



BRIDPORT – St. VAAST LA HOUGUE TWINNING ASSOCIATION



NEWSLETTER JUNE 2017

As many of you will know, the French visitors are coming from the 30th June to the 3rd July. The programme is set out below. The visitors would love the opportunity to meet as many of you as possible. So, please join us for the events if you can! **For non-hosting members, there is a form at the bottom of this newsletter, which needs to be filled in and sent to Mike Farmer with payment as soon as possible (and by 21st June at the latest) if you would like to attend either or both of the two evening meals. Limited space at both venues means exact numbers have to be known in advance so tickets are not available on the door.**

Friday, 30 June

They will arrive at the Coach Station from 11.15 pm on Friday 30 June.

Saturday, 1st July

AM Visit town, Market, Brocante market, Arts Quarter, Arts Centre the and newly refurbished Museum.

11.30 Rope making demonstration at Bridport Museum.

12.00 The Town Crier will give a welcoming cry after the band concert in Bucky Doo Square.

12.10 Civic Reception by the Mayor in the Town Hall. All members welcome. Please come and socialise with our visitors even if you are not hosting.

Lunchtime and the rest of the afternoon with guests. Amongst local attractions is the rarely open Bellamont House, Long Bredy, which is giving access to the public from 1 to 5pm.

7.00pm for 7.30pm: If you have booked a place / places, please assemble at the WI Hall in North Street, for the home-produced Buffet supper with entertainment. There will be wine and water on each table.

Sunday, 2nd July

9.15 .Please could everyone meet at the Coach Station with a view to leaving Bridport by 9.30. There is limited space on the coach so please be prepared to drive yourself and guests to Norden Station.

10.30 Coach will park for the day at Norden Station where there is car parking for £3.60 a day.

10.45 Visit Clay Mining Museum at Norden Station. Free entry. French guests will be given return tickets for the short Steam Train ride to Corfe Castle. Hosts please obtain tickets from Booking Office before departing at

12.00 for trip to Corfe Castle.

12.02 Arrive at Corfe Station in the heart of the compact and picturesque village. Interesting Railway Museum at the Station – free entry. Lunch should be provided by hosts, perhaps a picnic if fine. There is a wide range of pubs and cafes in Corfe as well as an excellent Museum and Model Village. Our Guests have been provided with Entry Tickets to the Castle. National Trust members have free entry. Leave at least an hour for visiting the Castle. Please make sure that you are at Corfe Station for the return trip by

3.40 for Norden Station and the return trip to Bridport.

7.00 for 7.30 If you have booked a place / places, please assemble at the Ballroom of The Bull for a three course meal.

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Monday, 3 July

9.15am Meet at the Coach Station to say goodbye to our guests.

If you are hosting guests, you will have received a letter confirming their names.

Bastille Day Celebration, Saturday 15th July

This event will take place on the Millenium Green from 6pm. If wet, we shall be in the WI Hall.

Please bring a picnic but no need to worry about dessert as on the Green there will be the ice cream man! Other attractions include a wine bar, petanque and a raffle, all of which will take place accompanied by Julie Dunn who will be singing a mixture of French and English songs. Do bring chairs / rugs to sit on. The WI Hall is also at our disposal, so toilet facilities are available there. Attached is a poster, please display it if you can.

Entry is £5 and if you have the lucky program, you can win a bottle of bubbly!

Booking form to be returned by 21st June

Buffet Supper in the WI Hall on Saturday Night: Association pays for the St Vaastais.

Places are limited to 80

Price for members and hosts £10 per person. I wish to pay for people (Do not include your French guests)

Three Course Dinner at The Bull on Sunday Night: Association pays for the St Vaastais.

Places are limited to 80

Price for members and hosts £ 27.00 per person. I wish to pay forpeople (Do not include your French guests)

Please give your name(s) and indicate if you are vegetarian

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I enclose a cheque for £..... Cheques must be payable to Bridport Twinning Association.

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