

# ***Moraira Teulada U3A***

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## ***NEWSLETTER no. 14, August 2009***

### ***Message from the President***

Dear Members,

As no doubt you all know, the main purpose of the U3A is to encourage lifelong learning and friendship for people no longer in full-time employment, by providing Educational, Recreational and Leisure activities for its Members. I do hope that you are all enjoying the learning you do and the friendships you make through the people you meet in the various Groups on offer.

Many of you have already renewed your membership, but September is the last opportunity there will be. In future group leaders will check to make sure you have one of the new Membership cards. We did say that the last chance to renew your Membership would be at the meeting on 6 July, however it seems many of you did not realise this, but September will certainly be the last chance, and folks who have not renewed their Membership by that meeting will be deleted from the Membership List. This does not of course apply to those of you who have already notified our Membership Secretary that you are away but wish to renew.

We are not having a Speaker at the September meeting, instead 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.

I am delighted to tell you that the Montgo Chorale will be singing for us at the 5 October meeting, so please come along and enjoy the music this very well known choir will be making for us.

I am disappointed that no one has come forward to volunteer for the post of Secretary. This is a vital post within the U3A Committee, and one I hope would be filled by now. Margaret Roberts has very kindly continued to do the job, although it would be unreasonable to expect her to do it as an ongoing task. In the future there will therefore be meetings where Minutes are not taken, and no record kept of proceedings. This will undoubtedly affect the running of the U3A. I am sure that with over 800 fully paid up Members, there must be someone who would like to take on this job, and of course Margaret will still be there to give guidance when necessary. Please call me on 965747343 if you would like to know more about the post, or if you wish to be considered for it.

In November we will be having our AGM, and we will also be having Guest Speakers from the Consulate in Alicante. They will include Martyn Standing from the Department of Work and Pensions. Some of you may remember Martyn from the presentation that was held in Espai la Senieta in April. Martyn has kindly agreed to come along with Consulate colleagues and answer any questions which Members may have. It would be an enormous help if those of you with questions would let me

know what they are (by email through my link on the website or to 965747343) so that I can tell Martyn. If they know in advance what the questions will be, it means they can ensure that they either bring the right people with them, or get the answers to the questions before they come.

Hope to see you at the September meeting,

Best wishes  
Ann Colclough



### **Next general U3A meeting**

This will be on 7 **September** 2009, at the Salon de Banquettes, Avda. Mediterraneo, Teulada, at 10.30 am. Doors open 09.45. **Group leaders are asked to arrive at 09.15 to help set up the room and to stay till the end to help put tables/chairs back to their original positions.**

## **TRAVEL/OUTINGS**

### **Madrid**

The final payment of 250€ for the Madrid trip from 2-5 November is due by 14 September. You have three options for payment.

1. Full payment at the U3A September 7 meeting.
2. Full payment **in cash** at the **Moraira branch** of Banco de Valencia using the new paying-in form which you can download and print from our website.
3. Payment via this same method but in two instalments. The first one of 150€ should be before the end of August, then the second of 100€ by 14 September.

Using the new form please put your surname and 'Madrid' as the reference and make sure you pay cash (the bank charges us for cheques!). Keep the bottom part of the form which the bank will stamp, as this is your receipt. Then please e-mail me to inform me of your payment. This is a new system so a message will help me to keep track and check that it is working properly.

*Leader: Jan Adams*

### **Villajoyosa - market and chocolate factory**

This day trip is now confirmed for 15 October. We will leave Moraira at 9am and arrive back at approximately 6pm. The market in Villajoyosa is reputedly an interesting one, so we have timed the trip for market day, with an opportunity to explore the town, see the coloured houses and go round the chocolate factory, leaving plenty of time for lunch! Cost 10€. You can email me to reserve a place by clicking on my photo on the website, but your booking won't be confirmed until the money is received.

