RSM Coloproctology Section

Colorectal surgery in the 21st Century: From managing abdominal catastrophes to identifying biomarkers for rectal cancer

Friday 22 May and Saturday 23 May 2020 (note this is the late May Bank Holiday weekend)

Please see below a list of suggested travel and accommodation options. Note that the following information is just a suggestion to help with your travel arrangements.

Travel

Do explore the options. You may find that a travel agent can offer a better deal - Premier Travel specialise in Channel Islands trips

https://www.premier-travel.co.uk/channel_islands_and_isle_of_man

Boat:

- The Condor Clipper, conventional car and passenger ferry departs from Portsmouth usually around 9am, arriving around 4pm. Occasionally, depending on the tide, this ferry travels via Jersey first which means arriving in Guernsey around 9pm. Return is overnight departing about 5.30pm and travelling via Jersey reaching Portsmouth at 6.30am. Cabins available with complimentary breakfast.
- 2. Condor Liberation, a fast catamaran, is more weather dependent. Travel time is 3 hours from Poole. Departure times vary according to tides.

Air:

- 1. Aurigny is the local airline. Departures from Manchester x2 daily, Gatwick several daily, Bristol, East Midlands, Leeds-Bradford, Southampton, Stanstead and some newer routes.
- Flybe flies direct from Southampton, Birmingham, Exeter, Southend, etc. Some routes go via Jersey with a 20-minute stop over and you usually stay on the plane. Do check closely if you are booking your flight with Flybe as their new web site can get you to Guernsey from almost anywhere but there may be several changes and take much longer than the 45 to 90 minutes a more direct flight takes.

Carry-on luggage allowance is similar for both airlines **but** as they commonly use propeller planes as opposed to jets the dimensions will be different to Easyjet and Ryan Air, so do double check!

Car hire:

There is a taxi rank at the airport and close to the harbour. Car hire can be arranged from the airport or harbour. Europcar and Avis. Just in case you are considering car hire roads are single file in many places, maximum speed limit is 35mph, 25mph in town and built up areas, 15mph on Ruettes Tranquiles. Please consult Guernsey variations in the Highway Code so that you understand the use of filters. All hire cars have an 'H' on a yellow background so that we know you are foreigners!

Accommodation:

The range of hotels, self-catering, B&B is vast. Most is of a good standard. A few that we would recommend follow:

- 1. Hotels in St Peter Port Main town
 - a. 5* Old Government House (think Raffles), Spa
 - b. 4* Duke of Richmond
 - c. 3* Rocquettes the hospital puts up visiting consultants here
 - d. 2* Les Cotils a Christian centre, superb views
- 2. Hotels out of town
 - a. 4* The Farmhouse, St Saviours
 - b. 4* Fermain Valley, St Martin's
 - c. 3* The Barbarie, St Martins also does self catering
- 3. Self catering
 - https://selfcateringinguernsey.com
 - a. Les Residences, Castel no children due to a large pond
 - b. The Barbarie

Travel insurance:

You are advised to make sure your travel insurance covers you for any health issues that may arise whilst you are in Guernsey. Guernsey is not in the NHS although most treatment follows NHS principles. Neither is Guernsey in the EU therefore your EU health card is not valid.

Meeting venues:

Day 1: Friday 22 May 2020 - Guernsey Museums and Galleries

Frossard Lecture Theatre, Candie Gardens, St Peter Port, Guernsey, GY1 1UG

Day 2: Saturday 23 May 2020 - Princess Elizabeth Hospital Emma Ferbrache Room, Princess Elizabeth Hospital, Rue Mignot, St Andrews, GY6 8TW

Conference optional dinner: Pier 17 restaurant Location: Albert Pier, Saint Peter Port, GY1 1AD Three course meal with wine Pre-booked delegates only