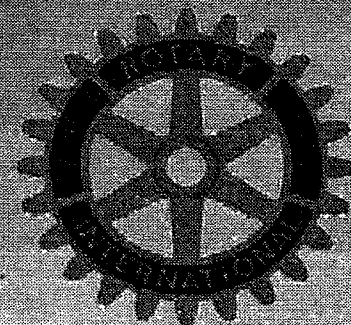




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IFSR Growing in Thailand

After the successful World Jamboree held in beautiful Thailand the membership of the IFSR is growing rapidly in that country. During the Jamboree we had two IFSR functions. First, the "IFSR Rotary Scouting Fellowship" was organized jointly between our local Thailand Chapter of IFSR and the Rotary Club of Plutaluang, the nearest Rotary club to the Jamboree camp site.

We also had a very good meeting of IFSR members held at the WOSM headquarters at the camp site of the Jamboree.



PHOTO:

IFSR Group Meeting at Jamboree

Special Projects Announced at Jamboree

By David A. Judge

Two International Scouting Projects that were presented at the 20th World Scout Jamboree are as follows: These projects represent the very origin of Scouting on Brownsea Island and the latest expansion of Scouting in the Eurasia Region of Russia and the former Soviet states.

Already some IFSR branches and members are supporting them including IFSR World Chairman David and Christine Judge who are making personal donations as is Past IFSR World Chairman Harold Friend. Please consider if you personally can give a donation and also generate wider support throughout Rotary and Scouting.

U.S.A. funding should be sent to "Brownsea" payable to the—US Fund for International Scouting, 1325 West Walnut Hill Lane, PO Box 15279, Irving, Texas 75015-2079. IFSR officers have more details about both projects.

Brownsea Island was where Baden-Powell held the first

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Greetings From the New IFSR Interamerican Region Chairman Jim Miller

Rotary and Scouting- the two organizations were started within 2 years of each other in the early part of the 20th Century and each has grown from rather modest roots to become international in scope. How many lives have been touched by these two organizations and how many more can be touched by the two groups working together around the world?

I recently returned from the 20th World Scout Jamboree in Thailand, and there I met a wide assortment of people from around the world. Many were Scouts, others were Rotarians, and some were both. All the people I met had a strong commitment to service and to bring about world peace and understanding. Both Scouting and Rotary have created bonds of friendship and brotherhood among people around the world. Virtually anywhere you travel today you can walk into a Rotary or Scout meeting and be welcomed.

IFSR tries to make that welcome and that feeling of brotherhood even stronger by bringing together diverse individuals with two very specific common characteristics- they are Scouters, and they are Rotarians. Within the Interamerican region we have over 36 countries in which Rotary and Scouting both exist. We speak a variety of languages including English, Spanish, Portuguese, French, and Russian as well as many others. We belong to a variety of religions and have a wide range of customs, foods, and dress.

The Interamerican region is the largest, and probably the most diverse region within IFSR. We stretch from the Arctic to the Antarctic, from the Ural Mountains of Russia to the eastern shores of both North and South America. We represent 16 Rotary International zones comprised of over 12,850 clubs and more than 530,000 Rotarians. There are in excess of 6,250,000 WOSM affiliated Scouts and 3,720,000 WAGGGS affiliated Guides and Girl Scouts within our region. If we as members of IFSR could tap into just a small percentage of that manpower think of the wonderful things we could do to bring about a better world.

As Chairman of the Interamerican Region of IFSR, I hope to do something to bring those resources to bear on the many problems which we as Rotarians and as Scouters see every day in our region and in the world. In order to accomplish that, we need to get better organized, we need to reach more Rotarians who are also Scouters and make them a part of IFSR. We need to get the message of IFSR out to every district and to every Rotary Club in our region.

