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Bonjour, Tēnā Koutou, Greetings to our members!

Bastille Day Tuesday 14 July

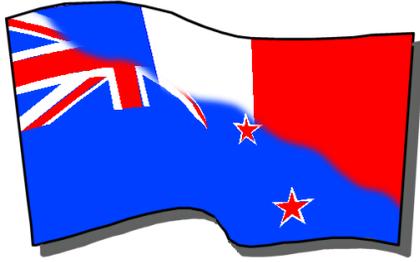
Bastille Day is rolling around quickly and we would love to have you join us for our Bastille Day celebrations in Cambridge.



On Tuesday 14 July, we will celebrate Bastille Day and our French connection with Le Quesnoy. Here is a summary of the events and further details will be on our website www.cambridgelequesnoy.co.nz and facebook page www.facebook.com/CambridgeLeQuesnoy as we get closer to the date.

Bastille Day falls in the middle of the school holidays and this year we will have a **Bonjour Bastille Day Scavenger Hunt** for the kids to do in the lead up to Bastille Day.

There will be prizes drawn from the correct entries. Entry forms will be available from Saturday 4th July from the Cambridge i-SITE Visitor Information Centre or Cambridge Library or downloaded from our Facebook page www.facebook.com/CambridgeLeQuesnoy or website www.cambridgelequesnoy.co.nz. Completed entries can be dropped at the Cambridge i-SITE by 5pm, Monday 13th July. Winners will be drawn and announced Tuesday 14th July at Absolute Café, and winners will be notified.



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On Bastille Day itself, we look forward each year to our Cambridge shops and cafes that get into the spirit and go **“French for the day.”** This will include Footloose Shoes who will have our lovely Marie Antoinette & King Louis life-size photo in their shop window. And at Absolute Coffee House, the crepe van will be there, there will be petanque around lunchtime, and we will announce the winners of the Scavenger Hunt. (Absolute Coffee House is at 88 Alpha Street, but is accessed from the New World carpark).

For the adults, join us for a **Bastille Day Get-together** at Cambridge’s Tivoli Cinema, 32 Lake Street Cambridge. The evening starts at 6:30pm with a glass of wine or juice and nibbles, followed by the French film “The Belier Family” which will start at 8pm. Cost is \$25 to be paid on the night (this includes the film and refreshments). Please book directly with Tivoli Cinema by phoning 07 823 5064. Places are limited.

New Zealand War Memorial Museum Update

Sir Don McKinnon, Chairperson and Trustee of the New Zealand War Memorial Museum, Le Quesnoy, reported in the June newsletter that the trust is working with French museum experts and architects to check the operational aspects of how museums work in France. This is to explore the best use of space in the main building of the future museum and visitor centre. They are also checking the feasibility of income from renting out the maisonettes on site, which could provide accommodation and contribute to the museum revenue.

He acknowledges the world of philanthropy and fundraising is in a different environment now and the committee will have to re-configure their efforts so things will take a little longer.

Their website can be found at www.nzwmm.org.nz for all the news and a section for donating to the museum.

Can you help?

Does anybody have a personal diary of an ancestor who was in the 1st battalion 3rd NZRB between 16 April – 6 November 1918, including the battle of Le Quesnoy?

Please contact Christine Barbour cjbihug@gmail.com if you are able to share this information with her.

Until next time, kind regards

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