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The purpose of the Hertford British Charitable Fund (“HBCF”) is to care for the wellbeing of British citizens and of other people with links to the UK who find themselves in dire need. This is achieved through welfare grants to individuals and financial support to associations in France which perform similar work.

The HBCF was previously the Hertford British Hospital Corporation, and it now incorporates the British Charitable Fund, Paris (with whom it merged on 1st January 2025).

The HBCF manages the original - and recently renovated - hospital built by Sir Richard Wallace in Levallois-Perret in 1879 (see below) and the modern hospital building behind it, which is made available to the Hôpital Franco-Britannique - Fondation Cognacq-Jay (“HFB-FCJ”).

HBCF no longer provides medical care (which is provided by HFB-FCJ who can be reached through their website: www.hopitalfrancobritannique.org).

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WHO WE ARE

The British Community Committee of France is the national umbrella organisation for British associations in France and Monaco. Founded in 1937, we bring together organisations and individuals with British interests, helping people connect, participate and contribute to community life.

WHAT WE DO

Publish and distribute 5,000 copies of the Directory of Member Organisations
Maintain britishinfrance.com and the online events diary
Promote member activities through our website and social media
Hold quarterly meetings throughout the year
Support connections across France and Monaco

AT A GLANCE

Founded in 1937

Registered 1901 association since 1939

Website and social media

Over 120 member associations

Up to 21 individually elected members

Quarterly meetings

Bring your association to the community

1937



2027

90 years serving the British community in France and Monaco

Associations with a British link based in France or Monaco are welcome to apply. Admission is granted to successful applicants following a presentation of the association to a Quarterly Meeting. Annual membership fee of €20 (or €30 for late payment).

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THE BRITISH COMMUNITY COMMITTEE OF FRANCE

Our History

The British Community Committee of France represents and connects the British population in France and Monaco. Following the end of the Napoleonic Wars in 1815, growing numbers of British citizens returned to France. British entrepreneurs became involved in sectors such as railways, banking, property, and insurance, while introducing sports including football, tennis, rowing, and cricket. The origins of our association can be traced to 1937, when British residents in Paris organised celebrations for the Coronation of King George VI. The success of these events strengthened community ties and led to the creation of a formal representative organisation.

Our association was officially registered in 1939. By January 1948, membership included prominent figures from British institutions in Paris, among them representatives of St George's Church, the Scots Kirk, Thomas Cook, and members of the legal, engineering, and accounting professions.

In 1982, Vice-Chairman Beryl Jones proposed the name British Community Committee, with "of France" added in 2012. Having arrived in Paris in 1955 with little knowledge of French, she understood the importance of community networks. She championed greater communication and, after becoming the Committee's first female Chair in 1985, introduced the Social Diary, enabling organisations to coordinate activities and avoid clashes.

Under the chairmanship of Christopher Mitchell-Heggs, the BCC began publishing The Digest, a guide to British institutions in France, including schools, churches, sports clubs, and the Consulate. This publication later evolved into today's Directory of Member Organisations. The addition of the British in France website and social media expanded this role, allowing members to publicise events and reach a wider audience online.

Building Community Today

According to estimates of British citizens residing abroad, France hosts one of the largest British communities outside the United Kingdom. We continue to bring together British residents across France and Monaco including for special events. In 2012 and 2022, we marked the Diamond and Platinum Jubilees of Queen Elizabeth II. In 2023, we organised a community cocktail reception celebrating the Coronation of King Charles III and Queen Camilla, while publicising celebrations held by member organisations across the country. Festive British in France Christmas parties were held in 2024 and 2025.

Today, we have more than 120 member organisations and can elect up to 21 individual members.

A central role of member organisations remains welcoming newcomers, helping them settle into French life, build friendships, and become part of local communities. Through the Directory, website, social media, and events programme, people with shared interests can connect across regions, exchange ideas, and develop new activities.

Together, these links help ensure that British residents and friends of Britain throughout France and Monaco remain part of one vibrant and supportive community.

Please follow the British Community on social media

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The printed version of the Directory includes details of individual members of the BCC, not considered appropriate for publication in the online version of the document, available to the general public.

To obtain the full version of the Directory including these contact details, please either go to one of the locations listed on pages 50 & 51 where a paper copy of the Directory is available, or request a full PDF copy from the BCC webmaster at webmaster@britishinfrance.email.

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British Embassy Paris

Supporting British nationals overseas is an important focus for the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO), our Embassy and Consular teams. Consular assistance is directed towards the most vulnerable and we very much value collaboration with our partners across France who help us to support those most in need. My thanks to you all.

It was a pleasure to host the British in France AGM in April 2026 at the Residence in Paris this year and to meet many of you in person. Nearly a year in, I continue to feel very privileged to be in the job. I know that many ambassadors say this, but it really is hard to think of a more important time for the relationship between the UK and France. Both our countries are having to navigate a rapidly changing world. It is a journey we can only make together. I feel doubly privileged to be here, having myself been “British in France” as a child.

Our consular teams continue to support British nationals across France, whether tourists or residents. They cover a wide range of issues. The current questions that relate to the British community in France include the EU’s Entry/Exit System (EES). As the scheme continues to be implemented across the EU, we are working closely with our French colleagues to understand and address any issues affecting British nationals travelling to and from France. Updated information is available from our living in guide or travel advice. You will find links on page 10 to our gov.uk platform and social media channels.

We continue to work with the French authorities on cases where the Withdrawal Agreement is incorrectly applied to minors, late applicants and joining family members – as well as to encourage improvements to official information and guidance. If you hold a Withdrawal Agreement residence permit that is approaching its 5-year expiry date, please remember that renewal applications must be submitted through your local prefecture. Prefecture websites have updated information on local procedures. Further information on residence permits can be found in our Living in France guide.

The UK has introduced an Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA) requirement for visitors who do not require a visa to travel to the United Kingdom. This is particularly relevant for family members and friends travelling from France to visit the UK. We encourage travellers to check the latest requirements before making their journey. We would also remind British dual nationals that they should travel to the UK using their valid British passport, rather than a passport of another nationality, to avoid delays or difficulties. Passport renewals or first-time applications are made online on gov.uk.

Finally, I would like to thank all BCC members and British associations across France for the invaluable support you provide to British nationals in your local communities. Your insights, networks and commitment help strengthen the links between our consular teams and the people we serve. I also want to recognise the dedication of our consular staff in Paris, Bordeaux and Marseille, who work tirelessly to support British nationals across France. We look forward to continuing our close partnership with you over the coming year.

Sir Thomas Drew, KCMG
His Majesty’s Ambassador to France

British Consular Services in France

Travel advice for France

For advice and information to help ensure you stay safe, avoid problems, and make informed decisions when travelling in France, register for email alerts at gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/france. Also check diplomatie.gouv.fr/fr/conseils-aux-voyageurs.

Travel documents

To apply for a first passport or renew an existing passport, visit gov.uk/overseas-passports.

To obtain an electronic travel authorisation (ETA) to visit the UK see gov.uk/eta/apply.

Consular Support

The British Embassy and Consulates provide support to British nationals who:

- have been the victim of serious crime, including rape and sexual assault
- have been involved in a serious accident or other serious incident
- have been arrested or detained
- need to travel in an emergency and do not have their passport available.

Our consular services are available 24/7 by phone. Our website has further information on our services and information we provide, see “UK help and services in France” at gov.uk/world/france.

Information for people living in France

A wide range of information for British nationals who live in France, including information on resident permits, is available at gov.uk/guidance/living-in-france.

Getting married in France

Obtain relevant information for marriage or PACS in France on gov.uk/marriages-civil-partnerships-abroad.

Preventing problems

We ask all British nationals abroad to prepare carefully for their holiday or move to France and to take sensible steps while abroad. These include:

- Keeping your passport safe; it is a unique and valuable document
- Having an EHIC/GHIC card and appropriate travel or medical insurance
- Driving safely and staying within the law
- Following the advice of local authorities regarding weather and other warnings.

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CHARITIES

Al-Anon (English-speaking)

Al-Anon is a worldwide fellowship of men and women whose lives have been affected by someone else's drinking, regardless of whether that person is still drinking or not. It is non-professional, self-supporting and apolitical. The only requirement for membership is that there be a problem of alcoholism in a relative or friend. Details of English-speaking meetings in France on our website.

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Alcoholics Anonymous

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of people who share their experience, strength, and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. There are no dues or fees for A.A. membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. A.A. is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization, or institution. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

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Cancer Support France

Cancer Support France has been supporting English-speakers in France who are touched by cancer since 2002. Free, confidential, emotional and linguistic support is offered on a one-to-one basis by our trained volunteers for the patient, their carers, or loved ones. With a network of 12 local affiliated associations, we can offer support face-to-face or remotely by telephone, e-mail or other secure means.

