



Emsworth - Saint Aubin Twinning Association

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Chairman's Letter

Dear Members

Revue Night and Supper on October 24

Once again, many thanks to those of you who took part, helped and supported our successful Twinning Revue and Supper.

Your Committee as usual, rose to the occasion and organised a sparkling entertainment and a delicious supper (provided this year by new caterers 'Culinary Art' in the form of Karen and Trevor Kingsley-Bloom) who delighted us with an amazing variety of cold meats and delicious salads, all beautifully presented. Next time, we're going to bring 'doggy boxes' to enable guests to take home some of the leftovers! Several Members provided home grown and cooked apple and blackberry crumble with custard – much appreciated by all!

The kitchen was managed by Anne Gains and ex Committee Member Evelyn Lister, assisted by Judi Milburn, Kate Van Gend and Sheila Morris. Many more Members and guests helped with setting up and clearing away after the event – thanks to everyone involved.

Our spectacular entertainment was humorously presented by Master of Ceremonies, Norman and 'acts' ranged from the local 'Madrigal' choir who stepped in at the last moment to open the Revue,

Dates for
your diary



2016

January 23
Annual Dinner

March 4
AGM

April 29 – 1 May
Exchange Visit to St Aubin



to Pam Ayres readings by John and Anne and Anita and Carol who gave us an insight into the 'Death of Napoleon' to hilarious sketches



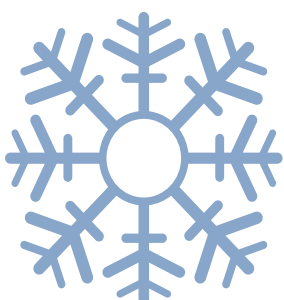
provided by 'helpful barman' Alan and drunk customer Gary, Hazel and Keith (Davies) who got stuck in a phone box. Kate and Elisabeth were unrecognisable as two elderly French ladies and a complete contrast as Alan's two young grand-daughters who delighted us with their flute and violin music. We were also amused by a hilarious monologue from guest Ollie Butler with her impression of Cornish women and a story which involved audience participation. The evening finished with a Line Dancing demonstration from Judi, assisted by several volunteers and a raffle (which raised £189).

Many thanks to those of you who donated gifts, such as a beautiful fruit basket and money donations. We managed to raise about £800 for our funds, which will be used to go towards our 2017 visit by the St Aubin Twinners to Emsworth.

Annual Dinner at Brookfield Hotel on Saturday 23 January, 2016

To celebrate the New Year, the Committee are organising a Twinning Annual Dinner which will take place at the Brookfield Hotel in Emsworth. Several of us have enjoyed delicious meals here recently and we need your support plus your family and friends to make the evening a success. The set menu (displayed on the Booking Form enclosed) will cost £25 p.p. to include a welcome drink, followed by three courses and coffee or tea to finish. You will be required to choose and indicate on the form, a starter and main course for you and your guests and indicate if you would prefer cheese and biscuits to a dessert. Wine and other drinks may be ordered and paid for at the bar.

We require at least 30 Members and guests to book in advance for this event – the cut off date is 21 December and all enquiries should go to Anne Gains (Tel: 01243 372373 or Judi Milburn (Tel: 023 9247 1645) not to me please as I will be in USA from December 10. Many of you have requested that we should repeat this event, which



unfortunately has had to be cancelled in the past, due to lack of support. Please make a note of the date and come along, for what is always an enjoyable evening.

Skittles and AGM on Friday March 4, 2016

Our Annual General Meeting will take place in the Mountford Rooms in the Community Centre, Emsworth on Friday 4 March, followed by a fish and chip supper and an opportunity to play skittles after the meeting. We always welcome new members to our Committee and are expecting at least one of our present Members to be standing down. Please contact one of the Committee Members (contact numbers on this Newsletter) if you feel you can support your Twinning Association in this way.

