

MAI 2021

ASSOCIATION FRANCE-GRANDE BRETAGNE
de TOULON et du Var
~PROGRAMME~



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Nous rappelons à nos membres que le programme mensuel est envoyé (sauf pour les mois de juillet et août) entre le 20 et le 25 du mois précédent les activités. En cette période de crise sanitaire, le programme est envoyé plus tardivement pour tenir compte de décisions gouvernementales de dernière minute.

Si vous ne recevez pas le programme pour un mois donné n'hésitez pas à nous contacter soit par l'envoi d'un courriel soit en téléphonant à Martine ou à Bernard :

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HRH PHILIP DUKE OF EDINBURGH

1921 – 2021

Prince Philip was born into the Royal Families of Greece and Denmark on June 10, 1921. Before he was even two years old, his family was forced to flee Greece as a result of a military coup in 1922. Evacuated aboard the Royal Navy ship HMS Calypso with much of his family, Philip grew up in France before attending Gordonstoun in Scotland and later the Royal Naval College.

Interestingly enough, while June 10 was Philip's official birthday, his actual birthday is a bit different. When Philip was born,

Greece was still using the Julian Calendar, which would put his real birthday on May 28th. Greece adopted the Gregorian Calendar in 1923. Philip was the fifth and youngest child in the family. His sisters all married German princes, and his sister Princess Cecile tragically lost her life in a plane crash when Philip was sixteen.

Following the completion of his term as a cadet, Philip entered the Royal Navy and became the youngest officer to make First Lieutenant at age 21 in 1942. He served as the Second Officer of the destroyer escort HMS Wallace and participated in the Allied landing at Sicily. In 1944, he was transferred to the HMS Whelp and was present in Tokyo Harbor for the signing of the Japanese surrender.

Philip was also a trained pilot, gaining his RAF pilot wings in 1953, helicopter pilot wings in 1956, and a private pilot's license in 1959. He's been known to have logged in 5,986 hours in fifty-nine different kinds of aircraft.



Prince Philip and Queen Elizabeth first met when King George VI conducted a tour of the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, in 1939 and brought Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret with him. As they were third cousins, Philip was asked to escort them both. The prince and princess began to exchanged letters, and Philip asked King George for permission to marry Elizabeth in 1946. To date, their marriage lasted for over seventy-three years, making him the longest-living royal consort in Britain's history. He had held the title of longest consort since 2009.

Philip was styled Duke of Edinburgh, Earl of Merioneth, and Baron Greenwich by King George VI on Philip's marriage to Elizabeth, but it would take another ten years before Queen Elizabeth bestowed the title of Prince on him in 1957.

Perhaps one of his most lasting legacies was his engagement in charitable organizations. Prince Philip was president of more than 800 organizations, with his longest patronage being the London Federation of Boys Clubs (now London Youth), which he joined in 1947. The Duke of Edinburgh's Awards Scheme and International Award began in 1956 and since then has seen over four million young people from ninety countries participate in physical, skills-based, and community challenges to improve themselves and their world.

LE MOT DU PRESIDENT

Voyons-nous enfin le bout du tunnel (qui n'est pas celui de la Manche) ? Il faut espérer que dans quelques semaines, une plus grande visibilité à travers la crise sanitaire que nous traversons nous sera offerte. C'est la promesse qu'ainsi nous pourrions dans un avenir proche reprendre nombre de nos activités. C'est le souhait que je forme pour notre association mais aussi pour le monde associatif en général et pour les lieux culturels et festifs



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Samedi 8 mai 14h30 : SCRABBLE (en anglais)

Inscriptions auprès de Françoise 06 17 16 51 73



Samedi 15 mai 14h30 FILM VO

Inscriptions auprès de Martine 06 15 18 22 31

Une séance supplémentaire pourra être organisée si nécessaire



**Vendredi 28 mai 14h30 ATELIER DE
LITTÉRATURE**

**« Le cercle fermé »
de Jonathan Coe**

Inscriptions auprès de Martine 06 15 18 22 31



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