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Sunday

"Teguise and its surroundings"

A guided tour through the heart of Teguise, discovering streets and passage ways, and in particular viewing the traditional architecture such as ovens made from limestone, and visiting El Jable and the San Rafael Chapel.

Duration: 10:00 to 11:30

Meeting point : At the Temple Museum's doorstep

Difficulty: Easy.

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“Treat the Earth well. It was not a gift to you from your parents, it is on loan to you from your children.”

Kenyan proverb

25 Years a World Biosphere Reserve *Lanzarote's Unique Distinction*

Welcome to Lanzarote and welcome to Lancelot, the island's quality publication now in its 34th year of publication. There are many beautiful holiday destinations in the world but precious few have received the distinction of being named a World Biosphere Reserve by Unesco and Lanzarote is one of them. They are selected as role models for tourist resorts everywhere because the planners practised sustainability and conservation of the environment in harmony with the development of a thriving tourist industry. Nowadays, environmental protection is a fashionable buzz word but a quarter of a century ago when this island chose the path of conservation we were the exception rather than the rule.

Without doubt it was the late great **César Manrique** who led Lanzarote in this direction by creating unique and aesthetically beautiful tourist attractions, each representing a symbiosis between Man and Nature. Lancelot received a letter from a member of the planning department of Vancouver, B.C. some ten years ago, who was on holiday on the island. His city was preparing to host the Winter Olympics in the year 2010 and they had been searching for an idea to create a site specific sculpture suitable for a crucial location for the resort of Whistler in the Canadian Rockies. Having visited the Mirador del Rio, the previous day he had now found what they had been looking for all over the world.

Having enjoyed your holiday you may wish to buy a holiday-cum-retirement home on an island with 12 months sunshine a year only a few hours from the UK, Ireland and most of Europe. Have a great holiday and adios until 1 September.

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La Gomera Whistling Language

Dear Sir,

Whilst on holiday on Lanzarote over Easter at the home of our relatives we saw on the German news that Angela Merkel was spending the week on the island of La Gomera. The presenter mentioned a few words about an ancient “whistling” language used there. Could you tell us something about it? Should you provide an answer our family will mail us a copy of the issue.

Many thanks,
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GUINEVERE The whistling language, or “silbo,” of La Gomera came into being because the island is riven by steep canyons and ridges and whistling was the only way farmers and shepherds could communicate across the inhospitable terrain. It allowed them to communicate from hilltop to hilltop up to a distance of two kilometres. The earliest notice of its existence is derived from a late 15th century document containing an account of the murder of the first count of La Gomera who was warned by his mistress to flee because she had overheard conspi-

rators talking in the whistling language about a plot to kill him. But he ignored her advice.

By the middle of the last century the whistling language had fallen into disuse and the Canary Islands government was worried that knowledge of this unique form of communication was in danger of completely dying out. To avoid this happening they introduced legislation on La Gomera in 1999 making learning about the “silbo” a compulsory subject in primary schools and an option in secondary schools. In the meantime, the whistling language has been recognised by the European Government as a unique Cultural Heritage of the Canary Islands.

According to local experts, the Gomera whistle compresses spoken sounds to two vowels and four consonants that can be strung together to form more than 4,000 words using whistles of varying tones. The sound is formed by

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putting the fingers of one hand in the mouth and using the other as a megaphone which can be used to render any language without too many vowels. The spoken message is decoded like a phonetic alphabet. The technique may originate from Berbers in the high Atlas in Morocco, the forerunners of the pre-Hispanic Guanche inhabitants of the Canary Islands

Teguisse Church "Piracy"

Dear Sir,

My family, especially the children, enjoyed a visit to the Piracy Museum during our Easter holiday on Lanzarote. We would like to know when did the first pirate raids occur and how did it affect Teguisse Church which featured on the cover of your magazine?

Sue and Harvey Proctor
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GUINEVERE The first recorded attack was by Prince Henry the Navigator of Portugal 1450, about some fifty years after the Normans arrived on the island, followed by another raid second sixteen years later. In 1551 a French buccaneer known as "The Cleric" plundered Teguisse and in 1569, Moorish corsair Calafat commanding 600 men on ten galleys disembarked at Arrecife and ransacked the island over the period of a month and sailed off with 200 captives aboard. Two years later "Dogali" the Turk arrived with 400 men, and pillaged Teguisse setting fire to the parish church.

Francis Drake, Walter Raleigh and William Harper were among other well known English buccaneers who raided the islands. In 1567, English privateer John Hawkins turned up in the Canaries on his way to Africa to capture slaves destined for America. Unlike most of his ilk, he was a real character and popular with by many

Islanders who traded merchandise with him. His main occupation was plundering Spanish ships calling at the Canaries on their way home from the Spanish Main loaded with gold and silver.

The most devastating raid of all took place in 1618 when Moorish Corsairs Tabac Arraéz and Soliman sailed to the island with a squadron of 36 ships with a force of 4,000 men on board. Landing in Arrecife they marched to the capital Teguisse and plundered everything of value in the town including the statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Even worse, they took 900 hostages - the most notorious kidnapping throughout the history of piracy in the Canary Islands - and before leaving, burned down the historical archives and destroyed the food stores.

Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe Church in the main plaza was burned down several times in the



The book is dedicated to the memory of Víctor Fernández Gopar foreman of Janubio Saltworks who later became a renowned poet and lyricist whose words are still sung by

folklore artists. Historian Mario Ferrer has added a forward to the original biography which is published by Ediciones Remotas with a photograph by Ruben Acosta on the cover.

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17th century, mostly by Moors from North Africa. Their brutality is documented by the name of the small alleyway at the side of the building, "Sangre", which means "blood" on account of the rivers of Christian blood flowing down the streets following numerous attacks by Moorish corsairs. The church has always been the central landmark of the town.

Fruit and Vegetables

Dear Sir,

Seeing that the island has no rivers or streams and that rainfall is very scant how much of the fruit and vegetables in the shops and supermarkets is cultivated on Lanzarote? What can grow on the island?

Simon Chapman
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GUINEVERE Basically, the answer is everything can be grown here, but as desalinated sea water is the source of nearly all the water used on the island it is not cost effective for farmers to cultivate all fruit and vegetables. The centuries-old water problem was solved in 1964 when the first desalination plant to convert seawater into drinking water. A few years ago, the local and regional authorities started a campaign to identify home-grown products in supermarkets and grocery stores, i.e. fruit and vegetables Made in the Canary Islands, i.e. home-grown.

It is interesting to note that the very first bananas ever sold in the UK were imported from the Canaries in the 19th century and followed by a large amount of other fruit and veg which is how Canary Wharf in the London Docks got its name.

The chief characteristic of Lanzarote agriculture is the "enarenado" process: basically covering the soil in which crops are to grow with a layer 10-15 cm thick of the black lava granules known as "picón," in order to prevent the evaporation of moisture through the action of sun and wind and to trap what liquid there is in the atmosphere through absorption of this porous covering. This process may be natural in origin but was brought to a peak of sophistication by the Lanzarote farmer three centuries ago in his struggle to live off the blighted land, following the eruptions of the Fire Mountains. César Manrique paid homage to their agricultural innovation by creating the Monumento al Campesino as an eternal tribute in their honour.

Before the arrival of tourism in the 1980s, agriculture and fishing were the two pillars of the island economy but one of the only districts to have maintained its agricultural identity since then has been Haria. One of the local inhabitants started a farm in a wind-protected area of the countryside and planted potatoes, onions, beans and other vegetables cultivated by farmers in the district. Realising the unique com-

ination of the fertility of the soil and abundant irrigation in tandem with ample sunshine and shade he showed his ingenuity by growing tropical fruits such as bananas, pineapples, mangos, papayas and even coffee.

Films in the Canaries

Dear Sir,

We have just returned home after our very first cruise around the Canary Islands and were very impressed by the incredible scenery particularly at the Fire Mountains on Lanzarote where we came across a copy of your outstanding magazine. Do you have any material on the subject of film-making in the Canary Islands as I would have thought they offer the ideal location and weather for movies.

Charles Latham
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GUINEVERE Movie making in the Canary Islands dates back to when a cameraman associated with French cine pioneers Lumière Brothers, took some background shots whilst on his way to Central America in 1896. This brought the unique and diverse landscapes of the Canarian Archipelago and its year-round mild climate to the attention of the nascent movie industry. For

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the past 120 years, the spectacular beauty of the varied landscape has been the scenario for over 200 films spanning, drama, science fiction and westerns as well as TV series and documentaries. Hollywood first arrived in 1956 with the John Huston filming of Moby Dick starring Gregory Peck which was followed by One Million Years BC starring Raquel Welch the most dramatic sequences of which were filmed on Lanzarote at El Golfo and in the Fire Mountains. The famous shot of the actress in her fur bikini is considered the most popular pinup photo of all time and still sells in the thousands every year.

Various episodes of the Michael Anderson production of the major American cult TV series the Martian Chronicles starring Rock Hudson were shot on Lanzarote in 1980. Three years later, Wolfgang Petersen produced Enemy Mine, starring Dennis Quaid in the Cuervo Volcano. British ambient music pioneer Brian Eno performed a concert in

the same venue in 1986 in conjunction with a video installation at the Cueva de los Verdes which was the first of its genre in Spain.

The most recent major production to take place on the island was Abrazos Rotos (Broken Embraces) produced by Pedro Almodóvar starring Penelope Cruz and released in 2009. The plot was based on an incident that took place in El Golfo and the surrounding area.

In 1974, Rita Hayworth was on Lanzarote filming the Salt Route, a gangster movie about smuggling the main scenes of which were shot at Los Hervideros. Her visit coincided with the opening of the night club at Jameos del Agua grotto to which she was invited as guest of honour. The next day she flew off to Paris where her film company Columbia held a press conference during which she was asked by a journalist where she had just come from and she said she had just witnessed the creation of the eighth wonder of the world by an artist named Cé-

sar Manrique. Asked where this was she said "Lanzarote." And where's Lanzarote? Was the next question!

Lithophone Musical Rocks Stonehenge

Dear Sir,

I was intrigued to read about the "lithophones" of Lanzarote - "rocks that make a sound" which the Guanches used for celebrations and religious events. Do you know of any authentic lithophones that are still to be found in Lanzarote - either large natural rocks that are still part of the landscape, or smaller pieces of rock that will have been collected by the Guanches to make different notes?

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GUINEVERE The writer of this letter, who visits the island three times a year, came across a back copy



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of Lancelot at the villa he rented, which referred to a letter by Dr Duncan Revie of Chichester University on the subject of lithophones.. The two known locations of “lithophone” musical stones on Lanzarote are: Peña de Luis Cabrera, at Guatiza, and Caldera de El Aljibe, at Soo. Both sites are near areas where the remains of aboriginal habitats have been discovered, including their places of worship. According to anthropologists, musical sounds from lithophones formed part of the prayer ritual of the ancient inhabitants of the Canary Islands.

In a book on the aboriginal inhabitants of Lanzarote, published by the César Foundation in 1999 - “Majos” by José Cabrera Pérez, Maria Antonia Perera Betancor and Antonio Tejera Gaspar - the Peña de Luis Cabrera lithophone is described as a stream of molten lava on an exposed rock formation, with geometric linear carvings and a text in the Old Lybian-Berber lan-

guage engraved into the surface of the lower area. A collection of small stones nearby were probably of the type used to strike the rock to produce the desired musical sounds. Both areas can be visited.

According to some theories, Stonehenge, an ancient monument in Wiltshire, England was a prehistoric centre for ‘rock’ music. A study by experts from London’s Royal College of Arts says that the Stones sound like bells, drums and gongs when they are ‘played’ or hit with hammers and that they are connected to ancient circles found in many parts of Wales.

John Ruskin, the leading English art critic of the Victorian era, first encountered musical stones as an eleven year old and when he was older he had his own rock instrument built to amuse visiting children. Many other countries like Japan and Korea also have historical associations with musical stones.

Palm Trees

Dear Sir,

There is an abundance of palm trees on Lanzarote. Are the leaves used by basket weavers?

Sandra Cope

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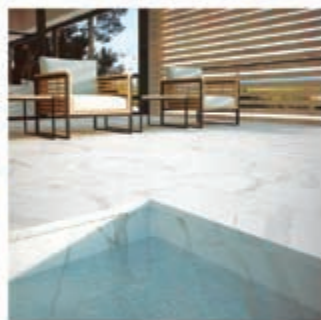
According to ethnologist Mike Eddy, palm is the only material used for basketry on all seven islands. The leaves are used in the making of bags, hats and circular, and the stem of the frond, known as the “pírgano,” when split along its length is used for the principle uprights of larger baskets. Palm provides a steady supply of materials as the old fronds must be cut away every year to keep the tree in good condition. Regular pruning makes sure that the raw material dries white and stays white when smoked in sulphur.

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Dear Sir,

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The rules will fix the legal costs that can be claimed in package holiday sickness claims, closing a loophole which the travel industry believes has helped fuel a rising number of claims. This claims epidemic, the industry fears, is raising the prospect of higher travel costs for British tourists.

The rules will come into effect in the coming weeks - ensuring the curbs will be in place before the next summer holiday season.

Up to now, legal costs in overseas package travel claims have not been controlled, which has meant costs for tour operators can spiral out of all proportion to the damages claimed. This has led many operators to settle holiday sickness claims out of court, rather than challenge them.

Industry experts believe this has been a major factor in a rise in claims which has sparked concerns that Britain's reputation overseas is being damaged and that British tourists will face higher package holiday prices.

Justice Minister Rory Stewart said: "Claiming compensation for being sick on holiday, when you haven't been, is fraud. This damages the travel industry and risks driving up costs for holidaymakers. This behaviour also tarnishes the reputa-



British Ambassador to Spain, Simon Manley

tion of British people abroad. That is why we are introducing measures to crack down on those who engage in this dishonest practice."

Ambassador Simon Manley said: "The issue of fraudulent sickness claims has rightly caused concern in Spain, and has had a serious impact on Spanish hoteliers. These latest measures to control legal costs, announced by the British Government, as well as the steps taken at the end of last summer, show how seriously we take this issue, and underline our determination to clamp down on loopholes and fraudulent claims. Almost 19 million British tourists visited Spain last year and, whilst the vast majority of holiday makers will not make false claims, these steps will help to deter those that might be tempted to do so. As our travel advice says, making a false claim could result in legal proceedings in the UK or in Spain."

According to the travel industry, there has been a substantial increase in claims, which some have estimated to be as high as 500% in recent years.

While uncontrolled costs have discouraged tour operators from challenging claims, they have also emboldened claims management companies to encourage tourists to pursue holiday sickness compensation, with touts reportedly operating in European resorts.

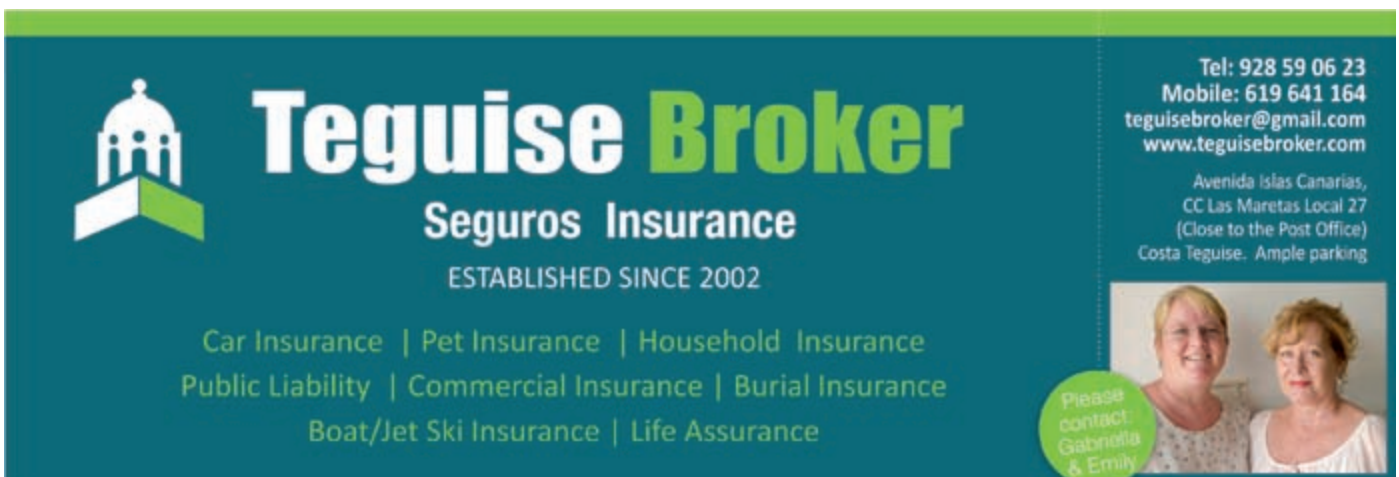
To help tackle this, Ministers asked the Civil Procedure Rule Committee, which is responsible for setting rules on legal costs, to look at bringing package holiday claims within the fixed recoverable costs regime. This would mean tour operators would pay prescribed costs depending on the value of the claim and length of proceedings, making defence costs predictable and assisting tour operators to challenge bogus claims.

