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Dates for your diary



ABCA events in **BOLD** type

20th June	ABCA : lunch at the Basiliek hotel
30th June	ABCA : AGM and open evening at the Highlander

Advance Notice :

21st July	ABCA : annual BBQ and Summer party
29th August	ABCA : annual mussels lunch

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From our Chairman

Dear Members,

The roll-out of the vaccinations is going well and we will all have had our shots by the time we meet again - what wonderful news !

Our Annual General Meeting, is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 30th June 2021, having been postponed from April due to the pandemic.

By the end of June we will be allowed to come together inside

Traditionally there is no newsletter in July as this is when we update and send out the blue book. Take a moment to check whether your entry is still correct and if not please let us have your new details by the middle of the month.

Stay positive !

Mary Ann Marinus
Chairman

Thought for the month

“Sometimes having fun with your best friend is all the therapy you need.”

—
Author Unknown

Annual donations to Charities

We welcome your suggestions for suitable charities for 2021. The Committee has selected a few but would like to hear from you first.

Membership Matters



Subscriptions paid

Raymond De Backer
Annie De Boel-Hopwood

Any further payments will be too late to enable you to take part in the AGM.



Update from British Embassy

What is the "90 in 180" visa-free rule for travel around the Schengen area?

- UK nationals do not need a visa when travelling to and within the Schengen Area for short stays of up to 90 days in a 180-day rolling period. For stays longer than 90 days in a 180-day period, you may require a visa and/or permit.

Short stays may include holidays, attending business meetings, travel for journalistic or media purposes, attending cultural or sport events or exchanges, travel for short-term studies or training, etc.

- As a UK national living in the EU, if you are visiting another EU Member State that is not your country of residence, and you don't frontier work there, then you will be subject to the EU's "90 in 180 day" visa-free rule.

You will be responsible for counting your own days of stay and for complying with these conditions.

Midsummer Lunch

The Midsummer Lunch will be held at our favourite venue, the hotel Basiliëk, Trooststraat 22, 2650 Edegem on **Sunday June 20 at 12h30 for 13h00.**



Menu

Crayfish Tails in puff pastry



Cream of Asparagus soup



Guinea Fowl in cream sauce with Mediterranean vegetables and
croquet potatoes



Strawberries and ice-cream



Coffee & Refreshments

Price: **€ 41** per person for members; **€42** per person for non-members; As our over-75s have not been able to enjoy their usual Easter and Christmas lunches we have decided all those over-75s registering for this lunch can come free of charge but need to let Margaret or Dora know of course !

Payment, where relevant, should be made to the ABCA account N° BE11 2200 3243 8048. Your transfer should be made by 14th June.

Advance Notice



At last.....

4pm - Wednesday, July 21st - Summer party & bbq - in line with the latest Covid restrictions of course.

The guys can finally get their collective chef's hat on again and wow us all with their culinary skills at the ABCA BBQ.

As usual the barbie will take place on July 21st at the traditional and very pleasant Sea Scouts' venue on the Linkeroever. It's easy to get to by trams from the Groenplaats and buses (all stop at Frederik van Edenplein) then a short walk (upriver – left with your back to the river) along the Beatrijslaan.

The Sea-scouts are located just on from the VVW. There's ample car parking space. The party starts at 4pm and ends at 9pm. Any volunteers to help out with cutting up vegetables/mixing salads/seating arrangements are most welcome. Fingers crossed that the good weather we've usually enjoyed holds out this year.

There's the well-stocked bar at very democratic prices. As usual, we will be having a tombola at the end of the afternoon, the proceeds of which go towards our benevolent work – so if you have any unwanted Christmas presents you could donate as a prize please let us know; and do come prepared to buy tickets! Those of you who have been members for a long time know that the barbecue is free for ABCA members, but we ask for a €5 booking fee which will be refunded when you arrive. Non-ABCA members should pay € 14pp (€5.00 for children aged 12 and under). To reserve, make a bank transfer (€ 5 or € 14 per person) to ABCA account number: BE11 2200 3243 8048, stating “BBQ” and the number of people you are reserving for, by **July 5th**.

