

# Asociación Social de la Tercera Edad de Jávea

Minutes of General Meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2014

## COMMITTEE PRESENT:

<b>President</b>	Peter Allin
<b>Treasurer</b>	Mick Cox
<b>Membership Secretary</b>	Howard Parker
<b>Communications Officer</b>	David Woodhall
<b>Group Coordinator</b>	David Grove
<b>Secretary</b>	Val Dromgoole

## LOCATION:

Parador Hotel, Jávea

The meeting commenced at 11:07.

### Welcome

Peter welcomed everybody to the meeting, especially new members. He reminded everybody to turn off their mobiles.

Peter also asked that if there were any questions and comments they be left until AOB.

### Apologies

Vice President – Ron Hughes.

## **President's Report**

### January Meeting

- Peter started by saying that the January Open Meeting was a great success, well organised and well attended. There were 125 new members and many renewals. He went on to thank all the group leaders and especially thanked David Grove and Jenny Wessendorff for all their hard work.

### Forthcoming Events

- May Ball 2014 will be held on the 16<sup>th</sup> May at Carrasco. The tickets will be on sale at the Parador during the March and April meetings and are available to members and guests at 40€ per head. This represents good value compared to last year's May Ball, where there were only 3 main course choices including a vegetarian option. This year there will be 4 main course choices including a vegetarian option. Full details are on the website.
- It is intended to hold a Hog Roast and Barn Dance later this year, but nothing has yet been planned.

Peter thanked Clive White for his hard work keeping the website updated.

Peter reminded everybody to keep their personal data updated on the U3A membership list to enable them to receive mail shots of Newsletters and Voting Papers etc.

### Annual General Meeting

- The AGM will be held at the Parador on the 26<sup>th</sup> March at 11:00 am.
- The voting procedures have been sent to all email addresses.

- The audited accounts have been sent to all email addresses, any queries should be addressed to the Treasurer before Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March to enable him to reply before the AGM.
- Ballot Forms are available at the Parador and will be accepted for counting until 11:00 on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2014.
- Electronic Voting Forms are planned to be sent out on the 1<sup>st</sup> March and will be accepted for counting until 18:00 on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2014.
- There is a list of candidates and their résumés on the notice board in the Antesala. They are:-
 

Stephen Burke – President	Francis McNeil – Vice President
Valerie Dromgoole – Secretary	Mick Cox – Treasurer
David Grove – Groups Coordinator	Howard Parker – Membership Secretary
David Woodhall – Communications Officer.	
- There is a hardcopy of the proposed changes to the Statutes displayed on the notice board in the Antesala; these include changes to the Fiscal and Social address of the Association, a change to Article 16, the duration of the mandate for members of the Executive Committee to give more flexibility, and various definition changes.
- The Motions to be voted on are:-
  - Approval of the audited accounts for 2013.
  - Approval of an introduction of a one off 10€ joining fee, in addition to the annual subscription, for new members and for existing members who have not renewed their membership by the end of February each year. This is to be effective from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014.
  - A change to Article 3 of the Statutes to reflect the Association’s new address, as well as various definition changes and spelling corrections throughout the Statutes.
  - Change to Article 16 of the Statutes, duration of the mandate for members of the Executive Committee. This change will allow committee members to continue to serve after the current 3 year limit. However, all of the Executive Committee members who wish to continue to serve must stand for re-election at each AGM. Any member of the Association can also be nominated to stand for election at the AGM for any position on the Executive Committee.
  - A motion submitted by member Steve Collins, to permit charitable donations from Central Funds to non-profit making associations in Jávea. This also requires a change to Article 4, Objectives, in the Statutes. The motion is: *“The Executive Committee is empowered, at its discretion, and strictly on an ad-hoc basis, to make a donation from Central Funds to any recognised outside non-profit making association of Jávea, where the Executive Committee is satisfied that the need for funds is an urgent and exceptional one, provided always that the amount of any such donation shall not exceed 1,500€”*.
- Peter reminded members that currently Central Funds represent members’ subscriptions, and are used solely for the Association’s own internal activities and not for charitable donations. Any donations the Association does make to its nominated charity each year, comes from surplus funds raised from raffles or tombolas at extra events such as the May Ball, Hog Roast and Barn Dance.
- Peter clarified why the Executive Committee did not support Steve Collins’ motion. Central Funds are to be used by the Association to fund Member’s activities, to pay for the rental of premises and meeting rooms, also third party liability insurance and to subsidise events and group activities. Peter reminded the members that when we

are asked to raise money for an exceptional charitable cause, we have tried to do so via an event or raffle, as was the case at the November Extravaganza, when nearly 1000€ was raised and given to the Bomberos Voluntarios, based at Balcón al Mar, to help replace necessary equipment.

One of the members has very kindly offered members Seville Oranges from his trees. If anyone was interested they should contact Peter at the end of the meeting to obtain the contact details.

Peter announced that a pair of sunglasses had been left on the membership renewal desk in the Sala Azahar. They have been left at the reception desk in the Parador awaiting collection.

### Presentations

Flowers were presented to Gwen Clarke for her 3 years hard work on the Travel Team; she has now taken over the role of Cultural Arts Coordinator.

Two bottles of wine were presented to Ken Robinson for auditing the 2013 accounts, which were accepted on his behalf by his wife Pat.

### **Treasurer's Report**

After telling the members another joke, which the members seem to expect now and which went down well, Mick advised we have a bank balance of 21,403.26€, which includes prepayments relating to Culture and Travel, etc. of 3,593.30€ leaving a net balance of 17,809.96€.

Mick reminded the members that bank transfers without a membership no. cause problems. He went to explain he is holding an amount for a non-existent member whom he has tried to trace via our own database and the Moraira U3A without success.

### **Membership Secretary's Report**

Howard advised that there were 1300+ members at the end of 2013. To date he has renewals for 1003 only, which leaves roughly 300 members still to renew.

Howard explained that the reason for the proposed 10€ joining/re-joining fee is to encourage members to renew at the beginning of each year, thereby easing the administrative burden of updating the membership database.

Howard also reminded members to keep their personal information up-to-date, such as email addresses.

### **Communications Officer's Report**

David W. apologised publicly to Angela and Tony for cutting short their report in this month's newsletter. He said it was a long report and repeated some information which had been published the previous month.

David asked Group Leaders to highlight changes in their reports.

David wants a five line report from each Group Leader before the AGM, highlighting any changes that may have occurred during the past year.

