

CORSHAM TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Meeting held on 05/06/2017

Present: Roger Fido (RF), Christine Bastow (CBw), Maggie Rayner (MR), Keith Stephens (KS), Matt Wingrave (MW), Susan Wingrave (SW), Maurice Hancock (MH) Jane Gater (JG), Maggie Smith (MS)

Apologies: Felicity Hurlow-Jones (FHJ)

Minutes of Meeting 8th May 2017: Agreed.

Matters Arising from previous meetings:

- The Wingraves had offered to host a Jargeau teenager during the Summer, but she had found accommodation elsewhere.
- Carole had suggested a choir singing for Twinning during our October visit and possible exchange with a Corsham choir. **Action: SW had followed up with Elizabeth Barnikel who has redirected her to the Pound Singers - ongoing**
- SW produced a poster to promote Twinning and distributed copies to members
- RF has written to Carole in Jargeau saying we have decided that making donations in memory of members who have passed away should be a matter for individuals.

2017 Events Programme:

- Sat 20th May: Car Treasure Hunt. An enjoyable event with 7 cars participating. Thank you to RF for organizing. Include another one in next year's programme.
- Sat 24th June at 6pm: Boules at Queen's Head, Box. **Action: SW to send out reminder to members. MR to bring shield.**
- Sat 15th July: BBQ at Wingraves'. Provision of salads and desserts was agreed. **Action: SW to advertise to members.**
- Sat 16th September at 7.30 for 8pm: Skittles evening at Corsham Club. Will cost £20 to hire Club, plus £2 per head to fund sticker-upper.
- Sat 18th November: Wine tasting at Cricket Club. Booked.

Thurs 19th – Mon 23rd Oct: Trip to Jargeau:

- Corsham School car park will be unavailable due to differing dates for half term. RF has arranged with the Martin family to use Martin's Yard in Gastard as the pick-up point for the coach and members can park their cars there during our trip. **Action: RF to write to members with details**
- Following issues with accommodating coach and driver in Jargeau during last visit, RF is changing to a new coach company. **Action: RF to pursue.**
- There is currently no CTA rep on Town Council. To be resolved prior to our visit.
- 37 people are going on the coach, which covers our costs. All deposits paid.
- Gifts: Carole has agreed to our request for bottles of wine for our wine tasting event. We await to hear what Jargeau wants from us.
- Carole has suggested a trip on the coach to Beaugency on Sat 21st Oct. Soiree to be held on Sat evening, with Trophy competition held during the evening, leaving Sunday free to spend with families.
- For Jargeau's visit to Corsham in 2018, RF has booked Town Hall for the entire weekend 5-7th May.

Membership

Committee agreed best way to increase membership was by word-of-mouth and inviting friends to social events. **Action: SW to write to Head of French at Corsham School to generate interest. MH to contact Alan Brookes. Ongoing**

It was suggested recruiting members from Women's Institute. **Action: JG and MR to follow up at Corsham and Neston WIs.**

Treasurer's report

Balance: £7555.74

Any Other Business

- Messages of solidarity had been received from our friends in Jargeau following the terrorist attacks in Manchester and London
- Photos of Boules competition required so that JG can include them in her piece for Corsham & Box Matters.

Date of next meeting

Monday 03/07/17 at 7.30pm at the Corsham Club