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National Helpline **0800 240 200**

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Founded in 1919 with British donations to support wounded French WWI servicemen, the Fondation Franco-Britannique de Sillery (FFBS) now assists nearly 1,000 people with disabilities or facing social exclusion. Headquartered at the Château de Sillery, its 350 staff operate 20 sites across Brittany and the Paris region. FFBS helps individuals develop life and employment skills to lead independent, working lives. It also provides external services including catering, training, housekeeping, reconditioning, laundry, and grounds maintenance.

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The Hertford British Charitable Fund – HBCF

The Hertford British Charitable Fund or HBCF (previously, the Hertford British Hospital Corporation or HBHC) now incorporates the British Charitable Fund, Paris (following a merger in 2025) and is a UK registered charity that cares for the wellbeing of British citizens and of other people with links to the UK who find themselves in dire need. This is achieved through welfare grants to individuals and financial support to associations in France which perform similar work.

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For welfare support	✉ office@bcfparis.org	01 47 59 07 69

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SOS Help

SOS Help provides emotional support by telephone to anyone in France who prefers to speak in English. Callers may speak in confidence and anonymity about whatever is on their mind to a non-judgmental, trained volunteer listener. SOS Help is part of the SOS Amitié Federation, a member of Befrienders International and has links to the Samaritans in the UK.

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SPRINT

A non-profit organisation of English-speaking/bilingual professionals who work with children having special educational needs/disabilities and their families. SPRINT offers the Anglophone community information regarding provision of appropriate education in international/bilingual schools, referral services, and networking opportunities for members. SPRINT also works with its member schools and offers schools professional development, meetings, and discussions on inclusion, learning, disability and therapy-related topics.

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Women for Women

Women for Women France empowers foreign-born people facing domestic violence in France to assert their rights, re-establish independence, and thrive.

The association created and manages the national Multilingual Online Resource Centre for all victims of domestic abuse in France and the professionals who support them.

CEO: **Sarah McGrath** (she/elle)

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CHURCHES

The American Cathedral in Paris

The Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity is the first American Episcopal church established outside the United States. The Episcopal Church is part of the Anglican Communion, and the Cathedral today has a diverse congregation of families and individuals from many countries, while maintaining the Anglican liturgical and choral traditions. The main English-language Eucharist (Communion) is Sundays at 11.00 am. There are monthly Choral Evensongs and Jazz Vespers. Full information may be found on our website.

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Holy Trinity Church, Maisons-Laffitte

Holy Trinity Church is situated near the Château in Maisons-Laffitte. We are a multi-generational, English-speaking, international community who worship within the Anglican tradition, and are open to every age, nationality and religious background. In addition to weekly Sunday services at 9.15 am and 11.00 am with children's and youth groups, we host family-friendly events for the wider community throughout the year. There are also midweek meetings for Scouts, USA Girl Scouts, Parents & Toddlers and Trinity English School.

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Saint George's Anglican Church, Paris

St George's Anglican Church is a welcoming international community, part of the Church of England's Diocese in Europe. Sunday services: 8.30 am Holy Communion (1662); 10.30 am Sung Eucharist with sermon, choir, servers and traditional ceremonial, crèche and Sunday School. Mainly in English, with a reading and sometimes intercessions in French. Cheese and wine, or coffee afterwards, and regular lunches. Saturday 6.00 pm, Eucharistie en français.

For daily services and regular updates check our website.

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Saint Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Paris

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- Saturday: 11.00 am and 6.30 pm (Vigil)
- Sunday: 9.30 am, 11.00 am, 12.30 pm, and 6.30 pm
- Tuesday to Friday: 8.30 am

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Saint Luke's Church, Fontainebleau

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Saint Mark's Church, Versailles

Services are held every Sunday as follows:

- 9.00 am: Holy Communion in the Old Chapel, 31 rue du Pont Colbert, Versailles (on the first Sunday of the month only);
- 10.30 am: Morning Service (Morning Prayer, All-age Worship or Holy Communion) including Sunday School at the church centre;
- 5.30 pm: Evening Service (Evening Prayer or Holy Communion) at l'Eglise St Paul, Chevry, Gif-sur-Yvette (special arrangements during July and August, email us for details).

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Saint Michael's Anglican Church, Paris

Saint Michael's is an international English-speaking church for people of all ages and stages of the spiritual journey. We are a family, a 'home away from home', and we encourage people to be involved and to make friends. Sunday Services: 9.30 am Traditional Anglican Service, 10.45 am Informal Service, with children's activities, 6.00 pm Contemporary service. Service times may change during the year, so please check our website for updates.

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Saint Peter's Anglican Church, Chantilly

St Peter's is an English-speaking, Anglican evangelical church for all ages and nationalities. We'd be happy to welcome you if you're a convinced Christian, curious about life's big questions, or anywhere in between. We also host various events and enjoy good links with our local community. Our Sunday Services are: 9.00 am Traditional Service (1st and 3rd Sunday of the month), 10.30 am Informal Service (with children's ministry). Please check our social media or website for any changes.

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The Scots Kirk, Paris (Church of Scotland – Presbyterian)

The Scots Kirk is an international church located near the Champs-Élysées, offering worship and fellowship in English in the Reformed tradition. Sunday services are held at 11.00 am and Holy Communion is celebrated monthly. After the service, everyone is warmly invited to stay for tea and coffee, with occasional potluck lunches providing further opportunities for fellowship. Throughout the week, a number of associations and support groups also meet on our premises.

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CULTURE

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The American Library in Paris is the largest English-language lending Library on the European continent, with a print collection of over 100,000 volumes. Since its establishment in 1920, the Library has been a meeting place for internationals and locals alike seeking to broaden their horizons and nurture their imagination. Every year, hundreds of events, lectures, and workshops bring together leaders in literature, arts, politics, and philosophy at the Library.

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Curious Creature Productions

Curious Creature Productions is a Franco-Australian theatre association that hosts regular events for anglophones living in or visiting Paris. Our events are usually in the form of staged play-reading performances, held at Le Pavé d'Orsay, and accompanied by a generous apéro. Each show features a different theme and brand new plays. We provide a relaxed and friendly atmosphere, where the audience is encouraged to mingle together and with our Curious team.

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Dear Conjunction Theatre Company

Dear Conjunction, an English and French language theatre company based in Paris, has produced well over 40 plays since its foundation in 1991. DC is still run by its founder members but works with many other professional actors and directors. As well as productions, DC regularly gives play and poetry readings and is happy to perform at special events throughout the year. We are always eager to welcome new performers, administrators, supporters.

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The International Players

The International Players are a friendly group of members of all ages and nationalities with a variety of talents, from acting and singing to designing sets and costumes. We put on English-language productions which cover a range of very different styles from musicals and pantomimes to serious plays and comedies. The group rehearses and performs mainly in St-Germain-en-Laye and Le Pecq. New members are always welcome, even if you are in France for a short time.

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PADFAS – The Arts Society – Paris

Affiliated to The Arts Society UK, this Franco-British society offers illustrated monthly lectures in English, by academics, researchers, museum curators and historians, on one Thursday afternoon a month from October to May in central Paris. In addition, we offer guided visits, often in French, to museums and other places of interest in the Paris region and beyond. New members are always welcome, as are guests. For details, please see our website.

Chairman **Andrea Perugini**
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Paris Choral Society

Paris Choral Society is an association of about 90 international voices accompanied by professional soloists and orchestras.

It is unique in Paris in that its choristers speak French and English, and all ages and backgrounds are represented. Along with three annual programmes, the PCS is well known in Paris for Handel's *Messiah* sing-along, sung during the Advent period.

The PCS performs famous requiems and masses, modern compositions, well-known operatic arias and themed concerts.

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The Royal Scottish Country Dance Society, Paris Branch

The Paris Branch of the Society was created in 1984 in order to promote Scottish Country Dancing and to offer the opportunity to learn and practise Scottish country dances in France. The Branch organises classes, half-day schools for beginners, intermediate or advanced dancers. There is a dance every Monday night from 8.00 pm to 10.00 pm and occasionally a ball on Saturday night. Everybody is warmly welcome.

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Théâtre en Anglais

Théâtre en Anglais is a professional touring theatre company presenting English-language productions across France and overseas territories for schools and general audiences. The company specialises in accessible, visually dynamic adaptations of literary classics and historical subjects, combining theatre, music, movement and occasionally integrated French subtitles. Productions on tour include *Alice in Wonderland*, *The Rosa Parks Story* and our new musical *Invincible*. *Alice* is also on at the Espace Alya at the Avignon Festival OFF.