Annual General Meeting ***of the ANTWERP BRITISH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION VZW***

This year's AGM will take place on June 30th at the Highlander on the Stadswaag. The AGM starts at 8.30 pm, but the evening will begin at our usual Open Evening time of 7.30 pm.

Remember: unless your membership for the current year is fully paid, you cannot vote at the AGM, stand for Committee or nominate anyone else to stand; and following the AGM, your membership will cease. For your information, Committee members are elected for a term of two years, after which they have to be re-elected.

The following Committee members are willing to stand for election having served a two-year term:

Mabel Baker

Jill Barnard

Margaret du Maine-Simpson

Suzanne Van Eersel

The following has served one year of a two-year term on the Committee and therefore can remain on the Committee without having to be re-elected:

Mary Ann Marinus

Each member of ABCA eligible to vote (that is to say, a fully paid-up member whose membership payment for the present year has been made before 30th April 2021) is able to nominate up to six persons for election to the Committee, in addition to those already serving or standing (see above).

You must have received the agreement of each person that you nominate to accept nomination, and these people must also be full or honorary members of ABCA. Should the number of nominations exceed the number of places available on the Committee, then a ballot will be necessary. In order for this ballot to take place, the form or forms below must be returned to the Chairman by **20th June 2021**.

Donations: We propose the following charities for this year: Kamiano, British Charitable Fund, .

Nomination Form

I, a Full Member of ABCA and thus able to nominate up to six Full Members of ABCA for the 2021/2022. Committee, nominate the following, all of whom have confirmed to me their willingness to stand for election:

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Shuttle Bus in Knokke



Clock Golf in Knokke

Up until June 15, visitors to Knokke can take advantage (free of charge) of two new shuttle buses.

For those interested in nature the Zwin Shuttle is a hop on/hop off electric bus which will take you round some of the loveliest nature walks around the Zwin Park

The bus only operates on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 09h30 to 17h30 (last stop Minigolf at 17h30). During the school and public holidays the bus will run daily.

The shuttle stops at four halts:

- **Minigolf:** at the underground parking Minigolf on the Kustlaan where you can get off to step over to the Shopping Shuttle.
- **Surf & Sail:** at the Appelzakstreet near the Surfers / RBSC Zoute stop
- **Zwinbosjes:** on the corner of the Léon Lippensdreef / Bronlaan
- **Zwin Nature Park**

There is also a **Shopping Shuttle** that operates along the same system but on the half-hour from 11h00 until 20h00. This shuttle is a hop on/hop off that takes in all the most important shopping districts.

Summer Walks



In 2002 the Ename woods in Oudenaarde were awarded the Flemish monument prize, a first and rightly so. The woodland offers brilliant walks within its protected landscape with pathways open to all (not suitable for pushchairs or wheelchair users).

They are however, child friendly with a play woodland where children can climb, build a camp and play hide and seek. For families and school trips special rucksacks containing exercises to complete, are provided in the Provincial Archaeological Museum.

The legendary woods are situated to the east of Ename, on the hills of the Flemish Ardennes. and in the Middle Ages they were already part of the port city of Ename and its abbey. For centuries the locals let their cattle graze there so that eventually it changed into grass land with trees and bushes. Today horses and cattle still graze there.

A walking tour of the woodland is easy to combine with a trip to the Archaeological Museum and the site of the Abbey ruins. The museum testifies to the rich history of the town and brings it brilliantly to life. In the sister museum in Velzeke, less than fifteen kilometres away, you can immerse yourself in the Roman past of the region and if you get thirsty with all that sightseeing you can stop off for a glass of the local beer.