Exchange Visit to St Aubin from April 29 to May 1, 2016

If you would like to take part in the Exchange Visit to St Aubin next Spring, please indicate on the 'Expression of Interest' form which will be passed around at the Annual Dinner. This will not commit you in any way, but will provide your liaison person (Kate Van Gend) with an approximate number of how many of you are likely to exchange, so that we can pass this information on to Sylvie Rosse in St Aubin. If you are unable to attend the dinner, but would like to go on the Exchange Visit please e-mail Kate Van Gend: aqua.marine1@btinternet.com

2016 is the thirtieth anniversary of the founding of the Emsworth-St Aubin Twinning Association and we would like to provide a gift for our St Aubin Twinners. If any of you have any ideas please contact me, or any Committee member – thank you.

Finally, a reminder that membership subscriptions are now due and may be paid any time before the end of February 2016.

We were all saddened to learn of the terrible terrorist attacks which took place recently in Paris and a message expressing our condolences has been sent, on your behalf to Alain Tranquart, the Chairman of the St Aubin Twinning Association and this is his reply:

“Chers Amis d’Emsworth, Un grand MERCI pour ce message qui nous touche beaucoup. Dans ces moments difficiles, il est bon de se sentir soutenus et de savoir que des amis pensent à nous. C’est cela aussi le but de nos jumelages. Nous allons tous devoir affronter une période difficile, qui risque d’être longue, à devoir lutter contre la barbarie, l’obscurantisme la bêtise... Nous devons relever ce défi! Toutes nos amitiés à toutes. Alain”

Joyeux Noel et Bonne Nouvelle Année

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Hazel



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BOOKING FORM

EMSWORTH ST AUBIN TWINNING ASSOCIATION ANNUAL DINNER

Saturday 23 January 2016

A five course dinner for Members, Guests and friends will be served at
The Brookfield Hotel, Emsworth on 23 January 2016

Date and Time: **23 January 2016, 7.00 for 7.30 p.m.**

Venue: **The Brookfield Hotel, Emsworth**

Cost: **£25.00 per person**

MENU

Welcome drink:

Red Wine Cup or Fruit Juice

Starter:

Goats Cheese croquettes with a beetroot and walnut salad

OR

Salmon Roulade with lemon crème dressing and watercress

Main Course:

Corn Fed Chicken supreme wrapped in streaky bacon with a red wine and shallot sauce and
a thyme potato cake

OR

Vegetarian option – French Pancakes with mushrooms in a Gruyere cheese sauce

Dessert:

Chocolate and coffee mousse with biscotti biscuit

OR

Cheese and biscuits

Coffee or Tea

Please indicate your choice of Starter, Main Course and Dessert from the Menu on the next page.

BOOKING FORM FOR ANNUAL DINNER

Date and Time: 23 January 2016 – 7.00 for 7.30 p.m.

Venue: The Brookfield Hotel, Emsworth

Cost: £25.00 per person

CUT OFF DATE: 21 DECEMBER 2015

Please return this page, together with your remittance by Monday 21 December 2015.

Please make cheques payable to St Aubin-Emsworth Twinning Association and send to:
Martin de Laporte, Lane Ends, 54 Hollybank Lane, Emsworth, PO10 7UE.

Please do not send coins through the post. If you have any queries, telephone Anne Gains or Judi Milburn (see Newsletter for contact details).

Please reserve _____ Members' places for 5 course dinner at £25.00 per person

Please reserve _____ Guests places at £25.00 per person

Please tick the boxes below to indicate number and choice of starter, main course and dessert required.

STARTER:

Goats Cheese croquettes with a beetroot and walnut salad _____

Or

Salmon Roulade with lemon crème dressing and watercress _____

MAIN COURSE

Corn Fed Chicken supreme wrapped in streaky bacon with a red wine and shallot sauce and a thyme potato cake _____

Or

(Vegetarian option) French Pancakes with mushrooms in a Gruyere cheese sauce _____

DESSERT

Chocolate and coffee mousse with biscotti biscuit _____

Or

Cheese and biscuits _____

Total submitted: £ _____

Signed _____

Print Name _____