

European Volunteer Team for built Heritage Brittany 2014



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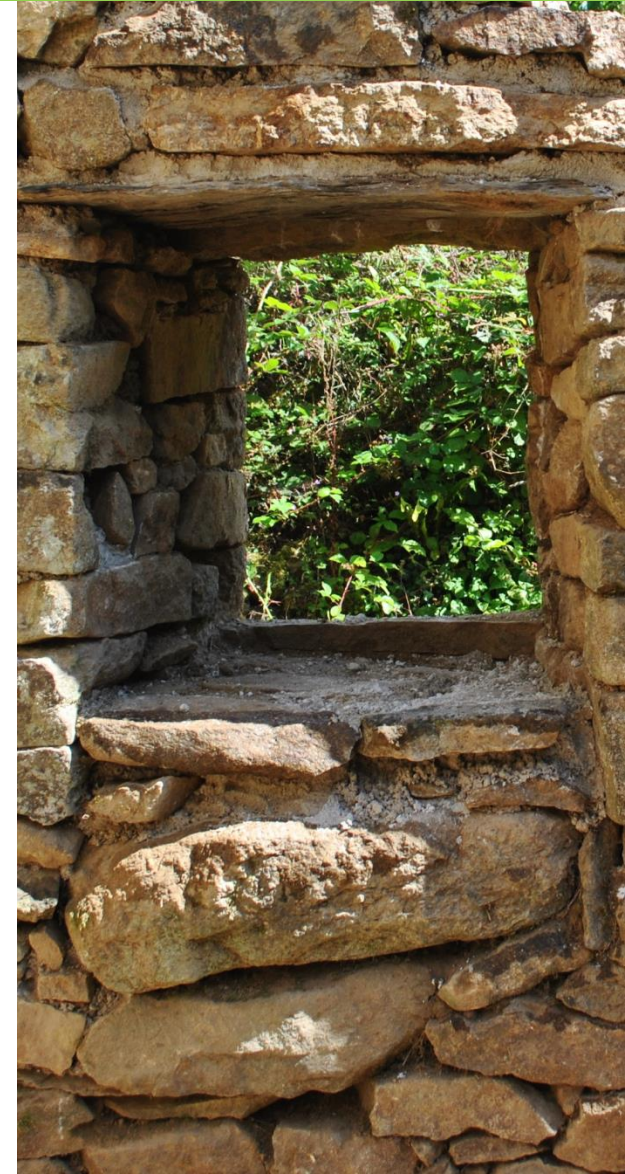
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Bretagne - Pays de la Loire

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- **The workcamps in Brittany**
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 - September / Chateaugiron
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The Heritage Team

- Our team was composed by:
 - 2 French volunteers in Civic Service (8 months): Morvana and Charlotte
 - 5 European volunteers in European Voluntary Service (3 months): Erik (Estonia), Natalia (Greece), Valentina (Italy), Yagis (Turkey) et Hakan (Germany)
 - 1 technical supervisor from Etudes et Chantiers (3 months) : Allain



Before the arrival of the EVS volunteers

Missions of the French volunteers (2 months)

- Contact with partner municipalities: Plouaret, Saint Thégonnec and Châteaugiron (participation in meetings, presentation of the project) creation of communication materials (posters).
- Contact with local associations to organize activities (la Rimandelle, ESTIA, au Fil du Queffleuth et de la Penzé...)
- Research activities and visits available in the region
- Preparation of documents and materials to welcome the volunteers (workshop on sustainable development for instance).

Welcoming the volunteers

The European volunteers arrived on July 1st in Rennes

During the first few days, 5 French volunteers (Heritage and Environment teams) prepared workshops and activities for the EVS volunteers from both teams

- Workshop on sustainable development
- Visit of the Brocéliande forest
- Picture game in Rennes
- Intercultural workshop



Mordelaises gates in Rennes



**« Val sans retour »
Brocéliande forest**

Workcamp 1: Plouaret

5 –19 July – *Côtes d'Armor* (22)

- The long term objective is to transform a small village house owned by the municipality into an open shelter for hikers.



Before



- The team partially demolished the front and side walls of the house,
- Then built a low wall and two pillars using traditional masonry techniques,
- Before doing the joints with lime.



