

June 2016

Newsletter



Borehamwood & Elstree Twin Town Association – Your Link to Europe

BETTA

Welcome to the latest edition of our Newsletter.

Keep on reading to see reports of recent events and exciting forthcoming activities.

About BETTA



BETTA is here to help the local community in forming relationships with our twin towns of Offenburg in Germany and Fontenay-aux-Roses in France.

BETTA works hard to ensure individuals and groups have the opportunity to develop their cultural awareness. We strive to produce opportunities for the community both here and in our twin towns. We will continue to make sure BETTA goes from strength to strength. All members of the committee have a wide and varied range of skills and abilities which contribute to the running of the association.

Borehamwood & Elstree Twin Town Association Committee 2016-17

Chair

Martine Eni

Secretary

Sophie Eni

Vice Chair

Andrew Grady

Treasurer

Jill Haistead

Membership Secretary

Irmine Mason

Hertsmere Borough Council Representative

Cllr. Farida Turner

Elstree & Borehamwood Town Council Representatives

Cllr. Pat Strack

Cllr. Clive Butchins

Committee Members:

Nick Male

Rob Traynor

In this Newsletter

- Report on recent visit to Fontenay Aux Roses
- News on Partnership Visits, Events / Activities
- Report on recent Annual General Meeting



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Reports on Recent Activities



Après moi la deluge – Fontenay Aux Roses 2016

Visitors to France from Borehamwood and Elstree Twin Town Association , were in our French twin town of Fontenay -aux - Roses, near Paris.

Just days before, the City of Light had been swamped in the worst floods for decades.

Undeterred, the plucky Brits, with two French women to strengthen their resolve, embarked at Elstree railway station, for their expedition to La Belle France

The visit was planned to coincide with Fontenay's Fete de la Ville .This saw all aspects of French culture celebrated in the evocative setting of the Place de General de Gaulle.

Colourful folk dancers came from all the Francophone lands. BETTA stalwart Nick Male even got to sing with a French jazz band.

During a top- level summit dinner, Fontenay's Mayor, Laurent Vastel, committed to a return visit next year. Leading surgeon Dr. Vastel will lead a delegation of subject specialists who will advise him, while in Borehamwood, on the best pathways to strengthen and develop the forty year strong friendship between our two communities

Annual General Meeting 2016

At the recent Annual General Meeting of the Association, the new committee was selected by members. Rex Dunwoody, after many years' service on the committee decided, for personal circumstances, to stand down as Secretary. Sophie Eni has replaced Rex in this position, whilst Irmine Mason, has taken on the role as Membership Secretary, previously held by Sophie.

Rob Traynor, who was Co-Opted on to the committee during the course of the year, has now been elected on to the committee. Rob represents Borehamwood Brass, who are re-establishing links with Offenburg, and are in contact with Musikverein Rammersweier, who had a memorable visit to Borehamwood three years ago.

French Language Sessions



Session Dates 2016

Tuesday 26th July 2016

Tuesday 30th August 2016

Tuesday 27th September 2016

Tuesday 25th October 2016

This French session is held on the last Tuesday of each month. It is intended for adults and lasts approximately two hours. Attendance is free.

The session starts at 2.30p.m. And is held in the café area of 96 Shenley Road, Borehamwood, Hertfordshire, WD6 1EB

We will keep an open mind about German session. If you would like to learn or practise your German, then please contact us at the address below, as we may consider starting these sessions.

BETTA's Entry at this year's Flower Festival, held in All Saints Church, Shenley Road, Borehamwood.



Elstree & Borehamwood Twin Town Association is grateful for the support it receives from:



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BETTA Membership

Not a member yet?

If you would like to become a member of Borehamwood & Elstree Twin Town Association, please fill in the form below and send it to us.



