



# Bath-Braunschweig Twinning Association



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## Monthly meetings

Monthly meetings will be held in the Mayor's Parlour in the Guildhall in Bath at 2 pm on the following dates:

6 Sept

4 Oct

(Nov no meeting)

6 Dec

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## Letter from Braunschweig

Friends, sun, sand and sea, that sounds like summer to me. And we have had lots of it this year. Sun - more than enough, friends - you can never see them often enough. The Kulturnacht in June and all the related events (International summer party, boat tour etc) were a wonderful occasion to meet so many of our friends from Bath - BODS, Uke can't be serious, Bryan, Glenys and so many more partners of Braunschweig's other twin cities. There was a hustle and bustle all around the city, a huge variety of different music styles everywhere. The absolute highlight were the performances in the Kleines Haus of the theatre. BODS gave a fantastic performance and the Ukulele Band transferred their enthusiasm and passion to the audience from the moment they started playing. The DEG is very proud of having been able to welcome such talented and wonderful artists from our beautiful twin city of Bath. Thank you for making the effort to come over to Braunschweig and enrich our festivities.

Best wishes from

Katrin and the DEG (German Society of Braunschweig)



## Letter from the Chairman

Our trip to Braunschweig for the city's famed Kulturnacht was memorable, to say the very least. Glenys and I arrived on Friday 21st June, so missed Thursday's opening event. We were met at Hannover Airport by Katrin Landsmann, who kindly and generously accommodated us at the family home in Butterberg and then drove us back to Hannover on Monday.

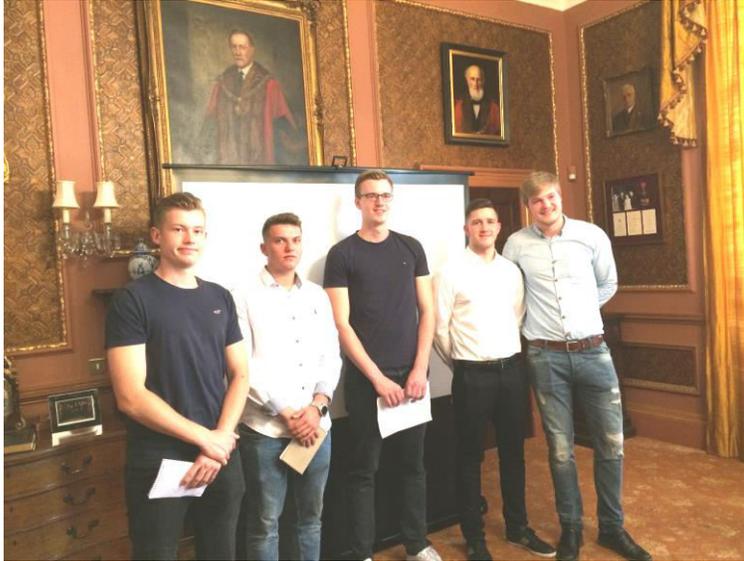
It was good to see so many familiar faces in our Twinned City, including Sabine Apel, Gülcan Solak, Vikki Messam and many others and to learn that our two Bath-based musical units, BODS (Bath Operatic and Dramatic Society) and Uke Can't Be Serious were greeted with such enthusiasm at their Thursday concerts. This success continued throughout the Kulturnacht event and both groups were totally overwhelmed by their acclaim at all events, both indoor and out. It has to be said that this beautiful city knows no bounds when it comes to hosting Kulturnacht and we were all treated like royalty from beginning to end. Throughout the four days, Braunschweig's city centre and beyond is alive with music and vast throngs of people from all over Europe enjoying this extravaganza of Classics, Jazz, Blues, Rock & Roll, Folk and related styles - and awesome amounts of free food and drink. The overall organisation has to be experienced to be believed, so WELL DONE Braunschweig and our sincere gratitude to you all.

Katrin Landsmann and husband Marc (parents of Tim and Pia) drove us to various events and nothing was too much trouble, so we say a huge 'thank you' to this lovely family for sharing their home with us.

## STAMMTISCH



"Would you like to speak *German* in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere? Our *Stammtisch* meets every Wednesday between 12.00 and 13.30 at Harington Hotel in the centre of Bath. We also have an occasional evening *Stammtisch* at The Thief, details of which are available from Bath German Society."



### **Report on the visit to Bath of 5 apprentices from the Heinrich-Büssing School Braunschweig**

In May this year five apprentices from the Heinrich-Büssing-Schule in Braunschweig spent 4 weeks attached to various enterprises in the Bath area. Their particular fields were mechatronics and electronics for operating technology and IT systems. With the support of the Bath Braunschweig Twinning Association (BBTA) as well as the German English Society in Braunschweig (DEG) and funded by the EU's Erasmus programme, they gained valuable personal and professional experience in their different workplaces - AB Dynamics Bath, Horstmann Engineering, Welding Warriors, Hurley Engine and Garden Machinery and the IT Department of Bath University.

On the last day of their visit the 5 trainees gave an excellent presentation to a mixed audience at the Guildhall in Bath. The technical and linguistic level of the trainees was high and they were able to answer questions about both their work experience and their leisure activities during their stay.

Gunnar Uhde HBS Paul Kavanagh DEG

## Kulturnacht Braunschweig 22 June 2019



A big thank you from BODS and Uke Can't Be Serious  
for the support of the BBTA