

# 31ST YEAR



## Featuring:

2018 visit plan

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# Ludlow Twinning News

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## Shropshire Ironworks and Sculpture Park

These are just two of the many exhibits we shall be showing our French guests at Shropshire Ironworks and Sculpture Park during their visit in April-May. Please see the outline details of the visit on the back page of this newsletter and read the important message there for members involved in this visit.



The first of the many sculptures at the museum and sculpture park featured the Spoon Gorilla. **More about this on page three.**

## Presteigne visit recommended

Members, and not only those who are hosting French-only speaking guests, may wish to consider a visit to the Judges' Lodgings at Presteigne on Monday 30 April. From the stunningly restored judge's apartments to the dingy servants' quarters below you can explore their gas lit world. Damp cells remind you of the building's true purpose, along with the vast courtroom where your imagination is captured by the echoing trial of William Morgan, local duck thief. Visitors to the building are accompanied by an eavesdropping audio tour of voices from the past; you will hear their tale, from Mary the hardworking maid, to Reverend Richard Lister Venables, Chairman of the Magistrates and employer of the famous diarist Francis Kilvert, portrayed by actor Robert Hardy.

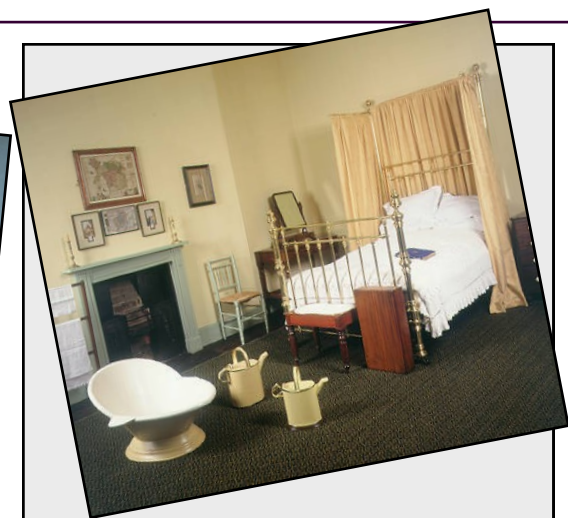


There are charges for admission, but hosts can listen to the audio presentation in English whilst guests can listen in French. Children can even open a treasure chest of clothes and dress up as a judge or a convict!

It's worth allowing about ninety minutes or more to get best value from your visit.



**The Courtroom at Presteigne**



**The clerk's bedroom**

## Leaving La Ferté –May 2017



## About...the British Ironwork Centre

The British Ironwork Centre, opened in 2014, is home to Shropshire's largest display of decorative metalwork, both in and outdoors. Much metalworking and other crafts can be seen in the Museum's workshops, and café. The Centre was at the unveiling of the famous a giant silverback gorilla made from 40,000 spoons. After this the centre en-

gaged on a project which could embody a more meaningful concept and could make a difference within the community and throughout the country as a whole. A national monument against violence and aggression was sculpted from knives which had been confiscated by or surrendered to the police.



**The knife Angel**

*Make sure you see the Knife Angel sculpture when you visit the Ironworks!*

## Ludlow school presentation

Membership Secretary Pauline Oram's presentation last November to over a hundred year seven pupils at Ludlow School met with a lot of interest from the eleven-year-olds. Pauline was ably supported by the School's French Twinning Rep. Harry Key, who was able to answer fellow pupils' questions from his own experience. The twinning Committee appreciate the support given by the school's Head of Languages, Alexandra Griffiths-Jones, to stage this informative and interesting presentation.



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## Forthcoming events

### Annual Dinner and Social 2018

This will take place at Ashford Carbonel's village hall on Saturday 20 January. The venue has been chosen for the annual dinner, following the successful social held at the hall in November last. Thirty two members will enjoy a three course meal and the delights of local ales from the bar. The dinner will be set out in tables of six with members and guests names placed on their particular table.

We will meet at 7pm, preparing to sit down for a meal at 7.30pm.

### Hosting our French visitors in 2018

Arrangements are currently being finalized for the visit. This is the outline:

Saturday 28 April	Arrival of French expected at 17.30 Concert at St Laurence at 19.30 Beethoven's Ninth (Ticketed)
Sunday 29 April	Visit to Ironworks Museum and Sculpture Park and Montgomery. Dinner at Sports Club
Monday 30 April	Host families to entertain guests Judges' Lodges at Presteigne suggested
Tuesday 1 May	French depart approx. 08.30

**Further details available soon.**