

BRITISH SENATE NEWSLETTER



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Message from the chairman – It's all about...

Fun, fellowship and fulfilment was the local strapline when I first joined Macclesfield Junior Chamber and so during 2014 I would like to see Senators coming along and enjoying the company and varied programme that we as the British Senate are putting on as well as the JCIUK National and local chamber events.

It's 10 years since the British Senate went to Jersey, with the 9 March Liberation celebrations falling on the Friday. Whilst there will be an additional flight or ferry cost we have some excellent accommodation deals at the luxury waterfront Royal Yacht Hotel.

Visiting the capital of Wales, Cardiff, we will use the award winning Hilton and dine at Cardiff Castle for a classy city break weekend.

Our flagship event, the Drumming Out, will bring together Senators and their partners with those elements of fun, fellowship and fulfilment in a 3 day finale to the year – 'Join the Cheshire Set!'

It's not all about week-ends away. As we were all once very active JCI UK members there is every reason to stay in touch with the current membership either through social contact at an annual dinner or more involvement with

the LEAP programme mentoring and coaching or helping re-launch and develop chambers. We can put you in touch or better still visit jciuk.org.uk and sign up for their e-newsletter.

Website Update

One recent website enhancement has been to take online reservations and enquiries which I hope will make it easier to book on our events and perhaps reduce the need to have addresses & bank details on publically available downloadable booking forms. Payments will still be in the hands of the organisers in the form of cash, cheque or bank payments so no charges unless you need to use Paypal!

Forms and flyers will still be available at events and you can always pick up the phone and speak to the organisers – numbers are in the magazine and printed programme card.

Keeping up with Junior Chamber International

The 2014 - 2018 Strategic plan is to be found on www.jci.cc homepage along with the 2014 Plan of Action



JCI will enable communities to achieve sustainable impact



JCI will create an environment in which people are motivated toward positive change.



JCI will create a financial plan that invests in long term goals



JCI will bring together like-minded partners in order to expand mutual impact



JCI will connect people, their communities and the global society.

The British Senate Council are looking forward to finding out more about the 2014 Connect action to 'Redefine the JCI Senate's purpose and role'. ISF

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Past Chairmen with the incoming Chairman at Liz's Drumming Out In Sheffield
Peter Browning, James King, Nigel Bradley, Liz Walmsley, David Butcher, Barry Miller & Mike Ashton - there were others there but they were hiding from the camera!

The programme of events gives plenty of chances to talk to your Senate friends and meet new Senators whose numbers are now in the 72,000 range. The different events have a mix of costs, it's never true a Senate event is expensive; they are value for money and often offer a range of accommodation to suit different budgets.

This year has two day trips in Saltaire, Bradford and Nene Country Park/ Nene Valley Railway, Peterborough. These will be good value days out for the whole family and friends.

Our Lake District weekend virtually booked out by September last year, an extra attraction being no single room supplement. The Whitby weekend at Sneaton Hall and the Staffordshire weekend at Yarnfield Park, Stone offer fantastic value at with some slightly different accommodation options. These will particularly appeal to our younger senators on a tight budget.



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JCI UK President's News



JCI UK members have wasted no time in hitting the ground running this year so it makes cramming all of their energy and action into one brief overview, rather a challenge!

As we head into the third month of the year, we've already completed our first national project with the return of the £1 a day project which saw members up and down the country living on £1 a day for a week! This is the second time we have run this project and it was really pleasing to see chambers that hadn't been involved

last year, roll up their sleeves and get stuck in! We also welcomed the Senate Chairman and his team to our first national event of the year, Inspiration Day, which was hosted by JCI Barnsley – a huge well done to local President Ben Hawley and his team for putting on a fabulous weekend. With some first class speakers and some lively training, we were really pleased to receive some great feedback from members about how inspired (if not a little tired) they felt!

However, I think what has been most exciting so far in this year is the activity we are seeing around developing our UK footprint. Hot off the press, JCI Rotherham hosted their official

launch event on 17th February and they are anticipating having 9 paid-up members by the end of February - a brilliant achievement for this team so early in the year! Of course, Yorkshire always likes to set the bar high and so I am thrilled to also let you know that JCI Harrogate is making waves in the regional press after hosting taster nights for potential members to help JCI Leeds member, Michael Best get this chamber off the ground!

But if you were beginning to get twitchy at the thought of JCI UK putting all its eggs in a Yorkshire shaped basket, fear not! JCI Canary Wharf is on the cusp of affiliating to JCI UK, which is rather lucky as they are working with JCI London to bid for the JCI UK National Convention this year!

In addition to this, Emma Eastwood 71829, Past National President, is heading up our New Chamber Taskforce which is seeing very real progression in Brighton, Oxford, Basingstoke and Nottingham...to name only a few!! If you have connections in these areas then please get in touch with us – we would love to hear from you! We know that support from Senators is vital to new teams who are finding their feet and we hope that this current momentum around new potential organisations energizes you as much as it does us!

I hope to see some of you in Malta – so until then!

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ICAEW appoints Hilary Lindsay 34878 as Vice President

Hilary Lindsay née Morris will be ICAEW's next vice president following her election by ICAEW's Council.

She will take office on 5th June 2014 and will be nominated as ICAEW President in June 2016

Forthcoming Events

1 March	Saltaire Victorian Village day Trip
28 - 30 March	Lake District Weekend
8 - 11 May	Jersey Liberation Celebrations
11 - 15 May	European Conference, Malta
4-6 July	Whitby Weekend at Sneaton Hall
17 Aug	Nene Country Park Family Day picnic & BBQ
12 - 14 Sept	Staffordshire Weekend and AGM
24 - 26 Oct	Cardiff City Break

Visit www.britishsenate.org.uk for details of events

Book Early

EC2014 Malta

Sara Gledhill is co-ordinating our delegation so if you're thinking of going let her know saraegledhill@yahoo.co.uk and maybe find someone to travel or room with.

Although the Senate Conference hotel is the Westin we are nominating the nearby 3-star George Hotel, St Julians as an alternative for the British Senate.

WC2014 Leipzig

Bookings are open and Peter Duffy is looking into obtaining a group discount on flights and will be liaising with both the Leipzig Congress Committee & German Senate on further information and travel options pre & post Congress or to the Congress alone. Peter is very interested in hearing from Senators or JCI Members who are planning to attend the Leipzig Congress contact him dompdro2@btinternet.com to register your interest and to be kept informed on progress.

Open Spring ASE Weekend, Ile de Nantes, France

This exciting weekend 3 - 6 April includes the awesome Machines de L'île and the Great Elephant, Airbus Industries tour, wine tasting and elegant French cuisine

See our website for booking links.

Crayfish Conference

It sounds like quite a number of British Senators are expressing an interest in this event.

Check our website for travel and accommodation tips and contact Iain McFarlane iainmcfarlane@gmail.com for further details.