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Kyrle Probus Club member Tom Courtney described living for nine years in Spain with an illustrated talk at the club's meeting on Thursday, January 7th.

Tom and his wife Judith were based at a new villa in Mazorran with its idyllic palm-lined promenade, enjoying near- 'incessant' sunshine only broken by occasional fierce rainstorms.

Tom said he and his wife took a 12-month Spanish class to help them integrate with local families. They also participated in a 'great' social life enhanced by mid-winter barbeques and colourful siestas and warm seas set in spectacular scenery, interspersed with tours of famous cities such as Seville and Barcelona.

Tom preceded the account of his personal experiences with some detailed highlights of Spain's long and dramatic history, ranging from the Punic Wars during the Roman Empire to the Visigoth 400year era up to the 20th Century carnage of the Spanish Civil War.