

KAMARES VILLAGE MATTERS

Kamares Village Houseowners' Association Newsletter



KVHA Social Events

December 13th

Christmas Party

With DJ Marcus.

Kamares Club Events

Wednesday, August 30th

Greek and Cyprus Night

Call Reception 26880576 to book
- €18 pp payment on the night.

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Tropical Paradise Pool Party

Tickets still available for tomorrow evening from The Kamares Club Reception.

Committee News



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It has been a fairly quiet time for news. The recycling truck has been regularly collecting bags outside villas every Monday very successfully. Glass should still be placed in the green bin at the Club. Four mirrors are on order and their positions have been designated at specific junctions in Kamares. Tala Council have cleared fire hazards ie cut the grass at the sides of roads.

Val Potter News



Our illustrious Secretary, Val Potter, has completed her course of preventative treatment and, after a period of enforced rest, will be returning to her Secretarial role just in time to organise the Annual General Meeting in October.

An Appeal



Cans For Kids – appeal for volunteers to pick up the cans from the Kamares Club and take to the UKCA Club collection point. A pickup truck type vehicle would be a benefit. Contact Maggie Wright if you *can* (excuse the pun) help.

Useful Telephone Numbers

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS	
Emergency Number for Ambulance, Fire or Police	112 / 199
Police and Fire Services - Duty Officer	1499
Medical Assistance - Hospital Information	1400
Kamares Club Reception	26 88 05 76
Larnaca and Paphos International Airports	77 778833
Street Light Fault Reporting (EAC)	1800 with pole number



KAMARES VILLAGE
HOUSEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION
Registered under Cyprus Statute 112

Annual General Meeting

The Associations' Annual General Meeting will take place on Thursday, 26th October at The Kamares Club. Please make a note in your diaries as it promises to be an event you won't want to miss. Well promises is, maybe, a bit of an exaggeration!! It will be a chance to catch up with other members you haven't seen since the last AGM and a chance to quaff some grape juice.

Cool Around The Pool Party

84 attended a successful Cool Around The Pool Party on Friday, July 28th with vintage songs, Abba and 80s onwards.



Kamares Club Weekly Activities

Full details on the website and our Notice Board at the Club

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Monday	Yoga Bridge Club		
Tuesday	Paphos Voices Choir		Quiz
Wednesday	Tai Chi Art Group	Book and DVD Library	Monthly Wine Tasting
Thursday	Bridge Club		
Friday	Orphean Singers Tai Chi	Quilting Group	



**EMERGENCY
MEDICAL CENTRE**

Reception 26 653 328

**EMERGENCY
NUMBER 99329434**

*Medical Centre
GP Surgery Hours*

The Doctor is available Monday to Friday from 9 am - 12 noon only. Please be aware if you wish to consult with the Doctor you should be there before 12 noon.

Wednesday Blood Clinic

For patients needing blood tests

These can now be collected from the patient at The Kamares Medical Centre thus avoiding the need to visit the Iasis Hospital for the tests. Results are returned to The Kamares Medical Centre.

Crochet Tree

by Maggie Wright



Have you spotted the olive tree covered in crochet pieces outside the Municipal Art Gallery? Peace2Peace are a group comprising more than 60 Greek Cypriot and Turkish Cypriot women and other nationalities, living in Cyprus and abroad, promoting peace and friendship. There is also an installation on the fencing of St. Sophia Mosque (Cami-I Kebir) and previously, on an old anchor at the harbour.

Women from all over Cyprus meet and jointly create crochet installations, highlighting the concepts of creativity, peace and coexistence. Crochet, as one of the most widespread traditional handicrafts acts as a link to the daily lives of people and the crochet pieces are part of the same connective web comprising diverse patterns.

After forging a great friendship with Nilgun Akin, a Turkish Cypriot woman living in Kyrenia, the Cypriot Women's Association was formed to encourage Turkish Cypriot and Greek Cypriot women to have a coffee and form friendships.



Following the group's first event, a similar group made up of women from both Israel and Palestine contacted them to form a collaboration. They are named Piece4Peace and carry out similar activities, but theirs involves quilting. So, in the future, pieces will be exchanged between the groups. These Israeli and Palestinian women also want peace and freedom.



Sally Has A New Friend

Sally, the Medical Centre's dog has a new friend called Lisa - another cat! You may remember that Sally's previous friend Harry - also a cat - died last year.

Water Watch Paphos

Over the past ten years the wettest year has been 2012 with over 170 million cubic metres (MCM) of rain being collected in all the dams of Cyprus during the first four months of the year. The driest year was 2014 with a mere 6 MCM in the same period. 2016 wasn't much better with just 12 MCM being collected. 2017 was little better with just under 40 MCM being collected.

So here's a *KVM* prediction - the first four months of 2018 will be very wet! Let's say at least 80 MCM. Watch this space.....

