

**MINUTES OF THE U3A GENERAL MEETING  
HELD ON 19th JUNE 2014  
AT THE SOL IFACH HOTEL, CALPE**

The President, John Pickford, opened the meeting and welcomed the attending members, giving a special mention to two new members.

**GUEST CHOIR – COSTA BARBER SINGERS**

The Costa Barber singers gave us some wonderful entertainment and judging by the audience reaction it was very well received. They included many well-known songs including 'Muscat Ramble', 'Barbara Ann', 'Autumn Leaves' and a gorgeous rendition of Ray Charles' 'Georgia'. They finished with an intriguing medley of nursery rhymes followed by their traditional closing song 'Let's get Together Again'.

Penny Pearson gave a vote of thanks on behalf of the U3A members and each singer received a bottle of wine.

**COMPETITION**

John Pickford set up a short competition with some devilish questions. Sadly there were no winners on this occasion.

**APOLOGIES FROM THE COMMITTEE**

Janet Bond, Diane Putnam, Jenny O'Neill and Edith Watson

**CORRESPONDENCE – None**

**MINUTES OF THE LAST GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 15TH MAY**

The minutes were proposed by David Farmer and seconded by Fred Sleight.

**MATTERS ARISING**

Newsletter: Giovanna Wallis, editor is grateful to those members who sent articles for inclusion in the Newsletter. She will be pleased to receive further items during the summer break.

Guest Speakers: During the summer break the committee will be compiling a list of possible guest speakers. If you are aware of someone who would be willing to speak on a subject of interest to the U3A please let your committee know about them, together with their contact details.

Ciudad Patricia: We have arranged a visit to Ciudad Patricia on 23 September. This trip is running in conjunction with AFPO and we need 50 people in total to make it worthwhile for Ciudad Patricia to put on a free coach for us. Janet Bond is

collecting names of those wishing to go and you can put your name on a signup sheet at the meeting or you can email her at [enquiries@u3acalpe.com](mailto:enquiries@u3acalpe.com).

**NEW BUSINESS**        None

## **REPORTS**

Social:                Tina Wallis reminded us that our Summer Lunch would take place after the meeting at the Restaurant Exotic and over 60 people were expected to attend.

The Annual Quiz will take place on 27th October at the Tennis Club, Calpe.

The Footlights Youth Theatre is doing a SUMMER SHOW on 2 July at 8.00 pm. Admission is free but there will be an opportunity to contribute towards EMAUS.

### Groups:

Diane Putnam was unable to attend but she sent a report which was read by Patricia Adams.

Petanc:        Match against Liphook U3A on 10 October at Levante Beach courts. All welcome

Table Tennis:            There will be no table tennis on Tuesdays during the summer BUT we can use the hall every Saturday at 10.00 am from 21 June until the children go back to school

Badminton:        Will restart at beginning of September

Bridge:        From 23 September the day will change to Tuesday at the Galetamar Hotel, 7.00 pm for beginners and 7.30 pm for everyone else

Men's Dining:        The next one is at La Picaeta in Calpe. Roger Milsom has details

JUGS:        Next lunch on 3 July at La Mama Nostra

Classical Music:    Next meeting on 1st September

Canasta:        Changes to Tuesdays at 2.15 pm – 4.15 pm

### Travel:

John Pickford apologized for the cancellation of the Caribbean cruise

The trip to Callaspara went well: he had the best paella ever

Valencia trip nearly full

Cartagena trip – a few places left

Novelda trip – fully booked.

## **CULTURE AND PUBLICITY**

Rod Anderton thanked those people who have sent him photos which enhance his articles for publicity.

He also gave us advance notice that on 17 October at 7.30 there will be a performance of Mozart's opera Don Giovanni at the Teulada Auditorium. Cost 40 euros

Rod reminded members that the U3A choir is always happy to welcome new members

Footlights Theatre 2 July Casa de Cultura 8.00 pm. See earlier note on this.

**MEMBERSHIP** 2 new members

**TREASURER** We have a healthy balance.

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Nick Green reported that Father Marcus, from the Costa Blanca Anglican Ministry, raised approximately 4000 euros from his sponsored bike ride with his son and thanked everyone who had contributed.

Jan Newark reminded us that on 28th June there will be a Garden/Cabaret Party at Finca Jacaranda. Entrance is 10 euros and you will receive a glass of cava on arrival. Bring your own picnic if you wish. Proceeds will go to EMAUS.

**THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE IFACH HOTEL ON THURSDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER AT 10.00 FOR 10.30 AM**

Patricia Adams  
19th June 2014

PROPOSER: Mike Warnes

SECONDER: Sandra Llewellyn

SIGNED: John Pickford, President