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On 12/31/07 Nik Nahikian (cogardcpo@hotmail) said:

Happy New Year: I have written up my recollections of my tour here and posted it at: loran-history.info. Look under the loran tales section. Nik Nahikian

On 12/16/07 Ray Philyaw said:

Ahhh Christmas!! It was always a festive time in Estartit this time of year. I really miss all of the celebrations in town. I miss walking back up the hill with that nice cool breeze (A.K.A. Tramontana)blowing in my face at 40-50 MPH. OK, maybe not that part. Here's wishing everyone Happy Holidays and a wonderful New Year .

On 10/26/07 CWO4 Bill Romska said:

I was there May1971 to December 1972. My then fiance came over about a month after I arrived and we were married in the church in town on Halloween 1971. We honeymooned down the coast in a 1959 Seat car. Many many fond memories of the place. Nice to see a few famililar names on the list. I retired in 2001and consider this by far the best duty I ever had.

On 10/12/07 Nik Nahikian said:

Andy Anderson, please contact me at cogardcpo@hotmail.com. I tried to send to you but your spamblocker wouldn't let me through. Chief Nik

On 08/13/07 Andy Andersen said:

ET3 from 73 to 74. Hi Nik - I remember when you made Chief. Weren't you prior service too? USAF if I remember right - stationed in Spain then too. Remember when we (Pat Ramsey? and I) went with you and your wife via train to Madrid to get your Ebro van and drove the thing back to the base? And that night at the hotel in Madrid when Pat and I went on a tour of the nightlife of Madrid - something like two stops at Flamingo Clubs and the last one at a high-class brothel!! Then there was Pub Especiales and the tequila (I think I'm still trying to sober up). I was prior service (USMC 1967-1970), joined Coast Guard March 1973, went to Estartit, Yap, Neah Bay (small boats) and finished up at George (plank owner) in March 77. Hated to hear Estartit and Yap are no more. Some of the best times.

On 08/03/07 Ray Philyaw said:

Well, I finally have left the Coast Guard after 28 years (24 Active and 4 GS). I am working for the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Charleston, SC. Life is good and the new job is really keeping me busy. Glenys and I are doing great. Daniel (17) starts his senior year in a few weeks and Luke will be in 7th grade. Daniel is kicking for the high school football team and Luke is playing club soccer. It's been 25 years since Glenys and I met there and we talk about that place every day.

On 05/03/07 Tom Grimaldi said:

In my exuberance to reconnect with others who experienced the wonders of Li½estartit, I realized that my dates and rank were misstated. I was there from spring 84-86 as a FN and was part of the crew that performed the stationi½s power conversion from diesel generators to line power. While there I made so many great friends in town and from Barcelona that to this day I keep in contact with. Ii½ve been back several times and look to return maybe again this fall. For a twenty year old Li½estartit was better than any frat house party :) and it made going to get my degree in engineering afterwards quite focused as no school party could surpass the all night binges that one could experience along the Costa Brava

On 05/02/07 Tom Grimaldi said:

Bon Dia... A friend from Torrella found this link and passed it along. At the time I was an FA at the station between 83-86 who enjoyed what L'estartit had to offer :). What great memories... BTW.. How goes it Butch? Un abrazo to all

On 03/26/07 Phil Platter said:

Were you ever stationed at LORSTA Carolina Beach? Checkout 'Reunion News' for 6/2/07 reunion

On 03/02/07 ETC Nik Nahikian said:

I just realized that my entry dated 02/20/07 did not carry my name! !!Chief Nik Nahikian

On 02/25/07 SKC Ray Parsley (ret) said:

