

**Friends of Triel
Leatherhead and District Twinning Association**

Minutes of the AGM held on Tuesday 15 November 2022

Present:

Committee: Paula Hancock, Bridget Carr, Kate Jhugroo Elaine & David Crutchley, and Navin Mehta.

Members: Hubert Carr, Beverley Mehta, Joyce Marshall, Jill Rosser, Jill Goodchild, Rodney Bligh, Juliana Evans, Kathy Munson, Mike Lewis Mary Barter, Anna Byrne, Frances Presley, Paul Hancock and Anne Thomson,

Apologies

Sonya Grove, Anna Brereton, Gill Northcott, Molly Lewis, Bernard Salsbury, Simon and Julie Moss and Bernadette

Welcome:

Kate Jhugroo, the Chairman, welcomed all present and the minutes of the previous AGM held on 12 January 2021 having been previously circulated were agreed. There were no matters arising.

Chairman's Report:

First of all, I would like to thank all of the committee members. For their hard work this year we have all put in lots of effort when it has come to organising the various social events

We were not able to go to Triel this year due to so much uncertainty regarding Covid and lockdowns and travel restrictions this time last year. Instead of this we organised a series of social events throughout the year.

The first event was the quiz night in February. David prepared the quiz. And although I was not able to attend, I understand that the atmosphere in the Reeves room was very French and everyone enjoyed themselves. The topics included food, drinks and sport. It seems it was a great evening with plenty of laughs,

The next event was our Spring Walk on Bookham Common we departed from the Tunnel Car Park at Bookham Common. We all had a questionnaire to complete which helped us discover lots of surprising facts about the habitat, Bookham common is in fact a site of special scientific interest.

We then went back to David and Elaine's house for cups of tea and cakes,

The July Garden Party was on a very sunny afternoon, Gill Northcott very generously offered the use of her lovely garden in Ashted. We had a great deal of fun whilst trying to keep out of the sun. As usual there was a lovely array of food contributed by the members. I seem to remember the strawberries disappeared very quickly.

The Wisley Flower Festival was in September and we were very impressed by the displays of such a range of contributors. There are some lovely photos in the newsletter. After looking at the flowers we had afternoon tea.

So what is in store for us next year?

Our first event will be a quiz in March – we will send out more details of this nearer the time.

Also, we have some exciting news - we are hoping to go to Triel and I have spoken to Nicole who is the president of the French twinning committee and she has said that they can offer us either 1- 4 June or 8-11 June – We would like as many people to come as possible. So if you think you might like to come and can make those dates then please let us know as soon as possible.

With reference to the committee, I wanted to say that I am not able to carry on as chairperson next year due to work and family commitments. We do not have any one who is able to take on that commitment so we are intending to share that job.

If you would be interested in joining the committee please let me know. We have meetings every 2 or 3 months to think about the upcoming events and we are a very friendly bunch.

Treasurer's Report:

David reported that our current bank balance was £3446.52 in which we hold a deposit of £750.00 from 18 members for our cancelled trip in May 2020 to France because of the Covid 19 virus. This is carried forward on behalf of members as a deposit for our next visit to Triel. During the year we had subscription income of £340.00 and the expenditure of £433.37. The main items of expenditure were website fees, AGM refreshments, quiz evening, Summer Social, Wisley visit and publicity

David proposed that the annual membership fee will be kept at £10 per person with under 18 years being free. The report was proposed for adoption by Huber Carr, seconded by Mike Lewis and carried unanimously.

Juliana mentioned that she was happy to help with publicity on social media, which is more used than website. This will be discussed in detail at the next committee meeting.

Election of Officers:

The following officers were proposed en bloc and elected unanimously by all present.

Chairman:	
Treasurer	David Crutchley
Secretary	Navin Mehta
Membership secretary	Johanna Hancock
MVDC Rep	Simon Moss
Committee members:	Paula Hancock, Elaine Crutchley, Bridget Carr, Kate Jhugroo.

Any Other Business:

Elaine was congratulated on the production of the latest Newsletter which was on the website. Elaine requested members to provide her with topical and good articles, recipes etc.. to make the newsletter even better.

The meeting closed at 8.05 pm and was followed by an excellent cheese and wine party.

The date for next year AGM was fixed for **Tuesday 16 November 2023** at Reeves Room (in Leatherhead Parish Church Hall) commencing at 8.00 pm. Agenda for the next AGM:

1. Minutes of last AGM
2. Matters Arising
3. Chairman's report
4. Treasurer's report
5. Election of Officers
6. Any other business