



**Minutes of the U3A Vall del Pop General Assembly
Held on Thursday November 2nd 2023
Venue. Polivalent, Murla.**

1. Introduction

Bob thanked the members for attending. He thanked all the volunteers for helping to set up the venue, and help with running the meeting. He also thanked Bill White for entertaining us at the beginning of the assembly. He was delighted to see the Yarn and Thread Group, Pre Loved and Tony Edmunds representing the Royal British Legion.

2.. Minutes of the General Meeting held on October 5th 2023

A small amendment was made to the minutes which was recorded under Membership, which should have read that bank transfers could be made from 1st January 2024 and not as stated from next month. The minutes were recorded as true and accurate.

Proposed: Irene Turvey Seconded. Margaret Wicks.

3. Matters Arising. None

4. Correspondence. None

5. Committee reports

Treasurer's report. Roger submitted his report to the members.

Please find a copy attached. Vince O'Brien asked for more clarity on the 1000€ from La Caixa Bank. Sandra explained that the bank had certain criteria that we had to meet before they agreed this donation, and we stipulated that we would buy a defibrillator and organise a course of First Aid sessions. These are being researched.

Membership Secretary. At the last GA in October, there were 457 members. During the month, two new members joined us and at this GA we had a further two members join, giving a total of 461. So welcome all new members.

For those members who wish to pre-pay their 2024 membership in cash, then Membership can do this - all you need is to provide your name and €7 to either Ann or myself. For those wishing to pay by bank transfer, please could they wait until after 1 January before doing this in order to assist the Treasurer with his final 2023 accounting. A reminder was given to members paying from a Sterling account in that the U3A's bank will charge a fee of €15, which would have to be charged back to the member. Of course, membership can also be paid at the General Assemblies in January, February and March. In addition, we will also be running Satellite Renewals, provisional dates and locations of which are :

22 January - Jalon

14 February - Orba

19 March – Alcalali

Keep an eye on the website for further details.

Finally, We would like to remind all members that, although their membership ends on 31 December 2023, we are allowing the normal 3 months grace to renew, ie to maintain membership members must renew by 31 March 2024.

7. Groups Coordinator. Teresa reported that groups are progressing well, and welcomed

the Yarn and Thread , who are the first to showcase their group. The new Dining Experience group still has places available. Contact details on the website Paul Leniston gave a report on the walking groups, which are proving to be very popular. Teresa also reported that she hoped that more groups would be showcasing their groups at future General Assemblies.

8. TCET. Sonia read out a report which is attached. Still places available for the La Christmas Zenia Shopping Trip. Contact U3Avalldelpoptravel@gmail.com

9. Goodwill. Sandra informed the members that a decision on charities that will be receiving funds will be announced at the Christmas General Assembly. She thanked Liz Miller for holding both a 60/70's Themed Garden Party and a Halloween Bingo and Quiz Evening. Both were extremely popular and together raised over 850€ for the Goodwill Team. The team also held a recent Car Boot Sale

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at the Rastro, Xalo and raised another 722€. Sandra also thanked the members for all their support and generosity.

10. Sharing and Caring. Sandra informed the members that they are desperate for more team members. The team have organised an information finding visit to the Colina Club, Calpe and a visit to the JVH medical store. The normal Coffee Morning is on 15th November at the Shack.

AOB. Paul Corazzo invited the members to let him know of any speakers or topics that they would like. He can then then prepare a programme for the General Assemblies

The next General Assembly 7th December starting at 10:30 will be the Christmas Party

Please bring along a plate of food to share.

Reminder that we will also be collecting for Caritas. So please bring along any toiletries or cleaning materials.

There will of course be drinks and a number of items going on including Father Christmas and a grand raffle.

Let's make this Christmas Special.