

## Arona

## Arona trekkers meet



This was the third get together of the region's keen walkers

▲ All of the trekkers who had participated in the fourteen hiking routes offered by the Arona council in 2007 enjoyed a get together at the Cultural Centre in Los Cristianos on 9th November.

This, the third meeting for the trekkers, which was well attended, had been organised by the cultural department's nature section led by Miguel Ángel Méndez and was intended to bring people closer to

such activities which are undertaken in natural rural or urban areas.

The educational and environmental work which has been already been carried out by the cultural department through this particular section was emphasised during the meeting which closed with the presentation of a trekking pole and a plaque to one of the walkers in attendance. No doubt the proud recipient will be looking forward with glee to the next hike.

## Guía de Isora

## Chio health centre to open



▲ At a recent meeting between members of the Guía de Isora council and representatives of the regional department of health to discuss local health issues the main questions raised were those regarding the delays in opening health centres in both Chío and Playa San Juan. Also attending the meeting

were members of the local senior citizens associations, the federation of residents' associations and groups representing businesses in the area as well as other collectives. This was part of a promised series of meetings between the council and public groups, and there were many pertinent questions

raised, including the shortage of family doctors as well as the lack of pediatricians in the area, the quality of available medical assistance and the expansion of the existing medical centre in Guía de Isora. The representative from the department of health took note of all the issues and demands raised

## Members of different local representative groups attended the meeting

though was unable to make any immediate promises on many of the matters on the table. However on the issue of the Chío health centre there was a promise that the centre would open its doors in December of this year, though a demand for a pediatrician was rejected due to lack of available personnel. Work on the centre in Playa San Juan is proceeding at a slower rate than was expected, and the department have confirmed that certainly it won't be open to the public before next year, and no definite date could be given – the original date was for June 2006.

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