

TWIN LINK NOVEMBER 2009



Chairman's Message

Dear Twinners

What a wonderful time we had when our French friends came in August, and how fortunate we were with the weather after a dismal summer. The scenery at Porthcurno was stunning and even those who had previously visited were again struck by its beauty. The museum was fascinating and very informative. The Cathedral restaurant proved to be an excellent venue & we enjoyed a very happy evening there, the highlight being Cheryl Rosevear's singing. Unfortunately the visit was much too short and we were soon back in MFI car park to wave them goodbye. To avoid Bank Holiday madness they set off early on the Saturday morning and were able to visit the Barbican and The Hoe before boarding the ferry.

The following weekend we held the Eddie Jones Boules Tournament where the winning trophy went to Peter Coxwell. I am very proud to say that to my great amazement I was runner-up! We were pleased to have a Junior tournament running alongside again this year, the winner being Dylan Polkinghorne. Some of you will remember that we have a runners' up competition (the Ginster cup) for those who don't make it into the second round. The Ginster cup has long since disappeared so it was decided to look for a new sponsor. Glyn Jones of Penrose Touring very kindly agreed and the winner of the new Penrose trophy was Peter Willett.

This event was followed by a splendid barbeque kindly hosted by Sandra and Barrie Anthony. Again we were so fortunate that it stayed dry for the day.

My thanks go to those who supported and provided cakes for the coffee morning, given by kind permission of the mayor, Mrs Ros Cox. It was a very pleasant morning although Truro was very quiet that day so less people came in than we would have hoped.

What a misnomer the Winter Warmer was! It turned out to be a beautifully warm and sunny day! This was a new venture for us but very successful and as several commented, extremely good value.

I would like to thank the committee for all their hard work to make this another successful year.

My lasting impression of all the events this year is the warmth of the friendships and the noise of the chatter and the fun of being together. It is so good to be part of all of that.

I shall be representing the Association at the Remembrance service in November and then I look forward to seeing many of you at our Christmas lunch.

Anne Moodie.



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Helen Moodie is no longer able to be on the committee as she is now a student at Plymouth University, so there is now a vacancy for a Youth Liaison Officer. We thank Helen for all her contributions over recent years, we wish her well in her studies, and we look forward to seeing her at various TMTA events when she is able to come.

AUGUST 2009 - THE MORLAISIENS VISIT US.



The visit to the Minack Theatre, the Porthcurno Telegraph Museum, and just enjoying the lovely Cornish scenery—all went down very well with both us and our guests.



PEOPLE NEWS:

Chris Ward has now moved to Devon, and we wish her all the best as she settles down in her new home.

David Hoskin has had a difficult time since his car accident in the summer. He is still in plaster, and needs to be looked after. We wish him well, and hope that he will soon start to feel better again.

Bill Anderson has recently had a hip operation, and we wish him all the best, too, for a speedy recovery.

The Eddie Jones Memorial Trophy Tournament 2009

Though there was a rather chilly wind the rain held off and we had a good turn out for the competition. Fifteen adults registered to play and the Polkinghorne family once again were the stalwart supporters of the Junior competition.

Everyone helped with the preparations, (how many Twinners does it take to put up a gazebo?.....answer: lots, when there's a stiff breeze!) for which I was very grateful. Likewise, I didn't have to ask twice for referees, nor for assistance when essential papers blew away!!

The winners were: Peter Coxwell (E.J. Mem. Trophy); Anne Moodie (Runner-up); Peter Willet (Penrose Trophy); Dylan Polkinghorne (Junior Trophy). We welcomed the Deputy Mayor, Ron Cook, who kindly presented three of the trophies. Glynn Jones, whose company sponsored the Penrose Trophy, was with us for the final game and made that presentation.

Thanks to all who participated, helped and generally made my job easier.

JA



'My Immersion' by Jacqueline Hervé

The day, when I arrived in Plymouth, my hostess was waiting. Immediately we spoke English. I was in the swing of things.

When we got home, my programme was ready for the week:- **Vocabulary** – Arts, **Vocabulary/ Discussion-** on Complementary therapies, **Reading, Cooking, Writing a journal**-summarising my work each day...etc....
The most important work has been hearing, everywhere, sounds, new words, and the English language being spoken all the time wherever I went. However, at the end of the week I was more at ease.

On Tuesday, we discussed the news and sport, through newspaper reports and television. We went to a care home to visit my hostess's mother then later, in Falmouth, we admired Alison's exhibition, reading and explaining the descriptions of her work. We met some people of the twinning. and discussed in English the show and the last visit to Morlaix.



