

WHEEL & WOGGLE

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The Newsletter of the RIBI section of the
International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians

"Being Involved"



Derek Pollard

addressing the 2001 AGM, when he outlined the exciting proposals for the centenary celebrations in 2007.

IFSR can have a major role - see report on page four

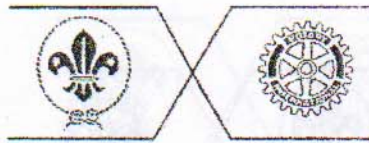
The majority of our Members renew their membership of IFSR each year. A larger number each year join the Life member category. I presume the reason for this renewal is the wish to remain involved. How many times do we hear the expression "I would like to be involved in that"? "Would like" is sometimes replaced by "want" or "should" or even "don't". It is usually a personal decision. Although sometimes we join with a group to express our feeling.

We are Rotarians first, and to enrich our Rotary life by the experiences of our other great "involvement", Scouting, have joined in the International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians. How this is achieved is difficult to set out. However, many of you send us details of your experiences where Rotary and Scouting have been involved together to further a cause. So it does work.

When my period of Chairmanship commences in October, I will be setting us all a target of being "involved" in at least one activity or role where Rotary meets Scouting. There are many opportunities already recorded but we need new opportunities to be created. Involvement will not just happen, we need to use that Scouting skill of keeping our eyes open.

I would also like to build on the idea already being practiced in some Districts: Local membership events, meetings or just reunions to involve Members in activities relevant to their Scouting or Rotary areas. More about this soon. Please don't hesitate to contact Tony Freeman or myself, if you have any ideas too.

Brian Kimberley



PROFILE OF THE TEAM

continued from Summer 2001 edition

David Judge

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Currently IFSR World Vice Chair, takes over from Harold Friend in July 2002. He is Group Scout Leader of 17th Colchester (Royal Navy recognised group 52) Sea Scout Group and a Past District Governor of District 1240. Well known to those making travel arrangements to Jamborees etc.

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Rising from a Wolf Cub in 1940 to President of South West Birmingham District, via 35 years as a professional as well as a volunteer in the movement. Tom was Assistant, then County Secretary until his retirement. In 1992 Tom was President of The Birmingham Rotary Club and is currently DGN of D1060. He has served as Chairman of the RIBI branch of IFSR for four years.

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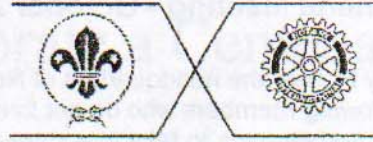
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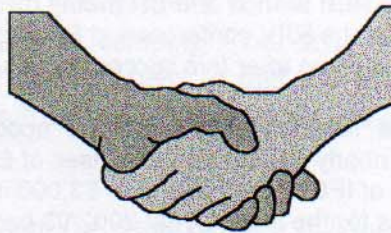
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INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP



OF
SCOUTING ROTARIANS

Welcome to the following new members who have joined since the last edition



The Revd. Peter Jennings Rotary Club of Baldock, Herts D1080

Peter was first a Cub, then a Scout, rising to Chair, Barking & Dagenham Scout Assn. and Chaplain to the Royston District Scout Assn.

Arthur Tyrrell Rotary Club of Witham, Essex D1240

Past service since 1938 includes Scout, Rover Scout, followed by Leader in Cub, Scout and Venture Units, then 20 years as Group Treasurer.

Relocation - don't forget to tell us if you move home, change to cable 'phone or change e-mail address. We would also like to hear about any promotion in your Rotary and / or Scouting career.

What do YOU think?

Would you wear a
sweatshirt / polo shirt
which discreetly incorporates
the IFSR logo?

we want to hear **your** views.
contact Ken Scott on 01582 768597

**Are you attending
RIBI Conference?**

If so, can you spare some time to
help man the IFSR stand?

Just one hour would help

Contact Tony Freeman
on 07860 584164

Annual General Meeting - October 2001 - highlights

The meeting was held at Rotary House, the headquarters of Rotary District 1130, London on a Saturday lunchtime, thereby allowing members who do not live locally an opportunity to make a weekend of the visit to London and perhaps to take in a show in the West End. Before the formalities commenced, IFSR member **Bill Lapham**, a former DG of D1130 told us a little of the history of the building.

Chairman **Tony Freeman** presided over the meeting which was attended by 15 members and partners. Apologies were received from another 10 members, altogether quite a high proportion of our membership.

Tony outlined the activities of the RIBI branch of IFSR during the past year, including representation at various district conferences and the RIBI conference at Bournemouth. A special tribute was paid to **Brian Kimberley**, who is stepping down after five successful years as RIBI Branch Secretary.

Treasurer **David Astin** presented "independently examined" accounts for the year ended 30 June 2001. These showed receipts of nearly £1,200 and expenses of £300 but we still owe £631 for our liability to the world organisation of IFSR. We have over £3,000 in the bank. Members were reminded that IFSR subscriptions for the Rotary year 2002/03 had previously been agreed at \$20 (or \$200 for life membership). 50% of these monies goes to the international organisation and 50 % is retained by the RIBI Branch.

