



Rendez - Vous

January 2016

CALLINGTON & DISTRICT TWINNING
ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

*Twinned with Guipavas, Brittany (F) since 1982
and Barsbüttel, Schleswig-Holstein (D) since 2004*

Fun? We have it in spades!



Congratulations to everyone - and there were many - who joined in the spirit of things to make our November Annual Dinner such a memorable affair. With the theme of the much loved BBC television series "Allô Allô" the magnificent array of costumes (and very dodgy French accents!) was a sight to behold, and certainly gave rise to much fun and laughter.



The welcome at René Artois' café was as warm as ever, and each guest received a complimentary *vin blanc cassis* on entry. Once seated, intrepid resistance workers and Gestapo officers alike were treated to the wonderful culinary experience that is known as *soupe à l'oignon* and were immediately transported to the heady atmosphere of a French restaurant.

Laughter and conversation abounded and the main course of *coq au vin* with accompanying vegetables were soon served and much appreciated after which the delicious dessert, a mouth-watering *tarte tatin*, was served, followed by tea or coffee. The round of applause given to our newly discovered chef was ample praise indeed and we look forward to being pampered by her again at the forthcoming Burns Night Supper.



The prize for best costume was presented, after long and hard deliberation, to Isabelle Ramage for her marvellous interpretation of Madame Fanny (pictured left with René's twin brother!).

The *pièce de résistance* was undoubtedly the showing of the very first episode from December 1982 when the majority of the key players were introduced. Following the screening David tested everyone's long-term memory with a quiz on matters concerning the TV series. The evening was rounded off, not by dancing this year, but by having the opportunity to sit and chat at leisure with twinning members present; it had certainly been a busy year and more was yet to come in 2015 before the new line-up of events for 2016 appeared over the horizon.

Turn over for news of the visit to Barsbüttel and more about what's coming up soon!

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ADVENT 2015 IN GERMANY

Callington twinnings set off for Barsbüttel at the end of November by various means: as individuals, as part of the main group, in pairs, by plane and by train. Approaching from other corners of Europe were representatives from Barsbüttel's remaining twin towns from Guipavas (Brittany), Graal-Müritz (Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany) and Keila (Estonia). Why? In response to an invitation to visit our North German friends and take the opportunity of experiencing the Christmas markets in the area and take part in their own Advent Market.

Having travelled on the Thursday, the Friday was the first chance to get out and about. This entailed a coach tour of the surrounding area en route to Lüneburg where the first of the Christmas



markets was visited. With food offerings galore and plenty of hot grog and *Glühwein* on offer and loads of typical Christmas decorations to admire and buy the time simply flew by and it was soon time to return towards Hamburg. Unfortunately traffic congestion following an accident on the way back meant that a visit to the Hamburg Market was curtailed (although most people were taken there by their hosts at some time during the weekend).



Saturday daytime was spent at the Barsbüttel Advent Market where all the twin towns put on magnificent displays of art and crafts from their respective regions alongside the local exhibits. It was also an excellent opportunity to chat with other twinnings and sample the culinary offerings. Well, it seemed only polite to taste the cider and crêpes from Brittany—would have been churlish not to!

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In the evening and excellent array of entertainment was available in the secondary school with children's choirs singing Christmas songs and even a visit from Santa! Again

there were lots of people to meet and talk to. Formal speeches were kept to a minimum but Andrew Long took the opportunity to present a Cornish flag to the *Bürgermeister* to fly on official occasions.

The Twinning Association presented a bench to Barsbüttel to mark the tenth anniversary of our twinning. This will be placed in a central position in Barsbüttel and will have a suitable plaque attached to it. Who else better to test the efficacy of the new bench than the three political heavyweights pictured?!!



The last full day of the visit allowed hosts to show their guests other parts of the area. Many went back into Hamburg whilst deputy Portreeve Mark Smith was taken to visit two local fire stations, and it is hoped that links between the German and Cornish firemen will be forged, allowing an exchange of ideas for their mutual benefit.

Linking similar groups in twin towns is always a high priority. Indeed, while we were there this time we were asked for contact details of our local scout groups.

If anyone knows of groups or organisations who would welcome the opportunity of taking the first tentative steps to forge links, please get in touch with Sue or any member of the committee.

Burns Night Supper

*Saturday
23rd January*



*Bookings already
flooding in!*

7.00pm

Callington Town Hall

- Three-course meal - Piper -
- The Selkirk Grace - Address to the Haggis -
- The Immortal Memory -
- Scottish Dancing - Fun & Laughter -

£15 per ticket

Entry by ticket only

Licensed Bar

For bookings and further information:

Phone: 01579 363854 or

Email: dorothy_a@hotmail.co.uk

Why not bring along some family, friends and neighbours?

*Our annual Burns Night has an excellent reputation for one of the best
nights out south of the border!*

BRUSH UP YOUR FRENCH IN READINESS FOR JULY IN GUIPAVAS!

January's CAVe film chosen with
twinnings in mind!

"Marion Cotillard shines in this exceedingly true-to-life drama."

"Cotillard's every subtle, perfectly judged move is exhilarating."

Thursday 28th January
Callington Town Hall at
7.30pm

Doors open at 7.15pm for registration to C-Fylm:

£5 cash only and FREE entrance to first film

Members' entrance: Adults: £4 U18s: £3



Sandra has just returned to work after recovering from a serious bout with depression. Realizing that the company can operate with one fewer employee, management tells Sandra she is to be let go. After learning that her co-workers will vote to decide her fate on Monday morning, Sandra races against time over the course of the weekend, often with the help of her husband, to convince each of her fellow employees to sacrifice their much-needed bonuses so she can keep her job. With each encounter, Sandra is brought into a different world with unexpected results.

