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The off-season period in Saint Cast has been a time for further developments and improvements in the marina. Visitors during the summer will be able to benefit from the increased number of places available, and the new services offered by the marina.

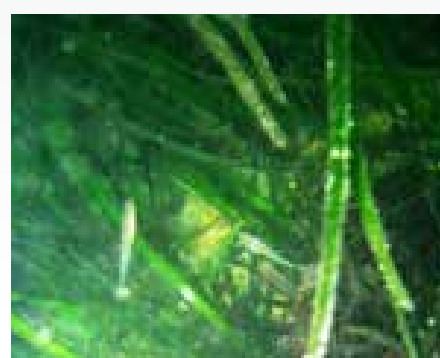
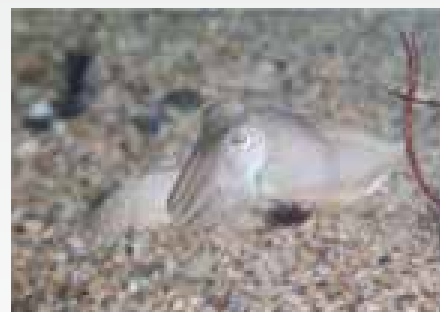
The environment

Flora and fauna

A recent survey in the marina revealed that the eel grass is apparently thriving, providing a habitat for a rich variety of fauna and flora and serving as a nursery for a number of species of young fish as well as other types of marine life such as sea spiders, sea slugs, cuttlefish and the posthorn worm.

The mooring buoys provide shelter for small crabs and lobsters and offer possible habitats for such species as sponges and tunicates (sea squirts) which only colonize hard substrata during their development stage. Hermit crabs, whelks and many bivalves including a significant quantity of scallops were also observed.

This survey confirms the excellent water quality of the marina. Our thanks go to the local diving clubs who carried out the work.



OBSenMER



OBSenMER is a new scientific programme which is open to all, and supported by such environmental organizations as the Cotentin Study Group for Shellfish (GECC).

OBSenMER is an App and an internet site which registers the collection, validation and evaluation of all observations relative to the flora and fauna of French marine life.

Members of the sailing community who participate in the programme make an important contribution to the environment. Further details from the marina office.

Exhibition

Following the discovery of the world of the great dolphins, a new exhibition on the dangers facing these magnificent creatures from chemical pollution in the Channel will be open in the marina office from June onwards. Well worth a visit!

Infrastructure



The new pontoon (Z Pontoon) is now in position parallel to the outer seawall of the marina.

The pontoon will provide **up to 10 new places**, notably for regatta and rally participants.

It will also serve as a permanent berth for the regular Corsaire ferry service that links Saint Cast with Dinard and Saint Malo throughout the summer.

An extension to O Pontoon linking the pontoons leading to A Pontoon has also been installed. A number of new places will be used by the RIBs.

Marina notes



Attention all book lovers:

The marina has installed an exchange library in the main area of the shower block. Numerous books in both French and English are available for visitors to swap the books they no longer require.



Bakery:

The trial scheme of ordering bread, croissants and cakes from the marina office has proved so successful that the service will be a regular feature from this summer. Orders should be placed at the marina office the evening before.



Bicycle hire:

Another successful innovation trialed last year was the possibility to hire a bicycle in the marina. Bicycles can now be hired during the season for 2 € per hour.



Excursions:

Trips by boat to the various attractions near Saint Cast (Cap Frehel, Fort la Latte, Les Ebihens...) are available from "Nouvelle Vague" and "Emeraude Emotions". Further details can be obtained from the marina office.



Pontoon fire in Saint Malo:

On the 30th of April a serious fire destroyed or seriously damaged more than 20 boats in the Bas-Sablons marina in Saint Malo. The origin of this disaster still has to be determined, but we would remind everyone to take great care when using electrical appliances on board in the marina.

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Dominique Delamotte, and his team look forward to welcoming you to Saint-Cast Le Guildo during the 2017 season.