

St Aubin-Emsworth Twinning Association Newsletter

December 2011

Letter from the Chairman

Dear Members,

Welcome to the December issue of our Newsletter.

As the festive season once again draws near I want to bring you all up to date with our most recent events and with those yet to come in 2012.

Our last two events, the Treasure Hunt on the 4th August and the Photo Reminiscences Evening on 30th September were enjoyed by many of our members and also several guests of members and these have found their way in picture form on to the twinning website where they can be viewed in fulsome and colourful detail. These are well worth a look. However I cannot let this newsletter pass without extending my thanks to Gary and Hazel Willard for organising so well the Treasure Hunt and to Graham Maxwell-Cox for putting together the pastiche of scenes from so many of our activities. Under his artistic guidance we re-lived on the 'Big Screen' many happy memories.

As mentioned these are now visible to all who access the website, including this newsletter, together with latest information on up-coming events and as we embrace the technology of the internet more and more you will be able to find all the information that you need about the association on the website. But those without internet are not neglected and a hardcopy version of the newsletter will still be delivered to all members. This version is an exception in that the printed version will be in mono as it is mainly print and preparation time was short.

Now for next year. We begin with the Annual Dinner for which we return to another popular venue the Emsworth Sailing Club. It takes place on Saturday 21st January at 7:30 pm and a delicious menu has been crafted by the club's resident chef especially for your committee. The full details are included with the Booking Form attached to this newsletter. With the inclusion of our excellent raffle and its well-stocked list of prizes I am looking forward massively to what promises to be a most enjoyable and convivial evening and to renewing all our friendships.

Now please read on

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As the year progresses in March we have the AGM with a Fish & Chip Supper at the beginning of the month on Friday 9th March and then at the end of the month on Saturday 31st March we will produce a very exciting special event along the lines of BBC TV's 'Allo-Allo'. This has been skilfully designed for your delectation by Alan Borrow and will be acted by members of the association. Although very much still under wraps the script is said to be hilarious and to include many of the characters for which the original programme is famous. We hope this will encourage a large turn-out so please put the date of Saturday 31st March into your diaries.

As if this were not enough excitement for one year we have the visit to St Aubin sur Mer in May. The actual dates are Friday 4th May to Monday 7th May and the twinneders of St Aubin are going to be waiting for a large number of us to arrive. On which point we shall need to know exact numbers and names of those members wishing to travel by the time of our AGM above. Of course final planning for all these activities has yet to be completed and you will be informed as soon as this information becomes available. More details of both these events will be in our next and subsequent newsletters.

Now for the hard bit! Having served as your Chairman with great pride and no small sense of trepidation I shall be relinquishing the position at the AGM in March next year. I am most grateful for your support over the last nearly nine years, a support that has enabled us to take the association through many varieties of event and all sorts of twinning visit, some less successful than others, and on into our twenty-fifth anniversary. However, I am very glad to say that a successor to the post in the form of Hazel Willard has been found a choice which I know will be very popular amongst you all and a character capable of taking the association on to even greater heights of success. I shall be able to address you more fully in March but for the time being we thought it best to advise you of this impending change.

Lastly, may I wish you all the best for the coming Festive Season and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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Keith

- Important Advance Event Announcement -

The St Aubin Players' next big production entitled, 'Allo, Allo' will be on Saturday (evening) the 31st March 2012 in St James Parish Hall. Tickets, priced at £12.50 will include a hot supper and will be on sale at the Annual Dinner on January 21st. To guarantee your place, members are requested to order and pay for their tickets by 21st January. This will ensure that Members have priority.

**EMSWORTH-ST AUBIN TWINNING ASSOCIATION ANNUAL DINNER
SATURDAY 21ST JANUARY 2012, 7:30 for 8:00 pm
AT THE EMSWORTH SAILING CLUB**

A WELCOME DRINK OF WINE OR FRUIT JUICE

MENU

CHESTNUT MUSHROOM AND ASPARAGUS BRIOCHE

Cooked with white wine, basil and cream

ITALIAN STUFFED PORK

Cooked with herbs and mozzarella cheese served on sauté potatoes with a balsamic sauce

Served with seasonal vegetables

VEGETARIAN ALTERNATIVE

Roquefort and caramelised red-onion tart served with a creamed leek sauce

ESC will need to know vegetarian numbers so please indicate your choice on the Booking Form

DESSERT

LEMON POSSET

Hand-made with clotted cream, shortcake biscuits and crushed honeycomb

DESSERT ALTERNATIVE - CHEESE PLATTER

A selection of cheeses accompanied by biscuits

ESC will need to know cheese numbers so please indicate your choice on the Booking Form

CAFÉ

Coffee and fine mints

As the ESC will require the names of members and guests in advance to avoid each one signing in separately we will collect this from the Booking Forms and forward to the ESC. The ESC is situated in Bath Road, Emsworth. Parking is available in their car park but this may be limited due to some space being occupied by stored yachts.

Current Committee until 9th March 2012

Chairman	Keith Richardson	01243 430737	Pam Burns	01243 373632
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Annual Subscriptions

Members are reminded that their Annual Subscriptions for the year 2012 are due by the end of February. Please send the form below to Martin Delaporte by 28th February 2012 with a cheque for Family Membership of £25.00 per annum or Single Membership of £15.00 per annum

Subscriptions 2012

We would respectfully remind all members that subscriptions for the year 2012 are due before the end of February 2012 and hope that you will be able to settle this promptly.

Family membership: £25.00 Single membership: £15.00

I/we wish to renew Membership and enclose £.....

Name: Signed:

Please return with your remittance to: The Treasurer, Mr Martin Delaporte, Lane Ends, 54 Hollybank Lane, EMSWORTH, PO10 7UE

Please make cheques payable to: St Aubin-Emsworth Twinning Association.

ST AUBIN-EMSWORTH TWINNING ASSOCIATION

BOOKING FORM - ANNUAL DINNER

Sat. 21st January 2012 7.30 pm for 8.00 pm at the Emsworth Sailing Club, Bath Road, Emsworth.

Please reserve _____ member places for this event @ £25.00 per person.

Please reserve _____ guest places for this event @ £25.00 per person.

(Guest Names are:)

Please indicate whether the vegetarian option is required _____ and if so quantity.

Please indicate whether the dessert alternative is required _____ and if so quantity

I enclose a cheque for £____ made payable to St Aubin-Emsworth Twinning Association

Note: The number of places at this venue is limited to approximately 50. Members' bookings will thus be accepted first. Members' guests can only be accepted within the maximum seating capacity of this venue. The guest price is the same as that for members.

Signed _____

Name _____

Please detach and return this slip with your cheque by Monday 16th January 2012 to:
Martin Delaporte, Lane Ends, 54 Hollybank Lane, Emsworth, PO10 7UE