

Launceston & Plestin Packet



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District Twinning Association

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Quiz starts New Year events

ORGANISE your teams because we're launching 2015 with a Wine and Wisdom quiz night to get the 'little grey cells' active again after Christmas.



It will follow the same successful format as last year and take place on Friday, 16 January, at the White Hart, starting at 7:30pm.

It promises to be a fun evening as usual and our genial quiz master Peter Birkett has prepared a wide-ranging selection of questions to get us all thinking!

The price is also still the same as last year at £18 per table (payable on the night) which includes a bottle of wine and French cheeses, grapes and other nibbles.

So organise your team – perhaps recruiting teams of people who aren't twinners – and reserve a table by contacting Secretary Jenny Birkett on 01566 777978, or email at jennybirkett2@gmail.com as soon as possible. If you can, please display attached poster to attract teams.

WHAT sort of social events and activities would be fun for our Twinning Association to organise or be involved in?

CURRENTLY, we hold wine and wisdom nights, French film evenings, a murder mystery and a summer picnic/walk. But what else would you like to see happening? What appeals to you and your friends or family?

Now that we'll be hosting official visits for our French 'twins' on alternate years, the emphasis will be more on the fun and social side and a little less on fund-raising.

So, if you've ever thought: "wouldn't it be a good idea if we did that in twinning?" please let us know. Our committee will be meeting this month to start planning next year's activities and we'd be delighted to hear your ideas. Please send them to murraytaylor@waitrose.com before January 12





FILM FOCUS

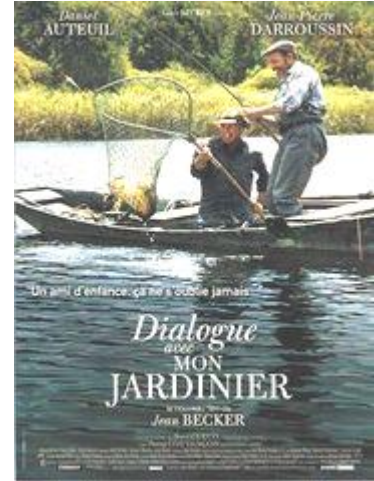
First film night of the year

A FILM night to brighten up January! – a lovely bittersweet tale about friendship, starring two of France's best-loved actors. Film night is **Tuesday 27 January** and the deadline for booking your meal(s) is the end of **Wednesday 21st Jan.**

Two men find themselves sharing a lifetime of experiences and observations over the course of a summer in this low-key comedy-drama from France.

After the death of his mother, an artist (Daniel Auteuil) well known for his nature studies inherits his family's vacation house in the country. The artist notices that the house's once-impressive vegetable garden has fallen into neglect, and he hires a local gardener to put it back into shape.

To his great surprise, the gardener (Jean-Pierre Darroussin) turns out to be an old friend from his school days, and as the gardener gets to work, he and the artist talk about where their lives have gone since they last saw one another.



Over the next several months, their friendship rekindles as the gardener's life takes a difficult turn and the painter wrestles with his relationships with his wife and daughter. *Dialogue Avec Mon Jardinier* (aka *Conversations with My Gardener*) was adapted from the memoirs of artist Henri Cueco. Adapted from © Rottentomatoes.com

To book your meal, please tell Carolyn Burch carolynburch@btconnect.com (01566 785171) which meal(s) you want and send a cheque (£15 per person) to Jean Mansell at Nighthoak, 2 Stourscombe Wood, Launceston PL15 9JP. Choose from the following New Year hearties (no turkey in sight):

- Carbonnade of beef – pieces of beef cooked slowly with onions in real ale served with new potatoes and carrots
- Chicken cacciatore- chicken portion with bacon, peppers, mushrooms in a herby tomato sauce
- Butternut squash curry with chick peas – creamy Thai curry with mango chutney naan breads and rice

And for your diaries, please note another film night is booked in with Jericho's for Tuesday 24 February.

Plans for May Plestin visit

WATCH out for the next issue of The Packet for details of our visit to Plestin – during the first bank holiday in May next year, making the crossing on the night of Friday, 1 May, and returning on the afternoon of Monday, 4 May. There will be information about the coach/ferry crossings along with timings and costs.

Diary Dates

January 16	Wine and Wisdom, White Hart, Launceston. 7.30pm
January 27	French Film Night, Jericho's, Launceston. 7pm.
February 24	French Film Night, Jericho's, Launceston. 7pm.
May1-4	Launceston visit to Plestin