## A Lovely Way To Spend A Lunchtime! Ann Colclough U3A Moraira Teulada President

In the early days of the U3A we were given a lot of very helpful publicity by the (then) full time English speaking radio station OCI. In December 2008 I was interviewed by Pauline McGough about what the U3A was all about and Pauline and I took to each other right away. Since then of course the full time radio station has ceased to broadcast, but Pauline still has a 1 hour show every weekday afternoon, although sadly I can't get it from Montemar! Because she no longer works full time, Pauline asked if she could join the U3A, and I was delighted to have her as one of our many new members.

One of the most popular Groups has always been the various Spanish "lessons" the U3A offers, and I was very pleased when Pauline offered to start another one.

The Group started in Bar Med, and I was at the first meeting, Pauline has a different way of teaching, and although I enjoyed it very much, I felt I was taking up a place which another U3A member would also enjoy.

I wasn't the least bit surprised to hear that Pauline had enough students to start a second Group, and that too has gone from strength to strength. They still meet at the Bar Med, and because the room is free, Pauline has trained her Groups to buy drinks from the bar as a small gesture of thanks to the owner.

I was delighted to receive an invitation to join the two groups, for lunch on June 22nd, at, where else, the Bar Med! The food was super, the service attentive and fast, and the company was of course wonderful. There were over 40 people there and it really was a lovely way to spend a lunchtime, and a very nice way to thank the Bar Med for it's hospitality.

I didn't recognise all the faces, and for that I apologise, it seems some of the Group may not come to the General Meetings, so I haven't seen them signing in.

The attached photograph was taken by John Hopwood, standing (wobbling) on a chair, thank goodness he didn't fall off, think of the paperwork!

I was delighted to be invited, and very pleased that I could go, thank you all for making me feel so welcome!

Hasta luego!

Regards

Ann