South Molton Livarot



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# Twinning Walk—31st August

Sadly David and Ann's last walk organised for us. Our first annual walk was in 1996, so 18 years' worth of walks is quite an achievement! Fortunately we were blessed with superb weather for walking—bright and dry. We set off from Hunters Inn on what was deemed a "challenging" walk. Some very steep hills, both up and down, but spectacular views making it all worthwhile. Four of us made it up to the Fortlet to enjoy the wonderful 360° views and we ended up back at Hunters Inn just after 4.00 p.m. tor cream teas.

We are very much indebted to David and Ann, not only for organising our walks for us, but also for their hospitality in allowing us the use of their "function room" over the years and David's running of our website. We will certainly miss them, but we think we have persuaded David to come on our annual walk next year, even though he will not have planned it, so hopefully we will not lose touch with them.

#### **Car Treasure Hunt**

I have emailed everyone to let you all know that sadly Winston and Lynne have had to cancel this event due to the lack of available clues close enough together on a route to keep people interested. They made several forays out into the country but were forced to give up. Many thanks to them both for their efforts.

# Call My Bluff—Friday 10th October

7.30 p.m. at The Coaching Inn.

I did email a poster a while back so most of you will already have details of this, but for those of you without email:

Teams of 4 at £5 per person, which will include refreshments (which we believe will be pasty and chips). To register your team please phone Margaret on 573558.

There will be a draw, so the donation of a draw prize would be much appreciated.

# Trip to Livarot—May 2015

Unfortunately we have had to have a change of plan for our trip next year. We had intended doing a daytime crossing which would mean leaving South Molton at around 7.30 a.m. on the Thursday, but it turns out that the ferry service we were hoping to use does not commence its summer timetable until the following week. This means that we will have to catch the 8.30 a.m. ferry from Poole to Cherbourg, which will necessitate leaving South Molton at 4.30 a.m. We appreciate that this is extremely early but it is the only way we can do a daytime crossing in order to have an extra day in France and also to keep the cost of our trip to a minimum.

The coach company (Blakes) have very kindly offered to take us on a day trip on the Friday—destination to be decided by ourselves—and provided we keep within Normandy there will be no extra cost involved. This is an extremely generous offer and we will obviously need to decide where we would like to visit.

We hope the earlier departure time will not put people off and that if you were intending to travel, you will still be able to come. As mentioned in the last newsletter, we need a deposit of £40 per person to be paid by 31st October at the very latest, and the balance will be due by 12th March 2015. Lorraine is taking bookings (574255) so please contact her or you can put a note through her door with your deposit payment. We estimated that the total cost would be around £100 per person, but please bear in mind that the cost depends upon numbers. If we are able to

get as many as 53 people going, the cost will be reduced to as little as £67 each!

Also as mentioned in the last newsletter, Margaret can arrange travel insurance through the Devon Twinning Circle. If you do not have your own travel insurance and would like to take advantage of this, please contact Margaret and she will give you details (573558). The cost is around £11.43 per person to cover 6 days.

## **Twinning Website**

David White has very kindly been running this for us and keeping it up to date as much as possible. Sadly, as most of you know by now, David and Ann are leaving us—their moving day is 31st October, so David is wondering if anyone out there would be willing to take over running the website.

### **Garage Sale**

I did pass on an email from David to say that he and Ann would be having a garage sale on Saturday 27th September (Carnival day) at The Old Rectory from 11.00 a.m. and have invited all Twinners. You may not receive this newsletter in time but I hope that most of you will know about the sale and may be able to give your support.

#### Just for Info:

Lorraine and Andrew are organising an Italian meal in aid of Cancer Research on Saturday 18th October in The Assembly Rooms and I am sure they would be grateful for as much support as possible. I believe tickets are £17.50 per person but if you phone them (574255) they will give you more details.

### **Next Meeting**

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 9th October, 7.30 p.m. at The George Hotel. All members are very welcome to attend.