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 **TheatreEnAnglais**
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EDUCATION

The Anglophone Section of Fontainebleau

Since 1979, the Anglophone Section has been providing a friendly, bilingual education by qualified, experienced native English teachers for international children aged 6 to 18 as a fully integrated part of the French National Educational system. Students thrive on a beautiful campus comprising the Léonard de Vinci primary school, the Collège International and the Lycée François 1er near the renowned Fontainebleau forest. Students sit IGCSEs and the BFI in English and History-Geography, and go on to the most demanding universities worldwide.

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 **Anglophone Section of Fontainebleau**

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APARC (Anglophone Parents' Association in the Region of Chantilly)

APARC is a non-profit organisation English school offering English classes from Kindergarten to Collège. It follows the British schools' national curriculum in English language and literature and its bilingual students receive 2.5 hours on Wednesdays in Kindergarten and Primary classes (ages 4 to 11), and secondary (ages 11 to 15) English first-language classes.

Please send an e-mail for admission enquiries or more information about the school.

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The Bilingual Montessori School of Paris

Founded in 1972, we are the oldest bilingual Montessori school in France, offering an authentic Montessori education delivered by highly qualified and experienced teachers. Our community welcomes children aged 2 to 11 from all over the world, including many from Britain, creating a rich and diverse international environment. Children develop autonomy, confidence, and a genuine joy for learning in a harmonious, caring atmosphere. Our excellent adult-to-child ratio allows for individualized attention, strong teacher-child relationships, and excellent academic results.

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[montessori-paris.com](https://www.montessori-paris.com)

British Council

The British Council is the UK's international organisation for cultural relations and educational opportunities. We build trust and connections through arts and culture, education, and English language. In France for over 80 years, we offer English language training for children, teens, and adults and certify English skills. We strengthen UK–France ties and contribute to growth and impact through arts and cultural activity, education programmes, research collaboration, promoting UK university study, and alumni engagement.

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British Scouting Overseas

Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society. There are five Groups in France belonging to the Scout Association UK: in Chantilly, Croissy-sur-Seine, Maisons-Laffitte, Montpellier and Toulouse. As part of Southern Europe District, British Scouting Overseas, they offer a challenging and exciting programme for children, both boys and girls, from 6 years of age.

Gillian Barratt

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British Section of the Lycée International, Saint-Germain-en-Laye

The British Section is the largest of 14 international sections that make up the renowned Lycée International, an academic multi-lingual school which is consistently placed at the top of the French school league tables. British Section pupils are taught in English for 6 to 8 hours per week in addition to covering the French national curriculum in French. Non-francophone pupils can join through the Français spécial classes.

Director **James Cathcart MA (Oxon) PGCE, NPQH**

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Collège Franco-Britannique

Located at the heart of the Cité Internationale Universitaire de Paris (www.ciup.fr), the Collège franco-britannique was created after World War I as a sign of friendship between France and Great Britain.

Today it welcomes 250 students, researchers and artists of over 50 different nationalities.

Its mission is to develop cultural and scientific exchanges between the two countries.

To this end, the CFB organises cultural and scientific events in French and English (www.citescope.fr/lieux/college-franco-britannique).

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GrandChêne Section Internationale, La Celle Saint-Cloud - Noisy-le-Roi

The Section has provided the highest level of international English education for over 20 years, partnering with six French schools in La Celle Saint-Cloud and Noisy-le-Roi.

Our programme extends from *Grande Section* to *Terminale* and is taught by qualified and experienced native English teachers. Small classes provide an ideal environment for our students in their preparations for the IGSCE and the BFI. Run by parent volunteers, GrandChêne offers a supportive and thriving English-speaking community.

Admissions Manager **Jodie Sokhan**

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Open Sky International

Open Sky International is a non-selective bilingual English-French (50-50) school welcoming students from pre-school to high school. A family-owned school, with 40+ nationalities and a team of 10+ nationalities, OSI's approach aims at reaching excellence. Even arriving without French/English, students become bilingual after two years, thanks to intensive courses (FAL and/or EAL). Our gold-standard curriculum enables all our students to obtain British diplomas: GCSE and A-Levels (OSI is a Pearson Edexcel certified exam centre).

Director **Mr Emmanuel Fayad**

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University of London Institute in Paris

The University of London Institute in Paris offers a unique British learning experience in the heart of Europe.

Our specialised institute offers a full range of interdisciplinary programmes from undergraduate to doctoral study. We do this through the research and teaching expertise of our Paris-based faculty. In a newly defined Europe, the University of London Institute in Paris acts as a bridge between British and French academic communities, hosting regular research seminars and public events.

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French school holiday dates 2026-2027

	Back to school	Toussaint	Christmas	Winter	Spring	Summer
Zone A	01/09 (all zones)	17/10-02/11 (all zones)	19/12-04/01 (all zones)	13/02-01/03	10/04-26/04	03/07 (all zones)
Zone B				20/02-08/03	17/04-03/05	
Zone C				06/02-22/02	03/04-19/04	

Zone A: Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes, Bourgogne-Franche-Comté, Nouvelle-Aquitaine

Zone B: Bretagne, Centre-Val-de-Loire, Grand Est, Hauts-de-France, Normandie, Pays de la Loire, Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur

Zone C: Ile-de-France, Occitanie

EX-SERVICE ORGANISATIONS

Libre Résistance

Libre Résistance is an Anglo-French association dedicated to the memory of the actions of the Special Operations Executive F-Section activities in France where 435 trained agents were infiltrated into France to create 75 resistance networks with over 30,000 local resistants. 104 SOE agents lost their lives through capture and torture. Our main commemoration is at Valençay each 6th May, but we hold numerous other ceremonies in France and UK (with Special Forces Club, London).

President **Bill Beauclerk**

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librerresistance.com/fr/accueil

The Royal Air Forces Association, Ile-de-France Branch

The Royal Air Forces Association Île-de-France Branch was formed in 2011 through the amalgamation of the Paris and the Saint-Germain-en-Laye branches, created in 1946 and 1956 respectively. Today, we lack physically active members, including standard bearers, and therefore are unable to attend certain commemorations in our Region. We aim to maintain the memory of RAF aircrews who were killed in the Region during WW2, and welcome new members.

Ile-de-France Chairman Wing Cdr Graham August RAF (Retd)

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Lyon See page 33

SW France See page 41

The Royal British Legion, Paris Branch

The Paris Branch, founded in 1921, can provide financial assistance funded by the Poppy Appeal to ex-servicemen and women and their dependents in the Ile-de-France Region. Ceremonies are organised at the Arc de Triomphe on 4 August and at the Service of Remembrance on 11 November. Membership is open to Serving and ex-Service personnel, and to all who abide by the aims of the Legion.

Contact us to use the Clubhouse.

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Central Brittany branches.britishlegion.org.uk/branches/Brittany

Bordeaux & SW France See page 42

Lyon See page 33

Provence-Monaco See page 44

Nord/Pas-de-Calais See page 38

The Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve Association, Paris Branch

Founded in Paris in 1950, the Association has some 25 members. Membership is open to all who have served in or with the Royal Navy, Royal Marines, WRNS and QARNNS or the French Navy. Associate membership is available to those who support the interests and aims of the Association in things naval and maritime. A luncheon is held each month as well as an annual dinner, at which members, guests and their spouses are welcome. The Naval Attaché is the Honorary President.

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SSAFA the Armed Forces Charity/SSAFA France

SSAFA provides lifelong support to our Forces and their families. Last year our volunteers in France helped some 150 people. Support covers financial assistance, and sign-posting welfare and administrative needs for veterans and their families in France, also some Merchant Navy and British Airways veterans. Should you, or someone you know, need help, wish to volunteer for casework, support the lonely, or assist with fund-raising, then please contact general inquiries as below.

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PROFESSIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Association of British Accountants in France

ABAF was set up in 1982 to promote the common interests of its members, principally members of the five UK and Irish professional Chartered Accountancy bodies. The aim is to provide a forum for UK and Irish qualified accountants to network, exchange views, communicate with their professional bodies, and gain valuable continuing professional development. ABAF holds 6 meetings a year which include technical updates on French and UK tax and accounting, as well as the AGM.

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Cross-Channel Institute

The Cross-Channel Institute is the independent think tank of the Franco-British Chamber of Commerce & Industry, promoting Franco-British economic relations through research, debate and practical recommendations. Founded in 2019 with support from the British Embassy in France, it publishes studies, convenes decision-makers and develops initiatives to strengthen cooperation and growth between both countries.

