

Upcoming Events 2016

Semana Santa (Easter)

20th – 27th march.



Easter in Malaga city centre you have to see the Semana Santa celebrations in Holy Week, (the week before Easter.) The best and most flamboyant event you can ever take part in. I say "taken part in" because just to be there when there are up to a million people on the streets it is impossible not to. The images of the characters in the passion of Christ, and the devotion of the people are outstanding, and will live long in the memory. The highlight was to see the (TRONOS) enter and leave the Cathedral. A place fit to visit at anytime with the new lighting and many treasures but at Semana Santa, no one visiting the area should miss this amazing attraction.

La Romeria

25th September



The Romeria is on a Sunday, the people will congregate at the park with their horses and horse carriages and will be dressed in colorful Andalusian dresses. This part of the Fair is my favorite and the most colorful. The procession winds through the town and heads into the pine forests where huge picnics and paellas are enjoyed. A full day of dancing, drinking and eating where everyone is welcome.

Festival de Cine

22 April – 1st May



Film Festival which attracts directors and actors from all over the world, a whole week of industry workshops & film presentations shown in Malaga cines.

Fiesta del Carmen.

16th July



La Carihuela was originally a typical fishing village and each year the patron saint is taken from the church and carried to the sea and launched on a fishing boat. Offerings are made. It is a traditional procession that draws people from all around to take part.

Feria de Torremolinos

28th September- 1st October



The whole town turns out for daytime events and impromptu dancing and then the night falls and everyone goes to the fair. Great fun on your doorstep.

Dia del Pescaito

2nd June



Festival in the Carihuela where all the restaurant owners open their doors & invite everyone to sample their fish, lots of people, lots of food and queues! Great fun day.

La Feria de Malaga

13th – 20th August



The Malaga Fair is one of the largest fairs in Spain and is held during August. There are many events that take place during the day at Calle Larios, Plaza de la Marina and the Plaza de la Constitucion. One can see many people dressed in native costume and there is always music. Many people like to dance the native dances of Andalusia, like the Sevillanas. At night the festivities take place at the fair grounds where there are many casetas where one can eat and see people dancing the Sevillanas.

San Juan

23rd June



Bonfires light up the beaches all over Spain as the longest day of the year is celebrated with parties, drinking & Music.

Day of the Tourist

1st September



Another great fun day where tourists are invited to join in the fun and festivities, huge paella is made and everyone joins in. competition to find the happiest tourist is held with the establishments in the area proposing people who holiday with them regularly.

