

## CORSHAM TWINNING ASSOCIATION

### Minutes of Meeting held on 09/01/2017

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

**Apologies:** Maurice Hancock (MH), Nigel Millward (NW), Susan Wingrave (SW)

The meeting began by holding a moment of silence to remember Sally Fletcher who sadly passed away on 26<sup>th</sup> December 2016. Details of funeral arrangements were awaited.

**(Post meeting note: funeral to be held on 26<sup>th</sup> January at St Bart's, Corsham, at 11am.)** RF was in contact with Christine Reid, ex-Corsham Council, who is in touch with Sally's family. RF would make a donation/send flowers as appropriate on behalf of CTA. MR read out tributes for Sally that had been received from Carole and friends in Jargeau.

**Minutes of Meeting 7<sup>th</sup> November 2016:** Minutes agreed with one correction: Mark Campbell had joined the committee, but not Jane Campbell.

#### **Matters Arising from previous meeting and AGM:**

- An article about Jargeau's visit had been published in the Corsham Civic Society's magazine. MS to check whether this had been put onto the CCS website and if so to copy it to CTA website. **Action: MS**
- CTA Constitution had been amended, as agreed at the AGM, and the new version put on CTA website. RF distributed copies to committee members.
- Rob Cannings had withdrawn from Committee but would help out with Twinning events.
- Alan Brookes' talk at AGM had been well-received. JG to précis his talk for website. **Action: JG**
- MW had followed up a request from Wiltshire Music Centre in Bradford-on-Avon regarding an opportunity for West of England Youth Orchestra to go to Jargeau as part of their 2018 Music Tour. Matt had given them a contact in Jargeau, but the orchestra had said they didn't want an exchange situation.

**2016 Events Programme: Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November, 7.30pm at Cricket Club:** ".Make your own Floral Display". This event had gone very well with a profit of £35.

#### **2017 Events Programme:**

- Sat 21<sup>st</sup> Jan at 7.30pm: Quiz at Cricket Club with fish and chip supper. Raffle - CBw. Prizes required. MW and SW to help RF with setting up. Entry £10 (to include meal)
- Sat 25<sup>th</sup> Feb at 7.30pm: Woodturning demonstration by Mr Tony Wingrave at Cricket Club
- Sat 25<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm: French meal prepared by JG and MS. Gastard Village Hall booked.
- Sat May 13<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm: Bingo evening with meal
- Sat 24<sup>th</sup> June at 6pm: Boules at Box
- Sat 15<sup>th</sup> July: BBQ at Wingraves'
- Provisional event: September, date tbc: Joint CTA/Corsham Band concert

- **Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> – Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct: Trip to Jargeau.** RF had received costings from coach company. Based on 40+ passengers, it was proposed to charge £200 per head including visit to Chateau at Vaux de Vicomte. This will cover costs and yield small profit. Committee agreed this was reasonable. RF to write to members to gauge numbers. Deposit will be required in May and balance in August. **Action: RF**
- Nov (date tbc): wine tasting at Cricket Club

### **Membership:**

There were now 3 vacancies on the Committee. We need to increase CTA membership and RF would ask SW to send a note to all members asking for suggestions. RF was in contact with Gastard to encourage new members from there. **Action: All to consider ideas for increasing membership and proposals for new committee members.**

### **Treasurer's report**

Balance: £3,500.72.

### **Any Other Business**

- All agreed Christmas dinner at The Bell had been very good
- Apologies for next meeting received from KS and MS
- RF said another ex-Twinning member, Ken Salter, had passed away. He had informed Carole in Jargeau. RF would make a donation/send flowers as appropriate on behalf of CTA

### **Date of next meeting**

**Monday 06/02/17 at 7.30pm at the Corsham Club**