

NEXT VISIT TO VERNEUIL: 25-28 MAY 2019

Last year, our group of adults and children had a very enjoyable time celebrating the 30th anniversary of the signing of the Twinning Charter between the Shelfords and Verneuil-en-Halatte with our French hosts.

Preparations for this year's visit are now well under way. The inclusive price for the visit is £70 per child (current Y7 and under), and £95 per adult and children Y8 and above. The cost includes travel by coach, insurance (for the children) and administrative costs. All entertainment and activities are provided free of charge by our hosts, the Twinning Association of Verneuil-en-Halatte. If you know of anyone who would like to come on the trip please encourage them to sign up quickly; the list will be closing soon. Please note it is a requirement that all travellers join the Twinning Association.

If you are interested in participating in the visit, please contact Sarah Haddow for more details: email: <u>sarah.haddow@talk21.com or telephone:</u> 01223 845942

VISIT FROM VERNEUIL EN HALATTE TO SHELFORD

SATURDAY-TUESDAY 6-9 JULY 2019

30th Anniversary Celebrations

Detailed planning for the visit is now well under way. Full details will be announced later but the outline programme is as follows:

A family/celebration day on Sunday including an inauguration ceremony to mark the occasion, afternoon tea for all hosts and guests, followed by a ceilidh – late afternoon for the Twinning only, but in the evening opening up as a community ceilidh; outing to Burghley House on Monday; and school for the children, or outing to Cambridge for adults on the Tuesday morning.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HOST ONE OR TWO FRENCH PEOPLE DURING THIS VISIT PLEASE GET IN TOUCH WITH SARAH HADDOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE ON 01223 845942 OR EMAIL HER at sarah.haddow@talk21.com

COMMUNITY CEILIDH

Organised by Shelford Twinning Association in conjunction with the Feast

SUNDAY 7TH JULY

7.30PM

in Feast Marquee

Great Shelford Recreation Ground, Woollards Lane

(By kind permission of the *Bunch*)

Bar run by Feast Food available

Tickets: £10 adult/£5 child from village shops and pubs (The Plough, The Square & Compasses, Barkers Butchers, Boots Chemist, Days Bakers, Tucker-Gardner, Cambridge Building Society, The Delicatessen, Kash Stores, The Three Horseshoes Stapleford, The Navigator Little Shelford, Searle's Butchers in Sawston)

Tickets can also be bought online from the Feast Online Ticket Office. There is a small additional charge for this.

Feast website: www.shelfordfeast.co.uk



Saturday 18th May GREAT SHELFORD FREE CHURCH, ASHEN GREEN, GREAT SHELFORD 8pm (doors open at 7:30pm)

TEAMS: maximum of 6 people in a team Individuals/couples also welcome and will be allocated to a team on the night

COST: £12 per head including supper: fish/chicken/sausage & chips or vegetarian option **** for catering purposes, please indicate choice of food when reserving places ****

Please book no later than 5pm on Thursday 16th May

DRINKS: fruit juice/wine available - donations requested for drinks (please don't bring your own drinks as this would break our agreement with Great Shelford Free Church)

A RAFFLE will be held on the night

To reserve places/choice of food, please do one of the following ...

- Complete the form at www.shelfordtwinning.org.uk/quiz
- Email: colin@frenchfrogs.net giving names and food choices
- Telephone Colin Jefferson: 07957 465 033 giving names and food choices

Shelford Feast 14 July

We will as usual be running our French tombola stall at the Feast and would welcome your support of this with any donations of items with a French flavour; also do please visit our stall on the day. All proceeds go to the Feast who then distribute any profits amongst the participating organisations.

Visit our Website www.shelfordtwinning.org.uk

Secretary's address: Twinningsec@gmail.com

RECENT EVENTS

Jumble Sale 12 January 2019

The jumble sale again took place in January in the Memorial Hall and a wonderfully varied and plentiful selection of goods was donated: clothes – nearly new and not so new, bric-a-brac, toys and books. A good number of people came during the afternoon and bought well but as always there was a lot left to clear away! The tombola run by Sarah Denham raised extra revenue and some people enjoyed the teas although most concentrated on their shopping. The sale raised approximately £220, a bit less than previous years but nevertheless a welcome boost for our funds. As ever, we are so grateful to all the stalwarts who turned out to help with sorting, selling, buying, clearing up afterwards, providing teas, organising the tombola – and to Anne Debenham for masterminding the day.

Pancake and Film Evening 9 February



The Shelford Twinning Association hosted another well-attended social in February: a film evening preceded by homemade pancakes with a choice of sweet and savoury fillings and, of course, lovely French wine. The film, *Beautiful Lies* (actual French title: *De Vrais Mensonges*) featured a funny/sad and unwitting love triangle between hunky diplomat-turned-handyman Jean (<u>Sami Bouajila</u>), Émilie (Audrey Tautou) his young and beautiful hairdresser employer and Maddy (Nathalie Baye) Émilie's lonely and beautiful mother.



We were pleased to welcome several new faces to the evening as well as a number of old friends.

Anne Debenham

Salon de la Gastronomie 23/24/March

This annual food fair took place over two days in the *Salle des Fêtes* in Verneuil. Colin and Janet Jefferson and Bernard and Penny Pearl were the Association's representatives and we set off for Verneuil with the boot of Colin's car piled to the roof with our English goodies of locally made Seville orange marmalade and lemon curd, cheeses (cheddar, Shropshire red, blue stilton, wensleydale), shortbread, homemade cakes and



beer. The members of the *Comité de Jumelage* in Verneuil once again supported us faithfully, but we also sold to non-twinning members and were able to chat about the twinning as well as introduce them to English produce. We were delighted that by the close of the Salon our stall was cleared!

A highlight is always catching up with all our friends old and new. After the Salon the French Committee kindly invited us for an *aperitif* – more like a full-on buffet than drinks and nibbles with delicious savoury cake, quiches, and apple cake to mention but a few – when we were able to relax happily and enjoy the pleasure of the company of our Verneuil friends. A successful visit.

Penny Pearl

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