I served as Storekeeper at Loran Station Estartit 4/74 - 4/76. Lt. John Orchard was CO... CWO Gary Koehler was XO, later replaced by CWO Bill Hayden. MKC David Johns and ETC Jerry Alvord were the top enlisted at the time. SS1 Ernesto (Ernie) DeGuzman was our cook... the best ever. Senor Muns worked with us in the office; although his official position was that of Translator, his services to the CO and Station, were far more reaching. Jaun Torro (with that funny little French car that had to make the long trek around the hill) was the Janitor and sometimes Barber. One other Spanish gentleman (the name escapes me) did most of our outside maintenance and gardening. We had a neat Station with some very neat people, starting with Mr Orchard, our CO. The families would gather on the mess deck for the evening film/movie... some good and some horrible. Still, the social comradrey was important to us all... Many would arrive a half hour or so early, to get the conversations started. Often times, the children would scurry around the the chairs and tables with mothers in the chase. As the only American community, we were pretty tight-knit. I was one of the very few, that lived in mid-Estartit with my family. Having a third-floor flat made it more bearable, especially during the summer tourist season as the population shot from about 400 to 25000... The contrast was amazing and for me... wonderful. What a great place and time with good American, English and Spanish friends.... memories to last a life time... and so they will. It would be nice to hear from any and all of you. Miss you all... for sure... Ray

On 02/20/07 Chief said:

Loran Station Estartit was my last "hurrah" as a "loran sailor". I reported aboard in May 1973 as a First Class ET. I was accompanied by my wife and two daughters (Lisa was entering the 7th grade and Debbie was going to be starting kindergarten). They would be attending school in the home of the director of Radio Liberty in La Franc(?). The second year there my wife, Pat, was the school teacher at a two room K-8 school that was set up in the CO/XO quarters. We lived in a hotel in Estartit for about three months while MedSec chased my household goods all over the area. They had been shipped to Turkey, returned to Simeri Chrichi, and then shipped to Sardinia. When we finally were reunited with our furniture we rented the house that EM1 Mckerley had lived in. When I reported aboard Lt McAllister was the CO. He was relieved by Lt Jack Orchard. The XO was CWO Gary Koehler, MKC George Lochner was the engineering officer. When he rotated his replacement was MKC Dave Johns. ETC Gerald Alvord was the senior tech. On the 1973 Station Christmas Card SNEW Robin Orr is listed as the junior man in the Operations Division!! I was promoted to ETC while there in Oct '74 as a "straggler" from the '73 promotion list. I think I was just about the last of the "khaki" chiefs. I was given a small allowance to buy several sets of work khakis, but the new "one uniform for all" policy said that for a dress uniform I would merely change the strips on the jacket sleeves and add CPO brass emblems to my caps and shirt collars. Estartit was an excellent station to wind down a career. When I left I was assigned to the lifeboat station at Ponce Inlet (Daytona Beach, FL). I retired there in '78.

On 01/03/07 SKCS Dale Leighton (ret) said:

I posted the wrong year my in my previous post. My tour was March 86 until October 1987

On 01/03/07 SKCS Dale Leighton (ret) said:

I was stationed in Estartit March 1985 -October 1986 I was the SK2 at the time. Oh the fond memories.

On 09/29/06 Ray Philyaw said:

To the lads from 80-82. Just a quick update to my situation. The MLE School is now the MLE Academy and has moved to Charleston, SC and my family and I moved with it. I'm currently the assistant training officer and love my job.

On 07/28/06 Patrick Hill said:

I was an EN3 at Estartit from summer of 1973 to summer of 1975 under Jack Orchard as CO (what a great CO). It was sure nice to have the San Miguel's in the refer in the dinning room, but I had to quit drinking in 87. Loved that Foosball table with separate feet on the men. I could loft the ball from my goalie to the other goal in the air because of the feet w/shoes. I loved climbing the tower, wasn't it 525' (someone else said 625')? I had the crazy wife (Helen) with a baby (Ben). I left her when I thought she was going to kill me (as if the axe she broke out the car windows and attacked me with at the bar on Easter Day in Torroella de Montgri wouldn't hurt). Ben was killed by a drunk driver when he was 18. I remarried and went on to make CWO4 ENG before 20 years and retired (in Bellevue, WA) shortly after (93). I was awarded the Coast Guard Commendation Medal (NESU Seattle) and twice awarded the Achievement medal (Jarvis, Morgenthau).

