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Les Paysanneries

On 30th July 20 Club members and guests attended Les Paysanneries outdoor production about a year in the life of Manon and a farming village in the Quercy area 1880s.

The show is presented by over 100 local residents, dressed in period costume, and with live animals. The pigs and ox were the stars of the show.



After the performance we were treated to a repas that included Aligot Géant and country dances while putting up and down our umbrellas. .



Rentrée Open Morning and Needlecraft Exhibition

The club will be open to all, members or non-members, on Saturday 10th September from 10 am till 3 pm.

You will be welcome to come in to view the latest exhibition of needlecraft presented by the Friday sewing group.

Also, if you would like to discover what workshops and activities will be taking place this autumn, there will be up to date information sheets available, and members of the committee will be on hand to advise you and book you in. Light refreshments will be available all day.

Forum des Associations

This year the second Open Day for local Associations is being held in Montaigu de Quercy. The event is designed to publicise the various Associations and Clubs in the area. The International Club is not only having a stand at the show, but has been tasked with manning the refreshments stall. If anyone can spare an hour to help us serve teas and coffees we would love to hear from you!

Our stall will be displaying photos of our various activities and examples of work produced in the workshops. If any Members would like to join us on the stand to talk to prospective members about the Club we would like to hear from you too.

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Club BBQ – Sunday 21st August 2016

38 club members attended the summer barbeque held at Chris Barrington's house. The weather was good, the food was superb and the company outstanding! We regret the shortage of helpers for this event (we missed the opportunity to take photos of this magnificent place)

Special thanks to Chris & Sue Barrington for hosting the event. Particular mention also for Shirley Sears Black and Colette Guichard for all their hard work to make the event such a success.

Club Trip to The Fantasia mini-golf

Come and enjoy an afternoon of gentle exercise at Le Stelsia in St. Sylvestre on Wednesday, 5 October at 14h30

This 18-hole mini-golf course will enchant you with its originality. In amongst the giant topiaries and magic waterfalls, this is the ideal place to share a moment of pleasure. Weave your ball to the middle of the labyrinth and across the fords to reach the next place.

Yes, there will be rules, but fun is the order of the day.

The cost will depend on the number of members attending, but will be a maximum of €9. If it is raining, the day will be postponed, but you can call Sarah Pegg on 05 53 49 19 51 during the morning for a decision.

Payment will be collected at the venue, so please arrive by 14h15 for this to be done.

Summer art workshop

The Club would like to thank Giles Elliott for leading the summer art workshops at the Lilly Studio.

It went very well with 8 participants, all of whom produced interesting, but varied landscapes. The final session of the four-part course culminated in a vernissage. One of the most pleasing outcomes of the course is that several members plan to continue to work together, hopefully in the Lilly atelier, which was very kindly made available for the course by Betty and Don Lilly in Montaigu.



Club Choir members are starting to practise their new repertoire from September 5th in preparation for the Christmas recital. This will be the choir's debut performance! To be held at the club on Sunday 11th December. We are looking forward to an afternoon of joyful singing and festive refreshments.

Please note - Rehearsal times have changed slightly. Choir is still on Mondays at the club but at a new time of 6pm. Please arrive from 17.45 for a natter to start singing promptly at 18.00. Tea and biscuits served at 19.00. New singers are always welcome, men and women of any age and ability.

The club welcomes the following new members who have joined this summer

David Evans (Br)

Graham Wright (Br - Scottish)

Caitlin Wright (Br - Scottish)

Pier Fulton (Br)

Myriam Ferrari (Fr)

Clive Chapman (Br)

Anna & John Perry (Br)

Peter Driscoll (Br)

Marie-Pierre Wilain de Laynanie (Fr)

The club welcomes back

Louise Massey (Br)

Heidrun Fettah (Ge)

Mohammed Fettah (Ge)

THROUGH THE CLUB WINDOW

This month we are taking a peek at how your committee functions.

