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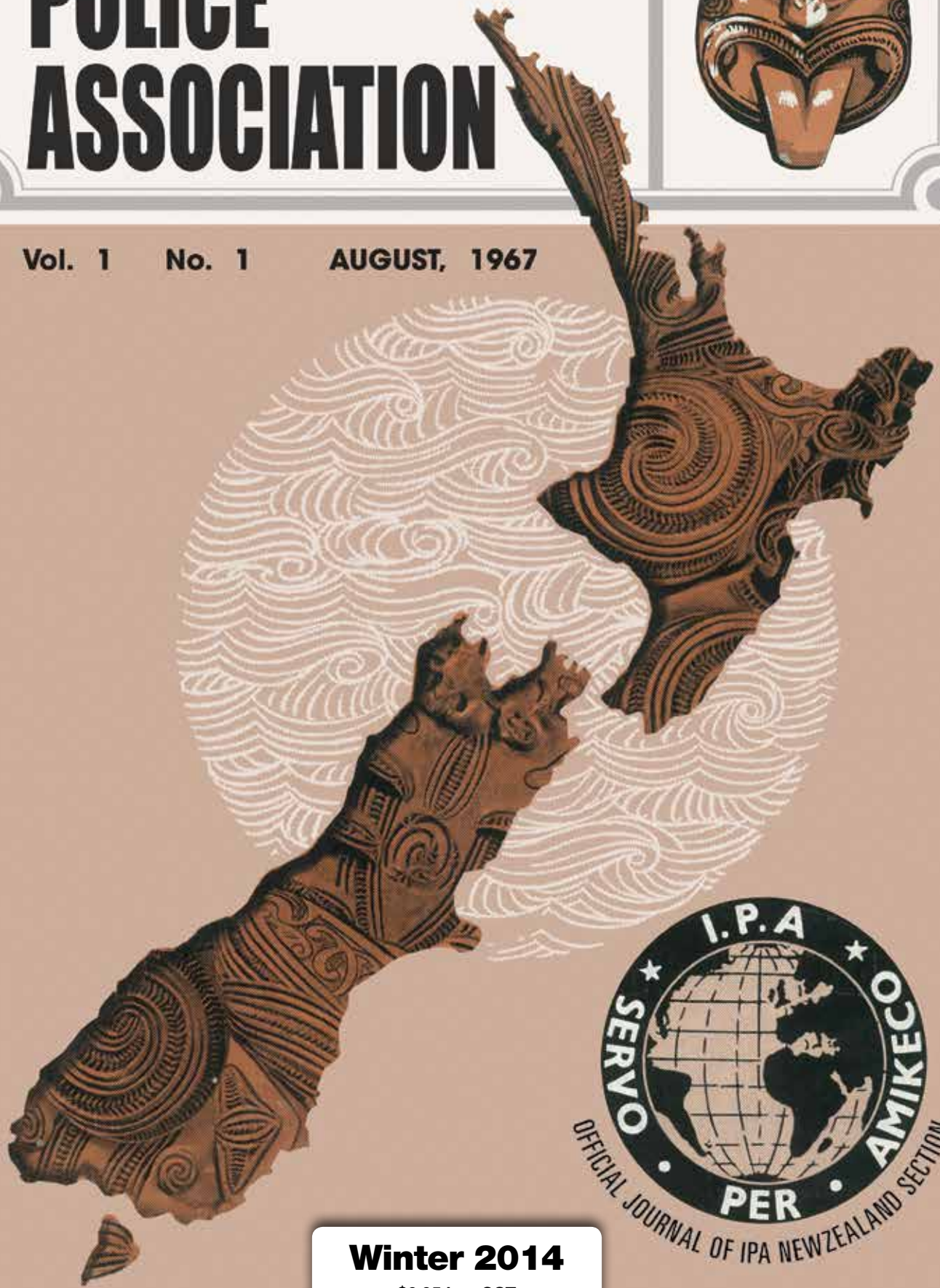

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From the Editor's Quill



Hi there everyone,

Welcome to the winter 2014 edition. I hope you are all fit and well and looking forward to spring with the promise of longer and warmer days. Certainly some areas of the country have had challenging times this winter and if any of Mother Nature's darker moods have affected you or your property, my thoughts are with you.