On 06/14/06 Inge Vriend said:

I worked (not USCG) in L'Estartit between '85 - '92 and met some of you between '87 and -'89: Spence, Rob, Joe, Alvin, Kevin, Mark, Kim, Sue, Mike, Butch & Maureen, George & Karen, Jack & Donna(?), Neil & Laura, Darrell & ? and many more whos names have slipped my mind. I was very sorry to hear about Fred, he was such a nice bloke. I was good friends with Juan & Nicole from the Calypso Bar and also Esther (Juan is now married to another Esther, also Dutch, and has 2 sons). I still go to L'Estartit twice a year to visit my parents who live there. I often think back to those years with fond memories: BBQ's & Volleybal on the beach, long, long drinking sessions, table fussball on the base, driving to the base the long way round because my moped wouldn't make it up the hill.... Would love to hear from anyone who remembers me.

On 05/15/06 ian haigh said:

i am an english civvy aged 46, i worked in bar beachcomber estartit1978-1980, was friends with a few US coast guard

On 04/26/06 R Williams MKC ret said:

Hello to everyone that was ever at Estartit. I was there as MK1 from 76 to 78. CO at the time was David Reed. MKC was Dennis Brian. Lots of good memories.

On 02/04/06 EMC Still McKerley said:

Ray Cook, I replaced you at Estartit. Now retired EMC Still McKerley (Mac). Would like to hear from you or any others from 1971-1973.

On 01/21/06 Tom Schoening said:

Hi, I was stationed at Estartit in 92-93. Does anyone have any contact info for Carmen Sette, or his daughter Maria? Thanks

On 12/31/05 SN Bryce Gallant said:

Chris Bailey, I was stationed there with you then. remm palmi, or black dog?

On 12/31/05 Bryce Gallant said:

Looking for my buddies. Was stationed from 88-91 drove for president Bush. Wwould love to hook up and talk to anyone who remembers me!

On 12/06/05 Wendy, Samantha and Ryan said:

In memory of MKC Frederic K Lane 7/22/56-12/15/2003 RIP Fred We miss you so much.

On 07/21/05 T. J. Brennan said:

Ran into Mike Taffe, Darrel Bletso, Mark Balderelli and Kevin Rinker while visiting CGHQ. What a crew... They are all doing great! Missed Alvin though. Now that he's an 'O' he's too busy for his old friends (kinding Alvin!

On 06/29/05 Chris Bailey said:

Was stationed at Estartit from 88 to 91. FN Bailey at the time . Anyone remember the janitor Juan Turbo LOL.

On 05/11/05 Coleman Mark Ray said:

Haven't been back to see the station since the late 80's when it was still ours. The Italians are doing a better job with the Master at Sellia. New EMail

On 04/13/05 Joe Chapman said:

Was stationed at Estartit from Dec '66 until Dec '67. Was SK2 doing all ordering and keeping electronics gear inventory. Loved going down the hill to town but hated the trip back up especially with an empty Botal! Went back in 1998. Base closed and all run down. Saw Samuel at his bar and spent several hours talking to him. See where David Webb posted here. We were there at the same time.

On 08/31/04 John Hamre said:

Hey Coasties. Estartit 85 to 87. Check out my photo blog if you get some time. And while you are there, post a pin on my guest map ok? John Hamre (ET2) Lorsta Estartit go to: http://estartit_spain.blogspot.com/

On 08/25/04 Ray Philyaw said:

Jimmy, Mark, Butch and gang. I retired in 2003 and landed a job at the MLE School in Yorktown. The school has just moved to Charleston SC and I went with it. I'm a GS-12 instructor and loving life. My two boys are 14 and 9 and Glenys and I are doing well. Good to see you guys found this place.

On 08/13/04 jimmy carnes said:

hows everybuddy, got this web site from butch, got butch's # from teddy, i think i was an sn there for a couple years in 82. didn't work on much other than running up a tab downtown. great place!! heartfelt greetings to all.

On 02/05/04 Mark Cerasale said:

Just happened upon this site. A rush of memories as I read through everyone's comments. I was CO from June 1980 to July 1982. By far, this was the best tour of my 24 year career. I retired September 2002. To date, my wife and I have not gone back to visit. From reading the entries, it sounds like Estartit has changed significantly. I'm living in Oviedo, FL and went the Troops to Teachers route. I'm teaching 8th grade math at Sanford Middle School. Great stuff.

