

Launceston & Plestin Packet



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District Twinning Association

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We need your input –

The zoo or Greenway – which destination for you?

AS WE said in the last issue of The Packet, there will be a bumper contingent from Plestin making the journey after Easter, and that means we need to make arrangements early for our Saturday outings – because we might need an extra coach and we might be eligible for some group discounts.

We have a choice of planned activities for Saturday, 9 April – either a visit to Paignton Zoo or to Greenway, the National Trust property on the Dart.

At this stage, it would be helpful if you would let Jenny Worth know if you are interested in taking part in either the visit to Paignton Zoo or Greenway (so we can organise group discounts) and whether you will be making your own way to the destinations or whether you would like to use a coach (so we know how many seats will be required). Jenny can be contacted at jaw53@hotmail.com or on 01566772615.

There is car parking at Paignton Zoo and at Greenway, but the Greenway parking has to be pre-booked.

Paignton Zoo: With over 2,000 animals across 80 acres – visitors can get up close to some of the animal wonders of the world across specially designed habitats - from the savannah to the wetlands and the tropical forest. Eating places range from a restaurant to eating kiosks at different locations. More information at <http://www.paigntonzoo.org.uk/>

Greenway house and garden: The beloved holiday home of author Agatha Christie and her family. This relaxed and atmospheric house is set in the 1950s, when Agatha and her family would spend summers and Christmases here with friends. Included in the many different ways to get there is a steam train from Paignton as well as ferries across/along the river Dart. More information at <http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/gWerenway>

Sunday evening dinner and entertainment

Given the extra numbers involved in this year's exchange, it will be important to book your places early for our traditional twinning weekend party. Numbers at the Town Hall are limited to a total of 180. Priority will be given to our French visitors and their hosts, so while non-hosting twidders will be welcome, places will be allocated on a first-come, first served basis. To avoid disappointment, please complete the attached booking as soon as possible.

Get your walking boots ready

OUR winter walk promises some spectacular sights for those hardy enough to brave the wintry conditions on February 20 and head for Rough Tor – on Bodmin Moor, near Camelford.

Those interested in the walk to Rough Tor should meet up at the National Trust car park at 3pm. And, in case there's a wait between the return from the walk and before the starlings start their air show, organiser Jenny Worth has said she will put some flasks of soup in her car. Afterwards, if people want they could go to the Wilsey Down at Hallworthy for food

Those planning to venture forth are requested to let Jenny Worth know – so that nobody gets left behind! Jenny can be contacted at jaw53@hotmail.com and if there is a problem/bad weather on the day, call her on 07766592519.

Directions - From Launceston turn left before the A39 go past Davidstow Creamery - turn right at T junction then left past Crowdy Reservoir and at crossroads turn left to Rough Tor.

FILM FOCUS

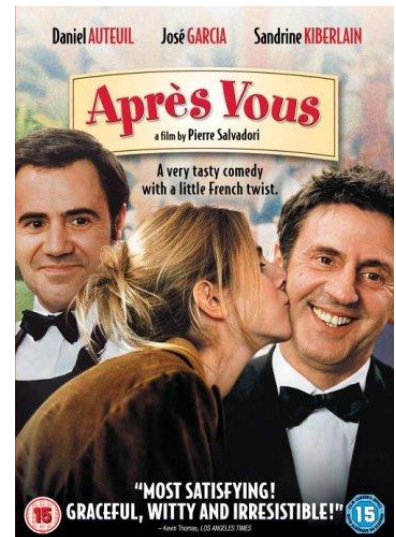
Après vous - Tuesday 1 March 2016

MAITRE d' Daniel Auteuil serves up a tasty comedy of love and fine dining, in a role for which he won a César (French Oscar equivalent) for Best Actor in 2005.

A random act of kindness snowballs into vivid proof that "no good deed goes unpunished" in this. Antoine (Auteuil), a restaurant headwaiter; takes a shortcut through a park one night and spots Louis (Jose Garcia), a despondent, lovelorn stranger, attempting to kill himself.

Antoine hustles him home to his apartment. And it isn't long before Antoine has decided to fix all that is wrong in Louis's life.

He artfully intercepts a suicide note to Louis's grandparents...riotously attempts to land Louis a job at his posh restaurant...and boldly tries to mend the rifts between Louis and his former girlfriend, Blanche (Sandrine Kiberlain). But an unexpected twist of fate upsets Antoine's grandiose plans for Louis's "rehabilitation." It's a feast of fun.



To book your meal and film deal, please tell **Carolyn Burch** carolynburch@btconnect.com (01566 785171) which meal(s) you want:

- * Spicy sausage and bean casserole – Bray Farm Shop sausages, bacon, kidney and haricot beans in a mild spicy tomato sauce with mash or roast potatoes
- * Lemon & thyme chicken with winter roasted vegetables
- * Gratin of lentils, spinach and ricotta in rich tomato sauce- tomatoes, red wine, green lentils topped with toasted breadcrumbs and parmesan

and send a cheque (£15 per person) to Jean Mansell at Nighthoak, 2 Stourscombe Wood, Launceston PL15 9JP. **The deadline for booking your meal(s) is the evening of Wednesday 24 February.**

Diary Dates

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| February 20 | Rough Tor winter walk 3pm at Rough Tor car park |
| March 1 | French Film Night, <i>Après Vous</i> , Jericho's Launceston, 7pm |
| April 8-11 | Visit by Plestin twinnings to Launceston |
| April 12 | Launceston Twinning Association's annual coffee morning at the Central Methodist Hall |
| April 22 | Wine and Wisdom evening at the White Hart, Launceston |