



19th World Meeting of 2 CV Friends

26 – 31 July 2011 SALBRIS (France)

www.2cvfrance2011.fr

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At the closing date for the pre-registrations, on May 31, 2011, we had recorded 5350 vehicles. Now, the only remaining way to participate in the 19th World Meeting of 2CV Friends will be to register at the Salbris meeting gate from Tuesday July 26, 2011, from 5:00pm onward. Due to the very large number of participants, we will kindly ask you to be patient and to follow the instructions given on-site.

DO NOT FORGET TO BRING YOUR PRE-REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION WITH YOU

Welcoming 2CVers at the frontiers

Several French 2 CV clubs will welcome foreign 2CVers at various places close to their entry into France. From Saturday July 23rd to Monday 25th, these clubs will provide camping facilities and activities for foreign 2cvers on their way to the World Meeting. **Amiens** (organized by: Ami-Deuch 80), **Maubeuge** (organized by: Val-de-Deuche), **Nancy** (organized by: 2CV Club de Lorraine), **Sarrebourg** (organized by: Alsace 2CV Club), **Belfort** (organized by: Club de la Deuche Franc-Comtoise), **Perpignan** (organized by: Route 66 2CV Club), **Dax** (organized by: l'Elan Deuch). Addresses and GPS points can be found on the website : www.2cvfrance2011.fr

The World Meeting's radio

For this grand event, a temporary radio will broadcast on a 15km radius around Salbris. Starting on Tuesday July 26th, a radio-broadcast will help you wind your way to the meeting and what to do upon arrival. You will be able to follow key events live in your car, your tent, but also on the site, and in the streets of the town.

The 19th World Meeting of 2CV Friends is getting closer. From 8:00 am to 9:00 pm, the Team of « Radio 2CV » will be broadcasting live from a studio in the entertainment area. Every day, we will broadcast interviews with various guests (2CV enthusiasts, local VIPs, artists), phone in games, live reports, news (domestic and international), a programme of events and of course Music! For our foreign 2CV friends, a 15min. slot will be set every morning in their language, so that you can be aware of the activities happening that day.

So tune in to 101.8 FM from July 26th. !



Access to the site

By orders of the gendarmerie, you will access the site from the North of Salbris, even if you are coming from the South, in order not to have to cross the National Road going through Salbris which could create a traffic jam. In all cases, **participants must follow the road signs set by the organisation**. With a so large an attendance, we kindly ask you to be patient; our volunteers' team will be on alert to minimize queues.

To thank the participants who pre-registered, they can access the site from Tuesday July 26 at 10 :00am while other (non-registered) participants will have to wait until 5 :00 pm

In any case, it will not be possible to access the site before Tuesday July 26 at 10 :00 am. Monday July 25 has been reserved for a general security review by local authorities as well as gendarmerie and emergency.

The camping area

For obvious logistical reasons with the large expected attendance and the many countries which will be represented, the organization cannot book areas in the campsite. On this particular issue, when setting tents and vehicles, **we call for the civic common sense of participants by not taking more area than necessary**,

For security reasons, barbecues and open fires are prohibited within the camping area except on designated areas (where you will have fire extinguishers).

The camping area is for participants only: daily visitors will not have access to it.

Do you have special medical needs ??

Participants with special medical needs or disabilities are encouraged to contact the organization should they require any specific arrangement: contact@2cvfrance2011.fr

The little tourist train

Two little tourist trains will run every day from Tuesday to Saturday, going through the camping area to the entertainment area for the ease of participants allowing a better access to the entertainment area without having to use your car and the difficulties to park it. In addition, there will be a supermarket right in front of the museum. So, even for your grocery shopping, you will not have to take your car: just take the little tourist train through the camping area.

Touristic and scenic drives during the World Meeting

Seventeen drives will be proposed during the World Meeting to participants, ranging from 80 to 170 km. Drive cards and road book trips will be available at the tourist information booth.

The Flea Market

A flea market will be organized every morning from 8:00 am till 12:30 am. Traders (which must be non-commercial participants) will have to register on a logbook set by the City of Salbris (because of French regulations on flea markets). An access control will be set up. The surface assigned to each trader will be at maximum 5 meters by 5 meters.

Entertainment

World Tappet Cover races

The first World Tappet Cover Championship will take place during the World Meeting. To participate, you will have to build a vehicle from a 2CV tappet cover with the following characteristics : length = 700 mm max, width = 200 mm max, maximum weight = 4,5kg, Minimum way : 100 mm ; maximum way : 200 mm, ground clearance 20 mm minimum and 60 mm maximum, no side wheels, decoration: your own unbridled imagination. If you are interested, please register on the website (www.2cvfrance2011.fr).

