



Shaftesbury Town Twinning Association

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Lindlar Visit

Members of Shaftesbury Town Twinning Association have just returned from a long weekend visit to Lindlar. Old friendships were renewed not only between longstanding Shaftesbury members, but also with our German friends. New people took part, some of the families in Lindlar had never hosted an English guest before, so new friendships were forged and the links between our two Towns made stronger.

After arriving by coach late on the Thursday night, we were introduced to our hosts and welcomed to their homes. Friday was spent with the host families and all sorts of different tales of adventures and visits can be heard from the Shaftesbury Visitors.



www.koelntriangle.de/de/

On the Saturday, our hosts had organised a day trip into Cologne for everyone. First stop The Koln Triangle, one of the tallest buildings in Cologne with 28 floors, luckily it had a lift. The panoramic views from the top of the building were stunning on such a clear day.

After that we enjoyed a walk through the city and onwards to lunch, a very nice venue with plenty of choice of traditional German meals, most importantly the wonderful Kolsch kept coming.

No sooner had lunch finished and we were off, via the underground to The Cathedral where a guided tour, all in English, had been laid on for us. The Cathedral was stunning and to learn about the history at the same time made it even more special. Time for a quick coffee and then back to Lindlar on the coach.

Saturday night was spent with the host families, but there was a report of two former Mayors of Shaftesbury, being seen out at a live concert dancing around to a band in the early hours of the morning having had plenty of local beer.



www.koelner-dom.de/home

Some trippers enjoyed a bit of a lie in on the Sunday morning, but many were up and about enjoying the beautiful weather. Our German friends had arranged for us all to get together on the Sunday afternoon. The Bürgermeister (Mayor) was there to welcome all the guests, the food was quite wonderful, as of course was the hospitality shown to us all for the whole trip.

Sad and tired faces got aboard the coach on Monday morning as we started our journey back to Shaftesbury. **Bis zum nächsten mal !!**



£101 raised for
Association Funds

The Association hosted a Bingo night on Friday April 7th with 22 members and friends attending at the Royal British Legion Hall in Shaftesbury. A wide variety of prizes were awarded, and thanks must go to local traders who offered generous prizes for those able to claim a 'line' or, better still, 'house'. Appreciation must also be offered to Tim Cook for carrying out the role of caller all evening with his vocal chords as strong as ever at the end of the Night. Also many thanks to Christine, Eva and others who manned the kitchen for refreshments.

Boules – The Keystone Petanque Competition started on 21st May with 14 teams in two leagues. Shaftesbury has made a better start this year with 3 out of 5 wins. The rumour that we only win when the Captain is away was dispelled by the 4th game of the season and the mutinous team members have been brought to task.

Practice usually takes place Wednesday 6.30 behind the Football Club. Matches are Sundays 11am or by other arrangement. Please feel free to come along and spectate or play. The Boules piste is a Town Asset and anyone is welcome to use it with family or friends.

www.keystonepetanque.co.uk/index.php

Dates for Your Diary

- Gold Hill Fair Sunday 2nd July – Fund raising stall & Parade
- Wine tasting Friday 25th August at Shaftesbury Wines - £10
- Brionne Visit to Shaftesbury 29th September to 2nd October
- Shaftesbury Carnival 30th September
- Quiz Night Friday 20th October at Shaftesbury Football Club - £8
- Skittles Night Friday 24th November at Shaftesbury Football Club - £8

For social event reservations call Roy Mitchell on 01747 858219

Gold Hill Fair - Sunday 2nd July - Unwanted gifts, donations required for lucky dip stall at Gold Hill Fair fund raising event. Deliver to Clare or Connie

Volunteers on the day still required - contact Simon 07792478960

Brionne Visit to Shaftesbury - Carnival Weekend - Please contact Tim if you are able to host 01747 851299 tim.cook@shaftesburytwinning.org.uk

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