

## **CORSHAM TWINNING ASSOCIATION**

### **Minutes of Meeting held on 13/11/2017**

**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), Susan Wingrave (SW), Nigel Millward (NM)

**Apologies:** Maggie Smith (MS), Christine Taylor (CT)

**Minutes of Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2017:** Agreed.

#### **Matters Arising from previous meetings:**

- Carole had suggested possible exchange of Jargeau/Corsham choirs. No response from Pound Singers, so SW is pursuing with a choir from Chippenham. **Action: SW – ongoing**
- Recruiting new members from WI: Some success. **Action: MR – ongoing**
- MH to make contact with new Head of Corsham School to encourage involvement with Twinning - **ongoing**

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

- Sat 18<sup>th</sup> November: Wine tasting at Cricket Club (wine provided by Jargeau as our gift). Doors to open at 7pm, RF and MC to set up room, arrivals from 7.30pm. £10 entry fee. JG to organize cheese and biscuits. CBw to run raffle – prizes required. SW to send out reminder to members.

**Committee Christmas meal:** The Bell at Lacock, Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 8pm

#### **Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> – Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct: Trip to Jargeau:**

- A successful and enjoyable trip.
- Letters of thanks have been sent out
- Following up action from the Joint Committee meeting, we will pursue links between groups in Corsham and Jargeau eg stamp collectors etc. RF will go through the local directory and make contact.
- Rob Cannings has produced a CD of the trip with photos
- Kelly Duckhouse was attending the Council meeting tonight and would publicise the Twinning.

#### **Jargeau visit to Corsham May 2018:**

- 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
- **Action: RF to approach Football Club to see if it is available and how much**
- Town Hall has a maximum capacity of 100 so numbers of visitors must not exceed 45
- We have applied to two separate bodies for a grant and await their responses

- 2 members have kindly offered to pay for the wine at the evening reception. **Action: RF to write and thank them and take them up on their offer**
- Committee members will provide soft drinks and snacks for the evening reception
- With a contribution from members of £15 per head we should have enough funds to provide a 2-course meal on the Sunday evening. JG is discussing options with caterers
- **Action: RF to go back to Carole with new programme, stressing need to keep numbers down to 40 (45 max).**

### 2018 Events Programme:

- Sat 13th January: Quiz at Cricket Club. Booked. Bar available. RF looking at getting fish and chips from Fat Fryer at Batheaston. £10 entry (£5 without fish and chips). Arrive 7.30pm, first question at 8pm.
- Sat 10<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm: AGM at Cricket Club followed by skittles. Booked. Bar available.
- March: French meal. Date TBD. **Action: JG to check with MS**
- April: no event
- Sat May 5<sup>th</sup> - Tues May 8th: Jargeau's visit to Corsham
- June, a Saturday, date TBD: 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**
- September: Sunday pm, date TBD. Joint concert with band. Possible cream tea.
- October: Date TBD. Wine tasting
- November: Date TBD. Race Night at Football Club. **Action: RF to agree suitable date with Club**
- December: no event

**RF suggested producing the programme on a card/leaflet. Action: RF to enquire re printing options. Card to be available for the AGM.**

### Treasurer's report

Balance: £4376

### Any Other Business

- RF requested choices for Xmas meal and payment
- J Fido has updated the website with minutes of meetings and photos of our trip to Jargeau
- SW thanked RF for all his efforts in organizing the fabulous trip to Jargeau
- MH announced the sad passing of his brother at the age of 97
- FH-J congratulated Corsham on winning the Henderson trophy!

**Date of next meeting: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 7.30pm at the Corsham Club**