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Newsletter #1 - December 2021

Welcome to our first Alps22 newsletter for participants, parents and supporters of 'Alps22 - Jamboree in the Mountains'

Read on for all the latest event and planning news as we countdown to August 2022.

How will the latest Covid measures affect us?

The Covid pandemic continues to make life challenging for the planning team and we are keeping a very close watch on developments, both here and in France.

Clearly we all hope that the position will improve quickly, but without a crystal ball we just don't know how things are going to pan out.

Our strategy remains to proceed with our plans, but with a policy of not making any financial commitments at this stage. We ask District teams to take the same approach.

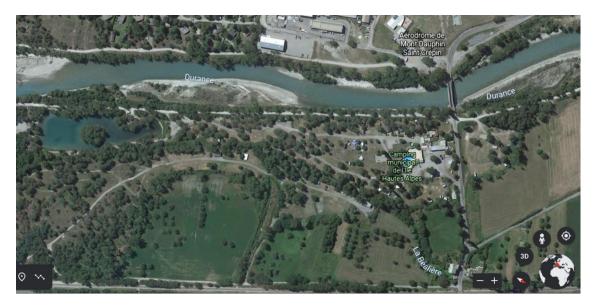
We've also refreshed our FAQs on the website, so please take a moment to look at the latest updates.



We've been on a Recce!

On 19 November, members of the core team travelled to St Crepin. This was our first recce of the campsite and surrounding area.

It gave the team a fantastic opportunity to engage with the campsite management and as a result we have secured a much better designated camping area, well away from the general public.







During the recce the team had the opportunity to meet with local government officials and make them aware of our visit, as well as research local activity providers and find places of interest for our cultural activities.

They even managed to find some snow, although sadly we don't think that skiing will be on the Programme for next August!

Fingers crossed, our next recce will be Spring 2022, when we'll start to finalise the activities and put everything in place for a fantastic 'Jamboree in the mountains'.









European and Global Health Insurance Cards, Passports and Vaccinations

All participants for Alps22 will need to have a valid UK EHIC or GHIC card to gain access to emergency medical cover overseas.

You can apply for the cards free of charge via the NHS website at: https://www.nhs.uk/using-the-nhs/healthcare-abroad/apply-for-a-free-uk-global-health-insurance-card-ghic/

Please note that under 16s will need to be included on their parents' application, but will be provided with their own card.

Passports

You will need to have at least 6 months left on your passport at the time of travel. If it is due to expire before February 2023, then you will need to renew it ahead of the trip.

Vaccinations

From January, the Pass Sanitaire will require adults to have received the booster jab (all three Covid vaccinations). We are still waiting for guidance on

the requirements for under 18s and will provide updates via your Unit Leader as soon as we have more information.



Coming soon

In our January newsletter, we'll be taking a closer look at some of the fantastic activities we're planning, as well as a updates on travel and logistics.

We'll also have a 'behind the scenes' look at one of our core team members in action, as the preparations for Alps22 heat up.

And finally as we end 2021, the Alps22 team would like to wish everyone a very "Happy New Year".





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