Over the next few months, myself and my fellow officers of the region will be formulating goals and objectives for our organization. Already, some of us have met among ourselves and with the International officers and have begun work on a number of programs mentioned elsewhere in this newsletter. I would encourage you to support the initiatives instituted for IFSR by our World Chairman David Judge. Both the Crimea Scout base project and the Brownsea Island project are more than worthy of our support. The Centennial 2007 project proposed by David to have each Rotary District sponsor two Scouts- one from their own district and one from a developing country - to participate in the 100th Anniversary 21st World Scout Jamboree is a project worthy of our attention and our efforts. Scouters include adult supporters and members of Scouting past and present.

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I have already begun to open up avenues of communication within the region by establishing an IFSR Interamerican Region website at- <http://www.jerseycityrotary.org/IFSR/> so that we can easily and quickly share resources. Please look over the materials currently available on the website and make suggestions for additions and improvements. Share your success stories of joint projects between Rotary and Scouting by submitting them to me, and I will see that they are disseminated through our newsletter and through the website.

IFSR is your organization, and it is up to you to make it work and to make it a valuable resource for Rotary, Scouting, and for you and I as Scouting Rotarians. I congratulate and thank our past officers for their enormous efforts and contributions and I ask all of you to work with me and with my fellow officers to move IFSR forward to even greater things in the future. I look forward to hearing from and working with all of you. I may be contacted in any of the following ways: e-mail JJMSR@LSFCU.ORG fax- 201_659-7627, phone 201 659-5394, or mail LSFCU, 660 Newark Ave., Jersey City, NJ 07306, U.S.A.

Check Your Mailing Label

Your Label will show your current dues status. Any delinquent members at year's end will have their membership dropped for non-payment. Please stay current. We value your participation!

IFSR Needs Your HELP at The Brisbane Convention

If you are planning to attend the R.I. Convention in Brisbane. We need your help to promote IFSR. Please contact one of the IFSR listed officers on page four.

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During this meeting many different matters of our fellowship was focused also we had a report from the IFSR Thailand Chapter Chairman, PP. Niels Colov. He expressed how the membership of IFSR could grow in Thailand and how important he felt it was to create more purpose of membership in IFSR.

After the Jamboree a new structure for IFSR is now developing. In cooperation with the District Governors of the 4 Rotary Districts in Thailand (3330,3340, 3350, & 3360) a District Representative of IFSR is appointed in each district and later every club will be asked to appoint a Club representative of IFSR.

A bi-lingual (Thai/English) IFSR publication will be printed and distributed to all Rotary Clubs in Thailand once or twice a year, to promote our fellowship and encourage more Rotarians to join as members. At a Joint-District Conference in March 2003 IFSR Thailand Chapter will organize an exhibition booth and speeches to the conference by Niels Colov and other leading IFSR-Thailand members will promote our fellowship. The goal is to have a total of more than 50 members of the fellowship in Thailand before the next World Conference of Rotary in Brisbane, Australia.

Rotarians to meet during Baden-Powell Fellowship In Copenhagen, Denmark September 11-14, 2003

For the first time in the history of a World Scout Foundation Baden-Powell Fellowship, the Scout-Rotarians will meet for a breakfast meeting Saturday, September 13th during the Foundation's activities.. Under the leadership of Honorary President of the Foundation, H. M. the King of Sweden will present B-P Fellowships to those who are supporting the Foundation.

Scouting Rotarians will meet for breakfast and Jergen G. Rasmussen, Chairman of the European Scout Foundation (a fellow Rotarian from Lenzburg, Switzerland) will be the keynote speaker . His presentation will feature "Scouting- an new born Scouting – in Eastern Europe". Ted Olson will coordinate the physical arrangements for IFSR. Don't miss this opportunity to meet with your fellow Scout Rotarians. Further information at: worldfoundation@world.scout.org

