

NO PLANS FOR THE WEEKEND?

Happy Day in Candelaria

Do you fancy a happy day?

On April 13, the Rambla de los Menceyes in Candelaria will become a huge shopping mile for a day, where local shopkeepers will present their spring offers and you can stroll around the area from 11am to 10pm. In addition there will be a lot of colourful entertainment for both young and old. Local restaurants will be offering Pinchos (small kebabs) with a glass of wine or beer at their stands at the price of just €3. Anyone who buys more than €10 worth of food there, or consumes it in a restaurant, can take part in the draw for numerous prizes. It's a great day to visit Candelaria. ■



Photo: Ayto. Candelaria

TWO ANIMAL CARCASSES WASHED UP IN ONE WEEK

Stinking animal freighters

Twice in the course of one week, employees of the communities and the environmental protection office in Granadilla de Abona were called out to salvage dead cattle that had been washed ashore by the Atlantic.

The first find, a dead bull, was discovered by bathers at Playa de La Jaquita in El Médano. Only two days later, a dead cow was washed ashore in the industrial area on the coast of Granadilla de Abona. Last year, the two internationally renowned windsurfers Daida and Iballa Ruano from Gran Canaria discovered a cow floating in the water while training in Pozo Izquierdo and distributed the photo via their social networks.

It's thought probable that the animals came from so-called live cattle transport on freighter ships. They come from South America and pass the Canary Islands. Most live cattle deliveries are to Turkey and the Arab world, but if an animal dies during the laborious crossing, it's simply thrown overboard. The



↑ The photo taken last year by the Ruano twins

stinking floating cattle stables are anything but image-promoting for a holiday paradise but luckily, as a rule, they just pass by. The port of Las Pal-

mas de Gran Canaria does not allow these freighters to enter because of their stench. Nevertheless, it is questionable that animals are expected to toler-

ate this strain before they are slaughtered. Perhaps something to think about if you were considering a holiday in either of those destinations? ■

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