

Dear Members and Friends,

Firstly, a big WELL DONE to Nigel Elsley for the Designer sale and lunch which raised a total of €5000 split equally between *Madrugada* and the *Bombeiros*, also to Elizabeth Honey-Roberts for the 3 Choirs concert which raise almost €3,500 for Mustard Seed. I am sure all will benefit greatly from these contributions. And another success was the Cork & *Traje* museum day-trip which was enjoyed by all who attended. This is to be repeated on 22nd April 2026 and is already over half-full so please contact Anne who can give you more details on: office@sabineassociates.co.uk and will take your bookings. Well worth it.

Now to make some more events successful, I still have a few places left on both nights for the **Casbah, Lagos** − 7pm on **30**th **October** and also **5**th **November.** We will have a trio of Moroccan starters, separate tagines of chicken, meatballs, semolina, vegetable cous-cous, saffron rice, and basbousa dessert, coffee, tea and water. All delicious Moroccan food – come and try it. Drinks from the bar are at your own expense. The dishes will be on the table for you to help yourselves so bring with friends – let me know you want to sit together, all are welcome – and the cost is €26 Members (€27.50 guests). Genuine Moroccan good food.

I have just 5 tickets left for the **APAA Variety Concert** in Portimão on **Sunday 16**th **November** at the *Auditório do Museu* by the Naval Club. Some well-known acts will perform and there are interesting and unique prizes in the Donation Draw − it should be a very interesting evening. Tickets €15 and the money raised will help neuter stray cats & dogs. So necessary! Please make your payments for Casbah and for the Concert to:

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I have the **Fiuza Wine Order** which will be delivered at the beginning of December in time for Christmas activities. And yes, the cans are back on there — so useful for picnics, or if you just need a little wine for cooking, or if you just want one glass instead of opening a bottle. Of course, the ever-popular Sauvignon Blanc and Merlot are there too as are other wines. The prices are per case of 6 bottles – no mixed cases. Email me for the list – your friends and neighbours may buy too if they would like to share the discounts.

And the bookings for the **Christmas Dinner Dance at Tivoli, Lagos,** with 5EX entertaining us are also going well. Again, if you wish to sit with friends let me know – tables mainly of 8 people. The date is **December 6**th and the menu is:

- 7pm arrival for a Welcome glass of sparkling wine
- Roasted tomato cream soup with poached egg
- Chicken supreme over roasted vegetables
- Apple tarte tatin

Drinks package throughout the meal: White, rose & red wine, mineral water, draught beer, soft drinks and juices, coffee or tea and we finish off with a glass of Port. The cost for the evening is €55 per Member (€58 for guests). There is also a special room rate of €65 per night double, €55 per single if you wish to stay over. We will have a raffle if you can supply a prize or ask restaurants etc. if they will. Money raised goes to the Lagos *Bombeiros*.

That takes us to the end of the year so mail me your bookings as soon as possible before all the places are taken at any of the events. The more the merrier and all welcome.

Kind regards,

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