

Newsletter

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EDITO

Ladies and gentlemen,

I am pleased to present to you this first municipal newsletter dedicated to port information. I have had to contact you directly by mail in recent months to present to you the stages of the new management of the port. This newsletter aims to keep this link in a more graphic form and with more accessible and readable information. Since January 1, 2022, it is the municipal services who are pleased to provide you with quality service and who remain at your disposal to ensure that your port experience goes as smoothly as possible. I have always considered Port Grimaud as one of the many jewels of the town and all my municipal action is geared towards enhancing and strengthening its reputation. Once again, I want to pay tribute to François SPOERRY for his achievement. During the whole recovery process, I announced that nothing will change for the owners. I naturally had in mind the idea of not changing the philosophy of Port Grimaud «his boat in front of his house». All new administrative steps, such as the signing of new contracts, simply follow from the application of the law. I wish you ever more serene enjoyment of life in Port Grimaud, a real treasure in the Mediterranean.

Alain BENEDETTO

Mayor of Grimaud



Signature of new contracts

The new port management entails the establishment of a new contract for former lessees and yachtsmen. The models of the new contract are available on the website of the municipality (section **Your admin**, only available in french). As soon as the information concerning your location is encoded, you will automatically receive the contract for signature. If you wish to receive your contract as a priority, do not hesitate to contact the port office (**00.33.4.94.56.29.88**).

The dredging of the outer harbor

The municipal services have requested administrative authorizations to proceed with the dredging of the outer port. A first desilting operation is planned for this year. It will facilitate the passage of ships and will be carried out before the summer season. Subsequently, as soon as the authorizations have been obtained, a larger operation will be planned. The objective is to fully restore the navigability of this area.

New visual identity

By creating a single manager of the Port, it was essential to create a visual identity to identify the interlocutor and not to confuse the port activity with the management of the architectural masterpiece wanted by **François SPOERRY**. This new logo was selected during the extra-municipal commission for port affairs. It was designed by a specialized agency and wishes to underline the obvious link between Port Grimaud and the Village. It incorporates the most graphic elements of the town's coat of arms. It also echoes the logo of the tourist office. It is accompanied by a destination sentence "Vivre la Provence et la mer" (living Provence and the sea) which links Port Grimaud even more to its territory.



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Your contacts

The main interlocutors in the port field remain unchanged. Thus, the three port teams formed previously are now unified. For all questions related to the port, you can contact the port office (**00.33.4.94.56.29.88**). In order to steer this new group, a new Port Director has been recruited, **Mr. Peter MURRAY KERR**. He listens to users to answer questions (English speaker).

Permanence

In order to answer all questions about the implementation of the new management and new contracts, a permanence is organized throughout the month of March at port office, on Wednesday afternoons from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. You can come and meet the municipal services with or without an appointment so that they can answer all your questions. These hotlines will be maintained over time in the various premises in Port Grimaud according to needs and requests.

Visit of the Sous-préfet



On Monday March 14, 2022, **Mr Éric DE WISPELAERE**, Sous préfet of Draguignan (state representative) came to Grimaud for a working meeting. **Alain BENEDETTO**, the mayor was able to take an overview of the town's current affairs. They then went to Port Grimaud to take stock of the Port Authority's future projects and in particular future investments (renovation of the port office, sand removal, study on the

reprofiling of the dyke, etc.). A very fruitful meeting that will allow all projects to move forward quickly.

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AGENDA

Saturday April 9, 2022

Paddle Tour in the canals of Port Grimaud. An event open to all in the form of an amateur paddle race. Two categories: Race or leisure.

Sunday April 10, 2022

Organic market on the church square – Grimaud village.

Friday April 29, 2022

The musical evenings of Grimaud, Emmanuel ARAKELIAN (organ), Raphaël UNGER (cello), «When the organ meets the cello», Works by J-S Bach, Rachmaninov, Mendelssohn - Saint Michel Church - Grimaud village.

From April 30 to May 8, 2022

3rd Grimaud antiques fair – Salle Beausoleil.

Every Wednesday

Permanence at the port office from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. to answer questions about new contracts.

Every Thursday morning

Market in Grimaud village and in Port Grimaud.

Every Sunday morning

Market in Port Grimaud – Brocante les mas de Bagatin, chemin de Bagatin.

Complete agenda and information:

► www.mairie-grimaud.fr

► www.grimaud-provence.com

TRUE OR FALSE ?

Municipal management is transitional and will be followed by a delegation of public service in the short term

FALSE – The municipal council deliberated to take over management of the port. This decision led to a reorganization of Port services and significant work on the part of municipal services. This work was carried out with seriousness in order to perpetuate this management choice very quickly.

The new internal regulations prohibit navigation with a small boat or tender in Port Grimaud

FALSE – Port Grimaud remains a city focused on the uses of the sea. Just as the basic principle does not change – his boat in front of the house – the navigation uses that respect the regulations are preserved.

The municipality had to remove the sand from the entrance pass, including before the resumption of the concessions, but it refused to do so

FALSE – This operation has always been the responsibility of Port users. It was then up to the dealers to agree to remove the sand with the municipality which was in charge of the municipal port. Faced with the aggravation, the town hall carried out major sand removal works in several stages at a cost of surroundings one million euros. The concessionaires had refused to sign the memorandum of understanding proposed by the communal service for the distribution of costs and which provided for a 5-year extension of the concessions.



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