*Leader: Jan Adams*

## **Walking Treasure Hunt in Denia**

Another Walking Treasure Hunt has been arranged for Thursday 29 October. This time we will be exploring parts of old Denia, starting there at 10:30 am. The cost will be €15 per head and cover prizes for the winners and lunch for all participants. The usual format will be followed: teams of 4 members, either pre-grouped or assembled on the day. Duration about 2 hours 15 minutes. Never more than 50m from a bar!! Number of participants limited to 32. Please reserve your place by email to Paul Pruden [teuladau3awth@hotmail.com](mailto:teuladau3awth@hotmail.com). Payment will be required at the September Monthly Meeting or the October Monthly Meeting. **Reservations confirm interest but payment confirms a place.** Please note that any member can take part as this is one of the many Travel Group activities, all of which are open to all members until the available places are filled.

*Leader Paul Pruden*

## **CULTURAL ARTS PROGRAMME**

**Friday 25 September: “Three Tenors Revival”** with Carlos Vivancos (piano) and Pedro Noguera, Juan Gallego, & Antonio Magno (tenors). The “Three Tenors” changed the world's appreciation of opera - the first concert in Rome was the most watched classical concert in history. The original medley of this legendary concert will be re-created and each of the gifted tenors will sing their show pieces. Date: Venue: the “Heredad de Elias Ferrer” (bullring gardens, Acalalí), 20.00hrs - €15. Names to Angela, and pay at the door.

**Sunday 27 September: “Simply Ballroom”** hosted by Lionel Blair and Claire Simpson, is a lavish production where the colour and spectacle of ballroom dance fuses brilliantly with live theatre. Featuring an array of spectacular costumes, the production showcases the exceptional talents of the cast through a number of styles, including the Cha Cha, Salsa, Rumba, Quickstep and many more. Venue: Benidorm Palace, doors open 7.30 p.m. and show commences at 8.30 p.m. (no meal included). Free seating (i.e. no seats reserved). Cost: €31 (€22 for ticket + €9 for coach). The coach will leave El Rafalet (Benitachell Road, Javea) at 18.00 hrs and make one additional pick-up at the lay-by in front of Lidl in Benissa at 18.20 hrs (on the main road through Benissa N332, Avda Europa), before joining the motorway for the onward journey to Benidorm. Doors open at 19.30 hrs, the show commences at 20.30 hrs, and lasts for 2 hours (there will probably be an interval but this has not yet been confirmed). **If you wish to join this event please email Angela to book and arrange payment (which must be received by Monday 31st August):** [angelachantry@gmail.com](mailto:angelachantry@gmail.com)

**Friday 16 October: “Tomb with a view”** You could say the Tomb family are a little odd. Lucien is as pompous as he is irascible. Sister, Dora, poisons people she is not fond of. Marcus, who is looked after by the family nurse, Ann, thinks he is Caesar. Emily thinks she is a bloke, Monica knows she's not and takes every opportunity to prove it. This extremely odd family meet for an important family gathering – the reading of the will of their unlamented father, by the sinister looking solicitor, Mr Penworthy. You can join the gathering yourself when the Careline Theatre presents Norman Robbins' comedy thriller, *Tomb With A View* at their Alcalalí Theatre, on the 15-16-17 October, directed by Dennis Arthurs. Expect the odd corpse or two, twists and turns, a chuckle-filled evening and a few belly laughs. Curtain-up is at 20.00 hrs. The U3A group will attend on **Friday, 16 October**, and

the ticket price will be €11 (instead of € 12). Booking and payment to Angela at the meeting on Monday 7 September.

**Friday 23 October: The Gilbert & Sullivan Society** will be performing at the Casa Cultura in Benissa – further details will be announced at the September meeting.

**Please see the Cultural Arts page on the website for details of other events of interest**

### *A Social Event!*

#### **Tiffany's Jewellers, Jávea**

Please note that this is event – in September - precise date to be arranged - is not a normal Travel Events trip. It is being organised independently by Ann and Pamela Kershaw. Please click on Ann\_or Pamela \_photographs on the website to contact them about it.

Enjoy a FREE evening visit to a sparkling wonderland of gold and jewels, all available to U3A Moraira-Teulada Members at a 20% discount! There is absolutely no pressure to buy anything, but Keith the owner can tell you so much about the jewels and jewellery on display. Keith makes and repairs jewellery too, and these items are also discounted for Members. (See [Discounts page of this newsletter](#))

Keith has said he will stay open one evening during the week 21st-25th September, so will you please call either Pamela on 96 649 7098, or Ann on 96 574 7343 and choose the date you would like to go. We will of course go on the most popular date chosen!