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Franco-British Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Founded in 1873, the Franco-British Chamber is the oldest international British Chamber in Europe. The Chamber is the leading reference for cross-Channel economic, trade and financial flows for French and British businesses, institutions, media and public opinion. Members include companies of all sizes and sectors. Our network of private and public partners in France and the UK includes 2,000 companies, 3,000 qualified contacts and 15,000 social media followers.

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Franco-British Council (Conseil Franco-Britannique)

The Franco-British Council is an independent organisation based in Paris and London. Our mission is to reflect the wide relationships between the two nations and promote constructive dialogue for enhanced future collaboration. The Council was founded in 1972 by President Georges Pompidou and Prime Minister Edward Heath. Since then, it has dedicated itself to the promotion of a better mutual understanding in fields including culture, politics, defence, science, education, and business.

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Franco-British Lawyers Society (Association des Juristes Franco Britanniques Section Française)

L'Association des Juristes Franco-Britanniques – The Franco-British Lawyers Society is a unique body whose members are lawyers of every type - students, academics, judges and practitioners, operating in four sections: England and Wales, France, Scotland and Northern Ireland. Events include judicial cooperation, family law and criminal procedure, a maritime colloquium, as well as career events for young lawyers and moot competitions.

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 **FrancoBritishLawyersSociety**

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Institution of Civil Engineers

The ICE French Association serves the 150+ members of the Institution living in France. The association committee organises technical and social events including lectures and visits to major construction projects throughout France. Most events are open to the France sections of other UK engineering Institutions and to guests. The ICE French Association meetings, held in English, are an excellent way to network whilst keeping members informed about technical and business developments in Europe.

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Institution of Engineering and Technology – IET France

The Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET) is an international multidisciplinary professional engineering institution with over 168,000 members in 150 countries. The IET is the world's largest institution offering Engineering Council UK professional registration and offers world-class publications and resources supporting lifelong professional development, qualifications and career support. The Local Network organises seminars and technical visits for everyone to learn about engineering and meet others with an interest in technology. Most are free of charge.

Chair **Morgan Bonici**

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 **IET France Local Network**

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Institution of Mechanical Engineers

IMechE Groupe France has circa 400 members in France, out of its 115,000 members in 140 countries worldwide. Most members are in Paris, Toulouse, PACA and Rhône-Alpes regions. Operations in France started in 2000 and IMechE has been very active and dynamic since. Its raison d'être is to assist British-trained mechanical engineers in France, develop links with French-trained engineers and French Grandes Ecoles and hold technical and social events for its members. It has strong links with other British engineering institutions.

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 **IMechE Europe**

 **IMechE Groupe France**

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Union Franco-Britannique des Architects (UFBA/FBUA)

Since 1921 the UFBA/FBUA, through its network of French and British architects, contributes to advancing the education of architects by way of annual scholarship bursaries and hand-drawing workshops for students and young graduates from both countries. We also provide mutual service in the understanding of various aspects of our professional practices. Alternately every year, along with our meetings and congress, we visit heritage and contemporary architectural sites. The visits are open to anyone interested in architecture.

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SOCIETIES AND CLUBS

Association France – Grande-Bretagne

The Association, founded in 1916 while the Franco-British Society was being founded in London, aims to foster and develop Franco-British co-operation.

The AFGB network includes some 20 local associations, which organise talks and debates, visits and theme trips, social activities and, in general, aim to spread and promote British cultural and intellectual life, whilst helping British expats to integrate in France.

President **Patrick Hénault**

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Association Franco-Ecossaise

The AFE was born in 1896 a few months after its sister, the Franco-Scottish Society, was founded in Edinburgh. Its aims are to promote good relations between Scotland and France by the exchange of goodwill visits, by making Scotland better known in France through regular lectures and meetings in the old Scots College in Paris and by encouraging research on Scotland in French universities.

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British and Commonwealth Women's Association

The BCWA was created in 1962, but has evolved over the years to accommodate changing times and, more importantly, the changing attitudes of modern women. It offers a broad range of activities such as weekly coffee mornings, MahJong, Scrabble, book groups, beginners and intermediate bridge, quizzes, needlecraft, yoga, easy gym, and monthly walks in Paris. There are clubroom lunches and outside lunches. The BCWA is a voluntary organisation; all events are organised by members.

President **Valerie Chemama**
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British Conservatives in Paris

Our brief is to further the aims of the British Conservative Party and to provide a forum for Conservative Party supporters.

Our political and social events involving British politicians enable our members to debate political issues and meet visiting British and sometimes French parliamentarians. We represent members' views to the Party and we encourage qualified British subjects to register to vote in the UK.

Chairman **Jeremy Stubbs** 137 rue du Général de Gaulle, 78740 Vaux-sur-Seine
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British Freemasons in France

Freemasonry is one of the world's oldest and largest non-religious, non-political, fraternal and charitable organisations. Its values are based on integrity, kindness, honesty, fairness and tolerance. Every freemason makes his own journey of self-discovery, learning new skills, making lasting friendships, and above all having fun. Lodges offer all their members a place of harmony and tranquillity, an antidote to busy, modern life. Details of English-speaking recognised and regular Lodges in France are available from:

✉ brit.fms@gmail.com

The British Luncheon (1916)

Founded in 1916, the “Advisory Committee Lunch”, consisting of members of the Ambassador’s Advisory Committee on Exemptions from National Service, changed its name in 1935 to The British Luncheon (1916). Membership, by election only, is currently limited to 100 plus 15 privileged members including His Majesty’s Diplomatic Service officers. Luncheons are held on the third Tuesday of every month at the Cercle de l’Union Interalliée, with an annual Christmas luncheon, to which guests are invited.

Honorary Secretary **C M Wicker**

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The Caledonian Society of France

Founded in 1922, the Caledonian Society of France is Scotland’s cultural hub in France. It celebrates Scottish culture through events (St Andrew’s Ball and Burns Supper), music, ceilidh dancing, conferences... for Scots and lovers of Scotland.

The Society also organises quiz nights, film shows, whisky tastings, excursions and visits to places of cultural interest in and around Paris.

Anyone, whether Scots-born or not but with an interest in Scotland and its culture and traditions, is welcome to join.

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The Cambridge Society of Paris

The Cambridge Society of Paris provides a Cambridge meeting point and representation of the University in Paris. Membership can be applied for on our website or by contacting us by email. Events include lectures, debates, Embassy Garden Party, dinners with eminent speakers, sporting and social events. Current membership is 350. All alumni of Cambridge are welcome to join and it is free if you are under 30!

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The English-Speaking Union France

Founded in London in 1918, the ESU is an international educational charity promoting English as a shared language for communication, knowledge, understanding, and friendship. Today, it focuses on helping young people develop communication skills and cross-cultural understanding to thrive in a collaborative world. The ESU has branches in over 50 countries. In France, it is represented in Paris, the Loire Valley, Aix-Marseille, Bordeaux, and Strasbourg.

 **ESUFrance**

France Chairperson **Nicholas Hill**

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EU Britizens

EU Britizens is a group of experienced and dedicated professionals affected by Brexit aiming to help British Citizens' legal cases going before the Court of Justice of the European Union in order to win back our European Citizenship rights to vote, live, work, study and retire in the European Union as well as keeping Freedom of Movement in the EU.

President **Alice Bouilliez**

 **EUBritizens**

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Franco-British Connections

FB-Connections' philosophy is to encourage and help students to develop their own projects. We view student-led events as complementary to the regular course-based projects. Students are often not aware of their potential to organise important and mutually beneficial events with other universities; this is where FB-Connections strives to act as a catalyst, by putting students in touch with our alumni. The Franco-British Young Leader programme was incubated by us back in 2015.

President **Jean-Pascal Sibiet MBE**

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Secretary **Nicolas Khadivi**

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Labour International Paris & North East France

Labour International Paris and North East France is one of three Labour branches in France. It is part of Labour International, run like a Constituency Labour Party, and it holds monthly meetings in which it makes motions, debates, elects delegates for conference and energizes Labour voters living abroad to elect a majority Labour government. Our meetings are by ZOOM on the second Wednesday of the month. Visit our website and contact us with any questions.

labourinternational.net/branches/france-northeast-and-paris

Liberal Democrats in France

We are the official home for Liberal Democrat members and supporters living in France, with links to the party's organisation across the globe. We actively promote the interests and concerns of Britons living in France, including their right to register for a vote for life in UK elections and are campaigning for effective representation through their own constituencies abroad. Join as a Member from £15 per annum or as a Registered Supporter free of charge.

Chair **Simon Marlow**

 **LibDems in France**

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LibDemsinFrance.org

Message

Parenting is always an adventure but trying to blend different languages and cultures can sometimes feel overwhelming. Message Paris is a diverse, supportive community of English-speaking families living in and around Paris with one key goal: to help each other feel at home. We offer resources and support for all ages and all stages of the parenting journey. With hundreds of annual events, workshops and support offerings, Message provides a community where you always belong.

