

Wells Twinning Association

Visit from our Twin Town Bad Durkheim

A very sunny and bright Friday 16 June warmly welcomed members of the Bad Durkheim Twinning Association to Wells.

The party arrived the previous evening, where they were met at their hotel by our Chairman Richard Hibberd, Bob and Pat Reynolds, Linda Davies and Dawn Payne, when the final arrangements were confirmed for a very busy schedule the next day.

On Friday morning, our friends from Bad Durkheim were greeted by the Wells Town Cryer, Mr Len Swales in full regalia on the Market Square. After introductions the Mayor, Councillor John North and the Mayoress, Mrs Gail North invited everyone into the Town Hall where the Mayor formally welcomed them to Wells. After refreshments the delegates from Bad Durkheim were taken on a tour of the Town Hall by the Town Cryer. The Mayor and Mayoress invited committee members from Bad Durkheim together with the Chairman and Secretary of Wells Twinning Association to join them in the Mayor's Parlour to meet informally to discuss how Bad Durkheim and Wells can develop twinning between the two Towns.

Wells Twinning Association hosted a lunch for the visitors at the Courtyard Restaurant. The Bad Durkheim party remarked that the lunch was excellent, the venue superb and the staff extremely helpful.

Following Lunch, the Town Cryer very kindly took the members from Bad Durkheim on a tour of Wells, providing an informative history with many anecdotes that everyone enjoyed and appreciated. When the tour was completed, the party had time to look around our city before returning to their hotel for a short rest.

In the evening, the Wells Twinning Association hosted a Hog Roast at Wells Rugby Club. Over 130 people (including our visitors from Bad Durkheim) attended and enjoyed a most successful evening renewing old friendships and forming new ones.

Sadly, the delegation from Bad Durkheim had to leave on Saturday morning. Committee members of Wells Twinning Association saw our visitors off from their hotel, with all members commenting on a very successful and enjoyable visit.

Wells Twinning Association would like to thank, The Mayor and Mayoress, Councillor and Mrs John North, Mr Len Swales, The Town Cryer, The Courtyard Restaurant, Martin Beech, who provided the hog roast, TJ Solo, who provided the music Colin Glanville, the steward of Wells Rugby Club, and members of Wells Twinning Association who helped. Without everyone's contribution the event would not have been the success that it was.