





A selection of Lancashire Cheeses were drummed in by a Drummer of the Fusiliers, before the official but sad farewells and

an invitation to visit Tulle in the autumn of 2016 brought the evening and effectively the visit to a close.

VISIT FROM SCHORNDORF

We will be inviting our visitors from Schorndorf in 2016 and we anticipate that the dates are likely to be around Whitsun. Further details will be published when the arrangements have been finalised.

GARDEN PARTY

The charity garden event organised by David and Yvonne in June has raised £3,700, which will be shared between Bury Hospice and Grace's Place Children's Hospice.

> **ARCHIVE AFTERNOON -**Sunday 30 August 2.30pm. - 4.00pm. The Association's archive will be available for viewing at Stand Unitarian Chapel, Ringley Road, Whitefield Light Refreshments provided



BURY MUSICIANS IN ANGOULEME

In May, James, Kieran, Declan and Jordan, four students at Bury College, who make up the rock band 'Absolute Stereo' were invited to take part in a four day music festival in Angoulème.



They were accompanied by Steve and Audrey Duckworth of Tottington, the parents of James and received hospitality from Marie-Jeanne Lavigne and staff of the Angoulème Twinning Office. The group played at several venues and were featured on local radio. Thev



were also invited to a school and a local Musical Education Centre where they played for and with the students and discussed their music. They met members of a twinning group from Canada.

This was the first time that two members of the group had travelled abroad and the experience was utterly memorable for them. They were all very grateful to Mme. Lavigne for their excellent welcome and arrangements for the visit. Ideally, members would like to return the hospitality that they have received and are keeping in touch and hope to reciprocate

by hosting a return visit some time in the future. Although the Association had not become involved in arranging the original exchange, it is possible that we could help with the organisation of a future event.

HONORARY FREEMAN



Honorary Freedom is the highest civic honour that can be bestowed by the Council and on 24 June, the Council conferred the Freedom of the Metropolitan Borough on our Chairman. This was in recognition of her work on behalf of Bury residents including the establishment of a Home Watch Scheme; the founding of a Residents Association; chairing the Bury Metroplolitan Community Twinning Association and promoting positive relations between Bury and its twin towns and in recognition of her continuing support for local charities.

Others awarded the same honour were Colonel Eric



Davidson for his outstanding work on behalf of local charities, his involvement in the development and management of the Fusiliers Museum and his organisation of the annual Gallipoli and Remembrance Sunday ceremonies.

And Mr. Mick Jelley for his longstanding association with Bury Amateur Boxing Club and his positive influence on the lives of the many young people who have trained with him including champion boxer Amir Khan.



VISITORS FROM TULLE



Nineteen visitors from Tulle arrived in Bury on Monday 6 July and were met at Liverpool, by Joe Walk and Anita Lindley. The following morning they travelled to Castle Howard with their hosts and marvelled at the spectacular features of the building and artwork and gardens. Later we visited York and admired the



Minster and enjoyed fish chips and mushy peas. A Reception hosted by the Mayor of Bury, Councillor Stella Smith, was held at the town hall followed by a visit to Bury Market and an afternoon of Crown Green



Bowling at Hollins Bowling club A buffet and a Beetle Drive at



Hollins Social Club ended the evening. It must be added that the visitors won the bowls competition and the beetle drive.

On Thursday we visited the City Art Gallery, the Central Library, John Rylands Library and the Shops in Manchester.

That evening, the last before their return, there was a continuation of all things Lancastrian at the Fusiliers Museum, where hosts and guests enjoyed a taste of Bury Black Pudding, Lancashire Hot Pot and Sticky Toffee Pudding.