It seems 2014 has flown past. Perhaps it's just me and maybe it comes with age, but birthdays, anniversaries, and Christmas all seem to come around just a little quicker than they did in the past! It's not all bad though, as reaching certain milestones can be a cause for celebration of course.

Longevity in most things is a good sign – it means you or the company, or the organisation has survived and IPA New Zealand members can take credit as we look towards 2016 and our 50th anniversary to be celebrated in the same year we will host the IPA IEC Conference which will be held in Auckland .

Planning is well underway for the conference and you can see later in the magazine the organising committee who are responsible for this huge task. If you feel you can offer some assistance I'm sure they would appreciate the help.

Also in this edition we reflect on some of the opportunities available to IPA members with Paul Housley's entertaining article on his Arthur Troop Scholarship experiences and the international reach of the organisation with a tale of a wayward wallet.

No doubt the cover for this edition will have intrigued you and for some of you brought some long distant memories of the first edition of the NZ IPA magazine in August 1967. We thought it appropriate to look back as we look forward and we have included a few other historic articles as well. There's more to be found on the website so don't' forget to check them out.

We've included the editorial from that first magazine and an even older newsletter that went out before the magazine came to fruition

Interestingly, the sentiments of Editor Dorothy Waymouth in that 1967 editorial still ring true today and her request of members in 1967 is often repeated here – "What about something from you for the next journal?"

Remember, we're not looking for the next best seller and the choice is yours when it comes to subject. As I've said before, I truly believe everyone has a story somewhere within them just waiting to be told. So don't be shy, put pen to paper and share your memories, experiences or thoughts with us.

With that in mind, I do have to thank again those of you that have taken the time to contribute to the magazine for this edition.

Lastly, before I sign off, I have to say a belated thanks to those involved in the AGM in Dunedin earlier this year. It was really great to have the opportunity to meet other members and the hospitality shown was outstanding.

As Vice-President Ross Pinkham has suggested we all might do with next years AGM in Napier, I took the opportunity to tack a road trip onto my visit down south and once again was in awe of the beauty of this country we are privileged to live in.

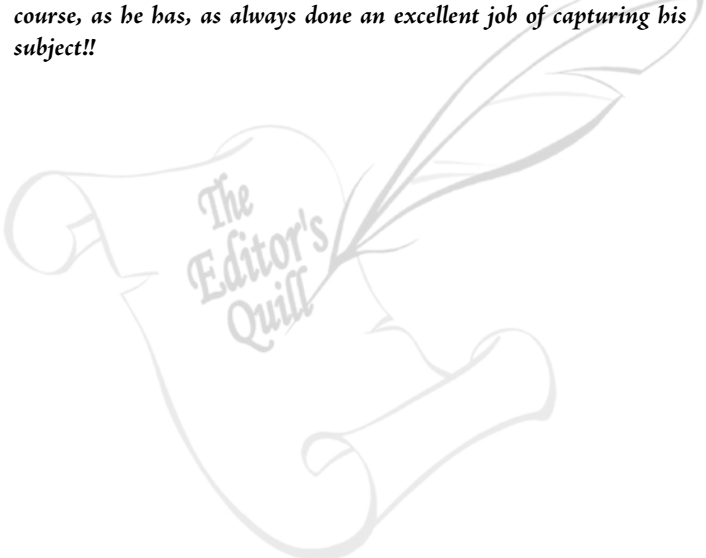
Bluff, Te Anau, Milford Sound – all unique in their own way and all amazing gems that one can't afford to miss visiting, given the opportunity.

So, as one tends to do when reaching milestones, I'm starting to create that bucket list of 'must do's.' Bluff, Te Anau, Milford Sound deserve a second look, Napier in 2015 for the AGM and definitely on the list, Auckland in 2016 for what will definitely be a celebration not to be missed.

Servo per amikeco

Kathy Graham

Footnote: While the editor normally reserves the right to veto the material that appears in a magazine, I have bowed to pressure and reluctantly published the latest cartoon submitted by our artist, Region 4 member, Peter Winnington. No disrespect to the artist of course, as he has, as always done an excellent job of capturing his subject!!





The President's Report

Kia Ora,

This newsletter is to give you an update of my movements and duties since the last AGM and National Council Meeting held in Dunedin 11th and 12th April 2014.

First off I would like to thank the members from Dunedin Region 6, in Particular Brian Benn and Colin Lind, for the successful and enjoyable weekend in the Southern City of Dunedin.