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The Oxford University Society of Paris

OUSP organises events for Oxford alumni, students and guests, ranging from breakfast and evening talks and dinners with distinguished speakers to convivial pub evenings, wine and cheese parties and a variety of other events. Events with the Cambridge Society include a viewing of the Boat Race, monthly drinks and some sports matches. A Garden Party at the British Embassy and Carol Singing at the Travellers are annual highlights. Our website provides membership information and details of events.

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The Paris Welsh Society – Cymdeithas Cymry Paris

The Paris Welsh Society, founded in 1890, brings together Welsh people working, visiting or resident in the Paris area, to share their cultural heritage.

The Society's annual programme of events includes the St David's Day dinner and Owain Glyndwr dinner, and during spring and summer an annual walk and boules competition.

PWS welcomes everyone who is Welsh, or who is interested in Wales, to join us. *Croeso i bawb sydd a diddordeb yng Nghymru.*

President **Alex Roberts**
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The Royal Society of Saint George

Founded in 1894, the Royal Society of Saint George, under the patronage of His Majesty the King, brings together all those in France who share a passion for the English way of life. Regular events at prestigious venues in and around Paris include the President's Cocktail Party, the St George's Day Dinner, the AGM and Summer Garden Party, the Longchamp Picnic, garden and museum visits, wine tastings and the Christmas Party. Proposer and seconder required.

President **Andrew Simpkin**

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France website theroyalsocietyofstgeorge.com

Worldwide website rssg.org.uk

Scottish University Alumni

The Scottish Alumni Group unites individuals in France who are alumni of Scottish universities or who value a strong connection to Scotland. Our aim is to foster an internationally focused community that promotes Scottish academic and cultural ties and strengthens cooperation and understanding between Scotland and France.

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Society of the Wallace Fountains

The Society of the Wallace Fountains promotes, preserves and protects the iconic Wallace Fountains of Paris, and recognises and encourages philanthropy in the spirit of Sir Richard Wallace. It provides education and information about the historic, cultural, and social significance of the fountains and their donor. The Society offers presentations and guided tours to groups, as well as 22 self-guided walks to find all the Wallace Fountains scattered throughout Paris via its guidebook and website.

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Women's International Club

Le WIC (Women's International Club) de Paris welcomes women of over 50 different nationalities residing in and around Paris. We offer activities such as museum visits, coffee mornings, lunches, local walks, book groups, monthly meetings and more! We extend a warm invitation for you to join us at one of our events and meet us in person. Please contact us by email or fill out the website inquiry form. We look forward to meeting you!

 **pariswic@pariswic.org**

 **membership@pariswic.org**

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pariswic.org

SPORTS

British Football School

Based at the British School of Paris for two years, British Football School run English language sports trainings welcoming boys and girls of all abilities. These are delivered by UEFA qualified British and Irish professional coaches. Our aim is to develop children's English fluency, football skills as well other life values such as teamwork and sportsmanship, delivered in a fun and engaging way.

 **contact@brfcparis.com**

tel. and  **06 32 55 52 74**

  **britishfootballschool**

britishfootballschool.com

British Rugby Football Club of Paris

The British Rugby Football Club of Paris is a rugby union club currently playing in the 1st division of the FFSE (Fédération Française de Sport en Entreprise). We have been going strong since 1923, training on Wednesdays and playing and socialising on Saturdays in and around the Paris area. Playing and social memberships are available and we have a good mix of French and expat players. Contact us for more information!

 **BRFC – British Rugby Paris**
brfcparis.com

 **contact@brfcparis.com**

Chantilly Cricket Club

Founded in 2006, Chantilly Cricket Club (CCC) has a superb pitch on the Chantilly Polo Club grounds at the Ferme d'Apremont. Members of a league, CCC offers competitive as well as its traditional leisure cricket for players of all ages and skills. We are open to new players throughout the season. Families are welcome too for a picnic whilst watching the game. Chantilly Cricket Club is a member of the ASPTT multi-sports federation.

President **Geoffrey Auckland**
Treasurer **Mark Rodmell**
Secretary **Nicholas Sansbury**
Captain **Eddy Hoyle**

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 **ChantillyCricketClub**

Château de Thoiry Cricket Club

Founded in 1990, we originally played in the superb setting of the grounds of a 16th century château. Unfortunately, in 2020, the owners of the cricket pitch found a new use for the ground, which now features as part of Thoiry Zoo.

The Club is currently nomadic, playing around 15 matches a season in the Ile de France area.

We are an open, friendly association, playing good quality, competitive cricket, always keen to find new members.

Club Secretary **John Hardy**

 **johnhardy25@aol.com**

Standard Athletic Club

The Standard Athletic Club, set in the heart of the forest of Meudon, is an English-speaking and family-oriented sports and social club. The Club boasts an outside swimming pool, eight tennis courts, two squash courts and magnificent grounds for cricket and football. We also have a well-equipped fitness room and golf is available at Villarcieux. Coaching is on hand for most sports and there are numerous activities for children. Many different events are staged throughout the year. The club is available for private functions. There is a good bar and restaurant offering lunches, brunches, and teatime of course.

Route Forestière du Pavé de Meudon, 92360 Meudon-la-Forêt

 **contact@saclub.org**

01 46 26 16 09
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AUVERGNE – RHÔNE-ALPES

Association France – Grande-Bretagne – Lyon & Rhône

The Lyon & Rhône branch of the Association France – Grande-Bretagne aims to promote Franco-British relations through cultural activities, including a monthly luncheon, talks by visiting speakers, a book circle, an English Scrabble group, a poetry reading group, cinema outings to see films in English, conversation groups, and a group which organises social events and outings. A monthly newsletter sent to members contains details of our programme, which can also be found on our website.

President **Christine Olley**
fgb-lyon.org

✉ **christine.olley@hotmail.fr**

English-Speaking Families Group, Lyon

ESFG Lyon provides a support network for native English-speaking families living in the Lyon area. We organize English-language playgroups for children of different ages at our hall in the 8^{ème} district of Lyon, as well as a diary of social events for parents and families.

To find out more about joining our group, please visit our website.

✉ **esfglyon@gmail.com**

esfglyon.com

Franco-British International Business Association (FIBA), Lyon

We are the representative body for the Franco-British & international business community in the Auvergne - Rhône-Alpes Region of France. As a member, you'll unlock opportunities to expand business activity through: a vibrant and diverse network, members' website database, regular seminars, meetings and events, top speakers from all walks of life, and links with other regional and international business clubs. Moreover, FIBA can connect you with experts outside the Association for personalized help, advice, and guidance.

President **Rachel Maury**
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Secretary **Nicolas Delorme**

Treasurer **Michel Bouzigues**
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Grapevine Association, Aix-les-Bains

Grapevine Association is a group in Aix-les-Bains who meet once a month to promote the English language and British culture. Founded in 1992, activities include conversation evenings, illustrated talks and outings. Emphasis is on the spoken word and topics related to British culture and traditions. A friendly group for anyone who would like to improve their English and become acquainted with the British way of life.

President **Joy Lorcery**

04 79 54 70 66

 **Grapevine Association Aix**

grapevineweb.wordpress.com

The Royal Air Forces Association, Lyon “Jubilee” Branch

We care for the welfare of the RAF family (serving or retired), for their dependents, and for members who are ex-Free French aviators. Lyon Jubilee Branch covers an extensive area encompassing most of eastern France and we are proud to be present with our Standard Bearer, together with the RBL Lyon Liberation Branch and other military associations, at many memorial events in our area commemorating the human sacrifice of RAF, Commonwealth and Allied Airmen.

President **Sean Brady**

✉ bradypa206@yahoo.com

Chair **Brian J Millar MRAeS**

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Branch Secretary **Shirley Faust**

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Branch Treasurer **Leslie Blankly FRAeS**

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Welfare Support Officer **Anne Daynes**

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The Royal British Legion, Lyon Liberation Branch

The Lyon Liberation Branch covers Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes and Bourgogne-Franche-Comté. As with the RBL world-wide, we help serving and ex-service personnel and their families, and we raise funds through the Poppy Appeal. We are present with our Standard at many Remembrance events, across the two regions, during the year: these vary from a memorial in a small commune in a rural area to a major commemoration such as the Liberation of Lyon.