The Government is committed to tackling the country's compensation culture, and recently introduced a Civil Liability Bill which includes measures to reduce the unacceptably high number of whiplash claims and allow insurers to cut premiums.

Other reforms include the forthcoming ban on cold calling and tougher regulation of claims management companies.

Since October 2017, four couples were either sentenced or ordered to pay significant legal costs by the court after making false package holiday sickness claims. These cases were private prosecutions brought by tour operators Thomas Cook, TUI and Red Sea Holidays.

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The British Embassy Celebrates the Royal Wedding Garden Party in the Residence of the Ambassador

The British Embassy in Spain joined in the celebration of the Royal wedding between Prince Harry and Ms. Meghan Markle by hosting a party in the residence of the British Ambassador to Spain Simon Manley.

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British Ambassador to Spain Simon Manley



Inspired by the Royal couple's desire for the day to reflect their characters and values, and their invitation to those from around the UK linked to their charitable work, the British embassy has celebrated this wonderful occasion in Madrid together with British citizens and others who have made an outstanding contribution to their local communities from across Spain. The Ambassador acknowledged their invaluable work with the award of a diploma.

"This wonderful event today illustrates the enormous breadth and depth of the contributions made by British people working with our local partners in almost every corner of Spain. For example, we have community groups that work with the elderly and the unwell, the Royal British Legion, church groups, community groups, British schools representing the 55,000 children who study in British schools across Spain, and of course, our local partners, from Town Halls and our Honorary Consuls. It has been an honour to meet such a huge range of inspirational people today, and celebrate this Royal wedding together", HMA Simon Manley said.



Following the presentation of the diplomas, attendees were able to witness the Wedding service, screened live on various TVs through BBC coverage



The Ambassador and his wife Maria Isabel with their youngest daughter Natasha who sang a very emotional version of the National Anthem



The Ambassador joins a group of award recipients



Among those present were British Consul for Southern Spain and the Canary Islands Charmaine Arbouin, Honorary Consul on Lanzarote Sue Thain, Liz and Larry Yaskiel



Managing Director of the British Council in Spain Andy Mackay with Consul Charmaine Arbouin who presented the diplomas, and her daughter Hannah



Cutting the Wedding Cake



A vintage British hand-built Morgan sports car with appropriate number plate was on display in the driveway



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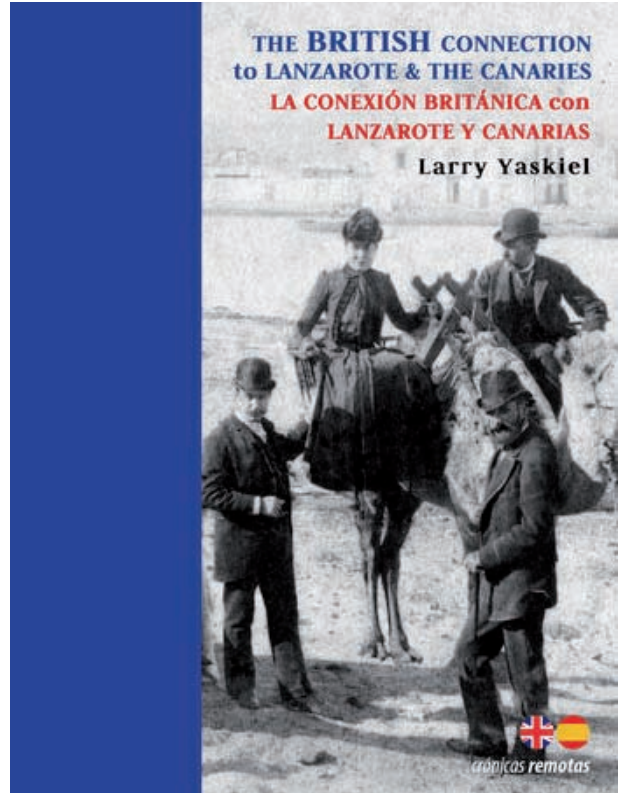


Author Larry Yaskiel flanked by publisher Ruben Acosta and teacher José Juan Romero, who wrote the Spanish translation

In her introductory address, British Vice Consul Esther Martín described the book as an excellent representation of the close cultural and commercial ties between the UK and the Canaries over the past 600 years.

Readers are in for a host of surprises: the drowning of a Pretender to the throne of

England in a barrel of Canary wine; Walter Raleigh's trial for treason at the Tower of London; Benjamin Franklin and the American Revolution; Anglo Canarian P.O.W. at the Bridge on the River Kwai; Agatha Christie's plots; final "incognito" holiday in the lives of three Beatles. See pages 72-73.



The bilingual work was launched during Book Week at the Casa de la Cultura Agustín de la Hoz, Arrecife



British Consul for Southern Spain Charmaine Arbouin and Las Palmas Consul Esther Martín, Cabildo President Pedro San Ginés and Culture Councillor Óscar Pérez with the author

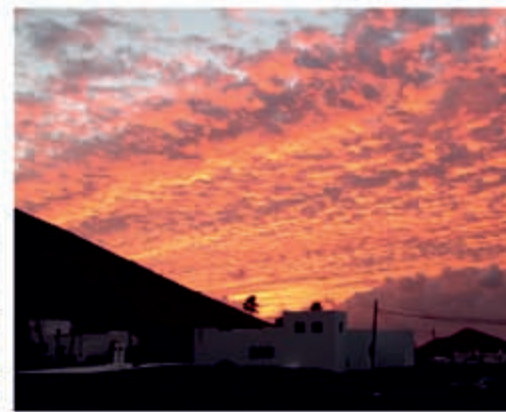


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Tax legislation is complicated and usually varies from year to year, often influenced by trends in the economy or other circumstances. In most countries, Income Tax is the biggest source of revenue for their government and therefore subject to constant changes of the rules. Capital Gains Tax regulation has suffered a lot of changes over the years and this has created quite a bit of confusion amongst the tax-payers, especially when it comes to selling of real estate.

In order to establish the capital gain made in a sale of a property, certain basic rules have to be observed. Please note, that there are a few special rules, which could apply in certain cases, but it would be too extensive to explain them in this article. The basic calculation of capital gain is as follows:

Net sales price – acquisition price = gross capital gain

Definition:

Net sales price: This is the sales price mentioned in the public deed of sale, reduced by costs and taxes related to the sale (i.e. municipal tax “Plus Valía”, sales commission, professional fees (i.e. lawyers, etc.), costs for other documents like energy sufficiency certificate).

Acquisition price: This is the price mentioned in the original deed or purchase, increased by the additional costs (i.e. stamp duty, notary fees, Land Registry fees, lawyer

fees). This applies also, if there is more than one deed (i.e. purchase of land and later declaration of the finished building). Please note, that any improvements made later to the building, like rewiring, new doors or windows, etc. are not deemed as acquisition costs and therefore not taken into consideration.

Gross capital gain: The gain can currently be reduced (with limitations), if the property was purchased before 31.12.1994. However, this reduction might disappear altogether by the end of 2018 with the approval of a new government budget. In all other cases the gross capital gain equals the net capital gain.

Tax rate: Currently the tax rate is 19% on the net capital gain obtained.

Please note, that these rules are applicable to residents and non-residents. However, the times to file the corresponding declarations are different. The residents have to include the capital gain in their annual income tax return, whereas the non-resident have to present the declaration within 4 month from the date of sale.

The 3% tax retention suffered by non-residents at the point of sale will be considered in this tax return as an advance payment towards the full tax amount due.

Finally we want to point out two more important facts related to CGT.

Firstly, the tax authorities were forced to change their position of

recognition of the acquisition price, if this price suffered a revaluation initiated by a public administration. If the purchaser paid the additional tax (stamp duty) according to the valuation, the new established value replaces the purchase price mentioned in the public deed of purchase. The previous stance of the tax authorities was, that the original purchase price had to taken and not the new value established by the valuation. However, the Supreme Court in its sentence from December 21st, 2015 established quite clearly, that any such value established by any public authority has to be considered as the new acquisition value.

Secondly, in order to take advantage of the fact, that capital gain obtained through the sale of the residential property by persons above the age of 65 is exempt from Income Tax, it is necessary to be a fiscal resident in Spain. This means, that complete Income Tax returns have to be filed, in general, for at least 4 years prior to the date of sale and one for the corresponding tax year of the sale. It is important for tax resident foreign pensioners to file tax returns, even should there be no obligation to do so because of their income level. If the tax authorities receive no return, they won't grant this important exemption.

Please contact your tax advisor about this matter, it could save you a lot of money.



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A Brief Guide to Property Purchase



LANCELOT has prepared the following for the benefit of holidaymakers unfamiliar with the language and laws of Spain. It is not, and is not intended as, a substitute to advice from a solicitor and/or an estate agent.

Only buy from the office of an Estate Agent and seek the services of an independent solicitor.

It is not advisable to give anyone a **GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY**. Where necessary, it is prudent to grant a limited power of attorney (only) to an independent solicitor.

Do not believe that you are protected because the conveyance will be notarised, as the Notary presumes that you are acting on the advice of your Lawyer.

When buying property insist on the presence of an impartial sworn translator. By law a Notary can refuse to notarise a deed if the conveyance is not translated into the language of the party(ies) concerned.

Before you purchase make sure the Vendor has paid all back property taxes, *Impuesto sobre bienes inmuebles*, to the local Town Hall, by checking the receipts.

If, by purchasing, you will become a member of an Association of Owners, make sure that the Vendor has paid all his community bills. Also check on the liquidity of the Association itself, and examine their statutes, *estatutos*. Their rules may not permit you to keep your domestic pets.

Before buying land present a written enquiry at the local Town Hall (with a return address on the Island) asking if there is planning permission to build on the site of your choice and if any building restrictions apply there.

Instruct your solicitor to conduct a search at the Property Registry, *Registro de la Propiedad*, immediately before the conveyance and return there as soon as the notarised document can be collected from the Notary.

Make sure that your architect is one of the 24 members of the Canarian College of Architects working on Lanzarote, otherwise you will have to pay a second fee. If in doubt call the Colegio de Arquitectos in Arrecife on 928 800799 or fax: 928 800798. Spanish-speaking.

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Central Southern Route

La Geria

Puerto del Carmen, the island's largest tourist resort, has almost 13 kilometres of beaches and a picturesque fishing harbour in the Old Town. On the main Island highway close to the Puerto del Carmen turn-off, a road opposite leads to ASOMADA. Drive through and turn left at the first T junction until reaching a main road. This is LA GERIA, the wine-growing region of Lanzarote where grapes are cultivated in a manner not used anywhere else in the world. The result is an unforgettable landscape dominated by the sight of thousands of shallow pits stretching as far as the eye can see.

The young vines planted inside are covered with layers of porous black volcanic grains which feed them moisture and protect them



Puerto del Carmen, La Tiñosa Harbour

from the harsh rays of the sun. They are sheltered from the constant Trade Winds by the semi-circular walls of dry volcanic rock above.

Puerto Calero Marina

One of Europe's truly beautiful marinas in a magnificent setting which hosts international re-

gattas. The bustling commercial area is enhanced by an open air Museum of Sculptures located among the landscaped pathways comprising 12 impressive pieces by important artists. Watch out for the Puerto Calero signpost on the main island road between Puerto del Carmen and Yaiza.

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Yaiza and El Golfo

Turn left driving past UGA village until rejoining the Island highway where YAIZA is soon reached. The town square contains several buildings typical of Lanzarote's traditional architecture with the Town Hall at one end and the ancient Los Remedios Church at the other.

To the right a few kilometres along after the town is a sign to CHARCO DE LOS CLICHOS, the GREEN LAGOON, (and neighbouring EL GOLFO village), which is reached after a short ride along a winding picturesque coastal road. A brief stroll round the corner brings us to the GREEN LAGOON. Scientists are not absolutely certain as to the source of its colour, some believe it is caused by algae, others attribute it to the green olivine semi-precious stone, found



El Golfo

in abundance on the Island. (There are several good fish restaurants around the bay at EL GOLFO).

Returning along the coast there is a large parking area to the right. The seas below can frequently be seen battering away at the cliffs trying to force a way through. During the 18th century volcanic eruptions,

lava thrown out by the volcanoes covered a large area of the ocean in this area which it has been attempting to reclaim back ever since.

Yet another pretty scene just a few hundred metres along is presented by the JANUBIO salt ponds. Employing over one hundred workers at the turn of the century to provide sailing ships with salt for keeping food fresh, the salt works gradually fell into decline with the advent of refrigeration.

Playa Blanca Papagayo Beaches

Twenty years ago a tiny fishing village, PLAYA BLANCA on the south coast, is now a flourishing but tranquil resort with a beautiful beach bordered by a picturesque restaurant-lined promenade. The small harbour is used by ferries sai-



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ling to Fuerteventura, the Fred Olsen Express car ferry makes the 20 minute crossing six times daily.

Close by along the headland to the east several paths lead to the magnificent PAPAGAYO BEACHES. Composed of several small bays and coves, many consider these golden sands to be the most beautiful in Spain.

Marina Rubicón

This harbour at Playa Blanca combines the most modern and well-equipped docks for sea-going yachts with the olde-world charm of traditional island architecture housing amenities and facilities on the shoreline including an art gallery. Two new deluxe hotels overlook the marina and the coastal promenade.

The Fire Mountains

Returning north on the main road turn left in YAIZA to MONTAÑAS DEL FUEGO, the FIRE MOUNTAINS, part of TIMANFAYA NATIONAL PARK. This region was devastated by intermittent volcanic eruptions over a six year period, 1730 - 1736. The scenery is both breathtaking and vividly awesome, a few hundred metres to the left a string of camels await passengers for a scenic ride round the rim of a volcano.

The red and white barrier at a toll booth signals arrival at the road which leads to the parking area at Hilario's Plateau.

Here the DIABLO RESTAURANT serves meals from a grill fitted across a natural volcanic chasm, with geothermic heat rising from the bowels of the volcano cooking the food!

A coach fitted with multi-lingual commentary leaves to tour the nearby region of volcanic destruction taking a route offering the clearest indication of what took place here



La Geria is the centre of the wine cultivation region

some two and a half centuries ago. There are stops for photographs and the 45 minute trip is included in the price of the admission fee to the Park. Open daily 09.00 - 17.00 hrs.

Timanfaya Information

On exiting via the barrier turn left and after two kilometres watch out for the Timanfaya Visitors Centre on the left before Mancha Blanca. This is an excellent source of multi-lingual information about the Park and its volcanoes. Admission is free, open 7 days a week 09.00 - 16.45.

Mancha Blanca

Continue towards Mancha Blanca where every Sunday morning a market selling authentic Made in Lanzarote food products as well as Arts & Crafts takes place opposite the church. Or, take the road to Tinajo from the Monumento and watch for the turnoff to Mancha Blanca on your left.

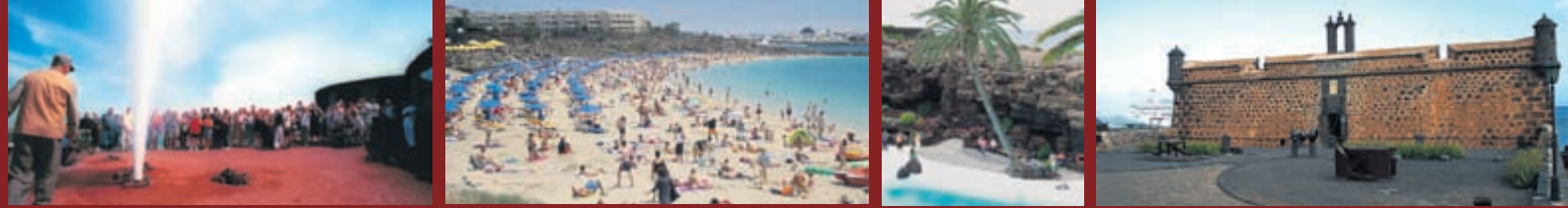
El Monumento

Continue past Mancha Blanca to Tao, turn right until the next roundabout. The MONUMENTO AL CAMPESINO at the right of the road was one of the first creations of the late Cesar Manrique whose intention was to commemorate past generations of Lanzaroteans who stuck to their toil in the fields even after volcanic eruptions had devas-

tated their most fertile land. These hardy early 18th century pioneers invented the irrigation method still in use throughout Lanzarote today. They had noticed that wherever an amount of black volcanic grains known as picon thrown out by the volcano had settled on fertile soil, some type of plant-life eventually emerged from the ground. Soon realising that the grains were porous, farmers began covering their fields with picon. The typical farm house contains a restaurant serving local cuisine. Nearby, the public can watch artisans create traditional arts and crafts which can be purchased in the souvenir shop. Open daily 10.00 - 18.00, restaurant 12.00 - 16.30, bar 10.00 - 17.45.

