



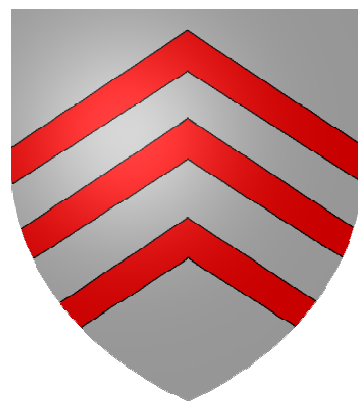
2015 COSTELLO GATHERING

SEPTEMBER 25th, 26th and 27th

« LE PERCHE » REGION, FRANCE

As for the 2015 European Continental Costello gathering, we offer you a week-end to discover and enjoy the region of « Le Perche » and the nearby parc of Normandie-Maine. This region is in the south part of Normandy, north west of France.

« Le Perche » is north from Le Mans and west from Chartres and Orléans. Main cities are Alençon, Mortagne and Bellême. Le Perche is famous for its beautiful hilly landscapes and numerous forests. The Alpes Mancelles (literally Alps of Le Mans), part of the Normandie-Maine park offer unexpected mountain like views!



Some points of interest:

Mortagne and Bellême are lovely old cities



The national stud « Haras du Pin » is a famous place for horse tourism



The Perche regional park offers magnificent landscapes including the old « house of the park »



Program:

The week end will start on Friday September the 25th in the evening at the Guest House “la Verrerie du Gast” . (www.laverrerie dugast.fr), north from Alençon. Diner will follow at the Restaurant d’Avoise. (www.restaurant-avoise.fr), which is just a couple of km from the B&B.

As far as possible, we will aim to stay at the same guest house or nearby , in order to facilitate logistics.

On Saturday September 26th, we will drive towards the « Haras du Pin » through scenic roads, visit the stud, have a light lunch, and then drive towards Bellême and the Nature Regional Park of Le Perche and visit its headquarter the Manor of Courboyer.

On Saturday evening, we intend to have dinner at the Restaurant d’Avoise.

On Sunday morning, we will drive west through the scenic roads of the « Alpes Mancelles », with a stop in the village of Saint Ceneri.

After lunch, this will be time for farewell. You will choose to drive home or stay for some extra time.

Important Note:

Reservations at la Verrerie du Gast’s guest house have to be made before January the 30th at hediger.valery@orange.fr ; don’t forget to mention you are part of the MGB Costello Group.

Six rooms are available. First come first served.

More hotel or B&Bs addresses will follow if needed.

Links for further information:

www.parc-naturel-perche.fr/La-maison-du-parc.asp

www.parc-naturel-normandie-maine.fr/

www.haras-national-du-pin.com/

We look forward to see you in France next September!

All the best,

Pierre and Claire Damiron

Thierry Denant