



# NEWS FLASH

DATE – 16<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2019

Dear Members,

Here is the latest update of what is upcoming in the club.

1. **MACCC Spring Ball - 29<sup>th</sup> March** at Swiss Hotel Moraira - The closing date for the “James Bond” Ball is Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March. There are still spaces available, and it is not too late to book now if you move quickly. For those of you who have booked in, please ensure your payments are made to the bank by 20<sup>th</sup> March. Those who have not given me your menu choices should do so asp.

This is going to be a special evening, so come along and enjoy. Any problems please call me.

2. **Statutes** - The Club Statutes have finally been accepted and registered with the Valencian authorities. This task has taken several years to achieve and has involved a lot of time and effort by the President and the Committee, so many thanks to all involved. The club is now fully legal and registered. Copies of the Statutes in English and Spanish are on the web site in the Members Area.

3. **Club Charity for 2019.** There were four nominations this year. All nominees were placed in a hat and the winner was drawn by Diane Harrison. The selected charity for club support in 2019 is the “Aprosdeco Special Needs School” in La Xara.

A “Special Thanks” goes out to all other nominees, who may submit their nominations again next year.

4. **Spring Gallop Rally 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> April 2019.** The recce has now been completed, so here are more details.

a) The total cost of the rally, to include 2 nights half board at the Alcaniz Parador, is 250 euros per person for double occupancy, and 340 for single occupancy. A half bottle of wine, water and coffee are included with the evening meal.

b) The menus for the two evening meals are attached. Please select starter, main and dessert for each evening meal and send them to me by email.

c) The outline of events for each day is as follows :

i) Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April - Meet at La Safor service station at 1100hrs. Leave at 1130 hrs to drive, via Teruel, to a lunch stop in a small village on route. After lunch continue en route to Alcaniz. Free time on arrival, with dinner in the hotel in the evening.

ii)Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April. - There will be a morning briefing just after breakfast, for the days events. Leaving at 1000hrs we firstly drive to Valderrobres, where we will have a guided tour of the local attractions. On completion we will have lunch. After lunch there is free time to either explore the local area or return to Alcaniz to look around the town or enjoy the hotel and its magnificent 360degree elevated views. Again we have dinner in the hotel in the evening.

iii)Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April - After the morning briefing, we leave at 1000hrs to drive to Belchite. Here we will have a guided tour of this old town, which is as it was at the end of the Civil War, and is a stark reminder of horrors of the conflict. On completion we drive to our tapas lunch at La Estanca Restaurante, by the lake to the west of Alcaniz. There is also a lovely walking trail around the lake if you wish to try it. The lake is next to the famous Motorland Race Track, previously visited by the club..

On completion at the Estancia you will be free to start the journey home.

More details will be issued before the start of the rally and at the morning briefings.

**The closing date for booking and payment in full to the bank is 24<sup>th</sup> March.**

5. PEPA Fun Day on 19<sup>th</sup> May near Gandia. The club has received an invitation to attend this animal charity event. After discussion, and considering other events, the Committee have decided that this will not be a major club event. That said however, if any members wish to attend individually or as a small group, we can coordinate the details. If anyone is interested please contact me.

6. Advertising on the Club Website and Facebook. We have recently had several inquiries from non members who are interested in advertising cars for sale on our media. This advertising is free to members.

The Committee have now agreed, that in the interest of members, non members may advertise with us in return for a charity donation of 10 euros, for a six month advert. All photos, text and contact details are to be provided by the advertiser and all contact will be direct to them.

The club point of contact for such adverts is John Le Sueur.

I hope this has been a useful update to let you know what is going on. If anyone has any feedback please contact me.

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