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Dear Members,

Welcome to the summer season in Monaco. The Monte Carlo Rolex Tennis Masters have been and gone with a very worthy winner as Rafal Nadal takes his 10th win here in Monaco. The Principality is preparing for the Grand Prix, both electric and Formula 1. The Association is preparing for its big annual event – the Queen’s Birthday Party on 14th June. We are absolutely delighted to once again be able to welcome the Orchestra of the Prince’s Carabiniers and this year we have a guest singer, Alicia Sedgwick. (More details included with booking form on the last page.)

For the Gardeners amongst you, we have loaded this month’s article onto the website so you will not miss out on our resident gardener’s excellent tips for the season.

I am delighted to include an article on Emily Rolfe, who is the youngest female to finish the “Toughest Footrace on Earth” with her father, Ben Rolfe. At 16 this is an amazing achievement.

Vanessa Ilsley

To provide a focus for British and Commonwealth citizens residing in Monaco and surrounding areas to meet socially, represent their views in the Principality and to provide a welfare service for those in need.

BAM Happy Hours and Friday Friendship Club

Happy Hour – Thursday 11th May at the **OLIBAN** located on **Place d’Armes** from 6pm to 7.30pm.

Happy Hour – Thursday 25th May at the **Cremailliere** located on **31 bvd Princesse Charlotte** from 6pm to 7.30 pm

Friday Friendship Club – Friday 5th May and **Friday 19th May** from 3pm to 5pm; due to the lift installation work at St Paul’s we are looking at different venues for the afternoons. If you have any thoughts please let us know.

June Happy Hours will be on the **8th** and the **22nd** at venues to be decided. The June FFC will be on the **2nd** and the **16th** at the St Paul’s Church library.

BAM Events

Queen’s Birthday Party - BAM will be celebrating the Official Birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II with the participation of the Orchestra of the Carabiniers of HSH Prince Albert II of Monaco, and our guest singer, Alicia Sedgwick, with a **cocktail party** to be held at the Salon Bellevue, Café de Paris, Casino Square, Monte Carlo on **Wednesday 14th of June** from 7.00 pm - 8.30 pm For bookings please print the form on the back page or download the form [here](#) (or visit www.bam-monaco.org/bam-events/booking-pages for details); this is a pre-paid event. Bookings close on **9th June**.

BAM Bowling Night – 11th May (date changed) – we’re joining with other Monaco businesses for a bowling competition for our seasonal Bowling Night at the NiBox. Fun for players of all levels from beginners to the experienced. You can print the booking form from the back of this newsletter or download a copy from the BAM web site bookings page and return to BAM with your payment.

Cocktail Evening - There will be a special cocktail evening at CREM on 17th May where the resident barman will serve special cocktails to your specification.

Lycée Technique Hotelier de Monaco Lunch (limited booking) - To help students in the Section European with their English language skills, LTHC have invited members of BAM to join the lunches in the Lycée's restaurant, the *Cordon d'Or*, on a regular basis. The students will be expected to wait on the BAM table entirely in English and BAM members will be encouraged to ask the students questions about the lunch. After the meal, BAM members will be given a short form in which they will be asked to evaluate the service and in particular the standard of English. This is a great opportunity for BAM to contribute to the local community and we are delighted to have been given this opportunity. Lunches at the Cordon d'Or are frequently oversubscribed.

The date for the first lunch has been set on **18th May but only 4 places remain**. The price is **20 euros all inclusive**. More lunches will follow from September.

If you are interested in attending please call the BAM number directly – 93 50 19 52 and leave your name and contact details. We will get back to you.

Past BAM Events

Our tour of L'Orangerie. A number of BAM members attended an evening at L'Orangerie in the Condamine and were shown the process of how they make the new Monaco orange liqueur. The concept is ingenious in making use of the many oranges that were previously unused in the Principality. It is also the first liqueur to be produced in Monte Carlo. We had a tasting both as a digestif and a delicious Summer cocktail, this definitely encouraged us to buy a bottle for home use! Do visit the charming Philippe at the Atelier, it will be well worth it.....



Planned BAM Events

Save the Date! BAM Private Tour - Grimaldi Forum - On **18th July**, BAM has organised a special private viewing of the Summer Exhibition; '*The Forbidden City in Monaco: Imperial Court Life in China*'. The guided tour starts at 5.30pm and we will be advising more details closer to the date.

Did you know we are on Facebook and Twitter too ? Like us on **Facebook** at www.facebook.com/bammonaco/ and follow us on **Twitter** at twitter.com/bammonaco

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Blisters the size of golfballs! - 32nd Marathon des Sables (MdS)

A Monaco Father and Daughter team, Ben and Emily Rolfe, have completed this year's ultramarathon and have raised over 23 thousand pounds for the Diabetes UK charity. Emily is the youngest female to finish this 'toughest footrace in the world'. The MdS marathon consists of about 250 kilometres over 6-days crossing the Sahara Desert in southern Morocco (the distance for 2017 was 237 Kms).

With extreme temperatures (this year peaked at 51°C) snakes, scorpions, rodents, bugs, spiders and the hard slog of running in fine sand, the race presents a daunting physical and mental challenge to all who participate.

