

Roqueta June 2023



# A date for your diary!

# Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, Age Concern Lunch and Coach Trip to Ciudadella, Es Castell and Cala en Porter pick ups. Contact Chris on 669 949 370

### Our news:

**The shop** is still very busy and very well stocked. Thank you for your donations and custom! (And a big "Thank you" to all our volunteers, of course!)

We are still in desperate need of more **strong**, **able-bodied volunteers** to help us collect large and heavy items. **Even if you are only available one morning a month**, **or during only a few weeks every year**, we'd love to hear from you. At present we are having to refuse some donations or pay for collections as we do not have the capacity to collect, which obviously impacts on our income and what we can spend money on.

Also, thanks to your generosity, we have been able to donate items to help refugees from Ukraine as well as our usual help to our local community.

Our biggest news recently has been the appointment of a new Shop Manager to our centre on the Poligono. Lee joined last year after Carol retired from work.

Lee's family bought a holiday property on Menorca in 1986 and the family moved here permanently in 1993. After he completing University in the UK he returned and worked in the family business for several years. He then moved to Mallorca where he worked as a branch manager for the Spanish version of Curry's until personal circumstances changed and he rejoined the family business in 2011. In 2014 he started working for a very well known property management company as Property Management Manager on the island.

In 2022 he was delighted to find out that his fiancé, Samantha, was pregnant with their first child. Thomas or Tommy as he is affectionately known, is now a beautiful baby boy. This great event made Lee rethink his work life balance and he joined Age Concern as our new Shop Manager. He feels he can both dedicate more time to his family life and also give something back to the island community he loves

Picture of Sam, Tommy and Lee



Our **Lifeline** service, offering confidential help to those in need and consisting of a team of volunteers led by Carol (yes, she is still very much involved supporting Age Concern !) is still very busy supporting individuals in different ways. If anyone you know, needs our help, please get in touch. If you would like to join our Lifeline team. please contact Carol. We always need translators.

The **medical equipment short-term loan service** is also still busy. Please **make an appointment with Jan (essential!)** 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 and you get your deposit back. You can collect from us or we can deliver anywhere on the island. Loans for up to 3 months.)

It's been wonderful to have our **SOCial activities** up and running again. We hold a **fish and chip lunch** at Bar Pons, Cala en Porter on the **first Thursday of every month**. Our **second monthly lunch**, held on the **third Thusday of every month** is in Ca'n Avelino 23. Sandy and Chris are organising these

Next dates for your diary , Bar Pons June 1<sup>st</sup> and Can Avelino June 15<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Chris for both lunches this month

Booking essential for lunches - everyone is welcome!

Both our weekly 'drop-in' sessions are up and running. **Every Monday** from 11-12.30 at the Jubilado Centre on the Esplanada in Es Castell and **every Tuesday** from 10.00 – 12.00 at Bar Pons, Cala en Porter. Just come along and make new friends or meet current ones. The Tuesday 'drop-in' has been running for many years and is well supported. The Monday club, at Es Castell, is going from strength to strength thanks to Roy and Elaine

Keep your eyes open for more news, visit our website or Facebook page, email us for the latest information or just 'drop-in' on a Monday or Tuesday.

Our **membership** numbers are very healthy. Membership not only means you are supporting us but also

entitles you to discounts at all our social events. Please contact our Membership Secretary, Shelly, if you would like to support our work by donating 12 € a year and becoming a Friend of Age Concern. You can pay at the shop, at our lunches or by bank transfer

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



Opening hours: Monday – Saturday, 9.45 – 13.15. (Closed afternoon)

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