Launceston & Plestin Packet



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French Film night - Tuesday, 28 February:

Book NOW for our hit French film

WE start our season of French films with one which has been a huge hit in France. La Famille Belier is a heart-warming comedy about a young girl whose close bond to her hearing-impaired family is challenged by the discovery of her extraordinary talent for music.

To book your meal and film deal, please contact Carolyn Burch at ecarolynburch@gmail.com (01566 785171) with your meal choice by the evening of **this** Wednesday, 22 February.

- * Chicken cacciatore- chicken portion with bacon, peppers, mushrooms in a herby tomato sauce
- * Carbonnade of beef pieces of beef cooked slowly with onions in real ale served with new potatoes and carrots
- * Roasted vegetable moussaka aubergines, fennel, peppers, onions, potatoes and tomatoes topped with cheese and herbs

The film will be shown at Jericho's on Tuesday, 28 February. Cheques (£16 per person) should be sent to Jean Mansell at Nightoak, 2 Stourscombe Wood, Launceston PL15 9JP.



A date with murder



WHY not join the fun and see whether you can work out 'who dunnit' at our Murder Mystery evening at Launceston Cricket Club, Lawhitton, on Friday, 24 March? Numbers are limited, so please let Jenny Worth know by 9 March if you'd like to come along.

Despite the macabre theme of the evening, if previous years' events are anything to go by, it promises to be an uproarious.

How that can be when a generous and charming French gentleman will meet an untimely end at the hands of an unknown assassin, you are invited to find out

Although the action will be set in a French manor house, those who were hoping to be part of another reunion of Madame Dubonnet's school French set, fear not.

The irrepressible Madame D will be at the centre of things as usual, only this time taking a group from Launceston to her homeland where they will stay with her incredibly rich second cousin in Brittany.

The cast will include some stars of previous performances, along with newcomers, including children. The script, upon which the cast will improvise madly, has been provided by Pam Davey and Patty Taylor.

To help the audience digest the awful goings-on, dinner will consist of a main course and dessert and the cost for an unparalleled evening out will be £15 for adults and £5 for children. **Bring your own drinks and glasses.**

Cheques and numbers attending should be sent to Jenny Worth before 9 March. Jenny's address is: Trevell, Dunheved Road, Launceston, PL15 9JF.



Chairman Jill chats with the winning team: Irene, John and Cherry

A SELECTION of words ranging from tonga to kudu and from vedette to repique kept panellists – and audience – guessing on the night that twinners took their second foray into that brain-teasing panel game Call My Bluff.

For those who missed it, the light-hearted look at some of the more obscure words to be found in dictionaries somewhere, provided a lot of laughs and surprising insights into the past of some of the panellists.

The team of Peter Birkett, Pam Davey and Patty Taylor called upon their past experiences to put forward some interesting explanations and attempt some difficult deductions, but only got one word right between them.

That well-travelled team of John Whitechurch, Irene Nash and Cherry Warne, however, were in fine form and absolutely wiped the floor with their opponents.

Alice Brown (right), who provided the questions, was the perfect quizmaster, keeping the teams – and the audience – in order.

And high-scoring Marie-Claude and Paul Smith took the prize for the members of the audience scoring the most correct answers – with 14 out of 20.





High scorers Marie-Claude and Alan chatting with Jenny

" Well, what do you think?" Some of the audience get to grips with the tricky words

Calling all those who are going to Plestin

OUR French twinners have sent the programme for our visit and we have planned the first day-long excursion for those twinners who will be joining their hosts at the end of the afternoon. Schedule:

Friday 31st March:

Ferry arrives Roscoff at 8am. One coach takes Launceston twinners to Plestin to rendezvous with their hosts. The other coach visits to the historic town of Guingamp with its market and riverside walk. Welcome by families at 5.30 pm (market place) Reception (aperitif) with the mayor at 18:15

Saturday 1 April

Family Day and festive evening (meals + entertainment) at 7 pm

Sunday 2 April

Day with the families in Brest and a visit to the museum of Océanopolis. Depart 10h.

Monday 3 April

Return of families in the morning (schedule to be defined)

Reminder: For those who haven't done so, please check with your hosts and then let Jenny Worth know whether you want to go straight to Plestin or join the coach visit to Guingamp. Jenny can be contacted at jaw53@hotmail.com

And finally...

Committee member Jason Thorns would like a recent photograph of every twinner. He says: "With so many new members in twinning, lots of people on both sides of the Channel have difficulty in putting names to faces.

"So we thought it would be a good idea to have photos as well. Please let me have a fairly recent photograph of yourself, preferably by email. We can copy actual photos, if necessary, and return them to you." Jason's email is: jason@maunderandsons.co.uk