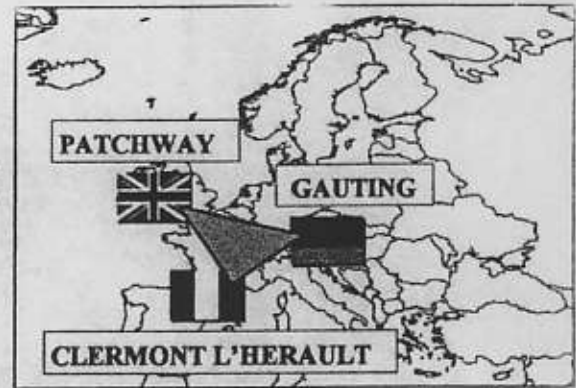


# PATCHWAY TWINNING NEWSLETTER



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## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This year our annual meeting will be held on **Wednesday 8 July at 7.30 p.m. at Stoke Lodge Primary School in Bourton Avenue.**

The meeting will start with refreshments with a French & German flavour, followed by a presentation about our twin towns by students from Clermont and Gauting, who will be in Patchway that week on a study tour. Please do come and enjoy this presentation and meet the students and their teachers.

The short business meeting will complete the evening. The agenda for the AGM is enclosed. Membership subscriptions are payable at the AGM for 2009-10 please.

## SCHOOLS VISITS

We are pleased to welcome a group of ten 17-18 year olds from France and Germany with their teachers to spend a week in Patchway from 5-12 July. We are grateful to the following schools for offering work experience placements: Patchway Community College, Holy Family Primary, St. Chad's Primary, Callicroft Primary and Stoke Lodge Primary.

We are also grateful to 8 members of the Twinning Association who have offered accommodation for this group and to Richard Clark, the Head of Stoke Lodge Primary School, for his organisation of the week.

## VISIT FROM CLERMONT L'HERAULT

The Association is pleased to be receiving a group of 29 visitors from Clermont l'Hérault to Patchway from Friday 31 July to Monday 3 August. Many thanks to our members who have offered accommodation for this weekend.

The programme is given below and members of the Association are welcome to join us for any of the events. The Association will pay the costs for the visitors and the members will pay for themselves. Please ring John Thomas on 01454-612577 to let him know which events you will be joining us for as he is making the bookings for transport and meals.

### Friday 31 July

*The group will arrive at midday at the airport and will be brought to Patchway by coach. Hosts will meet at 1 p.m. at the Town Council Offices at Callicroft House for a welcome reception. There will be a barbecue and music in the evening - details to be confirmed.*

### Saturday 1 August

*Day trip to St. Fagan's Open Air Museum in Wales. The coach will leave at 10 a.m. from Patchway Community Centre and return at 5 p.m. We have arranged a buffet lunch at the museum restaurant. In the evening, we have booked the function room at Patchway Sports & Social Club in Scott Park. We will be entertained by a local folk dancing group and there will be a buffet supper provided.*

### Sunday 2 August

*We plan to spend the day in Bristol visiting the Harbour Festival and suggest that hosts take their visitors by car.*

### Monday 3 August

*A coach will take the visitors to the airport at 3.30 a.m. to catch the 6 a.m. flight home.*

## **ANNUAL DINNER**

Thank you to all the members who came to the annual dinner in May at the City of Bristol College Restaurant. There were 35 of us and we had a lovely evening. Very good food and excellent service from the catering students. We also raised £60 for our funds through a raffle.

**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.