**Baghdad HHH Reunion June 2016. Benahavis, Spain.**

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Hash.

Following yet another successful event in Skiathos last month we are excited to have received your support to organise the 2016 event in the beautiful Andalucian village of Benahavis, Spain.

This is early notice of the plan so far!

We have negotiated a good package for the weekend at the Gran Hotel in Benahavis and made a bloick reservation with them for the 3 nights of **10, 11 and 12 June, 2016**. Their contact details are:

[www.granhotelbenahavis.com](http://www.granhotelbenahavis.com)

Tel +34951054290.

Our contact is Dunia Sunna whose email is marketing@granhotelbenahavis.com.

Please make your booking directly with Dunia and quote Baghdad Hash House Harriers and mention the agreed room rate. ( which is better than obtainable via booking agencies). Cold we ask that you reserve soonest and also advise us by email as this is a popular hotel for local weddings and we have paid a deposit for the event as we do not want to find that they have sold out of rooms!

The agreed double room rate which includes breakfast and 1 hour per person per day in the spa ( I believe that treatments are extra) is €84.5 per night.

Benahavis is an interesting little village tucked up the end of a narrow valley with only a single road in/out. There are many restaurants to suit all pockets and numerous bars. It has in recent times developed the reputation of being the gastronomic centre of the Coast Del Sol.

There is quite a lot of general information about Benahavis on the web. It is a great place from which to explore the wider Costa Del Sol with it’s many and varied points of interest from the glitz of Puerto Banus ( 15-20 mins away)and the beaches to beautiful inland trecking trails through the hills, the quaint Marbella Old Town to the ancient cities of Seville, Ronda and Granada. The hotel will hold the agreed room rate should you wish to extend your stay either side of the dates noted above.

We are quite familiar with this part of Spain so please feel free to ask us about any places of interest to you or activities and we will endeavour to assist.

The most convenient airport is Malaga and there are many low cost flight operators who fly in from most European countries including regional airports. Gibraltar airport is also an option.

There are good transport links from Malaga airport to Benahavis.

1. Buses run hourly to Marbella (€8-12) which takes 45 mins and thereafter a taxi is necessary which takes another 20 mins and costs a further €20 approx.
2. A taxi from the airport to the hotel takes 50 minutes and will cost around 100€
3. Car hire costs around €15-20 per day or less. There are numerous companies operating from the airport and some are best avoided as they offer a low headline price but get it all back in the end!

Our advice would be to rent a car as it provides much greater flexibility to explore the area independently and works out most economically, particularly if you share. The drive from the airport is very straightforward on the N-340 dual carriageway along the coast until you turn right at the Km 168 marker for the final 3-4Km into Benahavis.

We would appreciate you completing the attached form to advise us of your intention to attend and to assist in the planning. It would also be great to see some old faces who have not attended in recent years….so if you know anybody….please use your powers of persuasion!

Many thanks and looking forward tom a fun weekend again

Angela, Sue, Trevor and Mike

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