

## The Postponed 26th International Wayfarer Rally Port d'Arradon, Brittany **NOW** Sept 1st – 8th 2022

Gilles Bruneau and Thierry Grenier found 'the most beautiful and magical place in Brittany' for the International Rally which has been re-scheduled for 2022.

There are many interesting places to sail to within the well protected bay area. For those with a more adventurous spirit, there is the possibility of an independent sea trip westwards to La Roche Bernard.

For full details and costs see the cruising section at: [www.wayfarer.org.uk](http://www.wayfarer.org.uk)

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Both camping/RUV pitches and well-equipped cabins are available at the nearby Camping des Allées site, which includes an on-site swimming pool. See: [www.camping-allee.com](http://www.camping-allee.com)

Boat launching and recovery is from a wide slipway, with a gently sloping concrete ramp that gives easy access to the sailing area.



Above, Port d'Arradon, looking south to an idyllic region of islands in a safe and child friendly sailing area. Right, just one of the beaches on the many islands.



No-one can be sure of what the situation will be next summer, but book before 1st April to secure a place and the opportunity to sail an area you will not experience anywhere in the UK. For a booking form contact: Gilles Bruneau: [gb.distribution@wanadoo.fr](mailto:gb.distribution@wanadoo.fr)



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**Port Arradon, Gulf of Morbihan , France , Thursday Sep 1st-Thursday September 8<sup>th</sup> 2022**

### **Venue**

Welcome to the Gulf of Morbihan an inland sea in south Brittany, France.

Legend says that there are as many islands in the Gulf as there are days of the year.

However ,this is untrue and the gulf has about 40 , depending on the tide,

With lovely beaches , rocky granit shores and small wooded islets.

The perfect place for our Wayfarers, and the perfect boat for this place.

We will have the place nearly for ourselves just after the French summer holidays, with water temperature at its warmest.

Port Arradon <https://www.passeportescalles.com/fr/port-arradon>

This is a central place which is an ideal point of departure to explore all the islands.

It's a lovely small harbour, with mostly dinghys , two big slipway and pontoon .

### **Accomodation:**

Camping de l'allée <https://www.camping-allee.com/>, (reservation from their web site in English.)

Just 2,5km from the harbour in a quiet rural area , this campsite offers

Big camping places with lot of trees and very clean and comfortable mobil home ( I will recommend the newest "Grand large 2018" place GL38 to GL44 and Declik 2015 range place D29 to D36 to be all together ) at affordable prices at this time of the year.

Map of campsite: <https://www.camping-allee.com/uploads/basecamp/pdf/plan.pdf>

Camping place with 2 adults car and trailer about 130 euros a week

Mobil-home 2 bedrooms 4 adults 295/340 euros a week.

Beautiful heated outdoor swimming pool (+indoor as well) to relax after sailing.

You can access to your mobile home from 3pm on Thursday 1st and leave before 9 or 10am

On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September (to be check for next year)

Big supermarket Super U 2,4 km away and smaller foods shop, bakery ,butcher etc... in the village of Arradon 1,5 km.You can order daily bread a the campsite

### **Sailing:**

Day sailing in the inland sea , around the two main islands , Ile aux Moines et ile d'Arz and towards the end of the gulf, exploring lots of islets with lunch stop on beaches .

Sailing area is quite interesting, with strong currents, tides, and funnel winds according to the shape of the islands. It requires good seaman skill and keeping a close look to your nautical chart !

You can reserve a French SHOM 7137L nautical detail chart of the area at the shop Le Blan marine at the harbour by emailing , [contact@leblanmarine.com](mailto:contact@leblanmarine.com) , saying you participate to the Wayfarer rally to get a special price . You will get and pay it on place (about 30 euros)

Here is the adress of a good french guide of the area :

[https://voileaviron.org/wp/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/LIVRET\\_FVA49-Morbihan.pdf](https://voileaviron.org/wp/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/LIVRET_FVA49-Morbihan.pdf)

And here is the tide table for the week:

<https://maree.shom.fr/harbor/ARRADON/hlt/0?date=2022-09-01&utc=standard>

You will have to park your car on a big car park under the trees on the left 200 meters on the left before the harbour every morning (unless you prefer to come by foot by the coast path, or cycling path , 2,5km)

You will be inform of the time of the morning briefing meeting at the harbour on the evening before each day sail , together with the wheather forecast .

Let me know if you wish to help me for the navigation as tail boat , and bring your VHF if you have one.Be ready to welcome on board oversea sailors if needed.

And of course , It's up to you to join the day sailing group activity proposed or to do your own thing .

### **Harbour first day**

On Thursday 1st of September we will be at the harbour to welcome you .

Press the bell intercom at the gate to ask the harbour office to open the gate.

The harbour will provide us a place afloat on pontoon(nearly afloat...as boats will be dry out one hour before and one hour after low water .According to the number of boats we will probably have to raft boats along the pontoon or across pontoon with an anchor at the back.

So you need to bring an anchor with a bit of chain and warp as well as fenders and mooring lines.

An engine will be very helpful as well to make it easier because of currents and small access to the back of the harbour.

You will have to bring back your road trolley to the campsite . (access to mobil home from 3pm)

## **Planning and Entertainment:**

**Thursday September 1st:** Launching from 10am ,installation in the campsite,

Welcome aperitif and snack 6pm.

**Friday September 2nd:** Meeting at 10am at the harbour for briefing and day sailing.

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September:** Meeting ( time to be confirm) at the harbour for briefing and day sailing.

6.30 PM ,optional Oyster and sea food testing at “Les Belles d’Irus degustation” straight from the sea farm by the sea , 500meters from the campsite. (Charge of around 12 euros for a plate of 6 oyster and a glass of wine)

<http://leberrigaud-huitres-morbihan.com/fr/bienvenue/>

**Sunday September 4th :** Meeting at (time to be confirm) at the harbour for briefing and day sailing

**Monday September 5<sup>th</sup>:** Meeting at ( time to be confirm) at the harbour for briefing and day sailing

**Tuesday September 6<sup>th</sup>:** Meeting at (time to be confirm) at the harbour for briefing and day sailing

**Wednesday September 7<sup>th</sup> :**Recovery of the boat (avoid around low water 11am)

Restaurant Crêperie Keroyal Plougoumelin evening 7PM

<https://www.creperie-keroyal.com/> (15 minutes driving by car)

**Thursday September 8<sup>th</sup>:** Leaving the mobile home by 9 or 10am to check .And set off back home !

If you want to plan any entertainment for the group I can add it in advance into the planning

## **Booking:**

Just send me the form back to me to confirm your booking, **before 1<sup>st</sup> april 2022.**

There will be a charge by person in the region of 70 euros to cover boat launching /recovery

You will pay it by cash on site to make it easier , in case of rally cancelled by covid.

Overnight parking on pontoon, a welcome drink and snack on Thursday 1st evening, and final restaurant meal on wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September evening.

I will send you my bank detail by the first of april to pay a deposit of the basic fee.

The rest will be payed on place by cash.

Could you confirm as well your participation to the optional Oyster and seafood testing

on the booking form.

I will create a whatsapp group for this rally with your mobile phone number to inform you each day of the plan of the sailing trip , the wheather forecast and the time of meeting at the harbour.

If you wish to arrive days before or leave days later , you just have to know that it won't be possible to keep your boat at Port Arradon harbour wich is full , they will just welcome us for 6 nights .

I will probably add information to this note in the future, see you soon then !

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