

STURMINSTER NEWTON TWINNING ASSOCIATION.

Hello All,

We recently had a wonderful weekend in France, visiting the Festival of the Sea at St. Vaast le Hogue. Fourteen of us went and it was another memorable twinning visit.

Our boules team has just won the Dorset league ! We get together every Wednesday evening at the Plough at Manston at 6.15 p.m. We will be so pleased see new members who would like to give it a try. We have floodlights so carry on through the winter.

We have quite a busy Autumn calendar.

4th September. Boules Tournament at the Plough, Manston. This will be our 3rd Tournament and we are hoping for another brilliant day. It caters for people of all abilities and we will be really pleased to see you, if you would like to have a go. 10 a.m. start, £2 per head. The pub lays on a B.B.Q. lunch at modest prices.

11th and 12th September. Cheese Festival. Our friends from Montebourg will be coming, bringing their excellent Camembert. As usual, the profits will go to the African village of Toussiana , which we also support. If anyone can help on the stand, either Saturday or Sunday, please let me know. Your help will be much appreciated – and it is good fun ! On Saturday evening we will be having a meal at the Bull Inn, followed by skittles (which the French love). Please join us if you can. We would like to make it a good party.

25th and 26th September. Visit of Ars Nova. This is not strictly twinning, but a group of musicians from Cherbourg singing mediaeval songs. They will be giving a concert in the Church on Saturday evening and we will entertain them to supper in the Church Hall after the performance. Please support this; they are well worth hearing. Tickets will be £7. If anyone can offer a bed for the Saturday night we will be grateful.

28th October. We are hosting the Dorset Twinning Association Quiz at the Exchange. We do not enter a team but may need some help on the night.

11th November. Our own quiz. This is our major fund raising event of the year and success depends on a large number of teams participating. Again, we have booked the Stour Hall at the Exchange. Please help us by entering a team, cajoling friends to enter a team or coming along to make up a team. The cost is £2 per head – bring your own nibbles and liquid refreshment !

The first event of next year is the Chandeleur – about the end of January. This is when we go to Montebourg to their historic fair and sell our local cheese, marmalade etc. More about this later, but do consider going – it's a great experience.

A reminder to those who have not yet paid this year's subscription. Please give it to me or to Philip Sharp, our Treasurer. £7.50 individual or £15 for family membership.

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