

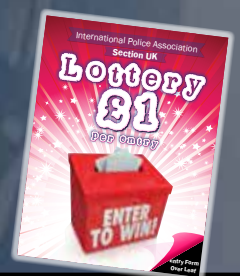
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**Cover Photo:** Pete Connolly, who was elected to the office of Secretary General to Section UK at the National Council Meeting, 2015

# Working on your behalf

**A warm welcome to the latest Police World. The deadline for material in this edition falls within a few weeks of our annual business get together, namely the National Council Meeting, which this year was kindly hosted by our friends from 9 Region. It was extremely well organised and a thoroughly enjoyable weekend albeit, as you can imagine, business came before anything else!**



This was the first time I had the honour to preside over the full meeting which saw a number of motions passed which included:

- an increased timeline for the submission of motions onto the NCM agenda in the future
- rules regarding public liability insurance
- amendments to Rule 12 with regards the lapel pin for new members
- a raft of motions around social media and event planning.

By holding the usual three meetings on the Friday beforehand – for Chairs, Secretaries and Treasurers - the NEC gained a more accurate sense of what has and is happening across the Regions. We spent a considerable amount of time during the Chairs' meeting on how we retain members, especially those who have recently joined the association - this included talking through ideas for 2016.

It is important to emphasise we need some help with our creative thinking and I know we have that ability amongst our membership so please share your ideas which I hope Regional colleagues, together with the NEC, can develop further. In the three meetings a considerable amount is discussed leading to decisions on the priority of topics to address but please be assured that any ideas put forward will be fully examined and discussed.

During the main meeting on the Saturday I facilitated a presentation entitled "Member Journey" which is aimed at rolling out a recruitment and retention initiative across all the Regions from 2016.

The Chairs from each Region will lead on this in partnership with the NEC and be pivotal as to how it operates. The plan is to roll around the Regions maximising opportunities through marketing and reviewing processes in place as to how members are engaged and, most importantly, retained. First, the preparation work is needed to ensure the right tools are in place to make this succeed and that is what I will be doing over the next few months with Regional colleagues.

Since the last edition of Police World, together with NEC colleagues, I have focused on staffing at IPA HQ. Jo Conway our customer services administrator tendered her resignation and, during June, embarked on an exciting journey running her own business, and Lee Hemmings our editor for a number of years left during March to join an advertising company.

I would like to place on record my sincere thanks to Jo and Lee who both stepped into the breach some years ago and excelled in their duties. I am hopeful by the time you read the magazine we will have announced Jo's replacement but as ever when we lose staff it gives us on the NEC an opportunity to review how we are operating for the members benefit. With that mind Lib Jones has produced this edition of the magazine so your feedback would be most welcome as we look at our options over the longer term.

Turning back to the NCM and the elections, I wish to congratulate Pete Connolly from 2 Region on his election as Secretary General. I look forward

to working with him over the next three years. Congratulations go to Sean Hannigan too on his re-election as Vice President. Sean has done an excellent job over the last year and remains the guardian of the Professional portfolio.

I place on record my thanks to our former Secretary General Dave Taylor who stood down from the role. I have said previously a considerable amount of work is undertaken by the NEC and is unseen by many members. Dave in his role worked tirelessly to ensure the Section kept running and information/enquiries were dealt with in a timely fashion.

I am not one for particularly looking back as I think the focus should be on what we are doing now and how we are planning for the years ahead. That said it is important to reflect and learn from experiences you have as this enables us all to improve to ensure that we are and continue to be A VIBRANT IPA. I trust and hope the last year during my presidency demonstrates that we are still on the RIGHT track.

Our challenge remains to find continued new, more cost effective ways to serve our members' needs. We have encouraged networking, professional development, the sharing of ideas, communication and collaboration to achieve the advancement of our Association. The NEC is and continues to listen, be visible and accessible for you.

The goal remains to help drive the Association to a new place; not because we have changed direction, but because we are moving forward together at the pace which has been agreed upon and I thank you all.

So until next time, have fun.

**Mick Luke**, President



John Bull and Graham Bulford

## Honorary Life Member – Graham Bulford

**Graham Bulford was awarded Honorary Life Membership at the 2015 National Council Meeting**

Graham joined IPA in 1988 and soon became involved in IPA activities, taking on the role of Branch Chair. He led a very active Branch and organised a super social programme. After transferring to Exeter, he immediately got involved in Devon Branch and has held various posts within the Branch and Caravan and Camping Group. Whilst on the Regional committee in 2000, Graham was on the steering committee organising the World Congress and 50th Anniversary of IPA celebrations; he remains on the Regional committee to this day. For many years Graham has organised inexpensive friendship weekends in the name of Devon Branch; these are popular with members across the IPA world and the 2014 event attracted 80 guests.

## Proof Readers

Thanks to the enthusiasm of members, the Communications Team has succeeded in finding quickly a new proof reader Police World.

Within minutes of circulating a request for an additional volunteer to help with the important job of proof reading Police World, the emails started to arrive. It wasn't long before eight members had shown an interest.

The person selected to join Carolyn Williamson, the other proof reader, was John Cooper of 9 Region. Many thanks to John and the other members who put their names forward:

## Goodbye and Thanks to IPA Staff

**Former staff members Lee Hemmings and Jo Conway were each presented with a Presidential Award.**

Lee left IPA on 20 March 2015 to pursue a full-time post with a graphics design agency. Watched by his wife Ali, Lee was presented with a certificate and crystal goblet in recognition of his exemplary service by Mick Luke, National

Mitchell Grainger, Neil Baldwin, Kathy Morris, Iain Wylie, Peverly McChlery, Tessa Adams and Patricia Green.

John takes the place of Jean Goodwin, who stood down following Edition 2, 2015 having done a sterling job since April 2010. Jean, along with Carolyn, was awarded a Presidential Award at the 2015 National Council Meeting.

## Millennium Shield



*Andy Gregory, Chair 5 Region, with the Millennium Shield. Awarded to the Region for hosting the Arthur Troop BEM birth centenary celebrations in December 2014 in Nottingham and Lincoln.*

On receiving the award, Andy said "On behalf of 5 Region, it was a real honour to accept the Millennium Shield. Having attended the event in December 2014, the award was in recognition of all of those people who arranged a fantastic celebration in Nottingham and Lincoln. Special mention must go to Norman Banfield and the Lincolnshire Branch, as well as the staff team at IPA HQ and Ronnie Dukes (NEC) for all their hard work in organising the events. The weekend was attended by 80 guests from 16 countries around the world.

It was a tremendous way to celebrate the 100th anniversary of our founder Arthur Troop and I was particularly pleased to have met Arthur's son Kevin, who was guest of honour for the weekend."

President and Mark Kernohan, Vice President at a farewell dinner.

Jo left IPA on 19 June 2015 to start her own business. On her final day, Jo received a certificate and crystal glasses in recognition of her exemplary service, before having lunch with her work colleagues.



Lib Jones, Jo Conway, Michele Rai



Mark Kernohan, Lee Hemmings, Mick Luke

# NEC News

**Congratulations to Pete Connolly on being elected as Secretary General for Section UK at this year's NCM.**



Speaking about his election success, Pete said, "I am delighted that the Council saw fit to elect me to the NCM and place its trust in me to carry out the role of Secretary General over the next three years. I am getting glimpses already of the workload that the NEC carries out on behalf of the Section UK membership and see that I will have work to do, to keep up with the company of friends and colleagues who make it look so easy. This is an exciting time for me as I am presented with opportunities to learn more about the workings of the IPA and immerse myself in more IPA activity. It has been my personal experience so far that the more I have engaged in various facets of the IPA the more I have enjoyed myself making new friends, reconnecting with old friends and enjoying new experiences by service through friendship."

**Dave Taylor stood down from the role as Secretary General, having worked tirelessly to ensure the Section kept running and information/enquiries were dealt with in a timely fashion.**



# In Memory

**Obituary - Glynn Bernard Jones – Honorary Life Member**

Glynn joined the IPA on 1 April 1960, he was then a constable in the former Herefordshire Constabulary.

In 1966 Glynn transferred on promotion to Wiltshire and soon joined the Wiltshire Branch of IPA.

He was Branch Secretary from 1967 to 1968 and again from 1973 to 1976. He was the Social Secretary from 1971 to 1973 and the Chairman from 1977 to 1988.

In 1977 Glynn became the National Hobbies and Contacts Secretary - a post he held for 24 years - and for which he was to receive a Certificate of Merit in 2003.

In 1983 he received a Regional award for invaluable service for the benefit of members and in 1992 he was awarded Honorary Life Membership.

# A Tail of Two Branches

Two Branches have succeeded in providing a full programme of events for their members during the first half 2015



**S**carborough Branch has continued to eat its way around the world with its programme of Monthly Dining Club meals. Members have also tried to lose some of the calories with a series of Monthly Walks.

Scarborough Branch Secretary Chris Charlton writes:

*The beautiful countryside walks – each one typically 4 to 5 miles long have been either cliff top walks or simple urban walks through the town.*

Members have also enjoyed meals from Turkey, India and Sri Lanka, Brazil, Italy and Great Britain. One meal was preceded by a few games of 10 Pin Bowling just to whet the appetite. At a Brazilian themed restaurant in Leeds, Branch member Della Cannings was presented with her 20 years Membership Certificate.

A couple of Scarborough Branch Members also attended the Bremen Kohlfahrt (Cabbage Festival) with members of IPA Oldenburg and IPA Bremen and celebrated the 60th anniversary of IPA Berlin (See Page 27).

The Kohlfahrt is an interesting tradition, apparently only celebrated in Northwest Germany, and an annual ritual in Bremen and the surrounding area. Groups assemble on Saturday afternoons in January or February, load up the 'Bollerwagen' (hand cart) with an assortment of local spirits and then walk through the countryside sampling the contents of the 'Bollerwagen' at every opportunity whilst also playing a variety of games.

Friday evening before the walk was spent enjoying a traditional meal of pickled herring with musical entertainment provided by a Choir. The songs were traditionally sung by local fishermen. On a cold but crisp Saturday afternoon, around 100 members and guests from IPA Bremen and IPA Oldenburg assembled before setting off on a walk. The spirits on the 'Bollerwagen' managed to keep the cold at bay. The weekend finished at a country hotel with an evening meal and contemporary entertainment all topped off

with copious quantities of Schnapps and Aquavit.

The dining club and walking group will continue for the remainder of the year and in addition, there's another trip to Germany. A group of 15 are travelling to Ludwigsburg and Stuttgart to further cement our relationship with twin branch Ludwigsburg. We also hope to have a dash on P&O North Sea Ferries to the Christmas Market in Bruges.



**T**hames Valley Branch has taken various trips. One, to the Thames Valley Police Museum triggered many memories as the history of the force was recalled by Colin Boyes, a PCSO who is the Curator there. The museum also has a lot of information about the Great Train Robbery which took place in Milton Keynes in 1963.

A trip to Whitechapel Bell Foundry proved so interesting that the Branch paid visits on two consecutive months! Visitors were taken on a tour of the building covering all aspects of the bell process including casting, tuning, polishing and the woodwork shop which displayed beautiful wooden bell wheels and some interesting memorials to previous carpenters, many who died prematurely, thought to be the result of their work. The tour also included an insight into national bell ringing habits, change ringing being an English custom, not experienced in any other country and the origin of the saying 'ringing the changes'.

During a trip to Millets Falconry, a home to eighty birds of prey including tiny burrowing owls, falcons, vultures and gigantic eagles, every member had the opportunity to handle some of the birds and to witness the agility and magnificence of the birds in flight during a flight demonstration.



John Osborne of Thames Valley Branch

An exclusive tour of the Mini Cooper production line at the BMW works in Cowley, Oxford provided a fascinating insight into robotic car production and the Branch members learned some astounding facts about the Mini Cooper's production.

Finally, the Branch organised a raffle at the Branch AGM and raised £120 for Hounds for Heroes.

The charity provides specially trained assistance dogs for the disabled men and women of the Armed forces and Civilian Emergency Services.

Both Branches organise a full programme of events and keep their members informed – pre and post event by way of regular newsletters. They provide articles for the wider membership through publication on IPA web news and in Police World. Visit: <http://www.ipa-uk.org/Regions> and follow the tab through the Region to Region News for full stories and more photos.

**Did you know? Thames Valley Branch offer a subsidy of £5 on events costing £10 - £20.**





Micheal with Vegas Heli Crew



Narcotics Raid

# We are the Cops

## an adrenaline fuelled ride

**IPA Member Michael Matthews of London North (of the Thames) Branch has found making contact with IPA members overseas leads to many positive experiences – including writing a book.**

**‘W**here do I start?’ - That’s what I was thinking as I considered a tour of American police departments.

But the answer was obvious: the IPA.

