



Malmesbury



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Newsletter July 2020

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Are We Getting There?

Dear Twinners,

We hope you are well. We know the Lockdown is slowly being eased. Equally we know that many of our members and supporters are in the vulnerable categories so we all need to be very assured before we start assuming the virus is not out there.

So, for the moment we are keeping our activities to the virtual. We use Zoom for these. If you wish to join a Zoom event at any time, please let us know. If you need help setting it up (it is quite easy to use and the encryption security has now been enhanced) we will be happy to offer that.

Committee Zoom Meeting

We held a Zoom meeting recently over a couple of evenings. Our finances are in good shape (alas we cannot spend much at the moment) but we have done little about recruiting new members recently, although most of the recurring subs have been paid. As our year starts from 1 June you may find one of the committee chasing you either to check on your subs or to ask you to join or complete a standing order. We hope you won't get too irritated if we do that.

Twinning Quiz, Tuesday 28 July

You should have received a notice and a poster about this. It will be great fun. We hope you will join us. All you have to do is email Phil at exton59@aol.com, and then pay your fiver. As well as some good fun there is wine, chocolates and kitchen equipment (?) to be won. Do join us.

Virtual Civic Reception

Because the visit from Niebüll has had to be cancelled this year (or postponed to next year) our new Mayor and President Cllr Campbell Ritchie has taken the wonderful initiative of proposing to our Twin and Friendship towns (Niebüll and Gien plus Malmesbury RSA and Bad Hersfeld in Hessen, Germany) a virtual reception on Friday 25th September. Campbell and Julia are now liaising with the four towns and preparing the final arrangements. But this is a wonderful idea to share with our community in these difficult times. We will let you know more in due course.

Pencilling In the AGM, Tuesday 29 September

Under the constitution we should hold the AGM by no later than 30 September each year. We have held off this year because we cannot physically meet. However, to try to comply we have provisionally pencilled in an AGM for Tuesday 29 September.

Wouldn't it be nice if we could all meet then! We are going to live in hope. We will make a decision at the end of August whether this is possible. If not, we will have to make alternative arrangements.

Meanwhile please pencil in this date.

Greek Evening 10 October

We are still provisionally committed to going ahead with this, so please do keep it in your diary. As with the AGM we will have to see how things develop over the next couple of months. We will however let you know the position by the end of August. But again, please do keep this date in your diary.

With very best wishes,

T'Committee.