

Bourne End (Bucks) Twinning Association Newsletter – March 2004 – No. 9

Barn Dance

On 17th January at St. Dunstons Hall 65 members and friends enjoyed a lively but not too strenuous Barn Dance. A hot supper of jacket potatoes with various fillings and various sweets were served half way through the evening. The two callers gradually built up the dance steps over the evening, which made it easy to follow, and by the end of the evening everyone was dancing, and peels of laughter could be heard at the mistakes and muddles into which the dancers got themselves.



Annual General Meeting

On 6th March the association held its Annual General Meeting and buffet supper at St. Dunstons Hall. There was a good turn out of 42 members for the A.G.M and a new Chairman (R. DeVille), Secretary (P. Yeeles) and Treasurer (S. Hyde) were elected along with a full committee. Following the A.G.M., 38 members stay on for the buffet supper. To add some amusement to the evening there was a small quiz with a French flavour which was won by Frank Farrow.

Football Competition

Bourne End Junior Sports Club have obtained F.A. approval to take part in the International Football Competition for 10 –11 year olds to be held in Octeville sur Mer. Travel plans have been completed and parents, supporters and the young contestants will all be there for the matches over the weekend of 28th May. A return match in Bourne End will be held in June.

Entente Cordiale

To celebrate the centenary of the Entente Cordiale it is planned to unveil the picture presented to BEBTA by Octeville sur Mer and drink a toast in the Library on 6th April at 6:00 pm. All are welcome.

From left to right Peter Yeeles, Rob DeVille, Penny Walsh and Stuart Hyde at the A.G.M.

“Fete au Village”

Plans for the visit to Octeville sur Mer for the “Fete au Village” are reaching the final stages. There are currently 27 members going over from 20th through to 24th May.

The “Fete au Village” will be held on the Thursday when the village will host, along with other attractions, an art show. While this mid-week venue has meant that few artists are able to attend we have still obtained good support from them and members attending and we expect to exhibit works by 18 local artists.

On the Saturday evening we are promised there will be a soiree and a fireworks display.

If you are interested in attending please call as soon as possible 01628 521864.

Quiz Night

Don't forget to come along to the Quiz night to be held on 12th June at St. Dunstons Hall starting 7:30 pm.

There will be a supper, a bar and most importantly a thought provoking quiz. The quiz night will be open to non-members and teams of up to 8 people per table are required. Price £8 per head.

Official Twinning Visit

The first official twinning visit of Octeville sur Mer members to Bourne End will occur over the weekend of 3rd July.

Our visitors will arrive on Saturday morning and leave on Monday morning. On the Saturday there will be a soiree for guests and hosts at the Vulcan Scout Hall where we will have a hog roast and dancing or singing or both (watch this space).

Preparations for the visit are well under way and the Association is looking for anyone who is willing to host a person, couple or family. There will be at least 50 visitors coming, more if we can find extra hosts. If you think you can help please call 01628 526499.

Future events

Please put these dates in your diaries and come along to support your Association.

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| 20 th May | Fete au Village-Art show (visit to Octeville s/M) |
| 12 th June | Quiz Night |
| 3 rd July | Octeville sur Mer visit to Bourne End |
| 28 th August | Garden Party |
| 30 th October | Halloween Dinner |

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