



Le Nouveau BULLETIN

DELIVERING GOOD NEWS OF GREAT GETAWAYS!

HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OUR GUESTS

WELCOME TO OUR THIRD EDITION OF LE NOUVEAU BULLETIN!

2010 has been another busy and successful year for Les Petites Cigognes. Thank you to everyone who returned in 2010; it was great to meet everyone who visited us for the first time and we look forward to seeing all of you who have already re-booked for 2011. Two sets of guests have now booked for their fourth successive year at Les Petites Cigognes.

Our website, www.lespetitescigognes.com has been really successful since its opening in 2009. If you haven't yet visited the site, you will find information and photos of the gites, links to various attractions in the area, travel companies and much more. We are always looking at ways we can improve it further - please let us know if you have any ideas.

Sunshine and relaxation. Good times and fond memories of Cussay!

During 2010 we started work on the gite gardens, replacing the gravel with spacious patios and planting flower beds. We're sure you can imagine the task we faced in moving 15 tonnes of gravel by hand, in freezing conditions in February and with only 3 days notice from the builder that he was coming on the following Monday to prepare for the concrete! The patios were then laid during March and the task of reseeding and planting the gardens commenced. All gardens have new flower beds and more grass. The grass is now fully grown!



Wifi internet access is now available in all the gites. After a few headaches with the original system, we have now installed new ethernet cabling which hopefully will be more successful. During the Easter holiday we completed the installation of the well system; it's so much better to use our own water for watering the gardens. In the New Year we planted another 100 hazel, hornbeam and maple saplings in the triangular field. With another 100 to be planted in spring 2011, our small woodland is well on the way to being established.

At the time of writing, 2nd December 2010, this was the scene across the courtyard of Les Petites Cigognes. The temperature so far has got down to -5°C. As for everyone, we're looking forward to the real winter!!



2010 temperatures ranged from -7°C on 8th January to +32° C on



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Once again visitors joined us from all around the world – Australia and New Zealand; Canada and the USA; Ireland, France and the UK.. As with all our guests, it is always great to meet you all.

The gardens at Villandry



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