



Tunbridge Wells Twinning & Friendship Association

20th Anniversary of Signing of Twinning Charter Wiesbaden-Royal Tunbridge Wells

Wiesbaden Cultural Affairs Visitors' Programme 21-25 May 2009

Councillor Frau Rita Thies, Portfolio-holder for Cultural Affairs & the Environment and Street Scene (Dezernentin für Kultur, Grünflächen und Hochbau)

Herr Jörg-Uwe Funk, Head of Wiesbaden Cultural Affairs Department (Kulturamt)

Herr Christoph Nielbock, Director of the Wiesbaden Music Academy

(You will be accompanied throughout your programme in Tunbridge Wells by Michael Holman, Chairman, Tunbridge Wells Twinning and Friendship Association.)

Thursday 21 May:

18.40 Arrival London City Airport LH 4810. Met by Mr Iain Hamilton (Tunbridge Wells International Young Concert Artists Competition – TWIYCA) Driven to accommodation The Brew House Hotel, 1 Warwick Park, RTW. Professor Michael Holman to welcome.

Friday 22 May:

09.30 Town Hall: Mr Nigel Bolton (Head of Leisure Services) Taken to Museum by Mr Bolton, joined by Ms Jo Wiltscher, Manager, Tunbridge Wells Museum, and Mrs Anne Foster, Friends of Tunbridge Wells Museum, Library and Art Gallery. Visit Community Art Exhibition celebrating the anniversary of birth of Charles Darwin

11.00 Town Hall: Portfolio-holder for Safer and Stronger Communities

11.45 Town Hall: Mr Gary Stevenson, Head of Environment and Street Scene

12.30- 13.45 Town Hall, Committee Room A: Buffet lunch reception hosted by Mayor, Councillor Leonard Price and Mayoress, Miss Victoria Price, with town councillors, senior administrators, leading figures from arts, culture and volunteer organisations. Welcome by Mayor. Response Frau Rita Thies.

13.45-14.15 TW Town Library: Ms Lesley Rich. District Manager, Tunbridge Wells and Kent County Council Libraries and Archives.

14.45 Pantiles: Meet Alex Mann, Director of Bloco Fogo Samba Band

14.55 Arrival of former Mayor and Mayoress Cllr Mike Rusbridge and Mrs Chris Rusbridge.

15.00-16.30 Spa Concert on the Pantiles: Wiesbaden Symphonic Brass Ensemble

16.30-17.00 Mrs Jan Spencer, Manager Pantiles Tourist Information Centre

19.30 Dinner hosted by Deputy Mayor Councillor David Jukes and Deputy Mayoress Mrs Wendy Jukes, with Councillor Paul Barrington-King, Professor Michael and Dr Dorothea Holman at George and Dragon, Speldhurst. - Collected from Brew House.

Saturday 23 May:

09.30 Collected by Michael Holman. Walk to York Road, to the home of Dr Daniel Bech and Katharina Mahler-Bech

10.30-12.0 Seminar and presentation by Dr Daniel Bech:
'Historical and Interesting Views of Tunbridge Wells'
with leading members of Tunbridge Wells Borough Council, Kent County Council and Royal Tunbridge Wells Town Forum

12.30 Lunch at Trinity Morello Café and Bistro Bar

14.00-14.50 Pantiles: performance by 'Unexpected Opera'

15.00-15.20 Pantiles: with Mrs Avril Ebbage visit premises of Tunbridge Wells Art Society

15.20-16.30 The Pantiles, brief town tour. Savour the chalybeate spring water

18.45-19.15 St John's Church Lawns: demonstration concert by Bloco Fogo Samba Band (participants in Schiersteiner Hafenfest 2009)

19.30-21.45 St John's Church: gala concert to mark 20 years since signing of Twinning Charter: Wiesbaden Symphonic Brass Ensemble together with choirs from Tunbridge Wells Girls' Grammar School and Kent College Guests of Honour, together with the Mayor and Mayoress of Tunbridge Wells, Councillor Leonard Price and Miss Victoria Price.

Sunday 24 May:

10.30 Collected by Michael Holman and driven to Dunorlan Park (Pembury Road entrance) for Cancer Research UK Race for Life. Guests of Mr David Wakefield, former Mayor and Chairman of Tunbridge Wells Branch of Cancer Research UK.

12.00 Collected from Dunorlan Park (Pembury Road entrance) by Michael Holman for lunch at High Rocks Inn and visit to National Trust property: Knole Sevenoaks

18.00 Brew House Hotel, Ms Kate Sergeant (Town Forum) and other members of Transition team: discussion of environmental issues

19.30 Evening meal with Professor Michael Holman and Dr Dorothea Holman, Mayfield Road, Royal Tunbridge Wells.

Monday 25 May:

Morning Bank Holiday: FREE

16.55 Departure from London City Airport LH 4809.
Driven to airport by Mr Iain Hamilton (departure time from TW to be arranged).

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