This workcamp was a good occasion to see all the different stages: from demolition to reconstruction

Local volunteers from Plouaret also came to help and meet our team



After

Discovery of Brittany: visits around Plouaret

Walk in Ploumanac'h



Ile Grande (*Great Island*)



Plestin les grèves



Le sillon du Talbert



The volunteers have been invited to the annual 'mussel and chips' party organized by the city, an occasion for the team to meet the locals



Workcamp 2: Saint Thégonnec

4-22 August - Village of Keranflec'h *Finistère* (29)



Former
weavers' village
« Keranflec'h »





The aim was to secure the ruins of the village.



Four local volunteers came to work with our team for a few days





- The first step was to clean the rubble and remove the plants and moss from the walls.



- During the second week, we started masonry work to partially rebuild the walls and apply a thick layer of lime on top of the walls.

Creation of wooden stairs to access the stream below the worksite, during the last days.



Visits and activities in the region:

Visit of Camaret



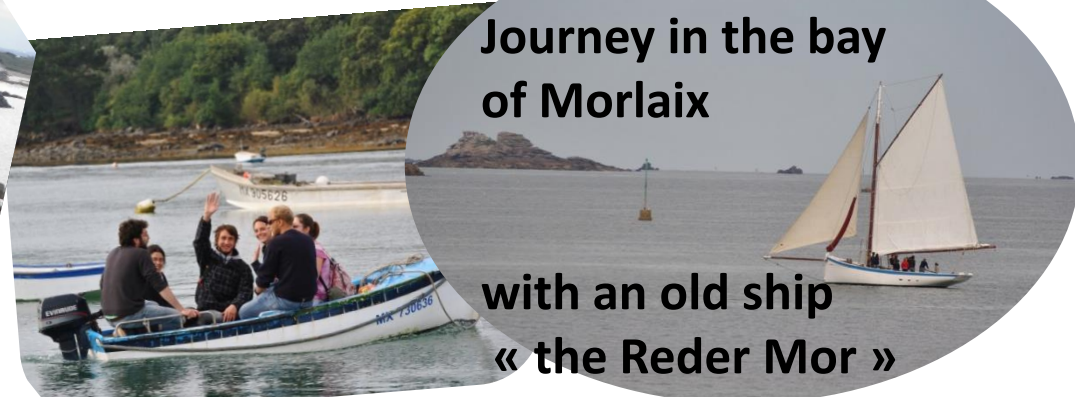
Through the organization of various activities, the volunteers were able to meet the local population : hike around the village with the association 'le Fil du Queffleuth,' visit the Parish enclosure with the tourist information center...