This was an election year and as none of the positions were challenged, I am pleased to advise that the Committee were reinstated for another term of three years.

Thank you for your support and confidence in me as President and I hope that I can continue to represent you all in a positive way as both Delegate and member of the ICC.

Our guests for the weekend were absolutely impressed with the whole weekend, along with Rugby Super 15 and Royal Tour that were put on for them.

We were fortunate to have George Katsaropoulos, International Secretary General and Romain Miny, the International Treasurer along with Michelle Harris, Australian President, present for the meeting and who all contributed to the meeting.

The visit by the International PEB members was to complete a site visit prior to final acceptance to hold the IEC meeting in Auckland in 2016. They have reported back to the PEB very positively and shown New Zealand in a great light. Their report will be presented to the IEC in Potsdam, Germany in September this year.

Coleen, Billy Lawrence and Jim Wilson all ensured that George and Romain were well catered for in Auckland. I was fortunate to spend some time with them on a personal level and escorted them back to Auckland from Dunedin where I was dined by them in Auckland. Coleen, Billy and Jim also enjoyed a dinner with them.

We have three successful young people who have been selected to attend the IYG in France this year, I look forward to reading their reports on the tour. Remind your members that next year the IYG is in Spain and 2016 in USA.

I have recently returned from Africa where I attended the International Cultural Commission in Swaziland. What a fabulous experience. Apart from the actual meeting, the Commission sponsored the presentation by Natalie Turgut from Consortium for Street Children (CSC), and members from the ICC assisted with the forum after the presentation. This was followed by the

Cultural Diversity Festival and featured Food, Music and Traditional dance from 6 African Nations. I was totally blown away by this experience.

This year's International Executive Council Meeting is being held in Potsdam, Germany. I will be attending as the New Zealand Delegate along with Ross Pinkham and Coleen Meyers. We will be pushing the 2016 meeting and Friendship that will follow this.

Billy has been liaising with Auckland Tourism to help with material to assist in the presentation for Potsdam.

Australia have their 50th Celebration coming up in October this year and Ross Pinkham will be representing our section for this along with a member of the NZ Police attending the Serving Police Officer day.

In closing I would like to remind you of the positives of membership in such an organisation like IPA. A member who lost his wallet containing his IPA card in Switzerland was reported to NZ section possibly before he knew he had lost it. The wallet and owner have since been reunited and you can read about the tale later in the magazine.

Thank you all for your contribution to New Zealand IPA.

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Paul A Visser

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The Secretary General's Desk

Hi there everyone,

Well, one has to ask where the year has gone. They say as you get older the years go quicker; well I have come to the conclusion I must be getting really old now because the years seem to be going quicker and quicker. However, it's good to take time out amongst the business of life to smell the roses.

Below are some of the exciting things that have been happening in IPA over the last year.

Our International President addressed the delegates and Observers in Copenhagen at the IEC about the changes he considered to be essential for the future of our Association. He stressed that we should not touch the principles or the foundation s of the IPA, but should, however, renovate the four columns of the IPA house, namely the structure, the documents, the communication and the working processes. The PEB met mid-December 2013 in Nottingham and had quite a big agenda to cover. They have come away with a document now called "Project IPA Tomorrow". Twenty-one proposals were discussed and changes are needed for our Association as we move forward in this ever changing world.

I do need to say though, that a lot of the changes won't impact directly on you as members but rather in the area of administration. I will keep you all posted with the changes as they occur.

I hope you are enjoying your magazine. Again our summer edition was well presented with again lots of interesting articles in it. Don't forget this is your magazine, and it's a good avenue to let each other know what's going on in our Regions.

IYG this year is in France with three young people going from New Zealand. Next year the IYG is in Spain, so if you know of young people aged 16-17 within your regions, whose parents or grandparents are IPA members, tap them on the shoulder and see if they are interested. Information is on the website when it comes to hand.

IEC [International Executive Council] meetings for 2014 will be held in Potsdam, Germany.

I have been so encouraged again this year with the growth in our membership. We have had 41 new members join us during 2013. Increasing membership is something that each of us can be involved in at our Regional level. Thank you again to Ross Penguilly from Australia for his superb work in the producing or our membership cards for us and to our Asst. Sec General Michael for his work in the maintaining of the membership list on the Website.