### **Group Coordinator's Report.**

David G. thanked Gwen Clarke for taking over the Cultural Arts Coordinator role and praised her for the standard of her Cultural Arts display on her table before the start of this meeting.

David thanked all Group Leaders for making the Open Meeting a success.

He asked members to let the Group Leader know if they are not attending an event, particularly where a meal is involved, as that meal may have to be unnecessarily paid for by the Association.

David reminded members that for couples to attend a group or event they must BOTH be members.

There is a suggestion for a Paddle Tennis group, if anyone would like to lead it.

The iPad support group has now been split into two because of the number of members attending. David thanked Lorraine Allin for her hard work in this area.

David suggested that Android users should fight back and start their own support group.

## **AOB**

Peter asked if there were any questions from members.

The first question was from Steve Collins (who is proposing the motion to release monies from Central Funds to make charitable donations) who stated his very strong objection to the way the Executive Committee had handled his motion. He went on to say he hadn't had the opportunity to present his side of the argument in favour of his motion.

Peter then invited Steve to come forward to present his argument in favour of his motion.

Steve Collins went on to explain to the members that the reason for this motion resulted from the problem faced by the Bomberos Voluntarios at Balcon al Mar in losing a lot of their equipment in the very large fire at Granadella. He had asked the U3A to give 1500€ to the Bomberos Voluntarios at Balcon al Mar from Central funds to help replace this equipment. He added that the Bomberos Voluntarios is made up entirely of volunteers and that the nearest Bomberos Stations are in Benissa and Ondara.

Peter explained that the objectives of the U3A are concerned only with providing recreational and leisure activities for members and not raising money for charitable, or non-profit-making, associations. If the motion was to be approved, the Executive Committee would face difficulty in managing donation requests equitably. He went on to say that if a member asked for a donation to be made from Central Funds early in the year, which was approved, and later in the year another member came along with another donation request, which was not approved because there were insufficient Central Funds, it is likely that member would be unhappy with that decision. This could cause discontent among the membership. Essentially it would not be equitable. In addition, one of his objectives as President was to reduce the large surplus of funds that the Association held in Central Funds and this has been achieved. The surplus has now been reduced to a level where it is sufficient to meet the liabilities of the Association in the unlikely event of its dissolution.

David Grove felt that Steve Collins' motion should be discussed at the AGM. Peter told him that would be too late because the voting would have been completed before the start of the AGM meeting and now is the time to raise issues to allow members to have a clear insight into this motion before voting.

Cheda Panajotovic said the motion is against every principle of the U3A. He also objected to Steve Collins' motion being put on the voting papers in the first place as he believes members will just tick the boxes without giving it any thought.

Peter replied that we must give members the option to table motions.

Bob Johnson asked if it was possible to add 1€ to the membership fee for charitable donations to be held in a separate account.

Peter responded that this would be a matter for the new Executive Committee to discuss.

Bob Grainger said that there were other organisations that raised money for charity e.g. the Lions and he didn't join the U3A for this purpose. Bob also raised the point that if the motion hasn't been seconded it should not be on the voting papers.

Peter replied that there was nothing in the Statutes to say it needed seconding and therefore Steve's motion would stand.

Pat Robinson asked if the members realised that if the motion is approved it will mean a change to the Statutes – namely Article 4.

Peter replied that this had already been shown in the draft statutes displayed in the Antesala and on the website.

Peter thanked everyone for their input and went on to introduce the speaker, Brenda Bates.

Brenda gave a very interesting and lively talk about the life of Joy Adamson and Brenda's experiences living at Elsamere at Lake Naivasha, Kenya which was founded by Joy Adamson.

Peter thanked Brenda and presented her with flowers.

Peter reminded the members that the March meeting at the Parador is the AGM and there will not be a speaker.

The meeting closed at 12.30pm.

Proposed by (print name) ANGELA CHANTAY Signed [Signature]

Seconded by (print name) JULIE HUGHES Signed [Signature]

Signed .....

Signed .....

**President**  
**Jávea U3A**

**Secretary**  
**Jávea U3A**

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

Held on March 26<sup>th</sup> 2014 at the Parador de Jávea

<b>PRESENT:</b> President:	Peter Allin
Vice President:	Ron Hughes
Treasurer:	Michael Cox
Secretary:	Valerie Dromgoole
Membership Secretary:	Howard Parker
Groups Coordinator	David Grove
Communications Officer	David Woodhall

The meeting started at 11:03

Peter welcomed everybody to the meeting. He explained that by law this is the one meeting the Association must have each year and that the purpose of the meeting was to hear the results of the votes cast to elect the Executive Committee for 2014/15 and various motions.

The minutes of the previous meeting had already been circulated and there being no points arising, these were proposed by Angela Chantry and seconded by Julie (Pru) Hughes.

Peter reminded members that the May Ball, the principal event of the year, is to be held on Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> May, with tickets at 40€ per person available at this and the April General meeting, as well as by emailing [tickets@u3ajavea.org](mailto:tickets@u3ajavea.org). Peter went on to say it was, in his opinion, excellent value for money and full details can be seen on the website.

The Barn Dance is provisionally booked for the 14<sup>th</sup> November with the same band and caller as for last year's successful event. Stephen Burke is checking the date against other events to avoid any clash.

Peter asked for volunteers to host the Summer Garden Party/Hog Roast. A large garden with nearby parking is required.

Jenny Wessendorff has announced that she will be retiring from her Deputy Groups Coordinator role at the end of May 2014. Peter thanked her hugely for her 5 years hard work in support of the Group Coordinator for whom she has deputised. Peter then went on to ask members present for a volunteer to replace her. The job description is available from either Peter or the new President.

The Communications Officer, David Woodhall, gave his annual report to the members. The copy of this report is appended to these minutes.

The Groups Coordinator, David Grove, gave his annual report on the status of Groups, a copy of which is appended. David again thanked Jenny for her support during his first year. David congratulated the Group Leaders on the displays during the January Open Meeting. David then went on to tell members of the new Petanque group recently formed, for which a list was on the Committee table for interested members to add their names.

The Membership Secretary, Howard Parker, gave his annual report, a copy of which is appended. He reported that there were now 1188 fully paid up members. Howard went



on to thank Sheila Giacomelli for her help as his deputy and all the members of the Welcome Group. Howard also thanked his wife.

The Treasurer, Michael Cox, gave his annual report, a copy of which is appended. Mick told no jokes, holding them in reserve for ordinary general meetings. He explained to the members that this year's finances will have to be closely monitored, especially expenditure as expenses currently exceed income. Mick thanked Malcom Neill for his support as deputy and Ken Robinson for auditing the accounts.

