

# Launceston & Plestin Packet



Occasional newsletter of Launceston and  
District Twinning Association

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## DO IT NOW!

**ATTACHED with this issue of your Packet are the booking forms for the activities during our twinning exchange. Please, please fill in any that are relevant to you and return them asap. The deadline is 20 March.**

## Mad March game show

**TWINNERS** who come along to our mad March game show are in for a treat – a potpourri of barely-believable tales from a team of barely-believable storytellers!

The event will be our very own version of the comedy game show *Would I Lie to You?* taking place on Saturday, 7 March, at 7pm at Launceston Cricket Club, Lawhitton.

We have assembled a well-travelled, lively and entertaining team of panellists and Jason will attempt to keep them in order for the evening.

Who have we got on the panel? Well, the teams include a cruciverbalist, someone the BBC once called the 'Caruso of Karamoja!' and someone who has climbed Ben Nevis three times.

To help the evening along, we'll be serving hot dogs – veggie and vegan if required – and desserts. The price will be £5.00 adults and £3.00 for under-18s. Please bring your own drinks and glasses.

This will be our last social event before we welcome our Plestin twins in April and will give everyone a chance to catch up on all the news.

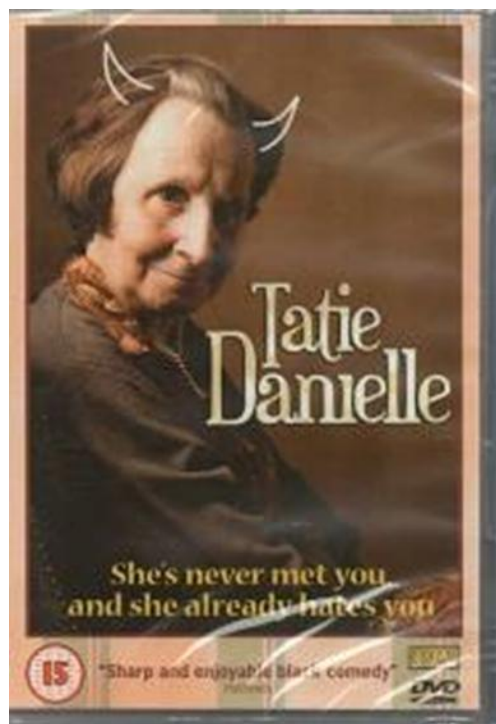
Raffle prizes will also be most welcome because we'll be raising funds as well as having fun.

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**French film night: Tuesday, 24 March, 2020**

## **You might think twice about helping an old lady across the road once you have met Tatie Danielle!**



DESCRIBED as 'A sharp and fiendishly funny black comedy', this film was made in 1990.

It tells of Tatie Danielle, a malicious, mischievous elderly widow who, since losing her husband, has focused on making everyone around her suffer.

The bitter septuagenarian regularly abuses her housekeeper and, after moving in with her great-nephew and his wife, goes about making their lives miserable.

The family goes on holiday, leaving Tatie Danielle to be looked after by a wilful au pair for whom the old woman finds an unexpected respect.

*Shown with English subtitles*

To book your meal and film deal, please contact Jean Mansell [jeanmansell2@gmail.com](mailto:jeanmansell2@gmail.com) with your meal choice by **Wednesday, 18 March**. Cheques (£14 per person) should be sent to Jean at Nighthoak, 2 Stourscombe Wood, Launceston PL15 9JP. Please note on the back of the cheque that payment is for the French film night and the number of people.

The meal choices are (and garlic bread can be substituted for chips, if preferred):

- Cajun chicken breast, served with curly fries, salad, coleslaw and sweet chilli dip
- Roasted half chicken, chips and salad
- Homemade beef and ale pie, chips and peas
- Steak and onion baguette, chips and salad
- Home-cooked ham, free-range eggs and chips
- Breaded scampi, chips and peas
- Homemade beef or vegetable lasagne, served with salad, coleslaw and chips or garlic bread
- Wensleydale and roasted vegetable bake, served with salad, coleslaw and chips/garlic bread



## **Visit from our Plestin twins**

SPARE a thought for our hard-working committee members over the next few weeks as they tackle the logistical nightmare of arranging three different visits and an evening event for about 200 people during one weekend in April.

It's because of the sheer volume of behind-the-scenes work and the fact that venues require advance warning that we need to twinnors return their booking forms asap and certainly by 20 March.

The booking forms are attached to the email with this edition of The Packet and they contain detailed information about costs and timings.

## **Itinerary for the twinning weekend**

### **FRIDAY, 17 APRIL**

Our Plestin twins are scheduled to arrive in Plymouth on board the Armorique at 9.30pm, so we expect them to be dropped off at **Launceston College car park about 11pm.**

### **SATURDAY, 18 APRIL.**

This year, we have been really spoilt for choice of destinations with two historic houses or an attraction that appeals to young people on offer.

Coaches will be available for two venues (although twinningers can use their own transport if they prefer). Coach seats will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis and twinningers will be charged for their seats, but not our Plestin twins.

Whichever destination is chosen, our twinning association will pay the entrance fees for all our French guests. Group entrance fees have been negotiated – so it is essential that all twinningers using their own transport meet up with the main group at the time given in the booking form.

All venues have restaurants/cafes or outside areas for picnics.

#### **Hidden Valley Discovery Park**, Tredidon, St Thomas, Launceston, Cornwall, PL15 8SJ

*(Twinningers going to Hidden Valley to use their own transport - to arrive by 11.30am.)*

Hidden Valley is full of puzzles, mystery, missions and secrets all waiting to be discovered.

#### **Trelissick**, Feock, near Truro, TR3 6QL, Cornwall

*(Twinning coach available for this trip – departs Launceston College at 9.45am)*

This welcoming National Trust country house and garden is set in an estate with stunning maritime views and lovely woodland walks. Visitors can explore the meandering paths through the garden, woodland walks and open parkland with views down the estuary to the town of Falmouth.

#### **Killerton**, Broadclyst, Exeter, EX5 3LE, Devon

*(Twinning coach available for this trip – departs Launceston College at 10.15am)*

Killerton Estate in the heart of Devon and boasts a friendly Georgian house set in working farmland, woods, parkland, cottages and orchards. There's plenty of calm space in the glorious garden and visitors can explore winding paths, climb an extinct volcano, discover an Iron Age hill fort and take in distant views towards Dartmoor.

### **SUNDAY, 19 APRIL**

This will be a day with host families and then our big celebration party in the evening at Trethorne Leisure Centre.

Arrival will 6pm for 6.30 and there will be seating plans so that twinningers and their guests will be together. Launceston band Feedback will provide the entertainment between 9 and 11pm from a range of music spanning the last five decades. For those who prefer a more tranquil setting to chat, there will be a quiet room.

The costs are £17.50 per adult and £8.75 per child and, of course, our French guests go free. All details are on the booking form attached to the email and you can let us know if you require vegetarian or vegan meals on the form.

### **MONDAY, 20 APRIL**

Our visitors will return to France today and details of departure point and timings will be in the next Packet.

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***And finally...*** we extend a warm welcome to new twinnings the Skerry family: Simon, Caroline, Talan and Keyna. We look forward to meeting you at future events.

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### **IMPORTANT DATES**

**7 Mar** *Would I Lie to You?* Launceston Cricket Ground, Lawhitton, 7pm

**20 Mar** Last date for returning exchange weekend booking forms

**24 Mar** French film *Tatie Danielle*, Trethorne Leisure Centre, 7pm

**17-20 April** We entertain our twins from Plestin