

# Asociación Social de la Tercera Edad de Jávea

## Minutes of General Assembly Meeting 28<sup>th</sup> June 2017

### Committee Present:

President: Eric Atkins  
Vice President: Guy Marriott  
Secretary: Roy Brown  
Treasurer: Mick Cox  
Groups Coordinator: Karen White  
Membership Secretary: Sheila Giacomelli

### Apologies

Ian Rogerson

### Location:

Parador, Jávea Arenal

The meeting commenced at 11.00am

## Welcome

Eric greeted everyone and commented that this is the last meeting before the summer break, somewhat reflected in the numbers present, but it was lovely to see those who are here as they will experience a great presentation later.

Eric asked if everyone present had read the minutes of the May meeting – everyone had!

He then asked if there were any objections – there were none.

He therefore asked two previously chosen but willing volunteers, David & Morag Mcaulay, to sign off the minutes which were duly approved. David asked if there was a fee for doing so, but had to accept that this onerous task was purely voluntary.

## President's Report

Eric thanked all the volunteers who do such a wonderful job.

He remarked that there have been three wonderful trips recently, to Avila with Mike Frost, Spanish Culture & Cuisine to Archena with Angela & Tony and to Orihuela with Barbara Gorrod

Future trips include one to Cuenca, Ciudad Encantada, Zaragoza and Belchite. Eric believed this is now fully booked, though unconfirmed on the travel website

Joni is organising a trip to the "Make a Smile" farm at Relleu later in the year

Charo is organising a trip to Galicia, including Santiago de Compostela, in May and a repeat trip to Asturias in September

Joni Hills had announced her retirement earlier in the year, but she is still here. There are a number of new volunteers in the travel group but as yet no one has volunteered to take over as team leader when Joni does manage to retire, hence an appeal for a travel group leader. Eric tried unsuccessfully to convince the audience that a competent organiser and keen traveller would not find the job terribly onerous, a little bit, but not terribly.

Eric reported that the lady who runs the quiz night at Digby's, Dianne Beschizza, handed him a €94 donation to the Make a Smile charity last Monday.

17 new members enrolled today, plus 3 renewals. The membership now stands at 1338, close to a record for the Jávea U3A.

## Treasurer's Report

Mick said he thought he had been ostracised by the committee as he had been seated alone on the far side of the screen. Eric commented that he was actually in the posh seats.

Without going into details, Mick gave the current bank & cash balance as €20,031, which after allowing for budgeted spend and monies still held for travel and events gave a projected end-of-year balance of €7,725

Mick signed off with the mandatory treasurer's joke, the subject being tales of the confessional.

Eric then introduced our:-

## Guest Speaker, John Deacon

John proceeded to run through with incredibly well researched historical detail an audio presentation of the development of opera and the succession of brilliant performers in Spain over the last 150 years, finishing with resounding rendition of La Bohème.

## Thanks

Eric thanked John effusively for his talk, and presented him with a gift of (Eric's favourite) wine.

The meeting closed at 12:31 pm

Proposed by (print name) ..... Signed .....

Seconded by (print name) ..... Signed .....

President..... Secretary .....