

L'Amitié

*The Newsletter of the Norfolk & Norwich Rouen
Friendship Association*

September 2014



Welcome to the latest newsletter.

Past Events: The annual Garden Party was held again at David and Audrey Talks on Saturday 26th June. It was very pleasant event, although quite a few members didn't make it. Despite the weather a good time was had by all. It was good to see Marie Mckeown make an appearance.

The French film Etre et Avoir arranged by Mary Corbould at St Matthews Church on the 20th August

Once more this event fell foul of technology, it appears that several of the members have a copy of this film. It may be a suggestion that members gather in small groups and see the film at a member's house

Le Theatre De Decadence suggested by Lyn Holt on the 6th September at the Maddermarket Theatre was attended by 10 members and 2 guests, Lyn writes :

"It was light-hearted rather than racy, and the audience was in a receptive mood. The acrobats were clever and daring, the female conjuror was very funny, the dancers were entertaining and athletic, and the final episode with a fan was superb. Everybody left with a smile on their face " Thanks to Lyn for that.

Memories of Summer

We have had some exceptionally warm weather this Summer and also some very good storms !. During August we got the tail end of the hurricane courtesy of the USA and that brought on cooler Northerly winds. But gardens, especially fruit trees and bushes thrived. Now as we go into autumn we can reap the benefits ! We now start the big tidy up in preparation for winter. Perhaps with some snow this year.

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Christine Wilson information on Beginners' French courses, there is one in Taverham the contact is Roy Aspinall 01603 260207. Another group run by Jane Monks, jane@youatt.co.uk and finally a group run by Elaine Heyse-Moore
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If any member is interested please contact the above.

Help please

The committee works very hard on organising events for the membership, but would appreciate a bit more feedback and suggestions for the NNRFA to do as a group.

The Rouennais are already asking questions of: what time of year would we visit ? Are there any sites of interest we would like to visit ?

Again your feedback and suggestions please .

Future events

We have several future events to look forward to and please make a note in your diaries and calendars for this year and also some dates for 2015.

Dates for 2014:

The annual November dinner at the St Benedicts Restaurant has been booked and the date for this will be Thursday 20th November. The menu cost will be £25 per person 3/4 courses including wine! This year we are fortunate in that the 20th November will be the arrival of the 2014 Beaujolais Nouveau wine at the

Restaurant. There are limited places (24) so an early response is necessary. First come first served.

Menus will be out soon (no rabbit this year).

Future events for 2015:

The annual NNRFA dinner usually held in February will not take place, instead a "joint" lunch of the Norwich twinning groups is in the planning stage, and if it goes ahead, it will take place on Wednesday 25th February 2015, at the Debut Restaurant, Norwich. Costs and menus TBA.

Wednesday 11th March 2015. the NNRFA agm in the council Chambers, Norwich City Hall 7:00pm reception 7:30 meeting starts.

Sunday May 17th 2015: The NNRFA lunch at a cost of £14.95 per person, will be held at the Oaklands Hotel, Thorpe, Norwich. 12noon– 2pm. Menus will be sent out to members in the new year.

Visit to Rouen 2015: As mentioned earlier, the Rouennais want to know - What time of year and is there anything particular we would like to see or visit whilst we are there. **Members please give some urgent thought to this as the committee would like to let them know by the end of September 2014.**

One of our committee members had to resign from the committee due to poor health. Are there any of the membership who would like to join ? We need fresh ideas and a bit of dynamism!

Not sure if the present committee numbers flout the constitution.

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