The Vice-President, Ron Hughes, then made his annual report to the Association, a copy of which is appended. Ron explained the tasks of the Vice President are 1) to help with the day-to-day running of the U3A; 2) to find speakers for the General Meetings at the Parador; 3) to keep the discount list up-to-date. With a word of caution to consider carefully what constitutes a 'Javea Company or Service'.

The President, Peter Allin, then gave his report on Association activities during 2014, a copy of which is appended. Peter's report covered reviewing the annual subscriptions, the need for the 10€ joining fee, central funding for groups, the statutes review, the social events that took place during 2013, the charitable donations made during his term of office and Spanish Data Protection Registration. He then went on to thank the whole Committee for their support. He thanked the Group Leaders for all their hard work. He thanked the members for their support.

No questions were raised on any of these reports by the membership present.

Cheda Panajotovic thanked the Committee on behalf of the members.

There was a short pause while Sam Wells completed counting the votes, having had to compile the report manually as his laptop had crashed the previous evening. When Sam presented the results of the vote to Peter, Peter thanked him for all his hard work as Vote Organiser for the past five years and for all the ancillary tasks he does such as setting up the sound system for speakers and Group Leaders. Peter surprised him with a gift of wine.

Peter then announced the results of the voting for Executive Committee positions and motions (see attached voting table).

The motions were voted for in the following manner:-

- Approval of 2013 Accounts – carried
- Introduce 10€ joining fee – carried
- Change to Statutes Article 3 – carried
- Change to Statutes Article 16 – carried
- Permit charitable donations from central funds – not carried

The following were elected to the noted position.

- President – Stephen Burke
- Vice-President – Francis McNeill
- Secretary – Valerie Dromgoole
- Treasurer – Michael Cox
- Membership Secretary – Howard Parker
- Groups Coordinator – David Grove

- Communications Officer – David Woodhall

Peter and Ron stepped down and the new Executive Committee took office.

Stephen welcomed the new Executive Committee to their positions and said he was looking forward to running the affairs of the Association for the next 12 months. He then outlined his objectives for the year:

- To register the new Statutes.
- To provide a Policy document underlying the Statutes to clarify of the aims of the Jávea U3A and to use as a management tool.
- To assess the financial income and expenditure to allow the Committee to establish a subscription level for a 3 year period.
- To ensure group funding is equitable across all groups.
- To ensure the special events continue.

May Ball, Summer Garden Party, Barn Dance. Also to try to establish a New Year's Eve celebration. Stephen asked members if they would be interested in a 'Rastro' for members only. He informed the members present that 2015 is the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Jávea U3A and this would require a suitable celebration that as many members as possible could attend.

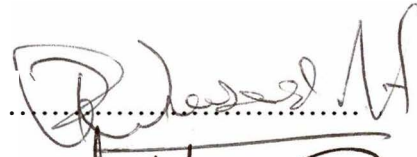
- Stephen talked about the amount of charitable donations made and how we all help each other via the various solo groups. This led to him suggesting that it would be a good idea to find a way to expand this to help others with support and care as well as financially.
- To make more of media technology, using this to communicate more effectively, suggesting that a Facebook page would be useful.

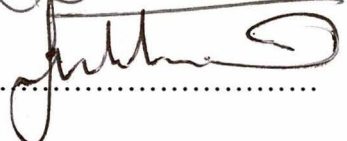
Stephen thanked the membership for placing their trust in him to lead the Association over the next year

Steve Collins asked to speak about how there was no process within the Statutes of the Jávea U3A to table motions and how his was handled by the outgoing Executive Committee. Many members disagreed with this and Malcom Neill proposed that as the vote had already been against the motion there was no point in continuing. This was seconded by several members. Stephen thanked Steve Collins for his thoughts and explained that with the new policy document in place it would be easier to table motions in the future.

Stephen then presented gifts of vouchers to Peter and Lorraine Allin and Ron and Pru Hughes as thanks for their work on behalf of the Association.

The meeting was formally closed by Stephen at 12:22.

Proposed (print name)..... WESSENDORFF ..... Signed ..... 

Seconded (print name)..... I. MacKENZIE ..... Signed ..... 



## AGENDA

### Asociación Social de la Tercera Edad de Jávea (U3A)

Annual General Meeting  
11am on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2014 at the Parador Hotel

Welcome and apologies	Peter Allin
Approval of the minutes of the February 2014 General Meeting	Peter Allin
Announcements	PeterAllin
Communication Officer's Annual Report	David Woodhall
Group Coordinator's Annual Report	David Grove
Membership Secretary's Report	Howard Parker
Treasurer's Annual Report	Mick Cox
Vice President's Annual Report	Ron Hughes
President's Annual Report	Peter Allin
Questions from the floor	All
Presentations	Peter Allin
Vote result for approval of Audited Accounts for 2013	Peter Allin
Vote result re approval of €10 joining fee for new members effective 1 April 2014	Peter Allin
Vote result for change to Article 3 change of address and various definition changes and spelling to the Association's Statutes	Peter Allin
Vote result for change to Article 16, duration of the mandate of the Executive Committee of the Association's Statutes	Peter Allin
Vote result for motion presented by member Steve Collins: <i>"The Executive Committee is empowered, at its discretion, and strictly on an ad hoc basis, to make a donation from Central Funds to any recognised outside non profit making association in Jávea, where the Executive Committee is satisfied that the need for funds is an urgent and exceptional one, provided always that the amount of any such donation shall not exceed €1,500"</i> . <b>Approval of this motion also approves a change to the <u>Statutes Article 4 - Objectives of the Association</u>: to permit charitable donations from Central Funds to non profit making associations in Jávea</b>	Peter Allin
Vote result for election of Executive Committee Officers for 2014/2015	Peter Allin
New Executive Committee take their places	New Committee
New President's Objectives for 2014/2015 Speech	New President
Presentations to previous Vice President and Previous President	New President
Questions from the floor	All
Thanks and meeting ends	New President

# Javea U3A AGM 2014- Voting Returns

U3A JAVEA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

26/03/2014

Parador Hotel, Javea

## VOTES CAST

Total entitled to Vote      1116

Votes Received                **325**

## SECTION A

## COMMITTEE

President	Stephen Burke
Vice President	Francis McNeill
Secretary	Valerie Dromgoole
Treasurer	Michael Cox
Groups Coordinator	David Grove
Membership Secretary	Howard Parker
Communications Officer	David Woodhall

Yes	No	Abstain	% Yes	% No
266	46	13	82%	15%
307	9	9	94%	3%
314	0	11	97%	0%
312	2	11	96%	1%
310	2	13	95%	1%
312	3	10	96%	1%
308	4	13	95%	1%

## SECTION B

## APPROVAL OF MOTIONS

Accounts 2013

Joining Fee

Statutes - Social Address + misc.

