

WHEEL AND WOGGLE

News and Views of The Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians R.I.B.I.

CONGRATULATIONS

TO DAVID AND CHRISTINE JUDGE ON THEIR RECENT MARRIAGE.

DAVID WILL ALSO BE DISTRICT GOVERNOR DISTRICT 1240 NEXT YEAR.

TO BRIAN KIMBERLEY ON BECOMING WORLD SECRETARY TO THE INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP OF SCOUTING ROTARIANS.

Brian will continue as Secretary to the R.I.B.I. Branch for a while but would welcome offers from anyone who would like to follow in his footsteps.

WELCOME

TO ALISTAIR CAMPBELL FROM CUMBRIA WHO HAS JOINED THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE THIS YEAR.

TO THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:

David Pugsley	Exeter	Victor S Hart	Portslade and West Hove
David J Peter	St Albans Priory	Michael J Steeley	Hitchin
Grahame J Woodward	Derby South	Anil K Bakshi	Derby South
Rodney J Keighley	Pudsey	M Geoffrey Fry	Ferndown
Eric R Gill	Brighton	Jack Bennett	Burgess Hill and District
Mike Burr	Brighton		

THANKS

To Subrahmanyam Ganish whose term of Office on the Executive has now come to an end, but will continue to serve as a member of the Fellowship.

GREETINGS

To Past R.I. Director Paul Santens who is setting up a new Branch of the Fellowship in Belgium.

CALLED TO HIGHER SERVICE

Robert Busbridge, Kingston on Thames
Rev. R. Snowsell, Langport and Somerton

FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Such a lot has been happening in the fellowship in recent months that this issue of the Wheel and Woggle will be devoted mainly to letters that have been received and which will tell their own story. I hope that they will provide ideas for you to adopt in your own Clubs and Districts.

Kate Dalton is promoting the new Fellowship Handbook and you may like to know that it pays tribute to the work of the R.I.B.I. Branch of the Fellowship as an example to others!

In my post bag I have received a letter from Bruce Trefz in America. Bruce is President Elect of his Club in North Carolina and would like the IFSR and Scouting to become involved in the community management of Malaria and other Mosquito born illnesses. If you or anyone in your District has expertise in this field please let me know so that I can pass the information on to Bruce. This would be a first rate project for any Club to get involved with in the coming year.

As the months race by Conferences and Conventions seem to come around with increasing speed. I hope to see many of you in Dublin or Singapore. Do come and shake the left hand - Fellowship is one of the best things about our two Organisations.

Tom Cryer.



Robert Gurney Busbridge

1901 - 1998

Bob was born at Thames Ditton on the 24th. September 1901, only eight months after the death of Queen Victoria. At the age of nine he became a Scout, commencing what was to become a lifetime of service to Scouting.

Bob started work in the drawing office at the Varioplane Co. in Surbiton Park Terrace at 2/6d. (12½p.) a week. Although the company failed it is amazing that it was endeavouring to manufacture variable geometry wings to improve lift at different air speeds, only about six years after Blériot had flown across the channel!

He moved to the Sopwith Aeroplane Co. in Canbury Park Road for 14/6d. a week, clocking in at 6.00am. Bob's mechanical gifts were soon recognised by transfer to the experimental department, spending his lunchtimes in Canbury Gardens watching Harry Hawker test flying up and down the river. Sadly he became allergic to the dope used to tension the canvas and had to leave.

Next came a spell with the Zenith Motor Cycle Co. at Molesey and later with the Ministry of Munitions Inventions Dept. at Ember Court.

Bob later became a fitter with a company which bought, reconditioned and resold printing machinery. The owner, John Burt was joined by his brother Bill and the company, John & Wm. Burt Ltd. of which Bob was later to become Managing Director moved to the Caledonian Road. Faced with the depression and a thin order book Bob took on selling and found himself at the renowned Leipzig Fair.

He went on to teach himself German, and frequently returned to Eastern Europe leaving Warsaw in 1939 - in his words - "*by the back door as the Germans arrived at the front.*"

In 1933 he married Edith May Hawkes and purchased their newly built house where Bob lived for the rest of his life, and where, as he would have wished, he died. Bob and May's son Roger was born in 1935.

