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## Twinning News March 2020

Chairman: Pat Durrant

Vice Chairman: Sue Dawson

Hello Members,

We had a very good Annual General Meeting. It was decided to increase the Subs to £10. John and Gill Shephard gave us a very interesting talk about their cycling adventure along the Rhine.

In February we returned to the King William. We had a very good social evening with a lovely meal.

We are making plans for our French friends to come in the summer. Hopefully things will get better in time for them to travel.

I hope you are all keeping well.

Best wishes,

*Pat*

Message from Sue (Vice Chairman)

**Due to the Coronavirus, most of the events listed here may well not take place.** We thought we'd brighten your day by letting you know what was planned. Some may survive, being far enough off to wait and see. See individual items for the information we have.

*Sue*

## Calendar of Events

### 2020

March 7 <sup>th</sup>	41 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary of Twinning with Pfungstadt
April 10 <sup>th</sup>	40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Twinning with Aurillac & Arpajon
April 18 <sup>th</sup>	Beetle Drive <b>CANCELLED</b>
April 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Executive Committee Meeting <b>CANCELLED</b>
May 25 <sup>th</sup>	Retford Charter Day - <b>we are cancelling our commitment for this year</b>
June 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Summer Meal at Venus Restaurant <b>????</b>
<b>Early June</b>	Visit to Bassetlaw by Native American group <b>????</b>
June 12 <sup>th</sup>	43 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of Twinning with Garbsen
June 13 <sup>th</sup>	Swaledale Marathon <b>??</b>
June 24 <sup>th</sup>	Executive Committee Meeting <b>??</b>
July 30 <sup>th</sup> - 6 <sup>th</sup> August	Visit to Bassetlaw from Aurillac & Arpajon <b>?</b>
<b>Between 7<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> Sep</b>	Visit to Bassetlaw from Farmers Branch <b>?</b>
Oct. 27 <sup>th</sup>	40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Twinning with Farmers Branch

Black - Confirmed

Red - dates still to be confirmed

### Beetle Drive **CANCELLED**

Dawn Beaumont is organising a Beetle Drive for BTA which will be held at St John's Church Hall, Overend Road, Worksop S80 1QG, on 18<sup>th</sup> April between 2pm and 5pm. Admission will be £3 a head for anyone over 12 and free for children. Coffee/tea and cake will be provided and any offers of homemade cake would be appreciated. Please contact Sue Dawson [susan.dawson1933@gmail.com](mailto:susan.dawson1933@gmail.com) or 01909 486821, to book a place or offer cake.

### Retford Charter Day **DOUBTFUL - BDC DECISION AWAITED**

The Retford Charter Day will be held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May because of the changes to the early May Bank Holiday. A double street stall has been booked

by BTA. Frank and Eric have kindly agreed to run the stall as usual and would welcome offers of assistance.

Frank is collecting items for the stall so if you have anything you can contribute or would like more information please contact Frank on:

01909 730652 or [ericr.lane@btinternet.com](mailto:ericr.lane@btinternet.com) or Sue Dawson (as before).

### **Aurillac/Arpajon visit July-August PROVISIONAL**

Numbers for this visit are now finalised and we are hoping to welcome a group of 10 adults and nine teenagers to visit from 30<sup>th</sup> July to 6<sup>th</sup> August. 15 plan to travel by air to East Midlands airport and one family to travel by car. Hosts are arranged and we would hope that the wider membership would also be involved, whether in some of the events or by providing support with transport. The planning group will review our position in due course. If the visit goes ahead, we are confident that we can put together a programme at short notice, taking account of the situation as it develops.

### **American visits June and September UNCONFIRMED**

With the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations of the Pilgrim Fathers' epic journey on the Mayflower taking place this year, there is a lot planned in Bassetlaw. In June, a visit by a group of Native Americans from the Wampanoag tribe is scheduled to include three days building a 'wetu' at Hodsock Priory and a programme of cultural exchanges. We will update you when we know more.

The main Bassetlaw celebrations are due in September, including a Retford Heritage Day on 12<sup>th</sup>. Members of the Twinning Association in Farmers Branch USA have been invited to join in and have agreed to send a delegation. So far a small number of people have committed to the trip with others still undecided, but things have moved on since then. We would welcome their visit and would be pleased to hear from any BTA members who would be interested in hosting if it goes ahead. Again we will update you when we can.

### **BTA Privacy Statement**

In order to comply with GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation), we have put together a Privacy Statement which will be circulated and will appear on our website. This will advise members of the information which we hold on them and the uses to which this will be put. Anyone wishing BTA to delete their details should inform the Secretary, Bev Paul [bev.paul@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:bev.paul@tiscali.co.uk)

### Promoting BTA

You may have noticed Sue Dawson's sterling efforts to publicise our activities by placing items regularly in Worksop Life and Retford Life. These have generated interest and a few new members, and there were some new faces at the AGM. Sue has now identified further opportunities to spread the word and in future our events will appear on a local website [www.innorthnotts.co.uk](http://www.innorthnotts.co.uk)

### Subscriptions

**Subs are now due, at £10 a head as agreed at the AGM, and can be paid by bank transfer or cheque.**

For BACS payments, sort code 40-47-21 account no. 41498983  
Reference BTA 2020. Please inform the Treasurer Barbara Jameson by email that you have made this payment [barbara.jameson@btinternet.com](mailto:barbara.jameson@btinternet.com)

To pay by cheque, please complete the tear-off slip below and send to the Membership Secretary, Shirley Isard, at Water Meadows, Bevercotes Lane, Tuxford, NG22 0LQ

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I/We wish to renew my/our membership of Bassetlaw Twinning Association for this year, 2020.