Chairman **Garth Drury** ✉ garthlyon@gmail.com

Vice-Chairman **Brian Rosen**

Secretary **Mary Vince**

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Community Support (Welfare) **Katie Bouthier**

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Royal Scottish Country Dance Society, Lyon Branch

RSCDS Lyon Branch offers Scottish Dancing classes, opening the door to a very active worldwide community. We have a weekly Friday night class, with two parts (all dancers including beginners; then intermediate and advanced), and a Monday evening one, with lots of youngsters. We also organise ceilidhs, day classes and weekend schools, with live musicians whenever possible. We accept beginners all year round, so come and join us! "Fun, fitness and friendship" (the RSCDS's motto) guaranteed.

Contact **Laure Gardelle**

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rscds-lyon.fr

Trinity Church Lyon (Lyon Anglican Church)

We are an oasis for English-speakers in Lyon who want to discover and deepen their Christian Faith. We offer a spiritual home to displaced people from around the world, needing logistical and practical help. In order to fulfil our calling, we serve in partnership with local churches and actively seek overseas mission support. We meet every Sunday at 10.30 am, in an informal and family-friendly atmosphere. More info on our website.

50 rue Bancel, 69007 Lyon

lyonchurch.org

BRITTANY, NORMANDY & PAYS DE LA LOIRE

All Saints Vendée

All Saints Vendée is an Anglican church in the Diocese of Europe, and we welcome all denominations to our services which are held at 11.00 am every Sunday. There are a number of House Groups and other activities. Details of these and recent news can be found on our website, and the times and venues for services can be seen there and also on the British In France website.

allsaintsvendee.fr

Amicale Culturelle Européenne

Amicale Culturelle Européenne is a bilingual association based in Normandy. Members are of various nationalities (French, British, Belgian, Swedish, American, Dutch, German) and widely spread over Manche and Calvados.

We organize events such as visits to exhibitions, monuments, places of interest, talks or lectures on various subjects, private showing of films and operas, 2- or 3-day leisure outings, regular luncheons and a yearly get together with CONNECT, a similar association located in Dieppe.

President ✉ **president@amicale-culturelle.eu**
amicale-culturelle.eu

Secretary ✉ **secretaire@amicale-culturelle.eu**

Anglophone Association of Coutances

Formed in 1993, we are a multinational association of English-speaking people aiming to help each other in our integration into the French way of life and form links with the local French community. We organise events, walks, visits to places of interest and local enterprises and conversation groups, all of which enable us to learn more about our local countryside and communities. We frequently enjoy seasonal celebrations and the food of Normandy.

President **John Jenkins**

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anglophones.org

Association Lord Russell, Dinard

Lord Russell Association was launched in 1983 in Dinard, France. Its main purpose is to promote friendship with English speaking countries and especially the United Kingdom. Our Association aims at keeping alive the long-lasting British spirit in Dinard by setting up English language courses, round-table discussions in English and by being official partners of the regular Dinard British & Irish Film Festival, and managing the yearly twinning between Dinard and Newquay, Cornwall.

President **Chantal Allouche**

 **LordRussellDinard**

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asso-lordrussell.org

Christ Church La Manche, Normandy – C of E Diocese in Europe

Serving la Manche (50) and beyond: English Sunday service followed by refreshments: 11.00 am Homméel Church (Gratot, near Coutances), 4.00 pm Village du Mont Carmel Avranches, 5.00 pm 2nd Sunday monthly at Cherbourg. Online Bible Study and 'Something More' discussion groups. Broad-based Anglican/Episcopalian style welcoming Christians from varied backgrounds, led by Fr Chris Probert and ecumenical team. For details see website, Facebook page, or weekly Friday Focus email.

✉ frchris.christchurchmanche@gmail.com



Christ-Church-in-the-

Manchechurchnearyou.com/christ-church-manche-normandy

Connect

Connect is based in the Dieppe area. The association's aim is to promote all initiatives which will reinforce exchanges and friendship at an international level and in particular French-British relations. To this end, it organises events such as book exchanges, pub quizzes, restaurants, outings, coffee mornings in French or in English, etc.

President **Anne Vandellannoote**

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Le Havre Connections

LH Connections is a vibrant community that brings together expats, locals, Anglophones, and Francophones through a variety of clubs, meetups, and events. Run by members for members, the association offers opportunities to share experiences, explore different cultures, and build genuine friendships. Open to all nationalities, LH Connections has strong ties within the international community, including longstanding links with the British community, while fostering an inclusive and welcoming environment for everyone.

  **lhconnections**

✉ contact@lhconnections.com



lh-connections

lhconnections.com

Opéra de Baugé

Opéra de Baugé presents a summer opera festival, under cover with a full orchestra, in the park of Les Capucins. It enables opera lovers to combine an operatic performance with the relaxing pleasure of dining/picnicking with friends during the 90-minute interval in a beautiful setting.

For the 22nd season in 2026, the opera programme comprises *Acis, Galatea & Polyphemus* (Handel), *Don Pasquale* (Donizetti) and *Suor Angelica / Gianni Schicchi* (Puccini).

Les Capucins, 432 route du Lude, 49150 Baugé-en-Anjou

02 41 89 75 40

President **John Grimmatt**

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  **Opéra de Baugé**

operadebauge.fr

Saint Bartholomew's Anglican Church, Dinard

St Bart's is an international English-speaking church welcoming people of all ages and stages of faith. Visitors, holidaymakers, and residents of the Côte d'Émeraude are warmly invited to join us for worship, friendship, and community. Sunday Services: 10.00 am Zoom Service; 11.00 am Eucharist. Eat, Pray, Love: informal worship and fellowship twice monthly. Service times and activities may vary during the year – check our website for updates and to subscribe to our newsletter.

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Chaplain **The Revd Patrick Malone** ✉ chaplain@stbarthsdinard.fr

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Saint Mary's Caen – The Anglican Chaplaincy in the Calvados

We are a chaplaincy of the Church of England serving residents and holidaymakers in Normandy. All are welcome to our Eucharist and/or Morning Prayer in English (some with a translation into French) at 11.00 am every Sunday at the Chapelle de la Miséricorde, rue Elie de Beaumont, Caen. Tea and coffee after the service, and sometimes a light meal, bring us together in fellowship.

Churchwarden

Michelle Parker ✉ michelle.parker@orange.fr

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GRAND EST

Anglican Chaplaincy of St Alban's, Strasbourg

The Anglican community of St Alban's in Strasbourg gathers each Sunday at 10.30 am at the chapel of the Dominicans, just across from the University of Strasbourg. We seek to be an open and welcoming congregation, coming from many diverse backgrounds and experiences yet each of us finding a home at St Alban's. We take seriously our responsibility to respect and care of one another and to create a safe environment for everyone.

Chaplain **Reverend Mark Barwick**
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International School Strasbourg

International School Strasbourg provides high-quality English-language education for local and international families. We cultivate an environment that fosters academic excellence, bilingual proficiency, and international-mindedness. Our mission is to prepare students not only for academic success but also to become compassionate, open-minded global citizens who value diversity and make a positive impact on the world. We are an intentionally small, independent school enrolling nearly 120 students from 30 different nationalities. Pre-Kindergarten, Primary, Middle and High School.

 **International-School-Strasbourg**
internationalschoolstrasbourg.com

  **InternationalSchoolStrasbourg**

Young Actors Theatre Strasbourg

The Young Actors Theatre Strasbourg (YATS) aims to promote Anglophone theatre in the Strasbourg community through plays, musicals and educational programs. It offers young people professional theatre training in a safe, positive environment. Theatre sparks imagination, builds creativity, and fosters problem solving through collaboration. It strengthens confidence and provides skills that help children understand the world and engage with it. YATS helps young people grow artistically and personally, empowering them to shape their future.

 **yatstrasbourg**
 **info@yatstrasbourg.com**

 **yatstras**
yatstrasbourg.com

HAUTS-DE-FRANCE

Anglican Church in the Pas-de-Calais

All are welcome to our services, which are held regularly at 10.30 am at our three worship centres: on the second Sunday of each month in Calais, on the third Sunday in Hesdin, and on the fourth Sunday in Boulogne. These Holy Communion services are led by our priest. More information is available on our website – including the monthly chaplaincy newsletter, where you can read more about us.

President **Revd Teena Twelves**

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Secretary **Clare Page**

 **clare.page@wanadoo.fr**

anglicanspdc.org

You can also find us on **achurchnearyou.com**

British Association Côte d'Opale

BACO will celebrate its 10th anniversary this year. We are now established as the go-to association representing British residents in the Côte d'Opale area. We are proud, as well, of our French membership. We offer social and cultural events, we hold Anglo-French conferences, and our monthly English Book Club continues to explore an eclectic selection of authors and titles. We continue to advise members on issues affecting them as Brits living in France post-Brexit.

President **George Murray 06 08 04 31 34**

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bacobritishassociation.com

British Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCCI), Lille

The Chamber promotes and facilitates business and trade relations between the UK and Lille and the Hauts de France region.

