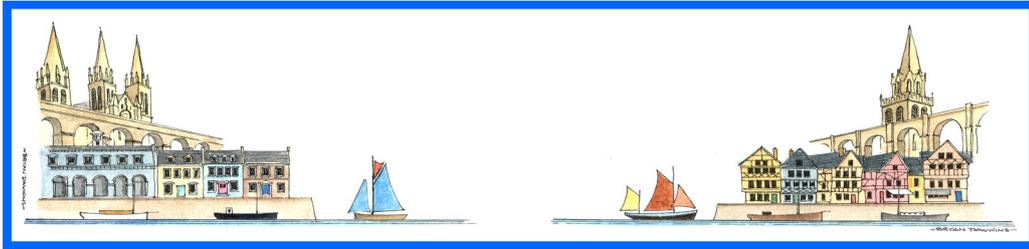


TWIN LINK JUNE 2011



Chairman's message

What a super twinning weekend we had at the beginning of the month! We were in a bit of a dilemma as to what to pack as the weather had been so cold and windy and we were also a little anxious as to what sort of a crossing we would have. We needn't have worried, the weather was superb. It almost felt like summer!

As always we received a wonderful welcome, and were shown such generous hospitality. The programme was very full, with a visit to a manor house, a calvary and church; a guided tour of the Italian style theatre in Morlaix, from where we went to Carantec in order to cross the causeway over to the Ile Callot for a picnic and walk, all in glorious sunshine. In the evening there was the civic reception at Plourin, followed by an evening of crêpes and Breton dancing. On Saturday we were taken to the market in Morlaix and in the afternoon we had the option of visiting the cairn at Barnanez or visiting private gardens which were only open that weekend. A busy few days, but lots of fun.

All too soon it was time to say goodbye.

We talked and laughed so much that I came home hoarse. I was so pleased to see the four youngsters who came with us really throwing themselves into the spirit of twinning, making friends and joining in everything. I hope that those new friendships will continue and grow.

On a sadder note we remembered Pat Young who passed away in May and who had accompanied us on so many twinning visits. Pat loved France and was a very loyal and supportive member whom we shall miss.

We now look forward to the return visit of our Morlaisien twidders in September (8th -11th). Please note that next year (2012) the French will come here in the spring and we shall go there in September.

This summer we say goodbye to the Dawkins family who are leaving Cornwall. Both Nikki and Bryan have served on the committee at different times and we are also very grateful to Bryan for designing our Twinlink logo. We wish them every happiness in their new home.

David Hoskin is also standing down from the committee and we thank him for his wise counsel and loyal support.

This means that we now have a vacancy on the committee. We would be delighted to hear from anyone who would like to join us and share your ideas.

Anne Moodie

In February some of our Morlaix twidders came across to us to be 'immersed' in our language and culture. Everyone who was involved felt their visit went very well. The participants received certificates to take home with them.



It looks as if our Treasurer Robert Moodie was enjoying his very first Twinning trip to Brittany!



We now have a supply of polo shirts printed with our TMTA logo, in various sizes. Please contact Sandra Anthony for details and prices.

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The crêpe evening on Pancake Day was another successful event. Our thanks once again to Jean and Bill Anderson for hosting and doing all the cooking and preparation.

STOP PRESS—Lovely news from Giovanni!
 Nous avons la joie de vous annoncer la naissance de Léane PRETESEILLE le 16 juin 2011 à 20h. Elle pèse 3 kg 245 et mesure 47 cm.
 Giovanni, Stéphanie et Marion.



Recipe Book
 It has been decided to try to get together a recipe book which can then be sold. Do you have a favourite recipe, or one that was particularly well-liked by the French? We only really want one recipe per household but perhaps you could submit a few (numbered in order of preference) in case we are short of recipes in the end? It would be helpful if the ingredients were in grams. You can send them to any committee member.

Our AGM took place in the City Hall in March, preceded by wine and cheese. Mayor Councillor Ron Cooke kindly chaired the meeting in his usual efficient way.



The 100 Club
 The 'TMTA Super 100 Club' is like a club lotto, for all over 18. At only £12 /year / ticket there is a monthly draw. The more who join, the larger the prize fund, as there is more in the pot to share out. and the more we can then undertake to do for the association and for our guests from Morlaix. Pay by cash, cheque or standing order. Contact Robert Moodie 01872 277854

100 CLUB WINNERS

Feb:	1.	20	David Hoskin
	2.	19	Sheila McGill
	3.	6	Alison Cameron
Mar	1.	27	Alan Ranson
	2.	10	Patsy Newton
	3.	23	Andy Woodhall
April	1.	7	Linda Gibbons
	2.	16	Harry McGill
	3.	14	Anne Moodie
May	1.	5	Sue Lawrence
	2.	11	Bill Anderson
	3.	4	John & Val Flatt
June	1.	25	Carriad & Chris Cockcroft
	2.	29	Peter & Sheila Willett
	3.	3	Suzanne Ashworth

