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# NEWS & VIEWS

The Newsletter for the International Club of Salobreña

**NERJA AND  
FRIGILIANA**  
**WEDNESDAY 11 MARCH**

**BOOKING NOW!**  
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## Membership Renewal



Our membership continues to grow. We already have 28 new members this year!

Not only that but membership renewals are up on last year, at the time of writing 124 members have already renewed their membership. It is really important that we comply with our General Data Protection Regulations and we would encourage any members who have not yet renewed their membership for 2020 to do so as soon as possible.

If you're not expecting to be at one of our social meetings in Hotel Salobrena Suites it is so easy to renew your membership online. You just need your Membership Renewal Invitation Email which has your data to check and the link to complete renewal.

[Alternatively, click here to visit our regular membership application site.](#)

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# From The Chair...

## Time flies when you're having fun!

Welcome to our second newsletter of 2020. In the last few weeks we have drafted our calendar for the year and have agreed some new features to look forward as the year progresses.

We have already hosted a successful trip to Malaga and many of our members took the opportunity to visit the Gustav Klimt immersive media exhibition which is on until the middle of April.

Another fun activity in February was our popular International BINGO—with games held in English, Spanish and German. Maybe a little more challenging than regular bingo but a whole lot of fun! It's a while since an activity received a standing ovation! Everyone taking part agreed it would be fun to do again so we have scheduled an hour on 13 May to give members the chance to win some prizes.

Bingo isn't the only international opportunity in the ICS recently... if you have visited our website recently, you might have noticed that there is now an option to choose an automatic translation of the pages into other languages. This has been a quick and simple update to our website and we do appreciate that as it relies on Google Translate, it isn't perfect but hopefully will help our members for whom English is not their first language in navigating around the site and making it easier to understand what is happening within the club.

You might have also noticed our front cover of this month's newsletter promoting our next trip—Nerja and Frigiliana on Wednesday 11 March. Another day of freedom in two great nearby attractions in this beautiful part of Sothern Spain. With limited places it's important to book and pay for your seats as soon as possible.

At the time of writing there as still 6 seats on our coach going to Granada on Wednesday 18 March to see Mozart's Don Giovanni at Palacio De Congressos. Although there are still tickets available for the opera, you don't have to do that if you would just like a night out in Granada, using our direct coach to the city. See our website for more information or drop us a line to [icsalobrena2016@gmail.com](mailto:icsalobrena2016@gmail.com).

Thank you to everyone who took the time to give feedback and suggestions about the charity donations to be made in 2020. There's a whole page dedicated to the outcome later in this issue.

There's also an update on our progress in collecting membership subscriptions for 2020 and it is great to see good progress in gaining the continued support of our members going into the year to ensure the survival and progress of the International Club.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible in the hotel Salobreña Suites over the coming weeks.

**Mark Clifton**

**Chair, ICS 2020**



# ICS Committee 2020

- Chair - Mark Clifton
- Secretary - Teresa Deasy
- Treasurer - David Barrow
- Vocale - Yvonne Bautista
- Vocale - Giles Killick
- Vocale - Lesley O'Brien
- Vocale - Sinikka Castilla
- Vocale - Mathilde Dresscher
- Vocale - Mila Ramirez



## Gibraltar Trip News

Last year our members had the opportunity to join the annual trip to Gibraltar, organised by Chris Smith. A very popular excursion in the run up to Christmas, enabling a supermarket sweep of Morrisons, Gibraltar for all the Yuletide favourites.

Chris promised that surplus funds from the organisation of the trip would be donated to charity and she has kindly given us an update that this year the funds were allocated between three worthwhile causes:



The Food Bank at Salobrena, Vale Verde Animal Rescue and, Aldeas Infantiles SOS.

Although not yet included in our events calendar we hope to be able to offer ICS members the opportunity to join in another Gibraltar trip later this year! Thanks Chris for your hard work in making this happen and helping worthwhile causes at the same time!



# Granada Here We Come!

Don Giovanni, Palacio De Congressos, 18 March 2020



Our coach to Granada is booked and ready for our trip to the opera but there are still a limited number of seats available if anyone would like to jump on board and join us. Leaving Salobreña at 6:30pm, there's time to grab a pre-show drink in a local bar before the performance starts at 8:30pm. Our coach will be waiting for us at around 11:45 to whisk us back to Salobreña half past midnight.

You don't have to want to come into watch the opera—you could just hit the town and take in the sights and sounds of this energetic city.

The coach is just €12 for members or €15 for non-members. See our website for details. If you would like to join us in the opera, there are still seats available for those too—email [icsalobrena2016@gmail.com](mailto:icsalobrena2016@gmail.com)

# Nerja & Frigiliana Trip!

Wednesday 11  
March 2020

We couldn't resist squeezing in a great little trip to two fantastic locations within easy distance... Nerja and Frigiliana.



