

# CORSHAM TWINNING ASSOCIATION

## Minutes of Meeting held on 08/01/2018

**Present:** Roger Fido (RF), Christine Bastow (CBw), Maggie Rayner (MR), Maurice Hancock (MH), Jane Gater (JG), Felicity Hurlow-Jones (FHJ), Mark Campbell (MC), Keith Stephens (KS), Matt Wingrave (MW), Nigel Millward (NM), Maggie Smith (MS), Christine Taylor (CT)

**Apologies:** Susan Wingrave (SW),

**Minutes of Meeting 13<sup>th</sup> November 2017:** Agreed.

### Matters Arising from previous meetings:

- Carole had suggested possible exchange of Jargeau/Corsham choirs. No response from Pound or Chippenham choirs so Committee agreed not to pursue
- MR had advertised Twinning to Neston WI
- MH has made contact with new Head of Corsham School to encourage involvement with Twinning. **Action: RF to write to Headmaster**

### 2017 Events Programme:

- Sat 18<sup>th</sup> November: Wine tasting. A successful evening with a profit of £214.

### 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct 2017: Trip to Jargeau: Matters arising

- Making links between groups in Corsham and Jargeau: MC mentioned possible interest from Corsham cycling club. Ongoing
- JG will pass CD of visit to RF to show at AGM

### 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018: Jargeau visit to Corsham

- Proposed programme:
  - Sat 5<sup>th</sup> May: Arrive Corsham pm. Evening reception in Town Hall
  - Sun 6<sup>th</sup> May: Joint Committee meeting am. Band Concert 2.30 – 4.30pm. Evening meal at Town Hall 8pm followed by disco till 11.30pm
  - Mon 7<sup>th</sup> May: Day out on coach to Oxford. Evening at Football Club to play skittles for Henderson Trophy
  - Tues 8<sup>th</sup> May: Depart
- RF has booked Football Club for Mon evening skittles at cost of £70
- JG to contact caterer before next meeting. **Action: JG**
- We have applied to two separate bodies for a grant and await their responses
- RF has accepted generous offer from 2 members to donate wine, including sparkling wine, at the evening reception
- Committee members will provide soft drinks and snacks for the evening reception
- RF has applied to Town Council for small grant to go towards purchase of disco lighting
- Oxford is preferred destination for day out on coach. Pascal will accompany group as guide and interpreter at cost of £200.
- RF has informed Carole of the programme, stressing need to keep numbers down to 40 (45 max). Response awaited.

## 2018 Events Programme:

- Sat 13<sup>th</sup> January: Quiz at Cricket Club. Bar available. RF has arranged for delivery of fish/chicken and chips from Fat Fryer at Batheaston. £10 entry (£5 without food). MC to help prepare room, MW to do entrance money, CBw and FH-J to run raffle. Some raffle prizes required. Arrive 7.30pm, first question at 8pm, supper at 9.15pm.
- Sat 10<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm: AGM at Cricket Club followed by skittles. Bar available. Note, £5 per person charge for skittles
- Sat 17<sup>th</sup> March, 7pm for 7.30pm: French meal. Restricted to 30 people. **Action: JG and MS**
- April: no event
- Sat May 5<sup>th</sup> - Tues May 8th: Jargeau's visit to Corsham
- Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June: Car Treasure Hunt. 6pm start and finish at Newlands Rd car park. Corsham Club to provide buffet at 8/9pm. **Action: RF to check with Club re availability. £10 entry charge including buffet**
- Sat 14th July: BBQ at Wingraves'.
- August: Boules. **Action: RF to check availability of boules court**
- Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> September: Joint concert with band. Possible cream tea.
- October: Date TBD. Wine tasting
- Sat 17<sup>th</sup> November: Race Night at Football Club.
- December: no event

The new format for the programme was well-received. Copies to be available at AGM

SW to send out reminder to members re Quiz, AGM and French meal. **Action: SW**

## Treasurer's report

Balance: £5115.95

## Any Other Business

- RF proposed Boules in August could be held mid-week in order to attract more players. **Action: RF to ask members at AGM**
- AGM: MW may wish to stand down as Treasurer but other committee members were content to remain. SW and MR to prepare papers for meeting. **Action: SW and MR**

**Date of next meeting: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2018 at 7.30pm at the Corsham Club**