



NEWSLETTER

Commune of Monflanquin

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Town Hall Opening Times

Monday to Friday:
9.00-12.00 / 13.30-17.00
Saturday: 9.15-12.00

Mayor's availability for meetings
(by appointment only):
Wednesday 14.00-16.00
Saturday 10.00-12.00

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Editorial

We made a commitment to provide you with regular information about our *commune* and so here is our first quarterly newsletter. As we are in the process of reviewing the subject of "Communication", the format of this newsletter will certainly evolve. We hope however that you'll still find this first issue useful and a pleasure to read.

We can be proud: the turnout of voters in the recent local elections was more than 82% during the second round. However, for the European elections our commune was above the national average with 54.7%. All the same, interest in "Politics" seems as far away, as the geographic proximity of the European candidates...

On a local level, work is well underway: the five deputies, the three delegated advisors, the six majority councillors and myself have seized the files of any projects already started (roads, building work...). We have equally started to think about how we put our own projects into place. As a priority this concerns the shared reception hall for all the sports associations, giving life back to the Bastide and the footpaths between the top and bottom of the village. We haven't forgotten the sensitive subject of traffic flow and parking in the village. For this summer, we have put a procedure in place which, we hope, will suit the majority of you. With regards to this, you will find a questionnaire enclosed with this newsletter which will enable us to better understand your expectations in terms of this issue. Please take the time to complete and return it.

We wish every success to those who have chosen our *Commune* to establish new trade and commercial activities. Thank you for having chosen Monflanquin. Welcome also to all the new Monflanquin residents, who are invited to make themselves known at the town hall.

We are lucky to benefit from such an exceptional living environment and such exceptional patrimony. It's up to each of us to make the most of them, in a way that everyone can find his or her place. Have a great summer!

Nathalie Founaud-Veyset
Maire de Monflanquin

THE TOWN COUNCIL

Nathalie FOUNAUD-VEYSSET
Auguste FLORIO
Christine GONZATO-ROQUES
Eric CANCE
Françoise DOMINIQUE
Claude TEILLET
Carole IRIGOYEN

Olivier CORNU
Françoise DEVILLE
Patrick FERRÉ
Cécile CORBEL
Ali BAFFOU
Muriel TOURBE

Éric CASSAIGNE
Émilie NAUDINAT
Patrick WEICK
Francis BORDES
Éric SARRAZI*
Valérie BOISSERIE*

*Councillors elected following the resignation of Claire VIDAL, Edith WEICK, Sylvie ANDRIEU and Michel RENAUDIN.

FIVE COMMITTEES

Committee	Members
“Financial affairs, town planning & patrimony”	Chairperson: Auguste FLORIO , Deputy Mayor Members: Françoise DEVILLE, Christine GONZATO-ROQUES, Émilie NAUDINAT, Ali BAFFOU, Eric CANCE, Patrick WEICK, Francis BORDES.
“Social action, health & solidarity”	Chairperson: Christine GONZATO-ROQUES , Deputy Mayor Members: Cécile CORBEL, Carole IRIGOYEN, Valérie BOISSERIE, Ali BAFFOU, Olivier CORNU, Patrick FERRÉ, Patrick WEICK.
“Building projects, roads, agriculture & environment”	Chairperson: Eric CANCE , Deputy Mayor Councillor in charge “Building projects & roads”: Claude TEILLET Councillor in charge “Agriculture & Environment”: Carole IRIGOYEN Members: Émilie NAUDINAT, Muriel TOURBE, Francis BORDES, Éric CASSAIGNE, Éric SARRAZI.
“Economic activities, tourism & culture”	Chairperson: Françoise DOMINIQUE , Deputy Mayor Members: Françoise DEVILLE, Émilie NAUDINAT, Muriel TOURBE, Carole IRIGOYEN, Patrick FERRÉ, Francis BORDES, Patrick WEICK.
“Education, youth & sport”	Chairperson: Olivier CORNU , Deputy Mayor Councillor in charge “Youth”: Ali BAFFOU Members: Cécile Corbel, Valérie BOISSERIE, Éric CANCE, Auguste FLORIO, Claude TEILLET, Éric SARRAZI.

