

## WINDERMERE – DIESSEN TWINNING ASSOCIATION

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## **Dear Members and Friends**

Christmas Newsletter 2020

What a sad year this has been for everyone, resulting in the cancellation of all our arrangements for visits to and from Diessen, together with our own plans to meet up for various activities throughout the year, so we can only hope that matters will improve in 2021 to enable some events to take place.

However – some good news! Following Dieter and Christiane's decisions to step down from the Diessen committee, I have recently been contacted by the new leader, Fabian Schonfelder and his wife, Charlotte, who was brought up near Windermere and attended Lakes School for education! As younger members they are full of ideas for future events, so we have agreed that as soon as it becomes possible, they will come to Windermere to meet with our Members, and to enable them to explore suggestions with other groups and venues here that may begin a new programme of exchanges once again, particularly where possible for our younger residents.

I have written to Dieter to thank him and all their committee members for all their hard work, but we will still meet up with them in the future, as well as with all the other friends we have made over the years. We will also look forward to making a connection with their new 'Mayoress' - Sandra Perzul, following the Burgermeister's retirement.

In the meantime, it does occur to me that we could certainly benefit from some newer and younger Members for our own committee, so if anyone can think of anyone who might be interested, please put them in touch with me!

As Christmas approaches I hope that you are all keeping safe and well, and although partaking in the seasonal festivities will be very different for many this year, I send my best wishes to everyone for what will still be a joyous time, together with hope that the 2021 New Year will bring us opportunities for a more normal way of life again.

With kindest regards to all,

Jenny