

BONJOUR FROM FRANCE TO THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE, NEW ZEALAND

THIS MESSAGE CONCERNS A STUDY TOUR TO FRANCE IN 2012 IN COOPERATION WITH Dr
BRIAN MCKAY, UNIVERSITY OF AUCKLAND, AND MAY BE OF INTEREST TO ANY U3A
MEMBERS WHO STUDY THE FRENCH LANGUAGE

13 June - 1 July 2012

We hope we may be able to count on you to bring this to the attention of any persons who might
be interested in joining us

From Annie & David Bancroft (Cpéderf, France)

TO ALL LOVERS OF FRANCE & THINGS FRENCH IN NEW ZEALAND

AND TO ANYONE KEEN TO PRACTISE AND PERFECT THEIR ORAL FRENCH COMBINING SERIOUS
PRACTICAL WORK WITH A WIDE VARIETY OF CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

COME & JOIN US IN PARIS ON 13 JUNE 2012
FOR 18 DAYS IN PARIS and the LOIRE VALLEY
9 days in and around Paris, 5 nights in Amboise, 4 nights in Angers

A FRENCH LANGUAGE & CULTURE TOUR 2012
In the company of Dr Brian McKay

After a hard morning's work, everyone relaxes round the table – to practise their French!
Lunch at Aigues-Mortes with the 2008 Language & Culture tour to Paris and Aix-en-
Provence

It is with immense pleasure that CPEDERF brings to your attention the **2012 French Language & Culture tour** we have arranged with our friend and long-time enthusiastic associate of Cpéderf, Dr Brian McKay, former HOD French and Research Fellow in the University of Auckland, and Vice-President of the Auckland Alliance Française. The organization and overall planning of the tour will, as usual, be carried out by Annie Bancroft who will also share the tutoring and guiding with Brian.

The **Language & Culture Tour** to Paris & Aix which Brian and Annie ran in 2008 was an immense success, and hugely enjoyed by all participants as well as by tutors and organizers! We are convinced that the 2012 tour can be as equally rewarding and enjoyable!

The tour is timed so that your last evening in Paris (21 June) coincides with the annual Fête de la Musique - the whole of France is out in the streets making and/or listening to music!

The aims of the tour are to help participants improve their knowledge of the French language, with abundant practice of listening to and speaking French, as well as developing their knowledge of French culture. You will practise your French all the time in a friendly atmosphere. The visits are in small groups of a maximum of 8-10 persons, so that everyone can participate easily!

The tour will combine serious practical work with a wide variety of cultural experiences, offering an enjoyable holiday designed to ensure you return home understanding and speaking French with greater confidence and facility than when you arrived. And have learned quite a bit more about France - history, architecture, art, decorative arts and furnishing, gardens, as well as cinema and theatre - and food!

Absolutely anyone keen to practise and improve their oral French will be most welcome, and as was proved in the 2008 tour, enthusiastic beginners will also be able to benefit.

Arrive in Paris no later than the morning of Tuesday 13 June.

The “study” part of the tour will finish with the *Farewell Dinner* in Angers on the evening of Saturday 30 June, after which there will be arrangements for everyone to take the TGV the following morning 1 July back to Paris.