Wine Region

Turning right one enters Lanzarote's unique wine growing region. Each vine is planted in a deep pit and covered with layers of volcanic cinders, a semi-circular wall above serving as wind protection. The tableau of many hundreds of thousands of such pits is unique in the world. One soon reaches the oldest winery in the Canary Islands, Bodegas El Grifo, which dates back to 1775, and whose very beautiful Wine Museum is open to the public. A sculptured griffon, the vineyard's trademark, stands above the entrance. The museum is located in the



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wine region road San Bartolomé-Masdache and opens daily from 10.30 - 18.00. Guided tours daily at 10.30 from Monday to Friday.

San Bartolomé

A short distance along take the right fork towards San Bartolomé. This is the geographical centre of the island and an important agricultural region where vegetables grow in the sandy 'jable' soil, unique on Lanzarote. Sweet potatoes, water melons and squash are the main crops grown in this region. Buildings of interest in the town itself include the Casa Mayor Guerra, the 18th century home of the former military governor of the island.

Tanit Ethnic Museum

Close to the Town Hall is the Tanit Ethnic Museum which contains a display of the working and cultural life of the island over the past centuries. Open Mon to Sat 10 - 14, closed Sunday.

Cesar Manrique Foundation

On the outskirts of town cross straight over the main Monument-Arrecife road until passing some ruins on a plateau to the left. Continuing downhill round a sweeping curve for a few hundred metres the imposing white gateway of the FUNDACION CESAR MANRIQUE appears on your left with its adjoining spacious parking area. The Foundation is housed in what was originally one of the world's most uniquely beautiful homes built by Cesar Manrique for himself and where he lived for over twenty years. Set in a sea of petrified lava and constructed on two levels by interlinking five volcanic bubbles, this residence has attracted journalists from the world's leading architectural magazines and as a work of art in its own right is certainly worth visiting.

In September 1992 only six mon-

Teguise



ths after the Foundation opened its doors Cesar Manrique was killed a few yards away in a car accident. Without his intuitive genius for enhancing without spoiling nature, Lanzarote would today look just like many other holiday resorts with sunshine and nice beaches. Open Monday to Saturday 10.00 - 18.00 hrs and Sunday 10.00 - 15.00 hrs.

Museo Agrícola El Patio

The buildings and grounds of El Patio Farm Museum represent an authentic and comprehensive reconstruction of traditional Lanzarote folklore and culture including its unique agricultural history. Take the Arrecife-Tahiche main road, turn right at Tiagua and follow the signs. Mon - Fri 10 - 5.30, Sat 10 - 2.30.

Northern Route Teguise

The main road north from Arrecife leads to TEGUISE, the capital of Lanzarote for over 500 years until ceding the title to Arrecife in the middle of the last century. Moorish corsairs attacked this old town many times murdering, pillaging and carrying its inhabitants off into slavery. A small alley at the side of the church in the main square is called Sangre - Blood - on account of Christian blood flowing through the nearby streets on many occasions. Opposi-

te, the SPINOLA PALACE fronted by two stone lions was the home of a wealthy 19th century merchant family which has been restored and is open to the public. Every Sunday and Public Holiday a market is held in and around the square.

The resort of Costa Teguise has five beaches the largest of which is Playa de las Cucharas.

Piracy Museum Santa Bárbara Castle

Standing on Mount Guanapay overlooking Teguise is strategically placed to overlook the coastline on both sides of the Island and was originally built to warn the Island capital below if pirates were sighted.

A Piracy Museum is located in the medieval fortress with a wonderful array of interactive screens, panels and information boards with the names and histories of some of the most famous names of pirates and privateers in maritime history. British and North African buccanniers prowled the waters of the Canaries in search of booty as well as attacking individual islands such as Lanzarote which suffered a series of devastating raids from the 16th until the 18th centuries.

The Pirates Museum open Monday to Friday 9.00 - 16.00 Sunday and Public Holidays 10.00 - 16.00. Closed Saturday.





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Timble Music Museum Palacio Spinola, Teguise

This museum in the beautiful interior of the 19th century Spinola Palace is dedicated to the “timble” miniature guitar whose strident tones are known as the “The Sound of the Canary Islands.” A timble is an integral part of every folklore group and the museum traces its evolution on the island since the start of the last century. Fifty-five instruments from all over world are on display, all of which create a similar sound to the “timble”, the most well known of these is the Hawaiian ukulele. Open Monday to Friday 9.00 - 16.00 . Sunday and Public Holidays 9.00 - 15.00. Closed Saturday.

Haria

The road north passes Los Valles an important agricultural village continuing past several laybys offering commanding views across to the opposite coast. Rounding some sharp curves cut through the cliffs the road descends to HARIA, nestling peacefully in the Valley of 10,000 Palms. Reminiscent of a North African oasis the town was a spa for wealthy Canarians in the past. The Artesanal Market every Saturday 10.00 – 14.30 is rated 5 Stars by Trip Advisor; Arts & Crafts Workshop Mon-Sat 10-14.00.

Manrique House Museum

Follow the signs to the House Museum of César Manrique in Haria. It was the artist’s second home where he spent the last few years of his life having converted his original residence into the Foundation at Tahiche which bears his name. Everything has been left in the original state it was in when he died. Open 7 days a week, but advance purchase of tickets is recommended due to limited capacity.



Mirador del Río

Continuing northward past Maguez village a road towards the clifftop leads to Guinate Tropical Park. A short drive on the main road and you arrive at MIRADOR DEL RIO, a belvedere with breathtaking views of the straights below and islands out to sea. Open daily 10.00 - 18.00 hrs.

The Green Caves

The route continues downhill towards the GREEN CAVES, (open daily 10.00 - 18.00 hrs.), on the opposite coast over a region known as Malpais de la Corona, ‘badlands’ caused by the eruption of nearby Monte Corona. During an eruption whilst debris is shot out skywards, volcanoes also often break out below ground, a molten lava stream forging a tunnel. One such volcanic tunnel, the Atlantida, is below the earth’s surface at this point which at 7 1/2 kilometres is the longest in the world.

Jameos del Agua

This large grotto harbouring an underground lake forms the last section of the Atlantida Tunnel and came into being when the molten lava stream met the cooler waters of the nearby Atlantic Ocean. An amenity not to be missed in this wonder of nature embellished by Cesar Manrique, is the underground

concert hall located in a massive volcanic cavern. Open daily 11.00 - 19.00 hrs. and Tuesday, Friday and Saturday nights, 19.00 - 03.00 hrs.

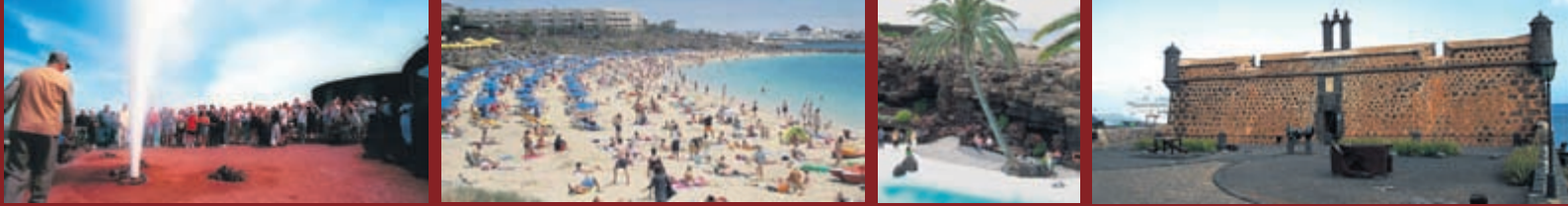
The Cactus Garden

The route south passes through several villages until reaching an area where the fields are all planted with cacti. Known as the ‘tunera’ cactus it attracts the female cochineal beetle from which carmine dye is extracted. Dusty white patches on the leaf indicate a colony of this parasite and if crushed turn to bright crimson. Guatiza village is the centre of this cactus crop and is the home of JARDIN DE CACTUS - the CACTUS GARDEN - the seventh and last of the Tourist Centres, which opened in March 1990. Open daily 10.00 - 18.00 hrs.

Arrecife

Continuing south the road leads past a white stone gateway leading to Costa Teguis, one of the three major tourist resorts on Lanzarote. Arriving at the capital ARRECIFE, home to half of the 70,000 inhabitants of Lanzarote, whose tree-lined promenades and SAN GINES Lagoon are beautifully landscaped. A colourful street market takes place on the promenade every Wednesday selling traditional island arts and crafts among other items.

The main shopping area is in and around Calle Leon y Castillo



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which has a drawbridge at one end leading to SAN GABRIEL Castle, the Arrecife History Museum. A drive around the NAOS fishing harbour past some abandoned windmills leads to another medieval fort, CASTILLO SAN JOSE, whose 18th century interior was converted by Cesar Manrique in 1974 to house the International Museum of Contemporary Art. Open daily 11.00 - 21.00 hrs. On the lower floor an excellent restaurant with panoramic views out to sea. Open daily 10.00 - 01.00 hrs

Marina Lanzarote

Just a short walk from the town centre along the seafront leads to the shops and restaurants of the luxury Marina Lanzarote, newly-opened in October 2014. A first class selection of shops and boutiques overlooking



Castillo San José

the colourful tableau of transatlantic yachts bobbing at their moorings await the visitors as well as dining facilities to suit every taste and every pocket, offering everything from local and international cuisine to smart snack bars and cafeterias.

La Graciosa & Fuerteventura Car Ferry Service

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frequent sailings from Orzola Harbour to La Graciosa as well as excursions from Puerto del Carmen. Other services include: Water-taxi Puerto del Carmen-Puerto Calero and Water-bus Playa-Blanca- Marina Rubicón-Papagayo. Departure and arrival times are convenient for tourists wishing to spend a whole or half day on Lanzarote's sister isle.

The neighbouring island of Fuerteventura is only 12 minutes away by Fred Olsen and Naviera Armas car ferry with frequent crossings from Playa Blanca to Corralejo.

Golf - Theme Park

The island has two 18 hole par 72 golf clubs at Puerto del Carmen and Costa Teguisse as well as Rancho Texas animal theme park at Puerto del Carmen.

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Canary Island Descendents wearing traditional clothing carry banners with the names and island of birth of their ancestors

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Canarian Delegation Welcomed to San Antonio



Mayor Ron Nirenberg (holding Lancelot) with Canary Government Economy and Industry Councillor Pedro Ortega in representation of President Fernando Clavijo, Lanzarote Cabildo President Pedro San Ginés, Culture Councillor Oscar Pérez, Canarian Foreign Affairs Carlos Padilla and the Mayors of Las Palmas and Santa Cruz, Augusto Hidalgo and J. Manuel Bermudez

Mayor Ron Nirenberg welcomed his visitors at the historic Spanish Governor's Palace by saying, "It's incredibly important for a city like San Antonio that has such a rich and diverse heritage that we not only celebrate our future and enjoy what we have become, but also remember where we came from and so the visit from the delegation from the Canary Islands is a huge part of that. It really kicks off that aspect of our Tricentennial."



Mayor Nirenberg and President San Gines exchange gifts



Mari Tamez with Canarian Councillor Pedro Ortega

A warm welcome and generous hospitality was provided by San Antonio Mayor Ron Nirenberg and his Council, Vice President Friends of Spain Dr Alfonso and President of the Canary Islands Descendants Association headed by President Mari Tamez. The guests were escorted on guided tours of the Spanish Governor's Palace, the World Heritage Missions, the Alamo and by barge along the world famous River Walk.

A major presentation of the Birth of San Antonio at Plaza de Las Islas in front of San Fernando Cathedral reflected the rich history of the city's beginnings through music, dance and drama and a procession of the original inhabitants headed

by Native Americans, Spanish Presidio Soldiers, Spanish Friars and the Canary Islanders.

The Canary Islands Descendants Association, CIDA, hosted a Founders Day Luncheon at the Frost Building celebrating the arrival of their ancestors on 9 March 1730. During the proceedings, babies as young as eleven months of age were enrolled as members. This was followed by a Mass at San Fernando Cathedral officiated over by Father Victor Valdez where among the worshippers were Canary Island Descendants wearing their traditional costumes and bearing the flags of the individual islands of their ancestors.



Spanish Governor's Palace, originally built in 1722

Bronze Sculptures Honouring the Founding Communities



Dr Alfonso Chiscano at the site of the future Memorial, now the County Courthouse and the original home of Juan Leal Goraz, the first mayor of San Antonio in the year 1731

On the initiative of the President of the Canary Island Descendents Mari Tamez and the President of the Friends of Spain, Dr Alfonso Chiscano, a highly impressive monument consisting of five bronze figures is being sculpted as a permanent memorial to the contribution of the founding communities of San Antonio.



Template of the bronze statues by Armando Hinojosa, to be installed by the end of the year. Below, three of the five life-sized characters modelling in period costumes



“Canary Islands in the XXI Century” Symposium

The conference at UTSA covered history, investment and tourism in the Canaries and San Antonio as well as the screening of “Texas Before the Alamo,” a documentary by Bill Millet, with the cooperation of Dr Alfonso Chiscano and Professor Félix Almaráz



Dr Félix Almaraz, Emeritus Professor of History, UTSA, who will speak at the 600 Years Tegwise history cycle of lectures



Spanish Consul General Enric Panés together with Canarian Economy Counsellor Pedro Ortega who spoke on investment in the Canary Islands



Dr Chiscano with key speakers: Vice Presidents of International Relations at La Laguna and Las Palmas Universities, Carmen Rubio and Richard Clouet, Dr Les E. Shephard, UTSA and Eric Lopez, A&M University



Dr Chiscano has also sponsored an English translation of the book Crónicas Canarias en Texas by Armando Curbe-lo Fuentes

“The Birth of San Antonio ” Reliving the City’s Origins Canarians - Spanish Soldiers - Native Americans



Canarian Descendents outside San Fernando Cathedral wearing the traditional costumes of their ancestors



Descendents of the soldiers who protected the settlers



Descendents with Dr Chiscano at Mass in San Fernando Cathedral built by Canary Islanders in 1738



Native American Descendents in traditional dress and face paint





Lanzarote Cabildo President Heartily Embraced by Canarian Descendents

During his speech President Pedro San Ginés presented Liz and Larry Yaskiel with the Cabildo Insignia, saying that they had, on their own initiative, established a warm relationship between the Descendents and the people of Lanzarote over the past two decades in conjunction with their good friend Dr Alfonso Chiscano, for the benefit of the whole population of the Island.



Mayor Ron Nirenberg reads the report in Lancelot of the city's tri-centenary celebration, in the company of the Canarian delegation and the editors of the magazine



Mari Tamez, President of the Canary Island Descendents Association who first visited Lanzarote in 2002





Paul Casanova Garcia, descendent of José Antonio Perez, proposes to his fiancée Jo Ann Tripis, outside the cathedral during the Centennial celebration




San Antonio Sheriff Javier Salazar, who is highly popular among the population, joins the Cabildo President and the Culture Councillor



Mari Tamez and Pedro San Gines warmly welcome Audrey Garcia, descended from the Granado and Robayna Betencort families, as the youngest member of the Association

Forgotten Chapters of the American Revolution by author and historian Ruben M. Pérez, details the contribution of Canary descendents to the American War of Independence. They sent 2,000 volunteers to Louisiana as settlers, militiamen or soldiers and provided a large volume of cattle from their ranches to help feed the army. Ruben was awarded the Texas State Genealogical Society book award and received the San Antonio Conservation Society's 2015 citation. His sister, Dorothy, sent a signed copy of the work to Teguisé Town historian, Francisco Hernández Delgado for the municipal library.




Mayor Ron Nirenberg hosted a luncheon for his guests at Mi Tierra Restaurant, a world famous landmark which opened in 1941. Oscar Pérez is seen with the mariachi musicians



Dr Chiscano with Susy Matheu and historian Jesse O. Villareal



President Grand Canary Chamber of Commerce, José Sanchez and President Port Commission José Mayor with the Ceremonial Guard at the Spanish Governor's Palace



Canarian Economy Councillor Pedro Ortega during a visit to the Missions, a Declared World Heritage site

One of the most significant accomplishments of the Canarian Descendants was their construction of a complex and expansive irrigation system with skills they had brought with them from their native Isles. Known as *acequias*, they comprised dams, gates and irrigation canals which enabled the five missions to thrive and were declared a World Heritage Site by the UN in 2015.

Many thanks for the hospitality and kind help we received throughout our visit to San Antonio, 24/7. City Hall Diplomacy and Protocol Officer Sherry Dowlatshahi and her colleagues, Colleen Swain, Martha Henry, Ian Cruz with photographers Fred González and Justin Leal. A special thank you to Henry A. Garcia Jnr, a Descendent of Juan Curbelo of Lanzarote, for such a warm welcome at San Antonio Airport.