Having been a member of the IPA for over 10 years, I have always found them to be my first port of call when travelling abroad and hoping to meet foreign officers. I have been travelling regularly to the USA for as long as I have been a member of the IPA and have always sought to ‘ride’ with American colleagues on patrol – the famous ‘ride-along’ program. Over the years my travels to the USA (not to mention my membership of the IPA) have resulted in me patrolling with officers from Alaska to Maine, Las Vegas to New York, and from tiny communities to major metropolises. I have been up in helicopters, out with marine units, accompanied officers on drug raids and SWAT raids, ridden with regular uniform patrol officers, state troopers and sheriffs and even assisted homicide detectives in the ganglands of major cities.

Like most cops, the officers I rode with would always enhance my trips and experiences by telling me tales of their working lives. Whether it was about a particularly exciting or funny arrest (a burglar falling through the ceiling and landing on a kitchen table as the officer made his report, comes to mind), truly American tales of gun fights, the often unreported hardship that comes with the job or even the totally outrageous and unexpected (the story of 50 SWAT officers hunting down an escaped gorilla called ‘Little Joe’ for instance), I was always left opened mouthed and amazed at what I heard.

I recently returned once more to the US and spent a number of weeks traveling coast to coast and meeting up with and chatting to America cops about their lives. Everywhere I went, cops told me tales about their job – tales that were pure American Law Enforcement. But as well as the outlandish tales of policing America, I also learnt so much more. There are 18,000 different police

departments in the States (compared to the UK’s 51) and every year there are many, many police officer deaths. These always – and tragically – reach triple figures. 2014 saw 127 officer deaths, which is actually quite low compared to some years that have seen well over 300. But these rather grim statistics didn’t stop our US colleagues from showing me the hospitality they are famed for. For some reason SWAT officers seemed to be the keenest to show me a ‘good time’ and more than once I was left with a head full of tales as well as a headache!

But the officers were also very open to me. In Boston I met a cop who I noticed had a large amount of scarring around his face and neck. The tale he told me was both horrific but also awe-inspiring. He explained to me how he had once been part of a team who had executed a search warrant at a house where they were looking for a wanted felon. The man they were looking for was hiding in the loft and he had opened fire on the officer, shooting him four times – twice in the arm, once in the throat and once in the jaw. Obviously the officer survived but despite his serious injuries (he has a metal plate holding his voice box together) he returned to duty! And that’s the thing I have come to learn about US cops – their job is their life and they want to keep doing it no matter what.

I would encourage any IPA member to take up the opportunity to patrol with our foreign colleagues if they get a chance - whether that is in America or elsewhere - because the experience can be rewarding, eye-opening and immense fun.

As I was told by another cop in the US, ‘Where else are they going to give you a gun, a badge and a fast car and tell you to go play with ten of your best friends every night?’

The result of my own travels is a book.

**Michael Matthews,**

London North (of the Thames) Branch



Alaskan Officer

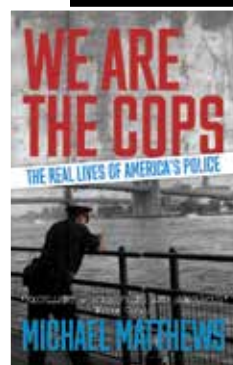


Michael in Vegas

Michael’s book - *We Are The Cops: The Real Lives of America’s Police* - is available from Silvertail Books <http://www.silvertailbooks.com/>

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# Céad Míle Fáilte

## – One Thousand Welcomes

### A roller coaster flight raised the adrenalin levels of Julian and Pauline Dearden – preparing them for the excitement of Section Ireland's Friendship Week.

As we came into land at Dublin Airport after a quick and hair-raising 30 minute flight from Liverpool my wife Janet and I wondered what lay ahead. As we soon discovered, the flight was to be the first of a number of experiences providing excitement as we joined the IPA Section Ireland Friendship Week.

Section Ireland had arranged an International Friendship Week during April to mark the occasion of its foundation 60 years ago.

On arrival at the airport we were met and escorted by IPA members, in full Garda uniform. We must have looked "under arrest" as we walked alongside the officers to the vehicle! On arrival at the 4 star hotel we were met by IPA Ireland members who gave us itineraries and gifts, an excellent welcome indeed.

That evening, prior to an excellent meal, we had an official welcome from the President of Section Ireland, Denis Dunne. Together with 76 others from Cyprus, Canada, UK, France and USA we were entertained as only the Irish can. Next day, aboard coaches, we toured Dublin, seeing most of what we expected to see and many other places we were surprised by.

After the tour we were taken to Phoenix Park and the Headquarters of the Garda Síochána, where we were invited into the Officers' Club for a welcome by Assistant Commissioner Fintain Fanning. Fintain spoke highly of the IPA and gave us a real "Céad Míle Fáilte", One Hundred Thousand Welcomes. We were then entertained by the music of the Garda Band and 'watched over' by a Garda helicopter as we made our way through the various displays. Following a hearty lunch in the restaurant at Garda Headquarters we had an excellent tour of the Guinness Brewery.

As we left the brewery there was horrendous traffic congestion. Not to be outdone a quick

call resulted in the attendance of three Garda motorcycles and a traffic car to give us a 'Cat A Escort' through Dublin and on to the motorway.

We spent the next six nights in another four star hotel in Athlone. From that base, we travelled to the old walled city of Galway, being welcomed at the Garda Club with freshly baked cakes, pastries and unlimited amounts of tea and coffee. We then had a visit to the museum, a walking tour and an excellent lunch at the club, before free time for shopping.

The programme included a welcoming Civic Reception hosted by the Mayor of Athlone, Frankie Keena. Over the days that followed, we visited some of the many highlights that Ireland has to offer accompanied by IPA guides: Athlone Castle; Sean's Bar; Athlone, reputed to be the oldest bar in Ireland; Bunratty Castle and Folk Park; Cliffs of Moher in Clare; a cruise on the River Shannon visiting the ancient monastic settlement of Clonmacnoise and Belvedere House stately home.

Of course a visit to Ireland would not be complete without a visit to an Irish whiskey distillery and Killbeggan Distillery welcomed us with open arms and full glasses!

On Friday, delegates representing their respective regions of IPA Ireland arrived in Athlone for their National Congress and closing banquet. Many national and international guests also arrived (see inset) including the International President Pierre-Martin Moulin (Switzerland).

The banquet was a fabulous affair with an attendance of almost 350 people. This provided the perfect setting to say our farewells. We know the memories will stand the test of time - a truly memorable experience and a hosting that the Irish are famed for.

**Julian Dearden**, Cheshire Branch



Assistant Commissioner and Julian Dearden



A Warm Welcome

### At the kind invitation of Section Ireland's National Executive Committee and President Denis Dunne, Mick Luke and his wife Sara visited Section Ireland's National Conference & 60th Anniversary Celebrations.

In attendance with Mick was Vice President Mark Kernohan together with Mandy, Chair of 2 Region (Northern Ireland) Carole Spence together with Andy and International Executive Board members including Stephen Crockard with Dianne (from Northern Ireland).

The conference itself saw Denis Dunne re-elected as National President and a number of new people were elected onto a now smaller NEC.

On behalf of Section UK Mick congratulated all the members of the NEC on their election and presented Denis with a number of gifts. His speech detailed the special friendship between the Sections Ireland and UK which has developed over the years.

Carole also gave a gift to the Section from all members of Region.



Mark Kernohan, Carole Spence, Stephen Crockard, Mick Luke, Declan Bryne, Demetris Demetriou

At Group HQ





# In Another Part of the Field

The drama of laying to rest the bones of King Richard III was witnessed first-hand by Leicestershire Branch member Eddie Smallwood. Here's his story.

In 2002, I retired from Leicestershire Constabulary after 33 years as cadet and constable. I had an interest in the 'Wars of the Roses' and the Battle of Bosworth, which was fought about a mile from where I live, so I applied to become a battlefield tour guide at the Bosworth Battlefield Heritage Centre.

As one of eight guides employed to take members of the public on tours around the battlefield, I explain all about the Battle of Bosworth, how it was fought, who did what, where and when.

Following the discovery of the remains of King Richard III under a car park in Leicester in 2012, another lengthy battle took place through the courts as to where he should be laid to rest, with Leicester finally being chosen as the final resting place.

Once the decision had been made, plans for a fitting ceremony commenced, culminating in the fantastic re-interment ceremonies that took place during the last few days of March this year. These were attended by thousands at various locations in and around Leicester and watched by hundreds of thousands more around the globe via broadcasts from one of the numerous television companies.

On Sunday 22 March, I was proud to play a small part of these once in a life time series of events which marked the life and death of the last King of England to lead his men into battle and lose his life. I was just one of a team that work at the battlefield centre who were involved in putting on a fitting and remarkable service to remember Richard and all those killed in the battle 530 years ago.

A ticket only audience of about 2,000 people were allowed to watch as the cortege, which had visited locations connected with the battle arrived at the centre, before the coffin. This was made by a descendant of the King and contained King Richard's remains; it was placed on a hand pulled bier and taken to the top of Ambion Hill, the highest point of the heritage site for a short service.

The atmosphere on the day was amazing. The crowds of people were all keen and happy to be there and it was a pleasure to deal with a happy crowd of people. Everyone had to be brought to, and taken from, the site by bus so the logistics, staffing, communications and procedures were very similar to dealing with major public events when in 'the job'. From early morning, the whole area around the centre was in 'lockdown' as roads around the site were closed, a one way system put in place and double

decker buses transported ticket holders to the site, ready for the service.

The event was completed with dignity and respect and was enjoyed by everyone present. There were stalls selling food to the audience, as well as lots of re-enactors in costume who had set up camps and demonstrated crafts and skills to the audience. People of all ages and from all over the world became a part of the history of our country.

This was a unique event to have been a part of, with so many unforgettable images. At the end of the week long events, thousands of people had visited the battlefield centre, and even more interest has been generated about the battle, the guided walks and many other activities we provide.

Anyone interested in visiting the Bosworth Battlefield Heritage Centre can find more information on:

<http://www.bosworthbattlefield.com/>

**Eddie Smallwood,**  
Leicestershire Branch



Photographs courtesy of fellow guides Dave Webster and John Whitehead

# IPA House Feature

The Johann Rissik IPA House, South Africa

By H (Vossie) Vos, President

IPA South Africa



**History has its own significant way and means of leaving us with great memories of the past and, in hindsight, with the fascination of coincidence. The legacy of the past directly links the Johann Rissik IPA House situated in Pretoria to the history of two neighbouring cities in the Gauteng Province of South Africa, namely Pretoria itself and Johannesburg.**

During 1986 and exactly 100 years after the founding of Johannesburg in 1886, Johann Rissik House was, through the initiative of Johan du Plooy, the then Secretary of the IPA Jacaranda Region (Pretoria) obtained from the then Transvaal Provincial Administration for the purposes of establishing an IPA House. Following major renovations General Hennie de Witt, the then President of IPA South Africa and National Commissioner of the SA Police Service on 27 May 1988 unveiled the Johann Rissik House as an official IPA Guest House.

Johann Rissik House, situated in the suburb Arcadia, is approximately 3 km's from the Pretoria City Centre. It is walking distances away from the Union Buildings, Loftus Versveld – an internationally renowned rugby stadium and various embassies. The House is a 30 minute drive away from the Oliver Tambo International Airport. In Hatfield, 5 minutes away from the Guest House one can access the Gautrain, a mass rapid transit railway system in Gauteng Province, which links Johannesburg, Pretoria and the O.R. Tambo International Airport.

The house has 9 rooms, lounge with TV, a fully equipped kitchen for use by guests, a bar facility that is open 7 days a week. It has a communal BBQ/Braai area with a lapa (thatched building). Personnel live on site and are always around to assist guests.

The Johann Rissik House, named after a founder of the City of Johannesburg still stands unique to itself and 29 years in the hands of the IPA continues to offer affordable accommodation to IPA members and lives up to its legacy that has been cast in the history of this Country.

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#### More on the history and coincidence of the Johann Rissik IPA House

To the North of the Gauteng Province lies Pretoria, founded in 1855, also known as the Jacaranda city. With its thousands of Jacaranda trees, it serves as the executive (administrative) and de facto national capital of South Africa. Cape Town is the legislative capital and Bloemfontein the judicial capital. To the South of the Province and only 55.28 km/34.35 miles from Pretoria, lies Johannesburg – the commercial hub of South Africa.

The finding of gold in South Africa during the late 1880's lead to mass migration of gold hunters from across the world to an area just South of Pretoria and resulted in establishing a new 'settlement' that would become the commercial hub for all of Africa. This was officially founded

in 1886 as Johannesburg and named after two officials of the then Zuid-Afrikaansche Republiek (ZAR) namely Christiaan Johannes Joubert and Johannes Rissik. They were both land surveyors and it is widely believed that the two men combined their common names 'Johannes' and then added 'burg' - the archaic Afrikaans word for 'fortified city' - hence Johannesburg.