The committee holds a formal meeting, in French, around every 6 weeks to discuss and decide upon all aspects of Club management, including, policy, finance, activity planning, events etc., so that you, its members, have the best Club that it can be. Minutes of these meetings are sent out to the membership as soon as possible, usually within 2 weeks, to keep members up to date with decisions.

Between meetings, your committee members work very hard in their designated roles to implement the decisions taken. There are always several committee members in the Club in Saturday mornings, so if you have questions or concerns, or have ideas to put forward, that is an ideal time to voice them.

Thanks to some recent co-options, the number of committee members has increased since the AGM in March. However, there are some people who wish to retire at the end of the year, so please consider putting yourself forward to join this vibrant team and keep its momentum going.

This is YOUR Club, its success depends on each and every member, and on all nationalities to keep it international, so please take a chance and step up to the plate. You WILL have fun!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONTHLY SHORT WALK

DATE : TUESDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER
TIME : LEAVE 10H00
PLACE : CONTACT PETER GAUNTLETT FOR DETAILS

OPEN MORNING

DATE : SATURDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER
TIME : 10H00 – 15H00
PLACE : CLUB INTERNATIONAL
COME AND SEE THE NEEDLEWORK EXHIBITION
& SIGN UP FOR CLASSES

FORUM DES ASSOCIATIONS

DATE : SATURDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER
TIME : 10H00 – 17H00
VENUE : SALLE DES FETES, MONTAIGU DE QUERCY

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DATE : FRIDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER
TIME : 09H30
PLACE : AROUND LAUZERTE & MONTAGUDET

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

President	Nicolas Barret
Vice Presidents	Anne Gibbs, Julia Jones
Treasurer	David Howat
Deputy Treasurer	Geoff Price
Secretary	Colette Guichard
Deputy Secretary	Ruth Smythers
Publicity	Chris Barrington
I.T.	Jan Emery
Hospitality	Sue Gauntlett
Outside meals	Shirley Sears-Black

VIDE GRENIER

Following the success of the Beauville vide grenier, where we sold almost 200 euros worth of donated items, the Club has booked a stall at the Montaigu Vide Grenier on Sunday 18th September.

The vide grenier is on from 08.00 – 18.00 on the car park behind the credit agricole

All offers of help to man the stand gratefully received!

Proposed 2016 – 17 Activities

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Monday	10.00 – 12.00 Bilingual Conversation <i>Julia Jones</i>	18.00 – 19.00 Chorale / Choir <i>Jenny Grimshaw</i>	19.30 Troupe des Acteurs du Quercy @ Salle Des Fêtes
Tuesday	10.00 – 12.00 IT workshop <i>Carol Fenn</i>	15.00 – 17.00 Board Games <i>Maroussia Romanoff</i>	20.30 – 22.00 Badminton @ Salle des Fêtes <i>Gaelle Devroux</i>
		Short walk – 1st Tuesday of the month <i>Peter Gauntlett</i>	
Wednesday	Beginners English 09.00 – 10.30 <i>Anne Gibbs</i> 10.30 – 12.00 <i>Geoff Price</i>	Beginners French <i>Sue Gauntlett</i> 13.30 – 14.30 <i>Simple French</i> 14.30 – 15.30 <i>Grammar</i> 15.30 – 16.30 <i>Conversation</i>	20.30 QuercyCorum (contact <i>Lia Van de Sande</i>)
Thursday	11.00 – 12.30 Intermediate French <i>Philippe Ertzer</i>	13.30 – 17.00 Bridge <i>John Button</i>	17.00 Photocopier access for Clubs 19.30 Troupe des Acteurs du Quercy @ Salle Des Fêtes
Friday	11.00 – 12.30 Café Philo	14.00 – 16.00 Needle crafts <i>Ann Golesworthy & RosemaryKeeley</i>	17.30 – 18.30 Yoga @ l'Oustal <i>Pat Dron</i>
	3ème vendredi du mois Rando Mensuelle - 09.30		
Saturday	10.00 – 12.00 Café du Samedi <i>Committee</i>		



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