

NSGF UK NEWS

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Newsletter of the National Scout and Guide Fellowship United Kingdom.



Thinking Day Greetings to all ISGF members wherever you may be, we will be 'Thinking of You' on 22nd February and remembering our Founders, Lord & Lady Baden-Powell. We send our Best Wishes for your Celebrations.



THE ISGF FELLOWSHIP TOY PROJECT

The first shipment of Toy were distributed to Syrian refugee children in camp Zaatari, Jordan in December 2014. A further shipment was sent and distributed in May 2014. The third shipment was sent to a second camp, Azraq. The forth, and final shipment of 197 boxes was collected and despatched to Jordan in December 2014. By 6th January 2015 they had been loaded onto a truck, with all paperwork complete at Zerga for transport to Azraq, however due to the bad weather it was unable to leave on that date, it has subsequently arrived at Azraq and the toys are awaiting distribution to the children.

We would not have been able to take part in this project without considerable help and therefore at its conclusion we would like to express our thanks to our partner organisations, UNHCR, AWB, Pitt-Rivers Museum, Gist Logistics, and the ISTAT Foundation. Just over 17,000 toys were collected in total. A presentation on this project was made at the World Conference, along with presentations from France and Bangladesh on their projects. Several other countries from around the world also took part in projects to mark the 60th Anniversary of ISGF more information on these is available on the ISGF website, either by clicking on the link below or by accessing the ISGF web site, clicking on Projects (on the left hand side) and then Fellowship Toy http://www.isgf.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=786&Itemid=194&lang=en

Peace Light 2015

The Peace Light is likely to arrive in Dover on the evening of Sunday 13th December.
More details in the next edition of this Newsletter.

INTERNATIONAL EMERGENCY AID FUND

This fund was set up to receive donations so that NSGF UK had a small amount of money that it could donate **immediately** to any **ISGF** International Emergency Appeal that your JNC felt was suitable. No appeals were put out by ISGF in 2013/14 and the fund now stands at £172.

The JNC would like to see this fund reach its target amount of £200 so if you would like to make a donation, please make any cheques out to SAGF and send to Peter Short, 29 Chadderton Drive, Chapel House, Newcastle NE5 1EL.

Hipprada, the Indonesian Scout & Guide Fellowship invites you to the **28th ISGF-AISG WORLD CONFERENCE**



This will be a truly marvellous opportunity to sample the delights of Indonesian friendship and meet ISGF members from around the World. It is to be held in Sanur which is just a 20 minute drive from Denpasar Airport. The date is likely to be Mid October 2017

The Tourist Board of Grossarl invite you to join the **'Meeting of Friends'**

20th to the 27th of June 2015

They have provided a programme very similar to the old Grossarl but with an emphasis on day time hikes, a Cable Car ride and an excursion to Salzburg.
More information from www.grossarltal.info or email info@grossarltal.info

FUTURE ISGF EVENTS

2015 – Sub Region Gatherings & World Events

Mar. 12-14: World Committee Meeting Belgium

Mar. 16-20: 6th European Workshop – Hungary

May 14-21: 3rd Tunisia Gathering – Tunis

Jun. 11-15: Southern Africa sub-region Gathering – Lusaka, Zambia

Jun. 26-30: 28th Nordic/Baltic Gathering – Horsens, Denmark

July 28 – 8.Aug. World Scout Jamboree

Aug. 25-28: Eastern Africa sub-region Gathering – Kampala, Uganda

Sep. 7-11: 26th Western Europe Gathering – Oostduinkerke, Belgium

Sep. 12-17: 14th Asia Pacific Regional Gathering – Bangalore, India

Sep. 23-27: 8th Central Europe Gathering – Zeillern, Austria

Oct. 10-12: 4th South American sub-region Gathering – Cordoba, Argentina

Oct. 22-27: 15th Mediterranean sub-region Gathering – Marrakech, Morocco

2016 – Region Conferences

Sep. 12-15: 9th Europe Region Conference, Tours, France

8th Arab Region Conference – Kuwait

3rd Caribbean Gathering – Surinam

2017 – 28th ISGF World Conference – Denspar, Bail, Indonesia

**Please do not forget to let the International Secretary know when you are attending international events. sue.page3@btinternet.com
Or 01886 832940**

26th Western Europe Gathering

September 7th to 11th 2015

Members in Belgium are organising the Gathering at Domein Westhoek, Oostduinkerke. Registration form is available from the International Secretary or can be downloaded from the ISGF website (www.isgf.org). Cost for a Standard room with 2 sharing is €480, or €525 single, Prestige room, 2 sharing is €510, and other rooms are between these prices. Participants should register by 28th February with a deposit of €150 each. Opening Ceremony & Dinner at 5pm Mon. 7th, Excursion to Mons on Tues. Wed. half day excursion to Tyne Cot War Memorial with dinner and the Last Post at Ypres. Thurs. Workshops, local Museum visit & Gala Dinner. Departure on Friday 11th. A post conference tour is also available. I have a list of 17 names of those interested in attending, **please can members let the International Secretary know when they register.** There were insufficient members to organise a Coach party, so members will need to organise their own travel arrangements.

2015 AGM'S

National Scout and Guide Fellowship UK

JNC AGM – Thursday 21st May 2015 11.30am

The JNC AGM will be held on Thursday 21st May at, Rodway Hall, Redland Road, MALVERN WR14 1LY.

All members are welcome to attend as 'observers'. Please note there is no provision for refreshments, other than drinks. It is expected that the meeting will last about 30mins and the venue will then be vacated.

If you are intending to come along, please advise the JNC Secretary: sue.page3@btinternet.com or

Tel: 01886 832940 Hosted by the B-P Guild - Malvern.

NSGF UK JNC (Joint National Committee) Members

Chairman – Alan Beavis, SAGF

Vice Chairman – Jane Wardropper, BPG

International Sec. – Sue Page, BPG

Treasurer – Peter Short, SAGF

Liz Aveston – Committee Member, SAGF

Allan Page – Committee Member, BPG

Baden-Powell Guild of Gt. Britain AGM

Sat 28th March 2015 – 11.15am

A warm welcome awaits you from members of Stourbridge & District Baden-Powell Guild your hosts for the National Guild AGM 2015 at the Elton Centre, St Johns Road, Stourbridge DY8 1EJ on Saturday 28th March 2015. The meeting will be followed by a buffet lunch, free time to explore the history of Glass making in Stourbridge and an evening of fun and friendship with Skittles and a Fish & Chip supper at the Alderman Tye District Scout HQ., South Road, Stourbridge DY8 3UL. Booking forms have been sent out and are also available from the National Secretary: allan.page@talk21.com or 01886 832940

Scout and Guide Fellowship Annual Meeting & AGM

4th – 8th May 2015

Douglas, Isle of Man

Hosted by SAGF members on the Isle of Man who are arranging a programme of interesting excursions and events. **The AGM will be held on the evening of Wednesday 6th May.** Further details to SAGF members with their Newsletter or from Liz Aveston lizaveston@tiscali.co.uk or 01743 359507

ISGF Stamp Bank

Peter Short has volunteered to become the Stamp Bank Manager for NSGF UK.

In 1965 ISGF members in Norway decided to collect and sell used stamps in support of Scouting & Guiding. Since then NSGF's in many countries have established the collecting & selling of used stamps with the proceeds forwarded to the International Development Fund, which provides practical & financial support for Scouting & Guiding. **Please collect stamps and post related items and forward to Peter Short, 29 Chadderton Drive, Newcastle upon Tyne NE5 1EL**

All contributions for the next edition by 1st September 2015 please to Sue Page: sue.page3@btinternet.com