

**CREWE AND NANTWICH TWINNING ASSOCIATION
MINUTES FROM COMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2008 @ 7PM
EAST COMMITTEE ROOM
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS
EARLE STREET
CREWE**

APOLOGIES

Lindsey and Wendy Johns, Cllr. Maurice Jones, John Colbert

PRESENT

Clive Mosby (Chair), Cliff Walker, Cllr. Ray Stafford, Peter Kay, Barbara Colbert, Ann Roberts, Ann Jones, Rosemary Tremper, Trevor and Carol Lightfoot

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Apologies to Rosemary she was present at the August meeting.

CANTA dinner – The college are willing to put on a dinner but will be in a smaller room. Clive not Rosemary will make enquiries from The Hunters Lodge.

TREASURERS REPORT

Wendy has sent her apologies but sent an up to date financial report.

Month ending August 2008 account is £2,151.50 and £1,091.82 in C/A Humm. trust.

The grant from Crewe and Nantwich Borough Council has now been received and will show in the September statement.

There was some concern shown that where it was thought that both man and wife or partners were members of CANTA only one subscription was being debited from their account. It was suggested that Carol and Wendy have a meeting and check this and also update the membership.

Peter Barnard on behalf of Nantwich Choral Society has telephoned Trevor to say that the Society no longer wishes to be a corporate member of CANTA. He was asked to put this in writing.

WEB SITE (PETER)

Items of news have been received from Rosemary, Trevor and Carol. These can be viewed on the web site.

Regarding Clive's recent question about a guest book for the site, this is possible and can be obtained from the web provider.

The webmaster still needs to be kept up to date with news items and photographs for the gallery.

SOCIAL (ROSEMARY)

Ann Roberts distributed tickets and posters for the Choir Concert to be held in St. Michaels Church, Copenhall on Saturday 4th October 2008.

Ray Stafford distributed the tickets and sponsor forms for the Duck Race to be held on the River Waldron, Macon Meadows on Sunday 12th October 2008.

Barbara expressed her concern regarding the selling of tickets for the Hoe Down. She felt that we would experience difficulty in selling tickets as lots of people would not join in the dancing and thought that we should organise something else alongside the dancing to make the evening more varied.

Bar B Q for Basia, Clive thanked everyone who helped make the evening a success. Everyone appeared to enjoy themselves. Trevor asked for volunteers to take the marquee down. It was decided that he would ring round when the weather was fine.

Rosemary requested a list of all members addresses, email addresses and telephone numbers so that she could contact members regarding the forthcoming events.

A social committee meeting was arranged for Wednesday 10th September 2008 at Carol and Trevor's.

PUBLICITY

As per social

TWINNING ACTIVITIES

Electrical Engineering Students – Copies of the CV's have been sent to Dane Bank College hoping that they can be of help. Trevor has spoken to Ray Beecham who teaches in the electrical department and who appears to be interested in twinning with the College the students go to in Macon, also he has said that there is a person who deals with accommodation for students and perhaps she may help.

Carol asked to contact the twinning association in Macon and ask if it is possible to get their contacts to let us know of any requests sooner than they are doing as we are given very short notice to make arrangements.

Summer School in Crewe and Nantwich – Clive has spoken to the Mayor Cllr. Brian Silvester and both agree that the request from Macon asking for a summer school needs a lot of planning and organisation and that perhaps next year is too soon to organise.

Clive has contacted Françoise Lindeberg regarding the planting of the roses and a possible delegation from CANTA. The twinning association are holding their meeting on 18th September and hopefully will have some news then.

Trevor spoke to Paul Ancell on his way in to this meeting. He said that it was hoped that there would be a large event taking place to mark the end of Crewe and Nantwich Borough Council and that he hoped the twinning association would be involved and possibly an invitation be extended to friends from our twin towns. Cllr. Ray Stafford said that he would be at this meeting and would act as our spokesperson and hopefully would have something to report at the October meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

Clive has received an invitation from the scouts of Dzierzoniow inviting scouts from Crewe and Nantwich to their Summer Camp next year.

A thank you letter has been received from the Wolverton Explorer Scout and Guide Group thanking us for our donation of £100 towards their expedition to Russia. A copy of this letter can be seen on our web site. www.canta.org.uk

A thank you letter has been received from the Rotary Club of Crewe and Nantwich Weaver thanking us for our donation towards the charities they support. This was sent as a thank you from CANTA for giving up their time at such short notice to act as guides around Nantwich when twenty two agricultural engineering students visited Crewe and Nantwich on 1st July.

AOB

Information about the half marathon and ten km. race on 20th September in Macon have been circulated to Crewe and Nantwich Athletic Club and South Cheshire Harriers.

Trevor had a phone call from Audlem Parish Council asking for information about how they went about forming a twinning group.

The November meeting cannot be held in the Municipal Buildings due to unavailability of a room. The committee were undecided whether to hold the meeting at a different venue, on a different date or to cancel. It was decided to make the decision at the October meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.