



Quinta do Montinho Owners Association (QDMOA)



BULLETIN 2/2020 - COVID-19 and Vilarinha – Budens Forest Fire

Dear Owners,

COVID-19

QDM Swimming Pool - please remember to remind your tenants and guests of the restrictions that will be in place when the pool reopens on 1 July. These were set out in the Summer Newsletter and are available on the QDMOA web site – QDMOA.org

Lagos Outbreak - you may have heard about an outbreak resulting from an illegal party held in Odiaxere in early June. That resulted in at least 111 infected people, including 19 children. There has been significant testing undertaken in Lagos, which will continue as long as there is a need to confirm suspicious cases. It had an impact locally, for example, in Praia da Luz.

VILARINHA - BUDENS Forest Fire

The fire broke out (it was not arson) in the area of Vilarinha (near Carapateira) on Friday afternoon (19th June) and spread rapidly southwards under a very strong wind. It reached its peak over Friday night when the ridge the other side of the Pedralva valley was ablaze. There was a massive response from the Bombeiros from all over Portugal. At one time there were more than 450 personnel involved, more than 150 appliances, supported by 11 aircraft.

There are now huge areas of blackened land visible, all of the way down to the 125. The situation now (24th June) is that there is a reduced Bombeiros presence maintaining surveillance in case any flare ups occur. Luckily, no properties on PDF, QDM or QEV have been damaged.

As we did 2 years ago, and bearing in mind that the majority of the Bombeiros are volunteers, the OA has made (with the Committee's agreement) a donation of €400 to the Bombeiros at Vila do Bispo.

A set of photos relating to this incident is [available at this link](#).

David Murphy,

Chairman
QDM Owners Association
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