Don't forget to go the website, have a look around. Lots of good things are being regularly updated by our webmaster. We received a Silver medal again this year for our website, good work Kerry. Also you are able to update your personal details yourself on the web and I would encourage you to do this as it makes it easier to keep our Regional mailing lists up to date.

We have had another busy year with our international travellers and Marlene our Travel Secretary has again done a superb job over the year in organising and helping the many visitors to our shores.

There are a number of IPA events on all round the world. These are on our website, for your perusal, so check them out.

Souvenirs – We are in the process of looking at our souvenir shop and the things that we stock. These can be ordered through me. Don't forget your can order t-shirts, polo shirts and caps on line. At the moment this is not being very well used by our members – perhaps you didn't know it was there!!

This year was our year for the re-electing our NEC [National Executive Committee] These elections are held every three years and I am pleased to report that the status quo remains for the next three years.

Well as winter is about to set in, keep warm, keep well.

Servo per amikeco
Coleen Meyers

Arthur Troop Scholarship

Paul Housley was the recipient of the Arthur Troop Scholarship this year. Paul shares his entertaining account here of his experiences, demonstrating the great opportunities afforded to IPA members.

I was very excited to learn I had been awarded the Arthur Troop Scholarship and viewed it as an amazing opportunity to travel to the IPA German headquarters and learn about international policing best practice. Less exciting was the prospect of telling my wife that I would be leaving her alone for a couple of weeks with the baby, the toddler and the teenager but once past that hurdle I began to plan.

When I sat down to try and organise it, I didn't appreciate just how much planning was involved especially with the new arrival in the house. Fortunately I was supported by the Auckland Central Area Management Team, Paul Visser the New Zealand IPA President and most importantly my wife. Additionally and with the assistance of Detective Superintendent Gary Smith, the Police Liaison Officer in London and Detective Superintendent Mark Smith in the UK I was able to add on a visit to the Metropolitan Police (MET) in London.

With the daily grind of working shift work, caring for babies and helping to run a household, departure day came around fast. My first stop was Frankfurt where I was met by a friend who arrived at the airport wearing a New Zealand football shirt - brave man considering where we were. He and his family showed me the sights of Frankfurt and introduced me to some of the local cuisine including beer mixed with coca cola and sandwich of fried onions and pig fat - apparently a German delicacy!



ABOVE: Breakfast with the Waschneewski family in Germany

From there I travelled at 290kmh via high speed train to Cologne which left 15 minutes late but still arrived on time. I travelled onto Gimborn to the IPA headquarters and arrived to find myself in the middle of nowhere staring at a medieval castle. The place appeared eerily deserted so I decided to have a look around in the hopes of stumbling across someone who could tell me where to go. Fortunately like any good travelling Kiwi I managed to locate the bar in which I found a couple of Australians. They in turn directed me to the restaurant where a lady gave me directions to my room – in German – but the pointing and hand gestures assisted me to finally locate my lodgings for the week.



ABOVE: Gimborn

Gimborn is a pretty amazing place! It was originally a moated castle in about 1600 and has been occupied by the French and the Russians over the years. It was also the site of executions in the 1700's but thankfully I never saw any ghosts during my stay, although two people on my course were chased by a boar! It is set amongst forests, farmland and sits beside a lake so at times felt more like I was on a retreat rather than participating in a seminar. The neighbouring restaurant provided three meals a day (large portions) all included in the price.

I was to attend the course on Child Protection in European Societies which was run in a joint effort by Irish and German Police Officers. We had some really great speakers and the course content highlighted the efforts being made by the EU in relation to tackling child abuse across the board.

I really enjoyed the talks by Michael Moran and Michael Lynch, both Irish Police officers. Michael Moran works in the area of Human Trafficking at Interpol in France. He spoke at length about online child exploitation and with his interactive speaking style, managed to hold the attention of the class all afternoon. One rather horrifying fact I learnt was that in Germany up till 1984, child abuse material was sold legally!

We also took a trip to Düsseldorf where we attended a presentation on a prevention style youth programme targeting 8 to 15 year olds. Our translator for the afternoon Andy had been a German Police Officer for 18 years and caught me by surprise when he started speaking with a "true blue" Aussie accent. I really thought that someone was having me on and had to check that I was not imagining it. It turns out that he had lived in Australia as well as Piha, Auckland and had met my boss in New Zealand.

