

"ALL IN THIS TOGETHER"

The 2010 International Youth Camp once again brought together young people from Callington with representatives from Guipavas and Barsbüttel as well as Keila, Barsbüttel's twin town in Estonia. The 12 days proved to be an intensive programme of rehearsals, singing and dancing, with the aim to produce a public performance of "High School Musical". Everyone entered into the spirit of the project and worked incredibly well as a team, supporting one another in learning lines and practising routines. English was the main vehicle of communication, but everyone made the effort to learn one another's languages and great fun was had by all.



The project was not all hard work, and included a range of other activities. The young people had the chance to get to know Hamburg by completing a city-rally on foot and took in the beauty of the Alster (above), the hustle and bustle of the Landungsbrücken and the chic shopping available on the Mönckebergstrasse.

An unexpected experience was to be had in the Schwarzlichtviertel (left), a fascinating world of darkness, while the challenges on offer at the Klettergarten (below right) were brilliant.

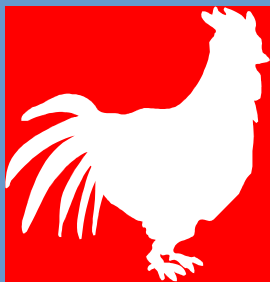
What really makes the difference on the Youth Camp is the fact that young people from four countries get to spend time together and discuss things that really matter to them. They learn about the differences and the similarities between their countries and exchange experiences.

Each individual country had the opportunity to make a presentation about their own country and introduce games, songs and dances from their area. On another occasion an international evening meant each country preparing food typical of their homeland and sharing it with the others. The Bürgermeister of Barsbüttel came along to that particular evening and was very impressed by the international atmosphere and by the enthusiasm shown by everyone.



The highlight of the project must, however, be the production itself. Just ten days after the first tentative rehearsal a very confident group of people stood on the stage at the end taking their final bows, and there was more than a little tear to be seen in the corner of their eyes. They had been set the challenge and they had met it full-on. They deserve to feel very proud indeed of their achievements and they are sure to remember the experience for many years to come. It was really good to have Hannah Stevens there as a Junior Leader. After completing four years as a participant, Hannah felt confident to take on the more responsible role and we look forward to seeing her again in France next year in a similar capacity.

We will certainly be recruiting a number of this year's participants as they are so keen to relive the experience next year in Guipavas. However, there are always spaces for new faces, so if you are reading this and you know of any suitable young people, do get them to get in touch with us and talk about the chance of joining us in 2011. They certainly won't regret it!



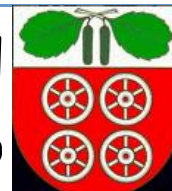
Rendez-Vous

September 2010

CALLINGTON & DISTRICT TWINNING
ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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

Brilliant trip!



At the end of August fifty twinneders set off for an extended Bank Holiday weekend visit to Barsbüttel. Travelling by coach to Luton and then on to Hamburg by plane, the twinning group was enhanced by 15 members of the Callington Town Band (complete with instruments of all shapes and sizes). The welcome, as ever, was warm - even though humidity levels were high!



On the first day the group set off for Ülzen, to the south of Hamburg, to visit an incredible railway station which had been embellished by

the artwork of Friedensreich Hundertwasser, one of the best-known, although controversial, contemporary Austrian artists. The main focus of the project was to change the station to be "environmentally and culturally oriented", not only enriching the environment through his exciting vision but also by installing photovoltaic cells on the roof of the station. Unfortunately, the second half of the day was curtailed due to traffic delays caused by severe flooding between Ülzen and Celle and the police closure of the autobahn and the neighbouring

road network after a bank robbery in Hamburg! Some things you just can't plan for! A civic reception at the new Bürgerhaus rounded off the first day and brought together for the first time all the visitors from Callington and Guipavas.

The weekend was spent largely with families, with many taking the opportunity of going along to the annual Sommerfest, while others went off to explore Hamburg and the surrounding area with their host families. On Sunday evening a Bavarian buffet was the centre-piece of the festivities, but the highlight was a superb input from the Callington Town Band. Together with their choral support they entertained the partygoers and received a tremendous round of applause. This, alongside their appearances at the civic reception and at the football festival, was much appreciated by all those present from France, Germany, England and Estonia.

On Monday the main group was taken to Hamburg for a sightseeing tour of the city, while those who had been before set off independently to enjoy other delights on offer. Unfortunately, the time flew all too quickly and Tuesday saw the group returning to Cornwall. The weather had not been very kind - but then it's nice to know that it isn't just in Cornwall that it rains! What was important was that friendships had been kindled or renewed and that everyone is now looking forward to next Easter when it will be our turn to host the event.

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For further information about twinning, do not hesitate to contact any of the officers or committee members.

FESTIVAL FUN FOR TWINNING

It was "all systems go!" for Callington twinningers during this year's Festival Week, with the Twinning float winning a very respectable third place certificate for its Moulin Rouge themed extravaganza. In spite of the damp and rather chilly climate, three brave ladies donned their basques and "showed a bit of leg", attended by Toulouse Lautrec and an ogling French waiter. With their accompaniment of can-can music they certainly caught the judges' eyes and tickled their fancy! Full marks for creativity to the design team! What will they get up to next year? Any offers to help magic another winning entry will be very welcome.



The Twinning Association also fronted the Wednesday "Trio of Chefs" Gourmet Evening, which went down an absolute storm. Tickets sold out as three local kitchen wizards demonstrated their culinary arts and let the most appreciative audience sample the results. All three courses drew great applause and the evening was deemed to be a tremendous success by everyone present. All proceeds from the evening were donated to support Macmillan Nurses, Women For Women, the Tear Fund and the Pakistan floods.