The day after, we did work about the different words, expressions and reactions used for exhibitions because we were going to the Tate gallery and the Hepworth museum at St Ives.

We did some dictionary work to define the words and get the sense of them before we went, and during the visit we selected some of them.

On coming back home, we went to wish a "Happy Birthday" to a friend and at 11p.m when we left, we did a detour to "Tesco" to do some shopping. [It is open all night].

On Wednesday, a Cranio-sacral therapist came to our home. Before she arrived we talked about complementary therapies.. The therapist asked me if I wanted a treatment. I said yes and I lay down on a couch. It lasted more than half an hour. I hadn't ever heard of that treatment in France. It was very relaxing..

The day after, I had work to do about "Bach flowers". The woman tested me to see which Bach flower remedy was the best for me...

We read aloud together the characteristics of the people who were responsive to some flowers...It was very interesting.

And the week went on well, with writing, listening, speaking, cooking, eating delicious meals and laughing.

The last day, going back to the ferry, we visited Rame peninsula and Whitsand Bay, with a very nice small port, Cawsand and a huge fort (for the army) that had been built a long time ago to protect the English people against Napoleon's armed forces, then we went by car ferry across the Tamar into Plymouth. We can see the little port from the ferry as it leaves Plymouth,

I very much enjoyed my immersion week and the walk each day with the friendly dog... I had to speak to him in English of course.... And he seemed to understand very well my English with my French accent. I was very happy with that.

Thank you very much to my hostess and my host for their help, availability and kindness.

Jacqueline...

Jacqueline was hosted by Barbara and Andy Woodhall

When the Morlaisiens were with us, Michel Cocheril was invited to be interviewed by the Hospital Radio, when he spoke about the links between Truro and Morlaix. This was broadcast throughout a fairly wide area around Truro.



Michel Cocheril broadcasts to Hospital Radio.



The Harvest Warmer Lunch was a big success, and about 25 people enjoyed food and wine. Although it was our Winter lunch, the weather was about the nicest we have had all year!!



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

Winners

August: 1st Cariad Cockcroft, 2nd Bryan Dawkins, 3rd Margaret George

September: 1st Andy Woodhall, 2nd Bryan Dawkins, 3rd Lilian Polkinghorne

October: 1st Sheila McGill. 2nd Andy Woodhall, 3rd Bill Anderson

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. Help us to help you by giving us your e-mail address. This can also save the association money by avoiding unnecessary postage.

Sunday Dec 13th.

Christmas Lunch at Killiow Golf Club, 12.30 for 1 pm. £19.50 per head, £9.25 for children.
See enclosed sheet for details

Crêpe evening. Shrove Tuesday, February 16th 2010. Please put the date in your new diary.

Favourable comments were forthcoming at the recent coffee morning while sampling Carol Heginbotham's delicious cake. Many thanks Carol for allowing us to share your recipe:

BLACKBERRY TRAY BAKE

10 oz margarine
10 oz golden sugar
14 oz self-raising flour
Pinch of bicarbonate of soda
5 medium eggs
1 tbspn vanilla essence
4-5 tbspns milk
Grated zest of 1 orange

- *Mix all above together in a large bowl.
- *Add 4-5 oz blackberries and spoon into tin (approx 12" x 8")
- *Dot another 4-5 oz blackberries on top, together with 2 oz flaked almonds.
- *Bake for approx 45 minutes, gas Mark 5, 190°C and allow to cool in tin.
- *Mix 5 oz icing sugar, 1 tsp vanilla essence and 2 tbspns orange juice and drizzle over cake.
- * Cut into squares and enjoy!

Thank you all for your replies to the survey asking whether you would prefer to visit every other year or continue with the yearly visits. It was a very mixed response but the overriding feeling was to keep the status quo and apparently the French have come to the same decision. We are currently trying to fix the dates for next year's visits and will pass these on as soon as possible. Anne

URGENT:

We desperately 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 01872 520288. Thanks.

Don't forget the monthly get-togethers on the first Tuesday of each month at 'The Riverbank' (previously the Barleysheaf) in Old Bridge Street, Truro, near the Shopper's car park. Come for a drink and a chat at about 7.30 pm. Can members please contact other members to see if they would like to meet up there, as this is an event arranged for members to meet informally and it is felt that there is no particular need for a committee member to be there!

Annual subscriptions are : Single £10. Family £15. Corporate £20. Cheques to: Ann Burnett, 2 Mullion Close, St Austell, PL25 3SS.

To encourage younger members a resolution will be put to the next AGM that students under 21, in full time education can join for free in their own right.

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