From there I travelled to Berlin at my own expense to meet a friend, having always wanted to experience the history there. We stayed in IPA accommodation which for two nights, two people only cost us NZ$100.00 in total. We also met an older German couple staying at the IPA flat next door who invited us to breakfast, served us bubbles and a large spread of tasty delights – wonderful hospitality representative of the spirit of the IPA!



ABOVE: Jewish Memorial – Berlin

My friend and I decided to take the transport and went to buy two day-pass tickets to get around Berlin. We managed to purchase one ticket however attempts to buy the second one did not work as the machine kept rejecting our money. We attempted to find a staff member but as there were none on the concourse, we boarded the train to find a conductor.

We entered the train and saw a person that clearly worked on the train with what looked like a ticket machine and approached him to try and buy a ticket, offering him our 20 Euros and the one ticket that we had managed to purchase. He wasn't able to help us and pointed us in the direction of a second conductor. This man immediately became aggressive with us, removed us from the train and started yelling at us and asking as to whose ticket was the one that we approached him with.

We tried unsuccessfully to explain to him the circumstances but all he was interested in was ascertaining whose ticket we were holding preparing to reap punishment on the one of us without a ticket. He looked at the one ticket we had and began a new rant about the fact that it had not been validated whilst pointing to a nondescript, un-signposted second machine. I attempted to walk over to validate our one ticket, but he barged me out of the way and demanded a 40 Euro fine or he would call the Police. Up to this point the man's reaction and demeanour had been so completely unreasonable that I thought perhaps calling in the Police would be a good idea



ABOVE: Obviously this is where you validate your ticket…silly me!

Three Federal Police Officers arrived and we explained to them the set of circumstances and what had taken place including the train conductor assaulting me. However things only proceeded to get worse from there! Not only did they fail to take any information from us or investigate the assault, they basically told us that the options were to pay the fine or be arrested!

We discovered that the train conductor (in German) had lied and told the Police that we were hiding on the train when it clearly wasn't the case but when we argued that we were innocent tourist who had only been seeking out assistance – they took no sympathy and demanded the 40 Euro fine from both of us. The Police assisted us to purchase and validate two new tickets and at no point did I see any information in English that would have made it possible for us to understand this process on our own. The whole event left me with a much soured impression of the Berlin Police. This was purely about literal interpretation of the law. Even though they were aware that we had made a legitimate mistake, we had committed a crime by boarding the train without a validated pre-purchased ticket and regardless of the extenuating circumstances - we had to pay the penalty.

My opinion of them only got worse when I learnt from the local Police that tourists are normally allowed to exit the train and buy a valid ticket. So, 40 Euros lighter, we carried on to the sights of Berlin and the Pergamon Museum. Recommended by a friend as an amazing place to visit, I was blown away by a reconstructed full sized temple inside one of the rooms.

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ABOVE: Making history pretty at Pergamon

Berlin was an interesting place to 'people watch'. There were a number of scams being run in the streets around Checkpoint Charlie. 'Find the Lady' was a simple scam, three boxes with a small ball underneath and the con artist moves it between the three. When you stand back from it you can see there are other people involved in the scam who pretend to win to draw in innocent punters. Effectively you can never win because if you bet on the right box one of the associates will place a higher bid on the same box and they only ever pay out to the highest bidder. There were also people trying to engage you in English to sign some petition which is most likely a distraction while they pick your pockets. When asked if I spoke English I shook my head and responded in Maori which really confused them. Another curious sight was of a Jewish store being patrolled by a Police Officer which seemed odd in this day and age.

The final part of my trip involved travelling to London and spending some time with the London Metropolitan Police (MET). The MET staff were so incredibly courteous to me allowing me to attend meetings and observe their various tactical squads and get an idea of how they go about their daily business. What really struck me the most was their level of resourcing – only 35,000 staff to look after 10 million people. It was certainly very interesting to see how they manage and deploy so many different units. I especially enjoyed the fancy coffee the Chief Superintendent made me while I was watching a protest on live feed from the Police Helicopter at the Gold Command Centre, very cool.

The days were long but the MET staff went out of their way, taking me around the town and ensuring I got safely on my train home (with a valid ticket) at the end of each day.

In my spare time I also managed to visit a West End show, the MET Crime Museum, Trafalgar Square, Wembley Stadium for a Heineken Cup Match and even met Henry Blofeld.