The Song of Summer



I hear the song of summer
Singing a song of flowers
Singing a song of meadows
Where buttercups spring in showers
Her voice is high and lilting
As summer gets underway
I think that I shall join her song
Now that it's school's last day

I see the foot of summer
In every shady lane
She leaves deep beds of daisies
To make her footprints plain
I think that I shall gather daisies for a crown,
And side-by-side with summer
I'll fly right out of town.

Lenore Hetrick

Sudokus

June puzzles

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May solutions

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June Quiz

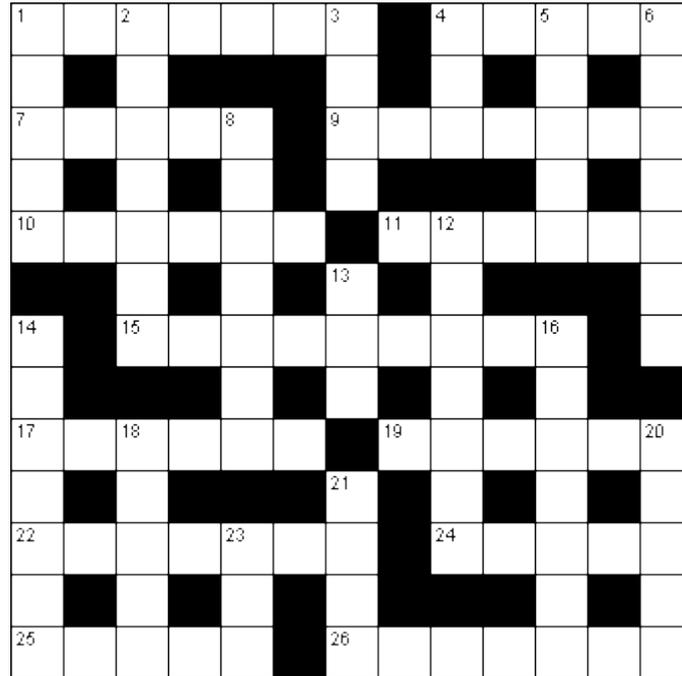


1. What Latin phrase means operational method, or the way a job is done?
2. In the human body which gland secretes the hormone insulin?
3. The state of Nebraska was sold to the USA in 1803 by which country?
4. Tala is the basic monetary unit of which country?
5. Carrageen is an edible variety of what?
6. Who composed the opera Turandot?
7. Which English cathedral has 'The Clock with no Face'?
8. Who was the first woman to walk in space?
9. Spiro Agnew was US vice-president to which president?
10. In which European town is the Menin Gate Memorial?
11. The Lowell Observatory is in which US state?
12. Who was the president of Chile from 1974-90?
13. What is the world's smallest republic?
14. Who played the prison warden in the 1979 film Escape from Alcatraz?
15. Sounding like a placename, what is the traditional pronged spear used for catching Salmon called?

May Answers

1 Green; 2. Red; 3. Nana; 4. 1869; 5. Southend-on-Sea; 6. Moana; 7. RAF; 8. Alexander Fleming; 9. Holborn and St Pancras; 10. Mandarin; 11. Miss Trunchbull; 12. 1986; 13. Pineapple; 14. Julia Gillard; 15. Blue

June Crossword



Across

1. Moment (7); 4. Graphic (5); 7. Steps (5); 9. Love story (7); 10. Gives up (6);
 11. Topics (6); 15. Nutritionist (9); 17. Nearly (6); 19. Movie genre (6); 22. Transport
 system (7); 24. Dye (5); 25. At a subsequent time (5); 26. Recite (7)

Down

1. State indirectly (5); 2. Accomplish (7); 3. Limited period of time (4); 4. Vitality (3);
 5. Animal toxin (5); 6. Chest of drawers (7); 8. Sorrow (7); 12. Monstrous (7)
 13. Fuel (3); 14. Angry dispute (7); 16. Paradise (7); 18. Slightly wet (5); 20. Scope (5);
 21. Song of praise (4); 23. Armed conflict (3)

May Solution



Useful Information

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