Primel



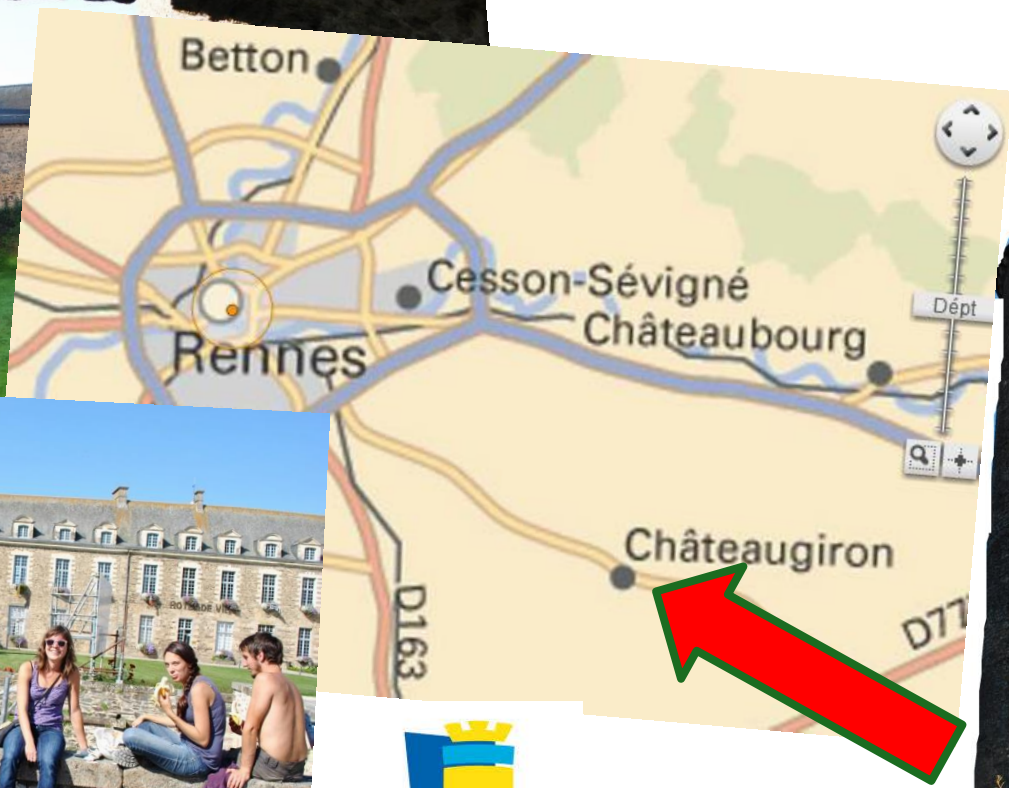
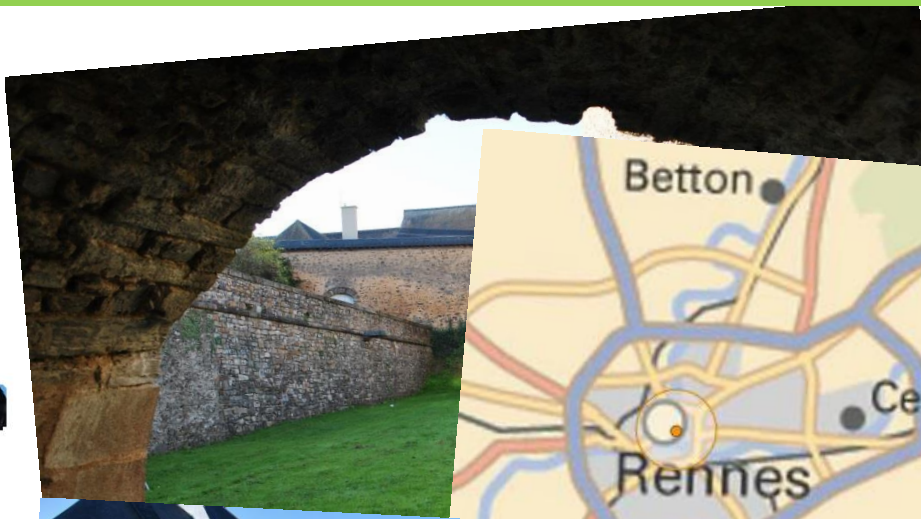
Journey in the bay of Morlaix

**with an old ship
« the Reder Mor »**



Workcamp 3 : Châteaugiron

1st - 22 September – Ile et Vilaine (35)



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- The aim was to restore a wall of the castle moat

- The first step was to remove the old joint to clean the wall



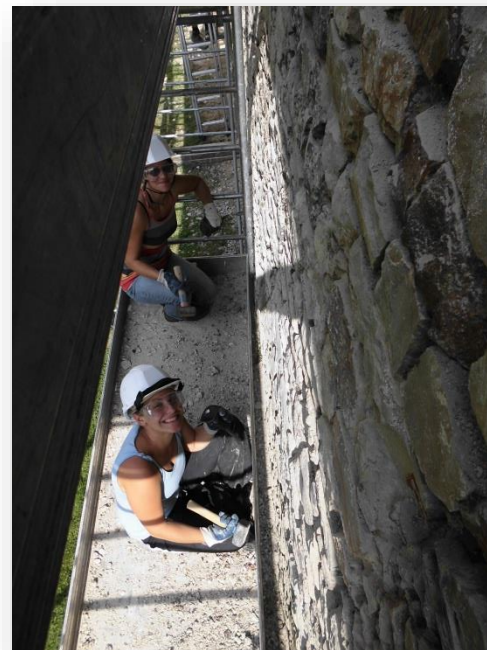
- then to re-do the joints with lime



**Local volunteers also came to work with us
a good opportunity for the team to meet local
inhabitants.**



Before



After



Numerous visits and activities in the town and the region:



