

**NEWSLETTER no. 13**  
**June 2009**

***Message from the President***

Dear Members,

The summer is now well and truly with us, as of course are the busy roads and town centres and car parks! I know many of you have visitors throughout the summer, and I do hope all of you have a wonderful time.

As you know Membership renewal time is here, and I'd like to remind you that the last chance to renew your Membership will be at the meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup> July. This does not of course apply to those of you who have already notified Caz that you are away but wish to renew. We have smart new Membership cards, and Group Leaders will be asking to see them, so please make sure you have yours with you when you go to a Group.

I hope as many of you as possible will come to the meeting in July. We are privileged to have Bruno Goffin, and his two "assistants", more than that I will not say, but come along and see please!

We are not having a meeting in August, but we hope to see many of you at the meeting in September . At that meeting you will have the chance to learn more about the available Groups, and choose those you would like to join before the places are filled.

Hope to see you then,  
Best wishes

*Ann Colclough*

**Next General U3A Meeting and Membership renewal information**

The next General Meeting will be on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2009, at the Salon de Banquettes, Avda. Mediterraneo, Teulada, **please note that the doors do not open to Members until 09.45**. At this meeting members will be able to make bookings for trips and events, find out more about the Group activities on offer, and enrol in Groups.

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS**

Membership renewals are now due, if you haven't already renewed your membership, **please bring the correct money with you if at all possible on 6<sup>th</sup> July**. This amount is €6 for renewal until December. In January a full year's renewal fee will become due.

If you are not able to attend the meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> July, but you wish to remain a Member, you **MUST** contact the Membership Secretary Caz Williams by 15<sup>th</sup> July through the link on the website. Anyone who does not renew their Membership by that date will be removed from the Membership List and will not be able to attend Travel Trips, Groups or events.

**URGENT**  
**SITUATION VACANT**

**NOMINATIONS FOR THE POSITION OF FINANCIAL AUDITOR**

It was announced at the General Meeting on 4th May 2009, that under the terms of our Constitution the Auditor can be appointed from within the membership.

We have previously used the services of an external Auditor, but it is now felt that the position should be occupied by a member of our Association, duly proposed and seconded,

and elected by a majority of members at a General Meeting.

On this basis applications for the position of Auditor are now invited. The duties of the Auditor are not onerous, and will consist of an annual check of the statement of expenditure and income and confirming the accuracy of the Annual Accounts. These will of course be prepared by the Treasurer prior to the Audit. Accountancy skills are not essential, but it is expected that the proposed Auditor should have some experience of auditing or managing club or associations accounts.

Applications should be sent to the President at :

[president@u3amoraira-teulada.org](mailto:president@u3amoraira-teulada.org)

### ***Moraira-Teulada U3A Committee members***

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<i>Travel Treasurer:</i>	Sue Smith		
<i>Membership</i>			
<i>Secretary:</i>	Caz Williams		

Please note that the following Reports are published as presented to the Editor by the Group Co-ordinators and Leaders

### **TRAVEL GROUP NEWS**

#### **MADRID 2 TO 5 NOVEMBER 4 days 3 nights**

Going via the plains of La Mancha to see the windmills of Don Quixote, then visit a bodega for wine tasting and tapas lunch: arrive Madrid approximately 6pm. Next day orientation tour by coach with guide, then free time in the afternoon. Next day is a free day to explore Madrid, timed for Wednesday so the museums are free, visit the famous Prado Museum, the Royal Palace, maybe a little early Christmas shopping in el Corte Ingles. Next morning go to Toledo with free time there to explore, returning to Moraira after lunch. This is provisionally priced at 270€ because Madrid is expensive, but may be cheaper with enough people. The hotel is central and 3\* including half board, but no lunches are included.

Bookings now being taken with a 20€ deposit to reserve a place.

Leader Jan Adams

### **GRANADA**

The Granada trip for October is fully booked, but you can put your name on a reserve list if you wish either by e-mail to the travel team via the website or at the general meeting. The balance will need to be paid by September, and those on the list will be receiving an e-mail by 1<sup>st</sup> August giving details.

### **MORAIRA WALKING TREASURE HUNT**

This is fully booked and those on the list will be informed by e-mail the start time and meeting place.