Transport is not provided, but clear instructions to where Tiffany's is located will be given, and it really is easy to find - so why not share a car with a friend, or even two or three, and enjoy a glass of wine! Please remember to bring your U3A Membership card with you.

### **ACTIVITY GROUPS**

Please remember that Members can sign up for groups at the General meeting on 7 September, where you can also gain more information. I am still looking for more group leaders and for further information on groups or being a leader – please call me!

*Shirley Baehr (Groups Co-ordinator)*

#### **Art Appreciation**

*Important, please note a venue change* The talks will now take place in Lynn Haigh's art studio. As soon as we know that the group will be viable full details of the location will be issued. The first three talks are (all Thursdays at 4pm) .

- "An introduction to Art and Artists from Cave Art to the 20th Century". By Cedimir Panajotovic. Date 17 September

- “Towards the Moderns: An introduction to the popular paintings of the late Victorian period and the development of Impressionism and Expressionism”. by Brian Nicholls. 22 October.
- "A Cornucopia of colour' The life and paintings of Henri Matisse". By Lynn Haigh. 19 November.

There are just 17 more places available for this group so if you wish to join please sign up on 7 September or contact the group leader Brian Nicholls on [brianjohnnicholls@gmail.com](mailto:brianjohnnicholls@gmail.com).

## **Chess**

This Group meets in the Espai La Senieta on every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 1030 - 1230. A full schedule of the meetings until the end of this year can be seen on the website under Chess. This is a fascinating game and, whatever your skill level, it will assist you in keeping the old grey matter ticking over! If you wish to join the group then just come along and/or contact the group leader at the next U3A Meeting.

*Ed Morley*  
Group Leader

## ***Creative Writing***

Please note that our first meeting will now take place on Monday 14 September, a week later than originally planned. This is because there is a General Meeting on the 7th at which we hope to sign up further members and we need to give them more than a few hours' notice of our first meeting!

I hope this does not unduly inconvenience anyone.

*Philip Lewis Rothwell*

## ***General History***

Here is the new programme for the 2009/10 season. The talks will take place in the lecture theatre of the Espai la Senieta building in central Moraira.

The first one, given by Angela Chantry, will be on Monday 28 September at 10am. Entitled *'The Wonderful Adventures of Mrs. Mary Seacole'*, it will be based on her autobiography and cover Mary's life from childhood in Jamaica, her travels, and her decision to join Florence Nightingale in the Crimea. It will conclude with her post-war experiences, her descent into obscurity and the recent revival of interest in this remarkable woman. The talk will last about 75 minutes.

Two further talks are scheduled for Monday 26 October and Monday 30th November, both starting at 10 am. They will be part of a six talk series by Cedomira Panajotovic covering the interactive history of Spain, Britain and the Mediterranean area generally.

It is not necessary to join a specific group as the venue has more than enough space to allow for any U3A Moraira member to attend any of the talks without prior commitment. However, it would be helpful for us to get feedback on the potential

level of interest in the programme. An e-mail to [brianjohnnicholls@gmail.com](mailto:brianjohnnicholls@gmail.com) or [cedomira@terra.es](mailto:cedomira@terra.es) would be appreciated.

*Brian Nicholls*

### **Skittles**

The last meeting had to be cancelled at short notice because the venue was closed for the whole of August and prior notice was not given by the owners. The next one will be on 11th September at 7.30 pm, Los Keglos, C/Ricardo de la Clerva 10, Pol. Industrial Estate La Pedrera (off N332 between Benissa and Teulada). During the winter we will meet at least every 4 weeks, always on a Friday. Maybe more dates depending on numbers, at a cost of 5/6 euros each. Members without email facilities need to ring me direct. Games suitable for young and old and very enjoyable.

*Robin Woods*

### **Walking**

The walks will be on the first **Thursday** of every month (unless otherwise stated). Initially we will meet in the main car park in Moraira at the far side near the fair ground at 9.30 am. for car sharing and instructions We will then leave for the destination.

If in doubt about the walk being on because of bad weather, please telephone 966498143 between 8am and 9am on morning of walk. All walks are undertaken at your own risk. Walking boots or tough trainers are recommended. Take sufficient water, picnic and simple first aid kit. Dogs are allowed on leads unless otherwise stated.