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Scout camp in 1907 that was the birth of Scouting. There is an urgent need to replace the old headquarters building, combat erosion by the sea as well as planting trees. The target completion date has been advanced to 2005 to coincide with the European Jamboree 2005, which is also Rotary's Centennial. It is hoped that the Brownsea Island project may qualify as a Rotary Centennial Project. The funding requirement is Lb 500,000 (\$750,000) and every little helps. Non USA Pledges or donations should be sent to IFSR World Treasurer Brian Kimberley, 43 Hither Green Lane, Abbey Park, Redditch, Worchester B989BN U.K. -Tel 44 (0) 1527 591307. e-mail: kimbo@euphony.net

The International Scout Camp Crimea is being promoted by the World Organization of Scout Movements (WOSM) who has asked IFSR, among others, for support. Crimea International Scout Camp in the Ukraine will cater for Scouts from the Eurasia Region and from around the world.

Scouting has continued to expand in that area with young people wanting and needing Scouting's opportunities. In the area there are no appropriate facilities to act as a focal point or center. Nearby is the WOSM Eurasia office.

The location is excellent with a mild climate, national parks and the sea nearby. Centrally located at the crossroads between Asia and Europe, which will enhance the access and availability for Scouts from the Region and other countries. The Boy Scouts of America are already supporting this project. The total project budget is U.S. \$97,000.

Again all contributions or pledges will be welcome to David A. Judge, 28 Cottage Drive, Colchester Essex co28DE U.K. Tel. 44 (0) 1206 799222, Fax 44 (0) 1206 796669, e-mail david.a.judge@virgin.net

The Judge's Verdict

The 20th World Scout Jamboree held at Sattahip in Thailand 28 December to 7 January 2003 was a great success for the many young and older people there from around the world. Being both a Rotarian and a serving warranted Scouter I was fortunate at the Jamboree to enjoy my two major hobbies- Scouting and Rotary.

With my wife Christine we were honored and happy to meet many Rotarians and Scouting friends from around the world. We were delighted with the wonderful evening arranged by Plutaluang Rotary Club and express our grateful thanks to all their members. Our sincere thanks to our Thai hosts at Pattaya and the Jamboree, IFSR Thailand Chairman Niels Colov and Laddawan for their help and support during our time at the Jamboree.

Thanks also to Khanitha and Nick Sundrapakshin and their children Beer and Bua for hosting us in Bangkok and then serving on the Jamboree staff. All the young people we met were happy and friendly and got on well together- if only they could "rule the world" what a wonderful place it would be. For us it was a privilege and honor to represent Rotary International at the Jamboree and to all the many people we met we say a sincere Thank You for your friendship.

These two Judge's verdict was that the Thailand Jamboree was excellent!
Sincerely
David and Christine Judge

IFSR MEETING MINUTES AT JAMBOREE IN THAILAND – JANUARY 2, 2003

By Bud Allison International Secretary

The meeting was held at the World Bureau HQ building and since they had several meeting rooms, Shana McElroy who was working as an aide to the Jamboree coordinator, was able to arrange for our meeting. She was instrumental, also, in making arrangements for our transportation to the meeting with the Plutaluang Rotary Club reception in Sattahip near the Jamboree site.

After opening remarks by the Chairman, David Judge, each person introduced themselves mentioning their Rotary Club and District as well as any positions held. There were 27 Rotarians and guest representing 13 different clubs.

Thanks and appreciation were expressed to the Plutaluang RC for the wonderful meeting, reception, program and opportunity to meet with the local Rotary club in Sattahip. It was agreed that we present them with an appropriate plaque and our Thailand representative, Niels Colov, was instructed to handle this on behalf of IFSR.

Each group (Region) present made reports regarding their areas.

Interamerican Region : Jim Miller, recently installed as Chairman, indicated that he is just getting settled into the position, but is ready to return to US and to get underway with finding out his duties and to contact Brian Thiesen for records , appointment of area chairmen and prepare for the Annual BSA National Meeting which will be held in Philadelphia in May.

