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Ludlow French Twinning

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Members' meal 2024

At the Clive Arms, Bromfield Road SY8 2JR
Thursday, 11th January.
5.45 for 6pm



Members and friends are all welcome to attend our annual meal. Please let us know as soon as possible if you intend to come, and give your menu choices to Pauline Oram by Wednesday 3 January. The cost is £33 per person excluding all drinks. Members will receive full information on menu and pricing again very shortly. Please pay as soon as you receive this information.

Spring coach trip to Chester

This is planned to take place in April. Members and friends will be notified of the arrangements in good time.

May 2024 visit from La Ferté-Macé

The visit will be a day longer than usual so special arrangements will be made. This year the visit coincides with **Ludlow Spring Festival** on the 10th to 12 May.

Wednesday May 8
Thursday May 9

Reception at Brewery 5 pm
Arrangements will be made to look after guests whose hosts are at work

Friday May 10
Saturday May 11
Sunday May 12

As for Thursday
Coach trip for hosts and French guests. Venue TBA
French visitors leave am

Race night 2023



A sound event

Brimfield Village Hall was the venue for Race Night 2023. Clerk of the Course Phil Horsfall was grateful to Andy and Ann Mulford for providing him with improved microphones and sound facilities to make best use of the hall's big screen. The 40-odd members and friends present benefitted greatly from their efforts with a most enjoyable evening. Treasurer Garry Oram was also able to report a healthy and welcome boost to our funds, Thanks to and from all those who attended.



It was November, but there was a great picnic atmosphere at Race Night. Everyone shared in the food and drink as well as the racing.

John French 1936-2023

John was Secretary of our Twinning Association almost continuously from 2006 until 2020, maintaining his enthusiasm until his death last Autumn. During the time that he performed this valuable role, his wife Sheila carried out the equally valuable task of Accommodation Officer. That was not all.

Together, they inspired numerous Twinning events, especially choral activities and art exhibitions, both here and in France. John and Sheila also supported events held by Tenbury French Twinning and, on trips to France were quite at home describing the delights of the Normandy countryside for many, many, fellow twidders as they made their way around.



A Christmas Carol



**Scrooge (Cand R)
meets Marley's
ghost (L)**



The Piper family have been twinning members for many years, but father, Steve, who was diagnosed with motor neurone disease last summer, nevertheless appeared in the lead role of Scrooge in a one-off production of *A Christmas Carol* at St Laurence's Church in December. Steve is well-known locally for his acting prowess so it was no surprise that the Church was absolutely full for this special event. Steve and the cast received impressive support from family, friends, drama and work colleagues and other Twinning members. They saw Steve, the seated protagonist, ably portray Scrooge as the 'squeezing, wrenching, grasping, scraping, clutching, covetous old sinner' described by Dickens.

Proceeds will go to the Motor Neurone Disease Association, with much appreciation to everyone concerned.

LUDLOW FRENCH TWINNING

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THANK YOU

Film titles are unlikely to change, but should it be necessary, everyone will be notified of the new title in good time.

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Blue Boar Film programme 2024

Each film is screened on a Wednesday at 7.30 pm

Date	Film title
Jan 3	Le Diner de Cons
Feb 7	Après vous
Mar 6	Le Souffle au Coeur and AGM
Apr 3	3 colours- BLUE
May 1	3 colours-WHITE
Jun 5	3 colours- RED
Jul 3	Le Havre
Aug 7	Le Petit monde de Don Camillo
Sept 4	Madame Bovary
Oct 2	La même
Nov 6	A Journey through French Cinema 1
Dec 4	A Journey through French Cinema 2

Members and friends are invited to take advantage of the Blue Boar's offering of food and drink. A full menu is available before the film and hot and cold drinks are also available for consumption during the film.

Menus can be seen online at:

<http://www.blueboarludlow.co.uk/>