

Twinning News

Spring/summer 2017

a snapshot from the Twinning Association of Rushmoor

We've been busy!

Willkommen in Rushmoor

The Twinning Association and Leader of Rushmoor Borough Council David Clifford, warmly welcomed members of Oberursel's Twinning Association and the Mayor of Oberursel to Rushmoor.

August 2017



Most of the visitors stayed with Rushmoor families and enjoyed visits to Aldershot, Farnborough (complete with Red Arrows flying in), Portsmouth, Winchester and Jane Austen's house in Chawton. On the last day, they learned about the history of Rushmoor and its mayoralty in the Council Chamber.

Oberursel's badminton players were also in town the same weekend and Hawley Badminton Club put on a superb BBQ for all the guests, hosts and friends. An excellent evening was enjoyed by all—many thanks Hawley.

Günther Albrecht wrote: *"All members*

of the group agreed that these five days with you were absolute highlights and will be kept a long time in our memory!"



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Members of Blackwater Valley Runners Club represented Rushmoor in la Foulée Meudonnaise, Meudon's annual fun runs.

March 2017

... and they won some cups—
félicitations!



For the return visit, runners from Meudon's Sports Association have been invited to participate in Rushmoor's 10K on 8 October. Bonne chance à tous!



Twinning Association of Rushmoor
stand at the Volunteer Fair, Aldershot

June 2017





**Members of Farnborough's
Rendez-Vous with Meudon's
Breaktime, both language circle
clubs**

Château d'Amboise in the Loire
Valley

June 2017

Continuing the long-standing annual exchanges between Farnborough and Meudon's language circles, Rendez-Vous members were treated to a wonderful visit to Meudon and the châteaux of the Loire Valley in June this year. The popular Standard Athletic Club in Meudon was the venue for a magnificent meal prepared by Breaktime members for around 50 people on the last evening—merci beaucoup Meudon.



**For more details of twinning events, please see our
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Rushmoor Visitors' Corner

Prince Consort Library, Aldershot was built in 1859-1860 and was "established and endowed" by Queen Victoria's husband, Prince Albert, who "paid for it out of his own pocket". He also donated a thousand books to it from his own collection. The library was to contribute to the education of soldiers in the British Army. Today it is the

specialist military library of the Army Library Service, particularly in the provision of information on current military topics, political subjects and international relations in support of operations, intelligence, training and education in the Armed Forces. This is achieved by the extensive use of online information, military articles and a wide range of military books. The library also regularly hosts military author talks.

Gymnasium College students from Oberursel visiting Farnham Castle on the biannual exchange visit with students from Farnborough Sixth Form College.




All students are hosted by students' families in both exchanges each year.

June 2017



In brief



- Farnborough's French language circle, Rendez-Vous, was given a presentation on the current status of twinning by Rushmoor's Twinning Coordinator ... in French.
- Members of the Twinning Association attended the British-German Association Conference on 12 May 2017 in Bristol City Hall on "Challenge and Opportunity in furthering British-German understanding".

- Members of the Twinning Association, the Mayor and Chief Executive of Rushmoor enjoyed a few days at Oberursel's Wine Festival 5-7 August 2017.

- An Under11  representative football team from Rushmoor took part in Eintracht Oberursel's International Youth Football tournament on 3-6 June 2017.

Some of the forthcoming events for autumn/winter 2017

- 10 members of Meudon's Historical Society (Les Amis de Meudon) are visiting Rushmoor at the end of September. Arrangements have been made for them to meet up with members of the North East Hampshire Historical & Archaeological Society.
- A member of Rushmoor's Twinning Association is giving a talk on Debussy in Meudon in early October.
- Blackwater Valley Runners Club will be welcoming runners from Meudon Sports Association participating in the Rushmoor 10k in October.
- Farnborough Sixth Form College has invited a student jazz band from Meudon to take part in the College's concert on 9 November.
- Classical student musicians from Farnborough Sixth Form College are planning to travel to Sulechów in November to participate in the Chopin Festival.
- Farnborough Sixth Form College jazz band is going on tour to Meudon to play at various venues such as markets, the Potager du Dauphin, (arts' venue), Lycée Rabelais, Standard Athletic Club.
- Members of the Twinning Association will man Rushmoor's stand at Oberursel's Christmas Market in December.