

# Exmouth Twinning Association

## Keeping you in the picture – November 2018

### A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIR, EILEEN BEECH

Dear Members,

We are nearly at the end of another wonderful year of Twinning and I hope you have enjoyed it as much as I have. I must thank those who have contributed to the organisation of the visits and the social events which glue us together between visits. Talking of which, Dot Taylor is holding a Christmas Social on Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup> of December. More details are in this newsletter – do come and join us. During the year we have welcomed 6 new members who I hope will enjoy Twinning as much as I have.

Following the changes to the Constitution the present committee will continue in office until the AGM in March. I will be leaving the post of Chairman as my time in office will finish then. However, the two subcommittees, Dinan and Langerwehe, are continuing their organisation of the visits in 2019. Each committee would welcome additional members and you can be co-opted at any time in the year so let Sue Moreton or Tim Dumper know if you would like to help with planning the trips.

As the AGM nears we will be seeking nominations for the main committee so do speak to one of the committee members if you want to find out more about the commitment involved.

Finally, may I wish you all a very merry Christmas and a happy & healthy New Year, including another memorable year of Twinning in 2019.

Eileen Beech, Chair

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS

If you want your current committee to consider any particular matter at one of its meetings please contact the secretary Maggie Gingell on [maggiengingell@aol.com](mailto:maggiengingell@aol.com) or 01395 278448 or speak to one of the committee members.

Your committee members are

Eileen Beech - Chair

Sue Moreton - Vice chair and Dinan sub-committee chair

Barry McHugh – Treasurer

Maggie Gingell – Secretary

Tim Dumper – Langerwehe sub-committee chair

April Marjoram

Sandra Dunn

Dot Taylor

Linda Bolt (who is also our minute taker)

### DINAN

We are delighted to be welcoming the Dinan twidders back to Exmouth in 2019. The dates agreed by the committees are - arrival on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June, mid evening and departure on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June, mid evening. Your committee is working on the programme which will probably feature the Reception at the Sailing Club on the Saturday morning to include a buffet lunch, with a free day on Sunday followed by an evening dinner at the Manor Hotel and a day out on Monday.

Please would you let me know if you are definitely not able to host but know that your twinnings might still wish to visit and also if you can host but are aware that your twinnings might not be visiting as we have French twinnings who would like to visit and meet new host families. If you are a new twinning who is interested in the Dinan link but has not yet been in contact with the Dinan committee then do give me a call – 01395 278016 or the.moretons@btinternet.com

Sue Moreton, Chair, Dinan Sub Committee.

The book 'The English Colony of Dinan' was given to our association during the last French visit and, in order to make it available to members, a loan system is in place and it is currently out on loan until mid-December. Any member wanting to read the book should contact Eileen Beech to arrange to borrow it for up to one month.

#### LANGERWEHE

You all received a message recently requesting expressions of interest in the Langerwehe trip next year. The date is 14<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> August and I would be pleased to hear from anyone who has not yet replied but is interested in travelling by coach to Langerwehe. If you usually join the trip but cannot do so this time or are travelling by a different method it would be helpful to know too. Any new twinnings wondering about visiting Germany are welcome to call to chat about what is involved – telephone 01395 276635 or email [timandglynisdumper@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:timandglynisdumper@yahoo.co.uk)

Tim Dumper, Chair, Langerwehe Sub Committee

#### SOCIAL EVENTS

Thank you to Eileen for organising the very successful Annual Dinner at the Sailing Club last month. The winners of the picture raffle were Sue and Keith Turner who will now enjoy the beautiful painting of the old port at Dinan for the next year.

Our next social event is on **Sunday December 16<sup>th</sup>** (note the change of date from that flagged up in earlier emails) from 7pm at Dot Taylor's home, and will be a seasonal delicacies and drinks get-together. Please use the booking form below to reserve your place. Family and friends are welcome, especially if they are interested in twinning

### Seasonal Twinning Get-together

**With sweet and savoury treats and drinks (including mince pies and mulled wine of course!)**

**From 7pm at Dot Taylor's Home, 138, Hulham Road, Exmouth, EX8 4RD      Cost £4 per person**

**Please reply by Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> sending the form below and cash or a cheque (payable to Exmouth Twinning Association) to Dot at the address above**

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### Seasonal Twinning Get-together Sunday December 16th

Name/s (please print clearly)

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Please reserve \_\_ places at £4 each    Total £ \_\_    Cheque / cash enclosed for £ \_\_

Send to Dot Taylor, 138, Hulham Road, Exmouth, EX8 4RD by December 12th

Any special dietary requirements? .....

## **DEVON TWINNING CIRCLE**

We are invited to send representatives to the quarterly DTC committee meetings which are hosted by the various associations in turn. Tim Dumper is our nominated DTC representative but other members may attend the meetings as well. Let the secretary know if you would like to attend the next one at Exeter on January 19<sup>th</sup>. The cost of the lunch at DTC meetings will be met by our association for those representing it at the meetings.

We will be hosting the DTC meeting on **Saturday April 13<sup>th</sup> 2019**. We have booked the rooms and kitchen at Brixington Community Church for the event and will be providing a lunch as well as a meeting space, so help on the day will be needed for the hosting and catering. Please note the date in your diary and look out for requests for assistance nearer the time.

## **WEBSITE**

Tony Jackson continues to maintain our website Have a look – [www.exmouth-twinning.org.uk](http://www.exmouth-twinning.org.uk)

## **SUBSCRIPTIONS**

Thanks to all who have let Barry know that they have changed their automated credit payments of their subscriptions to match our new due date following the SGM. If you have not yet done so, please act promptly so that your payment is not taken too soon. If you wish to change how you pay or need advice on your payment get in touch with our treasurer Barry on [barry-mchugh@sky.com](mailto:barry-mchugh@sky.com)

## **AGM**

Our AGM will now take place in March, probably in the week beginning March 11<sup>th</sup>. Your committee has been seeking a venue where we can hold a social event in conjunction with the AGM and is currently waiting for confirmation of a possible booking.