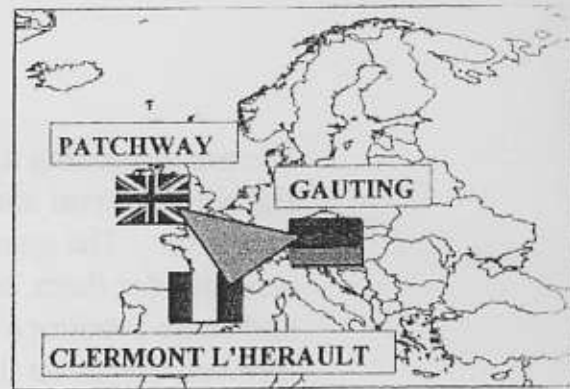


PATCHWAY TWINNING

NEWSLETTER



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ANNUAL DINNER: THURSDAY 7 MAY

As mentioned in the last Newsletter, we are holding our annual dinner this year at the City Restaurant, City of Bristol College, Anchor Road, near Bristol Cathedral, on Thursday 7 May at 7.30 p.m.. This will take the form of a 3 course meal (3 choices per course). The cost will be £17.95.

At present the restaurant is booked for our sole use provided that there are at least 30 people in the party. This will allow us to hold our usual fund-raising raffle.

Could you please contact John Thomas on 01454-612577 as soon as possible to let him know if you are able to come.

Menu choices will be sent out a couple of weeks beforehand, as they only use fresh produce, depending upon what is in season. Transport will be available from 4TT for those who do not wish to drive into town. Please ring John Hooper on 0117-969-5544 if you require this facility.

VISIT FROM CLERMONT L'HERAULT

The Association has sent an invitation to a group from Clermont l'Hérault to visit Patchway in the summer from Monday 27 July to Monday 3 August or, if some people can only manage a shorter visit, from Friday 31 July to Monday 3 August. If you are able to host one or more visitors for either period, this would be much appreciated. Please contact John Thomas on 01454-612577 if you can help us.

We are discussing a programme of visits including a day at the Bristol Harbour Festival and a day in Wales at the St. Fagan's Open Air Museum. The guests will be out during the day and transport will be arranged for them, so we would only ask families to provide breakfast and some evening meals. All hosts and guests will be invited to a farewell dinner on the last night, Sunday 2 August.

SCHOOL VISIT FROM GAUTING

The Head of Stoke Lodge Primary School, Richard Clark, has offered to co-ordinate this visit and is planning an exciting programme for the young people.

A group of 6 girls aged 15-16 years will be arriving on Sunday 5 July and returning on Sunday 12 July. They will be doing work experience in the primary schools and will also spend a day at Patchway Community College or Bradley Stoke Community School. Day trips will be arranged to Bath and London and the Town Council has kindly agreed to host a dinner for them, their teachers and hosts on the last night. The group will be here for Patchway Festival's community fair in Scott Park on Saturday 11 July.

We are very grateful to all the local schools for their co-operation in planning this visit. We are still looking for four hosts for this group (bed, breakfast and evening meal only), so if you can help please let Lucy Hamid know on 01454-868530.

EVENING DRINK

Once a month members are invited to meet for a drink at 8 p.m. at the Toby Grill (formerly The Orchard) in Woodlands Lane, Bradley Stoke. Just come along on the first Monday of each month or ring John Thomas on 01454-612577 for more information. You will be very welcome.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ARE: Alan Bamforth, Steve Bloggs, Ken Dando, Jenny Gammon, Lucy Hamid (Secretary), John Hooper, Brian Hopkinson, Derek Horner (Treasurer), Paul & Elaine Martin, Annette Morgan, Alex Seaman, John Thomas (Chairman) Ian White (President) and Win Williams.