

NEWSLETTER

ALGARVE HISTORY ASSOCIATION

MAY 2014

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Dom Pedro IV of Portugal and I of Brazil

Talk by Peter Kingdon Booker

Tuesday 27 at 18h00 Municipal Library Lagoa and

Friday 30 at 11h00 Municipal Library Tavira

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Concert: The Lacerda Quartet

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Saturday 14 at 19h00 Herdade da Corte

My top 5 Portuguese Writers

Talk by Sandra Boto

Tuesday 17 at 18h00 Municipal Library Lagoa

Portugal and Slavery

Talk by Peter Kingdon Booker

Tuesday 24 June at 18h00 Municipal Library Lagoa and

Friday 27 June at 11h00 Municipal Library, Tavira

Please note that the talk on landscape management scheduled for 5 May has been cancelled.

On 10 May at the Topázio Cinema in Fuseta, the Shanty Choir will perform with professional musician Domingos and his group at 21h30 For more information contact Paulo Viegas.

At Sunset: at Pessoa's Café Tavira, Paula Rocha and her guests Water Music will play on Saturday 10 May, 19:00.

At Sunset Blues and jazz on 17 May 19h00.

On 24 and 25 May at Herdade da Corte there is an Indian Retreat.

Dom Pedro IV of Portugal and I of Brazil

D Pedro IV was born at Queluz Palace outside Lisbon on October 12, 1798 and died in the same room on September 24, 1834. In his 35 years, he had been the first Emperor of Brazil and abdicated the thrones of both Brazil and Portugal. He had two legal wives, one long-term mistress and sired at least fourteen children. He fought against Portugal in Brazil, led the Liberal side in the War of the Two Brothers here in Portugal, eventually defeating his younger brother D Miguel, and establishing his daughter Maria on the throne of Portugal as D Maria II. He was a man of awful personal habits and an egocentric set of personal morals. The wonder is that his statue on an imposing column occupies pride of place in the Rossio Square, officially Praça de D Pedro IV; there is another impressive statue to him in Rio de Janeiro. How did such a mountebank come to enjoy such wide posthumous respect and loyalty?



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