



Le Nouveau BULLETIN

DELIVERING GOOD NEWS OF GREAT GETAWAYS!

HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OUR GUESTS

2009 has been another busy year for Les Petites Cigognes. In our superb new website you will find links to information and photos of the gites, various attractions in the area, travel companies and much more.

Visit us at www.lespetitescigognes.com. We hope you like the new style. Please do give us any thoughts as to how we can improve it further.

Thank you to those who wrote such fantastic reviews for Les Petites Cigognes on TripAdvisor. If you haven't seen it yet, visit our listing at www.tripadvisor.co.uk.



Sunshine and relaxation - always good times at Les Petites Cigognes

At last Les Petites Cigognes has broadband via a satellite connection, installed during the summer of 2009. From summer 2010 all 3 gites will have unlimited internet access available. This will be included in the price.

During the winter of 2008/9 we redecorated Le Pluvier and replaced some of the furniture and curtains. The interior of Le Pluvier will be to the same standard as the other 2 gites by the summer of 2010. This will include oak furniture throughout, new beds, mattresses and wardrobes.



Following the storms of 2008 the swimming pool was badly damaged. During the spring of 2009 a new liner was fitted and a drainage system installed outside the pool area.

The area around the pool has been planted with some large shrubs, grasses and a new flower bed, including lavenders. Both large fields have been ploughed and re-seeded to establish a better area for children to play. Any ideas for improvement are always gratefully received.

During this winter and spring we are making changes to the gite gardens. Each gite will have its own patio and flower beds and the grass areas inside the gardens will be extended. All this will develop over the next few years as the plants become established.

Environmentally Friendly

We are still spending a large amount of time concentrating on planting. We have kept to our target to plant a minimum of 6 trees every year. However, this winter we are embarking on a project to establish a small woodland in the triangular field at the front of Les Petites Cigognes. During 2009 we found that a superb well exists at the front of the property. By Easter 2010 we will have had the purity of the water formally tested and then be installing a system to use the water in the pool, in our house (where the enormous volume of washing takes place!) and for watering the gardens. The well water will not be used in the gites. Installing solar panels to heat the pool instead of electricity is next on our agenda.

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2009 saw many new families from all over the world visit us. This family from Australia didn't visit many chateaux during their stay with us in January!

We have had a superb summer. After an extremely cold winter with temperatures down to -16°C and 8" of snow in January, the summer was consistently hot with a maximum of 35°C on 19th August.

Here marquees go up for a guest's party in May.

