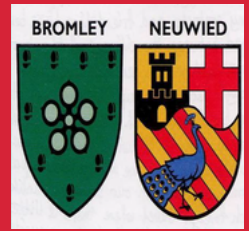


BROMLEY TOWN TWINNING ASSOCIATION



Article from Cllr Kathy Bance

Neuwied, our twin town, lies on the Rhine, not far from Koblenz and surrounded by hills, castles and vineyards.

Our association promotes friendship between our towns. We enjoy exchange visits every year, taking it in turns to host visitors and provide a programme of outings and social events. We have enjoyed trips on the Rhine and wine festivals among other things, and are always made very welcome.



Between trips, we meet up for informal lunches, more formal dinners, outings, an annual garden party, a lecture, the occasional quiz evening and musical evening. We also promote exchanges between schools, local sports clubs and musical societies.

WHY HAVE A TWINNED TOWN?

After the Second World War there was a strong feeling that Europe must never again tear itself apart in this way. So having town twinning would help people from different countries get to know each other at a personal level and to forge links of friendship.

European travel was then something special so the opportunity of spending a weekend in a European town was an attraction.

A knowledge of German is not necessary, but for those interested, a monthly informal German conversation club is held locally. We always welcome new members: fees are £10 per year for individuals and £15 for couples or families. If you would like to know more, contact our Membership Secretary: becksank@outlook.com, or 020 8462 2874, or see us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/BromleyTTA, or on our website: www.bromleytowntwinning.co.uk

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