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2019 in brief from Alison Boukhobza, International Links Coordinator



2019 was a momentous year as partnership agreements with two new partner towns, Dayton Ohio in the USA and Rzeszów in Poland were signed. These links will be driven by the development of the aviation and aerospace industries that they share with Farnborough, and will provide mutual support and shared knowledge between businesses.

Firm plans have been made to sign an agreement in January 2020 with the municipality of Gorkha in Nepal. There is a strong Gurkha connection with the Aldershot Garrison and local area as many Gurkha soldiers, who have served in the British Army, originated from Gorkha.

Rushmoor International Association was created with its main brief being to promote, support and assist local organisations in establishing and maintaining interesting and inspiring links with Rushmoor's partner towns.

In 2019 and despite the Brexit effect, the association supported an average of two events a month involving local sports clubs, bands, choirs, schools and other interest groups benefitting hundreds of people, both here and in our partner towns.

European and international links can deliver many benefits to our community and provide unique and exciting opportunities, which may not be otherwise available.

On behalf of the association, the Chairman wishes to join me in thanking all the volunteers and members of the community who continue to contribute such valuable support.



Rushmoor International Association is an independent organisation that meets six times a year to review and plan activities. It has evolved from the previous Twinning Association of Rushmoor and its members are all volunteers, supported by one part-time member of staff.

Anyone who works or lives in Rushmoor, or who is a member of a Rushmoor club, organisation, society or school

can become a member and have a say in the events and activities the association promotes.

The association receives no funding and relies solely on its own efforts to fundraise and bid for grants.



During 2019, Rushmoor International Association raised £1,273, most of which was used to fund a new website for the new association. £120 was spent on welcoming groups visiting Rushmoor.

SOME HIGHLIGHTS OF 2019



Signing partnership agreement with Dayton Ohio, USA June 2019

Signing partnership agreement with Rzeszów, Poland September 2019





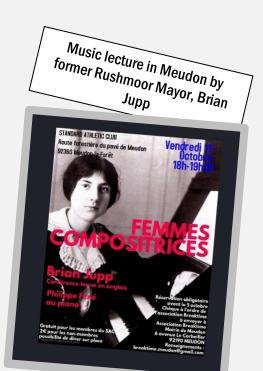
Rushmoor International Association is born with its new website going live in June 2019

POSTCARDS FROM RUSHMOOR AND ITS PARTNER TOWNS













Laying a wreath on Remembrance Day on behalf of Rushmoor International Association and partner towns







For the full list of current and past events, please look at www.rushmoorinternational.org.uk.



Anyone living or working in the Borough of Rushmoor can become a member. See www.rushmoorinternational.org.uk for membership form.





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