BETTA MEMBERSHIP FORM

Borehamwood & Elstree
Twin Town Association (BETTA)

Twinned with Fontenay aux Roses (France)
and Offenburg (Germany)

Title: _____ Name: _____

Representing an Organisation? Yes ☐ No ☐

Name of Organisation: _____

Address: _____

Home Tel: _____

Mob: _____

Postcode: _____

Email: _____

Please indicate any particular skills or interests:
(e.g. foreign language, sports, arts, international business etc.)

Agreement:

I support the broad aims of the association:

"The promotion, on a non-political basis, of close relationships between the United Kingdom and other nations."

"I also support the furtherance of international understanding."

"I agree to pay annually, by cash or cheque (made payable to BETTA), the membership fee (as agreed at our Annual General Meeting on 28 May 2008)."

Please tick one of the following:

- ☐ Individual Membership £10.00 ☐ Family/Household Membership £20.00 No of Occupants: _____
☐ Organisations £20.00

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

Please send form and fee to BETTA, Fairway Hall, Brook Close, Borehamwood Hertfordshire WD6 5BT or email enquiries to bettagroup@hotmail.com

Forthcoming Activities

Diary Dates

2016

Saturday 2nd July 2016

**Elstree & Borehamwood
Town Council**

Families Day Stall.

**Visit our stall to find out
more about the
association, and its
activities and events**

23rd – 26th September 2016

**Town Twinning Visit to
Offenburg Wine Festival
2016**



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Planned Twin Town Visit – Offenburg 2016



Borehamwood & Elstree Town Twinning Association

Invite you to visit the Offenburg Wine Festival

between

23rd September – 26th September 2016

Price of visit includes:

- Three nights accommodation in Offenburg
- All travel costs to Offenburg
- Sight seeing tour of the local area



"Come and savour the music, wine and food at this popular annual event held in the centre of our German twin town."

**All for only £330.00 per person
For Non-Members**

£310.00 per person for Members

For a booking form, please contact BETTA by:

E-mail bettagroup@hotmail.com

Tel. 020 3 441 6510

Mob. 07717 176869

BOOKINGS NEED TO BE MADE AND PAID FOR BY 1ST AUGUST 2016



Borehamwood & Elstree Twin Town Association look forward to welcoming visitors
from Fontenay Aux Roses and Offenburg in the future.

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2016 BETTA TRIP APPLICATION FORM

Title: _____ First Name: _____ Name: _____

Date: _____ BETTA member: YES / NO

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Home Tel: _____

Mob: _____

Nationality: _____

Email: _____

I would like to book _____ adult and _____ children for the BETTA Trips

Fontenay Aux Roses
3rd – 5th June 2016
Only

£280.00 for Non Member

£260.00 for Members

Offenburg
23-26th September 2016
Only

£330.00 for Non Members

£310.00 for Members

Both Trips

£570.00 for Non Members

£550.00 for Members

Please indicate:

+ the type of ROOM(s) you would prefer and how many:

(Please note that for individual bookings, only single rooms will be available).

_____ **Single Room(s)**

_____ **Double Room(s)**

_____ **Twin Room(s)**

+ if you have special needs _____

Please: - only carry one piece of hand luggage (Max.: 56cm x 41cm x 20cm/22"x 16" x 8" - 12kg/26lbs))

- note that you will need to bring your own towel(s)

- be advised that BETTA will not be responsible for any accident occurring during the trip, all participants are strongly advised to arrange their own travel insurance

- remember to bring your up-to-date TRAVEL DOCUMENTS, your EUROPEAN HEALTH INSURANCE CARD (EHIC) and any necessary VISA if required. Thank you!

I enclose a cheque for _____ made payable to BETTA

If you wish to pay by cash, please contact BETTA on: 020 3441 6510 / 0771 717 6869

or email bettagroup@hotmail.com

I enclose a photocopy of the ID page of my passport and one of my European Health Insurance Card (EHIC): ☐

Signed: _____ **Dated:** _____

Please send form and cheque to
BETTA, c/o Fairway Hall, Brook Close, Borehamwood, Hertfordshire WD6 5BT

NB ALL BOOKING NEED TO BE PAID FOR IN FULL BEFORE TRAVEL

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