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Club Office hours

Monday – Friday
08.00-16.00

Reception hours

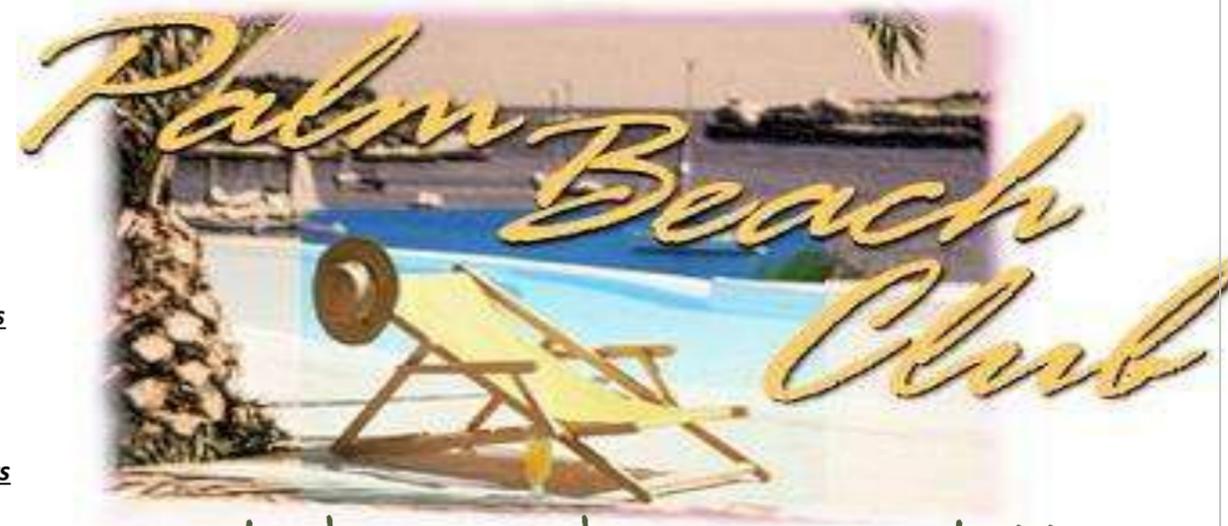
Monday - Sunday
08.00 – 24.00



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Club Members Newsletter



Message from Rachel

... Plenty of things have happened over the past year the first is the new look web site which you will find next time you're online. www.palmbeachclub.com. We have a section for members where you can find the yearly calendar, booking forms of all types to fill in and send back for booking exchanges, family or friends in, letting us know if you want to rent out your weeks etc...Take a look; hope it makes life easier for you. You can also now pay via PayPal which is the most secure way of paying over the net.

We are continuing with our change over to LED lighting throughout the communal areas. It is a gradual replacement that we will conduct over the next few years.

I will continue to send notifications out to all members via email as the vast majority of you now communicate in this way.

Our situation with the electricity board has finally been legalized and we are once again, paying bills for the apartments after a break of 12 years.

We have replaced the housekeeper after it was found she couldn't really cope with the pressure of the summertime and Bourchra and Emma are doing the job between them.

The apartments have all been updated with new paintings added to the walls of the rooms to freshen them up.

Please send any questions you may have before the AGM and we can discuss them at the meeting.

www.palmbeachclub.com

Club Statistics 2016

Number of active club members –250

Number of weeks active in the scheme – 355

Number of apartments active in the club – 18

Number of flexi week owners 21—(owning 28 weeks)

Number of studio owners-11

Country of residence;

Belgium 1
Canada 1
Croatia 2
Czech Republic 78
England 67
España 5
France 4
Germany 1
Holland 2
Hungary 47
Ireland 1
Israel 2
Italy 1
Russia 3
Scotland 6
Serbia 7
Slovakia 12
Slovenia 1
Sweden 2
U S A 4
Wales 3

Málaga.....a City not to be missed.....

Malaga has been voted 2nd best city in the world for entertainment and culture by the "Rough guides" come and find out why!



Rooftop Sky bars in Málaga centre

The time has definitely arrived for those of you who have been coming to Palm Beach for many years but never ventured into the city at nighttime to give it a try in 2016.

There are many hotels offering a rooftop experience throughout the old town and it is so lovely to see the city from above.

The bars are comfortably setup offering music and fabulous cocktails and the new style Gins which are making a comeback with over 20 brands to choose from, various different tonic waters too and last of all dried berries, liquorice roots and twists of citrus make a fantastic experience.

Tapas bars



There are over 100 tapas bars in the centre of Malaga for you to try on your wanderings. Some places offer a tapas slate where you can order 5 or 6 different tapas for 10€ with drinks included! You cannot go wrong.

Málaga Museum Guide



The museums and art galleries currently open to the public are;

1. Museo Carmen Thyssen Malaga
2. Picasso Museum of Malaga
3. Museum of Glass and Crystal
4. CAC Malaga- Centro de Arte Contemporaneo de Malaga
5. Automobile Museum of Malaga
6. Museum House of Dolls
7. Popular Arts Museum (Museo de Artes y Costumbres Populares)
8. Wine Museum of Malaga
9. Museo Interactivo de la Musica - Malaga (MIMMA)
10. Municipal Museum of Malaga
11. Malaga Flamenco Museum
12. Fundacion Picasso - Casa Natal Museum
13. Marine Centre-Museum

The new Pompidou Malaga has been open for a year now and is a The St Petersburg State Russian Museum. also opened in march 2015 and is sited within the Old Tobacco building.

Watch our face book page for notices and updates.



The new port of Málaga

has been open for over a year now and for those of you who have not visited yet there is a wealth of new restaurants and bars opened. There's a great atmosphere day or night time here and when there are cruise ships in the whole place is buzzing.

The new Gastro mercado de la Merced

The old food market in the Plaza de la Merced in Málaga opened its doors this January, completely reformed as a gastronomical center. There are dozens of little stalls selling wine and food as tapas or sharing platters.



