



Dear Members,

On Tuesday, March 1st, the CICB 2022 AGM was held at the Golf Club Costa Brava. Forty members attended; there were many questions, such as, why is the Club registered at the Sta Cristina Ayuntamiento, is it of any use? What about our website, is it possible to make it more user friendly? Will the car rally take place and when? Why did the Club spend 300€ for a DJ at the Christmas Luncheon when music can be played for free with a play list? Is it possible to list activities on one document for the coming 4 months?



The board explained that at the moment the main priority is to have the board officially declared with its current President and secretary and this is quite a hard challenge since everything has now to be done online. One of the members volunteered to investigate if it is necessary for the club to be registered.

The current board was presented with its two new Members, Marlies Postmus as vice president and Rosa Tysoe as cultural events coordinator; they were approved unanimously as was the financial statement presented by Treasurer David Cuffe, audited by Ewoud Sibinga Mulder and Stan Postmus.

Webmaster, John Hothersall explained requests for changes and costs to the current website in an effort to make it more user friendly will be submitted to the web designer, then a decision will be made.

Linda Stuttard reported to the the members on activities for 2021 and planned activities for 2022, some of which were the result of a questionnaire sent to the membership in November.

The 2022 car rally will take place on May 19th, weather permitting or the 26th. And a summer party will end the season, in a venue still to be finalized. The annual quiz night will resume again in the autumn.

The AGM ended at 14.00, followed by the traditional lunch at the Costa Brava Golf.

Thank you to all members for participating and for your efforts to attract new members.

Georges Sorbets

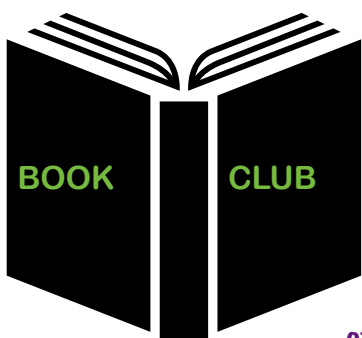
We met on Monday, 28th February at Tipipark. The book choice was Lucky Jim, by Kingsley Amis, chosen by Tony Tysoe, who gave a very comprehensive resume of the book. It was Amis' first novel, written in the mid-1950s, and set in a small English town, which boasts an unnamed university where Jim Dixon, a lecturer who teaches medieval history, tries to negotiate the pitfalls of academic life. Jim struggles with the social conventions of the time, but his attempts to conform usually end in disaster.

Questions arose as to whether or not the book had stood the test of time. Given that the discussion was interesting, with many participants enjoying the dialogue and humour, perhaps the answer to that is yes.

However, the big event of the day was the celebration of Tony's birthday. His family, and many friends, arrived towards the end of our session (much to Tony's surprise) and we had a wonderful time enjoying cava and delicious cakes. Congratulations Tony.

A Far Cry from Kensington (a humorous look at life in post war London in the publishing world) is our next read. The next meeting is scheduled for March 28th, 15:00 at Tipipark. Camie Maze will coordinate as I will be in the U.K.

Best wishes, Linda Nobbs



## COOKING GROUP

PASTA.....

...was the theme on an unexpectedly beautiful early March afternoon at Florence Sorbets home in Playa D'Aro. Coffee was served on the terrace before the preparation began.

Eight members enjoyed authentic Italian spaghetti alle vongole and focaccia, demonstrated and expertly prepared by Margherita Caputo. There were many tips that only a true Italian cook could share about what makes each dish so flavorful.

After waiting and watching patiently for the focaccia to rise and the careful rinsing of the clams (to remove the sand), the ladies were excited to sit down to their delicious pasta (and a Greek pasta salad brought by Camie) and bread, washed down by a few glasses of wine.

A toast to the chef and an amazing meal!



Next meeting:  
April 27th at  
Pilar San Feliu's.  
The theme of the  
day:

**PEAS!**  
details next  
month



## The pitch'nputt group met on March 3rd...

Eight members joined in on the fun on the sunny day in Franciac . All eight stayed for a leisurely lunch outdoors in the early spring sunshine. Hita announced she can no longer coordinate the group; Georges will take over the planning and communications of the group consisting of 16 members.

The next

round of

golf is scheduled for Thursday, March 10th at Mas Torellas. WhatsApp Georges +34608436150 if you would like to join the group or if you are already a group member and plan to play.



### SCHEDULE:

**1st and 3rd Thursday each month.**  
**Locations to be decided monthly between:**  
**Gualta, Mas Torrellas, Platja d'Aro, Franciac**

## CALCOTADA LUNCHEON

Two years after the previous lunch at Can Joan,

which just preceded the start of the Covid lockdowns, many members were again able to meet in San Feliu

de Boada, and again on a sunny day.

Providing calcots for the 40 participants was a challenge for Joan and his team, but wine and food was abundant and an uproarious time was had by all - a bit too uproarious in some cases (!).

It was a great pleasure to have a chance to meet some new members, and we look forward to the rest of the year with anticipation.

**Richard Nobbs**



**WELCOME**

...to our new members, Guy Claude & Marie Agnes Allard, Leo & Ank vanBerkel, Trini Escabias and Chris & Jane Parker.

Guy Claude and Marie Agnes have relocated from France to live in Spain. They enjoy their new life on the Golf Costa Brava, walking their dogs, cooking and visiting new places.

Leo and Ank divide their time between Holland and the Golf where they are renovating their home. Both enjoy a round of golf.

Trini, originally from Barcelona has lived in Bell Lloch for over 20 years; she was introduced to the International Club by her neighbor, TJ and is a welcome addition to the cooking group.

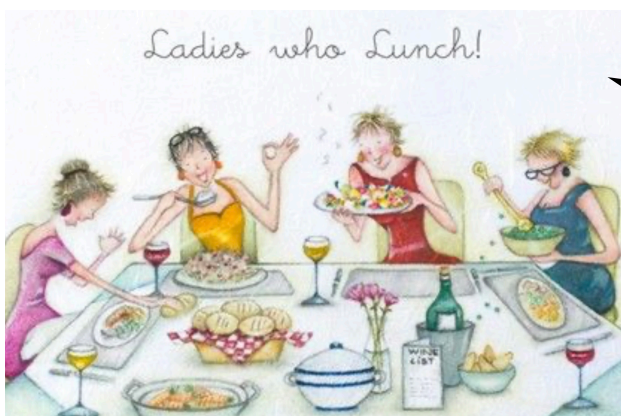
Jane and Chris Parker divide their time between their home in Mas Nous and England. Chris enjoys a good round of golf and Jane has participated in the book group already. Both look forward to spending more time on the Costa Brava.

The March GPL was a cloudy day, but fortunately for the petanca and golfers there was no rain. All 38 participants enjoyed the monthly get together, almost forgetting there had been two years since the beginning of the pandemic and months with no social activities. It was a festive mood for most in spite of the grey day.

7th of  
March  
GPL



The next GPL is scheduled for April 4th.



Ladies,  
March 17th at 13:30 in Regencos at El Teatre  
Restaurant. Email [eventsicb@gmail.com](mailto:eventsicb@gmail.com)  
or register: [cicb.eu](http://cicb.eu)