

ANNUAL FRENCH DINNER

The annual French Dinner this year will be on Thursday 6th. March at the Three Seasons Restaurant, Bury College, at 6.15.pm for 6.45.pm. Last year there were a number of disappointed members who left it too late to apply for tickets, so to avoid disappointment please use the form below to make an early booking. We need to ask members to include a stamped address envelope with their application; the alternative would be to add a postage contribution to the cost of the ticket and we do try to keep the costs down; the cost this year remains at the same level as last year.

BURY METRO COMMUNITY TWINNING ASSOCIATION
 ANNUAL FRENCH DINNER
 MARCH 6th. 2014
 6.15. pm. for 6.45.pm.
 at the THREE SEASONS RESTAURANT
 BURY COLLEGE
 TICKETS £18

Please send me ticket(s); total cost £

Name.....

Address.....

..... telephone.....

I would like to sit with

Dietary restrictions.....

Please send with SAE. and cheque made out to BMCTA
 to Alan Shillaker, 2 Buckingham Way, Timperley, Altrincham,
 WA15 6PQ. telephone 0161 980 5928



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 NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2014

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

CHRISTMAS DINNER DECEMBER 2013



Seventy four members and friends enjoyed the Black and White Christmas Dinner and what a

events are a major part of the life of our organisation and provide pleasant opportunities to meet new friends and



fantastic event it was. The atmosphere was spectacular, from the mulled wine on arrival to the petits fours with our coffee. Our social

renew old acquaintances. For the past three years The post of Social Secretary has been performed superbly by Bernie Schofield and we

are really grateful to her for the innovative way she organised our social events. At the same time we welcome Graham and Anita Lindley who have jointly taken over this responsibility.

NEW YEAR HONOUR



We are delighted to inform members that Yvonne appeared in the New Year Honours list where she was awarded the British Empire Medal for 'services to the local community'. Amongst other things, Yvonne is the chairman of Old Hall Park Residents Association, the home watch coordinator and a member of the Whitefield and Unsworth Township Forum. She said that she is delighted with her award, which came as a big surprise and that it was a lovely reward for doing what she likes doing and having fun doing it. Congratulations have been received from Schorndorf and Tulle and Woodbury.



KLARA KRKOSKA
1929 - 2013

In contrast, we note sadly the passing of Klara Krkoska on 23rd. December 2013. Just two weeks earlier Klara had enjoyed Christmas dinner with her Association friends. The fact that such a large number of those friends attended Klara's funeral shows how devoted she was to Twinning. This is hardly surprising, seeing she was a truly international person and very much shaped by the difficult times through which she lived. Klara was born in the German speaking part of Czechoslovakia where German was her first language. Klara's father worked away from home and when her mother died when she was 10, she had to work on the family farm. At the end of the war Klara was forced to work on the land in Germany. The British Red Cross helped put her in touch with her sister and arranged for her to come to England, where she began a new life. She met her husband, Alex and they worked hard and thrived in

their adopted country. In later life, Klara became involved in BMCTA; visited Tulle and Schorndorf many times and was a welcoming host to visitors. She will be remembered for her outgoing personality, her generosity and that certain sparkle in her eyes evinced a warm sense of humour. Klara will be greatly missed.

VISIT TO SCHORNDORF

We have booked a coach to take us to Schorndorf in March. It will leave Market Street, Bury early on Thursday 27. March, will cross the channel by tunnel and arrive the



same evening at Saint Quentin where rooms are being booked at the Hotel Ibis Basilique for our overnight stay. We will leave the hotel after breakfast the next morning and expect to arrive in Schorndorf at about 5pm. that evening. During our visit it is likely that we

will travel to the picturesque and



ancient town of Rothenburg, made famous over the years in many films from Pinocchio (Walt Disney, surprisingly perhaps in 1940), to more recently Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows.

Stuttgart will also be on the itinerary. We will begin our journey home on Tuesday 1st April and again we will rest overnight in Saint Quentin and arrive back in Bury during the afternoon of Wednesday 2nd. April.

The cost of the visit will depend whether people have a single or double room during the overnight stays. Members requiring a single room will pay £318 per person. A double room will cost £270 per person.

Members thinking about joining the visit must decide quickly and forward £100 deposit per person as indicated in the accompanying document.