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CABILDO DE LANZAROTE

*Because of its
importance as a
harbour, Arrecife
was named the
island capital in
1853*



Puerto Naos

Historic Home of the Lanzarote Fishing Fleet

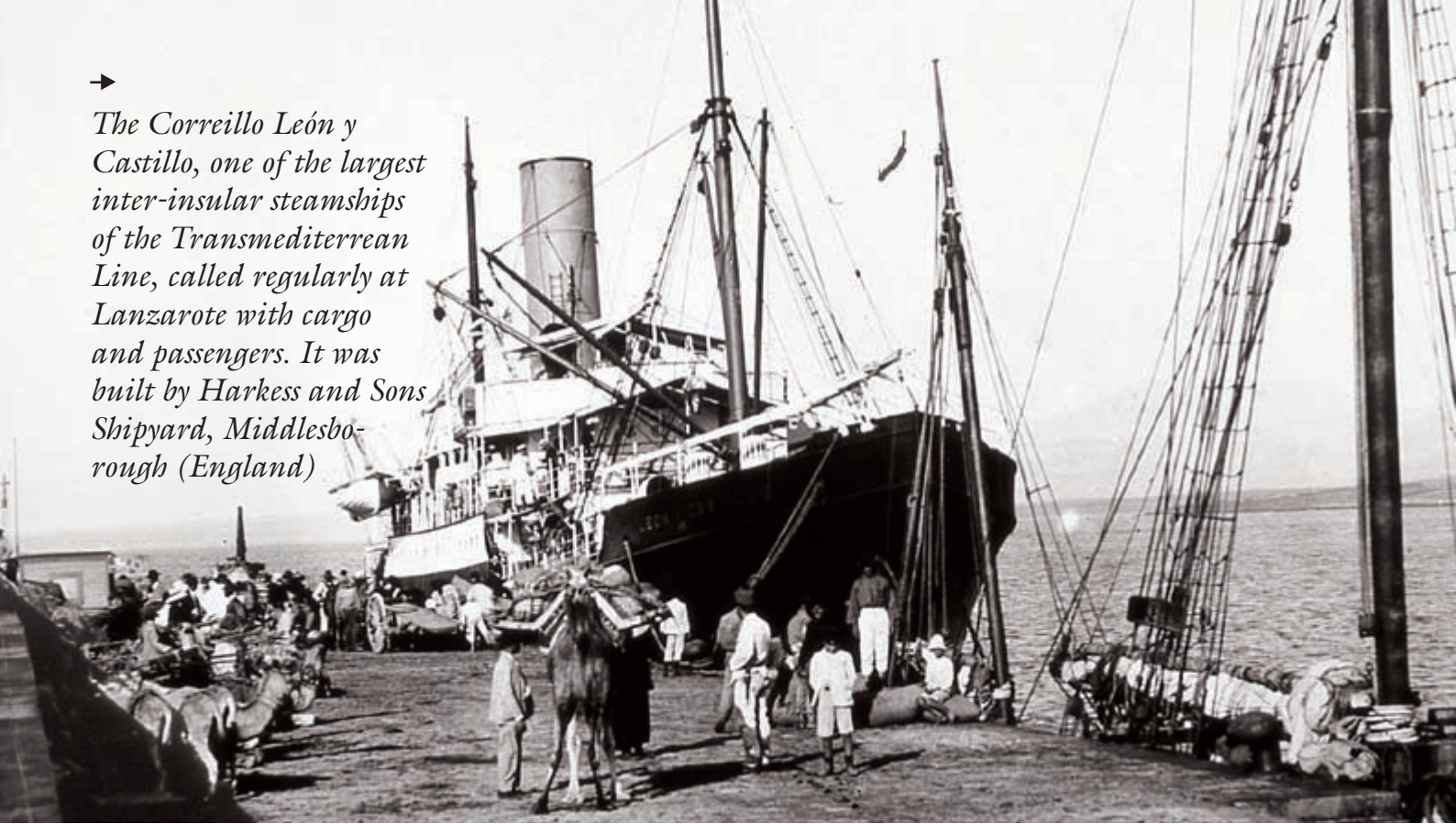
by Larry Yaskiel – Includes extracts of conversations
with the late Hermenegildo Duarte

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The Correillo León y Castillo, one of the largest inter-insular steamships of the Transmediterranean Line, called regularly at Lanzarote with cargo and passengers. It was built by Harkess and Sons Shipyard, Middlesbrough (England)



First Ships Chandlers

Hermenegildo Duarte, the father of the co-author of this article, opened the island's very first ships chandlers at Puerto Naos in 1946 in partnership with Antonio Armas, located on an unpaved road running through the docklands area of Arrecife. There were only a few other scattered one-storey buildings in the street, all were commercial premises. A sawmill stood at the furthest corner because all wood for the island arrived by ship in the form of logs. On the opposite side was a seaman's bar called Las Troncas, the Spanish word for logs, which is still open as a restaurant over seventy years later.

The parallel road running along the waterfront was built on land reclaimed from the sea at the end of the 1950s. An abandoned windmill sail standing diagonally across the road marked the location of a vast underground water storage tank which served the whole area and also supplied ships with fresh water until five years later when the island's first desalination plant opened.

At that time, there were acute



Islanders at a public gathering in the early 20th century

shortages of practically every kind of product, not only on Lanzarote, but throughout the Canary Islands as a result of nine years of conflict. During the three years of the Spanish Civil War, 1936-1939, hardly anything was manufactured on the Spanish mainland and very little of what was made reached Canary Islands. In addition, during hostilities, the Canarian Archipelago suffered long periods of naval blockades.

Just a few months after the conflict ended, the Second World War broke out and the strategic importance of the Canarian Archipelago meant that once again there was no access to the harbours as the be-

ligerents sought to prevent each other building a military base from which to control the vital sea lanes between Europe and America.

The only way to obtain even the most basic supplies for hardware stores on Lanzarote was from Las Palmas where merchant ships, mostly British, aware of the scarcity, delivered consignments of nails, rope, yarn, sheets of copper, paint, varnish etc. When they couldn't get supplies my father would have to make his own rope using rough silk or yarn or by unravelling lengths of old rope.

During the first years the store was open it only stocked nautical items



The entrance to the Puerto Naos road in which Hermenegildo Duarte opened his ships chandlery in 1941 and which is still located there. Photo courtesy Pedro Duarte

for fishermen and sailing boats and went on to supply engine-powered commercial shipping with parts and accessories and later on we added the requirements of leisure craft.

In 1968 my father died and as his partner wanted to devote himself to other maritime interests he sold us his share of the ships chandlery which has remained in the sole possession of our family ever since. Over the twenty-two years of the partnership everything was based on a handshake, there was never a legal document and never a disagreement. That was how business was conducted in those days.

Armas Ferries

In 1941, Hermenegildo Duarte owned a trawler in partnership with Antonio Armas Curbelo and they came up with the idea of accompanying the fishermen to the coast of Africa with the hold of their boat filled with salt to keep the fleet's fish fresh. This meant that the other fishing vessels were not forced to return to Arrecife when their holds were full and return again to the fishing grounds, a process which could take up to a week. (The partners' vessel served as a floating refrigerator before refrigeration was introduced.) This endeavour may

have planted the seeds for the creation of Armas Ferries by Antonio Armas, (after the partners had gone their separate ways), which developed into one of the largest shipping lines in Spain.

Arrecife's Harbours

Due to its location on the seashore and boasting the only natural harbour in the Canary Islands, Arrecife became the capital of Lanzarote in 1852. Before Los Marmoles became the island's busiest port in 1958, two smaller commercial docks were in use. The first was Muelle de Arrecife which also bore the title Muelle de las Cebollas, or, Onion Docks as at that time this vegetable was Lanzarote's most important export by far. It stood on land reclaimed from the sea where Islas Canarias Park is now located.

The second harbour, Muelle Comercial was located close to San Gabriel Castle and Las Bolas Bridge. All exports and imports were transported via these two quays. Liners dropped anchor a short distance from Muelle Comercial, and passengers were ferried ashore at La Pescaderia jetty between Arrecife Yacht Club and the Red Cross building,





Lanzarote trawlers landed the largest sardine catch in the whole of Spain to satisfy the demand of the seven canning factories located in the island capital

later a Parador hotel where author Olivia Stone stayed in 1884.

She wrote in her book, *Tenerife and Her Six Satellites*, (London 1887), 'I travelled to Teguiise where I was shown a huge underground water storage cistern at the foot of Santa Barbara Castle called Las Maretas which filled up with rainwater flowing down from the top in channels carved into the hillside. The locals told me that during the frequent droughts the island suffered for up to three years at a time this was the only source of fresh water for the whole island. Known as Las Maretas, everyone on the island was welcome to collect drinking water from the reservoir except for the citizens of Arrecife. The reason being that Teguiise had been the island capital for over four hundred years until the title was transferred to Arrecife some thirty years ago and the locals were still very angry about it! The reason for the change that the port of Arrecife had assumed major importance for the island with the growth in the volume of maritime trade.'

African Coast

In the old days the small boats of Arrecife's fishing fleet would set sail for the African coast in February not to return until the Fiesta of San Ginés in August. Their fishing grounds were along the coasts of Morocco and Mauretania and further south searching for sardines and corvina.



The Recova was the capital's original public market which is still preserved at the rear of the Ayuntamiento and is sometimes used for concerts



Scene of the original fishmongers shop opposite the Delegación del Gobierno with fishermen unloading their catch on the quay. Many years later it moved to premises close to the Ayuntamiento. The transition from the age of the sail to the motor, which came in gradually over the first 30 or forty years of the 20th century, is clearly illustrated by the photo of Arrecife harbour at that time



Named Muelle de las Cebollas (Onion Harbour). Due to the huge volume of vegetables exported from the Canaries to England, a quay at London Docks was named Canary Wharf



Women drying the fish



Salt works on the shorefront close to San José Castle

Over the six months at sea the fishermen worked under a blazing sun, their only food was ship's biscuits, fish and a minimum of water.

After returning home they spent a month or two repairing and painting their boats before setting out again to search for tuna. Traditionally, they raced to be the first to reach the fishing grounds and to be the first to reach the home port again on the return. Sailors are known for their love of a drink or two and the Lanzarote fishermen came up with the idea of forming a group of singers to entertain the crowds at the San Ginés Fiesta and the Carnival. Known as Parranda de los Buches, "The Band of Bellies" because they playfully tap people on the back at fiestas with inflated shark's bellies.

Before the advent of tourism when the island economy depended on fishing and agriculture, the fleet was the seventh largest in Spain with the highest catch of sardines,



Parranda de los Buches folklore group was founded in the early 1960s and is still very active. The members carry inflated sharks' stomachs with which they harmlessly hit all and sundry during the Carnival and fiestas

followed by tuna and corvina. In its heyday Lanzarote's commercial fishing industry supported more than 1,000 fishermen with several hundred more working on shore in auxiliary trades. Many worked at salt works consisting of shallow artificial ponds designed to extract salt from the sea with the water drawn out through natural evaporation

allowing the salt to be subsequently harvested. One of these, now abandoned, still stands on a large area of the Arrecife shoreline leading to the Castillo de San José. Originally there were four large canning factories in Arrecife each employing 200 hundred people. However the figures gradually shrunk and by the late 1980s all the factories had closed. ➤



Dr Manuel Maymar

The video consulting service of Hospiten Lanzarote is consolidated after 5 years since its launch

This tool contributes to the reduction of hospital admissions and the complications of certain diseases

Hospiten Lanzarote consolidates its clinical video consultation service five years after it was launched, a period in which it has provided medical assistance to patients from the specialties of gynecology and internal medicine.

The Hospiten Group has been a pioneer in the Canary Islands in promoting and consolidating the use of technologies linked to telemedicine. Professor Manuel Maynar, head of the Endoluminal Endovascular Diagnostics and Therapeutics Service at Hospiten and promoter of its clinical video consultation service, states that “this service has meant an improvement in the quality of care provided by the hospital, to the extent that it facilitates the care of patients who, do not have to move to make the consultation”. In addition, thanks to Professor Maynar, it has been possible to contribute to the reduction of hospital admissions since it allows patients to be attended with enough time to be able to avoid complications of certain diseases,” he adds.

This tool, which allows more direct, personalized and fluid contact with the patient, also provides



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real-time access to specialists located in other places. It also allows better monitoring of the medical process in certain people who, due to difficulties with mobility, cannot travel to the medical center with frequency.

In this regard, Professor Manuel Maynar explains that “the technology applicable to telemedicine plays a key role in reinforcing the models of care for chronic patients, as well as allowing us to increase self-care. The aim is to adapt to the real needs of patients and favor better care without displacement “.

Among the objectives that make up the Hospiten strategy is the commitment to innovation, the commitment to being at the forefront of medical advances and striving to offer an accessible and optimal health service.

In fact, in 1988, Professor May-

nar initiated the use of technology in education and for the assessment of clinical surgical cases using cameras in the operating room for external transmission. And, since 1994, through the Hispasat satellite to more than 300 Ibero-American universities.

In this sense, the impetus to the video consultation service in Lanzarote aims to enable professionals to exchange information for the purpose of making diagnoses, choosing treatments and preventing diseases and to develop research and evaluation activities, in order to improve health.

The Hospiten Group is an international healthcare network committed to providing a service of the highest quality, with almost 50 years of experience, which has twenty private medical-hospital centers in Spain, the Dominican Republic, Mexico, Jamaica and Panama, and more than one hundred ambulatory, own and associated medical centers under the Clinic Assist brand. The Group is chaired by Dr. Pedro Luis Cobiella and attends more than 1,700,000 patients from around the world a year, and employs more than 5,000 people.



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Eating out on Lanzarote

Amura Puerto Calero

Located in a wonderful setting with a spacious terrace bordering the marina, Maitre d' Maxi Vidal of this Michelin Bib Gourmand restaurant offers the daily specials innovative cuisine whose cooking style is based on a fusion of Mediterranean dishes, top quality and a healthy diet. Recommendations include: classic Amura avocado tartar with sauteed prawns, apple ice cream and lime juice; lobster salad, tomato and ginger chutney, yoghurt and mango; seafood paella; centre of beef sirloin with foie gras, spicy sweet wine sauce, laminated potatoes and vegetables; boneless lamb in its juice, smoked cheese puree and vegetables; duck breast, pineapple sauce and ginger; Iberian pork sirloin "Joselito," comfit potato; cod loin, vegetable ratatouille, pil pil and Iberian ham; grouper, local



yellow sweet potatoes, carrot and coconut sauce. Private banqueting suites for weddings. Over the past year Amura was the venue for 60 international weddings receptions the majority of which were British or Irish. Open daily 13.00 – 23.00 hrs. Tapas from 13.00 - 19.00. Closed Monday.

Jameos del Agua Restaurant

The restaurant at Jameos del Agua has to be considered among one of the most beautiful dining facilities in a natural setting anywhere in the world. It is located in the last section of the world's longest volcanic tunnel known as the Atlantida, which measures 7.5 kilometres before continuing on the ocean bed for a further 1,500 metres. Diners overlook the underground lake which is famous as the habitat of the blind albino crab, normally only encountered in the depths of the oceans. Hollywood star Rita Hayworth made a film on Lanzarote in 1978 which coincided with the opening of this tourist centre created by César Manrique, which she described to the international press as "the eighth wonder of the world." The restaurant opens daily from 11 to 16.30 hrs, tapas served from 10.00. Dining Saturday night from 19.00 – 22.00.

El Diablo Restaurant

A once-in-a-lifetime eating experience awaits guests at the El Diablo Restaurant in the Fire Mountains. Food is cooked on a grill heated by geothermal heat emerging from a volcanic chasm below in the bowels of the earth. The temperature inside the mountain at this point is 500° C and even a few inches below the surface it is 100° as can be seen in two displays by park rangers. Before or after your meal be sure to go on the guided tour of the Volcanic Route on coaches equipped with multi-lingual commentaries. The tour is included in the admission price paid at the park entrance.

Qué Muac Castillo de San José

The menu at the restaurant at the 18th century Castillo de San José has undergone an artistic facelift which combines modern day and traditional dining. Besides the international, Spanish and Canarian main dishes, exotic desserts and a comprehensive wine menu, an entirely new concept is represented by a rich variety of 24 present-day tapas served in avant garde style. Another innovation is musical evenings on Fridays and Saturdays from 9.30-1.00, accompanied by gastronomic delights. All to be enjoyed in an 18th century

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Pizzeria Capri

Opened by owner Toni Garcia Martín in 1985, this is one of the truly pioneering restaurants of Puerto del Carmen which has operated since tourism began in the resort. Family-run with 23 tables and a staff of 18, the standards of excellence in food, professional and friendly service as well as good value for money have never changed suiting every taste and every pocket. There is a comprehensive variety of local and international dishes besides pizza choices which include vegan and vegetarian. Toni points out that Pizzeria Capri cooks its pizzas slowly using only fresh natural products. Ingredients include wholemeal flour, mineral water and

extra virgin olive oil without the use of pork fat, which results in a lighter and more digestible meal. Among other specialities on the 99-dish menu are aubergine, almond croquettes made with Canary palm honey.