Statutes - Duration of Mandate

Charitable Donations (Steve Collins)

Yes	No	Abstain	% Yes	% No
309	0	16	95%	0%
267	52	6	82%	16%
310	3	12	95%	1%
290	24	11	89%	7%
121	196	8	37%	60%

COMPILED BY

Sam Wells  
Vote Organiser

RECEIVED Peter Allin  
President

Signed



Signed

Date

26/03/2014

26/03/2014

# Asociación Social de la Tercera Edad de Jávea

Minutes of General Meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2014

## COMMITTEE PRESENT:

<b>President</b>	Stephen Burke
<b>Vice President</b>	Francis McNeill
<b>Membership Secretary</b>	Howard Parker
<b>Communications Officer</b>	David Woodhall
<b>Deputy Groups Coordinator</b>	Jenny Wessendorff
<b>Secretary</b>	Val Dromgoole

## LOCATION:

Parador Hotel, Jávea

The meeting commenced at 11:04.

### Welcome

Stephen welcomed everybody to the meeting, especially new members and asked everyone to switch off all electronic devices and mobile phones.

### Apologies

Treasurer – Mick Cox, therefore no jokes.  
Groups Coordinator – David Grove

### Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and seconded by Paul Wessendorff and Ian McKenzie

## **President's Report**

- Stephen reported that the Statutes had now been sent to our Abogado, LexTax, for translation and registration.
- Stephen and David Woodhall had a meeting during the previous week to discuss communications within Jávea U3A. During the meeting it was discovered that 65 member households had no email. Another 5 members had no contact information at all, no landline telephone, mobile or email. Stephen asked that everyone check that their contact information is up-to-date.
- Stephen announced that there will be an Extraordinary Executive Committee Meeting in June to discuss a Policy and Procedures document to underpin the Statutes, which will be kept to the basic bare bones. This will enable the Committee to change the Policy and Procedures document without changing the Statutes, thereby avoiding the Statute registration procedure with Alicante and Valencia, which takes so long.
- Travel News: Stephen announced there were 2 double rooms available for the Cofrentes trip on the 2<sup>nd</sup> May, Joni Hills would be available after the meeting to take any offers.
- There are still May Ball tickets available for the next few days. Stephen has compared the value with other events of a similar nature and thinks the 40€ is good value.

- The Summer Garden Party needs a venue and Stephen asked that any members who were willing to host it get in touch with him either via [president@u3ajavea.org](mailto:president@u3ajavea.org) or [tickets@u3ajavea.org](mailto:tickets@u3ajavea.org). He reminded members that this event was a charity fund raising event and all proceeds would go to Friends of EMAUS.
- Stephen asked for a volunteer for the Deputy Groups Coordinator role, as Jenny will be stepping down after 5 years and the end of May. A volunteer is required now to enable Jenny to handover in the next few weeks. Stephen went on to say that the Group Coordination is a phenomenal task which requires two people to handle it. Anyone interested please contact Jenny, [depgroupcoord@u3ajavea.org](mailto:depgroupcoord@u3ajavea.org), or David Grove, [groups.coordinator@u3ajavea.org](mailto:groups.coordinator@u3ajavea.org) or Stephen, [president@u3ajavea.org](mailto:president@u3ajavea.org).
- Stephen informed the member's that a new IKEA shop will be opening in Valencia in June.

### **Vice President's Report**

- Francis asked the members to keep him informed as to any volunteers for Speakers at the General Meetings.
- He went on to tell the members about today's Speaker, Mike Rendell, who's talk was entitled 'Eat, Drink and be Merry'.

### **Deputy Group Coordinator's Report.**

- Jenny told us that she was standing in for David as he was travelling up the Yangtse.
- The Android and 2<sup>nd</sup> Petanque groups are going well and if any members wanted to join to contact the Group Leaders first.
- Jenny announced that Pat Ainsley was standing down from leading the Solos group and that Keith Yeulett will be taking over. Pat was thanked and presented with flowers by Stephen.
- Tom Stevenson is standing down from leading the Practical Computer Support group and they need a new Group Leader.
- Jenny then went on to tell the members that she had thoroughly enjoyed her time as Deputy Groups Coordinator and reiterated Stephen's request for a volunteer to take over from her.

### **Communications Officer's Report**

- David gave us the definition of 'communication' according to the Oxford English Dictionary.
- After the meeting he had with Stephen earlier this month, it appeared that most of the communication around the Javea U3A was by word-of-mouth. He went on to say that many U3A's do not produce a paper newsletter but rely on their members informing others by this method.
- He noticed that older people were using Tablets now and because of this it would be useful to move away from paper to the internet method of communication.
- He went on to tell the members that he had given his wife an 8-inch Tablet and this led to much amusement and remarks.
- David then said we need to communicate more via the website, which is updated daily and therefore the information required by the members is available immediately rather than waiting for the Newsletter. He went on to praise the excellent job Clive White does in keeping the website updated.

## Membership Secretary's Report

- Howard advised that there were 17 new members enrolled today and he welcomed them to this meeting. There were also 23 renewals. This brings the number of paid-up members to 1230.
- Howard reminded the membership to advise him of any changes to their names, telephone numbers or email addresses.

## Treasurer's Report

- Stephen explained that as both the Treasurer, Mick Cox, and his deputy, Malcolm Neill, were unavailable he would read the Treasurer's report.
- The bank balance stands at 18,857.49€ of which approximately 2,260€ is being held for the Spanish Cultural Group.

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## AOB

One of the new members had not received his 'New Member Pack', which normally consists of a Welcome Letter, a Contact Sheet and a Newsletter. Howard apologised and said he had inadvertently run out of them, not expecting quite so many new members. The new member involved said he was quite happy to find all the information on the website.

Stephen informed the members that the Denia Red Cross renews Spanish driving licences for the cost of the licence, i.e. 30€. He will check with the Javea Red Cross to find out if they do the same.