Yeronisos Island

by Maggie Wright



Yeronisos Island is a small island lying off the west coast 18 kilometres from Paphos. Uninhabited since the 15th century, recent excavations have revealed it once held a sanctuary dedicated to Apollo in the late Hellenistic period. For years, archaeologists have been digging at Yeronisos Island off the coast of Peyia. The local landmark – also known as “Holy Island” measures just 300 yards long by about 75 yards wide. During the winter months the island is so green it looks more like an outcrop of Ireland or the British Isles. Yeronisos has been uninhabited since Byzantine times and remains one of the last naturally protected nesting sites for birds, including the yellow-footed gull, rock doves, jackdaws, swifts, and cormorants. For nearly two decades New York University professor, Joan Breton Connelly has been bringing students to help with the digs, which have revealed Yeronisos had a very active Hellenistic period of occupation and religious worship, along with Chalcolithic and Byzantine levels. The Golden Age of Yeronisos was in the Hellenistic period, the time following the death of Alexander the Great when the Ptolemies of Egypt ruled Cyprus. In 2013 cups, bowls, jugs and plates were unearthed within small rooms where dining appears to have taken place during the final years of Egyptian rule.

Cyprus Becomes Independent Republic

Cyprus was declared an independent republic on 16th August 1960 and became a member of the United Nations, the British Commonwealth, the Council of Europe, the Non-aligned Movement and other international organisations.

The MV Edro III



A couple of months ago we wrote about the shipwreck that can be seen from Kamares Village, the MV Demetrios II. There is another ship stuck on the coast and is also visible from parts of Kamares. The MV Edro III is stuck on rocks near Sea Caves and has been there since 8th December 2011.

The Sierra Leone registered ship was sailing from Limassol to Rhodes in heavy seas when it ran aground after technical problems with the engine. There was a crew of nine aboard all of whom were safely airlifted to Paphos by RAF helicopter. The cargo of plaster board and the fuel oil has been removed and the ship has been left, listing by about 10 degrees.

In a quote to the *Cyprus Sunday Mail* Nicos Attas, a marine surveyor from the department of merchant shipping, in May 2014 said, "I hope that this ship won't stay on the rocks indefinitely; it's just a matter of money. It will cost roughly around half a million euros to move and transport the vessel to a scrap yard," He, Mr Attas, went on to say. "There is an international market value for the weight of scrap steel; unfortunately the costs appear to exceed the scrap value."

Although you can't go on-board the ship you can get very close.

Pafos2017

by Maggie Wright

Two sell out concerts were held by the Aphrodite's Rock this month. The concerts, which were under the combined name Moon and Stars, brought together the famous Acordes Guitar Ensemble and Greek singer Eleftheria Arvanitaki, followed the next day by a performance by the local band, The Amalgamation Project then the musician and composer Goran Bregovic with his band. Bregovic is a Bosnian and Serbian musician and one of the most internationally known modern musicians and composers of the Balkans. There was some concern at holding the event at this venue, but the audience were not allowed to smoke, bring food, drink, drop litter, and even wear high heels (due to small holes in the walkways!).



Luz Casal, one of the most famous stars of the Spanish music scene, performed on the stage outside the Castle last month. On August 19th, Misia, a Portuguese singer, will be performing at the Ancient Odeon. She is today perhaps the most famous voice of fado after Amalia Rodrigues. Check out www.pafos2017.eu for many more music events and films showing at the municipal beach.

Did You Know?

Some British couples come to Cyprus to celebrate their weddings but did you know that Cyprus has hosted an English royal wedding? The wedding between King Richard and Queen Joanna was on May 12th, 1191.

Aphrodite



What do we know of the goddess of love, beauty, pleasure and procreation? Well, there are a couple of versions; according to Homer she was the daughter of Zeus and Dione whilst another has her rising out of a foaming sea after a particularly gruesome episode.

This second version sees Cronus, the son of Uranus, castrate his father and throw the severed genitals into the sea. A white foam spreads around the immortal flesh in which grew a maiden who rose from the sea on a giant scallop. Aphrodite then walked on to the shores of Cyprus. A variation on this myth has Aphrodite born off the coast of the Greek island of Cythera before making her way to Cyprus.

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The Kamares Club Book and DVD Library

by Maureen Pollard



Most of you know of our library in the club but I am sure there are newcomers to our community who are not yet aware of this wonderful facility. The library has a huge selection of adult books which consists of novels in all genres and many Autobiographies. To keep the content fresh we operate as a book swap - bring a book and swap with one from the library. If you do not have a book to swap there is a small charge of €1 to get you started.

In addition to our wonderful selection of books we also have a vast collection of DVD's which cover all tastes. Many TV series plus all the latest films, classic films and even history of world wars. Most of the films are rented for €1 which you can be kept for one week.

It is a non-profit library and uses any monies to purchase new items and keep the content up to date. We also contribute to charitable causes when funds allow.

We are open on Wednesday afternoons from 2pm - 5pm

In the 15 years since it started we have never closed unless it was Christmas Day or New Years Day. This is quite an achievement and credit must be given to the unfailing volunteers who give up their time each week to work in the library for the benefit of the community.

Come along and see for yourselves, you will not be disappointed.

We look forward to seeing you!