

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE U3A CALPE HELD ON 16TH JANUARY 2020 AT THE IFACH HOTEL, CALPE.

1. Meeting opened at 11.00am
2. The Minutes of the previous meeting were taken as read and were proposed by Denise Kelly
seconded by Sheila Ruckley.
3. Committee Members reports:

Treasurer: We have 2924.76€ in the bank
161.86€ in Petty cash
making a total of 3086.62€

There have been significant expenses since the last Meeting namely:- Christmas Thankyou Lunch for Group Leaders, AGM drinks and tapas, meeting room hire, and most recently stationery in the form of membership cards and lanyards from Imprint.

Travel: We had a very successful trip to La Zenia Shopping Mall yesterday and all members who attended were very happy with their purchases.
There will be a trip to a Bodega in Requena, Utiel, on 21st March with a tour round the Bodega on a little train and lunch included. There are already 11 members paid up and anyone wishing to join in can pay at the February meeting.

Travel treasurer: Freda has sent her apologies for absence.

Groups: We have numerous interests for members to join in with from Beginners Bridge to Petanc, Book club, Peters Discussion Group something for everyone. Take time to find out more. Val Weatherald needs to step down from arranging the JUGS "Just Us Girls" lunch group and so we need someone to volunteer to take over. Mary Anderton gave her thanks to the U3A Choir who gave a fabulous concert before Christmas and 700.00€ was raised and given to the Red Cross. It has been suggested that our Choir gives us a little concert at our November Meeting. Jim Wainwright is giving Bridge lessons to Beginners on Wednesday evenings at

7.00pm

at the Spasso Bar on the Levante Beach beginners only.

Membership: Today there has been 13 new members making 561 members paid up
and we raised 340€ in renewals.

Care & Share: Sandra advised members that the new system at the Farmacias now gives us the facility to collect our meds up to 2 weeks in advance. Prescriptions do not expire, like before, but you must now take your SIP card and the list of current meds that has the bar code on it with you to the Farmacia. Specsavers are still giving U3A Members 30% discount on new spectacles but only if you state at the time of having the eye test that you are claiming this discount. Sandra needs people to help her with visits etc and please tell her what type of help you are able to give ie help shopping, help with visit to Doctor, or visit to hospital etc. or just visiting someone.

Webmaster: Apologies for absence sent in.

Publicity: David Stockton showed his achievements of postings in the press, Euro Weekly, Weekender, Post and Costa Blanca News. He told us that there will be a concert by Caprice in February cost 10€.

4. Correspondence: None

5. AOB: None

Our Speaker today was Nancy Appleyard who gave a most amusing talk about our English Language and all aspects of it. It was surprising to most of us how many different aspects there are in our language which most of us take for granted. The talk was enjoyed by everyone present.

OUR NEXT GENERAL MEETING WILL BE ON 20th FEBRUARY 2020 and the Speaker will be John Hopwood.

The Meeting closed at 12.15pm

Marion Fisher (Secretary).