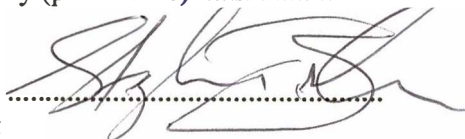
There was a brief interval while a technical issue was resolved then Francis introduced Mike Rendell, who gave a very informative and amusing talk about how the way we eat and drink has evolved since the 17<sup>th</sup> century.

Stephen thanked Mike and Francis presented him with wine.


The meeting closed at 12.31 pm.

Proposed by (print name) JEAN MILLER Signed 

Seconded by (print name) TOM MILLER Signed 

Signed 

**President**  
**Jávea U3A**

Signed 

**Secretary**  
**Jávea U3A**

**Asociación Social de la Tercera Edad de Jávea**  
**Minutes of General Meeting held on**  
**28th May 2014**

**PRESENT:**

<b>President</b>	Stephen Burke
<b>Vice President</b>	Francis McNeil
<b>Treasurer</b>	Mick Cox
<b>Membership Secretary</b>	Howard Parker
<b>Communications Officer</b>	David Woodhall
<b>Groups Coordinator</b>	David Grove
<b>Deputy Secretary</b>	Jackie Jefferies

**LOCATION:**

Parador Hotel, Javea

The meeting commenced at 11.06

**Welcome:** Stephen welcomed everybody to the meeting, especially new members, and asked members to make sure their mobiles were switched off.

**Apologies: Val Dromgoole**

**Minutes of Last Meeting:** Stephen said these had been published on the website and as there were no questions he asked for these to be accepted.

Proposed: Tom Miller and Seconded Jean Miller.

**President's Report**

The review of communications is underway, and there will be a meeting in the next two weeks of a Communications workgroup. There will be an extraordinary meeting of the executive committee on Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> June to decide on the structure for creating a policy and procedure manual. We will advise you further in due course.

May Ball – This was held at Carrasco on Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> May and was attended by 120 members and their guests. It proved very successful and over 15 congratulatory emails had been received, including one which said, having heard how successful it was, they wished they had attended! People preferred the smaller salon as it was more intimate, and the food, wine and entertainment helped to make it a memorable evening, including the serenade by Bobby Valentine for his wife's birthday although it is felt that this could be the last ball in its present format. The raffle raised 366 euros for Emaus and it is hoped that their representative will be able to attend next month's meeting to explain what they do.

Hog Roast – Whilst a few members have kindly offered to host this event, the potential venues are not entirely suitable; also Nigel is no longer the 'hog roast man' and as most people have barbeques during the summer themselves, just having a BBQ would not be a particularly special event. It has been decided therefore that it is not practical to hold a hog roast this year.

Barn Dance – This will take place in the second week of November and there will be further information at a later date.



He went on to say that Pat Robinson, who runs the dvd swap section at General Meetings, wishes to stand down in September and is looking for someone willing to take over. Please contact her for information if anyone is interested Pat is willing to stand in from time to time if necessary.

### **Groups Coordinator's Report**

Digital Photography Group has closed. David congratulated Nick who had run the group so well that all the members are now experts and no longer need quite so much assistance in dealing with digital photography and presented him with a small token of appreciation.

Deputy Groups Coordinator Jenny Wessendorff is standing down at the end of May as is Groups assistant Krystyna Stefanczyk. These two roles are being combined into one which Roswitha Bourton has kindly offered to take on .

Tom Stevenson, Computer Group is stepping down as leader of the Practical Computer Knowledge group and is replaced by Sam Wells.

Solos Social Group – Keith Heulett is now running this.

Gwen Clark unexpectedly has to stand down as leader of the Cultural Arts Group, we are now looking for someone else to run it. If anyone is interested, please contact David Grove.

Art Class for Beginners Group has been renamed Painting in Watercolours Group.

### **Communications Officer's Report**

David apologised that some members had received an open copy rather than a blind copy of his recent communication, and said he had pushed the wrong button! The server on which our website and email systems are hosted has been changed and after a small glitch was now up and running and is a lot faster. He said that delivery of the recent Newsletter had received 28 rejections and asked all members to check to make sure that he has their correct email address.

### **Vice President's Report**

Francis said there were no great changes.

### **Treasurer's Report**


Mick opened saying all was well and followed this with one of his customary jokes. He said the bank balance currently stands at 15,052.23 euros. It has been announced that Barclays Bank is selling off its banks in Spain although it is not thought that anything will happen for at least the next three years. The Javea branch is very successful and busy, but if necessary, we will look for another bank in due course.

### **Membership Secretary's Report**


Howard reported that 23 new members had joined today and 12 renewals had been received, making a total membership of 1264. He also asked members to check their email addresses.

**Guest Speaker** – Stephen then introduced Dawn Perrier Baker and said that she had requested a donation to The Mary Rose Fund rather than flowers. Dawn said she was delighted to be invited to speak for the second time, and went on to give an exciting and in-depth talk on The Mary Rose having been involved with the vessel since the late 1960's. She had many photographs and artefacts, and spoke without notes. There was also a donation box for any members wishing to contribute. On behalf of everyone present Stephen gave a warm vote of thanks for such an interesting talk.

Stephen thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting at 12.30 p.m.

Proposed by (print name) JOHN JONES Signed 

Seconded by (print name) TONY DERRIE Signed 

Signed   
**President**  
**Jávea U3A**

Signed V. Q. Rotondo  
**Secretary**  
**Jávea U3A**

# Asociación Social de la Tercera Edad de Jávea

## Minutes of General Meeting held on 25th June 2014

### COMMITTEE PRESENT:

<b>President</b>	Stephen Burke
<b>Vice President</b>	Francis McNeill
<b>Membership Secretary</b>	Howard Parker
<b>Communications Officer</b>	David Woodhall
<b>Deputy Groups Coordinator</b>	Rosewitha Bourton
<b>Secretary</b>	Val Dromgoole

### LOCATION:

Parador Hotel, Jávea

The meeting commenced at 11:00.

### Welcome

Stephen welcomed everybody to the meeting and asked everyone to switch off all electronic devices and mobile phones.

### Apologies

Treasurer – Mick Cox.

Groups Coordinator – David Grove

### Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and seconded by John Jones and Tony Dearie.