*Leader: Bob Fisher*

## **2009/10 Walk Programme**

### **1 October**

*Benichembla Circuit, 9km, 3.5 hours, and 50m ascent.*

### **5 November**

*Bernia Fort, 8km, 3.5 hours and 300m ascent.*

**10 December** ( Please note this is the second Thursday of the month due to a prior commitment.) Torre de Cerro watchtower and Cova Tallarda sea cave and subterranean tosca stone medieval quarry. 10km, 4.5 hours, 300m ascent. No dogs. Bring a torch for the cave.

### **7 January 2010**

*Segaria Circuit 6km, 3.5 hours, 250m ascent.*

### **4 February**

*Senija Cross and Cave Garganta 7km, 3 hours, 250m ascent  
Optional lunch in local Spanish restaurant.*

### **7 March**

*Penya de Ifach (Calpe Rock) 6km, 4 hours, 332m ascent.  
Optional lunch in fish restaurant*

## **1 April**

*Orba Castle 6km, 3 hours, 200m ascent.*

### ***Painting - watercolour techniques***

The new class will start on Wednesday, 16 September the hours being 10.00-12.30pm. I have a studio in my casita that is kitted out for art classes but can only take a limited number of people. To this end, I would like to know by return if you wish to take up a place.

I have confirmed places with some of you and those people can ignore this communication. I'm presuming that those of you still out of the country like myself, are able to access their emails.

As soon as I can get the new class list I will send all the details of materials that you will need to buy, or in the case of drawing boards, get them made at the ferretaria. Also I will send details of how to get to my house and answer any other queries.

I await your return confirmation should you still want to take up the place.

*Lynn Haigh*

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

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Contributors please note that all copy must be with the Editor by the end of the first week of each month. Photos are welcomed

***GROUPS AND GROUP LEADERS***

**Alternative Wine Society** *Ted Adams*

**Art Appreciation** *Brian Nichols*

**Beading making jewellery** *Anna Marie Inger*

**Bowling, 10 Pin** *Dave Goodings*

**Card Making/Scrapbooking** *Martin and Carole Bentley*

**Chess** *Ed Morley*

**Choir** *Ann Johnson*

**Computing email and internet for beginners** *Evelyn Adams*

**Cookery/Entertaining at Home** *Anne Rodger*

**Craft** *Elizabeth Wilson*

**Creative Writing** *Philip Lewis Rothwell*

**Cribbage** *Colin Turner*

**Dining Out** *Peter and Sue Wells*

**Drama** *Pam Ridlington*

**Drawing back to basics** *Linda Gent*

**English Grammar for Confused Spanish Students** *Richard Perry*

**Fishing, freshwater** *Michael Wilson*

**Gardening** *John and Chris Parsons*

**Genealogy, an introduction** *Tessa Deacon*

**Genealogy, developing your family tree** *Sue Bradley*

**Golf** *Keith Yeulett*

**Health walking** *Rena Hurst*

**Hi Fi & Home Cinema advice** *Ted Adams*

**History** *Brian Nichols*

**Line Dancing** *Barbara Ives*

**Losers** *Janet Westgarth*

**Mah Jong** *Diana Jarvis*

**Modern Jive for Beginners** *Richard Perry*

**Padel tennis** *Richard Perry*

**Painting with pastels** *Linda Gent*

**Painting - Water colour techniques an introduction** *Lynn Haigh*

**Patchwork** *Yvonne Remain*

**Petanque** *Andy Keen*

**Petanque 2** *Doug Swindell*

**Photogroup** *Regina Mueller*

**Quiz** *Helen & Les Coughtrey*

**Reading** *Gaby Mauger/Pam Milburn*

**Sailing** *Richard Jones*

**Singles Dining Out Saturdays** *Norman Peterken*

**Skittles for the family** *Robin Woods*

**Spanish Conversation Intermediate** *Sheila Shipsides*

**Spanish for Beginners (2 groups)** *Sue McNae*

**Spanish for Beginners (group 3)** *Elke Woods*

**Sunday Solo Group** *Audrey Germann*

**Walking** *Bob Fisher*

**Yoga (All levels)** *Sue McNae*

## ***Discounts available to U3A members on production of membership cards***

**Additions to this list of stores and services which offer discounts to U3A members depends entirely on members informing us of them. Please notify any committee member if you have a suggestion for addition to this page.**

### Disclaimer:

The fact that a supplier of goods or services appears in this list does not mean that they are recommended or endorsed by the committee. They are listed solely because they are offering a discount to U3A members. The Committee does not accept any responsibility for problems that may occur with the purchase of any product or service and Moraira-Teulada U3A shall not be held liable for any such problems. Any complaints the committee receives from members will be investigated and if the supplier is found to be at fault the committee may decide to remove that supplier from the list.

