



## CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year to all members and friends

2013 was quite a busy year with various exchanges between our twin towns. In April we hosted 22 visitors from Ermont for our annual golf match, which resulted in the golfers from Banbury Twinning Association winning the cup – so congratulations to all our golfers. Still on the golfing theme, mid-September a few golfers, were invited to go and play at the Rhein-Sieg Golf Club in Hennef. They were joined on the trip by some other members of the Association, who went just for a general visit and everybody had a great time. The hospitality, as usual, was superb and included a trip down the River Rhine to Konigswinter.

The twinning representative from Hennef came to Banbury for the Canal Day festivities and again in November, along with a representative from the Hennef Mayor's office for the Remembrance Day Service.

*Membership is very important to us and we hope that you will continue to support us in the coming year. Membership fees are due on the 1<sup>st</sup> January and the easiest way of paying is by standing order. If you are not a member or former member and are interested in joining or re-joining us, please do not hesitate to contact me for a form. We are also happy to accept a cheque payable to BDTA. Membership fees help with the continued success of the Association.*

**We have various events scheduled for 2014 – see over – and we would be happy to have your participation.**

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## Annual General Meeting

The Association's Annual General Meeting will be held on the **20<sup>th</sup> March 2104** in the Town Hall.

This is generally a short meeting and once the formalities are over there is time for socialising, a finger buffet, wine and soft drinks are provided.

The present officers and committee members are listed below. We have a vacancy for a committee member and would be pleased to welcome new faces and new ideas

Your participation in this meeting would

### Officers:

Chairman Catherine Jenkinson  
(01295 750997)

Vice Chairman: Verna Wass  
(01295 758222)

Secretary: Peter Davis  
(01295 259671)

Treasurer: Gareth Jeremy  
(01295 266404)

Membership Secretary: Jenny Tustian  
(01295 254461)

### Committee Members:

John Donaldson (01295 271712)

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Martin Green

Roger Solesbury (01295 710316)

Kim Taylor (01295 252766)

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### COMMITTEE MEETING -AGM

Place: Town Hall

Date: Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2014 @ 7.30pm

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### SOCIAL EVENT -

#### Evening Meal

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2014

Time: 7pm for 7.30 pm

Venue: The Red Lion,  
Adderbury, Nr. Banbury

Cost £20.00 per person for  
a three course meal, including  
tea or coffee.

Please contact me if you would like  
to join us for this event

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#### FAREWELL

It was with much sadness that we said goodbye to Linda Tanner who died in October 2013. She was a great supporter of the Association and will be greatly missed.

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### GOLFING VISIT TO ERMONT

Our annual golf match with  
Ermont is scheduled for

**1st – 4th May 2014**

Travel will be by coach leaving early on  
Thursday 1st May and arrive back in  
Banbury early evening on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May.

The cost will be £100 - £120 depending on  
the number of people travelling.

*Non playing partners, members  
of the Association and friends  
are invited for a general visit,  
which will include a tour on the  
Friday on the non-golfers*

If you would like to be included in this visit,  
either as a golfer OR just for a visit, please  
contact me ASAP

### European Week in Hennef

Each year, our twin town of Hennef holds a themed European week in their town square. This year from the 13<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> June 2014 (their 10<sup>th</sup> year), Hennef Twinning Association are hosting an International Choir meeting, with choirs coming from their twin towns of Le Pecq in France, Nowy Dwor Gdanski in Poland and Banbury, along with 5-6 choirs from Hennef.

I am pleased to say that Impromtu and a youth choir from Banbury Academy will be going.

Each choir will have a 20 minute performance of their own music at a public concert on the Saturday evening and then all the choirs will sing the European Hymn. They will all meet up again on the Sunday afternoon and perform together two songs they will have learnt in a workshop and once again the European Hymn

An invitation has also been extended for up to 10 non choir members to enjoy the weekend. If you are interested in going, please contact me asap.