



Tunbridge Wells Twinning & Friendship Association

EVENTS AUTUMN/WINTER 2011

We have put together a programme of events after the summer break which we hope will contain something of interest for everyone. First we have various outings, one of our own and two organised by sister organisations:

*Saturday
3 September*

SHDOFA is hoping to arrange a **day trip by coach to Arras**, leaving Tunbridge Wells at approx. 6.00 am. This will include a guided tour of the Wellington Quarry where troops were billeted during WW1 before the Battle of Arras. There will also be free time for lunch and sightseeing. Details have not yet been finalised, but the cost should be £35 - £40. Please contact Mireille Marchant if you are interested on 01892 520548.

*Friday
16 September
11.30 am*

TWTFA invites you to a **wine-tasting** at the Carr Taylor Vineyards, Wheel Lane, Westfield, Hastings, TN35 4SG. This will be followed by a ploughman's lunch (farmhouse paté, selection of cheeses, salad, farmhouse pickle, crusty bread and fresh fruit). The price of the wine-tasting is £6.00 (£4.50 Seniors) plus £7.50 for the lunch, both payable in advance. Please book with your payment using the attached booking slip. Last bookings must reach us by *Wednesday 14 September*.

*Saturday
17 September
2.00pm*

SAKA (the Southborough and Kaniv Association) is organising a **river trip on the Medway from the Malta Inn, Maidstone** to Allington Lock and return. The price is £17.00 p.p. and includes a cream tea. For details please contact Mike Handcock on 01892 528495.

*Friday
28 October
7.30 pm*

Talk by Oxford-based historian and writer Helen Rappaport on "**The Death of Albert**", introducing her new book on the impact of the death of the Prince Consort on the monarchy and the nation. King Charles Church Hall, 3 Warwick Park, Tunbridge Wells. Admission £3 (TWTFA members) £4 (non-members) includes tea/coffee and biscuits.

*Friday
25 November
7.30 pm*

The Heusenstamm Friendship Circle will be holding their ever-popular **Nikolausabend** at St John's Church Hall, Hildenborough. Price £8. For further details and booking, please contact David Packer on 01892 823884 or email davide.packer@virgin.net.

Finally some dates for your diary for 2012:

Sunday **Annual New Year Lunch** at Salomons, Tunbridge Wells.
29 January 2012 Details to follow.

Monday A talk by Graham Whitham, art historian at the University of Kent, on
13 February 2012 **"The Bauhaus: Designing the 20th Century"**. King Charles Church Hall,
7.30 pm Tunbridge Wells. Details yet to be finalised.

Saturday **AGM** followed by lunch at the Salvation Army Hall, Bayhall Road,
17 March 2012 Tunbridge Wells. Details to follow.

Wine-tasting visit to Carr Taylor Vineyards on 16 September

We will travel to the vineyard by private car and hope to arrange a car-sharing scheme, so please indicate on the booking slip below if you could offer or would like a lift.

Directions to Carr Taylor Vineyards: Turn off A21 3 miles north of Hastings onto A28, follow vineyard signs for 2 miles towards Westfield. In the centre of Westfield, turn left at crossroads by The Old Courthouse pub. The vineyard is less than a mile on the left towards Sedlescombe village.

BOOKING SLIP

If you would like to come to the **wine-tasting and lunch** on **Friday 16 September**, please complete this slip and send it with your cheque for £13.50/£12.00 (including lunch) made payable to TWTFa to : Ann Hughes, Chateau Toad, 26 Upper Street, Rusthall, TN4 8NX (Tel. 01892 527657) by Wednesday 14 September at the latest.

Name:

Address:

Tel. No.: Number of people coming:

I/we could offer a lift for people/ would like a lift for people.