**Bodega Blasco** in Teulada offers 10% discount on wine cases to all U3A members on production of membership card. It is situated at Polígono Industrial, Teulada, Calle Cristal.lr 14. behind the petrol station. We are informed that this Bodega has a wide range of popular wines which, with a discount, are generally cheaper than same brands in supermarkets.

**Bookworld.** 10% discount except on "Sale" or "Discount Offers". Please present membership cards BEFORE the assistant enters the details in the till.

**Colby's Sports Café.** Located at Ctra. Moraira-Calpe 128 (next door to International Doctor on one side and the scuba diving shop on the other). Colby's will give a 10% discount to all Moraira-Teulada U3A members on production of your membership card. Tel. 965 743 133

### **De Pelo hair salon, Benitachell**

Ladies and gents. Open Mon - Fri, 9.00 am until they have finished; and Saturday 10.00 - 4.00 pm. 10% discount on production of current membership card.  
Tel. 96 649 3049

**Fiesta Crafts, Jávea,** offer a 10% discount to all Moraira-Teulada U3A members on production of your U3A card. This discount cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer and your card must be shown at the beginning of the transaction in order for you to receive your discount. The Fiesta Crafts website gives telephone and email details, map of how to find it, opening times and more.

### **Hair styling & manicure**

Nicki Wilson (NVQ qualified) comes to your own home. 20% discount negotiated by one of our members who recommends Nicki as "friendly, obliging and very

professional". Tel. 695 439 938.

**Liberty Seguros:** 15% discount on car and house insurance.

\* Benitachell - Pieter Verbeek SL, Avda Lepanto 37

Tel. 96 649 3295

\*Calpe - Foster Consulting SL, Avda Gabriel Miró 18, Edf Dextella, Entlo 2

Tel. 965838384 and 965833052

\*Dénia - Mark Petrie SL, C/ Ramón y Cajal, 8 bajo

Tel. 96 578 1815 and 96 578 0757

\* Jávea - Avda Marina Española, 24 bajo

Fax: 96 579 3712

**Mermaid Diving Service**, Moraira. 10% off try-dives and 7% off diving courses for U3A members.

**Moraira Plumbing/Heating** (Ray Gardner).

10% discount to all Moraira-Teulada U3A members on production of your membership card. Tel. 966 498 993 (mobile 620 523 613).

**Palma Concerts**

20% reduction to U3A members for all concerts.

**The Half Price Bookshop.** All books available online at half price plus permanent 10% discount for U3A members. Recommended as reliable by one of our own members. Includes 10% off cost of postage.

**The Tool Bar, Moraira.**

The owners, Stuart and Wendy, are offering a 10% discount on purchases from their retail range to U3A Members. They have the full range of Draper tools as well as other choices. Members must produce a current U3A membership card, a copy of which is held by the owner for validation purposes. The Tool Bar is situated in Moraira opposite the school on Moraira-Teulada road. Tel. 96 574 5805,

**The Mutz Nutz** (pet supplies).

Located just outside of Moraira along the Moraira-Calpe coast road (next to the farmacia), the Mutts Nutz pet supplies shop can offer you all you need for your pets. Steve and June will welcome U3A members, and a discount of 5% is available on all items except food such as dog biscuits and meat. Steve has asked us to point out that the discount IS however available on treats for the animals! You can also get good advice from Steve on how and what to feed your pets. Please show your membership card to get the discount. Tel. 96 574 4476

**Tiffany's Design & Manufacturing Jewellers**, Marina Española in Jávea Port. 20% off purchases and 10% off repairs for U3A members. Keith, or one of his staff, will register you and give you a card for your discounts. Keith makes jewellery too, and is always happy to give his opinions on what can and can't be done.