

June & July 2018

Club International du Quercy

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

To book, please sign up at the Club on Saturday 10h00 – 12h00
or by email : club.intquercy@gmail.com

Groupe de lecture :

Date : 11th June
Time : 16h00
Where: Club room

Summer concert

Date : 17th June
Time : 15h00
Where : Salle de Fêtes, Montaigu
Cost : 3€ members
5€ non-members

Summer meal

Date : 28th June
Where : Auberge du Brelan
Cost : 28€

Voyage a la Jonquera

Date : 30th June
Time : 06h00
Where : Meet in Montaigu

PETITE RANDONNÉE

Date : 3rd July
Time: **9h30** not 10h00
Where: St Caprais de Lerm

Summer Garden Party

Date : 26th August
Where : chez Chris Barrington

Club Open Day
15th September

To enable work, including sound-proofing, to be carried out,

the CLUB ROOM will CLOSE

1st to 10th July

REQUEST for HELP!

We aim to start washing everything down and preparing to paint as soon as the room is finished. We plan to do this on Friday 6th. Then all hands on deck for the repainting to start on the Saturday 7th.



Julia already has volunteers for the lighting, the loo replacement and plumbing etc. but hopes that others will come forward to offer help with cleaning, wall preparation and painting. You'll find a poster in the club giving details of what's required so please sign up if you can help.

Hopefully this work will benefit us all.

VIDE GRENIERS COMING UP SOON

If you'd like to donate any pre-loved and clean items that are still in good condition, please bring them to the Club on Saturday morning.

80
kph

CALLING ALL MOTORISTS

From **July 1st 2018**, please beware that the speed limit on 2 lane roads in France will be reduced from 90 kph to **80 kph**.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT THE CLUB....

NEW MEMBERS

Janet	AUSTIN	GB
Ineke	BERGMANS	B
Chantal	BOULANGER	F
Lyn	BUTLER	CAN
Christiane	CHARISSOU	F
Kathy	DALLE MOLLE	USA
Ivo	DE MEYER	B
Joyce	DOWSON	GB
Anne Marie	GOUAULT	F
Carol	GUNYON	GB
Chris	HOVAERT	B
Marie	HOVAERT	B
Denny	KAYLER	USA
Edit	KERESZTESI	H
Ginette	LAROQUE	F
Helene	LAURAS	F
Marcel	LAURENS	F
Kannan	MAHADEVAN	GB
Sian	MAHADEVAN	GB
Lis	ROYSTONE BISHOP	GB
Phil	ROYSTONE BISHOP	GB
Jean Pierre	SERVEN	F
Alexander	STEVENS	GB
Vikki	STEVENS	GB
Maz	TODD	GB
Rosa	VAN DER MEERSCH	GB
Karen	WRIGHT	GB
Tracey	YOUNG	USA

AGM March 22nd at Salle de Fêtes, Montaigu

84 members attended the AGM, which ran smoothly, bien sûr, though the acoustics highlighted a need for our own sound system.



Official business over, the traditional apero was accompanied by music from The Q'ukes, our very own Club ukulele group. It was their first public performance and in spite of some nerves, they did very well, even encouraging us all to sing along. A superb buffet lunch, prepared by Viv Woffinden, rounded off a sociable and enjoyable occasion.



DRAWING GROUP

This was Val Martin's 3rd session of teaching the basics of drawing to a group of enthusiastic amateurs. Her understated manner and informative classes enabled everyone to improve their technique, gain new ideas and to develop their own style.

PÉRIGUEUX – 25th APRIL

The day could have had a better start. Thanks to the aftermath of the rail strike, the planned train journey was cancelled. Resourceful and can-do as ever, the transport problem was solved when Barry, Geoff, Sarah, Tom and Josette volunteered their chauffeuring services to the 22 Club members.

A very big thank-you to them for stepping into the breach.

Once in Périgueux, however, train troubles continued. A parked lorry blocked the departure of the Petit Train. Fortunately Phil (photo top right) was there to entertain the troops with an impromptu Morris dance, much to the delight/amazement of some French spectators. He earned all of 32c for his performance.

In spite of these slight hiccups, it was a pleasurable and memorable day including, of course a meal - an excellent lunch at Lou Chabrol.

The afternoon was relaxed with an interesting walk round the medieval and roman parts of the town.

Although the day wasn't quite as expected, everyone agreed that it couldn't have been spent with a better group of people. They all vow to sign up for the trip again as there is still much to explore.

Perhaps they'll even get a ride on a real train...



CORNICHE DE LA GIRONDE and CITADELLE DE BLAYE

On a beautiful day in May, eight Club Members journeyed to the town of Blaye, northeast of Bordeaux. Once in Blaye, the group travelled via petit train into Vauban's massive 17th Century fortress "Citadelle de Blaye", built on the steep banks of the Gironde, which, at that point, is 3 kms wide.

This was followed by a delicious lunch, including, as you see, some serious wine tasting at the Château Marquis de Vauban, Vauban's home while he oversaw the reconstruction of the Citadel.

Our return trip took us along the estuary to the medieval village of Bourg-sur-Gironde with magnificent views over the water. Another visit may be necessary as a few of us napped after lunch and apparently missed some wonderful scenery.



7TH MAY



The Monday **ART GROUP** currently has an exhibition in the Club. Such talent on display!

So do go and admire the different styles and subject matter.

It's a seriously impressive show.

21st April Plant Exchange + 'spring clean'

Rosemary Keeley and Ann Golesworthy kindly organised the plant exchange and many happy members were seen trying to carefully load their new plants into cars.

In preparation for the day, and under Julia's guidance (Phil would say 'orders'), he and Tom Hurst cut back the overgrown hedges before replanting the tubs and parts of the flowerbed. The clean up resulted in 2 trailers and a car being filled with green rubbish.

A pop-up café was created with umbrellas and a tent. Being a very hot day, the shade was greatly appreciated by those enjoying their coffee outside.

A big thank you to everyone who made this event possible and in particular, to Ann and Rosemary.





EXAMPLES OF WORK CREATED by THE POTTERY GROUP

After ten years or so of organising pottery workshops for Club members, John Massey has decided to give his potter's wheel a rest and spend more time making his magnificent garden even more magnificent. On behalf of all those who have enjoyed John's workshops over the years, we say a very big thank you to him! For John, there was great satisfaction in starting with a group with little or no experience of the art and enabling them to demonstrate their creativity and finish the course with a series of fired and glazed works - and a smile on their faces! Not to be forgotten is the kindness of Thea and Johan Berris in lending their workshop and hosting the kiln – thanks again to them!

The Club intends to continue offering pottery workshops and further information will be provided in due course.

You'll find the **WEEKLY PLANNING CHART**

- on the website
- on the notice board in the Club corridor
- on the notice board outside the Club

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