### **President's Report**

- Stephen asked by a show of hands who had access to Facebook. Approximately 75% of those present indicated 'yes'.
- Stephen went on to explain that the Communications Working Committee had met for the first time. They are looking to make communications within the Jávea U3A more effective by greater use of the internet and new technology.
- Stephen reported that the Executive Committee had held an extraordinary meeting to make a start on producing the Policies and Procedures manual required to underpin the statutes, as promised by the outgoing President. The first action to come from that meeting was to establish a Policies Book where all policy decisions are made and explained. The first decision recorded is to remove the 'policy' for a check-in desk at General meetings. After investigation it was concluded that there are no safety procedures at the Parador. Stephen went on to explain that the original reason for there being a check-in was to exclude non-members from attending the monthly meetings because of space restrictions.
- Stephen introduced the new Deputy Group Coordinator, Rosewitha Bourton.

- Pat Robinson will be stepping down from her responsibilities for Book and DVD swaps. Stephen asked for volunteers, he explained that it need not be just one person and that it was possible for a number of volunteers to “jobshare”.
- Jenny and Stan Oldfield are retiring from running the Quiz nights. Stephen suggested that it would be a pretty tall order to fill their shoes but again hoped there would be one or more members who would be willing to take over the running of the quiz.
- Gwen Clarke has resigned as Cultural Arts Coordinator. Currently Clive White is filling in by placing all information on the group page on the website. A volunteer would need to collate any information available, bring it to the Parador and send it to Clive for the website. They would also arrange any cultural visits required by the membership.
- Tickets for the Barn Dance on the 14<sup>th</sup> November should be able to be reserved within the next two weeks. Reserved tickets should be paid for a collected at the September or October meetings.
- CREAMA, the organisation for retraining unemployed Spanish people, are again looking for English speaking helpers. Either as a teacher, teaching assistant or conversationalist. Details are on the website.
- Communications. As there will be no Newsletter for the next two months Stephen suggested that members use the newly introduced Javea U3A newsfeed which is on the website and which is more current than the newsletter as it is updated daily throughout the year.
- At this point Stephen handed over to Clive White and Sam Wells to give us a brief presentation about the website.

**Clive White and Sam Wells** gave an interesting demonstration of how the Javea U3A Website is updated.

- Clive told us how the Home page has short descriptions of any updates with ‘buttons’ to take the user to the relevant page.
- Clive showed us how to navigate between Home and Group pages; also between the Activities page and the group page.
- Clive explained how members should always refer to the website rather than relying on the Newsletter because the Newsletter is a frozen moment in time, which could be out of date within a few days; whereas the website is kept constantly up-to-date.
- Additionally, the website is the only access to activities over the summer months. The next Newsletter will not be produced until the end of September.

### **Vice President’s Report**

- Francis asked for any information/comments on companies or services offering discounts to enable him to update the discount list.

### **Deputy Group Coordinator’s Report.**

- Rosewitha Bourton introduced herself and explained the David is currently in the UK marking exam papers.
- She reminded everybody to check the website for group news.
- The Cultural Arts Coordinators position is vacant. This involves collating local information and presenting it on the website; also organising group bookings and transportation to local shows. Anyone who is interested to contact David Grove or Rosewitha Bourton via their U3A email addresses.

### **Communications Officer’s Report**

- David further encouraged members to use the website more. Also for Group Leaders to keep it updated.
- David told us that the Newsletter would still be produced for those members without internet access.

### Membership Secretary's Report

- Howard advised that there were 11 new members enrolled today and he welcomed them to this meeting. This brings the number of paid-up members to 1275.
- He has 24 membership cards that have been paid for but not collected.
- Howard reminded the membership to advise him of any changes to their names, telephone numbers or email addresses. He especially asked members who used to have the 'terra.es' email address to let him know if they changed to 'terra.com' as it was not automatic.

### Treasurer's Report

- Stephen explained that as both the Treasurer, Mick Cox, and his deputy, Malcolm Neill, were unavailable.
- The bank balance stands at 13,442.52€.

### AOB

- There was no other business.
- Stephen introduced Hazel White who explained EMAUS the homeless charity started in France during WWII by a French priest, Abbé Pierre. After her very interesting talk there was a collection for the local Friends of the Children of EMAUS.
- Stephen thanked Hazel and everybody for attending.

The meeting closed at 11:57 am.

Proposed by (print name) KAREN WHITE Signed K. C. White

Seconded by (print name) SHEILA GRACOMAZI Signed S. Gracomazi

Signed [Signature] Signed V. de Drangoole  
**President** **Secretary**  
**Jávea U3A** **Jávea U3A**

# **Asociación Social de la Tercera Edad de Jávea**

**Minutes of General Meeting held on 24th September 2014**

## **COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

<b>President</b>	Stephen Burke
<b>Treasurer</b>	Mick Cox
<b>Membership Secretary</b>	Howard Parker
<b>Communications Officer</b>	David Woodhall
<b>Deputy Groups Coordinator</b>	Rosewitha Bourton
<b>Secretary</b>	Val Dromgoole

## **LOCATION:**

Parador Hotel, Jávea

The meeting commenced at 11:00.

## Welcome

Stephen welcomed everybody to the meeting and asked everyone to switch off all electronic devices and mobile phones.

## Apologies

Vice President – Francis McNeil.  
Groups Coordinator – David Grove.

## Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and seconded by Karen White and Sheila Giacomelli

## **President's Report**

- Stephen informed the members that the collection taken after the talk during the June General Meeting by Hazel White of EMAUS amounted to 229.66€ and he had received a letter thanking us.
- Stephen reminded members that the Statutes of the U3A Jávea do not allow the association to raise funds for charities. The Association gives the excess raised by events and other activities to a nominated charity each year. The Committee has decided to allow a collection 'bucket' to be placed in the Ante Sala for the next 2 months for any member wishing to give a cash donation to EMAUS.
- Stephen informed the members that the Committee had decided to change the way we selected our nominated charity. Nominations should be written out with the name of the charity and a short description and then placed in the Suggestion Box at the General Meetings. A shortlist will be made by the Committee and a vote, by show of hands, will be taken at the November General Meeting. He reminded members that the nominations should be for charities either within Jávea or benefitting Jávea residents.
- The Committee will look at the budget for 2015 at the next Committee Meeting and the subscriptions level to be recommended for the next year will be set at that meeting. He reminded members that the subscriptions had been reduced to enable all members to



benefit from the excessively large bank balance that had accrued over previous years. He also reminded members that renewals will only be accepted during January and February and thereafter any member wishing to continue as a member will have to pay the initial joining fee.

