WELCOME BY THE CHAIRMAN

Happy New Year! Welcome to the WHEEL and WOGGLE the first of a series of Newsletters for Members of the International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians in R.I.B.I. As many of you will know the organisation of the Rotary Scout Fellowship in these Islands has passed to a new group and in the coming months we will aim to PROMOTE the Fellowship amongst Rotarians, PUBLICISE Scouting Today amongst Members and Rotary to Scouting, SUPPORT Scout Activities in Britain and Ireland and UNDERTAKE development projects for Scouts in less fortunate parts of Europe.

We hope Members will take the ideas set out in the Newsletters and encourage Rotarians in their Clubs and Districts to help with them.

Finally it is hoped that ALL Members will "Do Their Good Turn" for the day and recruit more Members into the Fellowship. Remember all that is necessary for membership is a belief in the worthwhile nature of Scouting and a link - however tenuous from a County Commissioner at the one end of the spectrum, being a former Scout, if only for a few weeks, a parent or supporter to "helping an old lady cross the road" as a simulated Scouting Good Turn at the other.

The more people who join the more publicity and support Scouting will gain and the more funds will be available for Scouting uses.

As a Member you have the right to wear the Fellowship tie, embracing the badges of both Organisations, to know what is going on in Scouting today, to have a link with kindred spirits when you travel around R.I.B.I. or the World, to meet up at the R.I.B.I. Conferences and the R.I. Conventions and to know that you are doing something to promote Scouting where it is most urgently needed or where it is in the front line of International Community Service.

Chairman Tom.

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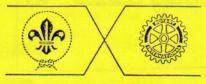
Into Membership

It is with very great pleasure we announce that the Chief Scout of Britain and Ireland Mr Garth Morrison has willingly consented to become an HONORARY MEMBER of the International Fellowship Of Scouting Rotarians.

The President of Rotary International, Britain and Ireland, Mr Noel Fryer is an old Scout and has joined the Fellowship.

At a ceremony at the Leverton Day Celebrations of District 1060 in Birmingham President Noel received his tie and demonstrated his public support for our work in front of approximately two hundred Rotarians from all parts of the District.

President Noel and Rotary Director John Kenny, also a Member, will both be at the R.I.B.I. Conference in Bournemouth and we hope that both will make a point of wearing their Scout Fellowship ties. If you have ever wanted to speak to your R.I.B.I. President or a Rotary Director but haven't known how to start a conversation why not try..... "Hello I see we have both been Scouts".....



ROTARY SCOUT FELLOWSHIP

INTERNATIONAL PROJECT ONE

SUNRISE CITY CAMPS. CROATIA - BOSNIA

Information has reached us about a programme that has been operating in the Countries of former Yugoslavia by Members of the CROATIAN SCOUT ASSOCIATION.

Having killed an estimated 20,000 children and left 15,000 others with such severe injuries that they have had limbs amputated, the war in the Countries of the former Yugoslavia has left thousands of other children homeless, many others have seen one or both of their parents killed and all have been cruelly robbed of the innocence of their childhood.

Each year about a dozen Camps have been organised for these children. At each Camp about one third of the participants are traumatised children, with the remainder being Croatian Scouts.

It is the older Scouts who run the programme and help the non Scouts integrate into this new experience. After a few days one cannot tell the two groups apart.

The results are wonderful and closely monitored by an "expert group" consisting of child psychologists and other professionals who measure all of the participants development.

The traumatised children enjoy the Camp so much that many of them have become Scouts.

Over 700 children were helped in this way during the Summer of 1995 and these Scout Camps are providing hope and new lives for these children affected by war.

The safety of the children is paramount so the camps are situated far away from ares affected by war. Croatia is easily reached and transport is good within the Country.

Funds are in desperate need for the 1996 programme as it costs about £120, to provide a two week place at the Camp for a traumatised child and eight months of follow up activities.

The Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians would like to support as many of these of these children as possible and Members are asked to bring this to the attention of their Clubs and especially their International Committees.

INTERNATIONAL PROJECT TWO.

RUMANIAN ORPHANAGE SCOUT APPEAL.

In 1991 as part of the Rumanian Orphans' Eye Appeal Janice Woodroffe, a Nursery Nurse from Leicester went to Rumania and eventually ended up at the Boys orphanage in Bustini where she linked a number of the orphans with Leicester hospitals who made possible eye surgery in this Country.

Returning to Rumania as a follow up Rosemary Jennings and her friends went back to Busteni Orphanage and thought it would be a good idea to set up a Scout Troop at the orphanage.

Rosemary contacted the Leicestershire Scouts who donated second hand items of Scout equipment which was taken over by lorry at Easter of 1995.