With his legacy now linked to Johannesburg, the legacy of Johannes Rissik moves north to Pretoria...

In 1891, Johan and Miemie Rissik moved to Pretoria and settled into their new home on a 20 acre holding at 655 Park Street, 'Clydesdale', named 'Linschoten Huis' after the village of Linschoten in Netherlands where Rissik's father was born.

In 1910, with the founding of the Union of South Africa, Johannes Rissik was appointed as the first Administrator of the then Transvaal Province, a post he held for seven years. In 1924, with the exception of the north east portion of the original estate, Johannes Rissik sold 'Linschoten Huis' and then on the corner of Park and Minni Streets he built his new house – 'Rissik House'. Following his death during August 1925, his wife Miemie stayed on in the house until her death in 1947.

#### Other IPA Houses in South Africa

IPA House - Ben Stevens Guest House, Rossburgh, Durban, South Africa (Kwazulu-Natal Region)

Gamka House Beaufort West, South Africa (Western Cape Region)

Timour Hall Villa, Cape Town, South Africa (Western Cape Region)

Timour Hall Villa, Cape Town



#### Many thanks to IPA member William Hughes for sharing some information on the IPA House in Lisbon.

William, a member from Hertfordshire writes, "In March this year my wife and I spent a weekend in Lisbon and stayed at the IPA House. This was the first time I have used an IPA house.

It was very clean and adequate for our needs, although I recommend a travel kettle as there are no 'tea making facilities' in the room. There were no admin staff working at the weekend, so our keys and paperwork were left ready for us. I found the staff (mostly bar/kitchen staff covering functions for the Portuguese Police) very helpful, albeit their English was limited.

Getting there is difficult by public transport; I recommend using the Metro which is easy to navigate; take the Blue Line towards Amadora Est getting off at Colegio Militar/Luz. You need to go right to the very last exit where the buses are. To the right of the station walk about 500 metres along Avenida Colegio Militar to a shopping mall called Fonte Nova and the house is about 50 metres on the right (flags outside). Once you get to know the area you will find the house ideally situated for exploring Lisbon."

#### Visit

<http://www.ipa-iac.org/content.php?pageId=2> for a full listing and details of all IPA Houses.



Visit to the local Ice hockey champions (MMKS Podhale) in Nowy Targ. Left to right Craig (UK), Garry, (Polish IPA friend) Kevin, Justin (UK) and Matty (IPA Poland)

# Servo Per Amiceko

## Kevin Silver experiences 'Service Through Friendship' on a return trip to Poland

During 2014, Loreen Glenn from the Police Service of Northern Ireland and I were selected by Section UK to attend Warsaw as guests of the Polish Police to celebrate their 95 years jubilee celebrations. Whilst there we met some great people from all over the world and especially from the host country of Poland.

One friend made during the visit was Aneta Sobieraj, an IPA member of Section Poland. Aneta heard I was to visit Poland again to ski in Bialka with friends and suggested I should make contact with the IPA representative for the area who she knew (Mateusz Kapolka).

In an email to Mateusz I explained I was visiting the area with non-police friends and it would be great to simply say 'hello'.

Mateusz had other ideas! He arrived at our accommodation with another friend, Robert, who could speak very good English and we were soon in their cars being driven high into the mountains where we met with other local officers to share a beer and a glass of Vodka before being driven in a Police Landrover high up to the truly spectacular and beautiful "Mosskie Oko" (Marine eye) which is recognised as one of the world's most beautiful lakes.

Following a walk on the lake (frozen solid) and an impromptu snowball fight we all enjoyed drinks and cake together in the mountain restaurant and I was genuinely overwhelmed by the gifts that Mateusz had brought to give me as a guest to his region.

Mateusz took us to the local ice hockey rink in his home town of Nowy Targ where we were allowed special access to meet the championship winning team, visit the trophy room and meet the players.

After that visit we walked around his home town for sightseeing, ice cream and drinks before being invited into his home to meet his lovely family.

Throughout the visit the hospitality shown to us all by the local IPA members was so welcoming and I thank "Matty", his colleagues, friends and family for making this visit to Poland so special and I consider Matty to be a friend.

I now fully understand the phrase 'Servo Per Amiceko' which appears on the IPA logo and the often used phrase 'yours in friendship' as we really do have friends all around the world.

**Kevin Silver**, Cornwall Branch



Matty introduces his UK guests to the local champion ice hockey team MMKS Podhale



Visit to Morskie Oko (Marine eye) in the Tatra Mountains Poland. Back L to R (Visiting from the UK) Seb, Justin, Joel, Craig and Jarrard. Front L to R Kevin with Matty.

Nowy Targ is so proud of the local ice cream, there is a statue celebrating it!



# IBZ Gimborn



Participants at the Islam Seminar, Gimborn May 2015

**IBZ Gimborn is one of the Jewels in the IPA's crown. Sean Hannigan, Vice-President of Section UK, holds the professional portfolio which includes Gimborn and has been associated with this International Seminar Centre since joining the IPA some 17 years ago. Sean gives an overview on what Gimborn has to offer.**

The Seminar centre is set in the small German village of Gimborn about an hour away from Cologne. The fantastic setting of Gimborn Castle along with its fabulous grounds makes it an ideal location to enable Police Staff and Police Officers from all over the world to come together and enjoy a unique learning experience.

Section UK offer support of up to £200 which covers the majority of the participation fee of 285 Euro for UK participants. Visit the IPA website [www.ipa-uk.org/Gimborn-About](http://www.ipa-uk.org/Gimborn-About) to find information on Seminars and how to claim the £200 and eligibility. Some branches and Regions also offer some help with travel costs to Gimborn.

The Seminars are set out so you experience around 7 different speakers from across a wide spectrum of practical, social, academic and policing experiences; the speakers are usually experts in their field. There are few other policing

associated educational places offering such a rich and dynamic experience. There is the opportunity to go on a field trip related to the Seminar.

What makes Gimborn unique is the opportunity to share experiences with colleagues from all over the world and from all levels of the Police Service. Although most learning takes place during the presentations it is over meals that other learning, equally valuable, takes place. The atmosphere in Gimborn is one of the best you could experience as an IPA member. You also get the opportunity to cement friendships made at previous Seminars and make new ones. It is commonplace to develop those friendships and indeed progress them to visits to other countries.

Gimborn is planning to offer in 2016 a number of Seminars in English on subjects such as Sexual Violence, Travelling Criminals, Cyber-Crime, Islam

and Islamism, Football Violence, Road Policing, and Protecting the Protector. Details will be released later in the year.

I would like to thank all those IPA members who suggested topics as well as speakers for the Seminars. If you would like to be considered as a Speaker at Gimborn then why not join the Police Educators Special Interest Group (SIG)

[www.ipa-uk.org/Section-UK-Police-Educators](http://www.ipa-uk.org/Section-UK-Police-Educators)

I am keen to ensure that all IPA members can enjoy Gimborn as participants and speakers. I would also welcome more retired members to Gimborn so that you too can experience what Gimborn has to offer.

**So what are you all waiting for?  
Please enjoy Gimborn soon and come back  
and tell us all what it was like.**

**Sean Hannigan**, Vice President



The Imam provides an insight to the life of a Muslim and the Mosque

**Barrie Last attended Gimborn in May, participating in the Seminar entitled 'Islam and Islamism – History and culture of a world religion between everyday life and extremism'. This is his account of the seminar.**

**A**s a 65 year old, retired officer since 1998, my only regret after attending the IPA Gimborn centre is that I did not take advantage of the facility when I was a serving officer. The opportunity would have aided my personal development and enabled me to meet and make friends with so many other colleagues from overseas law enforcement organisations.

The seminar provided me with much information about Islam, Islamism and some aspects of extremism. There were a number of very interesting speakers from different German educational institutes, the Metropolitan Police and from amongst the participating students as well.

The Metropolitan Police speaker, Kyle Hardcastle, an IPA member, outlined the United Kingdom's strategy for dealing with terrorism and provided a very interesting outline of the offenders responsible for the 2005 London tube and bus bombings and the tragic death in 2013 of Lee Rigby of Royal Regiment of Fusiliers. Participating students also discussed cartoons published by a Danish newspaper in 2005. All speakers were well briefed on their subjects and were extremely professional in their delivery to the seminar.

Mid-week the seminar participants visited a Mosque in Cologne and received a detailed presentation by the Imaan on the life of a Muslim and the Mosque. For me personally this was an eye-opener as to the complexities of the religion, the devotion of the individual Muslims and the different interpretations between the sectarian schisms within Islam.

The education continued with a detailed

presentation the following day by Professor Doctor Udo Steinbach, the retired Director of the German Oriental Institute, Berlin. During the presentation we learned of issues related to Islam in Turkey and Iran and in part some of the effects that this has on sections of the Muslim population in Germany.

One of the interesting facets of attending an 'international' course is the opportunity to see different subjects from the viewpoint of other nationalities, cultures and religions; both from within the scheduled sessions and also informally out of the lecture rooms.

With nearly thirty participating students from nine different nations including the UK, Cyprus, Denmark, Ireland, Greece, Italy, Slovenia, Sweden, and New Zealand there was no shortage of sources of information.

Travelling to Gimborn permitted me to incorporate my love of motorcycling and provided an excuse to ride to and from the seminar through France and Belgium. Four days were spent riding through some lovely countryside including the beautiful Eifel Forest in Germany and Ardennes region in Belgium.

The seminar also incorporated some evenings 'socialising' in the Turmbar at Gimborn and a very interesting evening tour of Cologne kindly provided by a local German Police officer, who is an IPA member and licensed tour guide.

A prime motivator for me personally attending the seminar was to cover the gap in my knowledge of the Islamic religion. The presentations and discussions fulfilled my personal need and have initiated me to undertake further studies. The best part of the seminar though was meeting such a nice friendly group of interesting people, with different personalities, work experiences and international backgrounds. I would recommend other UK IPA members both serving and retired to consider attending the Gimborn seminars – you will not be disappointed.

**Barrie Last**, Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire Branch

**International Learning & Development Exchange Programme (ILDEP)**

**H**anna Weith is a Police Officer and member from Baden-Wuerttemberg in South West Germany. Earlier in the year, she spent a week working with the South Wales Police Youth Offending Service (YOS) at Bridgend and Cardiff.

The visit was intended for Hanna to gain valuable experience in the preparation of her Bachelor Degree Thesis on the road towards possible promotion to the rank of Inspector.

The week included working with the YOS Court Officer, attending Case Conferences, a team improvement workshop and liaison with the Victim Offender Mediation Worker.

Speaking about her week, Hanna described it as a wonderful experience and extremely beneficial for her professional development.

Sean Hannigan, Vice President overseeing ILDEP, is pleased to continue to support Iain Sirrell, the programme's National Coordinator. Section UK is the only Section which offers this unique member benefit to broaden professional experience.

**For more information on ILDEP, visit: [www.ipa-uk.org/ILDEP](http://www.ipa-uk.org/ILDEP)**



Hanna Weith



Rebuilt Bridge in Mostar



Dubrovnik group photo



Gala Dinner Musicians

# Crème de la crème

**Linda Bailey nearly missed out on the Friendship Week organised by Section Croatia. Fortunately, a last minute inquiry resulted in a place on a Friendship Week that proved to be “one of the best ever organised.”**

Some time last year I noticed the Friendship Week advertised on the web and decided I really would like to attend. However, I didn't get round to paying my deposit and realised I must have missed out. However, at the beginning of February, I wrote to the contact, Vlaho, and was thrilled to find that a spare place had become available. It wasn't long before I realised that I would already know some of the members going from the UK but decided to keep it a surprise until we met at the airport (as we obviously would, as the only flights going out to Dubrovnik, all left around 6.00am). However, an eagle-eyed Canadian saw my email address amongst the emails and so someone knew I'd be there!

Meeting at Gatwick was fun, even for that time of the morning, and after an easy flight, we were met by the local police and coached to Hotel Albatross, just a short journey from the airport in Cavtat. We all had a chance to settle in and explore the area before all getting together for a welcome drink. There was a total of 46 of us from Spain, Canada, America and France as well as the UK.

On 26 April, after a substantial buffet breakfast, we were taken into Dubrovnik and enjoyed a guided tour of the walled city before taking the cable car up the mountain and seeing it from above. Before looking round the museum, we

met one of the heroes of the Homeland War who told us how frightening it was and how luck played a part in their victory. We were very lucky with the weather and had clear views of the whole area. Some of us decided not to wait for the coach back to the hotel and Vlaho's wife Ana bartered with a speed boat owner to take us back via the sea.

The next day we began a full day of visits to Ston, Orebic, Korcula, Domince, Vineyard Matusko and Trsteno. Ston was amazing as it had its own version of Hadrian's Wall, keeping any marauders away from their plentiful supplies of salt which used to have the same value in gold. Then on to the ferry to take us over to Korcula and some free time to look around a very pretty island. It also struck me that the water all around was so clear that you could see everything below and around us. We took the ferry back to the mainland and at the next stop we had to do a wine-tasting session! After one more stop, we headed back to the hotel.

