

SHAFTESBURY TOWN TWINNING ASSOCIATION



NEWSLETTER MAY 2022



Chairman's Message. I was elected as Chair (person) at the AGM and am very pleased to be taking over the reins at a time when we can at last resume our Town Twinning activities and, most importantly, our visits to and from Lindlar and Brionne.

We are looking forward to a long weekend with a group of sixteen friends coming over from Germany on the 16th to the 20th of June and have a lively programme of activities lined up for them. All events are open to all members if you would advise your interest on page 3.

2021 marked the 40th anniversary of our Twinning with Lindlar and we had planned to celebrate it here in Shaftesbury with them, but of course we all know what happened! So this year we are having a belated celebration, with the highlight being a dinner on the Sunday evening.

We also have a weekend planned for a visit to Brionne in September, from the 23rd to the 25th, and hope as many people as possible will join us for that.

Watch out too for the social events being organised for this year.

Best wishes from me, and my thanks for all the support from the committee. We are very grateful to Clare for her sterling work as chairman over the past ten years. She remains on the committee and can take a well earned back seat. We have a good Town Twinning team to get us off to a fresh start!

Helen English

Lindlar Visit to Shaftesbury 2022. Thursday 16th June to depart early Monday 20th June. This will be the 40th anniversary celebration of Twinning with Lindlar and all members are welcome to take part in the weekend activities.

Thursday – 6pm arrival and evening with hosts

Friday – Free day with hosts. Social evening with Fish & Chips

Saturday – Coach trip to Portsmouth Historic Docks and Mary Rose Exhibition

Sunday – Town walk with guests followed in the evening by an Anniversary Dinner, Speeches and Presentations.

Monday – 8am Farewell & Departure

Please indicate on the reply form below if you would be interested in joining us.

Brionne visit - 23rd to 25th September

Proposed itinerary – Depart Poole 08:30 on Friday 23rd September – arrive Brionne 16:00 for weekend with hosts. Depart Sunday 14:30 for 18:15 ferry back to Poole.

Please advise if interested in coming to Brionne, so that we can arrange the most effective transport.

Boules – We continue to play on a Wednesday evening and Sunday morning and would welcome anyone who would like to join in. The plans to move the Boules piste are still in limbo and we will be without a piste for a few weeks. Contact whsm@tiscali.co.uk for updates on games.

We have again this year entered the Keystone Petanque League and there are 14 teams this year in our local area. www.keystonepetanque.co.uk

Social Events – With the relaxation of Covid restrictions we are keen to get back to the usual Twinning Activities and will be looking to Hold a summer BBQ in July, Bingo in September and December Quiz. Please confirm your interest or other suggestions for social event on the form below.

2022 Diary of events

8 th May	Shaftesbury Festival & Cheese races
15 th May	North Dorset Cycle Ride
16 th – 20 th June	Lindlar Visit to Shaftesbury
3 rd July	Gold Hill Festival
July	STTA Summer Barbecue
22 nd – 24 th July	Shaftesbury Fringe
17 th August	Shaftesbury & Gillingham Show
23 rd -25 th September	Visit to Brionne
September	STTA Bingo Night
1 st October	Shaftesbury Carnival
28 th November	Shaftesbury Late Night Shopping
18 th December	Shaftesbury Christmas Fair

2022 Committee Members

Chairman	Helen English		chairman@shaftesburytwinning.org.uk
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Secretary	William Moore	01747 228499	whsmoore@talktalk.net
	Connie Brockway, Jeanne Loader, Antonia Eastman, Clare Huxley		

To all Hosts and Members.

There are places for members, friends and Shaftesbury residents to join us on the Friday evening, Saturday Portsmouth Trip and Sunday evening Dinner. Please make sure you let us know as Hosts and Lindlar guests will have priority.

Please tick boxes for show of interest to enable your committee to plan these events, print, scan or return to William Moore. whsmoore@talktalk.net

Please note that the cost for the Lindlar guests, invited guests and hosts will covered by the twinning funds for the June events.

Date	Event	Cost	Number
17 th June	Shaston Club, Fish & Chip supper	£6/head	
18 th June	Lindlar Visit		
	Coach to Portsmouth	£10/head	
	Mary Rose exhibition	£18/head	
19 th June	Lindlar visit		
	Organised Walk	Free	
	Anniversary Dinner with presentations & toast	£15/head	
July - tbc	Summer BBQ	£10/head	
23 rd -25 th September	Brionne Visit via coach & Ferry	£ tbc	
Sept/ October	Bingo Night	£ tbc	
Social event Suggestions:-			
Casino Night			
German dinner evening			
French Dinner evening			
Quiz night			
Boules Tournament/ Knockout			