On 01/28/04 Larry Nelson said:

Just checking the site, I will be 1st SK and spent two year 64-65. Going back for a visit this summer.

On 01/09/04 Butch Azbell, USCG CWO3 said:

Just Thought I would update my e-mail. I was the EPO there in 83-84

On 12/19/03 S.R.A. said:

' Me an My soul know where wear we are going, we are going to where the grass is green, the air is clean and the good times are growing ' Noel Gallagher. In memory of MKC (Ret.) Fredrick Lane from one who had the privilege of serving with him on the sovereign shores of L'Estartit Spain. My life will forever be richer form the experience of having met him. CHEERS, OLD BOY!

On 12/18/03 Alan Blount said:

About a year ago I stopped at the base and was admitted for a look around by an Algerian guard. The place is a derelict. The tower has come down on top of the transmitting building, the doors of most buildings are standing open to let the weather in. I'll be happy to send a photo or two to anyone who wants to see them, just email me . If only my son (academy cadet) could have seen it in its day!

On 01/14/03 Ray Philyaw said:

To those who navigated the hill, dove off the cliffs at the point, hung out at Kim's Bar on a Sunday morning after closing Genesis the night before with me, I am finally calling it quits. I will be retiring after 24 years of service. As I look back I wouldn't change a thing. Especially SPAIN! If you were there between 80 and 82 you are invited to attend my ceremony at Training Center Yorktown on the 14th of February. I may even have a case of San Miguel on ice.

On 12/14/02 Richard Williams said:

WISHING ALL FORMER CREW THE BEST IN THE COMMING YEAR AND A VERY NICE HOLIDAY SEASON.

On 10/15/02 Harold Lee Forsythe said:

Hello, I and Mark Cassidy spent two 4 of July's at Estartit 1980-1982. I was back in Estartit the first two weeks of Sept. 2002. Unable to drive to the Base. Alot of Changes to the town and a great big port. Pete the Diver (Peter Lane) gave us (my misses and I) a sailing on his second dive boat. Waters out to sea from the town and beach's are now considered protect area's. Fine day spent out with Pete. Beach has become a considerable draw. The road between estartit and Torrella da Mongri is all built up with roundabouts at both ends. Hillside slide wiped out almost all the bars and rebuilt upmarket theme type places. Well worth a return visit and C. Sette continues to live in the town. Retired last year.

On 08/08/02 Don Spence said:

Those were some good times. I was stationed there from 8/87 to 8/89 as the SK2. I have been back three times to visit and still love the place. I got out in 89 and now teach biology/botany at Daytona Beach Community College.

On 07/14/02 CAPT R. Wight said:

I as the first PCO/CO - arrived in Naples 4-61 or so...on to Madrid to meet the USAF folks and the Navy attache who basically asked me to hunt for Commies in that part of Spain. No Coasties there but me and Jerry Leperance 1st couple months. We saw (helped) get the tower built -first 22-23 guys started showing up in June (or as it May???) Had no station - no work for them - nothing but a corner of a big Quonset storage building. RTented hotel rooms (which were'nt much). We put the place on the air 8-1-62 - no completed signal-poer building yet, running power from a big 'gennie' sitting outside. We built the screen room, auled the cables into the transmitter building, wired up the gear. No tech reps. No CWO (ELC). Did it ourselves - ETC Jeff Jackman, ET1 Rosenbloom, me (I was ex ET) and several other special guys. We ad the place running good and then a Spanish colonel came in one day and told me to shut down...I refused...two days later MEDSEC ordered us off air. A long story....A special tour of duty, in the days when maybe 2-3 folks in Estartit spoke any

English. I (we) learned some Spanish and Catalan real fast! I was a much savvier fellow when I left in '62, having learned that 25 people working together can do almost anything with just about nothing....Regards, Richard Wight CAPT (ret) p.s. 3 years ago the USCG called me about who negotiated the land etc. - I didn't know - as invited to the decommissioning but didn't get any funded orders! Ha!

On 07/08/02 Bob Fuller said:

Was at Estartit this weekend, 7/6/02. Saw Samuel, had coffee with Carmen Sette who lives there now. Drove up and had a look at the old station, in sad shape now....