Australia-New Zealand Section: David received word from them that they do not have many members and that they are needing some stimulus to spread the word about IFSR. Possibly the World Rotary Convention this summer may be a help in bringing about membership growth and interest in IFSR.

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Thailand Section: Neils Colov reported and outlined some ways in which it is hoped that this meeting will be a stimulus for getting more members and to involve them in developing local projects such as helping units secure equipment (i.e. tents, camping gear, books, etc). He is proposing that each of the 4 Rotary Districts appoint liaison representatives and that all clubs have IFSR Representatives. This will be one of his goals for the coming year. It was agreed that for the duration of the Jamboree there would be an amnesty regarding the life member fee and give anyone signing on for LM to join under the old fee schedule of: \$120. This to be limited to those who get their dues in before the first of February.

RIBI Region: amend to - Richard Oscroft of Chelmsford Mildmay RC District 1240 told of his club's project to assign £1,000 per year towards IFSR Centennial Project to bring one Scout from a developed country and one Scout from a Third World country to camp together at the Centennial World Scout Jamboree to be held at Hylands Park, Chelmsford, England in 2007. Richard said his and the other Chelmsford Rotary Clubs would sponsor the IFSR meeting during 2007 Jamboree.

David Judge is concerned regarding the number of IFSR members that will NOT be attending the meeting in Brisbane and since we expect to have a booth and exhibit there, we need some folks to help with set-up and with "manning" the booth. We need to all make an extra effort to recruit new members as well as to secure/encourage attendance and participation by all those who will be there to aid in this fellowship project.

A request has been received for IFSR to participate in a Crimea's International Scout Center project in the Ukraine. This scout center is being built with funds being generated among many Scout groups and organizations that might be able to assist. It was agreed provisionally that we take a major role in this and so far David & Christine Judge have pledged \$2,000. Jim Miller feels his club will donate \$ 500. If each club or member would help secure some funding, it would prove to be a big boost to the project and would help Scouting in this area of the world as it once again gains as the youth program of the Eurasian Region.

Jim Miller explained that Rotary International has the program in place to assist in a designated fund area and suggested that we pursue further information and he will check into this and report back to the IFSR regarding this.

With Rotary's Centennial occurring in 2005, it is hoped that a joint project would be worthwhile and all members of IFSR will be urged to become involved.

NOMINATION OF 2003-2004 OFFICERS. In keeping with the by-laws of IFSR, it is necessary to ask for nomination of the following positions which will be acted upon at the next AGM which is in Brisbane in June. The **Chairman** (David Judge) elected for two years and can serve a third year if the membership is so inclined. The **Vice Chairman** is elected for one year increments up to three years. The **Secretary** is elected for one year increments up to three years. The **Treasurer** is elected for one year increments up to three years. The **International Commissioner** (Harold Friend for one year)

Should you have any nominations- please submit them to the Secretary who will forward them to the Chairman for inclusion in the business of the AGM in Brisbane. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact any of the officers. All officers take office July 1.

A group photo was taken and it is available on the web. The minutes will be posted on the web as well. Meeting adjourned with everyone committed to increase the membership and influence of IFSR within their communities and Rotary Districts!

IFSR-MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (PLEASE COPY AND SEND)

Membership year is same as Rotary year (1 July-30 June)

NEW ___ RENEWAL ___ LIFE MEMBER ___ ASSOCIATE ___

Name _____ DATE _____ Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Tel:(H) _____ (I) _____
 Email _____ Rotary Club _____ Rotary Dist. _____ Classification _____
 Positions held _____ Scouting History _____

Present Scouting position (if any) _____

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MEMBERSHIP: New \$25.00/L17 (includes blue tie and pin (s&h) Renewal= \$20.00 or L12 or \$25 (for all others). Associate Member= \$20.00 or 12 or \$25 (for all other). Life Member=\$200 (US) -may be paid by Credit Card indicate card type _____ Number _____ Expires _____ Signature _____

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