A WORD FROM THE MINORITY COUNCILLORS

The list “Agissons ensemble pour Monflanquin” would like to thank everyone who voted for them during the local elections . Our team ran a good campaign full of solidarity, energy and shared hope, but the victory wasn’t for us. Our list with more than 45% of the votes and nine votes less than the winning list, we obtained four town council seats and

one *Communauté de Commune* council seat. With these seats we will continue to represent you and put forward ideas for projects we believe in. We are always available to listen and be of service . From the bottom of our hearts, thank you to each and every one of you.

Patrick WEICK

No tax increase

Conforming to the announcements made during our election campaign, the 2014 tax levels will remain the same as in 2013.

Tax	Rate
Habitation	14,06 %
Property - with building	18,01 %
Property - without building	70,82 %
CFE*	17,47 %

* Cotisation Foncière des Entreprises

Councillors' pay reduction

As we said we wouldn't, and contrary to the previous majority council, we have chosen not to take advantage of the possible 15% salary increase available to councillors in the head town of each canton. So, that's an 8580 € year saving which will benefit all the Monflanquinois.

Gros salaries: Mayor 1307€/month, Deputy 532€/month, Councillors in charge of key projects 266€/month.

EDUCATION

A new timetable for the nursery school

The January 2013 decree relating to nursery and primary school timetables set new principles put in place in September 2013 (or September 2014 for some *communes*).

The changes to the Monflanquin nursery school timetable proposed by the previous town council were not approved by the DASEN (Direction Académique des Services de l'Éducation Nationale) because of the lack of agreement between the town council project group and the nursery school's council.

A new timetable has since been agreed, one which takes into consideration the interest of the children and which works in harmony with the timetable of the primary school.

The new system requires us to:

- Rethink the timetables for the nursery school teaching assistants (ATSEM - Agent Territorial Spécialisé des Ecoles Maternelles).
- Prepare a Charter for using the schools and other public buildings.
- Source and finance external specialists who propose quality extra-curricular activities.

Quality extra-curricular activities are indispensable for the well-being of our children.

Hours	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
09.00-12.00	Teaching	Teaching	Teaching	Teaching	Teaching
12.00-13.45	Lunch	Lunch	After-school club 12.00-12.30	Lunch	Lunch
13.45-16.00	Teaching	Teaching		Teaching	Teaching
16.00-17.00	APC	TAP		TAP	TAP

APC: Activité Pédagogique Complémentaire = Additional Educational Activity

TAP: Temps d'Activité Périscolaire = Extra-curricular Activity Time

The after-school club hours will not change.

SOCIAL ACTION, HEALTH, SOLIDARITY

To help the Monflanquinois to have better access to healthcare

In a difficult socio-economic context, the decision to go without healthcare for financial reasons is common. The absence of a top-up insurance (mutuelle) which covers the supplementary part of the health care cost appears to correlate directly with this decision.

Systems put in place by the Government exist to enable this part of the insurance to be paid for (see table). However, despite small incomes, certain families don't have access to this financial help. It is for them that we would like to put in place a top-up health insurance plan. We are going to negotiate a preferential rate with the insurance companies based on the number of potential contracts they could secure.

From the month of September we will offer a service to help people receiving state aide to prepare their paperwork and to gather together applications from other Monflanquinois interested in a 'local' top-up insurance.

The CMU (Couverture Maladie Universelle)

This cover enables people on low incomes to benefit from completely free healthcare. The supplementary part of any healthcare costs is paid for by the social security services. It is granted according to revenue:

1 person <716 € net/month

2 people <1074 € net/month

4 people <1503 € net/month

It is awarded to beneficiaries of the RSA as long as they apply for it. They are also entitled to benefit from reduced 'social' rates with EDF.

