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Did you know?

Monthly meetings are held in the Mayor's Parlour in the Guildhall in Bath

Next meetings:

Friday	6 May	2 pm
Friday	3 June	2 pm
Friday	1 July (AGM)	2 pm
Friday	5 Aug	2 pm
Friday	2 Sep	2 pm

To join, contact:

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CAFÉ BRITANNIA

Breakfast Luncheon Afternoon Tea

The people of Braunschweig are happy to announce the recent opening of a great new café serving traditional English fare. Find out more: <http://www.cafebritannia.de>

Anglo-German Association of Braunschweig

Dear Members and Friends,

We are pleased to announce the election of our new Board and Committee members.

President: Paul Kavanagh pkavanagh@t-online.de

Vice-President: Barbara Heck bjheck@gmx.de

Treasurer: Gudrun Schweimler-Löffler

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www.deg-bs.de

www.bath-alkmaar.eu

www.bath-kaposvar.org

www.mayorofbath.co.uk

Committee Members:

Jane Henke

Carmela Folgosa

Katrin Landsmann

Sabine Thomas

Amadeo Miller

Jutta Martens

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News from Braunschweig

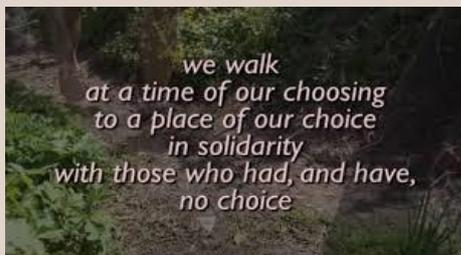


The Braunschweig Carnival was a huge success in February after the sad cancellation in 2015 due to terrorist threats. Though there were 50,000 fewer people in comparison to previous years. The motto was (something like): Now more than ever! Jetzt erst recht! Following Angie's motto "Wir schaffen das" (We will make it).

The situation of the refugees has improved a lot, I think. There are now fewer people in the Reception Centre where everyone has to register first and instead permanent accommodation is being built (lightweight construction or gym halls are being used). A very nice gesture happened last week in the city centre. Refugees were distributing roses to the Braunschweig population in order to say Thank you for the warm welcome. That was very emotional and moving.

Katrin Landsmann

Forced Walks (sequel)



On 4th and 5th February Lorna Brunstein and Richard White led a small party of British and German walkers from Hannover to Bergen Belsen following the exact route of the forced march taken by Esther Brunstein (Lorna's mother) in February 1945.

The walk reminded us that a refugee's journey is long and troubled

and continues until they find safety, a welcome and a sense of belonging.

For more information see

<https://forcedwalks.wordpress.com>

Inter Twinning Association Petanque Tournament

After the AGM on Friday 1 July 2016,
about 6.30 pm, venue to be confirmed

BRIDGE BETWEEN TWIN CITIES

Bath bridge players are looking forward to the visit of eleven guests from Braunschweig at the beginning of July. Our guests are members of the "Bridge and Art" club which recently featured in a local news programme of North German Television. While in Bath they will be playing with "Bridge and Games - Bath", who are hosting the visitors, and also with "Bath Bridge Club". We hope they will also have time to relax and enjoy the local attractions.

Judy Spencer

Individual Exchange visits:

are you interested in visiting
Braunschweig?

perhaps staying with a family in
Braunschweig?

and maybe inviting them to stay with
you in Bath?



Concert in memory of Gerhard and Marita Siefert

Concerts are planned in both Bath and Braunschweig to remember these 2 musicians who led musical exchanges between our twin cities in the 1980s. Their daughter Antje Siefert will perform George Odam's recent work *Year Songs* for voice and piano which is dedicated to Antje.

More details in the next newsletter.

Did you know?

The Harz

45 mins by train to the south of Braunschweig lies the picturesque town of Goslar, gateway to the Harz Mountains.

The Harz is the land of German fairy tales, dark forests, mediaeval villages and wicked witches. Steam trains carry passengers on 140 Km of narrow gauge railway from the lowest point Quedlingburg to the highest point Brocken at 1125 metres.



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Contact Barbara Heck at the DEG
(see link)

POLITE NOTICE

Would members kindly note that
Subscriptions for 2016-2017 are now
due (except for payment by Direct
Debit)

BBTA website

Vicki Messam has handed over the management of our website to Simon Guyett. Simon works in IT and speaks German fluently. Many thanks to Vicki Messam for all her hard work in setting up and managing the website until now. Vicki will be in Braunschweig over the summer months and we hope to hear from her.



Narrow Gauge Railway

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Harz

Stammtisch



If you would like to practise your *German* in a friendly informal atmosphere over 'Kaffee und Kuchen' come to the Stammtisch - every Wednesday throughout the year between midday and 1:00pm, in the upstairs room at Cafe Retro, 18 York Street, Bath (by Bog Island).

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