

Newtown Twinning Association: June Newsletter 2018

Dear Friends,

We would like to draw your attention to a number of interesting key events on our calendar this year which we hope you would be interested in attending and supporting:

- **On the 22nd July 2018:** Newtown Twinning Association will be holding A **Social afternoon / evening** for all our friends, members, hosts and supporters. Normally we have a Pique nique dans le parc; however this year we are going up market! We will be holding our social in Penstrowed Parish Hall, which provides us with some great facilities such as a large hall, stage, kitchen, toilets, parking and outdoor BBQ facility.

Our social starts at 2.00pm in the afternoon and we hope to continue to 7.00pm in the evening. Our social is a 'bring and share' event, so you are welcome to bring your own prepared food and food that you can cook on the BBQ along with your own drinks. We will also be selling a wide range of very reasonable French wines by the glass from a vineyard in the Loire valley, Domaine du Moulin Giron.

We also have **Cafe style music** on the accordion, very kindly provided by Geoff Beilby. We look forward to a great afternoon and an opportunity to answer some questions you may have regarding our forthcoming Chrono Trip in October.

You don't have to book for our social; however, if you are able to attend we would ask that you send an email to: newtowntwinning@gmail.com just to provide us with some idea of numbers attending.

- A gentle reminder and an invite to you all to visit us at the **Newtown Food Festival**, held on the 1st and 2nd of September. Newtown Twinning Association have a bigger marquee this year for the very popular **French Village** and you will see the return of many of our friends from Les Herbiers who will be promoting and selling a wider range of French produce and wines from Les Herbiers, the Loire and Alsace. All available in the **French Village**. Newtown Twinning will also be selling wine by the glass along with other things to interest you. Please visit the Festival and the French Village. Our website will soon have updates with more details as our plans develop. Please visit our website for further details at: <http://newtowntwinning.co.uk/>

We are offering a free glass of wine to all our members and a chance to ask any questions about our next visits to Les Herbiers!

See you all in September! Newtown Food Festival link :

<http://newtowntwinning.co.uk/news-events/>

- **Invitation to join us at the Chrono race and Chrono Trade Fair, our next visit to Les Herbiers,**

From the 10th October 2018 to 16th Oct 2018:

Newtown Twinning Association is very pleased to announce that we will be organising a **coach to visit the Chrono this year**. We have been invited by the Chrono committee to be the Guest of Honour at the Chrono Fair event (*This is a large-scale fair with different foods from France, wines and tasting, commercial and Agricultural fair with music*). This is a great opportunity for Newtown and Twinning, as it involves the offer of a free trade stand to be used by Newtown Twinning Association for the period of the Fair so as to sell and promote a range of Newtown and Welsh produce, a mention of local Welsh Beer was made along with other products!

Of special interest to Newtown cyclists: The Chrono committee are also very keen for **Hafren Cycle Club** members to return to take part in the 37th Chrono des Nations on the Sunday 14th October and the 20th Randonnee du Chrono La Walter Beneteau held on the Saturday 13th Oct 2018. We are looking forward to helping HCC with the organisation of their visit. We understand that 2018 could see the greatest number of HCC participants in this famous international cycle race!

A request to local Musicians and choirs: The Chrono committee have also asked us if we can arrange for some **Welsh musicians** to visit for the event to add to the Welsh presence as Guest of Honour.

Newtown Tennis club members: Please note that we are trying to develop stronger links between Newtown and Les Herbiers clubs. If you are keen to visit Les Herbiers to play Tennis in our Twin Town then this is a great opportunity.

Newtown Walkers: Les Herbiers will be arranging a number of guided walks during or visit for keen walkers to enjoy. We have a long tradition of guided walks in Newtown and Les Herbiers!

Newtown Golfers: In April for the first time we hosted two members of Golf Des Alouettes, Les Herbiers golf course. Golf Des Alouette is keen to host golfers from Newtown, another great opportunity!

The outline itinerary and dates for the Chrono visit 2018 is as follows:

- Travel down Wednesday 10th Oct. Depart Newtown 12.00 noon, crossing at 20.15h Portsmouth to St Malo.
- Thursday 11th Oct. Travel through France to Les Herbier; meet hosts for an evening with families.
- Friday 12th Oct: Chrono Fair starts. Evening meal: Celtique theme Soiree 20.00h!
- Saturday 13th Oct: Chrono Fair including the Randonnee du Chrono La Walter Beneteau. Evening meal: Dinner Spectacle Espace Herbage 20.00h
- Sunday 14th Oct: Chrono Fair including the 37th Chrono des Nations. Evening Soiree des Benevoles 19.00h
- Monday 15th Oct: Chrono Fair last day and travel home for overnight crossing. Crossing at 23.00h Caen to Portsmouth
- Tuesday 16th Oct: arrive home early afternoon.

Newtown people are very welcome to join us on this visit to experience the Chrono cycle races and the Chrono Fair. The total for the visit which includes transport, cabin on the ferry both outward and return and accommodation with host families is £150.00 per person plus a twin berth cabin cost of £80.00 return.

If you are keen to join us on this fantastic visit we would ask that you complete an application form and send the completed form with a £50.00 deposit in cheque not cash made payable to: Newtown Twinning Association and returned to:

Newtown & Llanllwchaiarn Town Council,
Twinning Chrono visit,
The Cross,
Broad St,
Newtown,
SY16 2BB

Electronic forms are available on our website at:

<http://newtowntwinning.co.uk/chrono-visit-with-hafren-cycle-club-oct-2018/>

Hard copies of the application forms are also available from Newtown and Llanllwchaiarn Town Council offices address as above.

We would ask please if all deposits and application are delivered to the TC offices by the 4th of July 2018. Please note that we only have a limited number of spaces available so please send in your applications as soon as possible.

If you have an questions and would like to find out more about the Chrono visit please contact NTA: newtowntwinning@gmail.com or visit our website for more information and updates along with a copy of the Chrono flyer.

Please remember we are available at our social evening on the 22nd for any questions you wish to ask regarding the visit.

Also please see the links below to the Chrono website and facebook page:

www.chronodesnations.com

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