Half-size portions for kids and the elderly. Also, shared portions of pizza, lasagne and croquettes. The tables are laid out in the restaurant in a certain manner to give clients an ambience of comfort and privacy wherever you sit, and you feel as if you were eating a home-cooked meal in your own house. Highly popular with both tourists and residents. Open daily from 11.30 to 1 am.

Casa-Museo al Campesino

The House-Museum of the Rural Worker at Mozaga is most certainly the most authentic of the Island's restaurants to enjoy traditional Lanzaro-



te food. The buildings and patios are in the style of the typical farm houses of old even down to the spacious catchment areas for rain. The food is on display in a glass cabinet offering both hot and cold dishes. There is also a good selection of local wines and cheeses. The restaurant is beside the Monument at the junction of the Arrecife-Tinajo and Uga-Teguise roads. Snacks and hot or cold drinks are also served throughout the day.

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Agreement with TUI - Top German Tour Operator Lanzarote Spel Signs Contract with RTK's 2,500 Travel Agencies

*Lanzarote – Truly Unique Tourist Destination at ITB
Spain's Tourism Minister Visits the Island's Exhibit*



Photos Nacho González

The Spanish Government's Tourist Minister Álvaro Nadal and Secretary of State Matilde Asien was received at the stand by Canarian Tourism Councillor Isaac Castellano and Cabildo Councillor for Tourist Promotion Angel Vázquez who said that we must send a message to tourists on how Lanzarote offers a unique experience unavailable at any other holiday resort.



All the members of the Lanzarote contingent

3 Days - 20 Meetings

Lanzarote Tourism promotion staff under Councillor Ángel Vázquez attended some 20 meetings over the three day event with major companies which included Small Planet - Eurowings - Thomas Cook - Invia on-line - Alltours - Touristic Aktuell - TUI Germany, TUI Holland, RTK, Holidaycheck.com, easyjet and jet2.com. Germania now flies from Dresden, Bremen, Munster, Nuremberg and Berlin, replacing the

passenger capacity lost when Air Berlin and Niki Air ceased operations.

Spel Managing Director Héctor Fernández pointed out that despite on-line bookings, 80% of all German holidaymakers to the island make their reservations through travel agencies. They ammet with Arturo Ortiz and Denis Rodriguez of the Spanish National Tourist Offices in Germany who coordinate campaigns throughout the year in the major German cities. Also, AHM PR

Marketing and Public Relations who have been presenting the image of Lanzarote as a unique destination in cooperation with Tourism Lanzarote for the past decade. Another major partner is Schauinsland Travel Agents who purchased the Kon Tiki complex on Puerto del Carmen, Beach Avenue, the most densely tourist-populated tourist area on the island.

Councillor Vazquéz: "the island has almost reached its peak as far as occupation is concerned our



Senior regional and insular officials join Canarian Tourism Councillor Isaac Castellano at the Lanzarote stand, (L-R) Héctor Fernández, Candalaria Umpierrez, Angel Vazquez, Amado Vizcaino and Maria Mendez

aim must now be to attract quality tourists who spend well when they feel they are getting good value for their money. The leaders in this field are visitors from Germany who spend more money per day on average during their vacation than any other nationality.”

UK Holidaymakers Report

For more than three decades the UK has been the source of the highest percentage of holidaymakers to the Canaries by far. According to new report released by Travel Republic, British travellers like to play it safe when it comes to booking their holidays. Their research highlighted that 60% of Brits going abroad opt for safety and familiarity. The security of a resort determines whether holidaymakers are likely to venture out of their comfort zones more than any other feature.



Twenty-two students from the Lanzarote University for Tourism at Tahiche accompanied the Spel Tourism Executive to the ITB in Berlin as an introduction into the workings of the international market. Cabildo Councillor Ángel Vázquez said that the pupils, who represented the next generation of tourist professionals on Lanzarote, had an opportunity to observe the promotion of the outstanding features of the island as a unique destination among so many other resorts throughout the world.



Cicar Commercial Director Ramón Valiente welcomes Canarian Tourism officials to the company stand: Isaac Castellano, Cristobal de la Rosa, Candalaria Umpierrez and Maria Méndez . Founded in Lanzarote in 1967 by the late Mamerto Cabrera Medina and now under the management of his son and namesake, the firm has a fleet of 10,000 vehicles and offices on all seven Canary Islands. Each car is equipped with multi-lingual audio-guides as well as local street maps.



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Reports from the Canarian Government

Prime Ministers Macron, Rajoy and Costa attend Outer Regions Summit under Presidency of Clavijo



Canarian President Fernando Clavijo

Integral Part of the EU

The EU's Outermost Regions (ORs) are and will remain an integral part of the Union. Yet specific situations require specific measures, and Fernando Clavijo, praised the EU institution's recent commitment to strengthen their partnerships with the ORs, taking into account their reality, their situation, concerns and opinions through ongoing dialogue to provide a response to the expectations of European citizens in these regions.

Yet the ORs also symbolize an opportunity for Europe in many issues like maritime façade, biodiversity, cultural heritage and geopolitical influence, and also in terms of jobs and growth, says Clavijo, whether it is in the form of a blue economy, an EU initiative on clean energy or renewable energies with marine energy remaining insufficiently developed so far. He emphasized that the Regions must be able to enjoy a genuine equality of opportunities for its citizens within the EU with a common agricultural and fishing policy. He concluded his address by inviting the three powers to attend the next conference planned for the 22 November on Lanzarote.



President of the Canary Islands Government, Fernando Clavijo, presides over the heads of the Nine Outermost Regions, (ORs), of the European Commission until the end of 2018. Addressing his first summit, attended by Spanish Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy, France's President Emmanuel Macron and Prime Minister of Portugal Antonio Costa, President Clavijo said he was aware that Canarias was assuming the presidency "at a strategic moment" and presented the work program of his mandate, which highlights the defense of the Outermost Regions in the next financial framework and in the legislative proposals of the European Union for the period after 2020.





President Fernando Clavijo and his Economy and Industry Councillor Pedro Ortega during their discussions with British investors about the excellent tax incentives in the Canarian ZEC area during a visit to the London Stock Exchange



King Felipe with Fernando Clavijo and Carlos Alonso at the Fundación Princess Girona Business Awards in Tenerife

75% Air Travel Subsidy for Canary and Balearic Islands Residents on Verge of Approval by Spanish Government

Canary Islands President Fernando Clavijo and his Balearic counterpart Francina Armengol joined forces to petition Madrid to increase subsidies for residents flying to mainland Spain from 50% to 75%. The Government expressed their willingness to approve the increase but the final decision is dependent on parliament's acceptance of the annual budget proposals.

The reasoning for the travel discount is that tax revenue from Canary and Balearic Islanders contributes towards financing the annual deficit of the Renfe Spanish Railways, even though no trains run in the islands.

Effects of Brexit

They are also calling for funds to finance tourist campaigns in the UK to alleviate the negative effects of Brexit and agreed a common policy on the financing of tourist infrastructure and the introduction of state-of-the-art technical innovations at their resorts.





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Reports from the Canarian Government

12 of 16 Million Tourists are on Repeat Holidays “Notwinter Games” in Major European Markets



Canarian Government Councillor for Tourism, Culture and Sport Isaac Castellano, told a commission of the Canarian Parliament that 12 of the 16 Million Tourists Visiting the Canary Islands each Year are on Repeat Holidays and “all our promotion is based on this evaluation.”

The Canarian Government Notwinter Games campaign reached all the Major Markets through a display of beautiful weather in the Canaries at the height of the freezing European winter. Golden beach were projected on giant screens in the major cities of Britain, Germany, France, Italy, Ireland, Holland, Belgium, Austria, Finland, Sweden and Norway, markets which represent millions of potential holidaymakers and was seen by many more on all the social networks.

Excellent Survey Results

According to surveys carried out among returning visitors, the Canaries are viewed as a quality destination with 94% rating their stay as Very Good to Good rating an average va-



Canarian Tourism Councillor Isaac Castellano and Promotur Managing Director Maria Méndez are delighted with the results of the Notwinter Games promotion in twelve major European markets representing 14 million holidaymakers

luation of 8.9% on a scale of 1 to 10. A further highly encouraging statistic is that over 77% are repeat visitors of whom 17% have spent their holidays in the Islands at least 10 times!

Easyjet Fly Tenerife Sur - Nice from September

Canarian Government and Cabil-do Executives including Tourism Councillor Isaac Castellano,



The much admired prize-nominated Canary Islands stand on 1,400m2 was a focal point for tourist industry professionals from all over the world where the friendly business ambience was stimulated by an opportunity to sample the unique gastronomy of the Canary Islands



Isaac Castellano, Cristobal de la Rosa and Maria Méndez reply to the queries from the international media at the press conference



20 students of Hecansa, the Canarian Government Hotel School, are working in British hotels to gain practical experience and improve their language skills

Tourism Vice Councillor Cristobal de la Rosa, Director General of Tourist Promotion Candelaria Umpiérrez and Promotur Managing and Managing Director Promotur Maria Méndez . They announced an additional allocation of close to 1,700,000 euros to promotion campaigns in the Islands in tandem with the Cabildos.

Success at the Big 3 Trade Fairs Following the successful conclusion of the third of the three most important annual tourism fairs in Europe held over the last five months from November 2017 to March 2018, ITB, International Tourist Bourse in Berlin; FITUR International Tourist Fair in Madrid and

the WTM the World Travel Fair in London Canarian Councillor for Tourism, Culture and Sport, Isaac Castellano confirmed the positive expectations for tourism to continue during the current year with strong indications of surpassing even the record-breaking statistics for holidaymakers in the Seven Isles in 2017.

Increased Flights

The Tourism Executive's main aim in Berlin was to secure increased flight capacity to the Archipelago despite the demise of two of the most active airlines over the past year, Air Berlin and Niki Air. Among companies who have

taken up the slack, Germania operate flights from Dresden, Bremen, Münster, Nuremberg, Berlin Schönefeld and Berlin Tegel and Eurowings from Cologne-Bonn, Dusseldorf, Dresden, Berlin-Tegel, Leipzig/Halle, Munich, Nuremberg and Stuttgart.

Five new routes are operating between the Canary Islands and France: Lanzarote-Paris, Fuerteventura-Paris, Gran Canaria-Lyon, Fuerteventura-Lyon , and, from September, Easyjet are flying Tenerife Sur – Nice twice weekly flights on Wednesday and Sunday. An additional two routes are pending, Tenerife-Marseille and La Palma-Paris.



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Reports from The Cabildo

The Cabildo Increases the Annual Town Hall Subvention for Municipal Projects in the Seven Districts by 30% for 2018

Photos Sergio Betancort, Jesús Betancort, Liz



*Cabildo President
Pedro San Ginés*



Cabildo President Pedro San Ginés, Councillor for the Presidency and the Water Board, Echedey Eugenio with the island's mayors

Addressing the first of the newly instituted three monthly meetings with the Committee of Mayors, President San Ginés announced that the Cabildo is raising the annual subvention for local projects in the seven municipalities by 30% this year. Topics targeted include urban mobility and animal welfare.

He called for a meeting with vineyard owners and local citizens who could be affected by new legislation planned for the protection of La Geria wine growing region by GesPlan, the regional government department for environmental management.

Central Bike Sharing Scheme

Among major initiatives is a bike sharing scheme along the seafront from Puerto del Carmen to Costa Teguise, via Playa Honda and Arrecife which will allow cyclists to rent a bike at one location and return it to any other. As the route runs through four different districts, the Cabildo will manage the scheme centrally on behalf of them all. This service aims to encourage physical activity



*Employment Councillor
Manuel Cabrera and the
students holding their English-
language proficiency degrees*

As the result of a 'We are Lanzarote' English course, 57 workers in the tourist industry who wished to improve their knowledge of the language for the benefit of holidaymakers, received proficiency degrees from the Open University. The project, organised by Cabildo Employment Councillor Manuel Cabrera, consisted of 80 hours of tuition broadcast by Radio Ecca over a four month period.



among the local population and visitors as well as for conservation of the environment.

Among projects the Cabildo is financing in Tias District are improvements to the Beach Avenue between

Calle Italia and Calle Noruega, the bike route and road widening and parking facilities Puerto del Carmen-Playa Honda, improvements to Puerto del Carmen soccer stadium and the Dive Centre at Playa Chica.

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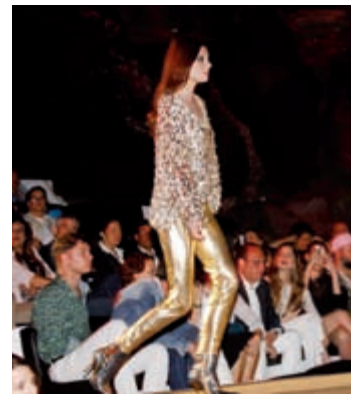
Custo Barcelona Fashion Weekend at Jameos del Agua



Cabildo President Pedro San Ginés, who is seen with Custo Dalmau, said that it was important for Lanzarote to continually search for new markets in order to attract the attention of a wider category of tourism

Five hundred celebrities from the world of fashion, including the most influential national and international journalists, watched the latest designs of Custo Barcelona paraded in a fashion walk across the stage of the unique underground volcanic theatre. Of the 80 designs displayed by the models over half were being shown for the very first time. The event, which included interaction with robots, continued around the swimming pool.

Lanzarote Fashion Weekend was organised by the Cabildo CACT Tourist Centres and SPEL Promotion and is part of a campaign to diversify the island's promotion campaigns into alternative categories besides the traditional areas.



Cabildo Biosphere Councillor Rafael Juan González seeks volunteers to help embellish the environment

Under the slogan “Together We Are the Biosphere,” a series of actions by volunteers helps clean up the urban and rural landscape by collecting and recycling abandoned items and even, where possible, converting them into works of art. Through these actions, the Cabildo hopes to improve the quality of life for all the inhabitants of the island. If you wish to join, download the free “Pacpacia” App.





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Reports from Tourism Lanzarote

Culture Programme of Dance & Music for CACT Tourist Centres Leading Attractions 2018/2019



Tourism Councillor Echedey Eugenio

According to the Cabildo Tourist Centres Councillor Echedey Eugenio, the cultural content of concerts scheduled for the Centres of Art, Culture and Tourism, CACT, over the next year and a half are headlined by performances featuring Music and Dance. Councillor Eugenio went on to say, “as in previous years, before coming to a decision the CACT executive requested the public as well as international and local entities active in this field to submit proposals for programme content based on Originality, Innovation and Quality.”

The highly satisfactory level of entertainment offered the public during the current season were based on suggestions from thirty seven different sources, both from individuals and organisations wishing to share their experiences with CACT.

Dance at Jameos del Agua Proposals for dance at Jameos del Agua, the underground volcanic cavern converted by César Manrique into one of the world’s most unique theatres, had to take into account the unique setting on a stage surrounded by walls and a ceiling of volcanic rock formed millions of



years ago. We finally arrived at a choice of four shows to commence at the start of next year.

Music at Cueva de los Verdes This venue, has traditionally offered concerts of chamber music by small orchestras, quartets and quintets as well as vocalists. Programme

content has ranged from classical to contemporary and even experimental music. The idea is to present a music festival with a selection of artists to satisfy the taste of all sectors of the public to run from November this year to February 2019. Highest on the list of virtu-



so performances this unique setting has ever experienced was a private visit by world famous violinist Yehudi Menuhin in the late 1960s. His sister Hephzibah - likewise a highly respected violinist who was with him - listened to his rendering of a snatch from Paganini's Violin Concerto whilst walking round the stage and spectator area and declared that the natural acoustics were perfect from every part of the cave. The photograph is by Ildefonso Aguilar of the Cabildo Culture Department who accompanied the artists to the Green Caves.



1964 – Lanzarote's First Water Desalination Plant Forerunner of the Development of the Tourist Industry



Memoria de Lanzarote Councillor Sosa said that an excellent book has been prepared in tandem with the exhibit

A comprehensive exhibition of the history of water on the Island, "Memoria de Agua," can be visited at the Casa Amarilla, Arrecife. A display of photographs, videos and documents is centred round the opening of Lanzarote's first water desalination plant in 1964. It was the brainchild of Manuel Diaz Rijo, an engineer who served in the navy and realized that the same system which provided sailors with fresh water aboard ships by desalinating seawater could be

used to provide his native isle with fresh water.

The exhibition commissioner, his son Luis Diaz Rijo, has divided the exhibit into three parts: the private life of his father and family, the technical data and the history of the work force at the plant. Besides providing Lanzarote with running water for the first time, the desalination plant was essential for the development its tourist industry some two decades later, without this first step of Manuel Diaz Rijo

this would have been unthinkable and for this reason he was awarded Lanzarote's Highest Tourism Honour, "Distinguido de Turismo."

The exhibition remains open throughout the summer. La Casa Amarilla – Leon y Castillo, 6, Arrecife. Entrance free.

