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# Le Nouveau BULLETIN

DELIVERING GOOD NEWS OF GREAT GETAWAYS!

## HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OUR GUESTS

WELCOME TO OUR 2013 EDITION OF LE NOUVEAU BULLETIN!

One of the many benefits of running the gites is that we are privileged to be able to meet such a wide variety of lovely people. Thank you to everyone, it is a pleasure to meet you all.

2014 is already looking to be another very busy year, with bookings considerably ahead of where they have been at this stage in the past. If you are thinking of visiting us again next year, please don't hesitate to contact us as soon as possible to check date availability. **Book by the end of January for April, May or June 2014 and benefit from one free night for a booking of 5 days or more.**

## Sunshine, relaxation and fond memories of Cussay!

In July the Tours de France passed through Tours and then on to Montresor. The 'caravan' before the race was amazing, as illustrated by the giant racer below. And then it was time for the main event; over in a very short time but the support shown to the cyclists was quite phenomenal.



As has become the norm, the weather has been very unpredictable. The minimum temperature we recorded was -6.5°C on 18<sup>th</sup> January, still 5°C warmer than the minimum recorded in 2011. However, the summer has been excellent, with temperatures consistently over 25°C and a maximum temperature of 34.5°C recorded 22<sup>nd</sup> July, nearly a month earlier than the hottest days in the previous 3 years.



*During the Spring we were extremely busy redecorating La Colombe and Le Grebe and upgrading equipment in all 3 gites. The new photos on our updated website show many of the changes and improvements we have made. The large, modern parasols and BBQs as well as new children's swingset all proved to be welcomed additions and upgrades.*



The Lesigny Vintage Car Club held its annual rally in August. Cars are keenly restored and the number of supporters remarkable. The number of entrants to the rally from the UK was very impressive. Everyone involved came fully dressed to suit the era of the car they were in. This is definitely an event we hope to attend again next year.

Have you seen goats cheese being made or seen a troglodyte village which was inhabited until quite recently? We can now say 'Yes!' The village at Rochemenier and nearby goat farm provided a fascinating day trip when we accompanied some regular visitors to Les Petites Cigognes.

However, the troglodyte caves at St Rémy are Almost as good and just round the corner from here!



In June local French Resistance groups commemorated fallen comrades at a new memorial at the top of the road from Les Petites Cigognes



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