## **FORTHCOMING ATTRACTIONS - WATCH THIS SPACE**

There will be a walking treasure hunt in Denia in October, date to be arranged, watch the website.

We are also planning a visit to Villajoyosa to the market and the chocolate factory which will probably cost about 10€, and is likely to be in October. Watch the Website for details.

Jan Adams

Travel Group Leader

### **CULTURAL ARTS PROGRAMME:**

During the last few months we have attended quite a variety of events, including – *The Wireless Years*, a *Vivaldi Concert* in the Palau to Les Arts Reina Sofia, *The Good Old Days*, a concert by the *Costa Blanca Male Voice Choir*, and a performance by the extremely talented jazz band *Bourbon Street Stompers*.

Many of us were also at the sell out U3A Calpe Choir concert in the Casa de Cultura on 12<sup>th</sup> June, and thoroughly enjoyed the variety of this very talented group of people.

We look forward to a new programme commencing in the autumn, please watch this space!

Angela Chantry

### **Activity Groups**

Summer is here and a lot of groups are stopping soon until September so please check with the group leader who will advise you. This is the time of the year when the Committee is thinking about new groups for you to join in September.

I have news of a few new groups and I am hoping to have more for you by September. A new group for September will be Drawing, “Back to Basics”, and we have two new groups this month, Creative Writing Group and a Photographic Group.

It is hoped the Creative Writing Group will meet twice a month, and they will explore writing in general and members can bring their own work to share with others for positive criticism and mutual help. In addition the leader, Philip Rothwell, will suggest a theme for a ‘homework’ writing exercise for the following meeting. He is looking for people who either already enjoy writing or who want to start and need help. Philip has asked me to say that most of all, he wants you to have fun, that’s the aim of the Creative Writing Group.

Again in Philip’s words, you don’t need to be a Hemingway, a Betjeman, or even a Barbara Cartland to join them. If they had a ‘mission statement’, it would simply be ‘Just Write’. Meetings will last about 2 hours.

Regina Mueller is going to start a photographic group as soon as possible. She says, “there are great possibilities to expand the photographic experience, especially with a digital camera, one is invited to be daring. Together, we will decide what topic we will work on and we will not compete for ‘best picture’ instead, we will try to improve our own skills, objectives and style.... and have fun together”.

I am happy to tell you that I have found someone to run a "short walking group" similar to the Healthy Walking Group which Javea U3A run. Rona Hurst has offered to lead the group with help. It would be for people who enjoy a walking group but would prefer shorter, easy walks of approx 1 hour. If you think this would be something you would enjoy, you will be able to enrol for the first walk in September.

Please contact me about being a group leader if you have any more ideas, we will help you in any way we can.

We will have a line dancing group for September and someone approached me about a Golf Society, do please contact me.

I would remind you all that in order to continue in your present groups, or to join new ones, you must renew your membership of this U3a, (Moraira Teulada) before the middle of July. Thank you.

### **Enrolment Morning**

The first General Meeting in September will be for enrolment in the many available groups. There will be no speaker or entertainment that morning, but there will hopefully be demonstrations and displays from existing groups, as well as more details for you of some new groups to join.

Please see the local newspapers and website nearer the time for details of the September meeting.

Shirley Baehr – Group Coordinator [sbaehr1951@aol.com](mailto:sbaehr1951@aol.com)

Here's an answer to a plea on the Wish List!

### **Line Dancing - Rodeo Stompers**

To meet every week in Salón de Banquettes, Avenida Mediterráneo, Teulada. 2-4pm Mondays. Fully qualified BWDA Linedance Instructor and medal examiner with 12 years experience. Sign up now for September 14th Start date

Barbara Ives  
Phone: 96583 2798 or 630 113 649 e-mail: [babs\\_ives@yahoo.com](mailto:babs_ives@yahoo.com)

### **Photo Group**

Next Photo Group meeting is a " Shooting on location". We shall meet on June 30th in front of the Ayuntamiento of Teulada at 17:00 and then go in the old part of Teulada to take photos of architectural features, and whatever interest us. Come and join us !

