

**MINUTES OF THE U3A CALPE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD ON 21st NOVEMBER 2013
AT THE CASA DE CULTURA, CALPE**

John Pickford, President opened the meeting by welcoming Members to the meeting.

APOLOGIES: None

CORRESPONDENCE : None

MINUTES OF THE LAST AGM (15th NOVEMBER 2012):

The Secretary read a précis of the minutes which were proposed by Ann Melling and seconded by Marilyn Milsom. The minutes were unanimously accepted by the Membership and signed by John Pickford, President. They will be put on the website in due course.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES: None

REPORTS: The reports in full are filed separately from these minutes

Treasurer: Copies of the signed audited accounts had been available at the door. The final Balance at the end of October 2013 of €6,216.82 is considered a very healthy balance and is slightly up on last year. The change over of our accounts from Barclays to Kutxabank had been seamless

Membership: During the year ending October 2013 we had 499 paid-up members, 1 life Member and 1 Honorary Member. We have had 116 new members this year which are included in the figures. We have 177 memberships currently outstanding thus our membership stands at 678 active members assuming of course that the outstanding members renew in the near future. Thanks were due to those members keeping us informed of their email addresses.

Travel: This has been a successful and busy year for the travel team, the highlight probably being the two Eastern Mediterranean cruises involving 94 Members. Other trips included a shopping adventure to Murcia, dinner/show at Benidorm Palace, a day trip to Valencia with 3 options to visit and a most interesting day in Gandia with a tour of the Ducal Palace. Regrettably two trips had to be cancelled due to lack of interest but this was more than outweighed by those that did take place. Thanks were due to the hard working travel team.

Groups: Sandy Bianco, Groups Co-ordinator gave her report which detailed a few changes to the usual timings of activities and details of upcoming events. She reported that a few Groups had disbanded mainly because folks had returned to the UK but in their place others had started up. Sandy also stated that she was standing down after many years on the Committee but would continue as a Member of Calpe U3A. She wished her successor every success and thanked everyone, particularly the Group Leaders and Committee for making the job so enjoyable. Sandy was presented with a gift voucher in thanks for her many years' service.

Social: Joy Lally presented her report of social activities throughout the year and thanked everyone for their support of her events which had included a Flamenco night, quiz night, Group Leaders' thank you, summer lunch at the beach, a picnic at Vallesa Park

and up-coming dinner dance. She was also standing down from the Committee and was presented with a gift voucher by Patricia Adams.

Publicity and Culture: Rod Anderton reported that he is continuing to email Members on his 'Cultural Interest group' list and anyone wishing to add their names should let him know. He mentioned a few up-coming events which may interest Members and also asked for photos of events to present to the press to keep us in the public eye would be most welcome.

President: John Pickford had already posted his Annual Report on the website. He thanked everyone for their support in what had been quite a difficult year for him. Special thanks were given to the Committee and Helping Hands team for their help and good wishes were given to those Committee members leaving the Committee this year.

After presentation of the reports those present were asked for comments but there were none so they were all accepted.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Meeting venues: We will keep the meeting venue as the Sol Ifach Hotel and will include the next AGM in this decision. The Members present unanimously agreed this was a more user-friendly venue for both the meeting and for chatting to friends afterwards. Date change to 3rd Thursday in the month
- Subscriptions: Leave at 10 euros
- Possible change of Postbox: We will next year look into the possibility of changing our postbox from Total Post to Correos. This will depend on cost/availability but on balance the better opening hours make the change look favourable
- Continuation of Scrapbook: We will seek a volunteer to continue to run the scrapbook or maybe use facebook to display our photographs

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR:

Ann Melling had audited the books and was willing to continue for a further year. This was unanimously agreed. A presentation was made to Ann in thanks for this year's audit.

ELECTION OF NEW COMMITTEE:

The following were proposed for each post on the Committee and therefore they were all voted-for en bloc with a show of hands and therefore form the new Committee. The supporting paperwork was available for inspection

President	John Pickford
Vice President	Tina Wallis
Treasurer	Edith Watson
Secretary	Janet Bond
Membership Secretary	Val Osborne
Social Secretary	Tina Wallis
Travel Group Leader	John Pickford
Culture and Publicity	Rod Anderton
Groups Co-ordinator	Diane Putnam
Travel Treasurer/ Asst U3A Treasurer	Jenny O'Neill

AOB: A comment was made concerning dislike of the font on the Website although this did not seem to trouble most Members present.

DATE OF NEXT YEAR'S AGM: This will be held on Thursday 20th November at the Sol Hotel Ifach.

After the meeting members were invited upstairs to the Casa's café for a glass of wine and tapas.

PROPOSED: Maureen Dunn

SECONDED: Manuela van Bever

SIGNED: John Pickford, President, 20th November 2014