

# HOLA FROM finca el cerrillo



*Bird of Paradise at the Finca taken 28/04*

## Hola from the Finca

We've been having lovely weather of late. The wild flowers are not as good as last year due to the lack of rain but there has been enough to suit the poppies, wild lupins and orchids that we are enjoying on our walks. The smell of orange blossom and jasmine pervades the air in the villages (OK.....with the occasional scent of mule droppings to bring us down to earth) If you would like to walk, relax or maybe do something creative on your holiday .....read on.

There's something for everyone in our programme.

See page 2 for What's On in 2014 /15.

We hope to be welcoming you soon!



## MURDER at the FINCA!!!!

There were smoking guns and bodies in the pool when the cast and crew of LUPPO checked in to make a film last summer. The shooting lasted 8 days before tranquillity returned to the Finca.

Manuel, the Hotel cat made a bid for stardom by walking through one of the scenes but otherwise all went well. The film was set in Alta California where an ex gangster is hiding from the vengeance of the mob. The film, written and directed by Roger Glossop, will be shown at film festivals later in the year. If you would like to write your own story you could join our Creative Writing week in August... see details on P2.



*LUPPO another one bites the dust.....*

## Creative Writing at the Finca 9<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> Aug 2014

If you fancy trying your hand at writing why not join us for a small group writing week with Journalist and author Janet Kelly.

Spend an engrossing week getting to grips with characterisation, plot, dialogue and how to find an agent / get published. Janet will also give one-to one feedback on any work in progress.

The emphasis is on having fun but you can work as hard (or not) as you please. The pool and gardens will be beckoning and Christine will be keeping our creative energy fuelled with her delicious food.

A few places left – contact Alison or Sue to book 0034 952 030 444 or [info@hotelfinca.com](mailto:info@hotelfinca.com)

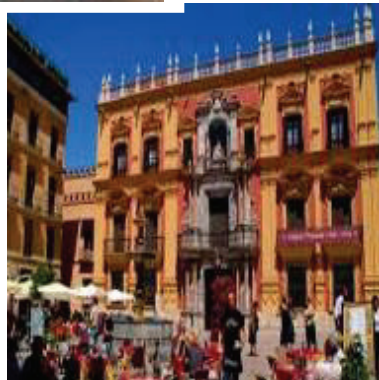
## May Break 24 – 31 May 2014

Join us for 3 guided walks, a wine tasting trip and a visit to the **old town** in **Malaga**. May is usually warm but not hot – perfect for an early get away.

We also have a couple of rooms available for our **Summer House Party** from 21<sup>st</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> June.

As well as a picnic on Mt. Maroma we'll enjoy a visit to old Malaga and music on the terrace. Optional Bridge classes are also included for Beginners and Improvers.

*Elegant old Malaga Town (above left)*



## Multi Level Walking dates are on the web site for 2015.

With a choice of two walks each day these walking weeks are very popular and get booked up a long way ahead.

**We still have availability for 15<sup>th</sup> Nov 2014 but book soon!!** [www.hotelfinca.com](http://www.hotelfinca.com)

**STOP PRESS** – two places also available to learn / improve your writing with author Rosanna Ley 8<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> July 2014. [www.janhenley.co.uk](http://www.janhenley.co.uk)

This course is usually fully booked – a rare opportunity due to a late cancellation.

Contact the Finca or Jan Henley [jan.henley1@gmail.com](mailto:jan.henley1@gmail.com)

£820 single / £700 shared rooms / £500 non writer

## Introducing our Latest Staff members

Alison (left) has been helping with our reservations and bookings and generally helps to get us organised through the week. With a lecturing background in Business Admin and a slightly wicked sense of humour she is a great addition to the Finca team. Meanwhile, Sybil (right) has succeeded Basil as the luckiest dog in Andalucia. Great walking, good food and indulgent company means she has a fantastic life as the Hotel's Head of Guest relations. Why not come and meet them soon?



Meet Alison



Meet Sybil  
Head of Guest Relations

## What's on and when?

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There is information on our web site [www.hotelfinca.com](http://www.hotelfinca.com) for all of the holidays below.  
Please ask Sue if you need any further information.

**Remember, we also offer B&B stays throughout the year if you just want to do your own thing.**

<b>24<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2014</b>	<b>May Break</b> 3 Guided Walks Wine tasting trip and a visit to old Malaga Town	<b>3 Guided Walks</b> <b>Wine tasting trip and a visit to old Malaga Town</b>	<b>£595 pp dble or twin</b>  £125 single supplement
<b>21st – 28th June 2014</b>	<b>Summer House Party</b>	<b>Optional Bridge classes</b> <b>Picnic on top of a mountain (with transport!)</b> <b>Visit to old Malaga</b>	<b>£595 pp dble or twin</b>  £100 single supplement
<b>8<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> July 2014</b>	<b>Write with Jan Henley</b>	Author Rosanna Ley shares her expertise 7 nights with most meals and airport transfers	<b>£820 single occupancy / £700 shared / £500 non writer</b>
<b>July and August 2014</b>  Various dates	<b>Summer Sizzlers</b> Read, relax, snooze and swim....in between delicious meals!	<b>Bed &amp; Breakfast</b> <b>Minimum 3 night stay</b> <b>– eat dinner twice to get this rate</b>	<b>80 euros per room per night + 10% tax</b> Double or single room Garden Four 90€ + 10%tax
<b>9<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> August 2014</b>	<b>Creative Writing</b> <b>Beginners and beyond....all welcome</b>	<b>With journalist / author Janet Kelly</b> <b>7 nights with most meals</b>	<b>£750 single occupancy</b> <b>£570 shared</b>
<b>15<sup>th</sup> – 22nd November 2014</b>	<b>Multi level Guided Walking</b> Option to choose between 2 levels of walk each day.	<b>Easier half day walks or full day medium level walking</b>	<b>£575 pp NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> January 2015</b>	<b>Walking / Epiphany in Spain</b> Spanish children get their presents on 5 <sup>th</sup> January Join us in the village square to watch the fun	<b>Multi-level Walking</b>  <b>Walk off the festive season</b>	<b>£575 pp NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT</b>
<b>7 – 14<sup>th</sup> March 2015</b>	<b>Early Spring Break</b>	<b>3 guided walks</b> <b>Visit to Granada</b>	<b>£575 pp NO SINGLE SUPPLEMENT</b>

*That's all folks.....we hope to see you soon!*