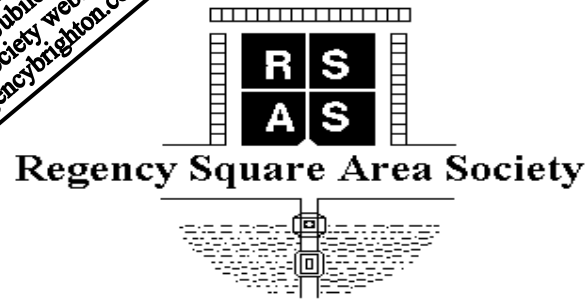


Photos of the Jubilee party -
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Twelve Months in the Planning

It was 2 pm on Saturday 2nd June 2001 when nine members of the Society sat down round a table and started to plan a party.

A year and a day, and a lot of hard work later the plans became reality.

The French Connection

One of the earliest decisions made by the organising committee was to invite musicians from France to help us celebrate the Queen's Golden Jubilee by playing at the party.

On the Sunday 2nd June 33 French visitors arrived by ferry at Newhaven. At a reception in the Chartwell Room on top of the Metropole Hotel, they were welcomed by Society chairman Roger Hinton.

After a meal provided by the Regency Restaurant they enjoyed the warm evening air and saw Brighton as its best as they strolled along the pier and watched the fireworks.

Hosts families provided overnight accommodation. The next day, after a lunch at the French Church in

Queensbury Mews the band set up on the green and entertained us with a splendid variety of music.

Weather or not?

In the days leading up to the party the forecasters were very cagey about what the weather would be like.

The morning was mercifully calm and fine. As the day progressed it became windier and cooler, with even a short shower - but we had started, so we carried on.

And during the next few days, grey skies and heavy rain, proved just how lucky we had been!

And the Mayor Came Too

The Mayor, Cllr David Watkins and the Mayoress Sheila Levenson joined us, wearing their splendid chains of office. The Mayor welcomed the French visitors. Madame Maude Massüger replied on behalf of the Mayor of Dieppe and the band played the French National Anthem.

Society Chairman, Roger Hinton, then called for three cheers for the Queen and the Band played "God Save the Queen".

Why?

And what was the point? Let's face it, the Queen didn't know anything about our efforts and certainly couldn't hear our cheers.

The main point was surely to get people together and to prove that although we live in the centre of a large city we are a real community.

Just look at the list over the page of people who helped in so many ways and you will see that, if that was the aim, then the party was a great success.

So Thank You ...

... to everyone who helped. Below is a reminder of the local businesses and organisations which contributed to the success of the party.

And over the page is a list of the many individuals who played a part.

Thanks to

The Regency Restaurant for providing a meal for the French Visitors


The Brighton French Protestant Church for allowing us to use their building

The Brighton Hilton Metropole Hotel for giving us the use of the Chartwell Room and lending us 80 chairs and 14 tables with tablecloths

The Duke of Edinburgh Award Organisation for the loan of catering equipment

Hoverspeed and Transmanche Ferries for providing free passage for the French visitors

Brighton and Hove French Circle for help with arrangements for the French visitors



Don't miss the Society's summer boat trip on Saturday 3rd August - details over the page.

Thanks to everyone who helped with the party!

Adam Francis, setting up - Alan Hinton, setting up - Ambrose Simons, transport - Andrew Walker, organising committee - Avril Walker, refreshments - Barry, bar - Basil Parker, parking - Bernie Lowery, host - Brian Foster, setting up - Brian Smith, photos - Catherine Crosier, Metropole - Cathrina Tappin, bottle draw - Catrina (Franklins), parking for Orchestra's van - Clive Buxton, organising committee - David, bar - Diana Dunn, organising committee - Don, setting up - Frank Orna-Ornstein, host - Gail Simons, donation - Geof Pygall, donation - Gil Forte, host - Hector Perez, bar - Henrietta, Metropole - Janet White, host - Janet Garner, host - Janina Liu, amusements - Jean-Claude Langlois, liaison with Dieppe - Jennie Hinton, amusements - Jenny Bennet, bottle draw - John Clinton, host - John Gavin, transport - John Loveridge, host - John Garner, host - Joyce Chester, host - Laura Phelan, host - Lesley Proctor, catering - Linda Adams, Mayor's office - Lisa Williams, refreshments - Lynn Williams, refreshments - Maggie Loveridge, host - Margaret Monod, host - Marie Young, host - Maude Massüger, liaison with Dieppe - Mavis, refreshments - Mel and Janet, Brighton and Hove Council - Mick Paskins, amusements - Miss Forrester, donation - Mr and Mrs Cross, donation - Mr and Mrs Healey, donation - Mrs Balchin, donation - Pam Orna-Ornstein, host - Neil Bibby, host - Nigel, bar - Norma Williams, catering - Oonagh Barlow, setting up - Paul Starling, setting up - Pete Lyons, catering equipment - Phyl Edwards, catering - Richard Barlow, setting up - Roger Hinton, organising committee - Ron Bakere, organising committee - Ros Boulden, catering - Shoshana Foster, setting up - Sidonie Williams, bottle draw - Simon Andrew, organising committee - Steve Leineweber, donation - Sue Morgan, Mayor's office - Sue Paskins, organising committee - Susan Foster, setting up - Suzanne Hinton, organising committee - Tony Forte, host - Tony Lowery, host - Traude Tappin, organising committee - Trix Webber, host - Uwen Rogers, Metropole Hotel Duty Operations Manager -

Lots of people helped in more ways than one - only one activity is shown for each person

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A Trip Along the Coast

We have organised a boat trip along the coast from Brighton Marina to Hove. It takes about an hour and gives you a very different view of the town.

It will be at 6pm on Saturday 3rd August. The cost is £6 per person.

Places are limited. If you would like to come, send your name, telephone number and payment to Ros Boulden, 8 Abbotts, 129 Kings Road, Brighton BN1 2FA. (Payments by cash or cheque payable to Regency Square Area Society please).

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