

Bourne End (Bucks) Twinning Association Newsletter – January 2006 – No. 14



Some of the revellers at the Annual Garden Party on 27th August

Annual Garden Party

Thirty nine members came to the annual Garden Party held on the warm, but very cloudy day of 27th August. The gazebos in the garden were festooned with flags and as people arrived they were soon in conversation with other members. Members then played Star Bingo, which was a cut down version of bingo and a hunt for a matching star. Prizes were given for a full house, won by Rosemary Atkinson, and the first and second star found, won by Wendy Goddard and Wilma Johnston. Following this it was time for sandwiches, cream teas, cakes, tea and coffee. At the end of this a surprise cake and a toast was given to the chairman and his wife to celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary. Finally, the winners of the Photo Competition were announced; first prize Rob DeVille, second Pearl Hill and third Gill Burston.

Halloween Dinner

Ghosts, ghouls and pumpkins decorated the hall to set the mood for our annual Halloween Dinner held on 29th October. Despite the fact that there were only 36 people, which included the speaker, a good time was had by all. We enjoyed an excellent meal provided by Creative Cooking followed by a very entertaining talk by

Anne Woodward on the Old Time Music Hall, when we were all invited to sing along to some of the oldest and best known songs from this era. Finally, we had our Halloween hat competition and raffle draw.

Fun Night

The Association would like to thank everyone that came along, on a cold and misty evening, to our stall at the Bourne End Fun Night on 9th December and entered the raffling of the 2 hampers. The first prize of the French luxury hamper was won by the Fruit Market, The Parade, and the second prize of the fruit hamper was won by Lindsay Blaikie, Flackwell Heath.

Calling all Clubs

We are keen to promote links, especially for the young, between Bourne End clubs, societies and associations with their opposite number in Octeville sur Mer. If you think that one of the clubs you belong to would be interested in visiting, running competitions, performing or any other way of carrying out joint activities with your counterpart in Octeville, then BEBTA would be very happy through our twin to find out if there is an equivalent organisation, and provide contact details and assistance. Please call 01628521864.

Annual Dance Night

The Annual Dance Night will be held on 28th January at St. Dunstons Hall. This will be a barn dance and a hot supper will be served during the evening. Tickets will be £10 per head, please call 01628520065.

AGM and Reception

The Annual General Meeting and Reception will take place on Saturday 4th March at St. Dunstons Hall. This is a member's only event. Nominations for committee members are invited. The AGM (free) will be followed by a Reception where a 2 course buffet supper will be served for all members who would like it (price £7 per head to include the first glass of wine). There will be a licensed bar and entertainment will be provided.

Membership Renewal

Members are reminded that the subscription for 2006 is required by or at the AGM. £5 family membership and £3 single membership.

Octeville sur Mer Twinning Visit

The Official Twinning visit by Octeville sur Mer to Bourne End takes place on 6/7/8th May. Please keep this weekend free and if you can be ready to host. As usual we will be holding a Soiree for guests and hosts on the Saturday Night.

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