Go- karting

Close to the meeting site, we will be organizing a special go-karting day on the largest track in Europe. From 11:00 am to 7:00 pm, on Friday July 29, for a flat fee of € 35, every participant can enjoy go-karting. The race track is less than 5km from the campground and has a restaurant. We are already taking registration on the website (www.2cvfrance2011.fr) as we can only organize this event if at least 80 participants and a maximum of 140) aged over 14 and more than 1.55m (5') tall pre-register for it. Payment will be on the site.

Mastering your vehicle in case of emergency

Want to learn how to brake and control your car in case of an emergency? We intend to welcome 2CVers on the European circuit of go-karting with qualified instructors, 5km from the campsite.

First part of the event starts with the karts from the track, second part continues with your 2 CV. This event is scheduled for Wednesday July 27 from 8:00 am to 11:00 am. If you are interested, please register on the website (www.2cvfrance2011.fr).

The 1st World Championship of 2CV Dismantling and Rebuilding at Salbris

Those who have been to the French Nationals will have probably seen the scene! Two teams separated by a wall, scrambling to dismantle a 2CV, pass it through the wall with a trapezoidal hole just the size of the body shell and rebuild it on the other side, surrounded by dozens of fans screaming to encourage them... We are preparing a new version for the World Meeting! Every afternoon from 5:00pm and 7:00 pm, non-French competitors have to race against the clock to dismantle (and rebuild) an engine. The best times will be selected to make a national team and dismantle a full car on Saturday. 2CVFrance 2011 will provide the engines, the 2CVs and the tools. If you are interested, please register on the website (www.2cvfrance2011.fr).

4WD and 2 CV Offroading

On Thursday July 28, the Off-Road team of la Ferté Saint Aubin will welcome 2 CVers on their 4WD track!! Only prepared 2CVs will have access to this secure track area after compulsory booking on the website (www.2cvfrance2011.fr). Crossing demos will also be done on the meeting site (near the entertainment area) for confirmed amateurs in late afternoon of Friday July 29.

French 2 CV Cross Championship leg at Pont de Ruan

French 2 CV Cross are organizing themselves to welcome up to 250 2CV registered at the World Meeting on the campsite to attend a qualifying leg for, the 2011 French 2CV Cross championship!!

Welcome on Saturday July 23 until Monday July 25 for 4€ per car and 8€ per person. A special dinner on Saturday night is offered for only 13 € per person (drinks not included) before the Saturday night party (open to all campers of the 2CV Cross)

In addition to attending the races at Pont de Ruan, you will be given a guide book to visit neighbouring sites and get discount access. You can pre-register on the 2CVFrance2011 website, tag « entertainment ».

Activities will also be set by the kids of 2CV Cross, with great surprise shows to be expected.

Alternative Fuels to unleaded petrol

Every day we will put in the spotlight alternative fuel to unleaded petrol. We have some contacts with electrical power but we will also highlight use of natural gas; water or compressed air. Wednesday will focus on bio-ethanol, Thursday on added water and natural gas, Friday is all about electrical 2 CVs and Saturday will put the focus on modified 2 CV engines for lower consumption or higher power. The entertainment team will present the various items. If you are interested, please register on the website (www.2cvfrance2011.fr). For more information, you can contact the entertainment team

Children activities

Under the main tent of the camping area and close to the Guinguette, we welcome children accompanied by their parents from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm and from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Several activities will be organised such as gym lessons, manual activities and sand sculpture. Note this is not a day care nursery !

Learning exhibition and demos: E-Solex, Electrical solexes and electrical bicycles

As today, many cars switch from fossil fuels to electrical power, the Solex follows the trend, and it's not alone! Come to discover E-bicycles, including e-Solex on a secure dedicated track. Every day from Wednesday to Saturday during daytime for participants over 14 on the Road Safety booth next to the outdoor museum.

Driving simulators

On the mechanical entertainment area, a road safety stand will be open every day to test your driving skills on a driving simulator. Danger does not always come from where you would expect it, so come and check your reflexes and get some simple advice of good driving for everybody's safety.!

The 2 CV MOT / technical check-up stand

Everyday, you can come to this stand to check your vehicle : MOT/technical check-up is compulsory for our cars and the MOT/technical check-up stand will show you risks easy to detect : tyres, lights and wipers as well as pollution : how to properly adjust the mixture screw. This stand will be set close to the garage, on the mechanical entertainment area.

Garage

On the mechanical entertainment area, a garage will be set to fix breakdowns happening on the site if the owner/driver cannot do it. It will ONLY work on breakdowns. Spare parts will have to be purchased from professional dealers available onsite or on the morning flea market. Breakdowns will be fixed depending on time available and the severity of the symptoms. But few 2 CV breakdown so it should be OK!!

DIY corner

A spot will be set to fix your 2CV yourself, with advice relevant to the problem. To protect the nature of the site, repairing cars will be prohibited in the camping site. That's why we will dedicate and set this DIY corner accordingly. Tools will NOT be provided.