The ACS (Assurance Complémentaire Santé)

For people on low incomes who do not qualify for the CMU, there is the possibility of receiving an annual financial contribution towards a top-up insurance of their choice. Payments are in the form of a cheque and vary in accordance with age. Under 16s (100 €/year), 16-49 (200 €/year), 50-59 (350 €/year), over 60s (550 €/year)

This aid is granted in line with revenue:

1 person < 966 € /month

2 people <1450 €/month

4 people <2030 €/month

THE LOCAL INTERCOMMUNAL TOWN PLANNING MAP

Check it at the Town Hall

The new local "*Intercommunal*" town planning map (Plan local urbanisme intercommunal - PLUi) is finished. As from today, you are welcome to come to the Mairie to look at it. The public inquiry starts in September 2014.

Why consult the PLUi?

The PLUi is the town (village) planning reference document. It must show all buildings. If, in error, your house or barn is not shown on the map, you will not be able to do any building work on these buildings. Come and look at the map and highlight anything that has been forgotten!

PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL

Opening Hours

From 5th July to 31st August

10.00 - 13.00 / 15.00 - 20.00

From 1st to 21st September

weekends only (weather permitting)

PRICES

Adult (over 14) : 2€ / Child : 1 € / Visitor : 1€

Group (10 people +) : 0,8 € / person

● Swim cards - 15 adult swims: 20€ / 15 child swims: 12 €

● Season tickets - Adult: 30 €, 1st child: 20 €, 2nd child: 15 €, 3rd child: 10 €, 4th child: free

Eight seasonal workers have been recruited (for reception / changing rooms), as well as two swimming instructors and one lifeguard. An agreement between the swimming instructors and the *Commune* has just been signed. From here on, as required by law, the swimming teachers will have one day off every week. Also, if they use the swimming pool for private lessons, they will give 10% of the price of the lessons to the *Commune*.

A temporary solution will be put in place to address the lack of shade around the pool.

BUILDING PROJECTS AND ROADS

Reduce running costs

We are continuing with the building work started by the previous town council: rue du Laurès, rue de la Paix, top of the rue St Nicolas and the nursery school playground.

We have discovered the bad state of the swimming pool and have done everything possible to make sure it opened on time this summer. However, during the winter closure period, a lot of work will have to be done on both the pool itself (which leaks) and its building.

Our aim is to reduce running costs: water, electricity, heating. It will be necessary to carry out insulation work in some of the public buildings.

A calendar of work for the roads

Lanes, roads and footpaths:

We have done a tour of all the roads belonging to the *Commune* and to the *Communauté de Commune*.

The objective was to check the state of these roads, so we could prepare a calendar of work. There are some urgencies and a budget to respect.

A round of the footpaths has also been done. The grass has been strimmed and it will be done again during early July to help make the paths more pleasant to use .

Increasing safety

Temporary end to the “30 zone“ on Avenue de la Libération.

Damaged, the sleeping policemen have had to be taken out. And yet, the imposition of a “30 zone” depends on specific conditions. So, the “30” speed signs have had to be removed as well. A new system will be put in place in order to encourage drivers to slow down.

The “Fon de pommier “ crossroads (crossroad of the roads to Laussou and Montagnac).

Every year there are lots of accidents at this crossroads, notably because of drivers refuse to give priority. We are currently working with experts at the Conseil Général to modify the priorities of this crossroad.

REMINDER: CIVIL CODE OF CONDUCT

Some rules are necessary for everyone’s welfare

Cleaning up dog waste

Dog owners in the Bastide are responsible for their animals. They must ensure that public places are kept ‘clean’ of dog waste. With this in mind, dog waste collection bags are available to them free of charge from the town hall.

Dogs regularly roaming the streets are at risk of being taken to the dog pound.

Being neighbour-friendly

In order to avoid problems between neighbours, and, taking into consideration differences in age and culture, everyone is asked to do their best to limit noise pollution (music, loud conversations held in the street....).