We awoke on the next day to a very grey day. Our coach took us over the border into Bosnia Herzegovina and it helped that Vlaho is the Chief of the Border Police! We drove through some amazing countryside before arriving in Mostar. There was still shrapnel and bomb damage throughout and the famous bridge has been rebuilt. By the time we'd had lunch and the

chance to look around the shops, we headed back in still-grey skies.

The following day the sun shone for our day trip to Montenegro. We passed through Karasovici, took the ferry from Kamenari and then drove along the coast to the famous hotel of Sveti Stefan. It is a 5\* Hotel on a peninsula where the celebrities go for some R & R. It wasn't opening until 1 May so we were able to have a tour round. We continued the trip via Budva, Kotor, Perast and Debeli Brijeg before heading back to Cavtat.

After four days of sightseeing, we had a lie-in on Thursday and explored the village around the hotel. After a leisurely day we all met up and were coached to Poljice, Konvale for our Gala dinner. Entertainment was a three piece band of double bass, guitar and accordion. After a delicious meal, presentations took place before a sing-song amongst us all.

1 May is a National Holiday for Labour Day and most of us set off for the port of Dubrovnik and climbed aboard a galleon for a trip around the Elefanti Islands of Lopud, Sipan and Kolocep. A police boat escorted us out and we enjoyed some hot sunshine, a good lunch and the chance for a swim. It really was a fabulous way to spend our last day.

**Linda Bailey**, New Scotland Yard Branch



Dubrovnik from the Mountain



Part of the wall at Ston

# Croatia



Galleon

St Stefan Hotel



# National Council Meeting 2015



**On Saturday 6 June 2015 Section UK held its National Council Meeting (NCM) at Theobald's Park Hotel, Cheshunt, Hertfordshire. This was preceded on Friday 5 June when separate meetings for Regional Chairs, Secretaries and Treasurers took place at the same venue. It was a productive weekend, hosted by members of Region 9, giving everyone a chance to contribute to the future wellbeing of our Section.**

On Friday afternoon, three separate meetings were convened. President Mick Luke attended the Chairs' meeting, Treasurer Fred Boyd with Michele Rai, Business Operations Manager, and I attended the Finance Sub Committee meeting and Vice Presidents Mark Kernohan and Sean Hannigan attended the Administration Sub Committee meeting. Secretary General Dave Taylor had tendered his apologies for the weekend. These meetings are an important part of the process of advancing the business of the Association and allow debate and discussion preceding the main annual NCM Council Meeting.

On Saturday, the NCM was well attended with all Regions fully represented. In the absence of the Secretary General, Council agreed to allow Stephen Crockard, Assistant International Secretary General to hold a vote. However it was agreed that he would not be allowed to vote at the elections that were due to take place. Stephen sat alongside our International Guest Willie Maye from Section Ireland.



Stephen Crockard, Assistant International Secretary General (left) and Willie Maye, Section Ireland

President Mick Luke opened the NCM. A minute's silence was observed to reflect on those members who are no longer with us. After this it was down to business and debate and to discuss the items on the agenda.

Each member of the NEC took to the floor and addressed the Council with their annual reports. They reflected on the past year, gave some updates and put forward their views for the future. President Mick Luke gave an inspirational presentation.

While the NCM was underway on Saturday, non-delegates and guests had the opportunity to visit the nearby countryside.

## President's Address



Mick Luke, National President

Mick Luke's address, using film titles as a theme, highlighted his observations on the status of IPA here in the United Kingdom and his vision for the future. Titles included The 'Good' 'Bad' and 'Ugly', The Three Amigos, National Treasure(r), The Lone Ranger, The Firm, Back to the Future, II and III, & Remember the Titans. He shared his concerns that it was good to recruit new members but it was important to retain members too. He concluded by reminding everyone about A VIBRANT IPA.

## Report of Treasurer Fred Boyd



Fred Boyd, National Treasurer

Various points were highlighted from his report.

- although there was a slight deficit on the accounts, there was confidence about the future;
- interest rates are not as good, but investment opportunities are still being sought;
- encouragement for everyone to take part in the National Lottery, so far £1,600 had been given out as prizes;
- there was necessary but unexpected repairs required at IPA HQ.

## Report of VP Mark Kernohan



Mark Kernohan, Vice President

In addition to the report given, Mark also encouraged members to submit their applications to be involved in International Commissions; reported that as of 1.6.15, 7,533 members were now on email; recommended that we stay with the current website provider and gave an update on the Housing Strategy.

## Report of VP Ronnie Dukes

In addition to my report, I announced details of the national photographic competition with the theme of 'Iconic United Kingdom; and sought the support of an 'IPA's Got Talent' style event that could be launched. I later mentioned that I was looking at ways to record memories from members that could be recorded for posterity.

## Report of VP Sean Hannigan



Sean Hannigan, Vice President

In addition to his report, Sean provided additional information about Gimborn, highlighting his concerns regarding the number of participants, despite the generous subsidy that was on offer; talked about budget; made a special thanks to Iain Sirrell ILDEP organiser; and threw down the



gauntlet to anyone that had been to Gimborn to recruit a new member.

**Debate and Discussion**

The majority of the motions put forward by the National Executive Committee (NEC) were to protect the integrity of the Association in light of modern technology and the use of social media. All of its motions, some subject to amendments were unanimously carried.

**A motion by Region 5 to reduce the qualifying number of years, for someone who leaves the police service, to become a member was defeated.**

Proposals included:

- A change to election procedures for NEC posts, NEC members giving additional advance notification if they choose to contest another NEC post, this would also give advance notice to potential candidates for the vacated post.
- 56 days' notice now to be given for items for the NCM agenda. All motions to be justified and any financial implications explained.
- Extraordinary membership may be granted to the spouse of a deceased member by their branch for endorsement by the Secretary General.
- New members will receive a pin badge once their first membership payment is paid.
- Any activity, other than meetings being organised on a Regional / Branch or Special Interest Group basis shall be notified prior to the event by means of the Events board on the Section UK website. This will ensure that they are covered by a national policy of Public Liability insurance. Information submitted will be used to promote these events.
- That all social media accounts opened utilising the IPA brand and / or logos should conform to the agreed format as agreed by the Admin Sub Committee.
- That all social media accounts opened utilising the IPA brand and/or logos should be administered by two committee members and one other member from another Region or NEC.
- That all social media accounts opened utilising the IPA brand and / or logos should not have uploaded onto the sites any IPA documents or parts thereof.
- That all social media accounts opened utilising the IPA brand and/or logos should not have uploaded onto the sites any personal comments with regard to other members, committee members or IPA decisions or actions.
- That all IPA events held within Section UK where a monetary profit over £100 is made from the event that if not already agreed at a meeting beforehand, it is taken back to the next full NEC, Region, Branch or SIG meeting to be determined by the members present what the profit should be used for.

- That all IPA events held under the umbrella of the Section that occur outside Section UK, outside of a Region or an event that the NEC consider could have a potential significant or reputational impact on the IPA must have an organising committee of at least 2 people in place for that event.
- That all IPA reports and minutes must be marked "confidential" on each page and not passed on to unauthorised persons.
- NEC proposed that a policy is developed to provide guidance for outside business interests. It was agreed that the policy will be devised by the Admin Sub Committee during 2015.
- 5 Region proposed that the current membership qualification for Section UK of the International Police Association of 5 years' service be changed to 3 years' service for those who have left or leave the Police Service prior to the requisite time served and therefore are eligible to membership in their own right. This was defeated.
- The report of Phillip Powell, National Archivist was accepted by Council.
- The report of Bob McCormack, London Reception Officer was accepted by Council.

**'Member Journey' – a presentation by President Mick Luke**

Mick reflected on the past year or so and talked about recruitment and retention. He put forward a plan that would involve all office bearers being engaged in improving procedures within our Association, supported by the NEC, with ideas for implementation for a great membership experience, thus retaining all of the members that we recruit.

**Presidential Awards**

Mick Luke indicated that he had previously presented Lee Hemmings, former editor of Police World with a Presidential Award. He also announced that Presidential Awards were being made to Jean Goodwin and Carolyn Williamson, both of whom had been involved in proof reading copies of Police World.



Mick Luke presents Presidential Awards to Derbyshire Branch Secretary, Sean Murphy...



and Regional Chair John Bull – for a future presentation to Jean Goodwin and Carolyn Williamson

**Millennium Shield**

This was awarded to Region 5 who hosted the Arthur Troop BEM birth centenary celebrations in December 2014 in Nottingham and Lincoln. It was acknowledged that this was a team effort and attracted local dignitaries and members from home and abroad (see page 5).

**Honorary Life Membership**

Several nominations from throughout the United Kingdom had been received for consideration for Honorary Life Membership. There was only one awarded and it was to Graham Bulford, Region 7. Region 7 Chair, John Bull, accepted the award on Graham's behalf and made a personal presentation to Graham at a Branch event on 23 June (see page 5).

**Date and Venue of Future National Council Meetings**

2016 – 2 Region. Carol Spence gave information on next year's NCM in Northern Ireland. This was enhanced by a video presentation. There have been early indications that the venue will prove very popular.



Carole Spence (centre), Chair Region 2, and her team look forward to hosting the 2016 NCM

**2017 – 3 Region.**

**2018 – 1 Region.**

**2019 – to be decided.**

**2020 – 11 Region.**

At the end of the proceedings the IPA Anthem was played. Mick Luke thanked everyone for their participation and closed the meeting.

In the evening, everyone enjoyed some sunshine before taking part in the dinner dance. Gifts were exchanged between Mick Luke and Willie Maye, Section Ireland. Entertainment was provided by a live band. A raffle was held for charity and details were also announced for a raffle / ballot being organised by Region 9, to win a prize of a visit to Le Mans (See page 2).

# National Council Meeting 2015



Ellie Warren (centre), wife of IPA Region 9 member Gary John Warren, makes an impromptu performance during the dinner dance

The weekend was a credit to the organising team in Region 9 and included Sav Kyriakou, Neal Brand, Zoe Howard, Pearl Devonshire, John Hutchins, Tom Reilly, Gail Cotton, Mike Hall, John Purnell, David Whitelegg, Martyn Linton, Garry Warren, Chris Cowell, Garth Minton and Linda Bailey.

During the weekend, Martyn's mum Verine Nicholls provided photography.

Many thanks to Verine Nicholls, Photographer



Sav Kyriakou, Chair Region 9 with organising team members Zoe Howard (left) and Pearl Devonshire (right)

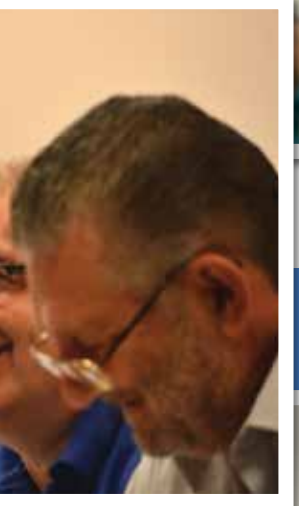
The weather was very kind too. Due to this, the planned evening meal on the Friday night was hastily changed to a barbeque, allowing everyone in attendance a chance to enjoy an informal evening in the sunshine and catch up with old friends and be introduced to some new friends.

**Summary of NCM 2015 by Ronnie Dukes, Vice President.**



Ronnie Dukes, Vice President





# Growing Collection

**IPA Section USA member David Peller is a keen collector of IPA Section pins or badges and seeks help from Section UK members in growing his collection.**

David also collects miniature badges and helmet plates from police all over the world and if necessary, is happy to trade. He has bequeathed his collection to Gimborn and is keen to establish a history of all regions/branches.

IPA members should contact David direct on: [L.E.Pins@erols.com](mailto:L.E.Pins@erols.com)



**Michele Rai, Business Operations Manager for the IPA Section UK, has negotiated a fantastic deal for IPA members.**

Section UK members can now receive 10% or 20% discount on accommodation booked through PH Hotels, Four Pillars Hotels and De Vere Venues. The offer is still valid even if members are booking on to a location/date that has already been discounted. It is also valid on Advance Purchase bookings – which have also been discounted by 10% - so members get a 20% discount.

IPA Section UK members can find out more, including the promotional code, by following this link: [www.ipa-uk.org/PH-Hotels-Four-Pillars-Hotels-and-De-Vere-Venues](http://www.ipa-uk.org/PH-Hotels-Four-Pillars-Hotels-and-De-Vere-Venues)

Harvey Whittam of Thames Valley Branch presenting a bottle of Arthur Troop Centenary Whisky to Koki Oshiman, Section Japan, during a visit to Kyoto in 2014.