Monday - Friday 10:00 – 20.00 hrs Saturday 10.00 – 14.00 hrs Closed Sunday. Tickets and information about all events in the Tourist Centres can be obtained in the souvenir shop.



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Reports from Tourism Lanzarote

“Lanzarote Wine Run” Promoted at the London Marathon European Sports Destination and “Saborea Lanzarote”



Ángel Vázquez was appointed President of the Governing Board of Spel Lanzarote Overseas Tourism Promotion

Cabildo Tourism Councillor Ángel Vázquez, “Our stand at the London Marathon displaying all major sporting events taking place on the island, attracted hundreds of “running” visitors, many of whom expressed an interest in participating in the Lanzarote Wine Run on 17 June.”



Lanzarote Tourism is concentrating on quality rather than quantity as well as promoting popular individual categories in order to compete with cheaper destinations like Tunisia and Turkey. Two examples in which the island excels are: 1. SPORTS, year-round sports events on land and sea for the activity-minded visitor, known as Sporttourty (See opposite page).

2. Food Tourism: through the “Saborea (Taste) Lanzarote” campaign. According to TripAdvisor, culinary-motivated vacations were the

fastest growing sector among holiday-makers world-wide last year. In addition to publicizing the Island’s unique cuisine, cheeses and wines, it is also included in the Europe-wide “Saborea España” culinary campaign.

Lanzarote Promotion works closely with the officials of the Spanish National Offices of Tourism with its own representatives in the major European markets, promoting the Island at important event such as the London Marathon as mentioned earlier as well and in Paris, Amsterdam, Berlin, Munich,



Naples, Krakow etc.”

These areas are supplementary to promoting the island’s unique volcanic landscape, first class accommodation to suit every pocket and excellent amenities and facilities for holidaymakers.



Tourism Economic Councillor Ángel Vázquez with Minister of Tourism Álvaro Nadal and Secretary for State for Tourism Matilde Asien during discussions for Lanzarote participation in Saborea España, Tasting Spain, food tourism promotion



Close to 10% of tourists to Lanzarote are motivated by the opportunity to practise or participate in both land and nautical sports. Known as “Sporttourty” this category complements the European

Sports Destination promotion campaign. This was the subject of a seminary at La Santa attended by Tourist Promotion Councillor Ángel Vázquez and Sports Councillor, Patricia Pérez.

Sicted Awards for 75 Lanzarote Hotels and Tourist Services

Throughout Spain, establishments offering the highest possible standards of facilities and amenities for holidaymakers receive the Sicted designation from Tourespaña, the Spanish National Tourism Authority. The 2018 awards to 75 hotels, apartments, tourist services and attractions as well as individual guides is the highest total ever for Lanzarote in a single year and greatly enhances the image of the Island as a tourist destination of excellence in overseas markets. Nineteen of the awards were for new enterprises and the other fifty-six were renewals as the standards offered by the recipients are annually re-evaluated. High on the list for inclusion in Sicted, are sustainable tourism management by use of renewable energy and the promotion of local culture and traditions.



Canarian Government Tourism Director Candelaria Umpiérrez, Tourism Promotion Councillor Ángel Vázquez and Spel Managing Director Héctor Fernández together with Harald Pechlaner and Christian Ekert of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt University, Bavaria whose students are conducting research on the island's development of sustainable tourism



Asolan and Tourism Lanzarote combine in CIDE activity to improve competitiveness in the island's hotel industry



President of Asolan, Susana Pérez

The most influential source of practical advice offered by Asolan to its members on the subject of innovation and technical advances for the tourist sector is CIDE, a programme funded principally by the Canarian Government. Over 50 local businesses have directly benefited by learning about hospitality innovation and how to adapt to fast-moving and continually increasing technological advances to be competitive in today's market. Asolan has focused on five major areas: Modernisation and refurbishment of accommodation; the Biosphere Smart Hotel programme: conversion of all technology to digital, improving efficiency and sustainability and the incorporation of quality standards and practises as the means of innovation and the improvement of competitiveness.



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Reports from Tías

Playa Chica Dive Centre Approved by Ministry of Coasts EU Blue Flags Awarded to Three Local Beaches

Photos Doris Hernández



Tías Mayor Pancho Hernández

Following the go-ahead from the Coasts Authority, the Lanzarote Cabildo is funding the construction of a dive centre at Playa Chica Beach in Paseo de la Barrilla, Puerto del Carmen. Tías Town Hall is installing changing rooms, hot showers, locker service, a diving air compressor and a classroom. The building stands on 200m² of the 600m² area approved.

Lanzarote has 35 dive stations, more than any other Canary Island. Of 175,000+ divers a year, 42% are from the UK followed by Germany, 20% and the Spanish mainland, 16%. Some enjoy as many as four or five diving holidays a year on the island. The seabed at Playa Chica is home to a wealth of marine life, sea sponges, jellyfish, spider crabs, starfish, sun fish, sea anemones and sea urchins.

German Tour Operator Schauinsland, have demonstrated their strong belief in Puerto de Carmen as the island's most popular resort by purchasing the Kon Tiki apartment complex on the Beach Avenue, the most densely tourist-populated area on the island. The Duisburg-based company, which represents almost 1.5 million holidaymakers a year, plans to totally



Cabildo President Pedro San Ginés with Mayor Pancho Hernández, Tourism Councillor Amado Vizcaino, Public Works Councillor Saray Rodriguez and Beaches Councillor Nerea Santana at the site of the future dive station. They were delighted to hear that three local beaches had been awarded the Blue Flag of the European Union



Mayor Pancho Hernández and Deputy Mayor and Tourism Councillor examine the authorisation from the Spanish and Canarian Governments to build the first dedicated Dive Station in the Canary Islands

refurbish and upgrade the 108 units of the newly-named R2 Bahia Kon Tiki to a 4-Star category.

On International Book Day, the Ayuntamiento of Tías installed a comfortable reading area in the playground of the Concepción Rodríguez Infants and Primary School, CEIP, Puerto del Carmen, to encourage children to read in their spare time. In the photographs: Mayor Pancho Hernández, Culture Councillor Amado Vizcaino and Education Councillor Aroa Pérez. The mural was painted by teachers to emphasize the multicultural background of the pupils

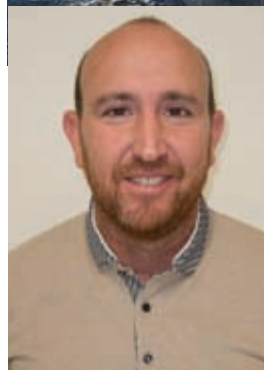


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La Tiñosa Film Featured on Regional and National TV Highest Increase in Coastline Property Revaluation in Spain

The Ayuntamiento of Tias documentary “La Historia de La Tiñosa,” traces the origins of the fishing village which gave birth to Puerto del Carmen, the pioneer tourist resort of Lanzarote, more than 50 years ago. Following its premier last September at the Feria del Mar, the highly-praised 40 minute HD production, was screened on local and Canarian TV, as well as nationally on the Moviestar Plus channel. In the photographs: the producer Gorka Leclercq, an acclaimed underwater cameraman, with Mayor Pancho Hernández and Tourism and Culture Councillor Amado Vizcaino, who negotiated the TV coverage, as well as officials of the local “Cofradia” Fishermen’s Association which participated in the making of the film.



Tourism and Culture Councillor Amado Vizcaino

Tias District - Highest National Rise in Property Revaluation

Spanish Government statistics for the revaluation of property on the country’s coastlines last year averaged a rise of 0.1%, however in the Municipality of Tias it was 7.2%, the highest in Spain. Two comprehensive modernisation programmes by Tias Town Hall resulted in 1,092 property transactions last year, reflecting an annual increase of 19%.



Finance Councillor Ramón Melián



At the La Asomada Song Festival during the San José Obrero Fiestas 2018, Carlos Santana won first prize which was presented to him by Mayor Pancho Hernández, Fiestas Councillor Javier Aparicio and Councillor Nerea Santana



100 additional palm trees were planted along the avenues of the resort and 20 new showers installed on the beaches



The installation of an additional 3 electric car recharging centres brings the district’s total to 5, the highest on the island.





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Reports from Yaiza

El Salinero Documentary a Resounding Success EU Blue Flag for Small Beach and for Puerto Calero Marina

Photos Alex Salebe



Mayor Óscar Noda congratulated the film's producer Armeo Tortosa for her realistic portrayal of the life and work of Victor Fernández Gopar and the district of Yaiza during that era

El Salinero, Victor Fernández Gopar (Las Breñas 1844 - Yaiza 1920), was a shepherd who was taught to read and write by the local priest as there were no schools in the southern part of Lanzarote at that time. When he was older he found work at Janubio, the largest salt works on Lanzarote and because of his expertise in the technique of extracting salt by evaporation was appointed to head the work force in 1885. At that time fishing was of major importance for the local economy and there was a large demand for salt from the island's fishing fleet to keep the catch fresh as well as to supply the island's canning factories.



Producer Armeo Tortosa with assistant cameraman Alex Salebe and Ruben Acosta, publisher of the biography of El Salinero by Agustin de la Hoz

In tandem with his work, Victor Fernández Gopar became a poet and folk singer earning the name "El Salinero," (derived from the Spanish word for salt, "Sal.") The songs lamented social injustice, the hard labour and poverty endured by farmers on the land and workers at the salt works. His music and lyrics

are of historical importance as they reflected the social inequality of the time and still form part of the repertoire of local folklore groups especially in Yaiza District. In May 2016, based on the results of a vote among all the inhabitants of the Island, the Insular Theatre at Arrecife was named "El Salinero" in his memory.



Yaiza celebrated the Art and Culture of Andalusia during a weekend in April which included an exciting concert by guitarist Antonio de la Rosa and his group Flamenco Fusión with vocalist Eva Aroca and flamenco dancers

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Government Certificate of Excellence for Playa Blanca Beach Safety Services - Accessibility - Cleanliness - Maintenance

The Spanish Government has issued the SICTED Award of Integral Quality to the Ayuntamiento of Yaiza for the small playa at Playa Blanca. Criteria include lifeguard services, preventing beach pollution and contamination of the water and for clear signposting for the benefit of tourists. This follows a Certificate of Excellence for the Tourist Information Office at Playa Blanca for the services they provide for visitors.

Yaiza Mayor Óscar Noda said that the Town Hall had invested a further €208,000 in services and amenities at the small beach which continues to fly the Blue Flag of the EU denoting purity of the seawater and that all facilities for bathers are in place.



Yaiza Mayor Óscar Noda and Tourism Councillor Olga Caraballo with the award which endorses the reputation of Playa Blanca as one of the leading resorts in the Canary Islands



Improvements, signposting and accessibility at Los Hervideros rocks and the Green Lagoon as well as the road leading to the beaches at Papagayo have been agreed by Yaiza with the Cabildo. Photo: Yaiza Mayor Óscar Noda and Cabildo and Yaiza Environment Councillors, Antonio Morales and Marcial Viñoly



International Book Day was celebrated at a fiesta in Playa Blanca organised by Culture Councillor Daniel Medina with a series of talks, story-telling and puppet shows. In order to encourage 6-11 year olds to read, writer Mayte Pozo explained how books are pasted together and illustrated. In her latest work, “Perenquin Man” is a super hero fighting battles to protect the environment of the Canary Islands. The author will be giving weekly reading lessons for children in June from 16.00 – 18.00 hrs, Mondays at Playa Blanca Library and Wednesdays at Benito Perez Armas Centre, Yaiza. For more information call: 648 189 580. Photo: Author Mayte Pozo with the children.



*Daniel Medina
Culture Councillor*





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Reports from Arrecife

A “Manrique Route” in the Town of His Birth III Annual Cycle of Classical Concerts Free Admittance



Arrecife Mayoress Eva de Anta

Mayoress Eva de Anta would like to create a route consisting of the artistic works César Manrique created in Arrecife commencing with Parque José Ramírez Cerdá but is awaiting permission from the Cabildo Heritage Authority to refurbish the area. The Ayuntamiento signed an agreement with the César Manrique Foundation in 2015 for the conservation of the artist’s works in the capital.

Classical Concerts

The Ayuntamiento of Arrecife and the Lanzarote Classical Orchestra announced the III Annual Cycle of Classical Music for the island capital which will take place until the 31 June having commenced in April. Roberto Fuentes said that international musicians from Poland, New York and Italy will join the regular members of the orchestra for the concerts taking place in the emblematic Casa de la Culture Agustín de la Hoz, La Plazuela and Parque José Ramírez Cerdá.

Culture Councillor Jimena Álvarez said it was a pleasure to be able to organise an event of this type together with the much admired OCL and stressed the importance of the whole family being able to enjoy the music together.



Eva de Anta and Jimena Álvarez introduced the III Cycle of Concerts by the Classical Orchestra of Lanzarote, OCL, under their founder Roberto Fuentes which will allow the public a better understanding of classical music. All performances are free of charge



40 pupils from CEIP Argana Alta were welcomed by Eva de Anta to the Town Hall where they simulated a plenary session of the Arrecife Town Council

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Revitalisation of Tourist Promotion in the Island Capital World Kayak Championships Destined for Arrecife EU Blue Flag for El Reducto Beach

On the subject of nautical sports, the world kayaking championships will be held here next year and major regattas are choosing our marina as the port of departure for their international crossings. Our Arrecife en Vivo series is short-listed for a major prize from the Regional Government because of the highly positive effect it has on tourism as well as providing entertainment for the local population. We are always aware of the energizing effect of live concerts in the central areas of the capital which bring a breath of excitement to the town.



The Arrecife sign is the symbol of Tourist Promotion in the Capital



Tourism Councillor David Duarte encourages local youngsters to practise the art of balancing their kayaks through the use of “jolateros”

In addition to visitors who choose to spend their vacations in the island capital, a large percentage of holidaymakers staying in hotels of the major tourists of Puerto del Carmen, Costa Teguise and Playa Blanca, pay several visits to the capital during their stay for shopping and sightseeing as well as to enjoy our famous tapas bars which have gained a solid reputation for their unique cuisine.

Another source of tourists which is of major importance are cruise-line passengers who totalled 150,000 last winter, with up to five liners docking as Los Marmoles on a single day. Lanzarote is the second most popular port of call in the Canary Islands and up to 70% of all their passengers who come ashore choose to spend their day on the island in Arrecife rather than going on excursions.

The Arrecife shoreline also highly valued among bird watchers for the unique species to be found in and among the rocks. Puff-backed and Great White herons, Common and Black-headed seagulls, Kentish and Lesser-ringed, Norfolk and black-footed plovers, among others.



Education Councillor Inodelvia Torres with teachers and students from Poland, Holland, Lithuania and St Martin Isle at Arrecife Town Hall as part of the Erasmus internationalisation interchange programme with pupils of CEIP César Manrique



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Reports from San Bartolomé

€1.1 Million Modernisation of Sports Infrastructure

The Ayuntamiento of San Bartolomé is committed to ensuring that more local citizens can improve their health, get active and involved with sport and active recreation using modern infrastructure throughout the municipality



San Bartolomé Mayoress Dolores Corujo

Modernisation of Sports Facilities

San Bartolomé is investing 1.1 million euros for the modernisation of community sport infrastructure. The program reflects the Town Hall's major commitment to health, wellbeing, and community sport and active recreation. Major projects include improvements to the soccer, handball and Canarian wrestling pitches both at Playa Honda and in San Bartolomé town. In addition the building of a new skatepark, a covered stadium for the football ground as well as improvements to the changing rooms, parking facilities and access at all facilities.



The Town Hall Councillors involved in updating the sport facilities at San Bartolomé and Playa Honda: Deputy Mayor and Urban Sector, David Rocio; Public Works, Alexis Tejera; Sports, Raúl de León; Finance Antonio Rocio; Youth, Isabel Sosa, Citizens Participation, Maria Dolores Fernández



The annual Andalucian Feria Plaza Santa Elena at Playa Honda was organised by the Al-Andalus Association in conjunction with the Ayuntamiento. Performers included the Lanzarote Dance Academy, El Andalus Rocio Choir, Grupo Aires del Sur and Las Canasteras. MT Dance, Academia Antonio and Élite M Band gave exhibition concerts. The local Andalucian community were joined by many local residents, well-wishers and tourists.

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Pupils Discover Playa Honda Fauna & Flora Sea Life

Coastal Flora & Fauna

The Department of the Environment of the Ayuntamiento de San Bartolomé under Councillor Alexis Tejera, initiated a course to teach children about the protection and appreciation of nature on the seashore. Under the title, "Playa Honda Sea Life," 230 pupils from local schools, CEIP Playa Honda, CEIP El Quintero and CEIP Ajei participated in a walk along the shore.

The youngsters learned how to appreciate the rich biodiversity of flora and fauna which inhabit and nest in the sands and rocky areas off the coast. Strolling along Guacimeta Beach on the perimeter of the airport their teachers pointed out that sea sponges, jellyfish, spider crabs, starfish, sun fish, sea anemones and sea urchins can be found on the seabed.

They also observed species of bird-life such as herons, plovers and seagulls. As far as flora is concerned, the diverse amount of plant-life is not surprising as the Canary Archipelago has some 1,860 species of flora of which 521 (28%) are endemic.

Exercising on the Beaches

Among activities organised by the Town Hall Youth (juventud) Department for the summer months are functional training activities on Mondays and Wednesdays from 19.00-20.00 hrs on Guacimeta Beach. Functional training exercises are those that involve training your body for the activities performed in daily life. Thus, they are often exercises that mimic real life movement patterns. As such, functional training does not involve using most machines you find in a commercial gym. The lessons are free and open to local residents over the age of 14. To register and for more information call 928 521 200 or visit the Casa Cerdeña or the municipal gym at San Bartolomé or Playa Honda gyms.



Environment Councillor Alexis Tejera organised the campaign



Councillor Isabel Sosa at the San Bartolomé monthly Agricultural and Traditional Arts & Crafts Fair



Advice by an experienced author on how to acquire creative writing techniques to enable you to write your first book was organised by San Bartolomé Equality and Youth Department Councillor Isabel Sosa. Writer José Ramón Navas gives a 2 hour weekly talk every Thursday until the 21 June from 18.00 to 20.00 hrs at Centro Cívico Playa Honda, Calle Fragata s/n. Advance registration at Casa Cerdeña or by calling 928 521 200.



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Reports from Haría

€400,000 Renovation Project for Arrieta Promenade Total Refurbishment for Haria Mirador



Haría Mayor Marci Acuña

The main objective of the €400,000 refurbishment of Arrieta promenade is to obtain the EU Blue Flag certification for La Gritta beach denoting water quality, safety, environmental education and information. This involves improving facilities and amenities for the benefit of holidaymakers by creating landscaped shaded areas on the sands and equipping the promenade with well-spaced street furniture. Arrieta seafront is a naturally beautiful location enjoyed by walkers who appreciate the rolling waves and fresh sea air as well as the unique views of the volcanic countryside in the background as they stroll along the coastal path.

Overlooking Haria Valley

Work is underway on the refurbishment of the Mirador de Haria, the belvedere which overlooks the town from an exceptional vantage point on the main road and a favourite stop for tourists. The outstanding tableau of the picturesque town and the lush green area of the Valley of the Palms, conjures up images of an oasis in the desert. The quiet and dignified town was chosen by César Manrique as his last home - now a museum - and burial place.



Mayor of Haría Marci Acuña with Canarian Government Director General of Tourist Infrastructure Héctor Suárez

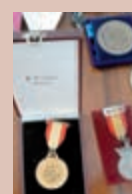


A variety of the latest bio-healthy outdoor gymnastic equipment have been installed in villages where the older devices were worn out



The Haría mayor congratulated retired boxer Manuel Santa-cruz 'Palenke' for the Gold Medal Lifetime Achievement Award he received from the Canarian Government for seven decades dedicated to the sport

of boxing including many years as national coach



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Mayor Marci Acuña, Culture Councillor José Pérez Dorta and the Programme Director Luisa Lemes

Haria celebrated the 25th anniversary of the “Encarnación Rodríguez Lasso Theatre Symposium” which emphasizes how the theatre has forged an important link between education and culture for local citizens whose theatrical tradition reaches back to 1920. Included among the wide range of works were special performances for children and families which were enjoyed by highly appreciative audiences.



Tourism Councillor Soraya Brito hopes that the Blue Flag of the EU will soon be flying over the beach at Arrieta

More than 400 people attended ‘EducHaria,’ the II Annual Citizens Participation meetings organised by the Town Hall, local associations and Cabildo on a variety of educational and social subjects. Mayor Acuña believes that such gatherings benefit all citizens of the municipality



**Fiestas San Juan
Bautista Haria 2018**
June Fiesta Programme
Saturday 9 21.00
Commencement address
Centro Sociocultural
La Tegala

Friday 15 21.00
XV Malpais de la
Corona Festival
Plaza de Haria

Saturday 16 19.00
XXV San Juan Romeria
Pilgrimage
Plaza de Haria and
surrounding streets

Saturday 23 23.00
Burning the Facundo
& Fire Dance
Plaza de Haria

Sunday 24 12.30
Holy Mass and
Procession in
Honour of San Juan
Bautista - Church and
surrounding streets
Jameos del Agua 21.30
Institutional event
XXV edition Haria Prizes





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Reports from Teguisse

Teguisse and Uruguay Renew Ties for 600th Anniversary Alfonso Spinola Saviour of Many Lives during Epidemic



Mayor of Teguisse Mayor Oswaldo Betancort



President Tabaré Vázquez of Uruguay with Teguisse Mayor Oswaldo Betancort and Town Historian Francisco Hernández Delgado as part of the town's 600 Year History celebrations

As part of the activities during the 600th anniversary year of Teguisse, Lanzarote's ancient capital, Mayor Oswaldo Betancort visited Uruguay where he was received by the country's President Tabaré Vázquez. He was accompanied by Town Historian Francisco Hernández Delgado. In 1726, emigrants from Teguisse were among Canary Islanders who founded the capital, Montevideo.



In the 1870s, Dr Alfonso Spinola, a humanitarian philanthropist of Teguisse origin, saved the lives of thousands of people during a smallpox epidemic and opened the country's first macro-biology laboratory to assist in the diagnosis of infectious diseases. One century later the Canary Islands Society of Uruguay donated a bust of the celebrated doctor to the town of Teguisse.

Mayor Oswaldo Betancort wanted to re-establish the strong ties between both communities as a major component in the illustrious 600 years of the history of Teguisse.

All aspects relating to the Timple instrument, whose unique tones are known as the Sound of the Canary Islands, comprised events which took place to celebrate its 7th anniversary with the essential collaboration of the exhibition commissioner, timple virtuoso Benito Cabrera. The Ayuntamiento of Teguisse and the Canarian Timple Association, musicians, artisans and fans of the timple enjoyed concerts, talks, lessons and round table discussions all centred around this unique instrument known as a miniature guitar or ukelele among other nomenclature.



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EU Blue Flag for Las Cucharas and El Jablillo Beaches €1.5 Million Refurbishment for Paseo de Las Cucharas

The Canarian Government has allotted the sum 1.5 million for the total refurbishment of Paseo de las Cucharas, the most important beach promenade in Costa Teguisse. The intention is not only to widen and extend the length of the seawalk but to install additional leisure and sports features and landscape the gardens with sub-tropical plants. Also planned are a belvedere and picnic areas as well as ensure accessibility for the physically challenged on the promenade and beach.



Tourism Councillor Antonio Callero presented TUI executives with a replica of Teguisse's symbol



Tourism Councillor Antonio Callero personally congratulated Ángel Herrera, Manager of the Barceló Occidental Lanzarote Mar, Costa Teguisse, for being the first hotel on Lanzarote to be awarded the highest distinction in the category of 'Sporttourney,' the combination of top quality Sports and Tourism

Major European operator TUI Germany held the Annual General Meeting of its "Sun and Beaches" Department at the Timple Casa-Museum to review the results of the year 2017 as well as to discuss the perspectives for the current year. Department Head Patrick Hogrefe that they expected very positive results despite the emergence of cheaper destinations like Turkey and Egypt. He told the 70 invited

tourism professionals that TUI was introducing a Quality Programme to awarded establishments who achieved the highest levels of client satisfaction.

Teguisse Tourism Councillor Antonio Callero thanked the TUI executive for having selected Teguisse as the venue for its annual conference especially at a time when the Ancient Capital was celebrating 600 Years of History.



Playa de las Cucharas and El Jablillo at Costa Teguisse have become more accessible for the handicapped through the installation of wooden pathways and adapted showers. Because of the commitment of the Ayuntamiento to improve the quality of amenities and facilities for holidaymakers at both beaches as well as conservation of the environment Teguisse has been awarded the Eco-Beach Flag.

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XXV Anniversary César Manrique CEIP School at Tahiche

Lecturers spoke to different groups of students on nine specific topics connected with the 600 years of Teguise History

To celebrate the 25th Anniversary of CEIP César Manrique, the Primary-Secondary School at Tahiche named for the great artist, held an Open Day for Learning on his birthday, the 24 April. Activities consisted of talks on 9 subjects by different lecturers which allowed the students to engage in a comprehensive study session devoted to the island's culture and traditions. Also a specific talk devoted to the life and work of César Manrique and how it influenced the development of the island in line with his principles of conservation of the environment.



Mayor Betancort referred to the school's 25th anniversary coinciding with the celebration of the 600 Year History of Teguisse



Mayor Betancort addresses the youth Timple orchestra on the XXV anniversary of the César Manrique School at Tahiche. Photos courtesy José Juan Romero



II International Golf Lanzarote CUP

Five rounds of the 2nd Lanzarote Golf Cup take place before the end of the year at Golf Lanzarote and Costa Teguisse Golf Club organised by Tourism Lanzarote and European Sports Destination. Among this year's events is a "Ryder" cup among the most influential professionals of the tourist sector who recommend the best holiday destinations to their up-market clientele and allows them to add golf to the variety of sports that can be played year round on Lanzarote. The winner receives the Cup at a gala event in December attended by the 10 finalists.



Tourism Lanzarote, Ángel Vázquez, SPEL Promotion, Héctor Fernández, Teguisse Tourism Councillor, Antonio Callero and Canarian Golf Federation Executive, Jason Pérez and the sponsors

Tournament dates:

15, 16 June, "Ryder" match; 8 September, Lanzarote Golf Anniversary; 15 September, Sentido Aequora; 5,6 October, Alondra Villas – Dn Facility; 17 November Torneo Reale.



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Flashback to St Patrick's Day – a Sea of Green enveloped Puerto del Carmen, considered the best celebration in Europe outside the Emerald Isle



Tias Mayor and Deputy Mayor with the Honorary Consul who read out a message from the President of Ireland amid the 'Green Tide' on St Patrick's Day in Puerto del Carmen. Annual Tourism from the Emerald Isle to Lanzarote has risen from 185,000 in 2010 to 267,000 in 2017



Canarian President Fernando Clavijo presents the award to Company CEO Mamerto Cabrera and sister Angeles Cabrera in the presence of EFCA President Carmen Garcia Pascual



The Cabrera Medina Group of Companies has been honoured with the award of the first prize for the Best Family Business in the Canary Islands by the EFCA. Having opened the company with just five cars, the Lanzarote-founded enterprise now operates a fleet of 10,000 vehicles and employs a staff of 1,500 people at its 98 offices over the seven Canary Islands.

Cabrera Medina, which is also among the country's top 500 businesses in growth, Cicar, celebrated its 50th anniversary last year, although the average longevity of family-owned businesses in Spain is 33 years. In addition, their future is more than assured because the third generation of the family have now entered the business, including five grandchildren of the original founder.

To celebrate 2018 as the European Year of Cultural Heritage Cabrera Medina organised a children's painting competition "Paint and Care for Your Island" in order to teach the youngsters about conservation of the environment from an early age. The winners on each of the Seven Islands received a Tablet and three days free car for their parents and each of the runners up, a Tablet.

Arrecife Celebrates Book Week 2018 at the Casa de la Cultura Presentation of the Latest Works by Local Authors

Photos: Sergio Betancort, Jesús Betancort, Liz



Local publishers set up stalls with their latest books where authors whose works were launched during Book Week signed copies for members of the public. The biggest sellers of the week were children's books especially Perenquin Man by Mayte Pozo

Agustin de la Hoz

This year's Book Week was dedicated to the 30th anniversary of the death of Agustin de la Hoz in 1988. The famous Arrecife-born author whose book "Lanzarote," published in 1962, is considered the reference work par excellence of the history of every part of the island. He was very friendly with César Manrique who demonstrated his admiration for the author's works by cutting open his arm and used the blood that flowed out to paint a portrait of de la Hoz's profile. A photograph of this sketch signed by Manrique appeared in Spanish Lancelot No. 140 on the 21 December 1985.



Mayoress Eva de Anta and Culture Councillor Jimena Álvarez in the enclosed area of José Ramírez Cerda Park on the Arrecife promenade opposite the Casa de la Cultura where book stalls were set up



The opening of Book Week was marked by talks on the life of Agustin de la Hoz by three prominent local writers, Mario Alberto Perdomo, Benchomo Guadalupe and Mario Ferrer

Authors with their latest works:



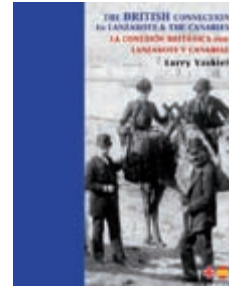
Juan Cruz "El Volcán de Turismo" development of the commercial life of Puerto del Carmen over the past half century



Mayte Pozo "Perenquin Man" tales of a Canarian Superhero who fights to protect the environment



Felix Martín Hormiga "La Vieja a Veces Bebia" a social study of human characteristics



The presentation of the only English-language book, “The British Connection to Lanzarote and the Canaries” by Larry Yaskiel and translated into Spanish by J.J. Romero, was hosted by Mayoress Eva de Anta and Culture Councillor Jimena Alvarez and the publisher Ediciones Remotas, Ruben Acosta and Mario Ferrer. Members of the audience included the British Consul for Southern Spain with the Vice Consul Las Palmas Province, the President and Culture Councillor of the Cabildo, the Director of CEP Teacher’s Board Eduardo Nuñez and Olga Betancort, Director of the EOI Language School Carmen Rosa González and Carmen Gloria Morales of the School of Fine Arts and a variety of local officials, personalities and media representatives. See page 14.



Cabildo Tourism Councillor Ángel Vázquez, Kevin and Claudine Roper, Salvador Hernández and Esther Garcia, Dariusz and Kasia Chmielewski



(L-R) Architect Luis Ibañez, Yaiza Tourism Councillor Olga Caraballo, the book’s publisher Mario Ferrer and Yaiza media executive Alex Salebe



Juan Valido, Sergio de Paiz, Betty Romero and Nora (our youngest reader)



Mario Ferrer wrote an introduction to a new edition of “El Salinero”



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CIDA Appointed Marshalls of King William Fiesta



CIDA President Mari Tamez and the Canary Descendents were honoured by being asked to lead the annual parade Photos Paul Casanova Garcia. Photos Paul Casanova



The Descendents were happy with the warm message from Teguisse Mayor Oswaldo Betancort for their anniversary celebration and he invited them to visit Teguisse during the 600th year of its history. With him standing in front of the portrait of Juan Leal Goraz is Town Historian Francisco Hernández Delgado



The Canary Descendents of San Antonio, Texas, CIDA, were invited by the King William Association to lead the 2018 parade. This prestigious annual event, established in 1967, celebrates the history and diversity of Texas' first historic neighbourhood with an annual family fair and parade. Proceeds provide educational scholarships for inner-city students, art programs for elementary through high school and preservation of the King William Neighbourhood.

These festivities took place only one month after the Tricentenary Celebrations featured on pages 24 – 31.



Two wines of Bodegas La Geria received top awards at the 2018 “World of Malvasia” contest in Croatia. Antigua Malvasia Dulce 2005 won the Gold Medal and Manto Malvasia Volcánica 2017, the Silver Medal. The board of the Denomination of Origin of Lanzarote Wines stated that these prizes reinforced the international reputation of the excellent quality of the Island’s vineyards.



EMERGENCY CALLS

Emergencies	112
Ambulance	928 812 222
Hospital	928 595 000
Fire Brigade	928 816 312
Police	928 597 107
Water Board	928 814 400
Guardia Civil	928 811 886
Ayuntamiento Arrecife	928 81 04 52
Atuntamiento Haría	928 83 52 51
Ayuntamiento S. Bartolomé	928 52 01 28
Ayuntamiento Teguisse	928 84 50 01
Ayuntamiento of Tias	928 83 36 19
Ayuntamiento de Tinajo	928 84 00 21
Ayuntamiento de Yaiza	928 83 62 20

Postage and Post Office

Letters and postcards within Europe 1.15 euro, USA 1.30 euro. Puerto del Carmen post office is open Monday-

Friday 08.30 - 14.30 hrs, Saturday 09.30 - 12.30 hrs. Arrecife post office: Monday-Friday 08.30 - 20.30 hrs, Saturday 09.30 - 13.00 hrs. Opening times are for stamps and registered letters etc. but both offices close earlier for money transfer.



