisements to the newsletter editor, Rose Gillet, at 3219 24th Parkway, Sarasota, FL 34235 or email them to her at rosegillet@yahoo.com.

Horoscope

Rose's Corner



“Libra” – 24th September to 23rd October

- Ruling Planet** – Venus
- Element** – Air, a sign of harmony
- Symbol** – “The Scales”
- Good colors to wear** – Green and blue
- Rules** – Lower back and kidneys

Financial plans for the future are high on your agenda through October, particularly with accounting and tax planning. If there has been a problem with a parent, improvement on the matter will come about this month. Misunderstandings sometime happen when we are trying to do the right thing, and you are misunderstood.

Often Libras are happy sitting on the fence letting things go on around them, not wanting to make waves. This is not the time to do that. Get off the fence and take a stand – be counted. It is your only option if you are to feel content.

God bless you,
Sue Moonstar

I'm SO glad September is nearly over. As you Brits might say, it was bloody awful. One of my closest friends lost her battle to cancer after a very valiant fight, I've got some awful respiratory virus and it seems the hurricanes just keep coming! October has to be better!!

Please mail articles to me at Rose Gillet, 3219 24th Parkway, Sarasota, FL 34235, fax at 366-9248, call at 366-9984 or email me at rosegillet@yahoo.com. Closing date for the newsletter is the 15th of each month.



Our new website is SarasotaBritishClub.com – look for changes coming soon!!

Brit Club News



British Club of Sarasota
P. O. Box 21063
Sarasota, FL 34276

President	Peter Richards (925-8898)
1 st Vice President.....	James Croshaw (926-4359)
2 nd Vice President.....	Nairn' Gillet (366-9984)
Treasurer.....	Ann Doran (486-0922)
Recording Secretary	Sandra Cherry (927-2612)
Directors	Maureen Gold (966-9421)
	Sue Burmaster (377-5393)
	Kathy Curtin (379-9861)
Business Network.....	Sue Burmaster (377-5393)
Membership Secretary	Nicola Peterson (373-6690)
Newsletter Editor.....	Rose Gillet (366-9984)
Program Committee.....	Susan Ford (966-5566)
	Tina Smith (921-7427)
Public Relations.....	Nairn' Gillet (366-9984)