

Emsworth - Saint Aubin Twinning Association Newsletter Easter 2014



May 22

Briefing at 7.00 p.m in the Crown Hotel, Emsworth for the Twinning Exchange visit 2014

June 5 – 8 Exchange visit to St Aubin 2014

July 12 Boules against Denmead Twinning Association at Samuel's Rest

September (TBA) D Day Twinning Concert Party

November 15 Annual Dinner in St James' Parish Hall

Chairman's Letter

Dear Members

"What a lively bunch" one of our new Members observed at the Annual General Meeting held on March 21 at the Emsworth Community Centre. We certainly were lively that evening, when we danced to the band of the 'Rockin' Eddies – thanks to member Owen Collet who plays drums in the band. Nearly everyone present was up dancing to our kind of music!

The AGM (lasting only thirty minutes) was attended by 40 Members. The Chairman gave her report of the year's events, followed by the presentation of the Accounts from the Treasurer and an update on Membership from the Secretary, when four new members, Wendy Brown, Judi Milburn and Lesley and Peter Walters were welcomed to the Association. Thanks were given to Evelyn Lister and Alison Maxwell-Cox for their service on the Committee. Two new Committee Members were elected – Judi Milburn and Norman Bartlett, whilst Diana Cogswell, Pam Burns, Martin de Laporte, Anne Gains, Keith Richardson and Hazel Willard were re-elected. The Minutes of the AGM may be viewed on our website:www.emsworthstaubin.org.uk

Diana Cogswell informed the Membership about details of the forthcoming French exchange visit to St Aubin – ferry information and a request for payment has been sent out to travellers. Geoff Wiggins introduced himself as the new Webmaster and Members were encouraged to access the new website at: **www.emsworthstaubin.org.uk** The Minutes of the AGM will be displayed on the website as well as the Newsletter, dates of future Twinning events, Booking forms for events,

Membership forms and Subscription Forms. Geoff also made a request for photographs of St Aubin to include on the website.

A tasty supper was provided by Wright Catering, organised by Anne Gains and afterwards we danced the night away to a very popular band!



Our next event is our visit to St Aubin to join in the D Day celebrations from 5-8 June 2014. We have heard from our hosts that the latest election in St Aubin has established a new Mayor and Deputy Mayors – a big change in St Aubin as Alain Trenquart will no longer be 'in charge!'

July 12 is the date fixed for our return Boules match with the Denmead Twinners, who have beaten us twice! We need your support to win this year at Samuels Rest – the pub in Denmead, where we met last year. Once again we are hoping to enjoy another delicious supper after the match.

Your Committee are planning, what we hope will be, a big fund raising event, sometime in September – date to be arranged. Continuing with the D Day theme we would like to have a nineteen forties 'Village Concert Party,' with a pianist, songs from our choir and a lot of input from Members. We know 'Emsworth's got talent' so please don't be shy – let us know what you can do!

Our Annual Dinner will take place on November 15 at St James' Parish Hall, with a three course catered meal and a welcome drink included in the price.

All the details of these events will be sent to you, with a Booking Form nearer the date, but please put them in your diary NOW!

On behalf of your Committee I would like to wish you and your family a Very Happy Easter.

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Chairman

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