## Report to Twinning Committee from Norfolk and Norwich Rouen Friendship Association

## **Garden Party**

Many members enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon in Geraldine Smith's garden. The Lord Mayor graciously agreed to attend and we were very pleased to welcome her in the relaxed atmosphere of the event.

## **Autumn Ramble**

Only 2 members walked the walk around Buxton earlier this month with others joining us for lunch. We have to accept that people are busy and cannot do everything! This will not deter future rambles.

## **Trip to Rouen**

Much activity has gone into planning the weekend in October, and we are delighted that The Lord Mayor and Andy Emms can join us for at least part of the weekend. This will be the turn of the French to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the civic twinning between our two cities, and a full programme is organised. Our weekend also coincides with the annual Fete du Ventre – a large food fair which takes place in the main streets of Rouen.

Unfortunately, the rowers are not able to join us on this visit but they hope to participate in future years.

We shall be joined by 6 third-year art students who are mounting an exhibition of their work during the weekend of the visit.

The latest editions of our Newsletter will be circulated at the meeting.

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