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ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR 2025

A meeting was held on the 26th of November 2024 which all volunteers were invited to attend, those present discussed the following events for next year.

DROP IN CENTRES

The existing ones are going really well and we hope in 2025 to start in Inca. There was some concern that we may struggle to cover it due to a lack of volunteers. We have some volunteers in the North of the Island who are waiting for this to open so they can take part, but they would struggle to cover it on their own. So it was suggested that to start with we ask for a place once a fortnight, until we see how things go.

GROUP THERAPY

The Mosaic of Grief group therapy sessions will continue, starting again in March 2025, the sessions are open to those who have lost someone to cancer.

The HELP programme will run into January of 2025, with a waiting list being compiled for further sessions to be held in 2025. as needed.

FAIRS AND EVENTS

The plan is to attend St.Patricks, St. George and Europe day that are all organised by the Calvia town hall, but not the Calvia Xmas fair as this tends to be out of the way and attracts little attention.

We will also attend any other events we may be invited to by the Calanova Cancer Shop, 41 Club or similar.

Some feel that it would be a good idea to apply to attend the Dijous Bo, especially if we do manage to get a Drop in Centre going in Inca, so it was agreed to trial this for 2025.

In all cases, we will only attend events if we have the minimum number of volunteers needed. We have noted that some fairs are well supported whereas others don't get the needed support, so the volunteers present were asked to either comment at the meeting or send comments in as to why they feel this is.



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Some commented that they feel events can be boring and nothing much is accomplished, others said that we have the same items every year and people get bored.

It was agreed to get smaller amounts of items so that each year we can look at having different items on the table, and any surplus can be given out when we give talks at schools etc.

From now on, when new events are announced, a poll will be sent out to see which volunteers are able to attend.

Volunteers were asked to send in suggestions that they feel could help make the events less boring. While some feel that the best way is to be very interactive and go out and talk to people and draw them to the stand, others would not feel comfortable doing this. In the past we have had things like tombolas, or human fruit machines on the stand, but it was agreed that they didn't drum up that much more interest. Any suggestions by the volunteers are welcomed.

WALK AGAINST CANCER 2025

This will take place in April, with a launch hopefully in The Olive Tree at the end of March and the final part on Saturday the 3rd of May at Sa Vinya.

Anita and her team will be walking over the Easter weekend, when the dates are confirmed we will publish it for any who would like to walk with them for a section of the route.

If any volunteer has special skills in event planning, Anita would welcome their help. When it comes to sponsoring we will look into different options as this year we will have less merchandise as we have what is left from last year.

FUNDRAISERS

It was decided that apart from the Walk Against Cancer we do not have the time or resources to properly plan fundraisers, unless we have a dedicated team of volunteers willing to take this task on we will not plan any fundraisers of our own for 2025.

SOCIAL EVENTS

While it was agreed that volunteers should not be asked to take part in Fundraisers, at any point anyone can use the social group to set up a coffee together, or drinks in the evening, there is no need to make these formal, just a social get together. These can also be used as Networking occasions with the owners and other patrons of the venues where they take part. This is apart from the 4 annual Meetups that are organised for CSG members, volunteers and collaborators.