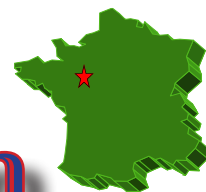




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REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2022

Our four visitors had a couple of days in Oxford on their way to Nailsworth and were very impressed by the colleges and thought the city itself was lovely. They made a lightning visit to the gardens at Blenheim Palace and were enchanted, also enjoying various attempts at correctly pronouncing 'Blenheim'!

Alain Cosson had been designated bearer of the FNACA (Veterans of the war in Algeria) flag and performed the task with great dignity. All four felt that the

whole morning was a real experience for them, from the parade with the Silver Band, to the moving service at St George's and the wreath-laying at the end. Lots of compliments were made during our meal at the Black Horse and, of course, the amazing view from the conservatory where we sat was much admired.



Houndscroft, below the Bear



The French flower of Remembrance is the cornflower, these days produced as a sticker. Philippe brought us some of this year's design.



WINETASTING QUIZ AND SUPPER FUNDRAISING EVENT - 18 November

Keith and Sharon Mansell once again proved that they were exceptional organisers. Not only did they procure lots of different wines (from The Stroud Wine Company in Withey's Yard, off the High Street in Stroud) but prepared all the questions for the quiz. Their daughter, Jo, helped with the pouring and serving (and washing up!), along with Sue Smith. Our ace caterer, Elisabeth Targett, not only organised Judith Haines, Isobel Hié, Sue Smith and Sharon Mansell with food contributions, but prepared a lot of it herself. Without the help of all these people, an evening such as this would not be possible. Although accounts have not been finalised, Richard Targett reckons about £300 was earned for the Twinning. Thanks go to the people of Nailsworth and beyond who came to test their oenological knowledge and tasting abilities. The consensus was that a wonderful and joyous evening was had by all.





2023 TWINNING TRIP TO LÈVES : Saturday 27 to Tuesday 30 May

Twinnings will join about 35 players & partners from the Nailsworth Silver Band who have booked the coach and have a van at their disposal to carry the instruments.

Departure on the Saturday will be from Nailsworth Bus Station, arriving in Lèves early evening, Brexit regulations at Dover and Calais permitting! We will leave Lèves on Tuesday morning, getting back to Nailsworth around midnight.

The booking form was sent out some time ago and the deadline for registering and paying the £30 deposit was 15th November. If you have missed this deadline but would still like to come, please contact Isobel directly. The Lèves Jumelage needs to start working on a programme of activities, booking venues and, most importantly, finding accommodation for a large number of people. The Nailsworth end needs to finalise booking arrangements and although it's only the beginning of December, all this requires a lot of time.

Final costs will depend on numbers but we anticipate this will not be more than £100 a head. We may be able to offer a reduced rate for under 16s.



A pre-visit get-together over tea and cake will be organised on Sunday 16 April at 3pm, either in St George's or Christ Church parish rooms or Sawyer Hall – tbc nearer the time according to availability.

Reminder : Your passport must be:

- Issued less than 10 years before the date you enter the country (check the date of issue)
- Valid for at least 3 months after the day you leave (check the expiry date)

see the government travel advice site: <https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/france>

You can apply for a free GHIC medical insurance card (this has replaced the EHIC card but provides the same medical cover) <https://www.gov.uk/global-health-insurance-card> and/or arrange your own travel insurance if you so wish.

2023 DATES FOR THE DIARY

Twinning AGM Friday 3 March, refreshments, followed by a French film at the Arkell Centre

Pre Travel Get-Together Sunday 16 April, 3pm, venue tbc

Treasure Hunt in the spring following a Treasure Trail around Tetbury

Nailsworth Town Meeting on 22 April, 10.30-12.30 in the Bus Station/Town Square - Help needed!

Boules match in the summer at KGV field

THE TWINNING ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE

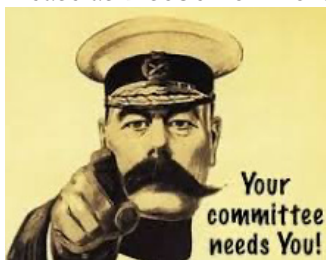


As mentioned in the last Bulletin, **JULIAN DENNIS** has joined the committee and **RICHARD TARGETT** will be retiring as our much treasured Treasurer at the AGM.

IF ANY OTHER MEMBERS WOULD LIKE TO JOIN THE COMMITTEE, PLEASE COME FORWARD



Please ask Isobel for more information about what this entails, if you are interested. Some new faces would be very welcome as one or two of our committee members have been there since the beginning (1995!) and would be very happy to hand over to some new people with fresh ideas.



Details regarding the election of the committee and procedures for nominating and electing officers will be sent to you in good time before the AGM in March