





December 2013 Mini Newsletter

A Merry Christmas and a happy and peaceful New Year to everyone!

As a busy year comes to an end we can all reflect upon a hugely enjoyable and successful 12 months in which the spirit, support and kindness of every club member shone through. So let's all celebrate at the forthcoming Christmas meal and for those who can't attend, I hope we will see you at many of the exciting events planned for in 2014.

Gavin

New committee

At our AGM in October the following committee was elected: *President:* Gavin Adams *Vice President:* Margie Lundie

Secretary: Pam Dungey Treasurer: Ian Windsor

Membership Secretary: Caroline Cudmore

Committee Members: Jackie Hardacre, Hilary Hunkin, Harry Nicholls,

Dawn Windsor

Annual General Meeting

Friendship Force Cornwall



Over 40 members attended the meeting at Probus Comrades' Club. It was agreed to ask FFI Atlanta to consider a possible exchange in 2015 to either Germany, Cyprus or Hungary. Also it was agreed to ask for FF Urla, Greater Izmir, Turkey to make a reciprocal visit to us in the same year.

For the first time since the club was formed subscriptions will be raised for couples to £30 per year. Now, every member will pay £15 per year - excellent value still, I'm sure you will agree!

A new Executive Committee post of Membership Secretary was agreed. This will take much of the excess workload away from the Club Secretary and other club members.

"Cornwall Today"

The long awaited article on our club will appear in the January 2014 edition which will be on sale from 12th December.

Christmas meal

This will be on Friday 13th December at The Merchant House, Falmouth Road, Truro (the former Carlton) 7 for 7.30pm. Don't forget to bring along a wrapped present to the value of no more than £5, which we will put into a lucky dip. For those bringing along friends, please pass this message on.

Also a reminder for our recycling effort. If you have any jewellery, broken, odd earrings, old watches, costume jewellery no longer needed, please bring the items along to the meal for Margie to collect to send off to boost our funds.

2014 diary of events

Friendship Force Cornwall



Friday 24th January - Quiz Night to be held at the WI headquarters on Threemilestone industrial estate. Directions here:

http://www.cornwallwi.org.uk/contact.htm

Commence 7.30pm. Bring your own drinks. Cost £2 per head; teams of 4.

Thursday 27th February - Lunch at Camborne College 20 places only £11.50 for 3 courses followed by visit to Heartlands afterwards for those who wish. Numbers to Margie by 14th February.

Tuesday 4th March - Pancake and Puzzles Evening at Margie's. Savoury and sweet offerings for Shrove Tuesday. Commence 7.30pm. Numbers by 28th February. Cost £7.50 to include food and drink.

Wednesday 9th April - HfC "Fiddler on the Roof" 7.30pm

Wednesday 7th to Sunday 11th May - Gardeners' Exchange 20 ambassadors from various FF clubs around the world will be hosted by us and then will travel on to FF Wessex and FF Isle of Wight. Hosts are being contacted and final programme details will be known in January 2014.

Sunday 25th May - Treasure Trail and Supper (location to be decided)

June - Outbound Exchange to Canada

Martin has written to everyone about the plans. Full details available soon.

July - guided tour of Penzance and meal at Senara college restaurant





August/September - 15th anniversary celebrations

September Incoming Exchange by FF Curitiba, Brazil

Our newly appointed ED, Harry, will be letting us have more information during 2014.

New Members

Welcome to Hilary Hunkin and Maggie Loxton! Great to have you both on board and we look forward to seeing you again at many of our future events.

Peter, Jennie and Jo

We wish Peter a speedy recovery after his operation. We also wish Jennie and Jo good luck with their moves in January.