Puerto del Carmen Church

Markets

Arrecife Markets

Charco de San Ginés
Wed and Thur 9-2

Recova Town Market
Mon to Sat 9-2

Historic Old Town
Saturday 9-2

Puerto Calero
Friday 9-2

Puerto del Carmen
Plaza del Varadero
Friday 10-3

Playa Blanca

Marina Rubicón
Wed & Sat to 10-2

Teguisse Market

Sundays and
Public Holidays 9-2

Costa Teguisse
Pueblo Marinero
Thursday mornings 9-2

Tinajo, Mancha Blanca
Sunday 9-2

Haría Artesanal Market
Saturday 10-14:30

CONSULAR REPRESENTATIVES



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Irish Honorary Consul Lanzarote
Eileen Izquierda Lawlor
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Denmark	922 275757
Finland	928 224358
France	928 292371
Germany	928 275700
Holland	928 242382
Italy	928 241911
Sweden	928 260884
Switzerland	928 274544
Norway	928 495035/6

British Consulate

Esther Martin is the British Vice Consul at Las Palmas. To seek advice, or make an appointment with a consular official in Las Palmas or Lanzarote, call the number above. Notarial bookings online service: www.ukinspain.fco.gov.uk

Christian Worship

Church of England

All services are Holy Eucharist with hymns. 10 am Nazaret: Iglesia Nuestra Señora, 1st and 3rd Sunday in the month. 12.30 pm Puerto del Carmen: Nuestra Señora del Carmen (Old Town Harbour). 5.00 pm Playa Blanca: Nuestra Señora del Carmen, Main Street. For more information call 928 514 241.

Catholic Church

Nuestra Señora del Carmen, Puerto del Carmen harbour. Sunday Mass 11.00, 18.00; Saturday night, 20.00. San Ginés Church central Arrecife, Sunday 10.30, 12.00, 20.00; Saturday 10.30, 12.00, 20.00.

International Evangelical Church

Meets at La Hoya, Puerto del Carmen Sundays 11 am, service in English, call 928 173618 for more details. Arrecife services in Spanish, Sunday 10.30 am and 18.30 pm, call 928 812027 for more details. For informal meeting at Costa Teguisse, call 928 590342.

Interdenominational Worship at Costa Teguisse

Services are held every Sunday at 11.00 a.m. Holy Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of each month. For more information, contact Barbara on 928 833 382.

Norsk Kirkesentre and Social-Cultural Centre

Norwegian Church abroad – Religious and Social Cultural Centre C/ Rociego Puerto del Carmen close to Cinco Plazas. Open mid-September to mid-May: Tuesday-Friday 11.00 -16.00, Saturday 11.00- 15.00, Sunday Service 18:00. Office tel: 928 515 561 Pastor Knut Kaldestad: 616 407 693

There is no synagogue on Lanzarote. For information about Sabbath and Festival services on Las Palmas call 928 248 497.

BRIDGE No 131

By Maria Brandt

A brilliant deception

Dealer South North/South vulnerable

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♥ 7 3
♦ 8 7 6 4
♣ A 10

♠ 3
♥ A K Q 10 6 5
♦ K 10 3
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♦ J 9 5 2
♣ 8 7 4 3 2

♠ A Q J 10 4
♥ 8 4 2
♦ A Q
♣ J 6 5

Bidding:

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4 S	pass	pass	pass



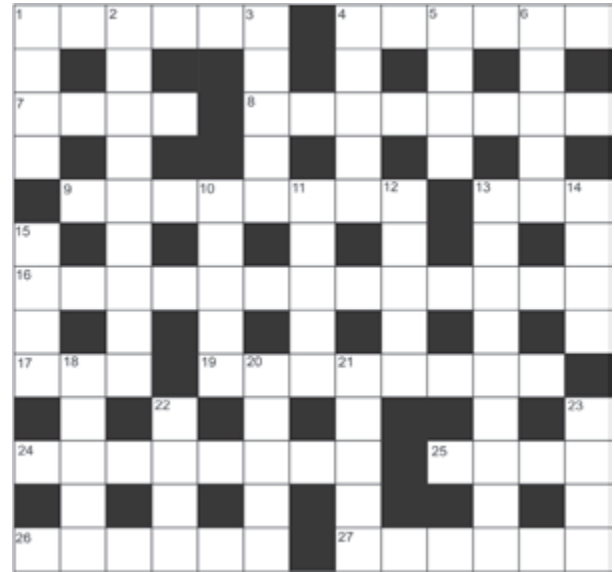
West led the King of Hearts followed by the Ace and then switched to the King of Clubs. South covered with dummy's Ace. He then crossed to his Queen of Spades in order to ruff his remaining Heart with the NINE of Spades. Next he drew East's last trump with his Ace. Now, an end play had to be planned. So, South played the JACK of Clubs which West won with his Queen and, convinced that South had no more Clubs, and afraid of conceding a ruff and discard, led a low Diamond. South made 2 Diamond tricks and his contract was home.

Brilliant deception, but West should not have fallen for it. He can count South for 5 Spades and 3 Hearts. If he really only has two Clubs he must have 3 Diamonds so one ruff and discard will not be enough to save him from losing a Diamond.

SOLUTION TO GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD NO. 70. Across: 1 Paradise, 5 Hamper, 10 Rioja, 11 Abattoirs, 12 Keratitis, 13 Mates, 14 Ennoble, 16 Tattle, 19 Ferret, 21 Cocaine, 23 Ruche, 25 Laryngeal, 27 Neurology, 28 Grieg, 29 Hangar, 30 Vestiges. Down: 1 Parakeet, 2 Rio Grande, 3 Draft, 4 Seattle, 6 Automatic, 7 Paint, 8 Resist, 9 Basset, 15 Barcelona, 17 Loitering, 18 Realigns, 20 Tallow, 21 Carlyle, 22 Trench, 24 Churn, 26 Night.

SIMPLE CROSSWORD No 131

By Imelda Coombes



ACROSS

- 1 To calm the anger or agitation of someone. (6)
- 4 The coldest season of the year. (6)
- 7 A brass instrument. (4)
- 8 To fall down suddenly. (8)
- 9 Expanded by filling with air or gas. (8)
- 13 A tall deciduous tree. (3)
- 16 The day before Ash Wednesday. (6,7)
- 17 Repair by making stitches with a needle. (3)
- 19 Piquant sauces or pickles. (8)
- 24 A sloping part of a road. (8)
- 25 A melody. (4)
- 26 Dislike intensely. (6)
- 27 A beam forming part of a roof. (6)

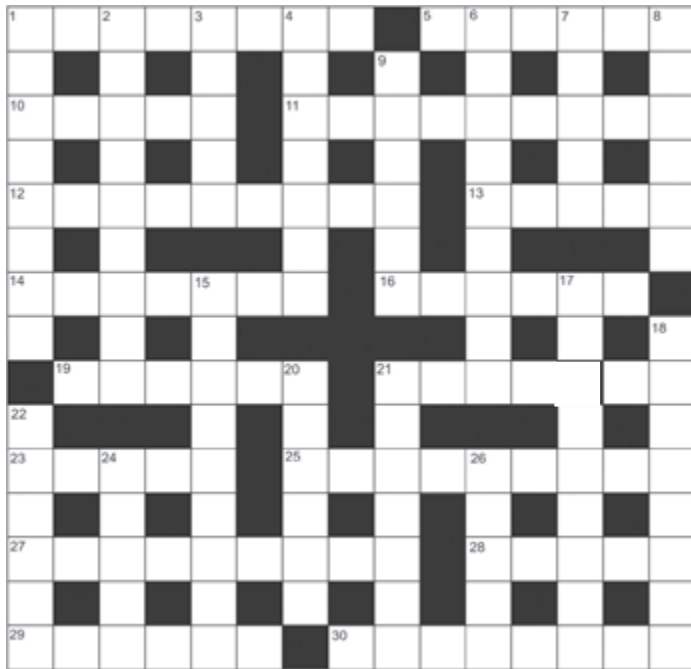
DOWN

- 1 A narrow trodden track. (4)
- 2 Staff on an aircraft who attend to passengers. (5,4)
- 3 A plant of the agave family. (5)
- 4 Oscar - , 1854-1900, Irish writer. (5)
- 5 A short distance away. (4)
- 6 Wooden frame for holding an artist's work. (5)
- 10 An abdominal organ. (5)
- 11 The whole amount. (5)
- 12 Put on one's clothes. (5)
- 13 Outcome of an activity or process. (3,6)
- 14 A county of NW Ireland. (4)
- 15 Venomous snakes. (4)
- 18 Strange and frightening. (5)
- 20 A thing that takes place. (5)
- 21 To place in a grave. (5)
- 22 A tool similar to an axe. (4)
- 23 To carry or convey. (4)

SOLUTION TO SIMPLE CROSSWORD NO. 130. Across: 1 Master, 4 Bagels, 7 Sage, 8 Bracelet, 9 Straight, 13 Men, 16 Grand National, 17 Ewe, 19 Renegade, 24 Affluent, 25 Band, 26 Erased, 27 Legacy. Down: 1 Mask, 2 Sagittate, 3 Rabbi, 4 Beach, 5 Grey, 6 Liege, 10 Adder, 11 Grain, 12 Thing, 13 Monodrama, 14 Nile, 15 Ague, 18 Wafer, 20 Emend, 21 Extol, 22 Ales, 23 Eddy.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD No 71

By Imelda Coombes



ACROSS

- 1 The capital of Australia. (8)
- 5 A strategy carefully planned to achieve a specific end. (6)
- 10 A mass of loose stones that cover a slope on a mountain. (5)
- 11 The first meal of the day. (9)
- 12 Light soft-weave cotton fabrics. (9)
- 13 Strongly wanting to do or have something. (5)
- 14 The large internal organs of the body. (7)
- 16 Greek island in the SE Aegean Sea. (6)
- 19 A line on a map connecting places of equal atmospheric pressure. (6)
- 21 Shake involuntarily as a result of anxiety. (7)
- 23 The capital of Ghana. (5)
- 25 Items used for carrying clothes when travelling. (9)
- 27 Up to date and well informed. (2,7)
- 28 Russian pancake made of buckwheat flour and yeast. (5)
- 29 An instrument for lifting loose earth, coal etc. (6)
- 30 The son of one's son or daughter. (8)

DOWN

- 1 A man notorious for seducing women. (8)
- 2 A daffodil with a flower that has white outer petals and a shallow orange centre. (9)
- 3 Sharp-pointed duelling swords. (5)
- 4 The medical term for measles. (7)
- 6 The nontechnical name for talus. (9)
- 7 A strong ringing sound such as that made by the plucked string of an instrument. (5)
- 8 Provides food and drink at a social event. (6)
- 9 A difficult question. (6)
- 15 An opening in a wall or parapet, used for shooting through. (9)
- 17 Official residences of ambassadors. (9)
- 18 To reselect to a post. (8)
- 20 A mischievous child. (6)
- 21 Informal name for a tornado. (7)
- 22 Large tropical American parrots. (6)
- 24 A small tropical American evergreen tree. (5)
- 26 A private room on a ship. (5)

LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

Ombudsman - *Diputado del Común*

For complaints about a utility or public authority: Rambla Medular, 99, Arrecife. Arrecife, 8-2 Mon to Fri, Tel: 928 812 407 The service is free and confidential.



Cabildo Consumer Protection Office

For complaints about private or state-run businesses or services: Cabildo Building, Arrecife, 9-13 Mon to Fri. Tel: 928 80 33 67.

E-mail: consumo@cabildodelanzarote.com



Cabildo Wildlife Protection Service

Tel: 696 733 177 (07.00-22.00)



Mararia - Official Women's Support Office

In case of maltreatment or abuse. All nationalities welcome. C/ Amigos de Portonaos, 1, 3rd Floor, tel: 928 804834/816074. E-mail: voluntarias.ascmararia@gmail.com. **In case of emergency call 112**



SARA Animal Protection Society

Next door to the Tahiche Garden Centre, Tahiche, open 10:30 - 13:00 Monday to Saturday, Tuesday 17:00 - 19:00. Tel/fax: 928 173 417. www.saraprotectora/eng



Alcoholics Anonymous English-Speaking Meetings

Call 638 484 113 or visit www.aalanzarote.com Costa Teguse Barcelo Hotel Mon and Wed 18.00-19.00. Tel: 928 511 846 or 928 173 525



Visiting Rotarians Welcome - Lanzarote Rotary Club - Arrecife

Weekly meeting Friday 14.30 at Lancelot Hotel Arrecife Visiting Rotarians welcome. Information: Tel.: 928 80 50 99.



English-Working Lodge

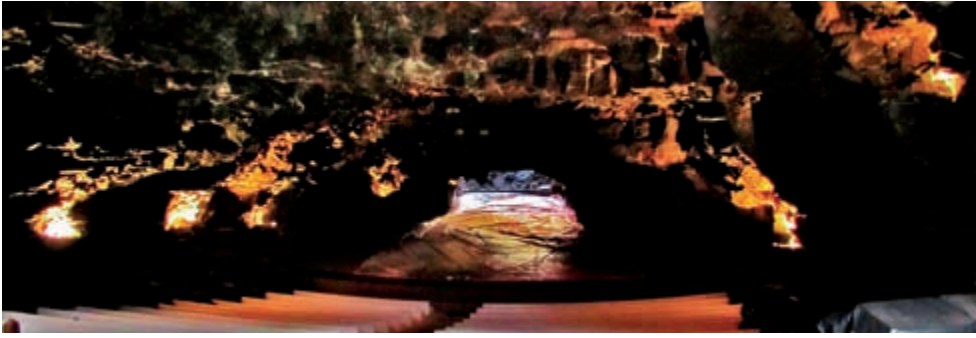
(Emulation) in the Spanish Constitution (recognised by U.G.L.) will welcome visitors October-April. Information: Tel: 928 83 34 90



Local Bridge Club

From September to June, two Bridge Clubs on Lanzarote hold weekly meetings in Arrecife to which visitors are welcome: Tuesdays 18.30 at the Arrecife Gran Hotel and Wednesdays at 19.00 at the Casino Club Náutico, Arrecife. Both are located on the promenade. www.bridgelanzarote.com

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“Angaro” at Jameos: Unique and Mesmerising – Not to be Missed

A superb tapestry of the evolvement of music from the beginning of time, jazz-tinged trombone arrangements, pitch-perfect vocals sung a capella and a pervading non-stop and exciting percussion rhythm accentuated by drummers using their hands and sticks alternately on box-shaped “cajóns” and striking an elevated gong covered with animal skin. Variations of a recognisable theme of traditional Canarian music running in the background adds an ethnic element to the musical kaleidoscope.

This authentic historic-theatrical work is based on the social and religious traditions of Canarian Ethnographic Heritage. The tableaux of music

and dance depicting life in the villages of the ancient inhabitants of the Islands show how articles from everyday life evolved from their natural sounds into song and dance. This musical texture links them to similar tales of early life in other parts of the world. Walking on sand, whistling, striking sea shells and animal bones, or utensils of stone and wood used in farming, milling, sowing and fishing. The primitive implements of the prehistoric era which accompanied the very first folklore music gradually evolved into the crafted instruments of strings and brass for the piano, harpsichord and the trumpet.

“Angaro” was the ancient Greek word for lighting a torch on a mountain top to warn of impending pirate attacks which took place frequently in Canarian waters during the middle ages.



A Spanish translation of the chronicle of a celebrated family of Genoese origin by Dr Sandro Pellegrini, *Los magnificos Lercaro de Tenerife*, has now been translated into Spanish and published by MHA, Tenerife Museums of History and Anthropology. Historian and author Sandro Pellegrini also wrote the original biography of Lazzarotto Malocello (Recco, Ge 1999), the Genoese navigator for whom Lanzarote is named.

“Angaro” Forthcoming Performances:

June 3, 10, 17 - July 1, 8, 13, 22

Concerts start at 12:30 (midday) except 13 July at 20:00



The opening concert of the III Annual Cycle by the Classical Orchestra Lanzarote at the Casa de la Cultura was entitled “Airs for a Women” with a variety of popular melodies which concluded with Bohemian Rhapsody composed by Freddy Mercury. Photo: Orchestra Founder Roberto Fuentes and Cabildo Heritage Councillor Rafael Juan González.

OCL Concert
16 June 12.00 (midday)
 La Plazuela “Popular Classics”
30 June 20.30
 Casa de la Cultura
 “Spanish Composers”



Councillor Rafael Juan González with Roberto Fuentes at a concert of the Lanzarote Classical Orchestra



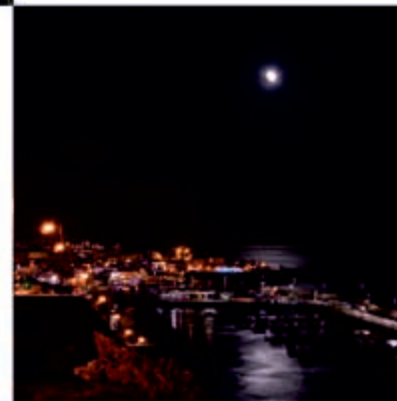
The saxophone of Scott Page of Pink Floyd fame backed by the Floydians lit up the night with their concert at Marina Rubicón last April. World famous for his brilliant solos with both Pink Floyd and Supertramp, Page was backed by the Italian tribute band the Floydians with their exciting vocalists Ángela Cervantes and Cris López. Lead guitarist Salvatore Andriani, is known as the “David Gilmour of Italy”, as was heard in his solo in “Sorrow”.

Check cabildodelanzarotecultura.es for last minute changes



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