# Danes with Hammers

**Members of IPA Section Denmark received help and hospitality from IPA members in London – prior to and during a trip in March 2015.**

Martyn Evans, Secretary of London North (of the Thames) Branch gives an account of what happened:

“Last December I received an email from a Danish IPA member who needed help planning a trip to London. He and sixteen colleagues had an interest in British premiership football and I was asked if I could assist with arranging a visit to a London premiership club and also to meet for a drink. I was happy to assist. The visitors were due to arrive on the 19th of March 2015.

I am not a football fan and my knowledge in this area was very limited so I sought assistance from members by sending an email out outlining the request. I was pleased to get a reply from a London North member who was a serving officer and had worked on the Met Police Football Intelligence Unit. I forwarded the information to the Danish member and as a result he was able to book tickets to see a West Ham United game.

After watching the game, the group then visited some London pubs and tourist attractions. Members from the London North, Scotland Yard and British Transport Police IPA branches attended. The evening was most enjoyable and we all learned a little more about policing in Denmark and, most importantly, made new friends.

The Danes were most grateful for help provided and we have been invited to visit them in Denmark. Indeed, some of us have remained in touch.”

**Martyn Evans, Secretary - London North (Of The Thames) Branch**

# Turkish Delight

**IPA Friends Ken Ashburn and David Winnard, together with their wives, visited the Turkish Island of Bozcaada and surprised a local police officer.**

In May 2015 my wife and I together with IPA friend Ken Ashburn and his wife Eileen were on a cruise in the Eastern Mediterranean when we visited the small Turkish Island of Bozcaada.

Within 100 yards of landing we came across the Police Station and we spoke to the officer on duty outside. The officer, Serkan Alasoy, turned out to be an IPA member and he was surprised as we were the first overseas IPA members he had ever met. Bozcaada is not on the normal tourist trail and our cruise ship was the first to visit the island.

Serkan, who has been a member of the IPA for 4 years, made us very welcome, and introduced us to his wife and two sons. We all enjoyed the surprise meeting despite the language problems encountered. This shows that in the most unlikely locations we can get the opportunity to meet IPA members to enjoy our common bond.



(left to right) Ken Ashburn, Serkan Alasoy and David Winnard

It appears that Bozcaada has a police establishment of 22 officers to attend to all aspects of policing, not all are IPA members, but we were pleased our chance visit allowed us to meet Serkan and his family.

**David C Winnard**, Blackpool and North Lancashire Branch

# Good Advice

**Recently enrolled member Pete Bennett from Truro is a timely reminder to Regions and Branches that a prime time to approach police personnel about IPA membership is prior to their retirement.**

Speaking about his win of an IPA t-shirt, Pete says, "after a wide variety of roles over nearly 30 years, retirement is now looming fast and I didn't want to completely lose touch with the policing community. The IPA allows me to retain an overview and also offers a broader perspective of international policing, with opportunities for travel in the UK and abroad."

Pete won the IPA t-shirt in the monthly draw of new members carried out each month. We wish Pete the very best for his forthcoming retirement.

If you know someone nearing retirement - encourage them to join under the FREE Enrolment promotion <http://www.ipa-uk.org/Join-Us>

# Leicestershire return to London

**Following last year's visit to the Tower of London to see the 'Blood Swept Lands and Sea of Red' poppy display, Leicestershire Branch returned earlier in the year to witness the Ceremony of the Keys.**

At 7.30pm our guide, Andy, took about 80 visitors on a one hour tour and told us all the gory, macabre unpleasanties of the Tower over many centuries. Beheadings, putting so-called traitors into Traitor's Gate to be drowned by the incoming tide.

Legend has it that 6 ravens must always be kept at the Tower otherwise the walls will crumble. To be on the safe side 7 are homed there. Their wings are clipped and they have cages to roost in. A warder is paid extra to care for them.

About 140 people comprising of 37 families, including a doctor and a vicar live in accommodation inside the Tower walls.

We witnessed the ceremony which starts at 10pm and lasts 7 minutes. The routine is centuries old and is, as you may think, the locking of the main gates. It is carried out by guards, the same as those outside Buckingham Palace. After that 4 soldiers in combat uniform patrol inside the Tower wall for the night guarding the Crown Jewels, etc.

During the evening we warmed up in the Yeoman Warders' Club where Jasmine served us, without ceremony, real British food of chicken tikka masala and rice (her description) and profiteroles.

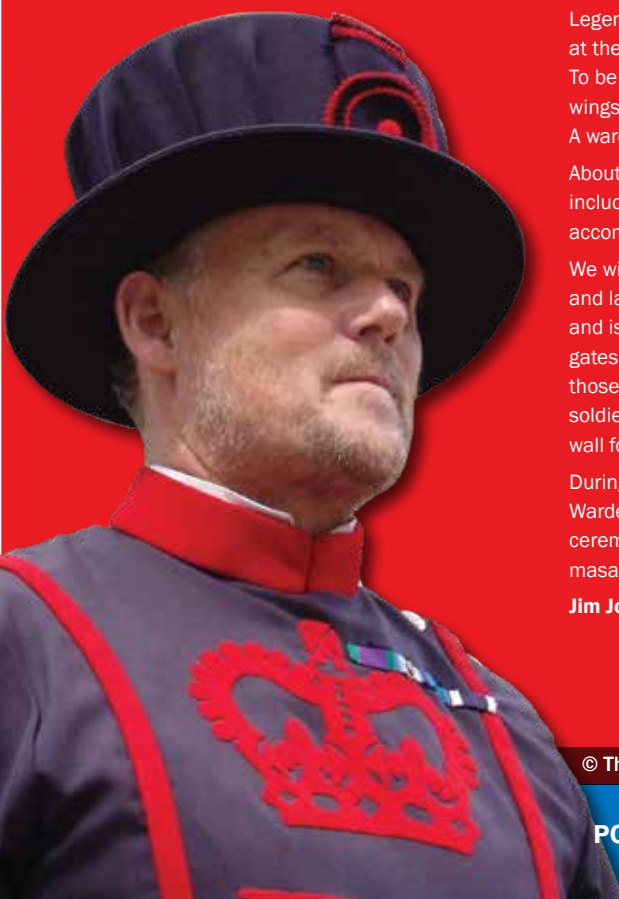
**Jim Johnson**, Leicestershire Branch

PS: During sightseeing before the Tower, we were fortunate enough to find several of the 50 'Shaun the Sheep' models that had been launched only a few days earlier to help raise funds for a children's charity. The models act as collecting boxes and are part of a trail through the City of London. Later in the year another 70 models will be launched in Bristol.

# French Thanks

**IPA Section France say thank you following the tide of solidarity after operation 'Charlie'**

On 7, 8 and 9 January 2015, France witnessed tragic events, during which 3 of our colleagues lost their lives and 5 others were injured. Rose Lourme, President IPA France writes, 'You have shown support to our colleagues who were deeply traumatised. Three colleagues have lost their lives and their families were thrown into distress and sadness, and you were at the side of those who suffered. We appreciate all these messages of sympathy, and IPA France will forever be grateful to you for all of this.'



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# International cooperation and visibility is vital to ensure that Section UK remain at the forefront of the IPA.

## Vice-President Sean Hannigan accepted an invitation from Section Sweden to attend their National Board meeting.

Sean arrived in Gothenburg and had a sightseeing drive to where the Board meeting was being held. En route he held discussions with the Swedish President May-Britt Rinaldo and Britt Hermansson, a Regional Officer. The discussions included looking at how both Sections market the IPA and how retention and recruitment work within Section UK and Sweden.

After arriving mid-afternoon on Friday an informal dinner evening was held where the Regional Officers and National Board members met up. Sean met his opposite Vice-Presidential number in terms of Gimborn links and had an opportunity to discuss and develop two seminar ideas to be presented as English speaking Seminars with Swedish participation.

The following Saturday morning Sean was invited to attend the first session of the Swedish National Board and give a report to the Swedish IPA Officers on how the Section UK National Executive Committee (NEC) and National Council Meeting (NCM) work. He was asked to speak about Gimborn opportunities and speak about the NCM 2016 in Belfast, which will see 40 members from IPA Sweden come over for a visit before and during the NCM.

Sean then went with several IPA members

not involved in the afternoon session to the National Air Museum, at Linkoping. After a tour round the museum and a spot of afternoon hot chocolate with new friends it was back to the hotel for the official evening function.

Sean presented May-Britt with a Kevin Troop signed book 'Service Through Friendship' - the story of his father Arthur Troop.

## Section UK NEC held a meeting in Poznan and were kindly hosted by Section Poland, and in particular the Secretary General, Arek Skrzypczak who stayed with them throughout the duration of their stay.

The meeting venue helped cement further cooperation between the Section UK and Poland on a number of issues such as the professional exchange programme, a joint seminar at Gimborn, and an invitation to partake in a football tournament amongst other things.



Arek Skrzypczak, Mick Luke, Witold Drzadzynski

## DTG Training

The Defensive Tactics Group got together at the end of May with colleagues from across Europe to hold their annual Personal Safety training camp.

To read a full report, visit <http://www.ipa-uk.org/news/cops-international-2015>



## TV Stardom?

### October Films chooses IPA member for their first TV Episode.

Sean Hannigan, Vice President is pleased to announce that October Films, who are making a television programme on the policing experience of officers from the UK and the USA have chosen an IPA member for their first TV episode. It is hoped that more episodes will follow and if you are interested in taking part then please e mail [vphannigan@ipa-uk.org](mailto:vphannigan@ipa-uk.org) for further details.

## Section USA Offer ★★ ★

Section USA is offering its magazine, trips and bi-weekly news to all IPA members around the world.

[www.ipa-usa.org/magazine](http://www.ipa-usa.org/magazine) for the Section's magazine.

[www.ipa-usa.org/trips](http://www.ipa-usa.org/trips) for any pending trip information.

[www.ipa-usa.org/enews](http://www.ipa-usa.org/enews) to sign up for the bi-weekly email outlining coming events.

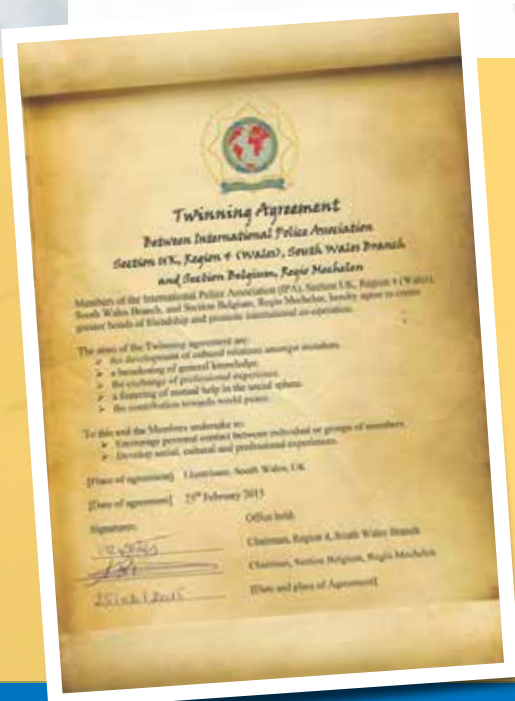
[www.ipa-usa.org/IPA](http://www.ipa-usa.org/IPA) to download the international recruitment items.

[www.ipa-usa.org/jobs](http://www.ipa-usa.org/jobs) for jobs around the world, police and other.

## Twinning Success

**Congratulations to South Wales Branch and Region Mechelen, Belgium who, after several years of strong friendship, have entered into a formal twinning agreement.**

To see who in Section UK is twinned with others from across the IPA World, visit: [www.ipa-uk.org/Whos-Twinned-with-Who](http://www.ipa-uk.org/Whos-Twinned-with-Who)



# Serbia's 10th

**Within a year of joining IPA, Susan Wetton, returned from a trip to IPA Section Serbia, following a lucky win in a draw promoted throughout Section UK.**

Susan Wetton was amongst those applying to attend Section Serbia's 10th General Assembly. This followed a kind invitation from Belgrade Region. The event was held in Belgrade between 29-31 May, 2015.

The hospitality offered to Susan during her stay was second to none and she had the opportunity to network with officers from Sweden, Cyprus, Romania, Serbia, Austria and Switzerland.

You can read her full report at:

[www.ipa-uk.org/News/lucky-winner-returns](http://www.ipa-uk.org/News/lucky-winner-returns)



Susan with Mhairi, Police Staff member from the welcoming committee



Susan with other guests

# Great Moments with Arthur

**I had been campaigning for the extension of IPA membership to members of the civilian staff, and this was discussed at some length at the 1995 National Council Meeting. There were many Section UK members still strongly against the principle.**

Our dear Arthur Troop sat interestedly throughout the discussions, and at a break I took the opportunity to ask him "Arthur, how do you feel about the question of civilian members of staff joining IPA?" His reply, "Michael, the Police Service is changing, and IPA has got to change with it".

When under discussion at the 2010 National Council Meeting, I was pleased to be able to quote this and feel it convinced many that we were taking the right road forward and helped the vote in favour.

