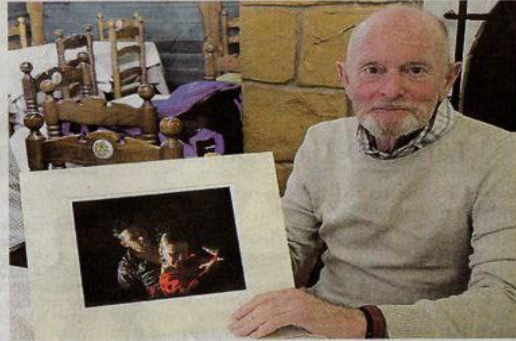


Photo clubs battle it out in Alhaurin

AN inter-club 'photographic battle' was hosted by the Shutterbugs Photographic Group at the Casa de la Cultura in Alhaurin el Grande. Councillor Carmen Brescia welcomed the Costa del Sol Photographic Society, La Viñuela Photographic Society, Costa Camera Club Nerja and Shutterbugs, then John Campbell, Shutterbugs Deputy Chairman, introduced and thanked Mike Foley, a Visual Arts teacher from Swans International School, for the

effort involved in critiquing and scoring all the photographs. Each Photographic group submitted 12 photographs which were allocated a score from one-20 according to merit. The Costa Camera Club Nerja was the overall winner with 209 (winning for the third consecutive year) and Shutterbugs claimed second place with a score of 202. The photo 'Expressing the Music' by Costa del Sol



JUDGE'S FAVOURITE: Peter Hayward with his photo.

Photographic Society's, Peter Hayward, was declared judge's favourite.

Anyone interested in viewing the photographs visit www.shutterbugs-spain.org.

FACTS & FACES



Peter Hayward's piece "Expressing the Music", awarded judge's favourite by Mike Foley.

Nerja club win photo battle

Close competition between Nerja and Shutterbugs

For this year's competition, the Costa del Sol Photographic Society, La Viñuela Photographic Society and Costa Camera Club Nerja were welcomed to the Casa de la Cultura in Alhaurin el Grande by Councillor Carmen

Brescia. Mike Foley from Swans International School critiqued 12 photographs from each group, declaring Peter Hayward's "Expressing the Music" as judge's favourite.

The competition was close:

Shutterbugs Photographic Group, who were hosting the competition, came second with a score of 202, however the title of overall winner was handed to Costa Camera Club Nerja for the third year in a row after landing 209 points.

Community News

Free singing course is a big hit **Shutterbugs**

Following on from the success of the SABS (Spanish Association of Barbershop Singers) free 'Sing Harmony in a Day' courses in the Algarve, Madrid and Murcia, two more were held last weekend on the Costa del Sol and Costa Tropical to help swell the ranks of local SABS member choruses: New Wave in Fuengirola and Tropical Tones in Almuñecar.

On Saturday, 22nd February, 28 men and women arrived at Lux Mundi in Fuengirola to take part in the first course. SABS President, Gail Grainger, started with an explanation of the

origins and technicalities of barbershop singing. This was followed by breathing exercises and some fun vocal and physical warm-ups, which soon broke the ice. Members of Spangles Ladies' Harmony Chorus (2011 and 2013 SABS champions) were on hand for the break-out sessions to help the delegates to learn their parts for 'Nevertheless', the song that they would eventually perform in front of family and friends.

On Sunday, 23rd February, a further 22 men and women took part in the second course in Almuñecar, gaining

knowledge about the best stance, breathing and vocal techniques to produce a good barbershop sound and performing 'Nevertheless' to visitors at the end of the course.

As a result of the SABS initiative, New Wave and Tropical Tones have gained several new members. 'The course was just what we needed to raise awareness of our unique artform' said Bruce MacNally. 'There's even talk of a new chorus forming in the Vélez Málaga area' he said.

'The whole weekend has been a memorable one for us' said SABS Vice President, Lyn Baines, adding: 'We were made to feel so welcome by everyone and we'd like to

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The Spanish Association of Barbershop Singers (SABS) was formed in October 2008 with the aim of encouraging the people of Spain to enjoy this unique form of A cappella, four-part harmony singing. SABS currently has over 200 members throughout Spain, Portugal and the Canary Islands. To find out more, please visit their website: www.sabs.es

Sing in Coin

And in Coin, Harmony

Each year four photographic groups from Andalucía submit 12 photographs to compete in the Inter-Club 'Battle'.

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effort involved in critiquing and scoring all the photographs.

The standard was high as the scores indicate with only five points difference between the lowest and the top score. The Costa Camera Club Nerja were the overall winners with a total of 209, this is the third consecutive year they have carried the trophy, Shutterbugs claimed second place with a score of 202.

The Judge's favourite photograph was 'Expressing the Music' taken by Peter Hayward of the Costa Del Sol Photographic Society.

For all the photographs go to www.shutterbugs-spain.org

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The Inter-Club Photographic 'Battle'

The annual 'shoot out', which saw four Costa clubs competing, was hosted this year by the Shutterbugs group

By Liz Fouracre
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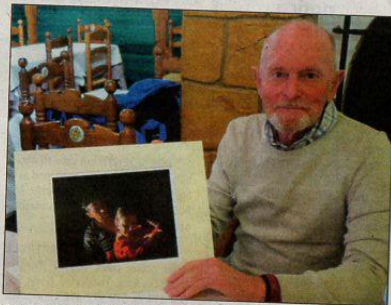
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Peter Hayward and judge's 'favourite'



John Campbell and Pat Fulk checking the scores

Book sale for Cudeca

On Saturday, March 22 the Public Library in Arroyo de la Miel will hold, from 10:00 to 14:00 hrs, a sale of books in aid of the Cudeca Hospice. There will be books available in English (for adults and for children) as well as other European languages, priced from just 1 euro. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