BBQ - A ROARING SUCCESS

The twinning barbecue was a great success with a good attendance. The weather was fine and the ambience was great, allowing people to mingle and enjoy good company and good food. There was ample opportunity to catch up with the latest news, and those who were heading off for Germany were able to get quietly excited together! No ducking in and out between the showers this time. Many thanks to those who provided the various dishes!



MAYBE NEXT YEAR?



It was off to Boscawen Park in Truro again for Sue, Andrew and Rick in June as they set off to organise the annual Twinning Committee for Cornwall boules competition. Not only did they have to put their minds to the logistics of the day, but also think about defending the title they had won last year. A stunning morning's display saw them ease into the afternoon's second stages. Were they about to hold their title with little competition? As the games proceeded the outlook was good. At last, yes! They were there, once again, in the final, facing their longstanding opponents from Torpoint. However, catastrophe struck and, with their golden touch finally gone, the gallant trio bowed to a much stronger opposition on the day. Well done, Torpoint! But beware, we'll be back in 2011 to put you to the test once again!

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SAFARI SUPPER

It's time for the annual Safari Supper again - and this time we're really off on our travels! Saturday 25th September is the date and the start time will be 7.00pm. All those signing up will be informed of the finer details. The destination this year is the wilds of Saltash, and instead of touring the neighbourhood, this year we will be having stop-overs in various rooms of just one house. Carol and Graham have offered to convert their home into a safari lodge for the evening. As ever, the food will be exquisite (with some of it arriving fresh from France) and the company, of course, will be nothing less than wonderful. If you've joined in before, you will know how enjoyable these evenings are. If not, give it a whirl and we are sure you'll be hooked! Sign up below to join in the fun and get further details. Cost will be £10.00 per head, £5.00 for accompanying children (to include a drink with each course). Replies to Keith Shaw by 20th September at the latest, please.

OKTOBERFEST

The planned Oktoberfest evening has not worked out this year, but be assured that it will definitely be part of the 2011 programme, so make sure that you look out in the meantime for cheap offers on *Dirndl* and *Lederhosen* in the charity shops! You wouldn't want to be the only one "underdressed", would you?

TWINNING QUIZ

The date for the Oktoberfest has now been given over to the annual quiz, so please make an effort to bring along friends, family and neighbours (they don't have to be twinning members) to Callington Town Hall on Saturday 9th October. The first question will be at 7.30pm and tables will consist of teams of a maximum of six people. Bring along your own booze and picnics, if you like, to stimulate those brain cells and pit your wits against local opposition. Entrance fees are just £2.00 per head. Fill in the form below to book a table or ring Ken on 01579 383703.

INTERNATIONAL FILM SHOWS

The autumn season of *World Cinema* has begun again and we hope that it will continue to gain in popularity. Entrance to the films is FREE, although a donation to defray costs is welcomed. This season the films to be shown are:-

2 Sept	A Very Long Engagement	"A timeless masterwork that raises the bar for breathtaking camerawork, vivid landscapes and fantastical storytelling."
7 Oct	Les Visiteurs	This must be one of the best comedy films ever. Billed as Monty Python meets Blackadder this fantastic French film lives up to the comedy standard of both.
4 Nov	Run Lola Run	"I can't rave about this film enough; this is passionate filmmaking at its best. One of the best films I have seen".
2 Dec	Monsieur Hulot's Holidays	The film follows the generally harmless misadventures of a loveable, gauche Frenchman, Monsieur Hulot (played by director Jacques Tati)

Alternating with the *World Cinema* will be a programme of *Classics of the Silver Screen* where films are shown that have had a lasting impact on the way films have been made since. This season's films include:-

16 Sept	Citizen Kane	"Citizen Kane, undeniably, is the triumph of the American cinema, and one of the greatest films ever created."
28 Oct	The Entertainer	The film was marketed as "the seamy, searing story behind the smile" and "Hamlet plays the clown".
18 Nov	Paths of Glory	"A masterful, unsentimental, classic anti-war film about World War I. Due to the film's raw, critical assessment of hypocritical French military authorities, it was banned in France and Switzerland for almost twenty years."
16 Dec	Cabaret	"The film is a burlesque nightmare, amazingly directed and photographed, filled with great actors and songs and a deadly-serious finale. It's a classic."

Come along and enjoy your favourites again, or catch up on those you missed the first time round.

Could you just take a minute to check?

Are you up-to-date with your subscription to the Twinning Association? We keep our membership fees low just to cover administration costs, but paper, ink and postage still take up a pretty penny. Furthermore, a strong membership really does help when it comes to making funding bids to Europe, and without those our annual Youth Projects just would not happen and many young people would miss out.

Please check to see if you have paid for the current year. The easiest way is to set up a Standing Order. It's best for you and it's best for us. But we still take cash or cheques if that is the way you prefer! Give Keith a ring if you need some help.



KEEP UP TO SPEED!

Please check the twinning website (<http://callingtontwinning.weebly.com>) frequently to keep up with the news.

There is lots happening at the **Callington Arts Venue**, based in then Town Hall, so visit the **CAVe** website (<http://callingtoncave.weebly.com>).

REPLY SLIPS

TWINNING QUIZ

Please book me a table for the Twinning Quiz on Saturday 9th October

Name of Team / Organisation:

Contact telephone number: (.....)

SAFARI SUPPER IN DEEPEST DARK SALTASH

Please book me adult place(s) @ £10.00 per person and place(s) @ £5.00 per child on the Safari Supper on Saturday 25th September.

I enclose cash / cheque to the value of £

Name(s) of intrepid explorer(s):

Special dietary requirements:

Contact telephone number: (.....)

Replies to: Keith Shaw, Clitters House, Clitters, Callington PL17 8HP
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