Founded in 1868, the Chamber also works closely with national, regional and local business support organisations and cofounded the UK Business Centre, Lille in April 2023.

Business, networking, cultural and social events and activities are organised throughout the year.

Members meet for lunch on the first Friday of each month.

President **Nik Haidar**

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bcci-lille.com

Christ Church, Lille

We're a friendly international community of people from diverse backgrounds and different ages. Services are held within the Anglican tradition, and we welcome everyone, whatever your age, nationality or religious background. Full details of services, groups and events are on our website; we look forward to seeing you.

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christchurchlille.fr

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Royal British Legion, Nord / Pas-de-Calais Branch

In the Nord and the Pas-de-Calais, the remains of British service personnel lost in the two world wars are still found and buried beside their comrades, and we are there, to honour them and to support their families. We also provide assistance to current members of the British Armed Forces, veterans and their families. We raise money for the Poppy Appeal and attend British, French and Commonwealth commemorations. Join us to assist in our work.

Chairman **John Knight**
Secretary **Jennie Knight**

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branches.britishlegion.org.uk/branches/nord-pas-de-calais

MONACO

British Association of Monaco

The Association, established in 1935, aims to provide a social focus for British and Commonwealth citizens living in and around Monaco and to provide a community support service to those in need, whether BAM members or not. A monthly Newsletter provides members with information on monthly events such as drinks evenings, outings, talks, etc. and organise the annual King's Birthday Party to celebrate the official birthday.

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 [british-association-of-monaco](https://www.linkedin.com/company/british-association-of-monaco)

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 **British Association of Monaco (BAM)**

bam-monaco.org

NOUVELLE-AQUITAINE

ACFAA

ACFAA, which was formed in 1992, is a multi-cultural, non-profit-making organisation bringing together around 800 British and French people, plus those from another 24 countries globally. The Association promotes wellness, culture, sport and fun through a wide range of regular activities and social events. Its French and English language classes are highly popular. Managed and run entirely by volunteers, membership is open to everyone.

✉ info@acfaa.com
acfaa.com

 **ACFAA**

The Anglican Chaplaincy of Aquitaine

Part of the worldwide Anglican Communion and in the Diocese in Europe, we minister to the spiritual needs of English-speaking people in the Gironde, Dordogne, Lot et Garonne and part of the Gers. We are home to Christians from all denominations and nationalities, and welcome those who are exploring questions of faith, or looking for companionship or support. Our church communities meet for services held in several locations throughout the region, including baptisms, weddings, and funerals.

✉ admin@churchinaquitaine.org

06 72 31 72 87

 [chaplaincyofaquitaine](https://www.facebook.com/chaplaincyofaquitaine)

churchinaquitaine.org

Association Franco-Anglaise

In 2005 a group of British and French residents from Royan started AFA to encourage interaction between the cultures. Over the years the association has grown and now we have a full diary of events year-round including arts and crafts, clubs for different interests, visits etc. To encourage integration of members and improve language skills, the committee has an equal number of British and French members. See more on our website.

✉ associationfrancoanglaise@gmail.com

afa17.com

Bon Coeur

We raise funds to distribute to local causes. We have a shop in Beauville 47470, open regularly with clothes, books, brocante and jewellery, and our enormous Spring and Autumn Grand Bazaar sales. 10,000 books, 1,000 clothes, 50+ tables of keenly-priced brocante. We assist with neutering errant cats. Since inception, we have made donations of over €180,000 – generally to smaller local Associations. Quality donations are welcome, but please contact us. New volunteers always welcome.

President **Charles Miskin**

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Treasurer treasurer@boncoeur47.fr

Secretary ✉ secretary@boncoeur47.fr

 **Bon Coeur (Beauville)**

boncoeur47.fr

The Bordeaux British Community

The Bordeaux British Community is an Aquitaine-based social association. We have a multi-national membership, the only requirement is a reasonable grasp of the English language.

Our association has on our books approximately 100 family memberships, who mostly live within an 80 km radius of Bordeaux. Normally we have around three events each month and issue a monthly newsletter. If you would like to learn more about us visit our website.

✉ president@bordeauxbritish.com

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bordeauxbritish.com

Charente Limousine Exchange

Founded in 2003, the CLE is a group of enthusiastic members who now reside or intend to reside in France. They maintain contact with the British Consulate in order to keep their members correctly informed of French administrative changes affecting them. CLE organises a range of social activities and experiences, including flying days, trips exploring the region, regular lunches, quizzes and randonnées. Forums on French tax and other relevant issues provide crucial membership support.

President **Marilyn Reynolds**

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The Dordogne Ladies Club International

We are a not-for-profit association for women living in and around the Dordogne. We are a vibrant community of all ages and nationalities (with English as the common language). Our ethos is networking, friendship, support, and charity fundraising. We have hubs in Bergerac, Périgueux, Sainte Foy la Grande, Villereal and St Aulaye. We hold coffee/apéro clubs weekly and events (quizzes, fairs, wine tasting, cultural visits) book clubs and monthly lunches throughout the year.

President **Dana Skelley**

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Dordogne Ladies Club International

dlci.club

The Dordogne Organisation of Gentlemen

Formed in 1987, DOG is an association of anglophones of various nationalities in and around the Dordogne area. We meet at least once a month at a variety of excellent restaurants for lunch and convivial discourse. At each lunch, a member normally gives a talk on a subject of his choice, or a quiz or similar is held. Three lunches a year are attended by wives and partners. Participation is by invitation from a member.

Contact ✉ **dogsecretary1@gmail.com**

The Old School

The Old School is a co-educational day school offering an English curriculum for students aged 10 to 19 in a supportive environment committed to academic excellence. We value creativity, imagination, and the quest for knowledge and understanding. Students are encouraged to discover and enjoy their individual strengths and capacities and develop fluency in English and French. We promote academic achievement, global community participation. We also provide English education in a local French primary school.

The Old School, 3 Rue du Fort, 47290, Monbahus

Adult Education/Examination Centre, 47410 St Colomb de Lauzun

✉ **info@oldschoolfrance.com**

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05 53 64 24 97

oldschoolfrance.com

Oxford University Alumni, South West France

Oxford University Society South West France welcomes all Oxford alumni living full- or part-time in Nouvelle-Aquitaine and Occitanie and their families and guests. Visits to places of interest, often accompanied by a wine-tasting and always by lunch, are organized from April to November. We also circulate information received from members about activities in which they are involved, such as concerts, music festivals, and theatrical productions, as well as some British Community Committee events.

Chairman **Greg Hawes**

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Hon. Secretary **Jeremy Trace**

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Hon. Treasurer **Mark Galloway**

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Past and Present Rotarians Fellowship Club (Bergerac)

An English conversation luncheon club that meets every fourth Wednesday of each month. We rotate our luncheon venues every month, so please contact us for the latest information.

The club is open to both male and female (and their partners) past or present members of Rotary, Inner Wheel, Probus, Round Table, Ladies Circle, 41 Club, Tangent Club, and other like-minded clubs.

President **Jill Ferry**

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Phoenix Association

Phoenix is a non-profit organisation managed and run exclusively by volunteers, operating across the Dordogne and surrounding departments. The members are mainly British but also French, Dutch and some other nationalities. We take in abused or abandoned animals for rehabilitation and re-homing. We act as intermediary between SPA shelters and people wishing to adopt from them. The Spring and Autumn Book Fairs are the stars of the yearly social events.

President **Reija Feldmann**

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Treasurer **Linda Foster-Smith**

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Secretary **Jo Bish**

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Membership **Chrystina Wardleworth**

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[PhoenixAssociationFrance](https://www.facebook.com/PhoenixAssociationFrance)

phoenixasso.fr

The Royal Air Forces Association (RAFA), Sud-Ouest France

RAF Association Sud-Ouest France (Loire to Spanish border). Membership comprises RAF veterans of many nationalities and those with an interest in all things aeronautical.

We meet regularly all over our region. Our support team of trained welfare officers takes active care of veterans and their dependents. We attend ceremonial commemorations remembering those RAF personnel who gave their lives in SW France. We are the charity that supports the RAF family.

Chair **Squadron Leader Beryl Dennett Stannard RAF (retd)**

06 89 90 55 82

Secretary **Squadron Leader Terry Dennett RAF (retd)**

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The Royal British Legion, Bordeaux & S.W. France Branch

It is thought that the branch existed before WWII but it traces its current existence to 22nd November 1946. We cover Nouvelle-Aquitaine, an area larger than Scotland, and have four priorities: welfare support for the Military, Veterans and their Families; liaison with other Military Charities in France; raising funds for the Annual Poppy Appeal; Remembrance and Ceremonial duties in the area. Regular updates are posted on our Facebook Page.