Membership was noted as 28 Life Members and 95 annual members.

Tom Cryer and **David Judge** reported on events at the IFSR AGM in San Antonio (see report in the last edition of Wheel & Woggle - Ed)

Officers for the Rotary year 2001/02 were affirmed as

Chairman	Tony Freeman
Chairman elect	Brian Kimberley
Hon. Secretary	Ken Scott
Hon. Treasurer	David Astin

In the absence on any nominations from the membership, the existing Committee was re-elected.

The RIBI proposal for nominations for RI Fellowship offices 2002/2003 was confirmed as

Chairman	David Judge
Treasurer	Brian Kimberley

David Judge reported further progress on the proposal to celebrate the centenaries of Rotary in 2005 and Scouting in 2007. It is hoped to obtain major publicity at the 2002 RI convention in Spain.

The next AGM will be held in October 2002 at either Rotary House or Gilwell Park (the editor would love to hear from members if they have a preference, before arrangements are finalised.)

After the formal business, **Derek Pollard**, Chairman Scouting 2007 gave an entertaining and informative address about the extensive plans for the centennial celebrations which culminate in Jamboree 2007.

How do we celebrate a Centenary of Scouting?

Derek Pollard CBE, Chairman of Scouting 2007 Ltd,
shared some of the company's ideas and proposals at our AGM last October

One of the overriding objectives is to make everyone in the movement feel personally involved, so there will be activities for all of the young people and their leaders.

Here in the UK, from April until October there will be a programme of events on Brownsea Island, including a demonstration of camping - old style in 1907 and comparing this with camping - new style in 2007. There is a need to find a large sum of money as the site needs considerable improvements. Can Rotary Clubs help with this project? Pump priming finance is needed for architects' fees, etc.

Activities will be held up and down the country but it is hoped that everyone will be camping somewhere on 1st August 2007. **At sunrise on that day all Scouts throughout the world are invited to renew their Promise.** Using modern communications technology, it is hoped that Scouts worldwide will link to watch the Sunrise Ceremony as it spreads from country to country.

At Gilwell Park there will be activities throughout 2007 and everywhere there will be special events on St George's Day and particularly on Founders Day (which, in 2007, will be the 150th anniversary of the birth of Robert Baden-Powell.)

As we all know, the 21st World Jamboree will take place in the UK at Hylands Park in Essex but the UK will also be hosting a number of other events with historic interest in this country. With up to 50,000 people expected to attend the 2007 Jamboree, events will be staged at various "Starburst" venues within 30 minutes drive from the main site. The European Scout Jamboree in 2005 will see the site used by up to 15,000 European Scouts and this will provide an excellent opportunity to put the 2007 plans to the test.

The cost of attendance at Jamboree 2007 is likely to be about £2,500 at current prices. (The RIBI Branch of IFSR is already spearheading a major worldwide project to assist overseas Scouts who would not otherwise be able to meet this cost.) The World Scout Committee hopes that the Jamboree will have 100% representation from all countries where Scouting exists, a feat never before achieved.

Remember **One Promise, one World**

For more details visit www.scoutbase.org.uk



ALLAN'S DREAM IS COMING ALIVE



Rotary donations worth over £28,000 have helped Past District Governor Allan Jagger to realise a dream of providing Scouts with a brand new centre.

The West Yorkshire Scout Centre at Bradley Woods at Brighouse was Allan's main project during his year of office and during this year the new £275,000 building will be handed over to the Scouts. A lottery grant of £163,000 and other donations helped to fund the ambitious project which will also be used by Guides, Brownies, Beavers and the local community.

The training / conference room is the hub of the centre and this room will bear Rotary's name as the main private donor. Allan, who is Chairman of the fund-raising committee, is still seeking donations to fit out the centre and several Rotary Clubs have already promised extra funds to complete the project. Allan praises the support he received during his year. "Without the help of Clubs in this District the lottery grant could not have been accessed," he said.

The centre and the surrounding 42 acres of woodland would be ideal for Rotary activities such as Rotary Youth Leadership Award and it is hoped that Group Study Exchange teams could also use the facility for training sessions and residential weekends.

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Recruitment? No problem - just ask!

as illustrated by a letter received from David Shaw

reprinted with his permission

From David Shaw - Rotarian - Windsor and Eton
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Dear Ken WHEEL AND WOGGLE

Thank you for your recent letter. You ask for news. I would like to tell you how I recently became a Rotarian through Scouting.

Each year Windsor and Eton Club organise a Town Fayre. They invite local organisations to take part and fundraise for their own charity. They wrote to me as the local Scout Leader and Assistant District Commissioner Scout Fellowship. As we were fundraising towards our trip to Kandersteg The World Scout centre in August we decided to take them up on their kind offer and have a free stall. I also decided to take out a small advert about my own business in their Fayre's programme and also placed details about the use of our Scout HQ for Children's parties etc.