The Orphanage now boasts a Troop of 14 Scouts and they have received an invitation to attend an International Camp at Belvoir Castle in June 1996.

Whilst arrangements will be made for equipment in this Country it will still cost £300.00 per person and half of the sum required to get all 14 Scouts to Camp in Leicestershire has been raised or promised.

THERE IS A SHORTFALL OF £2100.00 TO GET ALL THE SCOUTS TO THE CAMP AND THE INTERNATIONAL SCOUT FELLOWSHIP HAS BEEN ASKED TO HELP.

Members are asked to bring this project to the attention of their Clubs and in particular to their International Committees.

FUNDS RAISED SHOULD BE SENT IN THE FORM OF CHEQUES MADE PAYABLE TO "R.I.B.I. SCOUT FELLOWSHIP" AND SENT TO THE TREASURER KEITH EDWARDS - 19 CHESTNUT DRIVE, ERDINGTON, BIRMINGHAM B24 0DN. FOR ONWARD TRANSMISSION TO THE CROATIAN SCOUTS OR THE RUMANIAN SCOUT CAMP PROJECT (PLEASE STATE WHICH).

INTERNATIONAL SCOUTING TODAY

INTERNATIONAL JAMBOREE

From time to time in these islands Scouts from one County get together and invite Scouts from other Countries to join them for a Jamboree. They camp together in fellowship, often making friendships which last a lifetime.

The Scouts and Guides from Essex are planning a Jamboree for over 5'000 participants at KIRBY-LE-SOKEN near to Colchester from July 27th to August 3rd. 1996.

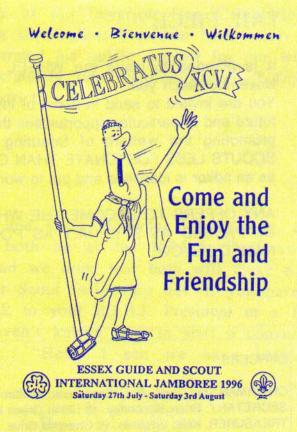
The programme to be called CELEBRATUS XCV1 will have a Roman theme and activities will include abseiling, archery, canoeing, horse riding, pioneering, sailing, surfing, and swimming, together with campfires and International Festivals.

Every Rotary Club in District 1240 has been invited to support the sponsorship of a canvas House of Friendship and arrangements for this are in hand.

MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP OF SCOUTING ROTARIANS ARE INVITED TO CAMP OR CARAVAN AT THIS EVENT FOR ANYTHING FROM ONE NIGHT TO THE WHOLE PERIOD OR SIMPLY TO CALL AND SEE SOMETHING OF INTERNATIONAL SCOUTING TODAY.

David Judge is an Executive Committee Member of the Rotary Scout Fellowship and will be in charge of arrangements and you are invited to contact him for more details at his home - 28 COTTAGE DRIVE, COLCHESTER, ESSEX CO2 8DE or by telephone on 01206799222. David will be delighted to hear from you.

Chairman Tom and Barbara hope to be on site with their caravan during the event. Do call, the kettle is sure to be boiling.



R.I.B.I. CONFERENCE BOURNEMOUTH

SEE YOU THERE !

The 71st Conference of R.I.B.I. will take place at the B.I.C. Bournemouth from the 11th to the 14th April 1996.

The Rotary Scout Fellowship will have a display in the House of Friendship in the Purbeck Hall promoting Scouting today and the Rotary Scout Fellowship

All Rotarians but particularly Members of the Fellowship are invited to come along and make themselves known. Members bringing Rotarians wishing to join the Fellowship will be particularly welcomed!

Any Member of the Fellowship who could spare an hour or two is asked to advise Secretary Brian Kimberley as soon as possible so that a rota can be established. This is an opportunity in the Conference to take the weight off your feet and to meet some interesting and friendly Rotarians. Remember - a stranger is simply a friend that you haven't yet met.

On Saturday 13th an opportunity will be provided for Members of the Fellowship to get together and share ideas for developing the work between our to Organisations.

This is planned to take place at 4pm for one hour maximum after the group sessions.

IT WOULD BE NICE TO SEE YOU THERE!

TAIL PIECE

It is planned to issue the WHEEL AND WOGGLE in March, June and November each year.

You are invited to send in items of interest about Scouting, past, present and future and in particular opportunities that might exist in your Club or District for promoting the welfare of Scouting or OPPORTUNITIES FOR HELPING SCOUTS LESS FORTUNATE THAN OTHERS to the Chairman until such time as an editor is identified and put to work!

ANY OFFERS TO BECOME THE WHEEL AND WOGGLE EDITOR SHOULD BE PASSED AS SPEEDILY AS POSSIBLE TO ANY OF THE OFFICERS NAMED BELOW.

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