

## Good Samaritan Center takes part in the 7th Añora Rural Olympic Games

The 7th annual Añora Rural Olympic Games were held this last weekend (July 4th - 6th), with 48 teams and some 900 competitors participating. More than 5,000 people attended the opening ceremony.



This year, the Good Samaritan Center participated in the games. Our team, the "Highlanders," consisted of eight Scots from a Scottish Evangelical church, some members of our church and some friends from Pozoblanco. So with such an eclectic group we burst onto the scene at the games.

The opening ceremony, where all the teams paraded by, included a musical performance in which Samuel Arjona Farely played in a group percussion number and also did a drum solo. It was exciting and challenging for Samuel to be able to play in front of so many people.

The competitions are very well described and explained on the website for the games: [http://www.olimpiadasrurales.es/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=13&Itemid=109](http://www.olimpiadasrurales.es/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=13&Itemid=109)



<http://solienses.blogspot.com.es/>

During the competitions, the parents of those participating were able to spend time together, share experiences and taste some excellent dishes prepared by various members of the group. Sunday evening, we all took part in a worship service at the Evangelical Church of Pozoblanco, with a supper afterwards.

Today (Monday) the Highlanders must say goodbye to us; the experience was enriching both for the Scots and the Spaniards. But now it's time to start training for next year!

We want to thank all the Pozoblanco families who with their typical generosity and affection have hosted all the young people who came from the "Highlands." Thanks to Sabine and Roland Weinmann and to all the host families for their dedication so that this event might be a success. Thanks also to Steve, the Evangelical pastor who led the group of Scots. And of course, to the one who was absent but on everyone's mind, Delyth Sutton, to whom we wish a rapid recovery.

Francis Arjona

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