We have organised a coach to take you on a morning visit to Nerja, with the freedom to enjoy the shops, cafes, bars and of course the sights and sounds of the Balcon De Europa. Then we are off for the short drive to Frigiliana with its iconic whitewashed casco historico and stunning views of the sea and mountains.

It's another "Freedom" opportunity to fill your day with your favourite things and at only €11 for members and €14 for non-members is pleasing to the pocket too!

For more details on this great day out visit our website or speak to Yvonne or Teresa who will be pleased to answer any questions you may have.

# Charity Update

## Charities Chosen!

You will recall that we reached out to our members in our last newsletter to get suggestions and preferences of the charities who should receive our donations of €100 each in 2020.

We had a good response from our members and can publish the top three choices by votes cast on our online survey form:

Valle Verde Animal Rescue 18 Votes

Acompalia 14 Votes

Damos La Cara Contra Violencia 12 Votes

Other suggestions received include Aprosmo, Banco Alimentos Salobreña, Cancer Research , Mental Health, Cruz Roja Motril and Jesus Abandonado. As we are only supporting the top three charities we can however help raise the profiles of these other good causes throughout the year in our newsletters and video news.

So our charities are chosen and we will be making donations shortly to their representatives.

We will cover the charities and their achievements in later issues of our newsletter so watch this space for more information!

In the meantime, if you would like to find out more about each of them please visit their website by clicking the following links:

[\*\*Damos La Cara Contra Violencia de Genero\*\*](#)

[\*\*Valle Verde Animal Rescue\*\*](#)

[\*\*Acompalia\*\*](#)



# Events Calendar

We have completed our first draft of our events calendar and are really excited about some of the highlights coming up. We have tried to include some new activities to keep the club fresh and interesting. We have also taken into account the popularity of activities and events during 2019 to try and offer something to satisfy the majority of our members.

The calendar is always dynamic and subject to updates and amendments as we go through the year.

One point is worth mentioning at this stage and that is the issue of booking and cancellations. We completely understand that circumstances can change unexpectedly but at the same time it can be a real challenge to fill seats at short notice. We have seen quite a drop-out rate which can put the whole trip in jeopardy so consequently we are erring on the side of caution and booking only 29 seat minibuses rather than 55 seat coaches. This takes the pressure off filling so many seats and helps us to guarantee a trip for those interested. However, with smaller coach sizes it's inevitable that seats fill quickly and if not booked and paid early can leave some members disappointed. Please do book early and remember that your booking is only complete when you have made payment. You can quickly and easily pay online for all of our trips so you don't have to wait until you can get to one of our meetings in the Hotel Salobreña Suites.

## Coming up...

- **APRIL—A fantastic day out in Benalmádena including a trip to the Teleférico and free time in the Marina.**
- **APRIL—The Great ICS Bake Off! A chance to share some our best international recipes for cakes with a prize for the best cake presented!**
- **MAY—Beautiful Ronda day trip!**
- **JUNE—Ten Pin Bowling and of course ending the season with our Summer Lunch!**

If you have anything that you would like to contribute towards for our next newsletter please do let us know. Photos, stories, articles are invited from our members.

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# Events Calendar

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event AM</b>	<b>Event PM</b>	<b>Organiser</b>
04/03/2020	Book Swap & Name Badge Draw		Mathilde Dresscher/Lesley O'Brien
11/03/2020	Nerja & Frigiliana Trip		Teresa Deasy/Yvonne Bautista
18/03/2020	Social at Hotel + TRIP PM	Don Giovanni Trip	Mark Clifton / Yvonne Bautista
25/03/2020	Quiz		Giles Killick
01/04/2020	Book Swap & Name Badge Draw		Mathilde Dresscher/Lesley O'Brien
08/04/2020	Kitty Harri's Self Drive		Lesley O'Brien
15/04/2020	Benalmadena Trip		Lesley O'Brien/Yvonne Bautista
22/04/2020	Great ICS Bake Off		Matk Clifton
29/04/2020	Quiz		Giles Killick
06/05/2020	Book Swap & Name Badge Draw		Mathilde Dresscher/Lesley O'Brien
13/05/2020	INTERNATIONAL BINGO		Mark Clifton
20/05/2020	Ronda Trip		Lesley O'Brien/Yvonne Bautista
27/05/2020	Quiz		Giles Killick
03/06/2020	Book Swap & Name Badge Draw		Mathilde Dresscher/Lesley O'Brien
10/06/2020	Ten Pin Bowling Trip		Yvonne Bautista
17/06/2020	Summer Lunch		TBA
24/06/2020	Quiz		Giles Killick
Summer Break			
09/09/2020	Book Swap & Name Badge Draw		Mathilde Dresscher/Lesley O'Brien
16/09/2020	Ukulele Open Morning		Mark Clifton/Lesley O'Brien
23/09/2020	Quiz		Giles Killick
30/09/2020	Almeria Trip		
07/10/2020	Book Swap & Name Badge Draw		Mathilde Dresscher/Lesley O'Brien
14/10/2020	Terry Everett - Talk - American Presidents		Teresa Deasy
21/10/2020	Wolf Park Trip		Yvonne Bautista
28/10/2020	Quiz		Giles Killick
04/11/2020	Book Swap & Name Badge Draw		Mathilde Dresscher/Lesley O'Brien
11/11/2020	Estepa & Osuna		TBA
18/11/2020	Coffee and Speaker		TBA
25/11/2020	Quiz		Giles Killick
02/12/2020	Malaga Christmas Trip		Lesley O'Brien
09/12/2020	Winter Lunch		TBA
16/12/2020	Christmas Quiz & Tapas		Giles Killick
Christmas Break			
06/01/2021	Book Swap & Name Badge Draw		Mathilde Dresscher/Lesley O'Brien
13/01/2021	AGM 2021		
20/01/2021	2021 Subs Launch		