Time to start watching the news!

Coming up in April will be the annual Twinning Quiz, so now is the time to sharpen your intellect, hone those memory skills and catch up with what's going on in the world. Do try to get your friends and neighbours to join you in forming a team to support this event (Ken will be ever so upset if you don't!).

In order to make sure you are amongst the intellectual elite in April, Ken is running other quizzes, listed on the right, for other groups where you and your gang can start training those illusive cerebral muscles. Again, please support these worthy causes.

AGM

Do come along to the Council Chamber at 7.30pm on Friday 5th February and let us know how we can continue to provide what YOU want from us—and even improve upon it! We'll reward you with cheese and wine for your troubles! Hope to see you there!

Upcoming events

January 2016	16	Callington Singers Quiz
	23	Burns Night Supper
	28	Two Days, One Night
	30	Lions Club Quiz
February	05	AGM
	06	Christian Aid Quiz
March	05	St Piran's Supper
April	09	Twinning Quiz

Have you paid your subs yet?

Come to Callington Town's fifth

St Piran's

Supper

featuring

Scoot Lyskerrys

Come and celebrate Cornwall's popular saint
with an evening of food, fun and dance!

Saturday 5th March

7.00pm for 7.30pm

Callington Town Hall

£15

to include: three-course meal & live entertainment

Entry by ticket only

For bookings and further information:

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We're off to Guipavas in 2016!



The whirlwind that is the world of twinning just doesn't seem to stop! This year Guipavas are keen to be the host country: firstly, 2016 marks the 30th anniversary of their twinning with Barsbüttel and, secondly, this year is also the occasion of the four-yearly Maritime Festival, the *Tonnerre de Brest*. Those of our members who travelled to Guipavas in 2012 will remember the amazing atmosphere of this festival.

After celebrating its 20th anniversary in 2012, Brest's International Maritime Festival is now getting ready for its 7th edition to be held from 13 to 19 July 2016. The edition's highlights will be the presence of the *Hermione*, a replica of La Fayette's historical flagship (which made its first appearance in August 2015 and will be returning during the festival in 2016) and the presentation by the French Navy, for the first time ever, of the *Monge*, an impressive test and measurement vessel. As always, the festival will also bring together sailing ships, traditional boats, exotic crafts, yachts and other boats from around the world.



There will also be concerts, exhibitions and other wondrous events to the delight of the hundreds of thousands of visitors expected. The French certainly know how to put on a show and the final fireworks display in 2012 was witnessed by half a million people!

The plans for our trip are as follow:- we shall be departing from Plymouth on the 8.00am sailing from Millbay and arriving at 2.30pm in Roscoff on Thursday 14th July. After transfer to Guipavas and arrival in families this will still allow plenty of time to enjoy the festivities which



surround Bastille Day. The programme is as yet still being finalised, but it is safe to assume that, amongst other planned events, there will be one day spent at the festival as well as the usual civic reception and celebration meal. The return will be on the 3.00pm ferry from Roscoff, arriving in Millbay at 8.10pm, on Monday 18th July.

The cost for the return ferry will be £60 per person (children under 18 - half price). We will be asking participants to make their own arrangements for getting to and from Millbay Docks and car-sharing will obviously be an option. Some members may prefer to take their own car for the duration of the visit. This can be made more affordable by doubling up with people who would otherwise be pedestrians and we can provide a 10% discount code.

In order to give our friends in Guipavas plenty of time to plan, please return the attached reply slip by the end of January with a £10 deposit per person.

Burns Night Supper Booking Form

7.00pm for 7.30pm on Saturday 23 January 2016

Name:

Phone: Email:

I/we would like to come to the 2016 Burns Night Supper

My/our party will consist of people

..... people are vegetarian

..... people have other dietary requirements as outlined below:

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I/we enclose the sum of £ (= number of adults x £15.00 per person)

Please make cheques payable to "CADTA"

Please send monies to **Dorothy Anderson, Wheal Vor, School Road, Pensilva, Cornwall PL14 5PG**

by Monday 11th January at the latest

OR

Pay using Online Banking – for further information send email to Dorothy Anderson at dorothy_a@hotmail.co.uk incorporating your name and number of tickets required.

St Piran's Supper Booking Form

7.00pm for 7.30pm on Saturday 5 March 2016

Name:

Phone: Email:

I/we would like to come to the 2016 St Piran's Supper

My/our party will consist of people

..... people are vegetarian

..... people have other dietary requirements as outlined below:

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I/we enclose the sum of £ (= number of adults x £15.00 per person)

Please make cheques payable to "CADTA"

Please send monies to **Dorothy Anderson, Wheal Vor, School Road, Pensilva, Cornwall PL14 5PG**

by Saturday 20th February at the latest

OR

Pay using Online Banking – for further information send email to Dorothy Anderson at dorothy_a@hotmail.co.uk incorporating your name and number of tickets required.

<p><i>Please return by Saturday 20th February at the latest!</i></p>
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July Visit Booking Form

*Please return by
Sunday 31st January
at the latest!*

Name:

Email: Tel:

Please reserve places as foot passengers for the July 2016 visit to Guipavas.

We will join you for the weekend but will book our own travel arrangements.

Our party will comprise adults and children (to be completed by everyone so we know total size of party).

I enclose payment

I wish to pay on-line

Payment Options:

Cheque to the value of £ (made payable to CADTA)
to cover the cost of deposits.

OR

Pay using Online Banking – for further information send email to Dorothy Anderson at dorothy_a@hotmail.co.uk incorporating your name and number of places required.

Please return this completed form to:-

Sue Lumley, 23 Launceston Road, Callington PL17 7BT

by 31st January 2016