- The Committee decided that there was a need for a Welfare Officer to co-ordinate information for services and facilities in and around Javea, e.g. Ambulances, Disability Aids, Utility offices etc. This will be a Non-Executive Committee Position and the job description will be available on the website. Any member interested should email the [president@u3ajavea.org](mailto:president@u3ajavea.org).
- Whilst the Committee are aware that not all the members have access to the website a decision was made not to produce the Newsletters so Clive White, the webmaster, has printed screen shots of the relevant information for those few members who require hard copy. Stephen explained that the Newsletters were always at least two weeks out of date and even the screen shots are not the very latest news. The website itself is the most effective way of keeping up to date.
- There have been two resignations from the Committee. The Deputy Secretary, Jackie Jeffries and the Deputy Communications Officer, Jeanne Southworth. Stephen thanked them both. The Committee has decided to absorb the Deputy Communications Officer's function into the Communications/Publicity team. The Deputy Secretary is vital and we are looking for a replacement. All enquiries should be made to [secretary@u3ajavea.org](mailto:secretary@u3ajavea.org), when Valerie will explain the various functions she performs and the functions of the Deputy Secretary.
- After a request at the June meeting the DVD swap desk has 5 volunteers willing to work on a rota organised by Pat Robinson. Brenda Bates (?) said that the Book swap desk could be run along the same lines and asked for volunteers for that. The books and DVDs are stored at the Parador and there are trolleys to move them around, so there is no lifting to be done.
- Jenni and Stan Oldfield are resigning from running the Quiz Night. As nobody has volunteered to replace them, volunteers are called for to formulate quiz questions on an ad-hoc basis. If assistance is required to liaise with the venue, Stephen, [president@u3ajavea.org](mailto:president@u3ajavea.org), or David, [groups.coordinator@u3ajavea.org](mailto:groups.coordinator@u3ajavea.org), will help.
- The May Ball will take place next year and further information will be available soon.
- The Barn Dance tickets are being sold at this and the October meeting. 70 tickets have already been ordered, any members requiring a ticket should email [tickets@u3ajavea.org](mailto:tickets@u3ajavea.org) or attend the October meeting.
- CREAMA sent a letter of thanks for the volunteers who came forward after a request was made earlier in the year. One more volunteer is needed to teach English to unemployed Spaniards on a Tuesday morning.
- There are still places available on the Travel Groups trip to Valencia.
- The Crockery/Cutlery/Glass supply used by the U3A for some events and hired to members for private events has not been used for the past year. Donald Watts is no longer available, on a full time basis, to administer the hiring of these but is happy to store them. If a volunteer cannot be found to administer the Crockery supply Stephen suggested that 2-3 months' notice should be given to Donald to ensure the Crockery is available.
- The recent fire on the Montgo Plana destroyed over 400 hectares of forest. There was very little damage to property, but two families were made homeless. The Ayuntamiento is coordinating all the help offered. Rosa Mansell will be available at the end of the meeting to give any information for offers of help.

Members proposed that the Crockery supply be given to Rosa. Stephen asked if any member objected to this and said he would co-ordinate with Rosa. Clive White suggested

that a list of requirements be put on the website. It was further suggested that we raise the money to help the people affected by the fire, to which Stephen replied that we cannot and should not raise money for each and every disaster that affects the Javea community.

Rosa Mansell then explained to the members that it wasn't just money that was needed. The main problem on La Plana was the lack of mobile phone coverage, she went on to explain how this caused problems during the fire and asked the members to sign a petition she was raising to Telefonica to improve the mobile phone coverage in that area.

A member made the point that having to wait for the executive committee to meet and discuss the matter would take too long and proposed that we give the Crockery supply to Rosa, today, with no recourse to the Executive Committee. By a show of hands this proposal was carried by those present at the meeting. None of the members at the meeting volunteered to effect this decision nor did anyone seem particularly interested in the mechanics of administering it.

### **Treasurer's Report.**

- As of this morning the bank balance stands at 12,531.35€
- Mick has received a letter from Barclays Bank with regard to the La Caixa takeover assuring him that everything will continue as usual.

### **Membership Secretary's Report**

- Howard advised that 25 new members enrolled today and 2 members re-joined after their membership had lapsed. This brings the number of paid-up members to 1307.
- Howard advised that a recent email-shot to members resulted in 33 email addresses failing. He went on to remind the membership to advise him of any changes to their names, telephone numbers or email addresses.

### **Deputy Group Coordinator's Report.**

- Roswitha informed the meeting that there are now 52 groups, some of which are full. She encouraged anyone who wants to join a particular activity that is full to start an offshoot.
- Roswitha informed the members that Pilates is no longer under the umbrella of the U3A but Graciella would be continuing with the classes.
- David Bristow of the Travel Group has passed. Condolences are offered to his family.
- Clive White is continuing to coordinate the Cultural Arts information but a Group Leader is required to take advantage of group booking discounts.
- Solos on Sundays group is changing its meetings to the FIRST Sunday in the month.
- Live Model Art is changing its meetings to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday in the month and the venue to Lancora Tennis.
- The Solos Coffee Morning took place and they were entertained by a talk by Keith on the historical site behind the Parador. This was very interesting and Roswitha asked for this to be repeated with warnings to wear sensible shoes to explore the site.

### **Communications Officer's Report**

- David repeated that the first port of call for all Javea U3A's information is the website and urged members to look at the current news feed on the home page.
- David pointed out that all proposals, as well as the nominations for the charity, should be placed in the Suggestions Box in the Ante Sala.
- David received a letter of thanks from EMAUS thanking the Javea U3A for their support.

**AOB**

- There was no further other business.
- Stephen introduced Peter Atkinson, who gave an hilarious talk on Cycling the Pilgrim's Way to Santiago.

The meeting closed at 12:57 pm.

Proposed by (print name) KAREN WHITE Signed K. L. White

Seconded by (print name) Peter Atkinson Signed P. Atkinson

Signed [Signature]  
**President**  
**Jávea U3A**

Signed [Signature]  
**Secretary**  
**Jávea U3A**

# **Asociación Social de la Tercera Edad de Jávea**

**Minutes of General Meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2014**

## **COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

<b>President</b>	Stephen Burke
<b>Vice President</b>	Francis McNeill
<b>Deputy Treasurer</b>	Malcolm Neill
<b>Deputy Membership Secretary</b>	Sheila Giacomelli
<b>Communications Officer</b>	David Woodhall
<b>Groups Coordinator</b>	David Grove
<b>Secretary</b>	Val Dromgoole

## **LOCATION:**

Parador Hotel, Jávea

The meeting commenced at 11:00.

## Welcome

Stephen welcomed everybody to the meeting, especially new members and asked everyone to switch off all electronic devices and mobile phones.