Name(s):

Address:

Phone number (state which is preferred)

Landline:

Mobile:

Email address:

## Summer Meal **FOR REVIEW LATER**

The Summer Meal was planned for Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at the Venus Restaurant in Dinnington. For cost see the menu below. The meal is always excellent. Expressions of interest from the optimistic - contact Eric on 01909 730652 or [ericr.lane@btinternet.com](mailto:ericr.lane@btinternet.com)

### Midweek Special

Tuesday to Thursday

#### Starters

All Starters £6.95

*Crème Of Garlic Mushrooms*

*Chicken Liver Pate*

Served with Bloomer Toast & Onion Chutney

*Crispy Deep Fried Brie*

Served with a Woodland Berry Compote

*Homemade Yorkshire Puddings*

Served with Onion Gravy

*Roasted Tomato & Basil Soup*

*Smoked Salmon, Prawn & Crayfish Salad*

Served with a Tanga Marie Rose

*Warm Mackerel Salad*

Served with a Horseradish Mayonnaise

*Salmon Fishcakes*

Served with a Sweet Chilli Dip

### Choose Your Steak or Off the Grill Main Course

#### Menu 1

£39.90 For 2 People

*Aberdeen Black Angus Steaks 31 Matured*

*10oz Rump Steak \* 10oz Sirloin Steak \* 10oz Ribeye Steak \**

*16oz Pork Loin Steak Poivre*

Cooked in a Creamy Cracked Peppercorn Sauce

*32oz Farm House Mixed Grill £5pp \**

#### Menu 2

*Any Starter or Dessert and Main Course £44.90 For 2 People*

*Traditional Roast of the Day*

*12oz Gammon Steak & Pineapple \**

*Chicken Diane*

Cooked in a creamy Onion & Mushroom Sauce

*Mediterranean Chicken*

French trimmed Chicken breast stuffed with Feta cheese, Spinach & wrapped with smoked bacon,

Finished in a tomato, garlic & basil sauce

*Baked Salmon Alexandra*

Cooked in a Cream of Prawn & Asparagus Sauce

*Lamb Shank*

Cooked in a Rich Mint Gravy

*Mushroom Stroganoff*

Served with Steamed Rice

All the above are served with Grilled Mushrooms, Tomato, Onion Rings \*

All Main Courses are Served with Side dishes of Vegetables, Potatoes & Hand Cut Chips

Steak Sauces, Peppercorn, Diane, Stilton £1.70

Dessert Menu £6.95 Cheese Board £7.95 Filter Coffee or Tea £1.95

Cappuccino, Latte, Espresso, Special Teas £2.95

*Please Note: Individual Charges for menu 1 £19.95 Menu 2 £22.45pp*



## 2019 Christmas Concert -

### Sheffield Folk Chorale with support from Pete, Ken and Geoff

Well, we are now well into 2020, but those who attended the Christmas Concert will I am sure, remember what a brilliant evening we enjoyed at the end of last year. The Sheffield Folk Chorale gave us a wonderful programme of Christmas music, music with a Christmas theme but mostly new to us, which was a refreshing way to start Christmas. They were balanced by the singing of the trio from the Beehive Folk club Peter Ken and Geoff, again a different type of music that was well received. Hearing voices without accompaniment was a great pleasure and the variety of music chosen was excellent.

Midway through the concert we enjoyed a ploughman's style supper which had been prepared by a small group of BTA members supporting Eric, thanks go to Chris Shirley and Frank. The event was also supported by other members who supported with stewarding, serving and general help, I cannot name you all, but your help as usual was invaluable and made the evening go smoothly.

This was a very successful fundraising event and raised £686.11 for BTA funds. Thanks to Eric for heading this up and taking on the organising, however it would not have been such a success without BTA members supporting this event by attending and promoting the event with their family and friends. **Sue Dawson**



This is a poster from Pete Burnett from The Beehive Folk Club. You may remember how Pete has supported the BTA over many years including performing at Anne Fox's Celebration Concert in aid of Bassetlaw Hospice.

You can get tickets from Eric [eric.lane@btinternet.com](mailto:eric.lane@btinternet.com)

Odd Sock Ceilidh Band

Present a  
CEILIDH

or

Barn Dance

SAT 30 MAY 2020

7:30-11:00 PM

Harthill Village Hall

Winney Hill

Harthill, S26 7YL

Tickets £10.00

Includes Pie & Pea Supper

Vegetarian option available by pre-order

***Bring your own drinks***

No experience necessary, but sense of humour an asset!

Contact: David Wigg 07913 955910

**Great if you could support our new members Barbara and David**

Note from Committee - we have left these two advertisements in but these events are highly unlikely to go ahead. They are not BTA events.