The 2 CV museum

The team managing the 1300 sq meters museum has secured some rare cars (we are keeping the details a surprise),. The main themes will be "the men of the 2 CV", "evolution of the 2 CV parts", "automobilia", "the Citroën 2CV raids" as well as a beautiful historical main stage. The museum will be opened daily from 9:30am to 7:00pm (Wed – Sat) and on Sunday July 31 from 9:30am to 12:30pm. Outside the museum, temporary exhibits will be organized as follows (*program subject to alterations*) ;

- Wednesday July 27th: the 50s and 60s
- Thursday July 28th: the 70s and 80s including limited editions (Spot, Charleston, 007, Transat...)
- Friday July 29th : Amis, Dyanes and Meharis
- Saturday July 30th: ModCon, customs, raids cars, etc...

Participants are encouraged to bring their car for the exhibition, for a day or even less. That's part of the show!

The Guinguette

To discover this picturesque French atmosphere, we are recreating a "Guinguette" on the world meeting site in Salbris where participants will be able to enjoy good drinks and chat with friends to live music from various groups.

If you play music or sing, we have reserved a full evening for musician 2CVers on Friday July 30. You will be able to register at the information point on Wednesday July 27 from 7:00pm. Everybody will have a slot, so do not hesitate to come to share a good musical spat with the audience.

2 CV Driving school

For everybody aged over 16 who want to discover the joy of driving a 2CV, each afternoon, from 2 :00 pm to 5 :00 pm. 2 driving school 2 CVs will be available on the mechanical entertainment area.

The pedestrian track (with goggles just as if you were drunk !)

An information booth on the effect of alcoholic intoxication will be open from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm and from 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm on the mechanical entertainment area.

Zip Wire

You will be able to pass over the river Sauldre with a zip wire, from the mechanical entertainment area to the major stage. Come fly in the air !

Slovenia and Poland to run for 2015 World Meeting

Our Slovenian friends have announced at the Annual General Meeting of the Amicale Citroën Internationale in Paris that they will bid for the 2015 World Meeting, 20 years after hosting it in Maribor. Our Polish friends have also confirmed to us that they will also bid for the 2015 World Meeting. We encourage candidate countries to contact us as soon as possible (the Salbris organization) so that we can plan as early as possible to accommodate their bids.

A daily meeting with countries' representatives

Every evening at 7:00pm, there will be a meeting with representatives from the various countries present at the World Meeting. The meeting validating the bids for the 2015 World meeting will also take place on Wednesday July 27 at 6 :30 pm. All those meetings will take place in the main tent of the camping area, near the farm. The final World Meeting Committee gathering all the countries' representatives will take place on Saturday July 29 in the amphitheatre of the Gaston Jollet high school.

Post meeting raids

Three post meeting raids will be proposed ("vineyards" toward Jura, "between hills and valleys" towards the Alps, and « Loire Valley and castles » towards Brittany) for the world meeting participants at the end of the World Meeting. They will last 7 days starting Sunday July 31. Information on those raids and booking can be given at the Tourism booth.

Driving a 2CV, Driving safely : « this is not a car, but a way of life ! »

This simple message should show the state of mind of all 2CV drivers driving as well as in everyday's life. This is what you should demonstrate on the road of the Sologne region during the 19th World Meeting of 2CV friends.

First of all, be courteous on the road. There will be many of you driving to the sites around. And, as you will see, you will not be alone. We expect you to show that courtesy is not a cheesy and obsolete idea: on the contrary, it is a source of well being for all with as main idea sharing the road, of improved safety and of humanization of cities especially for cyclists and pedestrians.

Eco-driving and eco-behavior go together: you respect other people and follow the rules, you respect nature and you save money.

Know how to drive and know how to behave: a few basic rules to apply:

- Observe the speed limits,
- Limit alcohol while driving,
- Do not use your cell phone while driving,
- And of course, follow the traffic rules.

Together with our partner, the "French Association For Behaviors on the road (AFPC)" which will be present on the World Meeting, to keep the ""Spirit of Courtesy on the road"" alive in France as well as in your home country

For more information about the partnership : www.courtoisiesurlaroute.eu



For you journey, you can affix on your windscreen the logo of the AFPC :

For your information, you should know that in France:

- **Speed limit** within towns is set at 50 kph (31 mph), sometime less in some areas, and at 90 kph (55 mph) on main roads (with exceptions).

- **Blood Alcohol Content should not exceed 0.05 % (or 0.50 g per litter of blood)**. As a thumb rule, two glasses of alcoholic drink and you will reach this limit. We recommend you to be very vigilant on this issue as controls will be widespread around the site.

Do not forget to apply those good rules on the site :

- No speeding: max 10km per hour.
- Rather use the little tourist trains.
- Do not exit the site by car if you drank more than 2 glasses of alcoholic drink: there are many shops on-site, a supermarket right in front of the museum and the city-centre is very close.

WE SHOULD BE PROUD TO BE A 2CVer, ALWAYS COURTEOUS, SO LET'S SHOW IT !

Any questions ? Any remarks ??

Contact us : contact@2cvfrance2011.fr

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