# Puzzle Page

Issue 1 Solutions

## Regions Of Spain

A	S	T	U	R	I	A	S	B	V	A	S	N	M
C	N	A	M	C	A	I	R	B	A	T	N	A	C
R	O	A	R	A	G	M	A	D	R	I	D	R	E
A	G	C	J	S	A	N	P	A	N	D	A	U	N
N	A	C	A	T	L	A	A	U	D	S	A	D	S
D	R	L	J	I	I	V	I	A	L	N	I	A	D
A	A	C	O	L	C	A	S	I	A	S	N	M	T
L	A	A	I	L	I	R	V	C	S	C	O	E	O
U	C	A	R	A	A	R	A	N	I	C	L	R	D
S	A	D	A	Y	R	E	S	E	A	N	A	T	R
I	U	A	L	L	A	A	C	L	C	A	T	X	R
A	D	I	P	E	L	A	O	A	C	O	A	E	R
A	J	O	E	O	I	G	T	V	I	V	C	V	E
P	I	A	O	N	N	M	U	R	C	I	A	L	U

MADRID  
MURCIA  
PAIS VASCO  
CASTILLA Y LEON  
CATALONIA  
ANDALUSIA  
ARAGON  
ASTURIAS  
VALENCIA  
LA RIOJA  
EXTREMADURA  
GALICIA  
NAVARRRE  
CANTABRIA

2	9	8	5	6	1	3	7	4
6	4	7	9	2	3	5	8	1
3	5	1	4	8	7	9	2	6
9	7	6	1	4	2	8	3	5
5	8	4	7	3	9	6	1	2
1	2	3	6	5	8	7	4	9
4	3	9	2	7	6	1	5	8
7	1	2	8	9	5	4	6	3
8	6	5	3	1	4	2	9	7

# Puzzle Page Wordsearch

All of the regions of Spain... How many can you find? Play online! <https://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/931238/>

## Fiestas!

S	E	S	S	I	L	A	A	S	S	C	E	A	O
A	O	A	L	A	I	M	N	A	V	I	D	A	D
C	I	N	V	N	L	S	N	A	N	R	R	S	R
L	C	J	A	L	L	F	O	O	L	S	D	A	Y
I	O	U	D	T	H	R	E	E	K	I	N	G	S
N	R	A	A	D	S	S	T	D	C	I	R	H	D
A	L	N	O	S	E	G	A	T	N	U	N	C	A
E	E	L	U	C	A	R	N	I	V	A	L	S	Y
D	S	A	A	T	N	A	S	A	N	A	M	E	S
I	T	S	I	R	H	C	S	U	P	R	O	C	A
V	R	A	N	D	A	L	U	S	I	A	D	A	Y
D	Y	A	D	S	T	N	I	A	S	L	L	A	N
C	N	A	S	E	S	S	O	R	C	Y	A	M	Y
C	E	E	E	E	D	A	R	O	M	E	R	I	A

ANDALUSIA DAY  
CORPUS CHRISTI  
MAY CROSSES  
SAN JUAN  
ROMERIA  
ALL SAINTS DAY  
SEMANA SANTA  
CARNIVALS  
NAVIDAD  
EL ROCIO  
THREE KINGS  
ALL FOOLS DAY

Play this puzzle online at : <https://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/931238/>

## Sudoku

			9					1
	4						3	7
	2		3	5			9	
	1		4	8		6		
6								8
		9		6	1		2	
	3			7	2		6	
2	5						1	
7					4			

How to Play Sudoku. The objective is to fill a 9x9 grid so that each column, each row, and each of the nine 3x3 boxes (also called blocks or regions) contains the digits from 1 to 9. A cell is the smallest block in the game. A row, column and region consists of 9 cells and the whole game consists of 81 cells.

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