



Shaftesbury Town Twinning Association

NEWSLETTER MARCH 2016



Lindlar Visit – May 2016

Our friends from Lindlar will be visiting Shaftesbury from 26-30th May 2016. Could all potential hosts please contact Clare Huxley on 01747 855790 as soon as possible so that we can accommodate our guests well in advance.



Diary Dates

Sunday July 3rd Gold Hill Fair – we intend to host a 'lucky dip' stall at Gold Hill Fair where for only a £1 you can select any of the wrapped parcels on display Everyone a winner may be just what you want..... or Not!

Saturday September 3rd (late summer barbecue) – we'll be holding a barbecue in the outdoor area by Lindlar Hall. and if wet in the hall.....so reserve the date. Full details to follow.....

Skittles – Friday November 18th at Shaftesbury Football Club we'll be hosting a skittles night with ploughman's supper: save the date!



Brionne - October 2016

Association members and friends are planning to visit Brionne between October 14th to 17th. If you are interested in going please contact Clare Huxley on 01747 855790 so we can sort out numbers as soon as possible.

A welcome in the hillside..... Our previous chair, Terry Piper and his wife Jan opened the Flambards Hotel and Tea Rooms at Llechryd, near Cardigan in Wales on, rather appropriately, March 1st 2016 ,(St David's Day) . Take a look at the website www.flambardshotel.co.uk for information and details

Annual General Meeting – Friday February 26th

The Annual General meeting of the Association was held at Shaftesbury Town Hall and we welcomed Cllr Philip Procter, Deputy Mayor, deputising for the President, Cllr Richard Tippins, to the meeting as well as 16 members.

Clare Huxley presented an overview of the year's activities, with a particularly successful visit to Lindlar in May by 21 members being one of the highlights: our friends from Brionne arrived in July, and, whilst the change from their usual date in October did restrict our availability to offer accommodation we were nevertheless able to undertake a very enjoyable trip to Weymouth and Portland and a barbecue at Melbury kindly hosted by Ashley and Hilary Lindsay.

Throughout the year a number of fund raising events were held; this offered an ideal opportunity for members and friends to meet in a social environment and the events raised the following amounts

Casino Night at Royal British Legion	£130
Bingo Night at Royal British Legion	£126
Skittles Night at Shaftesbury FC	£154
Gold Hill Fair lucky dip draw	£148
Cheese and Wine Evening at Turnbolls	£88

Clare did point out that we were 'thin on the ground' regarding members who are able to produce and issue publicity and any volunteers to help would be appreciated

The Rose Bowl was presented to William Moore: apart from his valued support for the Association (especially his organisation of the gazebos and cooking facilities at the summer barbecue) his organisation of the boules team and careful attention of the playing area made him a worthy winner of the annual award.

Roy Mitchell (Treasurer) indicated that in 2015 we recorded a modest loss of £44: given that we are a not for profit charitable organisation and have £3082 in the bank this deficit is of no consequence and it was unanimously agreed that annual subscriptions should remain at £6 individual and £10 couple/family

Committee members elected were as follows:-

Clare Huxley	Chair	Jody Bouvaird	Committee
Simon Pritchard	Vice Chair	Connie Brockway	Committee
Tim Cook	Secretary	Eva Calabrini	Committee
Roy Mitchell	Treasurer	Jeanne Loader	Committee

The constitution does allow more Committee members so if anyone else would like to join the Committee please contact Clare

Subscriptions - If you still owe your annual subscription please let the Treasurer have payment as soon as possible.

Cheques/Cash payable to Shaftesbury Town Twinning Association. c/o Roy Mitchell, Treasurer, 2 Heathfields Way, Shaftesbury, SP7 9JZ. Tel 01747 858219

Or by BACS to Shaftesbury Town Twinning Association

Sort Code: 30-93-45 Account no: 01328833

Boules are Back!

The Association will re-commence their regular Boules games from May 2016 and anyone interested in playing should contact Clare. Matches are played either on summer mid-week evenings or Sunday mornings and the season lasts until early September.

In order to get ready for the season the boules playing area will receive its usual "spring clean" and anyone interested is asked to be at the playing area (at the back of Shaftesbury FC clubhouse, adjoining the Tesco car park) for 2 pm on Wednesday April 6thand you can also find out more about boules as well!

Language Timothy..... Sorry?

Experienced language tutor Marilyn Morris continues to offer weekly classes at her home in Gillingham as follows

French	Monday 7 30 to 8 30 pm
German	Tuesday 9 30m am to 1030 am

The emphasis is in speaking and understanding the language: each session costs £10 and is on a 'pay as you go' basis: no commitment to go each week or long term contract! Please contact Marilyn on 01747 228416 if you would like further information

Beginner's German class in April - from 8pm to 9pm on Tuesdays:- again £10 per session pay as you go: Please contact her if you are interested

Gillingham visit to Le Neubourg

Our friends at Gillingham Town Twinning Association are going to their Twin Town , Le Neubourg in Normandy, 4th to 8th May. They are likely to have a few places left on their coach if anyone is interested. Contact Ellie Lloyd (Accommodation Officer) on 01747 825558 ASAP. (Cabins/recliners on the outward ferry crossing between Portsmouth and Caen need to be booked by mid March). A detailed itineray is available from Ellie or from Roy Mitchell.

SHAFTESBURY TOWN TWINNING

QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 9th April, 7:30 pm

At Royal British Legion,
Coppice Street, Shaftesbury

£8 per person including light supper
(bring your own drinks – glasses provided)

Book your place by 4th April. Please contact
Clare Huxley - 01747 855790 or
chairman@shaftesburytwinning.org.uk

*Teams of up to 6 people welcome :- but don't
worry if you can't get a team together : just come along
on the night and we'll sort out a team for you to join!*

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chairman	Clare Huxley	01747 855790	chairman@shaftesburytwinning.org.uk
Vice Chair	Simon Pritchard		vicechairman@shaftesburytwinning.org.uk
Treasurer	Roy Mitchell		treasurer@shaftesburytwinning.org.uk
Secretary	Tim Cook	01747 851299	secretary@shaftesburytwinning.org.uk
	Connie Brockway	01747 852576	connie.brockway@shaftesburytwinning.org.uk
	Jody Bovaird		jody.bovaird@shaftesburytwinning.org.uk
	Eva Calabrini	01747 854464	eva.calabrini@shaftesburytwinning.org.uk
	Jeanne Loader	01747 854980	jeanne.loader@shaftesburytwinning.org.uk

