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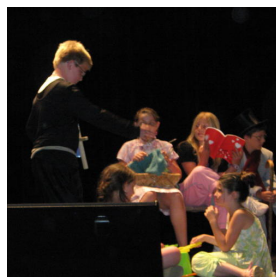
Already end September. The weather was not that great this summer, but in general, it uncured more to us than our Les Aulnettes visitors.

It is also more than six month we have sent a newsletter. What a disgrace if we had been lazy during this time. However, and that should not come as a surprise, this was not the case.



Sander ended best in his class last year and is since "La Rentrée Scolaire" in CM1, the one but last of the French primary school. His summer break was not only "very cool" but also very long, because

French government has abolished the Saturday as a school day. In the Vendée, that was already some time, but here, to make up the Saturdays, the holidays were shorter than elsewhere in France. Consequently, a long vacation.



By the way, Sander has made a great appearance in his "end off the year school play" as a vicar; a smashing success !

The season, generally starting at Sanders birthday, the 11th of June, went by excellently. The

planning is largely achieved and 2009 looks very promising because we have already 30 reservations !

With a bit off luck we will break again the booking record in 2009. This year we had to "sell no" for at least 90 weeks.

For a matter of fact, Sanders birthday was again very cheerful, we only did not get to play all foreseen games. Before we had finished all the invited ladies and gents were, with their host, already in the swimming pool !!

This was the season of the 13th of June (by absence off England you all cheered the Dutch we suppose ?), the "Tour de Frans" and the Olympics. Surely, we forget to mention other memorable events, but you know we like to keep it short.

That does not inhibit us to pursue a little bit.

Especially June 13 was a great and memorable day. We had invited over about 50 people, 80% French and a hand full of Dutchies. Everybody was to take some



food and beverage, and we (Jard Groep/Les Aulnettes) provided a 52-inch LCD television (bought for the occasion), so everybody could see the match without even the slightest obstacle. For those who weren't there; it was a great evening, and in the latest place because of the score !!

It stayed turbulent at Les Aulnettes long afterwards, and even the pool, with the night lighting, was frequented sometimes.

Irene is getting busier and busier. Besides the handling of the reservations, (per mail, phone and even people who are in the neighbourhood and like to have something better for next year), the washing and ironing, the cleaning of the houses and the groceries et cetera, she needs to liberate time to write her emails (you know the lengths of Ireens "short-mails") to all the "Les Aulnettes Friends".



Daddy Wim just got used to stay out of the hospital and doctor's office, but is picking up again this bad habit. During a short stay in the Dordogne with Chantal, he was not feeling well. So according to French custom, Chantal made "blew up some medical dust". Because the doctor could not come, she got Wim to the hospital, and all there was, was just genuine French "Gastro". To be sure, a sample was taken, but no defect was found.



Frans is really going up and down. It must be his age. After the bad back and the ankle, the shoulders were hurting a bit. Also according to French custom, with pills and therapy, the damage is overcome. Never the less, in between, he worked a bit. So see the pictures below.

To be continued.

Real-estate in France

Lousy, thanks to our American friends and their sub-prime. **Thank you guys !!**
To be continued again.

Your ad on this place !

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The Construction Column

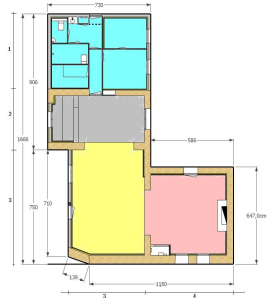
Building activities; slowly but certain.

Because of all entanglements from the last period, the chronologic and maybe the continuity of the events are not perfect, but enjoy the ride.



Our living

As you know, we do not always chose the most difficult way to deal with our business, but sometimes it happens. To be clearer, we had decided to terminate our rent of the “gîte” as from the 1st of August, to save us some money. Well, the 1st of August is a date as any other date, but for us it seemed to be in the middle of our season. Very nice !! Surely when you know that because of a lot of reasons, our new “loggings” were not “completely” finished ☺ ! We succeeded more or less, anyway. Luckily for Frans, lots of people came by to encourage him and



to make him rest for half an hour or more ☺.

We therefore asked the help of a “plasterer” to speed up the tempo.

Look at the pictures of the “status quo”, thinking that the idée that we



The office

live in our workshop, slowly changes into the idée that we work in our living room ☺. If there are any questions, do not hesitate in any way, to ask them.



The hall





Till next time, with a new and new pictures !

Do not forget the : “begin July” and the ”end of August” offers !!
 See the website (tariffs) for more information