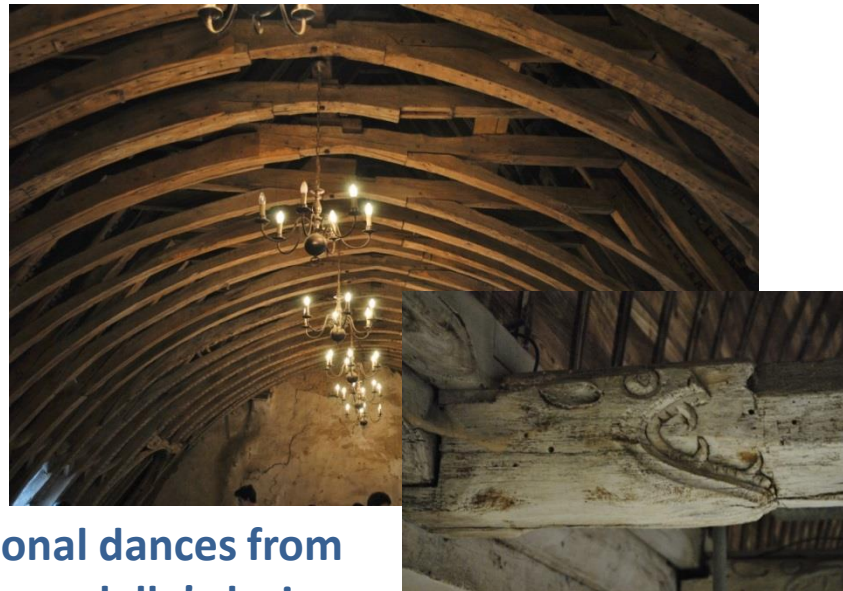
Organic farm 'la Ville Connue' (Piré s/ Seiche)



Visit of the castle

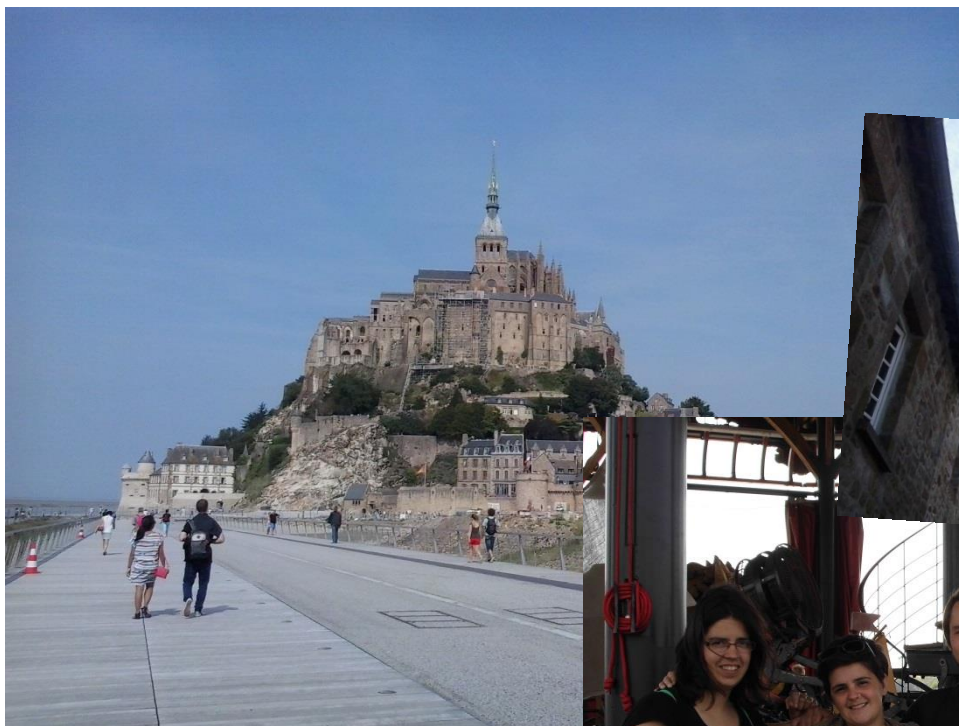


The watermill of Tertron



The volunteers also discovered traditional dances from Brittany with a local association 'la Rimandelle', during an event organized by the team

The Mont St Michel



Nantes – 'Ile des machines'



Feedback and perspectives



The following objectives have been achieved:

- ❖ To promote built heritage in the partner cities,
- ❖ To develop links between the team members and a good group cohesion,
- ❖ To discover Brittany (natural and cultural heritage),
- ❖ To develop intercultural exchanges thanks to the participation of local volunteers but also through the activities and events involving the inhabitants

Following this positive experience, the project will be renewed in 2015