On 06/07/02 David Webb said:

Stationed at Estartit 8/66 to 8/67 . Went as ET3 left as ET2. Had a little trouble adjusting but settled in , mastered the equip. Had an absolute blast after that.Was senior ET on station for two months before I left . Oriented a CHEIF and a first class before leaving ,They were the first to come as a family sta . Right at the moment i can,t remember names , but would love to hear from anyone that was ther then .

On 02/24/02 MELODY GREENBERG said:

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

On 12/09/01 C Gadea said:

Stationed at 'la muntanya' from Jan 92 until decom in 94. 1rst reenlistment cave diving at Medes Islands. Last man out of the gate, gave the dd-1149 to Miguel, the security guard. Joan Turro is still around. Mariscal is still a blast. I took good ol' Golfo to the vet on his last trip to Torroella. Married a girl from Barcelona, so we go back every year for allioli and calcots. Best tour ever!

On 11/15/01 Rich Fay said:

Was stationed there from 2/74 thru 5/75. Was also stationed in Simeri Crichi Italy from 10/72 to 11/73. Would be great to hear from anyone from either station that was there during those times.

On 10/01/01 Mike Dooley said:

Spence..Spence... Don Spence took my surf board to Spain, and I haven't seen it since. I think it's still there, holding up the stick, or possibly in the xmtr room keeping a 1st or 2nd IPA from shorting out. Don Spence, where's my stick dude, you ripped my stick off! Great place to work. Am envious. Only worked the NORPAC circuit. Ciao'

On 01/21/01 Richard Cortimilia said:

I was stationed there with my family from 9/89 to 8/91. I was EPO. CWO Knight was EMO. Had two different CO's; LT Peno and LT Eldridge. I remember Lerch, Bryce, Reyes, Jose, Gomez, Maymi, Hartline, Weiner, Gonzalas and others. I Retired 6/94.

On 11/18/00 Mike said:

Met 3 of the crew from 86-87 in Baltimore last week. Mark, Alvin, and Kevin. It was good to see the fellas and talk about past, present, and possible future trip to Estartit in 2002. Hope to run into all the friends of Estartit, look at the strangest group on the earth (the Brits of course), enjoy the company of the Dutch, have a burger @ Ricardo's, a few tres fascicos, visit the houses in the country with the red light bulbs, go on a road trip down the coast, eat some alioli, visit the bodegas.....not to mention the scenic beaches.

On 08/28/00 Alan Blount said:

A friend who lives in Bagur recently sent some photos of the base. It was locked so he had to shoot them through the chain link fence. It looks like a derelict - weeds everywhere, no antenna visible, deserted. Sad... much different than what I remembered.

On 08/26/00 MELODY GREENBERG said:
NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS

On 08/05/00 Greg Johnson said:
Looks like we all have wonderful memories of Estartit. I was there from Jan 76 to Jan 79. Look forward to hearing from anyone during that period. I was also stationed at Lormonsta Sardinia and Lorsta Simeri Crichi.

On 07/14/00 Dave Reed said:
We just discovered this site. I was C.O. from 1976-1978. Some of our best memories ever are from Estartit. Hiking around Torella de Montgri, nights strolling around town during tourist season, the Fancy Bar (Rosemary and Pedro), the guys next door who used to 'borrow' our Siamese cat to pick up chicks. Sure miss it, and hope to make a trip back next summer.

On 05/27/00 Bob Fuller said:
Was at Estartit from Feb '64 to March '65, made ET1 while there. Met and married a young English lady, still married 35 years later.

On 05/22/00 Ray Philyaw said:
In my last posting I mentioned Peter North. His name is actually Peter Lane. Sorry Pete, it's been a while :-)

On 01/27/00 Mike Taffe said:
I was the ET1 from 87-89. Currently doing COCO duty in Alaska. Like all of you Estartit was the best duty I've experienced in the CG. Had a great crew that knew how to make the most of the excellent place we found ourselves in. Sure miss the people, food, wine, weather, etc..