**Mike Stanbury, South East Essex Branch**



**After a long search, a home for IPA memorabilia has been found at Chippenham Town Hall.**

The items were once on display at Salisbury police station, thanks to the efforts of the late Glynn Jones, Chris Dunford and Jack Smith of Wiltshire Branch.

Following the closure of the station, inquiries were made to find another suitable home.

Thanks to Peter Spencer and other members of the Branch who have secured yet another safe home for storage and display.

# On the hunt

**"Q1: What don't common people have to do when entering Oakham?" and "Q2: What seasonal children's game is suggested by the village sign in Barrow?" were just two questions put to members of Leicestershire Branch whilst on a recent Treasure Hunt.**

Thirty members turned out for the walking and drive Treasure Hunt around England's smallest county of Rutland. Following a briefing from branch chair, Clive Wood, cars set off in all directions seeking answers to testing clues. Four hours later all teams were accounted for and an excellent carvery lunch was served.

First prize with 97 points out of a possible 100 went to John Penlington and Neil Straughan together with their wives. Everyone agreed it had been a fun event.

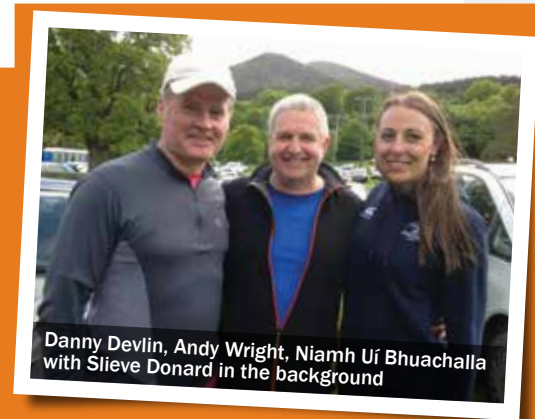
Answers: Q1 Present a horseshoe; Q2: Conkers.

# Hill-walking NI

**The beautiful Mountains of Mourne were the perfect setting for a hill walk hosted by Greater Belfast Branch.**

Visitors from Section Ireland and Region 1 enjoyed a wonderful day walking in the hills with local members. The walk was followed by a BBQ in Newcastle, Co Down. £350 was raised for charity on the day and this was split between the National Police Memorial Day and a local charity 'Brainwave'.

There were options of a forest walk, and climbing the highest peak in Northern Ireland - Slieve Donard along with its neighbouring mountain Slieve Commedagh. The scenery was stunning! There was a prize giving at the BBQ with the fastest male and female for the twin peaks walk being Danny Devlin (Section Ireland) and Deirdre Mahony (Greater Belfast Branch) respectively. Carole Spence, Chair, Region 2, presented the prizes.



Danny Devlin, Andy Wright, Niamh Uí Bhuachalla with Slieve Donard in the background

It was a fantastic day and thanks to Mandy Kernohan and Greater Belfast Branch for extending the hand of friendship and hosting a day in the spectacular Mountains and for arranging the weather!" Niamh Uí Bhuachalla, Section Ireland added "What a wonderful day for a ramble up the glen in the Mourne mountains. Thanks to Region 2, Section UK and see you all again soon".

**Andy Wright, Central Scotland Branch**

# IPA Whiskey Forum

**Building on interest shown in the 'IPA Whiskey Forum', members of 2 Region (Northern Ireland) gathered for the first whiskey tasting event in Belfast.**

The event was hosted at the Hudson Bar, a bar complex with a rising reputation as a provider of whiskey tasting experiences. For the princely sum of £20 per person, the experience included a very tasty finger buffet of hot and cold selections followed by the main event, six very different, generous drams; 3 Irish whiskeys followed by 3 Scotch whiskeys. All of high quality, all significantly different, allowing every drammer to find something specifically enjoyable for them as an individual. The guide for the event was Peter, a well-schooled and informed member of staff from Hudsons Bar.

Pete Connolly, Secretary of 2 Region said of the event, "Everyone enjoyed the evening very much. Several of the whiskey forum members had previously shared knowledge and whiskey experiences via the Facebook forum but the event in the Hudson Bar was the first time they met face to face. New acquaintances and friendships have been formed. Guests have been encouraged to join IPA and 2 Region is confident that events of this nature are a useful tool for engagement and retention of our members. We were much indebted to local member Andy 'Arbo' Arbuthnot who drove the event forward on behalf of IPA."

Brian Kennedy, PR Officer for 2 Region, has produced a short video [www.ipa-uk.org/news/lucky-winner-returns](http://www.ipa-uk.org/news/lucky-winner-returns) of the event which features an address to camera by Arbo.



Brian Kennedy, Spencer Beggs, John McKee, Pete Connolly

# 10 Region Golf Tournament

The Essex Golf and Country Club was the venue for the 2015 10 Region Golf Tournament.

Despite unseasonable weather, 28 members and friends turned out to support the event based at Coggishall, near Colchester, Essex.

Players of all abilities enjoyed the challenging course which started with coffee and bacon rolls and then following the golf a sit down meal before the prize giving. Unfortunately, Steve Jennings, Chair of 10 Region was diverted by a duty call en-route to the venue to present the prizes; luckily IPA member Richard Argles stepped in to present the prizes.



IPA member Barney McKenzie receives the trophy on behalf of the winning team from 10 Region Secretary Steve Hunt

# Region 1 has released a new patch.

Available from the Regional Supplies Officer, Euan Forbes.

For more information, please email Euan direct on [grampian@ipa-uk.org](mailto:grampian@ipa-uk.org) stating your requirement and mailing address.



Stanley Hanna Winners 2015 - left to right - Tommy Hutton, Richard Simpson, Gary Vance Gary Harper (Region 2 Captain), Yvonne McGregor (Region 1), Mark Kernohan, Brian Connolly, Bob Barr and Gary Canavan

# Teeing Off For Stanley Hanna

**The annual Stanley Hanna Memorial Golf Competition took place in May between Regions 1 and 2.**

The competition took place at Tulliallan Golf Club. Region 1 was represented by 13 IPA Members with Region 2 bringing 8 Members with them this year.

13 turned out to be unlucky for Region 1 as this year they lost the Cup to Region 2 who won by 11 points.

The Scottish Cup, awarded for the best Net Score was won by Gary Canavan from Region 2 and the Ulster Cup, for the best Stableford Score was won by Ross Mitchell, Region 1.

Region 1 Secretary, Yvonne MacGregor said, "Once again the craic was good and friendships were made or rekindled throughout the day. We look forward to next year's challenge when hopefully we can regain the Cup".



# Down Under Travel Form Scheme Works

**IPA member Jan McKay of Greater Belfast Branch used the IPA Travel Form scheme to good effect when planning a visit to Australia.**

Within a short time of submitting the Travel Form, I received emails from IPA members in Australia. My husband Brian and I were met and escorted around Sydney by Charles Buttrose, a serving Police Officer. We also had a tour around the police station which was very quaint and very different from police stations in Northern Ireland! We spent a very pleasant couple of hours with Charles and also met his work colleague Conor.

We flew to Alice Springs and met up with Don Fry another IPA member who provided us with a tour of Alice Springs including the Telegraph Station, Anzac Hill, Flying Doctors and a walk around a reserve where we spotted kangaroos, sand lizards and other creatures. This was so different from Sydney.

We had planned a trip to Ayers Rock the following day, so the day after this trip we met up with Sirri, a Police Sergeant. She drove us to San Theresa Reserve where some of the Indigenous

Community lived. We visited an Aboriginal Art shop and met two of the local police officers Cameron and Tony. The road to this reserve was dusty and sandy but the experience was unbelievable. On our return to our hotel we went out for tea to a hotel recommended by Don and Sirri and had a delicious meal of barramundi and kangaroo.

On the next part of our journey we flew from Alice Springs to Cairns where we picked up our camper van and drove to Brisbane to stay with friends. We had received an email from another IPA member who had arranged a gathering in Brisbane. There, we met up with other IPA members and their partners and had a very enjoyable evening. There were members from South Africa, Norway, Papua New Guinea as well as Australian members.

Brian and I can certainly recommend the hospitality of the IPA members and this definitely helped make our trip down under an unforgettable experience.

**Jan McKay**, Greater Belfast Branch



Jan with Don Fry



Brian and Jan with Charles Buttrose

## Long Arm of the Law?

**Whilst touring Europe Peter Pleydell of K Branch, shared information about IPA, in exchange for some geocache information.**

Recently, my wife and I took a two week tour around Europe using an Interrail pass, which allowed us 10 train journeys. Whilst in Prague, my wife and I, with some German enthusiasts whom we met in Wenceslas Square, were searching for a geocache.

Owing to the nature of the sport, one sometimes looks slightly suspicious, searching in crevices, or at the side of telephone boxes, etc. It is not unknown for such suspicious behaviour to attract the attention of vigilant Police Officers.

On this occasion, the Officers concerned not only knew about geocaching, but also where to find the item for which we were searching. One of the three officers helped us by reaching this item (a 35mm film canister containing a log sheet which we needed to sign). I guess this is where I should insert a cliché about the long arm of the law.

On chatting to the Czech Officers, I showed my IPA card, and asked if they knew of the International Police Association. They did not, but seemed to be pleased with the 'I've met the Met' stickers which my wife gave them.

**Peter Pleydell**, K Branch



## More Snapshots from Australia

**George and Jane Simpson of Ayrshire Branch spent 8 weeks in Australia and met up with IPA members.**



George with Craig Waddall (formerly a Strathclyde police officer, now in Canberra)



Jane and George (left) with John Henry and Katie Clancy



Julian Taylor, with George

## Coffee Morning & Branch meeting

**Members from Northamptonshire Branch met earlier in the year for a Coffee Morning / Branch meeting combined.**

Branch member Alex Thompson said, "the meeting was held at Seasons Garden Centre, Burton Latimer, Near Kettering. We were looked after very well by the staff at the centre restaurant and we would recommend the food which was excellent. The agenda for the meeting included agreement on forthcoming

events for the year and it looks like an exciting time ahead."

In a circular to all Branch members, Branch Secretary Bill Tapp thanked members who supported the committee and events held during 2014. A list of events planned for each month until August 2015 was also distributed. For more information, contact: [northamptonshire@ipa-uk.org](mailto:northamptonshire@ipa-uk.org)

## In Memory

**George McGuire** - George was a stalwart of the IPA in Scotland. A member of Central Scotland Branch (since 1986), there was rarely a branch meeting or Regional meeting that he did not attend. He only missed a meeting due to his love of lawn bowls and latterly due to illness. George passed away on 8th March 2015 at Stirling Community Hospital aged 82. He is survived by his wife Kitty and will be sadly missed. Notified by Andy Wright.

## Lottery Anniversary

**National Treasurer, Fred Boyd writes about the Section UK National Lottery, which reached the anniversary of its first draw in July.**

The lottery was approved at the National Council Meeting in May 2014 and it celebrated its first draw in July 2014.

Since that time nearly £2,000 has been awarded in prize money with winners coming from several Regions, most particularly Regions 2,3,5 and 8 and some Regions experiencing triple individual winners. Our prize money each month has almost reached £200 and I hope this grows each month in the future. We distribute 75% of the total monthly income so the more we received in the more we can give away.

It's very simple to sign up for the Lottery by just following the links in the Website, [www.ipa-uk.org/Lottery](http://www.ipa-uk.org/Lottery). Money has to be received by the 14th of each month with the draw being made on the 4th Monday. It only costs £1 per line and multiple lines can be purchased.

As National Treasurer I wish to thank all Section members who have generously given towards the Section National Lottery and in particular congratulations to all those lucky winners throughout the year, which even includes myself.

If you're not in you can't win, so sign up now.  
**Fred Boyd**, National Treasurer.



The Queen Elizabeth with Cheshire Police Launch

## Cheshire honours the Queen

**Cheshire Branch organised a trip to Liverpool for the arrival of Cunard Queens for their very first joint meeting anywhere in an unprecedented event to honour the long association of Liverpool and the Cunard steamship company.**

Liverpool was Cunard's home from 1840 until 1967. The Cunard Building, completed in 1917, is one of the famous 'Three Graces' at Liverpool's Pier Head, a world heritage site. Its association with Liverpool started in 1840 and the company was responsible for a new mail service to the United States which proved so popular that by 1847 the Admiralty negotiated with Samuel Cunard to double the service to sail every Saturday from Liverpool to either Halifax or Boston. 11 million emigrants crossed the Atlantic between 1860 and 1900. About a third of them sailed from Liverpool.

Most people in Liverpool and the surrounding area can boast a connection with Cunard - my own Grandfather had his own haulage company and a contract with the company moving baggage until his death in 1945. So it goes on with a rich heritage of merchant seamen from Liverpool providing crews for these great ships.