You can read their account in the MonacoLife article here - <http://www.monacolife.net/?p=15656>

Patron Events - Abercrombie & Kent

Escape the Grand Prix with the perfect weekend away!

The Monaco Grand Prix - fast cars, great parties and LOTS of people. Not your cup of tea? Abercrombie & Kent are here to help! Here are some of their favourite gems, perfect for an easy weekend break and all easily accessible with direct flights from Nice.

If you've ever wanted to walk among the Tsars in St Petersburg, this year's the year. Celebrating 100 years since the Russian revolution, Russia is full of celebration and St. Petersburg, Russia's grown jewel, is the perfect destination for a cultured escape. Enjoy the ballet at the exquisite Mariinsky Theatre. Take afternoon tea at the Four Seasons Lion Palace followed by an after-hours tour of the Hermitage with your A&K guide. Gain private access to the priceless jewelled eggs at the Fabergé Museum or visit the original citadel of St. Petersburg and Paul Fortress.

Equally accessible for the weekend is Prague where you can enjoy spectacular views over the city from Petrian Hill. Indulge your sweet tooth with a *trdelnik*, a hot sugar coated pastry at Prague's world renowned markets or sit back and relax on unpronounceable local microbrews at one of the ancient pubs around the Old Town. To walk it off, A&K recommends a casual stroll over the landmark Charles Bridge having spent the morning hopping from one Museum to the next along the broad boulevard of Wenceslas Square.

A long-time A&K favourite is Vienna, with its locally produced wines and delicious authentic food. Lazy afternoons can be spent wondering from one bar to the next along the cobbled streets of the city's historic district. Also not to be missed is a visit to Mozart's apartment, the composer's only former resident still standing, followed by a traditional sachertorte at Central Cafe, one of the most popular and famous for Austrian pastries.

Or for a Scandinavian experience, Stockholm offers style and sophistication. Stay overlooking the Harbour at the Grand Hotel and enjoy delicious Nordic cuisine and its two Michelin-starred restaurant. Discover a different side to the city with a rooftop tour at sunrise accompanied by your A&K guide, followed by a traditional 'fika' for breakfast - a coffee with something sweet - while your guide continues your tour through Stockholm's Old Town to uncover one of the largest and best preserved medieval city centres in Europe.

For more information and price on any of the packages above please contact Abercrombie & Kent on 333 97 98 53 33 or book an appointment online to visit us in store in the Monte Carlo Palace

Monaco Events

MONACOUSA at the Star Deck of Stars'N'Bars on Tuesday May 16th will have a Cabaret Night, LA LA MONACOLAND. For an evening of song and dance from top Hollywood films...MAMA MIA!, MY FAIR LADY, TROLLS, FAME, GREASE, DIRTY DANCING and more. Featuring Matt Firth and Paul Spicer, Colette Marx-Nielsen, Marieke van den Wall Bake and Alicia Sedgwick (*). Cabaret Tickets 10€ (ENTRANCE FEE & SHOW ONLY). For more details and bookings contact MonacoUSA reservation on email rsvpmcusa@gmail.com.

(*) Alicia will also be appearing at the BAM Queen's Birthday Party on June the 14th.

Obituary – Roy Woodford (1931 - 2017)

We are sorry to announce the death of Mr Roy Woodford on the 23rd March, 2017, at the Palmosa Hospital in Menton. Roy was a well known and loved member of the British community in Monaco for many years. He passed away peacefully with his family around him.

BAM Committee 2016

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BOOKING FORM – BAM BOWLING NIGHT Thursday 11th May

At the NiBox , 35 Boulevard Louis II, Rond Point du Portier, Monaco

On Thursday 11th May, 2017 Starting at 6.30 pm (for a prompt start at 7 pm)

I/We wish to reserve: members tickets at € 15 each non-members tickets at € 20 each

I enclose a cheque for € payable to “The British Association of Monaco”

NAME [s]:

TELEPHONE/Mobile:email:

Guest(s) Name(s) [please print clearly]

Please send the booking form, cheque to: The British Association of Monaco, BP 41, MC 98001 Monaco Cedex. **You will receive a confirmation by email.**

BOOKING FORM - BAM QUEEN’S BIRTHDAY PARTY – 14th June

Celebrating the Official Birthday of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II with the participation of the Orchestra of the Carabiniers of HSH Prince Albert II of Monaco and with our guest singer, Alicia Sedgwick on Wednesday, 14th June, 2017 from 7.00 p.m. - 8.30 p.m. at the Salon Bellevue, Café de Paris, Casino Square, Monte Carlo.

I/We wish to reserve tickets at €50 each

I/we are unable to attend and enclose a donation: €

I/We enclose a cheque [French or Monaco only] for €

Payable to “The British Association of Monaco”

NAME [s]:.....

TELEPHONE/MOBILE:..... email:.....

GUEST[s] NAMES[s].....

Dress code: Cocktail

Please send the booking form and cheque to:

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CONFIRMATION WILL BE BY PRE-PAID TICKET.