



Dates for Diaries/ Datas para diário

8 Dec 2013
RC Silves & Loulé Lions
Xmas Walk and Lunch
10.30 Paderne

12 Dec 2013
RC Silves
Lunch Meeting
12:00 for 12:30
Holiday Inn, Armação
de Pêra

19 Dec 2013
Xmas Dinner Wine
Tasting and Fado
Campsite restaurant
Armação de Pêra

22 Dec 2013
Pre Xmas Drink 16:00
Pam and Alan's
Salir, near Loule

Dec 2013 TBC
Mexican Train
Afternoon/Evening
Holiday Inn, Armação
de Pêra

Newsletter 6: December 2013

Silves Sul visit the UK: The visit of Dalila, João and Isabel to Wildern School went especially well. They had time to see how new technologies are used in the UK curriculum and talk to pupils about Wildern TV so that Silves Sul TV can follow. The team returned with enthusiasm and many interesting ideas. They made friends at the school and are looking forward to teachers from Wildern School coming to the Algarve in April. Wildern School was equally enthusiastic about the visit so much so that the story was covered in the Southampton Daily Echo and the [headteacher's blog](#).



Update on Paulo: As Paulo relaxes by the pool preparations are underway to organise his long trek ending at The Rotary Convention in Sidney next year. Confirmed as an RI Ambassador and will begin his journey in Evanston USA early next year. Specially produced EPN/Paulo pins will be sold throughout his travels. He will be encouraged to visit schools in the countries he visits to raise awareness of the great efforts underway to eradicate this blight which has been around from the times of the Pharaohs.



Our Joint Meeting with IRC Almancil

The Good, the Bad and the Ugly: Our speakers Rosie Peddle and Marilyn Medina Ribeiro provided an interesting, thought provoking and enjoyable talk on low impact gardening using appropriate plants requiring little or no irrigation. Making us all search our consciences! Those present could not help but go away with new ideas for their little plot. Rosie is the contact in Portugal for The Mediterranean Garden Society (MGS) and coordinates events on the Algarve. The MGS website www.gardeninginportugal.com has basic gardening information, links and news of events. Marilyn is also a member of the MGS and writes regular articles in....

Please read on we have a busy month this month!

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2.ª Quinta- feira do mês Almoço, 12:00 para 12:30

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The Resident, she has her own company to promote sustainable land management.

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Welcoming a new member: RC Silves also happily welcomed David Butler Cole to the family. David received his pin from Alan following a lovely introduction from Sheena. After nine years in Africa and fourteen in Brazil, David has come to rest in the Algarve. David's main interests are directing and acting in amateur dramatics as well as writing for the stage. He takes a keen interest in the activities of Castelo de Sonhos, a charity close to our hearts.



One of the toys collected along with food for Bancos Alimentares .



Christmas Walk and Lunch 8 Dec in Paderne: Start the festive season with a stroll around our beautiful Portuguese countryside whilst supporting charities that do an amazing job collecting and distributing food to the needy of the Algarve. Please bring a non-perishable Christmassy food parcel, monetary donations will also be accepted. The walk is followed by a traditional Portuguese lunch at Paraíso do Algarve close to Paderne at 15€. Just join us for lunch if you can't make the walk. Please contact Ivan Ellison on ivan.ellison@sapo.pt to book the walk and/or lunch and for full directions to the start. Organised in conjunction with International Lions Club of Loulé.



Mexican Train: Easy to Learn and fun to play. One of the most popular domino games played in the world today. We will be holding two more Mexican Train events at the Holiday Inn in Dec dates TBC. Bring friends and join visitors for some fun. Your donation of 5€ goes towards a Mobile Breast Screening Unit for Associação Oncológica do Algarve. A prize for the lowest score.

Christmas Dinner, Wine Tasting and Fado Evening: Arrangements are underway for our Christmas treat. The planned restaurant has seating for 60+ people so friends and fellow rotarians will be welcome. **More information soon.**

22 Dec 2013 Pre-Christmas Drinks at Pam and Alan's Salir: Alan and Pam invite friends and fellow rotarians to share some good cheer prior to the Christmas festivities. Drinks and hot and cold canapés will be served at their home in Salir, north of Loulé from 16:00. Please RSVP to apwchina@yahoo.co.uk by 20 December, directions available closer to the event.

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