The day of our trip kept dry but windy and the crowd witnessed some spectacular seamanship as the three Queens - Queen Mary 2, Queen Elizabeth, and Queen Victoria - completed a synchronised turn mid river to the delight of all, then at 2 pm the sun broke through the low clouds just in time for an impressive photo opportunity. Simultaneously, the Royal Air Force Red Arrows topped off the day with a magnificent fly past over the ships standing line abreast in the river Mersey. An estimated 1.5 million people had a day to remember.

**Frank Hurst**, Cheshire Branch

## Gone t' Dogs

**Nottingham Greyhound Stadium proved a winning venue for Nottinghamshire Branch.**

Jenny Alexander, Nottinghamshire Branch Secretary, who organised the event said, "We had a 3 course sit down meal in the restaurant that overlooks the floodlit greyhound track. The food was fantastic and the service was good and all at a great price. With races every 15 minutes or so and bets from as little as 50p we all had a little flutter - some winning, some not, but everyone had a great time." In all, 20 people attended aged 6 to 60 plus.

# 60th Anniversary Berlin



Schnitzel and Spargel

Having met Sabina Short, the Chair of IPA Berlin on several previous occasions, I was delighted to attend their 60th Anniversary celebrations held in May 2015, along with a friend Pat. Sabina met us at the airport the day before the event and we found out that it was 'Spargelzeit' – white asparagus season.

We were joined by Hans-Joachim Tilgner (Berlin) and May-Britt Rinaldo (Sweden) and enjoyed a lunch of Schnitzel and Spargel. In the evening we visited the IPA Berlin Süd monthly meeting.

The IPA weekend was based at the excellent Best Western Hotel Steglitz International, who looked after us very well indeed.

Thursday evening we attended the Begrüßungsabend, where we met with other IPA friends from Sweden, Norway, Finland, Australia, USA and from other parts of Germany. Disappointingly, we were the only UK guests. An exchange of gifts took place.

At the hotel each evening before the buffet meals, Dieter Schiller, resplendent in his 1900 Berliner Schutzmann uniform, greeted us.

Friday evening saw the celebration of 50 years of the Berlin Nord, West and Süd Branches and the 24th anniversary of Berlin Ost.

Saturday we had a city tour by bus with Hans-Joachim Tilgner acting as our excellent and well-informed tour guide. Following this we had lunch and a cruise on the river Spree and the canal. In the evening we attended the Gala dinner and dance, another well organised event with a hot and cold buffet. The food was first class all weekend. We were entertained all evening by a wonderful musical comedy group called 'Sowieso'. After the event, several of the group adjourned to the Hotel Cocktail bar.



Dieter Schiller in 1900 Berliner Schutzmann uniform

All too soon it was time to say goodbye to our new and old friends. Before returning us to the airport, Sabina took us to lunch at Wannsee – Schnitzel and Spargel of course.

We would like to say a very special thank you to IPA Berlin and its Chair Sabina Short for not only looking after us, but for organising, along with her team of Hans-Joachim Tilgner and Thomas Landsberg a wonderful IPA weekend in a fantastic City.

Judith Smith, IPA Scarborough



Exchanging gifts - Sabina Short (left) and Judith Smith

## Winners announced

**Region 1 held a Photograph Competition for a 2016 calendar. Almost 80 photographs depicting the four seasons in Scotland were submitted and the winners were chosen at the Region 1 Annual General Meeting at Castlebrae, Auchterarder.**

The overall winner and most popular photograph was of "Loch Faskally, Pitlochrie, Perthshire". Congratulations to Doug Forsyth of Lothian and Borders Branch who will receive a £50 voucher and a free calendar.

**The other winners, who will all receive a free calendar, were:**

- Andy Wright**, Central Scotland Branch
- Ronnie Dukes**, Glasgow Lomond & Clyde Branch
- Michael Taylor**, Glasgow Lomond & Clyde Branch
- Catherine Webster**, Tayside Branch
- Chris Pile**, Highlands and Islands Branch
- Jim Nisbet**, Ayrshire Branch
- David McGregor**, Tayside Branch
- Andrew Duffy**, Dumfries & Galloway Branch

**Tom Fergusson**, Lothian and Borders Branch

**Yvonne McGregor**, Tayside Branch

**Bob McEwan**, 2 Region, Northern Ireland

To see all the winning photographs you will need to buy a calendar! They are available at £5 each (plus postage) and are A4 sized, wall hanging and are an ideal gift for friends and family as well as looking good hanging up at home or in the office. Available from Euan Forbes on [grampian@ipa-uk.org](mailto:grampian@ipa-uk.org)

Congratulations to all the winners and thanks to everyone that took the time to send in entries.



# Competition page

Win a t-shirt at  
[www.ipa-uk.org/  
 on-line-competition](http://www.ipa-uk.org/on-line-competition)



## Lottery Results

**The winners for March were:** 1st – Douglas Skate (Region 8, Cambridgeshire Branch) - £100; 2nd – Donald Simpson Region 5, Birmingham Branch) - £55; 3rd – Judith Smith (Region 3, Scarborough Branch) - £35. **April:** 1st – Sam Olphert (Region 2, Northern Ireland North West branch) - £100; 2nd – Christopher Hill (Region 8, Cambridgeshire branch) - £55; 3rd – Ron Fox (Region 11, Kent branch) - £35. **May:** 1st – William Orr (Region 2, Northern Ireland – North West Branch) - £100; 2nd - Judith Smith (Region 3, Scarborough Branch) - £55; 3rd – William Orr (Region 2, Northern Ireland – North West Branch) - £35.

**Please note:** To guarantee entry into each month's draw, ensure your bank standing order is set up to make monthly payment by midnight of 14th of each month.

To find out more visit: [www.ipa-uk.org/Lottery](http://www.ipa-uk.org/Lottery)

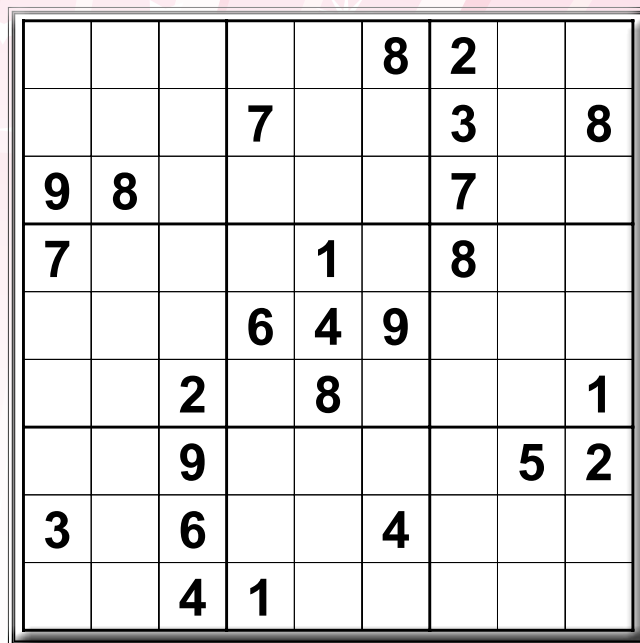
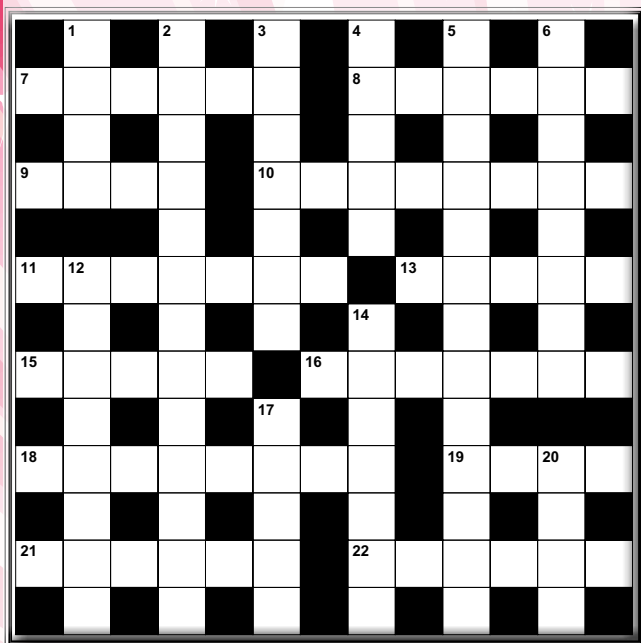
### Edition 2 Winners:

Congratulations to Douglas Jacks from Region 5, who sent in the winning solution to the crossword puzzle. Michael Wetton, another member from Region 5, successfully completed the Sudoku puzzle.

## Puzzles

In this edition we are giving you the chance to win in our crossword competition a copy of *Blazing Obsession* by Dai Henley. Enter the sudoku competition and win a copy of *Copshop* by Gerard Mak.

Solve the puzzles and then send them in. The lucky winners will be drawn out of the hat. Books supplied by Matador and Custom Books Publications. Send the completed puzzle(s) to: Lib Jones, Communications Manager, International Police Association, IPA HQ - Section UK, 1 Fox Road, West Bridgford. Nottingham, NG2 6AJ or as a scan by email to [lib.jones@ipa-uk.org](mailto:lib.jones@ipa-uk.org). Please include your name, address and membership number. The deadline for entries is 7 September 2015.



### Across

- 7 - \_\_\_ Kay: TV presenter (6)
- 8 - Multiply by three (6)
- 9 - Pull (4)
- 10 - Observer (8)
- 11 - Imprecise (7)
- 13 - Underground enlarged stem (5)
- 15 - Rhythmic dance (5)
- 16 - A deified mortal (7)
- 18 - Unsporting activity (4,4)
- 19 - Longest river (4)
- 21 - Heed (6)
- 22 - \_\_\_ borealis: Northern Lights (6)

### Down

- 1 - Greek cheese (4)
- 2 - Rigidity (13)
- 3 - Impose one's will (7)
- 4 - Main plant stem (5)
- 5 - Markedly new (13)
- 6 - Secondary personality (5,3)
- 12 - Overly anxious and sensitive (8)
- 14 - This starts on 1st January (3,4)
- 17 - Hold onto tightly (5)
- 20 - Traditional knowledge (4)



### About the books

**Blazing Obsession:** What would you do if your wife, ten year old stepson and your two year old baby daughter were murdered in an arson attack and the killer got away with it on a technicality? And the 800 year old law of double jeopardy means he cannot be tried again.

Grief stricken James Hamilton, a successful and wealthy entrepreneur, is incensed with the injustice and disillusioned with the legal system. Together with his wife's best friend and a canny private investigator he plans the perfect retribution. Is anything perfect?

Matador Publication

**Copshop:** A collection of short stories from the life of a street cop in Amsterdam's Red Light District.

Custom Books Publication

## Accommodation Overseas

### France

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**DORDOGNE:** Le Patio B&B is a beautifully restored village house with 2 en-suite bedrooms, in the centre of La Tour Blanche in the Dordogne region of France. Website: <http://lepatiordordogne.com> Email: [lepatioltb@gmail.com](mailto:lepatioltb@gmail.com) Tel 0033 (0)553 907 135. 10% discount for IPA members. Owners - Retired officers Paul Brown and Nicola Jones.

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## Accommodation United Kingdom

**CORNWALL - ST IVES:** Detached 3 bedroom Bungalow at 'Riviere Towans' Hayle. 100 yards from a long sandy beach. Large lounge TV/DVD with Sky, Patio, BBQ, unlimited broadband, sleeps 5. From £300 weekly. Contact: Christine or Fred on 07840 761869 [www.cahayabintang.co.uk](http://www.cahayabintang.co.uk)

## Miscellaneous

**HOUSE FOR SALE:** IPA member selling 5 bed extended bungalow with garage and outbuilding in the vibrant seaside town of Oban on West Coast of Scotland o/o £299,000. Full details available at [www.millerstewart.com/property/view/2154/rockhaven](http://www.millerstewart.com/property/view/2154/rockhaven) or email [johnmckillop@millerstewart.com](mailto:johnmckillop@millerstewart.com) & Tel 07771541578 for more information.



### IPA Wallets

**Vice President Ronnie Dukes has announced that the Section UK Wallets, incorporating a metal badge, are available for members to order direct from the manufacturer.**

The wallets are designed and produced by the Metal Badge company in Switzerland.

To place an order and for full details of the range available (including prices) visit:

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For a comprehensive and up-to-date list of all events organised throughout the IPA world and some other non-IPA organisations, visit:

[www.ipa-uk.org/Event-Catalog](http://www.ipa-uk.org/Event-Catalog).

The website also provides details of events notified at short notice and who to contact for each event.

