

The Front Desk



February 2007

Dear Clients,

After some very pleasant weather in early January, the month has ended on a stormy and a rainy note. Good for the reservoirs, but not so pleasant if you are visiting.

Fiestas and Ferias

As you know, we like our fiestas and ferias in Spain. However, this month we have to wait until Wednesday 28th for Andalucia Day. Between now and then we have Valentine's day to look forward to - as a reminder to you chaps, it's on the 14th this year!!! However, we also have the excitement of the Chinese New Year on 18th. Here's the history lesson.

The Chinese Lunar Calendar names each of the twelve years in its cycle after an animal. Legend has it that the Lord Buddha summoned all the animals to come to him before he departed from earth. Only twelve came to bid him farewell and as a reward he named a year after each one in the order they arrived. The Chinese believe the animal ruling the year in which a person is born has a profound influence on personality.

So are you a Tiger, like Michael, or

Take a look at <http://www.new-year.co.uk/chinese/calendar.htm>

New Ryanair routes from Malaga to Germany

Good news for our German clients. Low cost airline Ryanair has launched its new routes to Germany. The company had previously only operated flights from Malaga to the UK, Ireland and Brussels. Now flights to Frankfurt are taking off, and from April a new route to the German city of Bremen will be established. With the increase in flights to Dublin this summer, as well as the new connections to Germany, Ryanair aims to bring 285,000 British, Irish and German tourists to Malaga this year.

Tourism figures

In 2006 the Costa del Sol received more visitors than the previous year. The good news is that the number of tourists increased by 2.2 per cent to 9.2 million.

Tel: (0034) 952 78 49 83 (3 Lines), Fax: 952 78 34 08

Emergency Helpline: 00 34 606 97 58 33

Web site: www.spanishrentalholidays.com E-mail: enquiries@spanishrentalholidays.com

Head Office Address: HPS Property Services Siglo XXI (SL), C/ Dr.Esteban San Mateo, N° 10, Local E, 29670, San Pedro de Alcántara, (Málaga), España.

CIF N° B - 92606953

Gibraltar

As part of the improving dialogue between the Spanish, British and Gibraltar authorities, Iberia has suggested that the first flights between Gibraltar airport and Barcelona could take off in May. Since the flights between Gibraltar and Madrid began on December 17th 2006 some 3,400 extra passengers have used the airport and Iberia has reported an average of 50 per cent of seats sold.

Of particular interest to our new clients in the Alcaidesa and Duquesa areas will be the service offered by Fly Gibraltar (<http://www.flygib.com>) which is a new scheduled airline commencing services in April 2007. Fly Gibraltar will initially provide direct services to London Stansted, Bristol, Manchester, Birmingham and Dublin with 28 return flights a week. We are able to source car hire at Gibraltar airport via our partner company, Haro.

Sunday Brunch and Golf at El Chaparral

El Chaparral Golf Club offers the following until 4th March:-

“BRUNCH IN THE RESTAURANT FROM 12.00 UNTIL 16.30”

“PRICE INCLUDES GREENFEE 18H AND SHARED BUGGY”

The public price for this offer is 90 € per person. But we are able to offer it at 85 €

Curtain Up

I am giving you all lots of notice for the next International Theatre Studio production which takes place at the El Ingenio Theatre in San Pedro on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th of March. I am directing and performing in the thriller, Cold Blood by Stephen Stockwell which also stars my husband, Jamie. There is a cast of 5, so don't let the fact that we are in it put you off! If you do wish to book tickets, please call me in the office on 952784983 for more details.

Isabel

I am pleased to let you know that Isabel, our head housekeeper, whom many of you know, eventually had her back operation this week. I spoke to her yesterday and she sounded surprisingly well. We all wish her a speedy recovery.

Finally, not long to go until one of the busiest events in the Spanish calendar, Semana Santa, or Easter Week. If you are planning to travel, please ensure that you reserve your rental car and golf tee times in good time. If you do not usually book these with us, take a look at our website for current prices.

Kind regards,

Beverley

Tel: (0034) 952 78 49 83 (3 Lines), Fax: 952 78 34 08

Emergency Helpline: 00 34 606 97 58 33

Web site: www.spanishrentalholidays.com E-mail: enquiries@spanishrentalholidays.com

Head Office Address: HPS Property Services Siglo XXI (SL), C/ Dr.Esteban San Mateo, N^o 10, Local E, 29670, San Pedro de Alcántara, (Málaga), España.
CIF N^o B - 92606953