Bob joined the Rotary Club of Islington in 1941 and became its President in 1954. The Company moved to 153 London Road, Kingston in 1967 and at the age of 67 Bob joined the Rotary Club of Kingston upon Thames in February 1968, his Senior Active classification being 'Printing Machinery Manufacturing'.

Throughout his service in Kingston Club he undertook various activities. He was Club Secretary in 1974/75, but is perhaps best remembered for his sixteen years of meticulous work as Secretary to the Membership Committee. In 1985 that service was recognised by the award of a Paul Harris Fellowship.

Bob helped to found the Kingston Probus Club whilst continuing to serve within Scouting and in his Masonic Lodge.

FRIENDLY REMINDER

I do /do not have a record of your sub
this year !

I could be wrong !

LIFE MEMBERSHIP
SUBSCRIPTION TEN TIMES ANNUAL SUB
CURRENTLY £75.00

SUBSCRIPTIONS 1998 - 99

Members are reminded that Subscriptions for Rotary Year 1998-9 was due 1st July 1998. Please send your Cheque for £7.50 to the Secretary to avoid the expense of further reminders when subs are due.

Members joining after 31 March 1998 are covered for 1998/9 and need not take any further action.

Rtn Alan Sandall sends this letter as an idea you may like to use in your District



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October 25, 1998

Dear President

Do you know about the International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians? My name appears in the District Year Book as the contact. So now, presuming your mailbag is easing, I am doing just that.

So many Rotarians have been Scouts, or as parents have been keen workers to help the Movement. Yet, so often the truly incredible good work it achieves with volunteers, all charged-up to give service, is taken for granted.

That is rather sad, especially when leaders these days have to cope with so many extra tasks normally expected of parents, and raise funds, on top of leading their Scouting activities.

I feel there are many opportunities for Rotary to help. Most of these can and will go unheralded but are important. It is especially possible if you have Rotarians who would like to help, perhaps "Put something back" in gratitude for Scouting's help to them when they were youngsters.

A classic situation arises now. From each county a small band of Scouts, chosen after intense competition, are off as Ambassadors to join other countries' Scouts at a World Jamboree of 35,000 in Chile, leaving on Boxing Day. Think of Rotary and how we choose and spend funds to send our ambassadors on Group Study Exchanges. For Scouts this is one big exchange from all parts of the world — a once in a lifetime experience.

Is your club helping a chosen Scout to get there? Has your club plans to invite one of them to speak when they return and tell you something of what happened? I know that Dorchester Casterbridge has that fixed.

I have, personally, the wonderful satisfaction of knowing that two Sea Scout patrol leaders of a troop I was running in Gibraltar enjoyed a World Jamboree-experience and have since both been President of the Rock's Rotary Club.

Would any of your Rotarians like to join the Fellowship? It has a simple ambition: to promote and publicise "Scouting Today" among Rotarians and Rotary to Scouting; support Scouting activities; and, provide opportunities for like-minded interchange. Perhaps we could meet up when Somerset holds its own annual jamboree — then you see good things of today's youth.

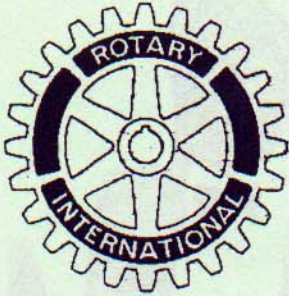
I have membership forms, so write, phone or fax. Joining fee is £25. Every member receives free a tie with the Rotary Scouting emblem, as seen at the top of this letter, and a Wheel and Woggle newsletter at intervals. That tie alone produces friendly left-hand shakes. The sub is £10 per year. Alternatively there is a one-off £75 life membership.

Thank you for reading my letter and, hopefully, passing on the invitation.

Yours in Rotary and Scouting

Alan G Sandall

WEBB SITE. I have located some information about IFSR from a Webb Site :-
<http://www.ushometown.net/ScoutingRotarian/>
Editor.



ROTARY CLUB OF ST ALBANS PRIORY
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Sunday 26 July 1998

Rtn K Edwards
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Dear Keith

Bulgarian Scout project

Please accept my humble apologies for the delay in acknowledging your letter of 2 July, with enclosed cheque. As you can imagine, life has been quite hectic in the past two weeks.