On 12/05/99 Jimm Lerch said:
Hello all. I was a grass-mowing, wax-applying, trash-hauling, Juan-bugging, loafer of a seaman, stationed in L'Estartit from April '90 until June '92. It would be quite interesting to hear from some of the 'mates of those glorious days. I hope to get back there in a few months to visit (I may just find Bryce passed-out on a curb somewhere). Happy and safe holidays to all.

On 10/09/99 Butch Azbell said:
What's up? I was the drunk EPO from 82-85

On 07/05/99 Melody Greenberg said:
Was stationed here in 87-88. Looking for Kim Rhoades and Sue Harvey love to hear from them. It was a great place.

On 05/17/99 Ray Philyaw said:
Station Update....Just received an jerry302@comcast.net Pete North the english diver. He was at the station a couple of weeks ago. I guess the place is being run by 3 Spanish Army regulars. The buildings are run down, the antenna has collapsed, and the grounds look like the place has been abandoned. I wonder if they would be willing to sell it? HHMMMM....nice place for a hotel/restaurant.

On 03/11/99 Brook Doty said:

New e-mail address. Retired to San Diego in Aug 98. Now doing Management Consulting.

On 01/15/99 David Johnson said:

Hello,I was in the US Airforce in the Mid 80s....I was TDY to Zaragoza in 1986and I met a Danish Woman who was in the US Coast Guard...We becamepretty good friends but we lost touch...We were supposed to meet inSpain on leave but never hooked up...I have forgotten her name but Iremember that she was attached to Estertit. If anyone could give me anyinformation, I would appreciate it.ThanksDave JohnsonPreviously of the 493 TFS

On 11/18/98 Warren C. Duthie said:

New E-Mil Address -- Home: Woodbridge VA -- (703) 494-0844

On 11/09/98 RAY COOK said:

SERVED AS STATION EM DURING GENERATOR REBUILDS EARLY 1970

On 10/20/98 CHUCK NOWAK said:

I WAS AN ET3 AT ESTARTIT FROM 7-69 THRU 12-70. MY BIGGEST CLAIM TO FAME WHILE I WAS THERE WAS THAT I CLIMBED THE TOWER AND TOOK OUR BASE XMAS PICTURES FROM THE TOP. WHAT A VIEW. 625 FT STRAIGHT UP.

On 10/18/98 Bob Scarborough said:

I was at Estartit from 68-71, arrived as SAEW and ended up striking cook - got promoted to CS2 and became known as the roving cook of MEDSEC - doing TAD's at Naples, Matratin (shutting it down), Kargabarun, and finally Estaca de Vares, where I met my spouse. My friend John Wcislo will get any correspondence to me.

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On 07/27/98 Roger Christophel said:

A friend of mine has asked me to help track down a gentleman that her Uncle was stationed with while in the Navy. I don't have a lot of detail jus that his name is Jack Cash and his last known where-abouts was on CGLTS Estrartit. Was he there when the station was decommissioned? If so any idea what happened to him? The reason we are looking for Mr. Cash is that a reunion was recently held for a Navy unit that he was stationed on; no one had an address for Mr. Cash so that he could be notified of the reunion. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

On 07/23/98 S.R.A. said:

I was stationed there from July 87 to Dec 89. Had the time of my life. Hung out at the Calypso Bar with Juan and Nicole, I miss the good friends there R Gross, M Taffe, Marcus Baldo, K Rinker, M Christenson, Sue, CPO Conklin, Mr. Cash, Mr. Brennon, Alvin D.,Butch, Gustavo, Lola, Golfo, Blackie Dog, the Mariscal Bar, Louis at On the Rocks, Crash Shelly S., Rob Pencil Neck, and esp. all the girls. Long nights in the bars, long days on the beach. Does anyone remember me?

On 07/07/98 Marty Bartlett said:

Arrived in July 1981 departed Sept. 1983. Best group of peopleI ever met.

On 05/21/98 Brad Wilson said:

Hey guys, I was a SN stationed there in paradise from July 80 to July 81 while waiting for AE school. Best year I've had! I became an AE ('bout 11 years of helo flying), went to OCS in 92, and now am the XO at the CG Institute as a LT. Genesis was the BEST, and what about the guy at the door drinking that green stuff every night?

