St Aubin-Emsworth Twinning Association

Newsletter

February 2011

Chairman's letter

Dear Members

It was great to see nearly a capacity crowd at the Emsworth Sailing Club for our 25th Anniversary Dinner. My thanks go to the Club for hosting us and for the staff who provided such excellent catering and a pleasant environment for the enjoyment of all who came. My thanks go also to the hard-working committee who completed the table decorations and to those members who donated generous raffle prizes and enabled us to add a record amount to our funds. As well as a successful evening we were able to extend a warm welcome to two new members; Carol and Norman Sheppard, and we look forward to seeing them again soon.

Our friends in St Aubin have sent us the usual New Year greetings and have expressed great enthusiasm for their upcoming trip in April to celebrate with us the twenty-fifth anniversary of the twinning. We understand that they have been practising hard with their musical team. Not to be outdone, John Auric will be leading an Emsworth choir so please contact him on 01243 379018 if you can offer singing talent.

Our next event is the AGM at the Emsworth Community Association Centre on Friday 11th March starting promptly at 7.00 pm. The main business will be to elect new committee members and to re-elect those standing again. To add a modicum of encouragement for a good attendance we are combining it this year with a Fish & Chips Supper and Skittles using the Community Association's portable, set-up yourself, skittle alley. This will be a first for us and should prove interesting and competitive so please come along and let your hair down after the all important business is completed. Full details and a booking form are enclosed.

Lastly, we are preparing a montage of scenes from our twenty-five years of activity to interest our Aubinais visitors so let me know if you can lend any photos or memorabilia.

The April Newsletter will include more news of the extra special St Aubin visit and other events and I look forward to seeing you all at these.

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Annual Dinner—I5th January 2011























Annual Dinner — Speeches and Raffle













Remember to contact John Auric and/or Keith NOW if you can offer singing talent and/or memorabilia (see Page I)

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Annual Subscriptions

Members are reminded that their Annual Subscriptions for the year 2011 are due by the end of February. Please send the enclosed form to Martin de Laporte by 28th February 2011 with a cheque for family membership of £25.00 per annum or single membership of £15.00 per annum.

Programme of Association Events

Friday 11th March 2011

7:00 pm in Mountford Room, Emsworth Community Centre followed by Fish & Chips Supper and Skittles at £10.00 per person

AGM papers and Booking Form enclosed for return to Martin de Laporte by 4th March 2011

Note earlier start time than in December Newsletter to accommodate the AGM

Friday 22nd April to Monday 25th April 2011

VISIT FROM ST AUBIN TWINNING ASSOCIATION

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

Friday 22nd April Visitors arrive at Portsmouth (late evening)

Saturday 23rd April Morning—visit to Petworth House and Gardens

Lunch at Petworth House Restaurant

Afternoon with hosts at Petworth or elsewhere

Evening with hosts

Sunday 24th April Morning and afternoon with hosts

Evening—Silver Anniversary Celebratory Dinner at Brookfield Hotel, Emsworth

Monday 25th April Visitors depart from Portsmouth

Further details will appear in the April Newsletter

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