The Youth Camp has now finished and what a fantastic time was had by all. No less than 29 people aged between 14 and 22 took part and all of them came from the former Soviet empire. As you know, we had five scouts from Bulgaria, including one young lady. Their team had been put together by their national organisation and several of them had been part of the Jamboree, which Watford VSU had visited in 1996. Two of their team came from Sofia and one each came from Varna, Yambol and Sliven.

They were hosted by Watford VSU in their first week here and treated to outings, sightseeing etc and Watford VSU hosted a campfire for the Bulgarians and several of the other foreign visitors. The second week was spent at a residential centre, a base from which to try their hand at abseiling, archery, canoeing, climbing, horse riding, orienteering, potholing, sailing, shooting and windsurfing. The weather even improved enough for them to go gliding!

In addition to the Bulgarians, through a very circuitous route, I was able to get two Scouts from Hungary into the visiting team. Furthermore some of the activities took place at the famous Phasels Wood campsite, owned and operated by Hertfordshire Scouts.

I had hoped that this camp could be a golden opportunity to bring together two great international organisations, Scouts and Rotary, both of which are struggling financially in the Eastern bloc but this has exceeded my wildest expectations.

IFSR promises at the early stages "galvanised" local Rotary Clubs into supporting our Air Fares appeal, which raised nearly £7,000 in total, thus enabling many young people to come to the UK who would never have dreamed of such an opportunity. During the past 18 months I have been following my Rotary Dream and it has delivered a fantastic success. Many thanks to all at IFSR who helped to make this possible.

KEN SCOTT

August 1998

To: All Rotary Recreational and Vocational Fellowships Officers

Dear Rotarians:

By now many of you have had a chance to review the revised publication *Rotary Recreational and Vocational Fellowships: A Handbook (729)*. The new format is designed to offer assistance to Fellowship officers and district chairpersons, with suggestions on administration and promotion of the Fellowships.

The *Handbook* also includes the criteria for recognition with the changes approved by the RI Board of Directors in November 1997. Although Fellowships which were in existence prior to November 1997 were approved on the basis of the old criteria, RI requests each Fellowship to bring itself into accordance with the new standard. Of particular concern to the RI Fellowships Committee is ensuring that each Fellowship include membership representing at least three countries; establish a slate of no less than three officers; and publish an annual roster of members.

One gratis copy is being sent to every Fellowship Chairperson. Additional copies of the *RRVF Handbook* are available from RI Order Services (☎ +1-847-866-4600; 📠 +1-847-866-3276) for US\$2.00 each. I encourage each Fellowship officer to purchase a copy for reference.

To further the promotion of the RRVF program, the RI Fellowships Committee has recommended that each Fellowship create its own promotional pamphlet. Opportunities to distribute this type of brochure include RI conferences, conventions and presentations. Since each Fellowship has a different focus, this is a chance for you to advertise the unique character of your group. Once your Fellowship has created it, you will find it an invaluable tool for recruiting members and publicizing your activities. Enclosed you will find some suggestions for creating a basic, inexpensive brochure.

As always, please contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding the Rotary Recreational and Vocational Fellowships program.

Sincerely,



Kate Dalton, Program Coordinator
Intercultural Programs and Recognition Section

cc: 1998-99 RI Fellowships Committee
William Boyd, Liaison Director

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October 29, 1998

Dear Fellow,

FRIENDS OF SCOUTING UK

I am writing to you to introduce myself as the recently appointed Friends of Scouting UK Co-Ordinator.

Friends of Scouting UK was set up in September 1997 with the aim of linking ex-Scouts and supporters of the Movement together. Unlike the Scout Fellowship, we are a non-active club with an emphasis on keeping members in touch with the Movement through regular newsletters rather than events and activities.

In the past, however, some Friends have indicated that they would be interested in becoming more active in Scouting. As a result, we have been happy to pass on their details to their local Scout Fellowship with many getting involved at County and District level.

Since Friends of Scouting UK was launched, we have gained almost 500 Friends, which include Chief Scout, George Purdy, politician and author, Lord Jeffrey Archer, television game show host, Bruce Forsyth OBE, British golfer, Ian Woosnam and HM King Constantine of Greece.

