

CLUB AMICI DI QUASIMODO „SENIOR“

Name of Group:	Club Amici di Quasimodo "Senior"		
Name of activity:	Cultural Event – Creative writing and poetry		
How is or was the activity financed?	Consortium of Municipalities		
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Project website address and/or alternative sources of information about the project : www.parcoquasimodo.it			
<p>Good practice Criteria: Why is this an example of a good project?</p> <p>Please describe project in detail, describe if and why it meets the criteria?</p>			
Older adults have ownership of the activity or has involved older people in its creation	This project was designed and developed by the older people themselves. They decided on the nature of the activity and format of the meetings.		
The activity respects and meets the wishes and goals of the group and individual learners	Each member of the group was given the opportunity to contribute to the organisation of the activity. All members decided on how they would work together and the subject they would study.		
The activity has clear objectives and outcomes that can be met by the group in a format that is achievable	The objectives of the project were discussed and agreed with all group members. Each person could decide on the format that best suited their individual strengths and interests.		
The activity has considered the practical needs of older adults e.g. access, convenience, cost, appropriate time and location/venue	The venue was selected on the basis that it was accessible to individuals with less mobility. Transport was provided for those individuals who did not live in the immediate vicinity or who did not have their own transport. The time of the classes was agreed with the group during the planning stage.		

<p>The activity can be further developed or sustained in the longer term</p>	<p>In the longer term, it would be possible to work with some of the group members to help them develop the skills to enable them to organise future events and activities themselves. In this way, activities can be sustained without further funding.</p>
<p>The activity can be transferred and adapted to meet specific needs (individual, local, regional, national, European)</p>	<p>The model can be adapted for other situations, i.e. for different groups in other locations. The important issue is that the older people themselves are involved and that opportunities are available to them to develop skills to self-organise.</p>
<p>Lessons Learned</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Importance of involvement of older people in the planning process • Suitability of location • Flexibility of delivery • Have fun
<p>Any other comments about the activity: This was a successful project on many levels mainly due to the active involvement of the learners. It was vital to the success that the subject was relevant and of interest to those involved. In this way we were able to ensure active participation from all members and successful outcomes.</p>	