Hasta la vista,  
Regine [regmu@msn.com](mailto:regmu@msn.com) 96 505 8294

### **Social Bridge**

I would like to get a Social Bridge group going from September if you could help with the administration please contact. Groups Co-ordinator Shirley Baehr  
[sbaehr1951@aol.com](mailto:sbaehr1951@aol.com) 966495633

### **Ten Pin Bowling**

This is to remind you all that the next session of 10 pin bowling will take place on Wednesday 24th June at the Ondara lanes, 7pm for 7.30 start., I look forward to seeing you there.

Dave Goodings

## **History Group News**

The History programme for next season will be located in the lecture theatre of Espai La Senieta. The talks are scheduled for Mondays at 10.00 for two hours. The first three dates are September 28th, October 26th and November 30th. They will operate on a 'drop-in' basis without the need to join the group, although if you show your interest we can email you with up to date information.

A programme of speakers and subject areas is being drafted and will be published on the website and in the newsletter once finalised.

Brian Nichols 96 574 7600 [brianjohnnicholls@gmail.com](mailto:brianjohnnicholls@gmail.com)

## **Art Appreciation Group**

We now have a leader for this group and sign-up sheets will be available at the General Meetings and at the enrolment morning in September.

A wide variety of art, artists and art movements will be visually presented for critical discussion and group participation will be encouraged.

The first three sessions have been booked at the Los Leones restaurant in Solpark on Thursdays, Sept 17, October 22nd and Nov 19th all at 4pm. Further details will be made available in due course.

Brian Nichols 96 574 7600 [brianjohnnicholls@gmail.com](mailto:brianjohnnicholls@gmail.com)

***PLEASE NOTE THAT MANY OF THE GROUPS SHOWN HAVE STARTED THEIR "SUMMER BREAK", PLEASE CONTACT THE GROUP LEADER FOR MORE DETAILS***

<b>Group</b>	<b>Group Leader(s)</b>
10 Pin Bowling	<b>Dave Goodings</b>
Alternative Wine Society	<b>Ted Adams</b>
Bridge for Beginners	<b>Anita Dixon</b>
Bridge Improvers for all non beginners	<b>John Hiskey</b>
Card Making and Scrapbooking	<b>Martin and Carole Bentley</b>
Chess Group	<b>Ed Morley</b>
Choir	<b>Ann Johnson</b>
Classical Music Appreciation	<b>Paul Godwin</b>
Computing email and internet for beginners	<b>Evelyn Adams</b>
Cookery/Entertaining at Home	<b>Anne Rodger</b>
Creative Writing	<b>Philip Lewis Rothwell</b>

Cribbage	<b>Colin Turner</b>
Dining Out Group	<b>Peter and Sue Wells</b>
Drama Group	<b>Pam Ridlington</b>
Fishing both freshwater and sea	<b>Michael Wilson</b>
Gardening	<b>John and Chris Parsons</b>
English Grammar for Confused Students of Spanish	<b>Richard Perry</b>
Genealogy	<b>Sue Bradley</b>
Hi Fi & Home Cinema advice	<b>Ted Adams</b>
History	<b>Brian Nichols</b>
Losers	<b>Janet Westgarth</b>
Mah Jong	<b>Diana Jarvis</b>
Modern Jive for Beginners	<b>Richard Perry</b>
Padel Tennis	<b>Richard Perry</b>
Painting - Pastel techniques an introduction	<b>Linda Gent</b>
Painting - Water colour techniques an introduction	<b>Lynn Haigh</b>
Patchwork	<b>Yvonne Romain</b>
Petanqua	<b>Andy Keen</b>
Photo Group	<b>Regina Mueller</b>
Photo-digital workshop	<b>Terry Bradley</b>
Quiz Group	<b>Helen and Les Coughtrey</b>
Reading Group	<b>Gaby Mauger/Pam Milburn</b>
Sailing Group	<b>Richard Jones</b>
Singles Dining Out Saturdays	<b>Norman Peterken</b>
	<b>Robin Woods</b>

Skittles for the family	
Spanish Conversation Intermediate	<b>Sheila Shipsides</b>
Spanish for Beginners	<b>Sue McNae</b>
Sunday Solo Group	<b>Audrey Germann</b>
Travel Co-ordinator	<b>Jan Adams</b>
Travellers Tales	<b>Leader required</b>
Walking	<b>Bob Fisher</b>
Yoga (All levels)	<b>Sue McNae</b>