## **Launceston & Plestin Packet**



## Occasional newsletter of Launceston and District Twinning Association

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### Join us for coffee (and help to raise funds)

TWINNERS and friends are cordially invited to support the association's fundraising at our coffee morning on <u>Tuesday</u>, 15 April, in the Central Hall, Launceston, from 10:30 until noon.

You can help by:

- providing cakes, buns, biscuits, jams, or plants for sale on the morning. They
  will be gratefully received by the team manning the stall from 10am
- joining us for a coffee and biscuits (there will be a small charge for these refreshments).

# Book NOW! for activities over the twinning weekend

- because it will be too late after 17 April

## <u>Sunday visit to the Green Man Festival at Mount Edgcumbe:</u>

There are still a few places available on the French coach (£2 per head payable on the coach) for the visit to Mount Edgcumbe Country Park on the final day of a two-day festival to celebrate the 'rebirth' of the year. The coach places are being allocated on a first come, first served and the coach will leave Martins Cash and Carry at 9.30am. Booking form and programme on separate attachment. Entry to the festival is free.

For those making their own way by car, all day parking is £5 per vehicle. The best way to reach Mount Edgcumbe by car is to cross from Plymouth on the Torpoint Ferry and then follow the brown signs to the country park.

There will be falconry displays, archery, willow weaving, wood turning and fun around the village stocks. The festival will include a craft fair and food market all woven around the huge central figure of a Green Man - the spirit of renewal. More information is at <a href="http://www.mountedgcumbe.gov.uk/">http://www.mountedgcumbe.gov.uk/</a>

#### But don't forget ...

celebrations start on Saturday, 3 May, when the Mayor will host a sherry reception at **Lawrence House Museum at** 11am. This will be will be a great opportunity to catch up with friends from both sides of The Channel and to look at the new exhibits in the Museum The remainder of the day will be free - with an optional picnic in Launceston Castle grounds for families with children after the reception. Those interested should take along picnic food and blankets for their group and afterwards the kids can have a run around.

#### Sunday - dinner at the Town Hall:

Numbers are needed of those who will be attending the party evening at the Town Hall. Celebrations will start at 7.00pm and don't be late because the buffet will be served promptly at 7.30. The cost of the buffet meal (with a mouth-watering choice of items) will be £15 per head, children £8, and our French guests will be free – all the same as last year. Booking form on separate attachment Music for the evening will be provided by the lively ceilidh band Choughed to Bits who were such a big hit last year.

#### Monday – a farewell Cornish cream tea:

Although there will be no group activities planned in the morning or early afternoon on Monday, there will be a chance for a final gathering and goodbyes at a cream tea at Breckenreid, Tavistock Road, Launceston, from 4.30pm. This event is free to all, but numbers are needed for catering purposes. Booking form on separate attachment Gill Grigg and Chris Skipp have kindly made their garden available for the tea and, where possible, guests are asked to take picnic blankets or folding chairs. Breckenreid is about a five-minute walk from Launceston College where we can leave our cars, and is on the right-hand side about 200 yards beyond Pendruccombe House.

#### The French coach will leave from Launceston College at 6.30pm.

#### We've got a website!

TO CELEBRATE our 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary year, we now have our very own website and you can be among the first to see it by following this link <u>launcestontwinningassociation.weebly.com</u>

As well as providing information for people interested in learning more about our association, the site should provide a useful reference for members because it contains photographs, a list of coming events, back issues of The Packet and booking forms, etc.

The site is so new that it cannot yet be accessed through search engines like Google, so for a couple of weeks the link above will be the only way to view it.

#### Book your places now for our visit to Plestin (19-22 September)

ARRANGEMENTS have been finalised with Brittany Ferries for our visit to Plestin in September and the good news is that Jenny Worth has managed to keep the costs for the coach, ferry (with overnight berth on the outward journey) at last year's level, or slightly less!

We will take the overnight ferry on Friday, 19 September, and return on the morning ferry (arriving in Plymouth at 15:00) on Monday, 22 September. To ensure we keep the favourable rates, it will be helpful if members return the attached booking form as soon as possible, please.

#### And finally...

You have only until 30<sup>th</sup> April to complete Maureen's quiz on Launceston. Only £1 to enter, money towards our funds, and a first prize of £10 to whoever gets most correct entries. Quiz attached again for those who have mislaid the original.

**Dates for your diary** 

15 April Coffee morning and cake stall Central Hall, Launceston

2-5 May Launceston hosts the Plestin visit

6 June Murder Mystery Evening, Launceston Cricket Club

19-22 September Plestin hosts the Launceston visit