Pat Young

Pat Young , who died in April after a long illness had been a friend of mine for over 20 years. She had been a Carrick and City councillor since 1987, Chairman of the District, and Mayor of Truro twice. I started going over to Morlaix with the twinners after I retired and Pat and I enjoyed many visits to Daniel and Danielle Dafniet at their lovely Breton house just outside Plougneau .The last stay was particularly poignant as she was not well and sensed this would be her last trip. Pat worked as a carer for many elderly people in the City, her "golden oldies" as she called them and each Christmas time presented them all with a box of home made goodies. Pat was kindness itself, a good councillor and a good friend. We shall miss her greatly.

Ros Cox

May bank holiday:- Barrie arranged a walk in the Luxulyan Valley, starting at 10am at the car park. It was a circular walk of approximately 3 miles, beautiful scenery and including a fantastic waterfall, water wheel and a unique aquaviaduct over the Par/ Newquay railway - also a lovely blonde nude at the finish who was posing on the rocks for a photoshoot.....we hope!!!! We were 21 adults, 2 children 3 dogs and 4 non walking adults, who joined us for a good lunch in the Kings Arms; to round it off, some of us played 9 pin skittles - Robert and Anne won the tournament. Our thanks to Barrie for arranging the day, and to the Gods for keeping the rain away!!!!!! Sandra.



Our most recent event was our group visit to Morlaix. We had a busy programme while there.

Civic reception with crêpe meal and Breton dancing

Speeches in French and English from Truro and Morlaix civic dignitaries



The two ladies were kept very busy



The musicians led the Breton dancing

We visit a renovated manor



We had a guided tour around the Morlaix Theatre



Keeping cool!



EVENTS DIARY AND WHAT'S ON

Everyone is invited to all events. Need transport? Contact one of the committee. We try to notify everyone promptly particularly when numbers are required in advance. Please help us by giving us your e-mail address (if you have one).

Saturday June 25th. Cream Tea at the home of Linda and Mark Vanstone.

Sunday June 26th. County Boules competition at Boscawen Park from 10 am. Contact Jean Anderson. All spectators welcome—bring a chair and a picnic.

Sept 8th to 11th. Morlaisiens come to us for their visit.

Oct 7th or 8th. Autumnfest - Bring and Share supper, dressing up with a French theme—Renés café.

Nov 25th or 26th. Quiz and pasty supper.

October. Our immersion in Morlaix.

More images from our June visit



My first French Exchange, June 2011

This was my first French exchange ever and my first impressions were good. The boat trip over wasn't too choppy, the food was good and the people were friendly. In the first house we stayed in I enjoyed spending my spare time playing on the piano and electric organ there. At the second house I enjoyed watching the horses. I have never seen anything like the manor we visited which had been completely refurbished. I enjoyed the crêpe dinner and felt that it was the main highlight of the visit; the dancing was especially what I liked, along with the crêpes, of course. During this visit I made quite a few friends and hope I can meet up with them in the future, also I hope to come again on future French exchanges. By *Hannah Vanstone* (age 13)



My first trip to Morlaix, June 2011.

The best parts of my trip were the ferry crossing, seeing the helicopter take off from the 'war ship'. I especially liked 'BOBO' the clowns' performance, he entertained us with balloon modelling. I tried that with Grumpy's christmas present I bought him last year when I got back home!! The food wasn't that good on the boat and Nanny complained as it was cold!

The best evening was when they made crêpes - i had my favourite - chocolate spread; at the end of the evening we helped sweep up the floors, it was great fun!

Simone and her friend John-Jacque were very kind. She even gave me a piggy back when my leg hurt on the walk.

I really liked seeing the market and I bought a watch. I also enjoyed visiting Nanny's and Grumpy's favourite shop-noz!

I made friends with the french children and enjoyed playing games with them. (Jac can't believe how well French children speak English).

It was also fun walking around with Grumpy as he always tells me lots of funny stories! Mike was also very generous when he gave me some money to buy a huge ice cream.

I really loved all of my trip - and I told Mummy the first night on the phone that I can't wait to come again next year.

I was so excited when I got home that I stayed up very late telling Mum and Dad all my news! Thank goodness I had a day off school the next day! :-)

By *Jac Cockcroft*, aged 7 3/4:-

If you have forgotten to pay your subscriptions for 2011—2012 they are: Single £10. Family £15. Corporate £20, and are payable to Alison Cameron.

We always need good quality Raffle Prizes.

Unwanted gifts, home-made fare and/or craft, job (e.g. an hour's gardening, baking a cake etc.) Please contact Sandra Anthony 07800 867163 or 01872 520288 Thanks.

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