

Rincón foreign residents to run English summer camp

The Association of New and Foreign Residents is organising an English camp for Spanish children this August

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The Rincón de la Victoria-based Association for New and Foreign Residents of Malaga (ANREM) is one of several organisations which have been asked by the provincial government, 'La Diputación', to cooperate in a new social youth project, 'La Noria'.

"As an Association we're honoured to be chosen as one of the 'founding associations' of this major new initiative, which will act as an 'incubator' for many different projects aimed at helping children and teenagers across the province of Malaga," Aprilie Winterstein, President of ANREM, tells SUR in English.

"Originally, ANREM was approached by 'La Diputación' to help reach out to children whose parents cannot afford to send them abroad to learn English, and who might benefit from the different activities that 'La Noria' will offer."

"Since then, our involvement has evolved somewhat. We're now going to be running an 'English language immersion' summer camp for Spanish kids throughout the month of August.

"We will have up to 100 children a week, aged between nine and 13 years old, and they will be able to



PRESENTATION. APRILIE WINTERSTEIN (FAR RIGHT) WITH DIGNITARIES. SUR

stay overnight at the camp."

The 'La Noria' project is described by the president of the provincial government, Elias Bendodo, as "A pioneering initiative in Andalucía, which is a fine example of a public-private partnership that's focused around social innovation."

Speaking at a press conference he added: "The aim [of 'La Noria'] is to promote social development projects that engage citizens, organisations, institutions, foundations and corporations.

"This centre will be a hub of society's creativity and talent which will then be channelled into various social schemes that will benefit the province's young people."

The base for the project will be the 'Centro Básico de Acogida', a "beautifully preserved historic building, set in 6,000 square metres of mature gardens located next to Malaga's Materno Hospital."

ANREM

Canadian-born Aprilie, who has lived in Rincón de la Victoria for two decades, founded the not-for-

profit Association for New and Foreign Residents of Malaga in March 2011 to "help integration and to ensure that these people are fairly represented within the local administration."

She says: "Whether devising an English youth camp, raising funds for charities such as Cudeca, or whatever we're involved with, we hope to bring people together and make a real difference.

"The majority of our active members have lived on the Costa del Sol for many years and the Association is a way to give back to the local community.

"As President, I hope to create a bridge between the Spanish authorities and the foreign community. Thanks to my 22 years in Spain, almost always with my own real estate business, I have a considerable amount of experience dealing with the bureaucracy related to living in Spain."

ANREM will soon be moving its operation into its new office at the Rincón de la Victoria Town Hall building.

lawyers which filed the lawsuit against the Spanish developer Ricardo Miranda and three former directors of a British real estate agency.

As SUR in English reported (February 25th 2011) the alleged fraud affected not only buyers in Estepona who paid deposits via Ocean View Properties, but buyers in Morocco and the Dominican Republic. According to Lawbird, as well as the challenge to the judge, the firm's clients are extending the accusation of fraud to Carlos Sánchez Hernández and Andrés Liétor, both of whom face prison sentences in the Malaya corruption case, and to Ignacio Coronado. "All of them, including Ignacio Coronado, were paid by Miranda for the sale of their shares and the transfer of ownership of land in the Dominican Republic". In the case of the judge's brother, say the Lawbird legal team, the amount paid was 100,000 euros.

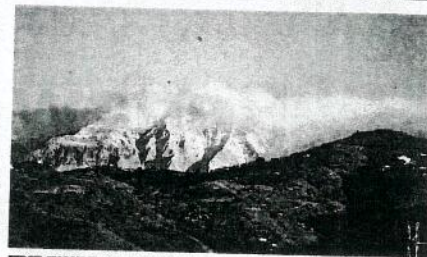
tiffs, most of them British and American, say that Ignacio Coronado Ruz, brother of Madrid judge José Emilio Coronado Ruz, was "a shareholder, secretary, and even chairman of the board of Paraíso Tropical SA", a company owned by Ricardo Miranda, who is accused of fraud amounting to more than 12 million euros.

The recusal is being presented by Lawbird, the Marbella firm of

More than a hundred people suing to get their money back in the case of a property development which was never built are seeking to get the judge disqualified from hearing the case after finding that his brother was associated with the main defendant, Ricardo Miranda Miret. The group of plain-

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FIRST SNOW THIS YEAR. 'LA MAROMA' ON MONDAY. AP

Axarquía

Axarquía mountains receive their first snowfall of 2013

The first snowfall of 2013 was reported earlier this week on the highest peaks of the Sierras Tejeda, Almijara and Alhama Natural Park, with La Maroma mountain receiving the biggest covering, according to experts.

The National Meteorological Centre (AEMET) said the snow continued to fall

throughout the week on the park's peaks of more than 1,400 metres.

However, the amount of snow on the 'sierras' will gradually reduce over the weekend as there is a higher risk of rainfall, meaning 'the white stuff' will only be noticeable on peaks over 2,000 metres high.

Marbella

The campaign against street sellers intensifies

Members of Marbella's Centre for Tourism Initiatives (CIT) have this week expressed their "solidarity and support" for the Local Police in their campaign, currently under way, against street vending.

A spokesperson for the CIT said on Monday: "As well as committing an act of fraud by selling these counterfeit goods to the public, these street vendors are causing a great deal of harm to local businesses."

The statement follows a recent incident in which a Local Police officer was injured by a man who only days earlier had been reported for selling counterfeit goods. Members of the CIT have, in the past, been involved in a number of municipal campaigns in an attempt to eradicate street selling.



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Macharaviaya

Off to the US to celebrate a historical hero

Macharaviaya Town Hall is organising a trip to Pensacola, Florida, to promote the Axarquía municipality on 'Gálvez Day', an annual event that takes place on 6th May to celebrate General Bernardo de Gálvez, one of Spain's most illustrious 'US viceroys' from the 18th century, who was born in Macharaviaya. Axarquía residents are invited to sign up for the week-long trip, which begins on 6th May and which costs 2,200 euros.

Fuengirola

More funding from Madrid, less from Seville

The budget allocated to Fuengirola Town Hall this year by the central government has increased by 21.6 per cent, compared to 2012, but the amount designated by the regional government, the Junta de Andalucía, has fallen by 15.5 per cent. This fiscal year, Fuengirola will receive over 15.1 million euros from state funds, 2.7 million more than last year. According to local 'Hacienda' representative, Carmen Malo, this is part of a "series of support measures for local municipalities."

In addition, Fuengirola is to have the time frame to repay its debts to the central government extended.