Don’t forget the rules of the road

Driving laws also apply in the Bastide (no-entry, stop, one-way, no parking, “30” speed limit, etc.).

AGRICULTURE

Buying locally

Farmers in the *Commune* will soon receive a questionnaire asking them to share information about what they produce and sell.

This information will help us with our project to increase the amount of local produced products used in our school canteens. We will also publish a catalogue of producers in the *Commune* to encourage associations, restaurant owners and Monflanquin consumers to buy locally.

Celebrating agriculture to get to know the profession better

For the summer of 2015, we plan to organise a celebration around farming with the aim of finding out more about our local farms and the people who work there.

Using the model from “De Ferme en Ferme”, the event organised by the Chamber of Agriculture, the Monflanquinois and tourists will be able to visit farms to meet the farmers.

ENVIRONMENT

It's summer. Put your dustbins on a diet!

Search for ‘test’ households

The association for the treatment and development of household waste (SMIVAL) is looking for candidates to take part in a rubbish experiment. To start with, each household has to weigh their rubbish without changing their habits or behaviour.

Afterwards, each household will apply three preventative actions (chosen from a list of eleven possibilities) to reduce the amount of rubbish they produce. The households will be given ongoing support and advice and any equipment needed to be able to carry out the experiment will be provided free of charge. Are you interested in being involved? If so, contact Vincent URTIZVEREA at SMIVAL on 07.86.67.88.42.

Visit to the landfill site

In September we will be organising a visit to the Albie landfill site (Monflanquin *commune*). The exact date is still to be confirmed, but if you are interested in visiting the site, please contact the town hall to let us know.

CULTURE

Developing cultural and festive activities all year round

The council has had meetings with all the cultural associations providing activities in the *Commune*.

At the start of our meetings we defined the type of relationship we want to have with these associations:

- A clear and transparent relationship; there will be a written agreement for each association using local public buildings; paperwork will have been completed for all subsidy requests.

- We will offer support through subsidies and technical assistance (to be requested in writing 3-4 weeks in advance).
- A partnership: our project is to develop an all-year-round programme of cultural and festive activities encouraging links and joint projects where possible.

On page 8 you'll find a list of the cultural events planned for this summer. We hope you'll be able to attend lots of them!

CIVIL REGISTER
From 1st JANUARY to 25th JUNE 2014

BIRTHS

MARCELO Nina, Léana	14 January
CLARIS Magalie, Cécile, Alicia	13 February
CHAUMOND Vincent, Julien	25 February
CARISEY HALLAL Adam, Salem, Pierre	13 March
PETOT Leelo	20 March
PANAGET FERCOQ James, Emmanuel, Jean-Claude	24 March
VIDAL Romane, Marie	31 March
MAMAN Nathan, Ethan, Logan	18 April
GUYADER MITCHELL Sébastien, Allan, Pierre	16 May
BELLANGER Trévis	13 June

MARRIAGES

RAFFIÉ Guy, Joël, Philippe et NOIROT Delphine, Catherine	22 February
GOUDAL Michel et BOULLE Alexandra	7 June

DEATHS

SALEK Françoise widow PATERCZYK	2 January
BOISSIERES France, Victoire widow LEVROT	6 January
SIMIAN Jeanne, Lydie widow LHOMME	8 January
TAILLANDIÉ Reine widow FONFRÈGE	6 February
ETOURNEAU Michel	9 February
PAILLET Jeanne, Elise widow ESCURE	18 February
LORILLOT Jacqueline, Huguette	23 February
RAFFAILLAC Henri, Guy, René	12 March
WILSON Mavis, widow MASLIN	15 March
HERENGUEL Eliane, Rose, Marie, widow MARIAGE	17 March
CHAUMOND Vincent, Julien	21 March
SEVERELLI Gino	22 March
LESCAZES Antoine	4 April
FAOU Jean Pierre Louis	10 April
BOISSERIE Jean-Luc	27 April
MAUTORD Jean	15 May
SCANDELLA Giuseppina, Giovannina widow BIMIER	17 May
GRASSET André	19 May

Tribute to Jean-Luc BOISSERIE

On the 27th April 2014, an endearing Monflanquin figure left us. Jean Luc BOISSERIE, president of the Monflanquin Rugby Club died at the age of 48.

