

**Colney Heath
Boissy St Yon**



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2016 Newsletter

The date for our next event is **SUNDAY Afternoon 10th July - starting at 1pm for 2pm.**

This afternoon event will be a **HOG ROAST** with salads & potatoes plus a dessert followed by some games! You provide your own drinks & glasses but crockery & cutlery will be provided. In addition & just for fun please bring along a **CHILDHOOD PHOTOGRAPH** so we can guess who is who!

The **VENUE** is **69 The RYDE, Hatfield AL9 5DN** and there are excellent **DIRECTIONS** on how to get there on the Twinning website using this link: <http://www.colneyheathtwinning.org.uk/engpigroast.html>

So we can cater accordingly please use the tear-off slip below & **return to Sue Rowland by 3rd July.**

‘Welcome home John’

John Clemow who has recently returned from working abroad has magnanimously agreed to resume the position of Secretary with immediate effect. The committee are very grateful to have him ‘back on board’!

September Event Date



BBQ & Boule Afternoon
1pm. SUNDAY 11th September
Scout & Guide Hut,
off Admirals Close.

NOTE - an important **DATE** for next year’s diary is **2nd - 5th JUNE ‘17**
This is the weekend when our French friends visit us in Colney Heath.

A brief report on the recent visit to Boissy St. Yon.

Everyone arrived promptly at the car park next to the school so the coach departed exactly on time at 6.15am. We had a smooth drive to Dover and boarded our ferry after only a short delay. By 9.15am most of us were enjoying a much anticipated breakfast. Our trip across France was uneventful and very familiar from previous visits. As we approached Boissy we all put on our XXL sized, white ABAI T-shirts that we had been given the previous year. We arrived in Rue Pasteur, near the centre of Boissy to see a crowd of forty or so friends similarly dressed. Then it was time for lots of hugs and kisses on both cheeks from our twin family and what seemed like half the village. Our French friends formally introduced our new member, Iris, on her first visit to Boissy, to her host Pascaline. Photos were taken (see our website: www.colneyheathtwinning.org.uk/engss2016bv.html) before we all went off to our hosts' homes for an evening of good dining and catching up on family news.

The next time we all got together was on Saturday evening when we embarked on an hour's journey to a guinguette on the banks of the river Marne. A guinguette is a traditional water-side venue, outside Paris for entertainment. The weather was kind so we were able to drink our aperitifs outside overlooking the river before going inside for dinner and dancing. Very quickly it was midnight and time to depart. Sunday, like Saturday, was spent with our French families. Activities varied from walking around the village, to visiting Paris or a local château, to having a BBQ with our hosts and their family.

Then it was Monday morning and time to depart. We had spent more than two full days with our hosts but the time had passed in a flash. Our coach journey north around Paris was quite slow so we were only able to stop for a total of two hours for lunch and shopping during our return journey. To make the most of this time we stopped at a large supermarché near Arras, which in addition to fully stocked shelves, had a café with a surprisingly good and wide selection for lunch.

We crossed the channel via the tunnel and arrived back in Colney Heath at 7pm, tired but satisfied after an excellent weekend.

Please return this slip to: **Sue Rowland** 30 Roestock Gardens, Colney Heath, AL4 0QJ - **By Sunday 3rd JULY'16**

I / We would like Tickets for the **HOG ROAST & Games afternoon** & Enclose £ accordingly.
(£10 Adults & £5 children 5-12 years & under 5's free) (Cheque made payable to C.B.T.A.)

Name & Telephone No.