

Roqueta August 2021



We're pleased to say the Age Concern **Shop** has been very busy with lots of new stock coming in and plenty of sales. There is a free 2021 Menorca calendar for every customer who wants one (as long as stocks last) because our new The new **2022 Scenic Menorca Calendar** is now available to purchase and, while stocks last, we are giving away our remaining 2021 scenic calendars – just ask at the shop. Feel free to pick up our last newsletter and any relevant information leaflets when you visit the shop too.



Lifeline continues to be very busy supporting individuals in different ways. If you, or anyone you know, needs our hep, please get in touch. If you would like to join our Lifeline team please contact Carol (our shop manager and Lifeline co-ordinator). Translators in particular are always in demand. We have been having problems with the lifeline email so please contact Lifeline via general email or by 'phone (see contact details below).

The **medical equipment short-term loan service** remains busy too. Please get in touch to make an **appointment** if you need a wheelchair, crutches, walking frame etc. (Deposit required. No rental fee but we do ask for a donation when the equipment is returned. You can collect from us or we can deliver anywhere on the island. Loans for up to 3 months.)

Membership is still thriving. Please contact our Membership Secretary if you would like to support us by donating 12 € a year and becoming a Friend of Age Concern.

Social activities are still on hold but we hope to return to the normal pattern of two lunches a month, two 'drop-ins' (Cala en Porter and Es Castell) every week and 3 or 4 day trips a year soon, hopefully from September, (maybe even earlier for the 'drop-ins' if we can). Check our website and Facebook page for updates.

We are very grateful for your continued support through donations, purchases, membership or as a volunteer. We couldn't do any of this without you!

Meet the volunteers

Last month we wrote about one of our newest volunteers, Bob. This month, we're introducing two of our most establishes volunteers, the Tuesday girls who have worked together since 2008, and super organisers, **Sandra and Denise.**



Sandra

Denise



Sandra and her husband retired from having a market stall in the U.K. and moved to Menorca in 2008 having holidayed here since 2001. Sandra had become friendly with Sheila, who was volunteering with us at that time and, almost straight away, joined her as a volunteer, working Tuesday mornings, at the Age Concern shop in Es Castell. She has worked with us on a Tuesday ever since! Sandra works both in the store and in the shop itself and loves it all. She says, "What's not to love? I love the people I work with, I love the people who come in: I love helping them and I like it especially when I'm asked to be their 'personal shopper'. I love organising and making sure things are tidy too." (After Sandra has been in the storeroom is perfectly organised and clothes on the rails in the shop are displayed in categories and colour coded – magic!) In her spare time, Sandra plays petanque and loves gardening. She and her husband also like to visit other parts of Menorca and explore new places where they can take the family when they come to visit. They are members of Menorca Britannica and take part in most of their organised trips to see more of the island and learn more about its history.

Denise and her husband bought their house here 32 years ago and came to live here 10 years later. Denise started volunteering in the Age Concern shop in Es Castell in 2004 (her husband was President of Age Concern Menorca at the time) – also on a Tuesday. Apart from a short break a few years ago, Denise has always worked on Tuesday mornings and now does Friday mornings too. Like Sandra, she can turn her hand to anything but usually works on the shop floor where her excellent Spanish is a great advantage. Denise says she loves working here. She loves seeing people, both those she already knows and new faces. She said "Just today we had a customer who came to the island the same time as us and who was a regular in the shop at Es Castell. For two days a week, working here I meet totally different groups of people - I love it!" Denise enjoys everything about living on the island but she loves travelling and seeing the world too.

Key information:



Opening hours: Monday - Saturday, 9.45 - 13.15. (Closed afternoons until further notice)

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