


Llandrindod Wells and Area Twinning Association

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To all 'Twinners and Friends'

Llandrindod Wells & Area Twinning Association

What a busy year in Twinning we have had and how quickly the time seems to have gone with 2009 racing along and the promised Bar-B Q summer mysteriously absent. Never mind, this information letter is meant to bring some Association news to all our members and indeed to all the friends and supporters who have been so helpful in making the events we have held quite successful occasions. Right from the start I salute you all and I know that the committee are ever so grateful for the help and encouragement the Association has received in everything we have undertaken.

May 2009

Headlines from three press reports spring to mind from our May activities:

1. Twinning group receives £1,000 thanks to Deryn: Llandrindod Twinning Association held a fundraising sale in Pritchards Saleroom to raise money to host visitors from the twin towns of Contrexeville, France and Bad Rappenau, Germany. There was great support for the sale from people in Llandrindod and the surrounding area who gave an excellent selection of items to sell and we raised over £1,000.

2. Twinning Ties strengthened with German Mayor's visit: The Mayor of Bad Rappenau in Southern Germany visited Llandrindod Wells with a small group in order to develop and strengthen the twinning links between our towns.

In their own way both events turned out to be quite successful and indeed they were quite special events for the Association.

3. Change of Secretary: Jane Malvern left office after a lengthy stint of excellent service to the Twinning cause, the committee were kept in good order and properly informed at all times. Our many thanks to Jane who, I am pleased to say is still on the committee. The new Sec is Peter Davies who has settled in quite nicely and has certainly been very heavily involved in all the events listed below. Long may it continue so as we welcome Peter to the show.

July 2009

This month from the 2nd to the 6th we hosted the tri-partite twinning meeting, a meeting that brought 9 people from Contrexeville and 21 from Bad Rappenau into our Llandrindod Wells community. As always the biggest headache was to find accomodation with hosts who have similar likes and background qualities as our visitors and it is very pleasing now to re-call that, due to the generosity of you all, Twinning Members and our many friends, everyone was satisfactorily 'fixed up' in house.

The visit programme itself as arranged by the twinning Committee was very ambitious and very busy and I am pleased to say was very successful, especially the forum and carnival day **Saturday 4th July**. You can read far more details than are written here by visiting our very good [web site](#) which contains full reports and pictures of all the activities to date.

Meanwhile.....

The committee continues to work hard for the association and we meet every 3rd Wednesday of the month in the Con-Club 8.00 pm start and you are most welcome to attend, to join in, to contribute or just to listen. There is no doubt that being there is the best way to keep up with the flow!!

The next meeting is Wednesday 21st October 2009.

Future Events

Friday November 6th 2009 - A skittles and chips night in the British Legion Club 7.00 pm start. Tickets are only £6.00 and include a supper. We want you all to be there so come along get your tickets early from any committee member, this is one of our fun fund raising events.

In early **December 2009** a party from Llandrindod Wells Twinning Association will be visiting Bad Rappenau for the 'Christmas Markets' week. A full report of that visit will be duly posted on our web site.

January 20th 2010

This Wednesday will be our annual dinner evening - details to be advised at a later date - suffice for now to keep that date free, again we would love to see as many of our twidders and friends in attendance.

Wed 19th May 2010 - The AGM

This is the meeting to come to and join in, to become a committee member, to become a friend of 'Twinning' or just to voluteer a little help now and then with any of our activities, your ideas and suggestions will be welcomed this night. Indeed, as I write we are in the early stages of setting up exchange visits and connections via the High School, the College and several youth club sporting activities. These are open to all from Llandrindod Wells and the surrounding areas. Come and talk to us, we need your help.

Finally can I say that all the above have only lightly touched on our activities and as already

mentioned you will read and find out a lot more from our Web Site so please do visit. Outside of that if you have any questions or queries about the Llandrindod Wells Twinning Association then Peter Davies our Secretary can be contacted on Tel: 01597 851931.

Yours sincerely and happy ***'Twinning to all'***

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jeff Thomas". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the "s" at the end.

Jeff Thomas