



# WIMBORNE-OCHSENFURT TWINNING ASSOCIATION



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### Dates for your diary.

**May** - Our friends are visiting us from Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> to Sunday June 3<sup>rd</sup>. The committee has sorted out a programme for them, not easy, because of the little time they have here. They will be coming by coach again, and probably arriving around 9.00 p.m. and then returning on the Sunday morning early! There will be 29 of them, a good number and a bit of a challenge for bed spaces.

We are taking them round the Purbecks, including Durlston Country Park and Swanage on the Friday. Saturday will free time with the hosts to do whatever they want, and ending with a supper at the Model Town, where we will be joined by the new Mayor for a brief Civic reception. This is instead of the usual one at the Town Hall, which cannot be held because of a pre-booked wedding. Non hosting members are welcome to come and say hello to them from 6 p.m, but as we have a maximum number of 50 for the meal, food will not be available for everyone visiting. Sorry!

### **July**

It has been suggested that we might go along to the Dreamboats Race day on July 15<sup>th</sup> and join in the Barbeque from 2 p.m. If the weather is nice, this can be a very entertaining afternoon. Just turn up at the Dreamboats site.

**Kaffee und Kuchen** As there has been no response to the suggestion that we cancel this event for this summer, we assume that you have no objections to doing this. Considering the low turn-out last year, we may cancel this for a few years.

**September** - Probably another walk. We might refresh the one we did from Canford Cliffs to Harry Ramsden's in Bournemouth. For any who do not want to walk, perhaps we could just meet at a pub for a meal, possibly on a regular basis?

Further details will be in the late Summer newsletter.

### **Past Events**

The joint supper evening with Valognes went very well. We were outnumbered 2 to 1 but we think that we produced the best food! It is possible that we may repeat this in the future, as relations with our French colleagues are much better than they once were.

Thanks to Liz White for the photos.



The raffle prizes



A great selection of food - theirs and ours!



Getting stuck in.



Our display board with (empty) bottles



Plenty of good chat between the two groups.



Secretary Liz's contribution to the Quiz!!!  
- Name these Germans. Ouch!

## **Obituaries**

Sadly, we have lost two good past members recently.

Pat Hughes, once Matron of the Hospital, died in February in a care home. She and Tony had been members since the beginning, and were good supporters of the Association.

Alan Dean, whose death was reported in the Stour & Avon magazine. He and Vera were also great supporters, and his cheeky smile and wit will long be remembered.

Our condolences go to the families.

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