Secretary **Philip Morrison**

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Treasurer **Paul Phillips MBE**

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 **Bordeaux & S.W. France Branch, Royal British Legion**
branches.britishlegion.org.uk/branches/bordeaux

OCCITANIE

Chaplaincy of Midi-Pyrénées & Aude

We are a Church of England Chaplaincy in the Diocese in Europe, currently comprising six worship centres with diverse congregations in Brens (Tarn), Carcassonne (Aude), Cahors (Lot), Caylus (Tarn et Garonne), Toulouse (Haute Garonne), and Vayrac (Lot). All offer a community to be part of: worshipping (in English), studying, helping others and, most importantly, journeying together in the light of Christ. All are welcome! For dates and times of services, please visit our website.

Contact **Revd Paul Willis - Chaplain Midi Pyrenees and Aude**

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Secretary: **Georgina Hodgson**

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churchinmidipa.com

Ecumenical Church of Occitanie

ECO is an online English-language church providing worship for Christians who do not have easy access to an anglophone church. Our services (which are broadcast up to four times each week) are inspired by Iona Celtic worship. You are welcome to take part in our online communion services whether or not you are confirmed. Sunday services are usually followed by a Zoom Virtual Coffee Bar. Our monthly newsletter, ECHO, is downloadable free from our website.

 **ECO – The Ecumenical Church of the Occitanie**

✉ occitaniechurch.ourchurch.fr

✉ contact@ourchurch.fr

PROVENCE – ALPES – CÔTE D'AZUR

Anglo-American Group of Provence (AAGP)

The AAGP is a non-profit social organisation, created over 50 years ago, run by volunteers, offering opportunities to find friendship, support and information relevant to life in France. We organise a year-round programme of activities for all ages and interests which are published in a monthly newsletter. Our aims are to welcome English-speaking newcomers to their new life in Provence, to share activities, make new friends and promote friendship within our French community.

aagp-provence.com

Association Culturelle Franco-Britannique du Comtat Venaissin

A small group of English people who met regularly in Carpentras to practise French founded the association in 1985. Monthly outings were soon added to weekly conversations, and we now offer a variety of outings and activities such as Scottish dancing, comedy workshops, boules, a ciné club and also a collective kitchen garden.

Our key role is to help anglophones from countries all over the world integrate into the area.

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British Association of the Var

Serving the whole of the Department, the British Association of the Var, (BAV) is a vibrant organisation providing welfare support and social opportunities for English speakers from all countries and communities. Currently there are over 350 members who come together for a range of activities held at several locations throughout the Var and at all times of the year.

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Cancer Support Group 06 is a free registered charitable association providing emotional and practical support to English speakers affected by cancer in the Alpes-Maritimes (06), Monaco and eastern Var (83). We are affiliated with Cancer Support France. All services are provided entirely free of charge in English.

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Riviera Lifeline is a non-profit, non-denominational organisation serving the Var and the Alpes-Maritimes. Our volunteers help seniors to continue independent lives across the French Riviera, for example, visiting seniors at home, lending a sympathetic ear and offering companionship. We can usually be found at The Grange on Thursdays and the third Saturday each month. Please contact us for details.

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Sunnybank Association

Sunnybank Association is involved in Victoria Residential Care Home and Albert Retirement Apartments, operated by French company EMERA (victoria@emera.fr). Sunnybank's headquarters is The Grange, used for fundraising and operating as a social centre, open 10.00 am to 3.00 pm every Thursday, and the third Saturday of the month.

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Renewing your WARP residency permit

See our website entry britishinfrance.com/news-stories/do-you-need-to-renew-your-warp-residents-permit. As the first WARP residency permits were issued in the last quarter of 2021 and in 2022, those which only had a five-year validity are now coming up for renewal. Almost all holders of a five-year WARP card who are still resident in France will now be able to apply for renewal and receive a 10-year permanent WARP permit (although these do have a 10-year validity after which they can be renewed). Our website (see link above) lists the answers to the most frequently asked questions about WARP renewal. Perhaps the most important points are that every prefecture has set up their own renewal process and so you will need to consult the website of your prefecture to find out what to do. Over half have opted to use an online renewal process through demarche.numerique.gouv.fr/. However, the process is specific to each prefecture so you will have to go through their site to have the correct link. All prefectures should only ask for a limited and standard list of documents (see details on our website) although experience has been that some do ask for additional information. Another important point is that applications for renewal should not be made more than two months before the WARP's expiry date. Once you have completed your application, you should make sure you receive a "récépissé" as this will mean your old card remains valid for six months after your renewal date. If you have any difficulties you can contact us at britishinfrance.com/contact-us and we will do what we can to assist.

Renewing your British passport if you live in France

See our website entry britishinfrance.com/news-stories/renewing-your-british-passport-in-france. British citizens living in France should apply for their new UK passport online at gov.uk/renew-adult-passport/renew. You will be given the option of entering the code of a digital photograph or taking your own photo. French digital photos are not accepted, so if you are not visiting the UK in the three months before your passport renewal, you can take a digital photograph using the camera on your PC or Smartphone. The website will tell you whether the photo is acceptable. Then complete the rest of the online form and use your bank card details to pay the required amount including the courier fee for delivery of your new passport. Next send your old passport to HM Passport Office at the address indicated in the confirmation email, preferably by registered post. If you are a dual national, you will also need to send a colour photocopy of every page (including blank pages) of your other passport. Your application cannot be processed until HM Passport Office receives your current (now "old") passport, but you will be advised by e-mail when it does receive it. When your new passport has been printed, you should receive an e-mail confirming that your new passport is on its way and has been sent by secure delivery. In practice there can be a delay between this message being sent and actual despatch of the new passport. Your "old" passport and the copy of your other passport will also be sent back to you in a separate envelope. It is possible to make a "paper" renewal application, but forms can only be obtained from a UK Post Office and it costs more.

Emergency Travel Documents are for British nationals finding themselves outside the UK and whose passport has been lost, stolen, damaged, is full, has recently expired, or is with HM Passport Office or a foreign embassy, and who do not have time to renew or replace their passport before travelling. You will need to provide proof of your travel plans, for example booking confirmations (or detailed written travel plans, if you cannot book ahead). Following your online application, you may need to attend an appointment at a British Embassy, High Commission or Consulate. See gov.uk/emergency-travel-document/how-to-apply.

Registering to vote in the UK

See our website entry britishinfrance.com/news-stories/voting-in-the-uk-for-british-citizens and gov.uk/voting-when-living-abroad.

UK nationals resident overseas may register to vote in the UK constituency where they were last registered, where they last resided or were last registered to vote. UK nationals in France can register at gov.uk/register-to-vote. National Insurance number, the current postcode of your last UK address (as it may have changed since you lived there) and passport details are required. See electoralcommission.org.uk/voting-and-elections. Those who were too young to register when they left the UK must have had a parent or guardian who has been registered. Registered overseas voters are eligible to vote for UK General Elections, but not local government elections or elections for the devolved assemblies.

Once you are registered, you can choose to vote in person at your local polling station if you are in the UK on Election Day. Otherwise, you can apply in advance to vote by post or by proxy. You can register for this online for constituencies in England, Scotland or Wales by going to electoralcommission.org.uk/voting-and-elections/ways-vote/apply-vote-post or electoralcommission.org.uk/voting-and-elections/ways-vote/apply-vote-proxy. If your proxy lives in a different area, they can apply for a postal proxy vote.

Applying for French nationality

You are allowed to hold both French and British nationalities. Usually at least five years' legal, law-abiding residence in France is required for naturalisation par décret. An application for naturalisation par décret for most foreigners (not those with a French spouse and/or French children, where the procedure is different) requires form CERFA n°12753*03 (which can be completed on-line) and documents including family members' birth, marriage, divorce and death certificates together with translations by an approved translator. The form asks for details of relatives and children, as well as those of the applicant, all work positions ever held, and all places of residence in France and abroad. Applicants' ability to speak French may be tested. Applications should be made to the préfecture. The website service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F2213 gives detailed information in French, receives on-line applications, and includes a simulator where would-be applicants answer questions about their situation, and obtain a tailored list of the required documents.

Travelling between the UK and France with your pet

If you enter the UK, or an EU member state from the UK, with an animal and do not have the correct documents, your pet may be put into quarantine or sent back to the country it travelled from, at your expense.

For travel to France, see gov.uk/taking-your-pet-abroad and the Pet Travel Scheme pages, pettravel.com/immigration/France.cfm.

For travel to the UK, see gov.uk/bring-your-pet-to-great-britain.

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