

## <u>Thank you – 850,000 times</u>

As we reach the end of another financial year **MABS Cancer Support Group** has many people to thank and we do so gladly and unconditionally.

Since the year 2000 the people of the Costa Blanca, from Dénia to Orihuela have **donated €850,000 to the Group**. Of this huge amount 97% has been spent on those on the Costa Blanca touched by cancer. As none of our volunteers and helpers are paid then we need to use only 3% of the donations for administration.

So thank you to the individuals, the businesses and the charitable groups that have made this amount of care possible. There are a lot of people who were sick, or, who are seriously sick at the moment, that are very grateful to you all.

(MABS Groups in other areas, for example, Murcia and the Costa del Sol raise their own funds which are also only spent locally. Our financial situation is independently audited annually in accordance with Spanish law and any monies not spent in a current financial year stay here in Spain to be used the next year.)

Secondly we should thank all our volunteers and helpers, Those who give, one day a month, one day a week or, in some cases, most of their spare time. Without you wonderful people MABS would not exist. You are the core of MABS, you are indispensible, you are invaluable. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Finally a huge thank you to the local Mayors, the police chiefs, The British Consulate, our wonderful friends in the Press and the many other people that make our task a little bit easier. We appreciate everything you do for us and we value the relationship between yourselves and our Group. Because of you we feel part of the community, helping all peoples on the Costa Blanca irrespective of race, nationality, gender or religon.

January 2013 was a big month for us; we formally opened our new treatment centre in the **Ana Maria Espinos Residential Home** building in Teulada (you may regognise it as the iMed Clinic). The last Tuesday of every month at 1100 is coffee morning and all our friends are welcome to join us. You may want to help MABS, you may be worried about cancer, you may have a friend or relative touched by cancer, or, you may just want to have a look round – come and have a coffee and a chat. We would love to see you.

Details of what we do and contact telephone numbers can be found at: <a href="https://www.mabscancersupport.org">www.mabscancersupport.org</a>.

MABS Cancer Support Group is registered charity number 7261.