

THE OLIVA U3A VOICE

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Easter time is here again

As we draw nearer to Easter, on behalf of your Committee I would take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy and enjoyable Easter Holiday, but please do not eat too many Chocolate Easter Eggs, share them around.

There are a few Group date changes due to the CPC Easter closures, please check the dates here or contact your Group leader in case there is a change of venue:-

The CPC will be closed for Fallas from Friday 18th to Monday 21st March. The centre will be open Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd the Wednesday is already booked for our monthly meeting.

It will be closed again for the Easter Holiday from Thursday 24th to Monday 28th March. It will be open again on Tuesday 29th.

The CPC will also be closed on Monday 4th April for San Vicente's Day.

Our thanks go to Rosa GL co-ordinator for this information.

March Monthly Meeting

Will be held on **WEDNESDAY 23rd of March**

Please note the change of day, our monthly meeting this month will be held on a WEDNESDAY, this is due to Easter Holidays and the closure of the CPC.

The speaker at this meeting will be Mr Wayne Martin from Blacktower Financial Management Services. Wayne also writes on financial matters in some of the Free English newspapers. Wayne will be speaking about Investments and Personal Finances.

April Day Trip on Tuesday the 19th

OUR TRAVEL TEAM HAVE ARRANGED A DAY TRIP WITH A DIFFERENCE FOR YOU

You are invited to join them for a wonderful day exploring the home of the Valencian Rice Production!

Our coach will depart from the Polivalent ([directions](#)) in Oliva on Tuesday 19th April at 09.00h, and travel to El Palmar. After lunch the coach will take us to Lladro in time for our appointment at 15.30h.

We have arranged an opportunity for you to take a leisurely boat ride near to the home of Valencian rice production - The Albufera - travelling in traditional boats, this is an opportunity of seeing first hand the variety of wildlife that live in this vast lagoon;



After an invigorating morning's boat ride through the many waterways and reed-beds of the Albufera we'll visit a traditional Barraca or thatched house, typical of this part of Valencia. Following this we hope to gain special permission to visit the historic threshing mill or 'trilladora del Tocaio' located in the centre of the village, the restoration of which is in the safe hands of a local historic & ecological foundation. Following this great morning we'll be able to sample the culinary delights of one of the many restaurants to be found throughout the town. There are so many to choose from we will let you make your own choice of lunch.

After this early lunch our adventure will take us into the City of Valencia where we have arranged a tour of the world renown porcelain and ceramic manufacturer Lladro.



Here you'll be able to see some of the many processes involved in the production of their fine figures and figurines, made here in Valencia and sold throughout the world. At the end of this tour we will be taken to their superb shop and display areas.

Here you will have the opportunity to view their range of products and buy some of the fine porcelain if you wish.



It is felt that we must point out that this trip will involve a reasonable amount of walking so please take this into account before booking your place.

THE REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

April Monthly Meeting

This will be held on the 28th of April at the CPC.

Our speaker at this meeting will be Tony Grande representing the Help a Smile and Emmus Charities. Tony`s main charity is Help a Smile and will be giving us an over view of their work with Under privileged children and the homes they run. He will also be telling us about the farm run by the residents, which help to sustain their food supply for the charity homes. If there is enough interest a trip can be arranged to this farm, when you will be given a tour of the facility, meet the people who live at the farm and enjoy a lunch (at a cost) made from the produce grown on the farm.

This meeting will be one not to be missed as Tony is a great ambassador for these charities.

May Monthly Meeting

This will be held on Thursday May 26th

This will be our A.G.M. so please clear your calendar for this date. At this meeting there will be an update on this years U3A and your committees activities plus reports from the President and Secretary.

You will also have the opportunity to raise any point you feel require clarification and answers.

Following this section of the A.G.M. you will have the opportunity to elect your new committee for the next year 2016-2017.

If you are interested in joining the committee, now or before the A.G.M. please contact me our one of your committee members who will be only to pleased to answer your questions etc. I can assure you that you will be made very welcome as we wish to increase and diversify our thinking and planning over the coming year/s.

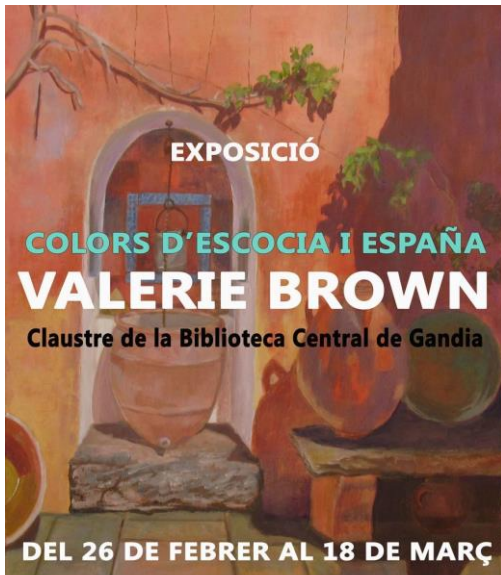
Trips and Events being planned

April Treasure Hunt (Host JS)

May 10th A fascinating visit to the town of ‘Novelda’ famed for its mining and creative use of marble and its involvement in this historical period of Modernist Architecture (Host AH)

Late May 3-4 day extravaganza exploring Seville’s importance in Spains historical past and its current importance as a centre of global tourism. (Host BC)

Events in the Oliva & Gandia Area



There are only 3 days left for you to enjoy this excellent exhibition.

Valerie is one of our U3A Members whose art work is really worth seeing. So why not visit her exhibition in Gandia which runs from the 26th of February until the 18th of March

Monday to Friday 10.00 - 20.30h

Saturday 10.00 - 13.00h

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Saturday 26th March

OLIVA U3A

LINE DANCING GROUP

Country and Western Evening

THIS EVENT IS NOW FULL

Oliva Tourist Office

This is the place to find all the Tourist projects for Oliva in March/April and throughout the year. Just use the link below to log on to the Oliva't website:

<http://oliva.es/arees/economia/turisme/events-turistics/>

Enjoy the items on their agenda, plus check each month for their latest offerings.

Remember the Tourist Office can be contacted on 962855528 or at : www.tourist-oliva.com or just visit their office which can be found next to the Central Indoor

Market in Oliva.

UK REFERENDUM

The following link is for you to register for your vote: www.gov.uk/register-to-vote

I have received the following information regarding this forth coming Referendum which I feel you may find informative. Please click on the links to load.

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/expat/12151896/Expats-are-being-frozen-out-on-Europe.html>

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/newsttopics/eureferendum/11698875/Emigration-Why-British-expats-have-nothing-to-fear-from-Brexit.html>

We now have links to all the past issues of the Voice on the front page of our Website. From here you can copy them or just read them again.

Thank you for your time in reading this issue and hope you have found the contents interesting. Our next issue will be out on 15th April 2016.

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Vice President