

TWINNING NEWSLETTER

Summer 2012



Yate & District Twinning

Your Newsletter—is there a future?

Dates for your diary

July 20th

Pre-trip meeting

August 18 – 27

Visit to Bad Salzdetfurth

September 21

Committee + Post – trip meeting

October 12

A.G.M.

October 13

2013 Planning

Your committee has decided that to produce a regular newsletter will keep all members better informed of events and happenings within the Association. We hope that you will enjoy reading this 'first edition' and will feel able to contribute to the future editions. The newsletter can only be successful if it becomes a means of communicating with each other.

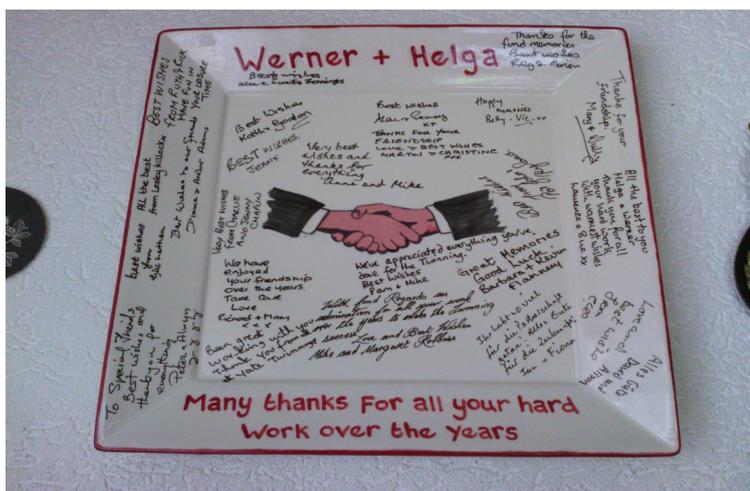
It is planned that the newsletter becomes a quarterly publication and so will provide everyone with the opportunity to express their views and to make positive suggestions for taking the work of the Association forward.

Each edition will report on events that have taken place and set out plans for future events. There will be reports from Officers on a regular basis. It will also be possible for other groups within the community to advertise and report on their events.

The committee of the Yate & District

Twinning Association has been meeting monthly for more than 27 years—we have minutes from almost every meeting. Over the years there have been various styles of newsletters produced—we have copies of many of these. There is a vast archive available—including thousands of photos (held by both officers and members). In future editions we expect to be able to have a feature showing events from past years. Can you help us here? Written memories with photos would be very welcome.

One of the most recent happenings is the setting up of a website. Have you visited the site? It gives all the up to date information of what is happening within the Association and we hope that this newsletter will encourage you to visit the site and encourage your friends and relations to do the same. Statistics show that the site is accessed from across the world so we are spreading the work of our association



When our German friends visited Yate last October we knew that this would be the last visit that Werner and Helga Krause would organize. It was felt that it would be appropriate to pay tribute to the work they have both done over the last 25 years. A presentation was made at the 'Farewell Dinner' held in the new South Gloucestershire Offices. Werner and Helga were presented with this signed plate and a wood carving of Hands of Freindship. The wooden carving will be taken to Germany when we visit in August this year. The plate already sits proudly on the living room wall in their Bodenburg home.



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Future Events

Barn Dance :The Committee are planning to hold a Barn Dance in November this year hopefully at the ARC club in Chipping Sodbury. This would be an enjoyable pre Christmas get together for all twinners and friends. Tickets would be around£10.00 each and would include a good ploughman's supper. To book a caller and band for a barn dance is a big expense so before that commitment is made we need to know your thoughts and be guaranteed your support on this from the start. We need 70 people to make this work so please check out your friends. The Committee is always looking for new ideas for social events which also help boost funds and raise awareness of our association but depend on your help and support to make this achievable so please help us in this venture.

Day with a difference : A guided tour of Bristol Blue Glass factory has been booked for 11. 0'clock on Wednesday 15th August the cost of the approximately one hour tour is £5.00 per person and includes a talk on the history of Bristol Blue and a guided demonstration by a craftsman. There is a shop also on the site with a wide range of glass available and sometimes a table of very good seconds at very reasonable prices.

It has been suggested that we then travel onto Bitton Railway station for lunch where for the train enthusiasts amongst you would have an opportunity of a steam train ride as the trains will be running trips at various times during the afternoon.

Bristol Blue Glass is at Unit 7 Whitby Road, Brislington if you don't have transport let Ruth know something can be worked out.

Those interested in this day please let Ruth know on 01454 314776 by 28th July