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Dear Laverda friends, extremely important news, please read carefully.

We are closing Laverda Paradise for a whopping 3 months.

I am going to Spain / Portugal with final destination the magical island of La Gomera

I'll be driving my 50 year old fire engine. (See picture in PDF here)

From 17.January 2022 is closed and we are only after Easter, on the 19th of April 2022 !!!

So we will not be reachable by phone for 3 months and no spare parts will be no spare parts will be sent for 3 months.

Read the following text in the PDF, so that you know how everything works and you can still get your parts in time.

Herewith I would like to ask for your understanding. But be honest, wouldn't you like to do the same? At this point I just want to be completely honest. We are all fed up with this Corona shit! We are doing something about it.

#### **PARTS SHIPPING**

at christmas we are only closed for a short time from 23.12.2021 to 02.01.2022, as almost everyone does.

So you have until the beginning of January to think about what you need.

Order all the parts you need in the first week of January, or at the latest in the second week.

2. week of January at the latest, and we will ship all these orders.

# Any orders that arrive after 16 January 2022 will not be shipped or will not be shipped until after 19 April 2022!

You can always place an order in the Internet Shop in February, March or early April 2022, but a message will come up saying that it will not be shipped until after 19 April.

It is clear that by the time we are back, well over 1000 orders will have been placed.

The orders will be processed after 19 April 2022 in the order in which they were received, which can certainly take 1 month.

What will never be possible is to combine two or even three orders from one customer into one delivery.

Because with these quantities of orders, it is simply not feasible. Please also consider this important point.

If you place three or four orders during the three months we are closed, you will also receive three or four packages, and you will have to pay the postage accordingly. So think carefully when you order your things.

#### That's all there is to it.



### My 408 Mercedes

## What am I doing, Andy Wagner, but in the time of 3 months?

I will live on the island of La Gomera on the beach in the caves with 40-100 other people.

As already written above, I will drive off with my 50 year old fire engine. I have owned it for about 10 years. I built everything inside myself, very simple, without much luxury, but above all with a lot of space for tools and everything you need to survive. The car has no headroom inside.



Not luxurious, but plenty of space. The handpan cases have to go in the cab overnight, so I can sleep on the floor, on my inflatable mat.

And there is no auxiliary heating.

So until I'm in a warmer region, I'll have to unpack the thick sleeping bag and the thick blanket at night.

That's why I want to drive relatively fast to Spain, with a maximum possible speed of 80km/h and a petrol consumption of 18 litres per 100 km.

Yes petrol, not diesel.

I know a bunch of people in Spain and Portugal that I've wanted to visit for a long time. Laverda riders and handpan players.

I'm sure that's what I'll spend the first two to four weeks doing.

#### Handpan musical instrument

I myself have always wanted to play a musical instrument my whole life, but failed at the recorder when I was still at school.

It was too complicated. Many of you know that I am dyslexic - that is, I have great difficulty with reading and writing. Musical notes have always been just as much of a disaster for me and so making music didn't happen.

But when I went on a two-week fast in January 2020 (two weeks of eating nothing and walking through the forest) - it was incredibly relaxing, reinigende und stärkende

thing that I can only recommend to everyone - in the course of the evening programme with nutrition lectures or other interesting things (e.g. how one can successfully fight cancer with complete food deprivation, also confirmed by many 10,000 trials), a fairy tale was read out by the Brothers Grimm and a woman accompanied this with a handpan.

I've known about this instrument for a long time, I've seen it on the street again and again with musicians, but I never knew what it was actually called.

I am convinced that many of you feel the same way.

Now I finally had the chance to ask what it was called and if I could play it for a while. After only two minutes it was clear that I could learn this instrument without any knowledge of notes or anything.

Back at home in Laverda Paradise, I immediately informed myself and bought my first handpan.

In the meantime I have twelve of these wonderful instruments.

You can see some of them with me in my living room where they all hang beautifully on the wall.



Each instrument has only a certain pitch with 8-20 tone fields. In just under 2 years, I have learned to master the instrument well.

I even give small concerts with it regularly.

Whenever I go away, I use to play street music, which is incredibly fun. And you get to know a lot of nice people, just like riding a Laverda.

That's also what I want to do in these three months: play street music and meet people and just have one thing: lots and lots of fun.

I will spend most of the 3 months in La Gomera.

In the summer of 2020, I met a street musician in Konstanz who played handpan. I asked him three questions:

- do you already have a place to sleep?
- how long will you stay in Konstanz?
- would you give me handpan lessons?

He already had a place to stay, he was there for another week and yes, he gives me two to three hours of lessons every day.

That was really great and has given me a massive boost in my playing technique. This young man Boris Cecez, 31 years young, has been living for 4 years without a fixed address, most of the time on the Canary Islands, precisely on the magical island of

#### La Gomera

He only comes to Germany occasionally for a short time to visit friends, sort things out and then returns to La Gomera.

He lives from street music like many there and they sleep on the beach in the caves or in self-made reed huts, see picture here below. This is my friend Boris.



There is also an Arte film about La Gomera. In this film, Boris is one of the interview partners from the Arte Film team who live there on the beach with all the positive and negative sides and, of course, with hand pan music.

You should take a look at this, here is a French excerpt of about 30 minutes:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7bExBoJHmGU&t=194s

Here is a German excerpt with approx. 13 minutes:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fCt7tIXcPw0

In the Arte archive you can find the whole film, I think also in English.

Boris will introduce me to beach and cave life in La Gomera and I will get to know a special world there, which I am incredibly excited about.

Of course, I will get weekly handpan lessons from him.

Because even though I already play very well, I still have a lot to learn and he is a good teacher for that.

Here is the link from Boris' YouTube channel:

## https://www.youtube.com/results?search\_query=boris+Cecez

He has also written a book, released 2 CDs and is currently writing a children's book.

If you like handpan music, you can buy his CD here:

#### https://www.handpanschule.de/handpan-poesie

And here you can give him a small monthly support and get deep insights into a very special life and support him to finance things like writing books. Because something like that is expensive and unfortunately you can't sell 1 million copies of it. So it's quaranteed to be a layaway.

#### https://www.patreon.com/BorisPanPoesie

Also, Boris will be posting some videos on the Patrion site from the time I spend on La Gomera.

So if you want to know what I'm up to, support Boris with e.g. 6 € and you'll have access to it.

You're really doing a good thing, because he's an extraordinary person.

His Instagram address

https://www.instagram.com/boris.panpoesie/

The spoken texts are unfortunately only in German, but they are very wise and helpful for those who accompany Boris on his journey through social media.

Well then, there is still a lot to do before I start.

Have fun with your Laverda machines

Or the handpan music of Boris or others that you find on You-Tube.

A life kissed by the sun, Greetings to

# **Andy Wagner and team**



And the Laverda overals come along for the ride, because they are light and airy in the warmth