



Member Support | Training Opportunities | Social Activities | Local Influence

At the Beds, Bucks and Herts Society of Chartered Accountants ('BBH') we are dedicated to empowering Chartered Accountants in our area.

As BBH members of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales ('ICAEW') you will gain access to support for your professional journey and to enhance your career.

Why join BBH?

Member Support & Engagement

- **Digital Accountants Club (open to members in both practice and business)**

Join our monthly virtual meet-ups to tackle industry challenges, collaborate on innovative solutions and support each other in a dynamic environment – all in just one hour.

- **Annual Younger Members' BBQ**

Connect with peers in an informal setting at our annual summer BBQ, in the beautiful private grounds of St. Michael's Manor in St. Albans.

Meet with fellow members, students and members of the Hertfordshire Law Society.

Hear from distinguished guests like Sharron Gunn, Chief Operating Officer at the ICAEW – who spoke this year about her experiences and shared insights made possible by virtue of a Chartered Accountant qualification.



Some 100 people attend from across the Counties, including students from both the University of Bedfordshire and the University of Hertfordshire.

- **Annual Dinner**

This takes place in the spring and is an opportunity for members to meet socially. Celebrate the year with us at the prestigious event along some 100+ members and guests.

Network and hear from key note speakers.

Right: Jonathan Goodwin, inspirational former stunt performer, addresses members and guests on behalf of the Spinal Injuries Association at the Soppell House Hotel, St Albans, March 2024



Exceptional Training Opportunities

- **CPD Courses – face-to face training**

Benefit from over 20 tailored CPD events each year, including the premier ‘Accountants in Business’ conference. Our face-to-face sessions are designed to complement ICAEW’s virtual offerings and keep you ahead in your field.



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that suit your needs

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- **Discussion Groups**

Engage in thought provoking discussion, technical updates and networking take place regularly at locations around Bedfordshire, Buckinghamshire and Hertfordshire.

The Chatham House Rule applies, so you can speak freely with your peers and knowledgeable presenters about issues that affect you and your business. These evening events are often followed by a light meal.

Upcoming topics include: *‘The Budget: Key Opportunities and Tax Issues’*.

Engaging Social Activities

- **Women's Networking Group**

Join our vibrant community 3 or 4 times in a year to advance your careers with shared experience, mutual support and networking.



Wednesday 16th October 12:30pm – 14:30pm
Hemel Hempstead Road, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, HP3 8LA

BBH Women's Network invite you to join us for
Afternoon Tea at Centurion Golf Club

- Traditional Afternoon Tea £30
- Sparkling Afternoon Tea £35 (served with a glass of prosecco)

Please RSVP by email to:
lucy.ghawss@raynersex.com

Payment due at time of booking:
Please use reference: WN followed by your name

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Topics include goal setting, work life balance and returning to work after maternity.

Recent sessions featured influential speakers Seema Kennedy OBE (PPS to former Prime Minister Theresa May) and Daisy Cooper (Deputy Leader of the Liberal Democrats).



- **Annual Quiz Night**

Test your trivia skills at our fun-filled autumn quiz night. This year our Olympic themed quiz on the evening of Thursday 3rd October 2024 at the Old Albanians Sports Club pavilion, just north of St Albans.

- **Golf Society**

Enjoy camaraderie and competition at our golf events, featuring a full day of golf, lunch and prizes.



- **Retired Members' Events**

Stay connected with peers and enjoy exclusive events, including guided tours and inspiring talks like the one due this November from Lucy Lewis, the UK's first female bomb disposal expert.

There are usually 3 or 4 events a year.

Recent events included a guided tour of the Guildhall, City of London, followed by lunch at the ICAEW's One Moorgate Place Club in June (see *picture to the right*).



Valuable Local Influence

- **Business Members' Events**

Gain insights from industry and thought leaders such as Sam McAllister (on the Emily Maitlis Prince Andrew interview), Daksh Gupta (on transforming the £300 million Marshall Motor Group into a £4 billion business) and Nick Beighton (the former CEO at ASOS).

Our events offer a unique chance to interact with high-profile speakers and explore their success stories.

- **Connections with Local Universities**

Build on our relationships with the University of Bedfordshire and the University of Hertfordshire. This is a two-way relationship, with students exposed to the potential of becoming Chartered Accountants and local practices seeing the local Universities as a source of potential employees.

- **Graduate Mentoring Scheme**

Contribute to the next generation of Chartered Accountants by participating in our mentoring program, supporting students from local universities.

- **Social Mobility Initiatives**

Support the national 'Access Accountancy' initiative and help make our profession more representative of wider society.



Get Involved Today!

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