

## **BUXTON BAD NAUHEIM TWINNING ASSOCIATION**

### **CHAIR'S REPORT – FEBRUARY 2021**

It is now nearly a year since our first AGM, which was swiftly followed by the first Lockdown! Even though this year has brought challenges we have managed to have some contact with our twinning partners.

1. Art Exhibition – sadly the planned exhibition of work by artists from all 5 towns had to be postponed. It is now planned for 2022. Pam Smart, the Buxton artist who will be submitting work, is kept up to date by Johannas Lenz, who is organising the exhibition. We have recently been sent a link to the Bad Nauheim art gallery for our website. We are currently looking at opportunities there may be for links between artists.

2. Musical links - Hans-Peter, from Bad Nauhiem sent links to a couple of concerts put on by the pupils of the Bad Nauheim music school. We publicised the concerts to all our contacts as well as to local choirs and music societies. We received some lovely emails thanking us. Hans-Peter and the music school were delighted by the fact that people from Buxton watched the concerts also and wrote comments. There is a link on our website to the concert given on January 24<sup>th</sup>.

In return we sent some short videos of Kaleidoscope Community Choir singing Carols outside The Gables Care Home. Carol Bowns, the Choir Leader, is in the process of writing some information about the choir and this, together with the videos will be posted on the Bad Nauheim Website. Local choirs are still keen to be involved in project planning once we are in a position to do so.

3. Keith has been keeping our website up to date and his next project is to link the website to our Facebook page.

4. Informal chats have been held with some members of the Oigines Twinning Committee about how we might be able to support each other.

5. I have received a couple of WhatsApp calls from Hans-Peter and the message from Germany is that they are very keen to build links with Buxton so we are all looking forward to making some links in 2021.

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