## MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING HELD AT IFACH HOTEL ON THURSDAY 18TH APRIL DOORS OPEN AT 10.00 FOR 11.00 AM START.

Meeting opened at 10.59am

The President explained that Sandra Llewellyn (now Vocal 1) has been co-opted on to the Committee and that she and Michelle McNickle (Vocal 2) will be hosting a new Care Group to act as Almoners for us..

Please keep them informed of any Special Birthdays, Condolence cards needed and Special Anniversaries.

The President reminded members to please renew Memberships promptly as it becomes complicated when

more than 3 months had lapsed and the money is urgently needed. New Members who have joined today are invited for coffee after the Meeting. Anyone who is interested and available can join in the Dog Walking at the Akira Rescue Home in Benissa. Exercise the dogs and yourself at the same time.

A Memorial Service is to be held on 26th April to remember one of our Members Missouri Tyrrell. See Mary

Anderton for more information.

- Apologies: have been received from Dairong Hu, who is in China visiting family and Kerry Edwards Travel Group.
- Minutes of the last General Meeting were taken as read having been on the Website for some time and were proposed by Arthur Croasdell and Seconded by Ian Borland.
- 3. Treasurer 2168.53€ in Bank

219.40€ in Petty Cash

Total 2387.93€ This does not include Membership Float of 100€ or Travel a/c

This total is rather disappointing but this is due to the large fee we have paid our Website Hoster plus other

expenses. However New Members and Members Renewing subscriptions are bouyant and overall things are improving.

The table tennis group have now repaid their loan in full.

Publicity: In 2018 we had 44 articles published in the local papers and in so far in 2019 we have already had

18 articles published. Plus various mentions on Pure Gold Radio.

Line Dancing for beginners is to start on 23rd April at Marcias Dance Studio on Tuesdays from 3.00 to 4.00pm.

Groups: Pam gave a short but humourous speech informing us that the U3A is all about learning for pleasure.

That any members can start us a group if they want to. Also at Marcia's FitSteps a dance workout has started

on Mondays at 2.00pm.

JUGS is a group for Just us girls who like to lunch.

Our Choir will recommence on 4th September weekly.

Table Tennis Group will be involved in a Tournament with Orihuella on Tuesday 23rd April starting at 9.00pm

in the Sports Hall. Why not come along to support our team.

On 22nd April from 10.00 - 1.00pm Liz Lodge will be leading a Workshop and anyone wishing to join in can

contact her on 96 587 0799

Jim Wainwright is going to startup a beginners Bridge class.

Travel: Freda Croasdell told us that there had recently been a day trip to a Bodega which was very well

attended and enjoyed by all. Also we have just had a day at the Spa in Fortuna which was also very much

enjoyed. On 31st May there will be a boat trip to the island of Tabarca just off Santa Pola and will probably

depart from Campello. Pay at the May meeting if attending. There is a proposed trip to Seville which will be

in the region of 300€ pp plus a single room supplement. More details at the next meeting.

Membership: Today there were 50 renewals and 9 new members.

Correspondence: We have received an email from Specsavers informing us that they are happy to give

members of Calpe u3a a discount of 30% on glasses from the 89€ frame range and above. The discount

includes the frame, lenses and all lens treatments. Please mention that you are a u3a Calpe member at

the time of making the appointment.

Our Speaker was John Hopwood who gave a very interesting, informative and humourous talk about the history of the bicycle which was well received by all those present. The President presented him with a gift

in thanks for his very interesting talk.

The Meeting closed at 12.08pm

Marion Fisher (Secretary)

Minutes Proposed by:

And Seconded by: