



# NEWSLETTER

THETFORD TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Next Event:

Friday, 25th January 2008  
**Annual General Meeting**

To include:

**Election of Officers**

*Nominations are invited for all positions in the Committee:*

Chairman  
Treasurer

Vice-Chairman  
Newsletter Editor

Secretary  
Publicity Officer

Representatives for each of the twin towns

8.15 pm at the URC, Earl Street, Thetford

## Abschied

As the year flows unhesitatingly towards its close, I am endeavouring to send you all a message of goodwill which is more of a problem than you might expect., My laptop has expressed, however, a reluctance to my aged countenance and its screen is cracked! I am assuming that this is a sort of protest to my constant peering at its delicate surface, for I am sure that I have not dropped the equipment - anyway it will cost about £200 to repair and I am hoping the insurance will be kind and understanding.

However, I want to send you all our fondest wishes for Christmas and to thank you all for your continuing tolerance of an OFT of advanced years.

Have a happy time with your families and prepare your selves for a joyful New Year in 2008.

Your committee, I am sure, will provide you in 2008 with a year of enterprise and fun as is our habit.

As for me, I now intend, at long last, to step down from this "lofty" chair and to welcome someone else to take the reins. The AGM will be the time to find a successor.

Perhaps this may not be easy but I ask you to consider loud and long. I have enjoyed most of my stint as chairman, despite some brickbats from time to time. And I am sure that the successor will have similar experiences to relate in due course.

Twinning is real fun. I want to stay around if you so agree. But that is your choice alone. There are many things to do and to supervise.

(I would recommend, if I may, that there be some enthusiasm for one or more of the languages of our twin towns).

Much love to you all,

*Barrie and Sheila*

## FUTURE EVENTS

**Friday 25th January 2008:** Annual General Meeting.

**October 2008** Arrangements are being made with Thetford Concert Club for the Dutch **Randstedelijk Mannenkoor** choir to visit, when they will perform for a concert along with local musicians.

**June 2009:** Visitors from all our twin towns are invited to take part in the Tom Paine 200 activities over the weekend of 6th and 7th June 2009. This may also include schoolchildren as part of the development of links with schools between all the towns includes projects involving Thomas Paine.

### Subscriptions Due

Subscriptions are now due. £6.00 for single membership, £9.50 for family membership and £10.00 for corporate membership.

Please make cheques payable to Thetford Twinning Association and send them to Mike Edmond, 129 Nunnery Drive, IP24 3EP.

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