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Hordle & District  
Twinning Association

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## DIARY DATES

**4-7 May French Exchange**  
Come with us to France!  
Deposit due now, see right!

**Sun 17 June, from 12 noon**  
Duck Dash,  
Puttles Bridge.  
Bring a picnic!



**From June, Scarecrows**  
Things start to happen so  
time to build yours! 2012  
Theme 'Best of British &  
Olympics'.

**Sun 15 July from 12 noon**  
Bastille Day BBQ

**Sun 22 July from 11.30**  
White Barn Boules Challenge  
& Quiz. Bring a picnic. An  
annual event organised by  
member Rinus Koop in aid of  
Shelter Box

**26 Aug—2 Sept**  
**Hordle Festival Week**  
Scarecrow Trail & Comp!

**Festival Fair**  
Twinning Book Stall



Festival Boules Tournament

**Date TBC)**

Skittles, Fish n  
Chips



**Nov (Date TBC)**

Theatre + Drinks & Nibbles!

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL REMINDER

Thanks to families who have already paid their subs for this year. Can you please get these to Judith asap. Membership forms can be downloaded from our website. Fees are £10 per family, £5 for single membership.

## OUR FRENCH EXCHANGE VISIT 4-7 MAY

Meanwhile, thanks to all those who have already paid your deposits. For those intending to come who have still to pay this, please get it to Judith urgently. We must confirm numbers to our Yerville friends & pay the ferry balance.

Total cost: £80 per adult, £30 per child  
Deposit: £50 per Adult.



## Important

Please note it is a requirement of our insurance policy that all families travelling with us must be fully paid up members of the association. Please therefore enclose your membership fee with your deposit.

We plan to depart Hordle late morning & hope to stop off at a hypermarket en route for the ferry home. Itinerary soon.

## Welcome grant from NFDC

We were delighted to receive a further community grant this month totalling £150 for our Twinning Association & a further £150 for the improvement of the village Boules terrain under the auspices of our Twinning Association. Thank you NFDC!

## Fête des Rois Sunday 8 Jan 2012

Thank you all for making this a real success. Not only did you bring some lovely grub but it was great to see people singing our 'Franglais' French songs. Judith's spaghetti & marshmallow game proved more challenging than expected & everyone was generous with unwanted Xmas gifts for the raffle. All this means we were able to keep the costs for our trip to Yerville the same as last year so thanks to guests, helpers & committee.

## Remembrance Day November 2011

Due to a camera hitch, this photo wasn't available for our Dec newsletter, but here you can see French Chairman Alain Gee laying Yerville's wreath at the Hordle War Memorial. He & the other Yerville visitors did cringe a bit as we gave a warbled, off tune version of La Marseillaise but they appreciated the gesture. Sadly, cost & work commitments make it difficult for either side to travel every year but it's good to know these memories are upheld & reciprocated.

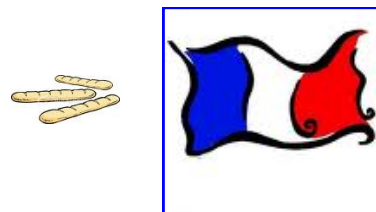
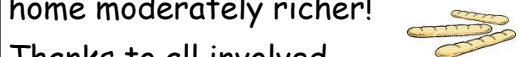


Pictured left, Yerville Chairman Alain with wife Ann on their recent flying visit to Hordle. with Chairman & Vice Chairman Franco & Bob Norley. Left to right, Melinda, Alain, Ann, Bob, Judith & Franco.

## AGM & Bingo

Our lovely Eunice Hartstone finally left her throne as committee queen after 25 years. While sad to leave, Eunice feels it's time to let her fledglings (i.e. us!) go it alone. Needless to say, we were all delighted when Eunice promised she will still help us out. Thankfully, husband Bob is staying on to keep us newbies on the straight & narrow. Chairman Franco gave a most moving speech of thanks & presented Eunice with a stunning pink orchid (see right). Sadly, the Bingo that followed was less well attended. We still had a good time & some of us even went home moderately richer!

Thanks to all involved.



Welcome to Nick Bowen, recently returned to Hordle. We look forward to seeing him at events.

It's always great to get feedback from members. Thanks to those who took the time to get in touch to say how much they enjoyed our Fête des Rois. If you enjoy an event, show your friends & neighbours, this newsletter & get them to join us.

## Social groups:

French conversation, Bee keeping, Beach Sea Fishing, Golf.

Interested? Ideas for others (antiques has been suggested)

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