



Torrevieja U3A Newsletter

October Edition

Know this:- We didn't know them all, but we owe them all.

Remembrance Day - Tuesday 11 November

First things first. After the recent horrendous weather I hope this newsletter finds you all safe and well and that we are now over the worst of it.

A big thank you to everyone that attended the September CMO meeting (97) despite the weather warning ⚠️ which fortunately didn't happen until later in the day. Thank you to those that brought dry goods which will be distributed accordingly. It's so good to know how we as an association think of those less fortunate than ourselves each month.

In the foyer this month at the CMO meeting, tickets and information will be available for both the **Rojales** and The **ADAPT theatre group 2025 pantomime performances**.

Once again a big thank you to everyone that brought dry goods to the September meeting. Our donations this month will be going to the cats charity.....**Happy Animales**, Finca Villamartin. A registered charity in Spain for help and assistance to the cats of Orihuela Costa.

Our speaker last month was John who gave us a presentation about his travels to Vietnam and Cambodia which seemed to be appreciated by all those in attendance. The 'question and answer

session' at the end of the presentation and also after the meeting was pleasing to see. Thank you John (see you in 2026)

October we welcome:-

Keith Nicol who will tell us about the **Expo** event being staged in November at the **Torrevieja teatro**. This year our **Morris Dancing group** together with **the association** itself will be having space and will be on display. Why not pay us a visit on the **15/16th November**.

Our main speaker of the day this month will see the welcome return of **David Ebsworth**/Dave McCall, author of many crime and historical novels. a visit not to be missed!

Our **membership team** will **NOT** be in attendance this month, but we will have a table in the foyer with leaflets explaining the joining and renewal information for 2026. Please feel free to take a leaflet just in case you missed the earlier email membership flyer.

Social events have been, and are being well supported and of course if you want to book and pay for any events then the CMO is a great place to do it in person in cash or by card, or you can simply pay online from the comfort of your armchair.

The remainder of the year we have:-

Quiz night on the 5th November is fully booked.

CMO Christmas Carol meeting with **special Buffet lunch** on **8th December**

A **festive Beetle drive** on the **12th December** in Torrevieja.

All information on this years and next years social events can be found on our website. torreviejau3a.org under the heading "social events"

Whilst our Groups Update has already been sent directly to your email inbox, it is good to reflect on the work that our **Groups Coordinator Michelle** and all our group leaders are doing in increasing the number and variety of groups that we have to offer. **Asian dining**, and yet another **Pickleball** group, are two of our recent newcomers. However we do need more group leaders. We are still on the look-out for a **ten-pin bowling leader** in order to keep this a u3a group, so why not speak with Michelle about your ideas. U3agroupsliaison@gmail.com

Finally from me in this section of u3a news, your committee is looking for new members either now or in the new year. If you have an interest in taking the association into the future. Why not speak to me and see what it's like to make a difference.

News In general

The EU's new Entry/Exit System (EES) started on 12th October. This new system will replace passport stamping with biometric registration at the external borders of Schengen Area countries. If you have a TIE card and show this along with your passport then the EES should not affect you. Maybe allow a little extra time when travelling.

Ryanair has said that it is introducing digital boarding passes from 3rd November this year. Only digital boarding passes will be accepted at the airport, ditching paper boarding passes. Keep an eye on requirements before setting off. It could be a costly mistake otherwise.

October Halloween riddle:- Why did the skeleton not go trick or treating.....



He had nobody to go with.

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