On 03/25/98 Capt. Richard Wight said:

I was precom detail OIC and first CO - commissioned the station in '61. It was an exciting and challenging job for a young ex-ET

On 01/09/98 Brook Doty said:

Hola! I was CO 86-88. Still miss the place more than any other assignment. Whatever happened to Blackie and Golfo? Ramon and Juan

On 11/19/97 Mk2 Chris Schilling said:

Stationed here Jan 94 - Jan 95, Plankowner, what a job to shut down, hows it going Former Estartit inhabitants.?

On 10/12/97 Alan Blount said:

Hi, I was a rather undistinguished ET3 from '69 to 'mid '72. (Left many 'notes' in the parts bins for my successors). Went back on my honeymoon in '74. I have managed some sense of distinction since - world hot air balloon champion in Luxembourg in 1993. Would like to hear from anyone there during my era.

On 10/02/97 Cdr Jack Orchard, RET said:

I was priviledged to have a 3 year tour as CO from 73 to 76 with some wonderful people. Does anyone out there know what happened to Senors Jose Muns, Juan Martinez, Juan Turro, and Cesareo Quintana?

On 09/01/97 LTJG George Ruwisch said:

My wife karen and I were stationed at Estartit. from 85-87. I was an ET1/ET2 at the time. Had a wonderful time. I invite any old shipmates (I guess it's ok to use that word with loranimals)

On 08/31/97 Coleman M. Ray said:

I was on the station 71-72 ET1 Now living in Northern Italy working for the Government again.

On 08/30/97 Bob Dudley said:

Hey, hey, hey!! Great place to meet old friends. I was the electrician from 78 to 81. While I was there, we did the entire shore power conversion except for the power up over the hill.

On 07/05/97 Bill Schobert said:

I was 2nd C.O. of station, 1962-63. At the time the station was classed as restricted duty. We started efforts to change to non-restricted duty.

On 06/23/97 Herbert Parkin said:

Served in the Section Office from March 65 to August 69 as Assistant Operations Officer. Made many trips to Estartit during that time. This was the only station in the chain that was a pleasure

On 05/11/97 Ray Philyaw said:

Oh! I almost forgot, for those of you that remember the Beachcomber Bar, it was turned into a Tapas bar. Eddy passed away about 5 years ago, maybe more. Her and Len were running a pub in London

On 05/07/97 Ray Philyaw said:

I was stationed there from Dec 80-July 82 and loved every minute of it. Well, except for the walks up the hill in December with the tramontana blowing in my face.

On 05/05/97 Sherm Acord said:

Was there during 1965- It was sooo good that I extended for a year! Left in November 1966

On 05/04/97 Butch Azbell said:

I was stationed there from 82-83, I was the EPO that was there when we shut down the generators and hooked up commercial power, Use to love to go to Lawrences bar and Kims bar.

On 05/04/97 Lee Morris said:

Served from Oct '64 to Oct '65 as ET2/ET1 - transferred to CGC Yocona.

On 05/01/97 Larry Nelson said:

I must be the old timer, I was Estartit's first SK and was there from 64-67. It was such bad duty, I stayed three years.

On 02/01/97 Gary Slater said:

Stationed there 77-78 looking for anyone there back then

On 01/28/97 LT Bob "MEX" Atadero said:

I enjoyed two tours in l'ESTARTIT, ET3 Aug82 - Aug 83 and as the last CO, Jun 92 - Feb 95. The station was disestablished in Dec 94. Met my lovely English wife there the first go around.

On 01/13/97 Shelley Kennedy said:

Stationed as SN out of basic 1987-88 under LT Brook Doty. (Shelley Schoenfeldt) It was a great year!!

On 01/01/97 Warren Duthie said:

I was stationed at ESTARTIT as ETC/ETCS 1980 thru 82 with wife Alice (deceased April 93) and son Greg (now 21). We promised to return for vacation but never have. Retired from CGHQ Nov 92 as CWO4 (ELC)

On 12/20/96 Billy Piner said:

Hi I was there from Jun 82 till about Mar 84. One of the MK's.

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