### 7 Region - Thames Valley Branch - Swan Upping

**Fri 24 Jul 2015**

Contact: [thames-valley@ipa-uk.org](mailto:thames-valley@ipa-uk.org)

### 2 Region - Greater Belfast Branch - Summer Event.

**Sat 25 Jul 2015**

Contact: [greater-belfast@ipa-uk.org](mailto:greater-belfast@ipa-uk.org)

### 3 Region - Scarborough Branch - Summer Beach Barbeque

**Sat 25 Jul 2015**

Contact: [scarborough@ipa-uk.org](mailto:scarborough@ipa-uk.org)

### Caravan and Camping Group - Broads Rally

**Mon 27 Jul 2015**

Contact: [steve.palmer264@virgin.net](mailto:steve.palmer264@virgin.net)

### 5 Region - Nottinghamshire Branch Meeting and BBQ

**Mon 27 Jul 2015**

Contact: [nottinghamshire@ipa-uk.org](mailto:nottinghamshire@ipa-uk.org)

### 7 Region - Avon and Somerset Branch Charity Cream Tea

**Sun 09 Aug 2015**

### IPA Motorcycle Group - Summer BBQ & Melton Mowbray Weekend

**Sun 16 Aug 2015**

Contact: [motorcycling@ipa-uk.org](mailto:motorcycling@ipa-uk.org)

### 3 Region - Humberside Branch Meal

**Wed 19 Aug 2015**

### 5 Region - Nottinghamshire Branch Meal at Nandos

**Thu 20 Aug 2015**

Contact: [nottinghamshire@ipa-uk.org](mailto:nottinghamshire@ipa-uk.org)

### 3 Region - Scarborough Branch - Monthly Dining Club

**Tue 25 Aug 2015**

Contact: [scarborough@ipa-uk.org](mailto:scarborough@ipa-uk.org)

### 2 Region - Golf Society Outing

**Wed 26 Aug 2015**

Contact: [2region@ipa-uk.org](mailto:2region@ipa-uk.org)

### 4 Region - South Wales Branch - Pie & Pint at Food Festival

**Sun 30 Aug 2015**

Contact: [4region@ipa-uk.org](mailto:4region@ipa-uk.org)

### Gimborn Cyber Crime Seminar

**Mon 31 Aug 2015**

Contact: [vphannigan@ipa-uk.org](mailto:vphannigan@ipa-uk.org)

### Section UK Rugby World Cup Social

**Sat 05 Sep 2015**

Contact: [vpKernohan@ipa-uk.org](mailto:vpKernohan@ipa-uk.org)

### 3 Region - Scarborough Branch - Membership Reception

**Sat 05 Sep 2015**

Contact: [scarborough@ipa-uk.org](mailto:scarborough@ipa-uk.org)

### 5 Region - Derbyshire Branch - Ecclesbourne Valley Railway Trip

**Sat 05 Sep 2015**

Contact: [derbyshire@ipa-uk.org](mailto:derbyshire@ipa-uk.org)

### Motorcycling Group - Normandy Tour

**Mon 07 Sep 2015**

Contact: [motorcycling@ipa-uk.org](mailto:motorcycling@ipa-uk.org)

### 1 Region - IPA Stand At Scottish Police College

**Tue 08 Sep 2015**

Contact: [1region@ipa-uk.org](mailto:1region@ipa-uk.org)

### 3 Region - Humberside Branch Lunch

**Wed 16 Sep 2015**

Contact: [humberside@ipa-uk.org](mailto:humberside@ipa-uk.org)

### 11 Region - Sussex Branch Visit to IPA Rouen

**Fri 18 Sep 2015**

Contact: [sussex@ipa-uk.org](mailto:sussex@ipa-uk.org)

### Section Austria - Hiking Week

**Sun 20 Sep 2015**

Visit: <http://www.ipa-uk.org/Event-Catalog>

### 4 Region - Visit to Houses of Parliament

**Mon 21 Sep 2015**

Contact: [4region@ipa-uk.org](mailto:4region@ipa-uk.org)

### 11 Region - Sussex Branch Visit by Waldshut-iengen

**Wed 23 Sep 2015**

Contact: [sussex@ipa-uk.org](mailto:sussex@ipa-uk.org)

### 5 Region - Derbyshire Branch Meal and Meeting

**Wed 23 Sep 2015**

Contact: [derbyshire@ipa-uk.org](mailto:derbyshire@ipa-uk.org)

### 11 Region - Gala Weekend in Kent

**Fri 25 Sep 2015**

The Gala Weekend runs from 25 - 27 September, 2015 at the Ashford International Hotel, Ashford, Kent. Cost for this weekend is just £150 - a deposit of £25 per person is required at the time of booking.

Contact: [michael.abbott4@btinternet.com](mailto:michael.abbott4@btinternet.com)

### 5 Region - Nottinghamshire branch Indoor Karting and More

**Fri 25 Sep 2015**

Contact: [nottinghamshire@ipa-uk.org](mailto:nottinghamshire@ipa-uk.org)

### NEC Meeting - Edinburgh

**Sat 26 Sep 2015**

### Section Serbia - Bowling Event

**Sat 26 Sep 2015**

Contact: [ipa.senta@gmail.com](mailto:ipa.senta@gmail.com)

### 5 Region - Leicestershire Branch - Mallory Park Race Day 2015

**Sat 26 Sep 2015**

Contact: [leicestershire@ipa-uk.org](mailto:leicestershire@ipa-uk.org)



Honda VTEC courtesy Lindsey Fletcher BRCC

Come and join IPA Leicestershire Branch, at Mallory Park, Leicestershire for the Mallory Park Race Day 2015 - A day of competitive motorsport - in association with Real Motorsport Ltd, and BRSCC. On Saturday 26th September 2015. Enjoy a day of motor racing, featuring competitive racing with saloons, sports cars and single seaters, including an original Police Panda car. We have the use of the Hailwood hospitality suite as our base for the day.

For 2015, the charge of £2-50 per person over the age of 16, will enter you into a raffle, and cover admin costs. We will have the use of the Hailwood suite. We have been allocated 200 tickets for the event and in view of the limited number of tickets available, large group bookings cannot be accepted.

### National Police Memorial Day - Edinburgh

**Sun 27 Sep 2015**

Visit: [www.nationalpolicememorialday.org/](http://www.nationalpolicememorialday.org/)

### 3 Region - Scarborough Branch - Monthly Dining Club

**Sun 27 Sep 2015**

Contact: [scarborough@ipa-uk.org](mailto:scarborough@ipa-uk.org)

### Caravan and camping Group - Blackpool Rally

**Thu 01 Oct 2015**

Contact: [danny.kaye@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:danny.kaye@blueyonder.co.uk)

### 3 Region - Scarborough Branch Stuttgart Beer Festival + Ludwigsburg Twinning Trip

**01 Oct 2015**

Contact: [scarborough@ipa-uk.org](mailto:scarborough@ipa-uk.org)

**Gimborn Seminar - Evidence based policing – A review of how research undertaken by the Police produces interesting outcomes for the Police Officer and the Citizen**

**Mon 05 Oct 2015**

Contact: [Vphannigan@ipa-uk.org](mailto:Vphannigan@ipa-uk.org)

**2 Region - Golf Society Outing**

**Wed 07 Oct 2015**

Contact: [2region@ipa-uk.org](mailto:2region@ipa-uk.org)

**10 Region - Annual Clay Pigeon Shoot 2015**

**Sun 11 Oct 2015**

Contact: [10region@ipa-uk.org](mailto:10region@ipa-uk.org)

**XXI IPA World Congress 2015 and Friendship Week**

**Mon 12 Oct 2015**

Visit: [www.ipa-uk.org/Event-Catalog](http://www.ipa-uk.org/Event-Catalog)

**5 Region - Nottinghamshire Branch Meeting and Thai Meal**

**Mon 12 Oct 2015**

Contact: [nottinghamshire@ipa-uk.org](mailto:nottinghamshire@ipa-uk.org)

**3 Region - Humberside Branch Lunch**

**Wed 21 Oct 2015**

Contact: [humberside@ipa-uk.org](mailto:humberside@ipa-uk.org)

**3 Region - AGM and Friendship Weekend**

**Fri 30 Oct 2015**

Contact: [3region@ipa-uk.org](mailto:3region@ipa-uk.org)

**9 Region - BTP - IPA Night for Ceremony of Keys**

**Tue 03 Nov 2015**

Contact: [BTP@ipa-uk.org](mailto:BTP@ipa-uk.org)

**Caravan and Camping - Burnham Carnival Rally**

**Wed 04 Nov 2015**

Contact: [mikepaxton01@aol.com](mailto:mikepaxton01@aol.com)

**5 Region - Nottinghamshire Branch Trip to The Gurkha Kitchen**

**Wed 04 Nov 2015**

Contact: [nottinghamshire@ipa-uk.org](mailto:nottinghamshire@ipa-uk.org)

**Section Greece - Athens Marathon**

**Sun 08 Nov 2015**

Contact: [ipatikis@otenet.gr](mailto:ipatikis@otenet.gr)

**3 Region - Humberside Branch Lunch**

**Wed 18 Nov 2015**

Contact: [humberside@ipa-uk.org](mailto:humberside@ipa-uk.org)

**Gimborn Seminar - The ultimate act of violence in society – homicide in the European Union – Comparing, cases, investigations and jurisdictions**

**Mon 23 Nov 2015**

Contact: [Vphannigan@ipa-uk.org](mailto:Vphannigan@ipa-uk.org)

**Caravan and Camping - Santa Rally**

**Thu 26 Nov 2015**

Contact: [simonbullen@hotmail.com](mailto:simonbullen@hotmail.com)

**6 Region - Faulty Towers: The Dining Experience**

**Thu 26 Nov 2015**

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Come and join us for an evening of classic comedy and hilarious entertainment and re-live the wonderful moments from the most famous sitcom to ever grace our screens.

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For more information and to book email: [Martin.Wray@sky.com](mailto:Martin.Wray@sky.com)

For more about the show visit [www.interactivetheatre.com.au](http://www.interactivetheatre.com.au)

**XV Barcelona International Trader Show 2015**

**Fri 27 Nov 2015**

Contact: [zunigabcn@ono.com](mailto:zunigabcn@ono.com)

**Section Austria - 30 Anniversary Oberkarnten**

**Fri 04 Dec 2015**

Visit: [www.ipa-uk.org/Event-Catalog](http://www.ipa-uk.org/Event-Catalog)

**Gimborn Seminar - Islam**

**Mon 07 Dec 2015**

Contact: [vphannigan@ipa-uk.org](mailto:vphannigan@ipa-uk.org)

**IPA Day 15 December – Member Day**

**Tue 15 Dec 2015**

Visit: [www.ipa-uk.org/Event-Catalog](http://www.ipa-uk.org/Event-Catalog)

**3 Region - Scarborough Branch - Bruges Christmas Markets**

**Wed 16 Dec 2015**

**1 Region - Ceilidh Weekend - 22-24, January, 2016**

**Fri 22 Jan 2016**

Contact: [1region@ipa-uk.org](mailto:1region@ipa-uk.org)

**Section USA - Pacific Northwest & California**

**Sun 03 Apr 2016**

Visit: [www.ipa-uk.org/Event-Catalog](http://www.ipa-uk.org/Event-Catalog)

**Section USA - Trains, Wineries & Treasures of Northern California**

**Sun 10 Apr 2016**

Visit: [www.ipa-uk.org/Event-Catalog](http://www.ipa-uk.org/Event-Catalog)

**Section Canada - Friendship Week 2016**

**Fri 20 May 2016**

Visit: [www.ipa-uk.org/Event-Catalog](http://www.ipa-uk.org/Event-Catalog)

**The 6th European Police and Fire Games 2016**

**Sat 11 Jun 2016**

Visit: [www.epfghuelva2016.com](http://www.epfghuelva2016.com)

**Section New Zealand Friendship Week**

**Sun 09 Oct 2016**

Visit: [www.ipa.org.nz](http://www.ipa.org.nz)

**Section UK Motorcycle Group is in the early stages of planning an exciting Trackday event for 2016.**

The Road Legal Bikes Only Novice Trackday at Bedford Autodrome, booked through [www.msctrackdays.com/](http://www.msctrackdays.com/) will be a non-competitive event allowing riders of road bikes to come to a race circuit and explore their bike's performance in a safe, controlled and professional environment. This is a friendly and relaxed event. Rider etiquette is monitored for compliance and safety.

Owing to the popularity of the events, the Motorcycle Group would like to hear from interested participants by 30 September 2015.

For more information see: <http://www.ipa-uk.org/Motorcycle-News/novice-trackday-announced/108857>.

**NCM 2015 Motion relating to the submission of Events' Details**

At the 2015 NCM, the following proposal was agreed: "Any activity, other than meetings being organised on a Regional / Branch or Special Interest Group basis shall be notified prior to the event by means of the Events board on the Section UK website. This will ensure that they are covered by a national policy of Public Liability insurance. Information submitted will be used to promote these events."

Regions, Branches and Special Interest Groups are to submit details of their event via the form at: [www.ipa-uk.org/Event-Catalog](http://www.ipa-uk.org/Event-Catalog) making sure to include full details of Region / Branch / and contact email address.

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