

The olive season 2021/2022 did not exactly look the same as the previous season, during which 68 tons of olives were pressed. Bad weather, frost in the spring, lots of rain during November and December, strong winds during the entire year, did not guarantee a good crop at all. Most of the clients said they had 50% less than the year before (even more according to others)

Jean-Louis (miller for 25 years) and Jérôme (learning to become a miller for the first year) did not sit still though. Lots of new smaller clients were very happy to see how the pressing was done with their olives. Our usual clients were very faithful and enjoyed the transformation of the Moulin. There remains a lot to be done, but the change is extremely visible already.

On the 16<sup>th</sup> of December the oldest kids of the Bargemon elementary school (8-10 years old) came down to the Moulin to pay an educational visit. Their teacher Virginie prepared them for the visit and there were many (very good) questions. It was great to share with the new generation our old traditions and heritage.

On the 18<sup>th</sup> of December we organized together with Fun Loisirs a Christmas party for children. 21 kids made each their own lanterns at the Mairie and walked down to the Moulin for a visit together with their parents. Catherine read them a Christmas story and they all received a present, with Father Christmas supervising the party. They paid an educational visit to the entire Moulin, after which hot chocolate and goodies for the kids and mulled wine for the parents were enjoyed around the big open fire on the premises.



We have opened a small boutique where products of the Moulin are being sold. Soap made of the residue of the oil and goats' milk are on sale as well as our olive oil, bottled in a beautiful special bottle. And of course, the pomace (grignon) which is a strong and efficient fertilizer for your plants and especially your olive trees. Don't hesitate to call us for a visit to the boutique or pay us a visit every Wednesday between 10H and 12H.

The Moulin will be open every 2 days until the 15<sup>th</sup> of January 2022 for late pickers. You can call us and announce your visit.



To all who brought us their olives and trusted us with them  
To all who did not know us yet and came yet to visit  
To all who shared our story with their friends

To all who follow us on social media and share it

To all who help us financially

To all the volunteers, without whom we would never have achieved what we did

To all the other people who read this Newsletter

We wish you a great New Years' eve and a wonderful 2022 with lots of good health, peace, joy and sharing.

Our next Newsletter will be issued in January with the results of the Moulin of 2021 and lots of other news.

The Moli d'Oli team