Jean Luc BOISSERIE took over the family business and worked as a carpenter. His professional qualities were recognised by everyone. Very involved in the life of the community, he was a volunteer fireman for a long time. He got into rugby very early on and had a very successful sporting career with clubs at Fumel, Villeréal and Bias before coming back to Monflanquin to the club where he started out.

With his wife Valérie, a town councillor, he soon got involved with the rugby school to support his two children Adrien and Paulin. The rugby school experienced a steady improvement and quickly became the leading club in the four cantons. In 2012, Jean Luc became president of USM Rugby (Monflanquin's rugby club), responding to numerous appeals by members the club. His involvement, his availability, his kindness and his abilities were recognised and appreciated by everyone who knew him. He helped the club get great sporting results and become better known by the federal rugby authorities.

SUMMER EVENTS

July

Saturday 12	Village concert “Les Bouillants” French music in the cellar (La Cave) of the MJC at 8.30pm. Evening organised by the association “de l’Un à l’Autre”.
Monday 14	All day antiques fair and flea market on Place des Arcades. Organised by The Tourist Office. In the evening ‘dancing for all’ with the group “Camarillo” and firework display provided by the town council.
Tuesday 15	Organ concert by Mr David WARNER , within the framework of the Baroque evenings. At Monflanquin’s church at 9pm
Wednesday 16	Conference by Bernard JANSSENS “L’influence italienne chez Haendel (The Italian influence on Handel’s work). Within the framework of the Baroque evenings. In the Salle des Consuls at 8.30pm. Free entrance.
Friday 25	End of workshop Baroque concert with the orchestra “Les Passions de Montauban” HANDEL (The Italian influence on Baroque Europe). Monflanquin’s church at 9pm.
Saturday 26	Village concert “Madfaya et Bambous selectors”. Reggae and DJ in the cellar (La Cave) of the MJC from 8.30pm. Evening organized by the association “de l’Un à l’Autre”.

August

Friday 1	Star Night organised by the Tourist Office. Come and explore the stars! Reservations encouraged.
Wednesday 6	“Romeo and Juliet” by Antic Disposition. Open-air theatre in English. Place des Arcades.
Friday 8	Conference by Pierre CLEITMAN “Le sens de l’humour chez Descartes” (Descartes’ sense of humour). In the Salle des Consuls at 7pm sharp! Followed by an exhibition/aperitifs.
Friday 15 to Sunday 17	Medieval Festival “Edward 1st, King of England will be in the Bastide”. Tournament, banquet on the evening of 15 th , flag throwers, fire display on the 16 th , animal performances, musicians, acrobats etc. Organised by the association “GEM” (Group Expression Monflanquin).
Thursday 21	Village concert “Gato Negro”. ‘Cumbia’ music in the cellar (La Cave) of the MJC at 8.30pm. Evening organised by the association “de l’Un à l’Autre”.
Friday 29 Saturday 30	“Arts Franchis” festival. 20 musicians participating in a musical workshop in Monflanquin will perform two evening concerts in the Salle des Consuls. On Friday: original performance by Caroline Chauveau accompanied by a Beethoven sextet. On Saturday: Grieg’s Holberg and Vivaldi’s Four Seasons.
Saturday 30	Village concert “Forro pifado” Bresilian music in the cellar (La Cave) of the MJC at 8.30pm. Evening organised by the association “de l’Un à l’Autre”.

And, throughout the summer, exhibitions have been organised for you to visit!

- By the GEM, in the Salle d’Aquitaine
- By Pollen, at Pollen in Rue Sainte Marie
- By the Tourist Office, in their reception area on the Place des Arcades