MALLORCA WHEELS

The pay, Pack and Go Holiday for Cyclists – with No Worries

Audrey J. Clayton (Cycle Group Co-ordinator) 10 Skipton Road, Cross Hills, KEIGHLEY, West Yorkshire BD20 7SB

Phones: Home: 01535635983 / Mobile: 07796410414
e-mails: audreyclayton@hotmail.com / audrey@wheels21.orangehome.co.uk
PLUS we are on the web: www.mallorca-wheels.co.uk

Dear Cyclist/Non-Cyclist,

MALLORCA WHEELS HOLIDAYS MAY & OCTOBER 2010-25 years!!!!

As a former member of the Yorkshire Vets, Mallorca Vets or someone who has shown an interest in the holiday in the past, or even if you are a 'new recruit', I am writing to advise you of the plans for the 2010 holiday of the Mallorca Wheels, so that you can consider joining us on the island of sun, fun, sea and cycling. The 2009 holidays were a great success with over 160 members in May and 90 members in October.

This year is slightly different inasmuch as we have a choice of three hotels to choose from. The main hotel is the Hotel Sarah and should there be a greater number of guests (bearing min mind it is our 25th Birthday year), then the overflow can opt to stay at the Hotel Janeiro, next door. Some members have already requested to stay at the Hotel Bonsai, which belongs to the previous owners of the Hotel Sarah – Stil. All three hotels are multinational and cater for almost all tastes.

I have arranged with the owners of all the Hotels to book directly with them and book our own flights – the system which has proved very popular over the past few years. Here are very basic details of each hotel – fuller details are attached with this letter.

The newly decorated Hotel Sarah is situated in the Son Baulo area of the resort town of C'an Picafort, about 500 yards from the sandy Son Baulo beach consists of 121 rooms, three of which are single rooms and 5 family rooms on the 4th floor. A lift goes only to the third floor. New mattresses & a TV in each room have been installed during the winter months.

The Hotel Janeiro is situated between the Hotel Sarah and the Hotel Bonsai, which makes it convenient for all concerned. The hotel, now owned by a Spanish company has 5 floors with 211 rooms, 21 of which are single occupancy. (There are also 22 apartments across the road from the Hotel Sarah).

The Hotel Bonsai is a small friendly hotel with 29 rooms, only one of which is a single room. The hotel consists of three floors, two of which have the bedrooms on them.

There are bars and cafes within walking distance of all three hotels - just made for those discussions of the days riding and plans for tomorrow and for the spenders, there are plenty of shops across the road and a short walk away (well, about half-an-hour) there are the pleasures of the busier part of C'an Picafort. The Son Baulo area is a friendly quieter part of the resort and the local bar-owners know the cyclist group well. For those who do not know the island well, the resort of C'an Picafort is situated in the north of the island, right in the middle of the Bay of Alcudia. From here there is access to most of the island by bike – stay near the coast for the flatter, easier riding or go inland for the hills and to the north-west, there are the mountains to challenge you.

From your arrival in Palma, transport will take you and your bike to the hotel and them, at the end of your holiday will take you back to the airport (2 person/7 nights is the minimum requirement for the taxi – see the notes on cost).

In the meantime, the island is yours to explore—whether by bike, car, bus or on foot. For bike storage, we have storage space under the hotel which is kept locked when not in use by the cyclists—between 6pm & 8 am. There are hooks on the walls on which to hang your bikes plus bike stand and track pump have been provided and a washing machine & tumble drier have been installed.

Now for the important part – the cost! By booking the Hotel Sarah directly with Hotasa Hotels, the cost of the holiday is kept to a minimum. The charge for 2010 is 27 euros per person per night in a twin room – this include the transport from the airport to the hotel and back. If there are a few members on the same or similar-timed flights, a minibus will be provided plus carriage for the bikes.

Costs at the Hotel Janeiro are 28 euros per person which includes the airport transport and the locked garage.

The cost of the Hotel Bonsai is also 27€ per person per night, with a single room supplement of 9€ per person per night and includes the airport transfers.