I knew very little about Rotary and its work. I just thought it was a club for Top local Businessmen. I was aware that The Chief Scout George Purdy and Miles Kinchin ex National Chairman of The Scout Fellowship were keen Rotarians.

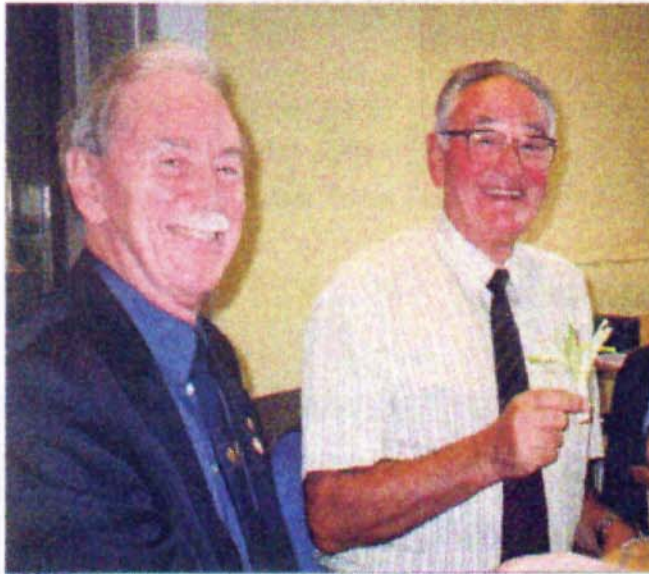
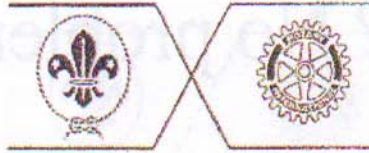
I was then approached by the Rotarian responsible for the programme to ask me if my Scouts would deliver the programmes around the Town on the day of the Fayre. In uniform of course we obliged and then subsequently I was invited to lunch to receive a thank you for our help. They realised that I was also a local businessman and was known to some of the members already. My father in Law a retired policeman from Windsor was also known to a number of members too and so my wife has subsequently discovered some family friends from her past.

I was invited to join Rotary and I am now helping to try to recruit one new member a month. I feel I am one of many businessmen in Scouting who would like the opportunity to be invited to join Rotary and participate in the wide range of activities which, I had no idea Rotary was involved in. Scouting and Rotary sit so well together and the link should be so strong. I have also discovered another Scouting Rotarian in the Club who I didn't know before and we are now good friends.

Good luck in Rotary and in Scouting



DAVID SHAW - ex NATIONAL COMMISSIONER SCOUT FELLOWSHIP

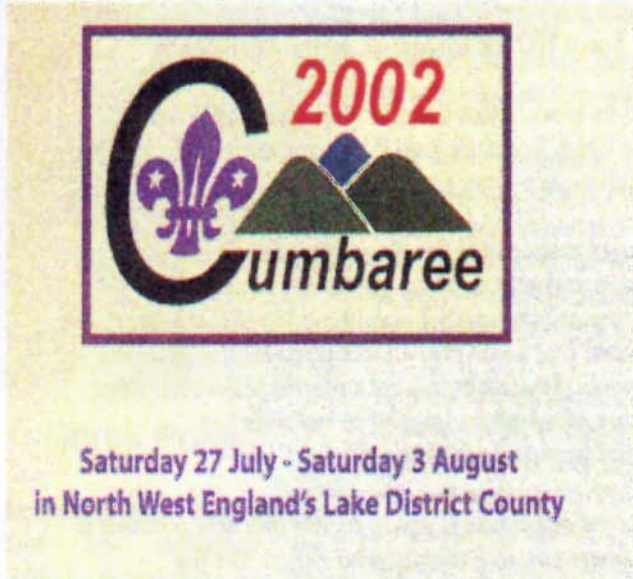


Who says Annual General Meetings are boring?

Past Chairman Tom Cryer (on the left) and Bill Lapham caught in an informal moment at last year's AGM but what is Bill holding? What is he saying?

In an attempt to encourage greater feedback from members, the editor - personally - offers a £25 donation to your charity fund for the best caption.

Advance notice - the next AGM will be held in London, on Saturday 12th October 2002 at 12 noon for buffet lunch, followed by the formal business. The venue? Have your say - see page 4



Your help needed

The committee recently agreed to help Cumbaree 2002 in a project to raise funds to assist overseas groups who might not otherwise be able to attend this year's international camp for Scouts and Guides. Rotary Clubs in Cumbria have been very supportive but they have been heavily involved with the Disaster Fund for the problems arising from last year's Foot and Mouth restrictions. Although the Fellowship does not normally make grants, we have offered £100 as a token of our support.

Can your club offer a matching grant?

Ten similar donations would double the existing fund.
visit www.cumbaree.org.uk

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