

# Letters

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## La Palma

Dear Editor

### We have taken notice of the Biosphere Reserve Warning in Island Connections.

Cabildo official Carlos Cabrera has our official support. You may be surprised to hear this signal sent from the Netherlands to La Palma. I will explain. This year my wife and I visited La Palma in late May/early June. We stayed in the Hotel Sol La Palma, made some incredible hikes with Natour-Trekking, and were sometimes left with tears in our eyes because of the visual and audible impressions we received.

In the Caldera de Taburiente there is so little sound-noise that I can even detect the sounds of the processor of my Handycam. Never have we been more impressed by the natural beauty of our earth. It is of the utmost importance to protect it. I made two hd-films with a sony hd-handycam, we still watch it every weekend. People who see it are astounded. In

late November we visited La Palma again. After we visited the museum in Fuencaliente we left La Palma with mixed feelings. Trouble is on the way..... We wish Señor Carlos Cabrera every moment of success during his struggle.

If he wishes to accept our help, he may contact us. All you at Island Connections need to do is show him this message. Therefore we kindly request you to do so.

With very best regards

ERIC AND CAROL EFFING

THE NETHERLANDS

## Public pool

Dear Editor

We have concerns about all safety aspects of the public swimming pool situated on the sea coast approximately 300 metres west of the Vincci Hotel Tenerife Golf, San Blas,

### Golf del Sur.

The swimming pool is used extensively by tourists and residents from the surrounding region and is promoted in some literature aimed at attracting tourism in Golf del Sur. The pool has no safety features normally expected of a public facility of this nature. We would like to request that professional safety experts are commissioned by San Miguel Town Hall to review the safety of this pool.

Our opinion is that this pool should be brought up to a safe operating standard, wholly paid for by the local authority. All running costs should be paid for by the local authority. (We understand that the community of San Miguel Village currently pay all the costs connected with this public facility).

Unless all safety aspects related to this public pool are brought up to a level acceptable to the professional safety experts commissioned by the town hall then the pool should be securely closed with immediate effect.

Surely those who need the tourist industry to thrive in this area wish to improve this

facility and prevent a potential tragedy.

Thank you

GRAHAM AND PAULINE BROOKS

SAN MIGUEL

## Tourism

Dear Editor

### Despite promises dgalore from the local authorities, the touts continue to harass tourists.

The restaurant people are easy to dodge, clutching their flyers or menus, but the timeshare touts and crappy camera salespeople continue to stick like glue and even become abusive if you ignore them or say a polite, 'no thank you'. Whilst it would appear that innocent people are locked up and kept there (your recent front page) others who are openly flouting the local bylaws are allowed to continue to be a nuisance.

Disgusted

PUERTO COLÓN



## Chinese Horoscope

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### Ox (1937, 1949, 1961, 1973, 1985, 1997, 2009)

Even if you always did it 'your way', now is the time to listen to the voices telling you that a little bit of change won't do you any harm.

### Tiger (1926, 1938, 1950, 1962, 1974, 1986, 1998)

Don't be too stubborn if your boss confronts you now. Better make compromises and don't waste all your energy fighting.

### Rabbit (1927, 1939, 1951, 1963, 1975, 1987, 1999)

Do not hesitate any longer, but make the decision! You will never get rid of all your doubts, so better go for it while your chances are favourable.

### Dragon (1928, 1940, 1952, 1964, 1976, 1988, 2000)

Most likely you will be asked to finish your old tasks first before you try something new. If you cannot concentrate, put the new ideas aside for a while.

### Snake (1929, 1941, 1953, 1965, 1977, 1989, 2001)

Financial gains are more than possible for the snake, especially if you don't take too many risks and stick to the tried and tested.

### Horse (1930, 1942, 1954, 1966, 1978, 1990, 2002)

Work hard and you will probably reap the reward! Some horses may want to stabilise their personal relationships by investing more time in them.

### Sheep (1931, 1943, 1955, 1967, 1979, 1991, 2003)

Make sure, that you don't only give, but receive as well. Some people may take advantage of your kind and giving spirit if you don't ask for your share.

### Monkey (1932, 1944, 1956, 1968, 1980, 1992, 2004)

There is really no way to do all those things at the same time, monkey. Choose the projects that are closest to your heart and leave the rest for next month.

### Rooster (1933, 1945, 1957, 1969, 1981, 1993, 2005)

If you still have some money issues to resolve, sort them out right now. It's no use bringing old topics into the New Year.

### Dog (1934, 1946, 1958, 1970, 1982, 1994, 2006)

Make sure you have a good start in 2010. This year has much more to give to you than the last one, but you can only have success if you leave the old stuff behind.

### Pig (1935, 1947, 1959, 1971, 1983, 1995, 2007)

Family and friends would really like to see more of you now. Maybe you should work on your preferences and make time for all this personal stuff.

The Chinese solar year starts around February 4. If your birthday is in January or at the beginning of February your Chinese animal sign belongs to the year before. Example 27.1. 1967 still belongs to the year of the horse.

## Pastimes

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Bed & 69 Breakfast

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[For Crossword and Sudoku solution see classifieds section]

### Across

- 7 - request (6)
- 8 - curved bone (6)
- 10 - intensify (7)
- 11 - onlooker (5)
- 12 - nothing (4)
- 13 - worth (anag) (5)
- 17 - assertion (5)
- 18 - extinct bird (4)
- 22 - expression (5)
- 23 - shows up (7)
- 24 - thirst; desire (6)
- 25 - being nose (6)

### Down

- 1 - incrementing (7)
- 2 - twists (7)
- 3 - distorts (5)
- 4 - double-reed instrument (7)
- 5 - path; route (5)
- 6 - clever (5)
- 9 - unfastened (9)
- 14 - locked down (7)
- 15 - early Spring flower (7)
- 16 - commit forever (7)
- 19 - darkness (5)
- 20 - very tall person (5)
- 21 - tower (5)