In September this year, we launched a fundraising initiative for Groups, Counties/Areas and Districts. In an attempt to increase the number of Friends and also raise funds for Groups, we have asked Leaders to help us recruit members by displaying information and encouraging their friends, family and other contacts to join the club. For each Friend they recruit, the Group will receive a proportion of the subscription fee. For example, with each one year membership of £20, £10 is donated back to the section of Scouting. For every five year membership of £100, £20 is donated back to the section, and for every life time membership of £500, £100 is donated back.

If you have any queries or would like further information regarding Friends of Scouting UK, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0171 590 5166 or alternatively you can write to me at the above address.

Kind regards,



Katie Moore
Friends of Scouting UK

PS This letter has been approved by David Shaw, the National Scout Fellowship Chairman and has been sent to you as the contact for your Fellowship. If any of your details shown on the address label are incorrect, please send details of the changes to John Haseler, Applegarth Sappercombe Lane, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham, Glos. GL53 8LY or telephone on 01242 224874.

RIBI FELLOWSHIP OF SCOUTING ROTARIANS

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 1998

MEMBERS CONTRIBUTIONS

£958.00	Annual Subscriptions, ties etc.	£1,337.50	
	Life Members	£450.00	£1,787.50
£125.00	Charity Donations		£75.00
	Bank Interest		£35.15
<u>£1,083.00</u>			<u>£1,897.65</u>

PAYMENTS

£85.00	RIBI Conference Stand	£138.88	
	International Fellowship	£126.00	
	Charity Payment-		
£113.00	Wheel and Woggle" News Letter	£182.50	
£234.00	Postage and Stationery	£129.88	
<u>£1,332.00</u>	Ties	<u>£529.53</u>	
		£1,106.79	
	Charity Donations		
	Bulgarian Scout Camp (District 1260)	£175.00	£1,281.79
<u>-£249.00</u>	Excess Income over Expenditure		<u>£615.86</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH JUNE 1997

CURRENT ASSETS

	NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK		
	Society Reserve Account	£1,535.15	
£1,869.00	Current Account	£507.03	£2,042.18
<u>£1,426.00</u>	Less Sundry Pre Payments		<u>£2,042.18</u>

Represented by

ACCUMULATED FUND

£1,675.00	Balance at 30th June 1997		
	Paul Ungar Memorial Fund		£125.00
	RIBI Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians Fund	£1,301.32	
	Excess of Income over Expenditure	£615.86	£1,917.18
<u>-£249.00</u>			
<u>£1,426.00</u>	Balance at 30 June 1998		<u>£2,042.18</u>

G K Edwards F.S.C.A.
 Hon. Treasurer
 23 July 1998

WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING YOU AT THE
R.I.B.I. CONFERENCE DUBLIN 8TH TO 11TH APRIL 1999
R.I. CONVENTION SINGAPORE

I.F.S.R. AGM Singapore 14th June 14 30 Hours Room 308

NOTICE OF R.I.B.I.Branch A.G.M.

The AGM of the Rotary Scout Fellowship RIBI Branch will take place at 2pm at NEC BIRMINGHAM at THE METROPOLE HOTEL following the R.I.B.I. ASSEMBLY on Sunday 25th April 1999.

A warm welcome to all Rotary Recreational and Vocational Fellowship officers.

Allow me to introduce myself; I am Colin Dodds from Australia, your Chairman for 1998-99. I am sure we are all looking forward to it being a great year under the leadership of President Jim Lacy. Please feel free to liase with me, Kate Dalton, or Michele Berg by letter, phone or fax. Should you have any information you consider of interest to members do not hesitate to advise and we will endeavor to promptly answer your queries.

I am also looking forward to meeting as many of you as possible at the Singapore Convention and will be arriving on 11 June 1999. Of course, you are aware of the booths available for display of our respective Fellowships. More and more members are taking advantage of these and other fellowship activities taking place at the International Convention. Information for reserving booth and meeting space will be sent out in September. I hope you and your fellowship will take full advantage of this excellent recruiting opportunity.

I would very much appreciate your comments and suggestion for the Convention and/or various RRVF promotional efforts around the world. Please address your replies to either me or Kate Dalton. With your assistance, I anticipate an active year and an outstanding Convention.

I look forward to further communications in the next monthly mailing.

With my personal best wishes,
Colin Dodds
Chairman, RI Fellowships Committee
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