## Apologies

Treasurer – Mick Cox  
Membership Secretary – Howard Parker

## Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and seconded by Karen White and Peter Burke.

## **President's Report**

- Stephen announced that Lynne Montague has volunteered to be the Welfare Officer to collate various information with regard to care and facilities within the community. Stephen will have a job description for this new role by the end of next week (7<sup>th</sup> November).
- A Deputy Secretary is still required. The job description is on the website. Interested parties should contact either Stephen or Valerie.
- There are a few tickets left for the Barn Dance on the 14<sup>th</sup> November. Anybody requiring one should email [tickets@u3ajavea.org](mailto:tickets@u3ajavea.org) and arrangements can be made to get the tickets to them.
- The Spring Ball will take the form of a Dinner Dance to commemorate the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Javea U3A. There will be 120 – 140 places available. Once Stephen has

confirmed the venue and price the tickets will go on sale. Ticket reservations should be sent to [tickets@u3ajavea.org](mailto:tickets@u3ajavea.org).

- Stephen thanked the representative of the Royal British Legion for attending the Parador this morning. It is 100 years since the start of World War I and the RBL has extra fundraising events arranged over the next few weeks. There is a Gala Ball on the 11<sup>th</sup> November at the Denia Marriott. There is also an event at Quo Vadis on the 1<sup>st</sup> November, with lunch, entertainment and a raffle.
- The Valencia trip arranged for Wednesday the 12<sup>th</sup> November has an error on the tickets, anybody booked to go on the trip should note that it takes place on Wednesday not Thursday as printed on the ticket.
- The Next General Assembly will be the Extravaganza. Those taking part are already rehearsing. The Costa Blanca Male Voice choir will be singing. There will be mince pies and sherry.
- Before the Extravaganza the meeting will be asked to vote on the increase in subscriptions and the charity for 2015. The vote will be taken by a show of hands, Tom Stevenson will preside in the vote count.
- Stephen explained the reason for the vote being held in November rather than at an AGM is to ensure the U3A Javea can raise the subscriptions in January 2015. He went on to explain that the November meeting is always attended by the most members and that this would be the optimum meeting to take such a vote.

#### **Deputy Treasurer's Report**

- Malcolm explained to the members the reason for increasing the subscriptions from 5€ per year to 10€ per year is to ensure that the 12,000€ balance is maintained. 12,000€ is the amount required should the U3A Javea be wound up, being the amount required to pay any outstanding debts and for any legal fees.
- Malcolm went on to explain that currently the U3A Javea is operating with an annual loss of approximately 2,000€ which by the end of 2015 would mean the funds in hand being below the 12,000 minimum requirement.
- He further surmised that the 10€ subscription level could probably be maintained for at least three years.
- Malcolm informed the members that there is currently a balance of 12,931€ in the bank.

#### **Group Coordinator's Report**

- There are around 50 groups.
- David thanked Jenni and Stan Oldfield for leading the Quiz Night group for 6 years, but that as he had only returned to Javea the previous night had not yet bought their thank-you gift. David went on to explain that the group meets every two months and two Quiz Masters had volunteered but a group leader was still required to book the venue and organize the food etc.
- David informed the members that Keith Yeulett had resigned from leading the Solos Social group. A new group leader is required to keep all other solos up-to-date with events being organized for them. This does not mean that any member of the Solos Social group cannot organize an event and, in fact, one had been suggested for a Sunday coffee morning at GJs Bar at 11:00 am.

**Communications Officer's Report**

- David informed the members that when he sent the email reminder to today's meeting, he also added a link which should have pointed to the NewsFeed on the website. Unfortunately the link attached to the old Newsletter page. There is a link from that page to the NewsFeed, which, in fact, is on the Home page of the website.
- Whilst David was sending this email he had 34 undelivered emails returned to him. These email addresses were mostly to the old terra.es server, which has since been changed to terra.com. As this was not an automatic change members with this address should open a new account and inform the Membership Secretary of their new email address. He reminded all members to check their personal details and advise the Membership Secretary of any changes.
- David has a collection receptacle for any cash donations to Friends of the Children of EMAUS.

**Deputy Membership Secretary's Report**

- Sheila informed the meeting that 14 new members joined this morning and she welcomed them to the meeting.
- This brings the total active membership up to 1321 members.
- Sheila asked that members keep their data up to date.
- Sheila asked for volunteers to help her on the Membership table. She explained that they would only be required to attend a couple of times a year.

**Vice President's Report**

- Francis informed the members that the discount currently available from Brittany Ferries will cease at the end of March 2015.
- He called for volunteers to help MABS move furniture etc.

**AOB**

- There was no AOB raised.

This part of the meeting concluded at 11:20 and there was a 10 minute break.

Stephen introduced the speaker Michael Bulleid who gave an amusing and very informative talk regarding the recent spate of Historical Sex Offence Cases being tried in the Criminal Courts in Britain. Explaining the differences in the laws of Sexual Offences and the sentences handed down to the various offenders.

Stephen thanked Michael and the members for attending.

Meeting closed at 12:35.

Proposed by (print name) N. PRITCHARD Signed V. Pritchard

Seconded by (print name) M. GIBBY Signed M. Gibby



# Asociación Social de la Tercera Edad de Jávea

Minutes of General Assembly held on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2014

## COMMITTEE PRESENT:

<b>President</b>	Stephen Burke
<b>Treasurer</b>	Mick Cox
<b>Membership Secretary</b>	Howard Parker
<b>Communications Officer</b>	David Woodhall
<b>Groups Coordinator</b>	David Grove
<b>Secretary</b>	Val Dromgoole

## LOCATION:

Parador Hotel, Jávea

The meeting commenced at 11:00.

## Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

## President's Report

Stephen explained that this was an extraordinary meeting in that we would be entertained by the Costa Blanca Male Voice Choir, the Guitar Group and the 'Extravanganzers'; there would also be a raffle draw and mince pies and sherry would be distributed.

He asked for a show of hands on two matters of business:-

1. That the fees for 2015 be raised to 10€.  
This was carried by a majority vote.
2. That the supported charity for 2015 be selected from:
  - a. The Javea Feral Cat Association
  - b. Red Cross of Javea
  - c. Help of Denia

The majority vote was for Help of Denia and this will be the supported charity of the Javea U3A for 2015.

Meeting closed eventually.

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

Seconded by (print name) K. WHITE Signed K. L. White

President [Signature]

Secretary [Signature]