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Despite the fact that the weather in the early part of the 2016 season could have been better, the number of our overseas visitors continues to increase, including boats from the U.K., the Channel Islands, Germany, the Netherlands and Belgium.

More than 200 of them found the time to complete our annual questionnaire and our grateful thanks go out to all those who took part.

The marina team was delighted to see that our visitors were in virtually unanimous agreement that the welcome and help they received during their stay contributed greatly to their visit. Naturally, there were some suggestions as to how we could further improve the Saint Cast marina, and all these will be addressed during the coming months.



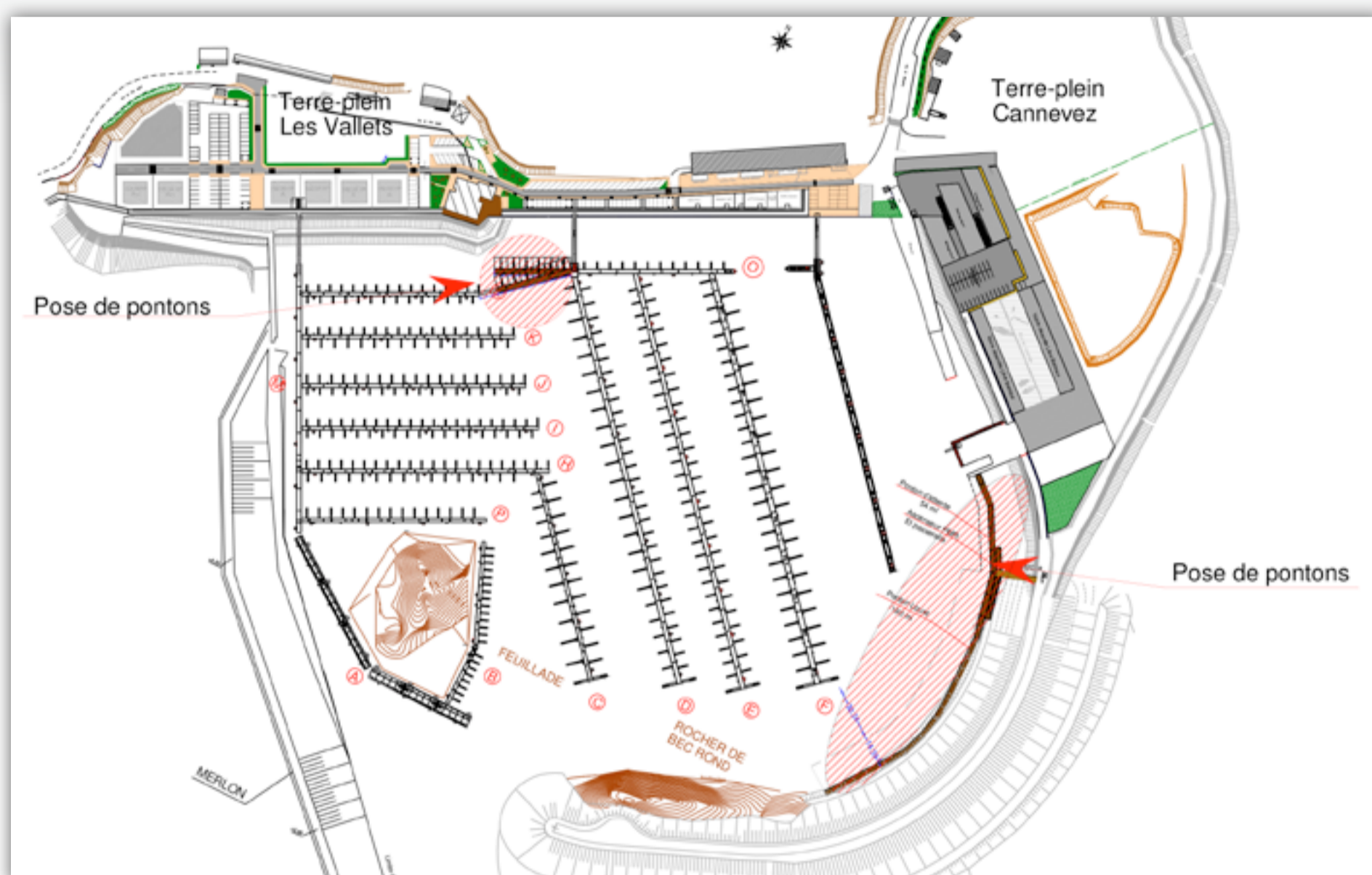
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Infrastructure

We announced in the Spring edition of the Newsletter that a new pontoon was planned for the marina, which would be positioned parallel to the outer seawall of the marina. Work on this extension will begin November, and should be completed in time to accommodate larger boats up to 15m LOA for the 2017 season.



The new pontoon will free up badly needed spaces elsewhere in the marina. Pontoons A1 and A2, which are now a fully integrated part of the marina, will continue to be used for groups or rallies.

Please note : A barge of 24m LOA by 18m BOA will be used for the work on the new facility up to the end of the year, and visitors are requested to reduce speed as much as possible when approaching the site.

The extension will also provide a berth for the highly popular Corsaire ferry service that links Dinard and Saint Malo with Saint Cast throughout the summer. Access onto the pontoon for the elderly and those with mobility problems will be taken into account.



Visitors



Among the varied clubs and rallies this year we were delighted to welcome a number of boats from the Little Ship Club of London, who, in company with members of the Corinthians Yacht Club of Pennsylvania, U.S., were taking part in their joint bi-annual event, which this year was the North Brittany Rally.



Boat show Salon "Nautic"

The Saint Cast marina will be present at the Paris Boat Show from the 3rd to the 11th of December. Come and say hello. You'll find us on the Côtes d'Armor stand 1K20



Marina notes

WARNING: Marina advance bookings

Certain websites claim that they act as booking agents for marinas in Europe. They often show highly inflated and incorrect rates and include totally incorrect infrastructure details detrimental to the marinas involved. Prospective visitors should note that virtually all the members of the Association of Marinas in Brittany, including the Saint Cast marina, do NOT take advance bookings or accept so-called "booking vouchers" in their marinas and skippers planning to visit Brittany should always contact the office of the marina envisaged direct.



WiFi connection

One of the most frequent comments from visitors concerned the difficulty in obtaining a satisfactory WiFi connection in the marina. This problem is under review and we hope that a permanent solution will be found in time for the 2017 season.

Stores and shipchandlers

It has been suggested that some shops closer to hand in the marina, including a grocery and ship chandlers stocking a more comprehensive choice of marine equipment, would be an advantage. Talks with various interested parties will take place in the coming months.

Tariffs

The 2017 marina tariffs are now available. Please contact the marina office on stcast.plaisance@cotesdarmor.cci.fr to request your copy.

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The environment

Some port users have remarked that the rubbish collection points are sometimes not emptied soon enough to prevent overflowing. It has also been pointed out that the site of the specially designated receptacles in the marina for receiving sorted dry waste products was not clearly indicated. The necessary steps will be taken to solve these problems.



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