Minutes of the 2015 agm

7th April 2015 A.G.M.

Club member data 2015. We have 284 members in the database of owners, a total of 416 weeks owned. The maintenance account stands to date 66,145 Euros outstanding from unpaid fees from 87 members, 40 of those members owe 2 years and 47 are those that owe this year. The country where there is most default of fees is the U.K. and Czech and Hungary. We have 11 members less through the owners giving up through old age, and not wanting to travel.

In the timeshare scheme there are a total of 1196 weeks of which 416 weeks are sold it leaves 780 weeks empty which are unsold. What we are proposing is to take out 5 apartments 260 weeks which are on the first floor and upgrading these first floor owners with better apartments on the higher floors, as the fewer apartments that the club needs to maintain the maintenance will be spent on keeping the apartments well maintained. Out of the 38 members concerned 19 members have already agreed to the change and there are 19 members with 28 weeks left to change.

We have increased staff members by 3 permanent members a house keeper, a cleaner and one Half cleaner with half maintenance work. All employees have contracts and Social Security has gone up to 40% and there is also 3 part time staff, whose contracts are more flexible. Rachel is in her office and no longer works from the reception. All member enquiries will be handled in reception as usual.

We have reduced AGA travels commission from 6 % to 3 % who are our platform of reservations; they send us all reservations from sub agencies on the internet. Telephone bills are halved by changing to different tariffs and new international rates. Cleaning material reduced since arrival of the house keeper as she has renewed suppliers. The laundry costs have increased having changed to a new industrial laundry after receiving so many complaints and to avoid spending money on buying sheets, we rent them through the laundry also guaranteeing good quality and all sizes so the twin beds can be made up together to make king size.

We must proceed with the last phase of the fire installations, all doors must be replaced with fire doors and 3 ventilation Extractor fans on each floor and at the point of replacing the doors we will change to a Key card system. This is going to be extremely expensive to the club at 600 Euros per door but we don't have an election and it is a legal requirement. Even the private owners will have to comply in order for us to get the licence which means we may end up paying for those unwilling to pay.

1600 Euros has been spent on the redecoration of reception painted artistically by a local artist along with a mural on the swimming pool area bringing all areas up to date and inspires topic of conversation. We have spent less on office supplies as we use email for most communication and newsletters sent out. We hope all members will adapt to this as the cost in postage today is 1 Euro per letter and forever increasing. Allowing members to come on different days to Saturday has encouraged more members to holiday at Palm Beach, we don't mind what day they come as long as they occupy the majority of their time in their week. We must be contacted first to check our availability.

RESOLUTION 2:-To appoint Javier Blas as our accountant, all votes are in favour and this was passed.

RESOLUTION 3:- Setting of the maintenance fee was discussed at length with several suggestions from the floor and it was decided to keep it the same without increase and that all owners could double their weeks holiday if they were to come between November and April (excluding Christmas and Easter.) Giving owners two weeks holiday in exchange for 1 weeks maintenance paid. Bearing in mind we have lovely mild warm winters with an average temperature 19° and it's the perfect time for trips and sightseeing and seeing Malaga with its art galleries and museums, tapas bars and bodegas (wine bars) roof terraces with magnificent views of the city, a visit is a must on your list of what s to do whilst you are here. Any other business; - The A/C units are looking old and rusty, check them for safety and paint them. The website for members should have a calendar for all the weeks for owners to consult. We would re apply for permission to re open the massage area by the pool.

The A.G.M. 2016 was set to be held on 12th April 2016 at 11 am.



The upgrade process of moving owners from apartments on the 1st floor to others within the timeshare scheme is completed with just 1 member left to decide where they want to go. The removal of these units from the scheme, once this has finished, will mean reduced expenses to the club. The apartments removed will be returned to the developer for purely rentals & the maintenance costs will be assumed by them. As the expenses for water and electricity are rising each year this will mean a big difference to the club and means that maintenance fees received can be used for other purposes. We will start to see the benefits in this next year's accounts .



We have an Ayurveda trained masseur on hand to do Indian head, foot, shoulder and full body massages in the privacy of your own room. Book her through reception.