Near arrest aside, my trip was an amazingly fruitful experience. I am really grateful to the IPA for the opportunity given to me and encourage all Police staff to become a member for both the travel and study opportunities but most importantly – for the networking. I met some great people and made some very beneficial contacts that have already come in useful.



ABOVE: Trafalgar Square with Big Ben in the background

Tales from the Northern Territory by Garry Holden

In the distant past Region 5 member Garry Holden spent time in the Northern Territory constabulary. Garry shares memories of what I'm sure were very interesting days.

In the early 80's, I was on court guard duties as a result of some misdemeanour.

One lunch time, I wandered over to Darwin Station and came across a mouthy bloke giving the front counter officer some hassles. Once I got behind the counter, I realized the bloke had warrants of commitment.

With a smile, I informed him I was going to lock him up. He seemed displeased and stepped back just as I leaned across the counter and grabbed him by his hair. With that, he hollered like a sook and I lost my grip. He ran out the door and down Mitchell and Smith Streets. I was in hot pursuit and getting more brassed off as I was hungry.

I cornered him by Woollies and after a wrestle walked him back to the cells as he whinged and whined. I served the warrants and charged him with resisting arrest (he was lucky I could not think of another charge for messing up my lunch hour). I had quite a yarn to him telling him how upset that made me.

At 2pm, I took him across to the Magistrate's Court. The only people in the court were myself in the seating area, the Police Prosecutor, Magistrate and assistant.

He pleaded guilty and asked the Magistrate if he could say something. He told the Magistrate that the policeman behind him told him that it was time he left town and that the policeman would kick him up the arse if he didn't.

The Magistrate and prosecutor looked at me, I looked over my shoulder behind me to see if any other police officers were there, but alas there was only me acting sheepish and bewildered. Surely he couldn't be talking about constable nice! After listening to him the magistrate said he had known Sergeant Holden (instant promotion) for years and he doubted I would say anything like that!

On taking the bloke back to the cells, I told him I thought he was a prick. As I got to the cells, I was told the Magistrate wanted me to pop over to see him (This was getting ridiculous, I still hadn't had any tucker!).

I wandered into his office. He leaned over his desk and asked, "Did you say that?" ….and before I could answer he said, "Next time give him a kick up the arse for me as well."

With that I went and finally got some tucker, the bloke went to Berriman Jail and I never saw him again.



At one stage in my career I was in the prosecution section. We were at one time housed on Mitchill Street but then moved to another building and up to the third floor. Across the floor from us was a group of lawyers who we had a lot of fun with trying to outdo each other with pranks.

Unfortunately for the lawyers, the men's toilets did not have a window. When I saw the various lawyers going to relieve themselves I decided to soften them up by turning the lights out, which made the paperwork before flushing a little harder.

My crowning moment though was not only to turn the light out but to toss a couple of bangers over the top of the cubicles. This obviously caused them great anxiety and they decided to use the toilets on a lower floor.

Of course this did not put me off, as I just wandered down to the lower floor. It got to the stage they were too nervous to use the toilets and their great way of getting back at us, very lame indeed, was to superglue our office doors shut....ho hum!

With that we decided whenever we met them in the lifts on the way to court we would flick the emergency switch and the crowning glory was having them trapped in the lift between floors.

We gave up on that tactic after I was causing merry hell in the lift one day and discovered Jim Muirhead, Supreme Court Judge and later Administrator of the Northern Territory riding along.

Running around the outside of the building on each floor was a ledge about a meter wide which stopped the sun in the afternoon plus the rain. Early one morning myself and another prosecution section officer opened the window and I climbed out and crawled along the ledge until I was outside our rivals' offices.

I was able to hang a couple of unmentionable items on the outside of the glass and write a couple of messages in marker pens.

Their reaction.....super glue again.....very lame.

On that occasion, however, the other officer left me out on the ledge for quite some time and would not let me back, so while there I hatched the greatest plan ever.

We removed ceiling tiles in our office, I crawled across and dropped down into our rivals and was able to push furniture etc. against the inside of the doors from the foyer.

They could never work it out and thought we had keys to their office. We left it a month or so and did it again, they never did figure it out!!. The issues were finally resolved with them shouting us a great morning tea.....so we gave them a break for a while.

Editor's Note: Warning: Young policemen/women should not try these tricks at home, at the station, or in any place where you may be caught!



A bit of Swiss Delight.

By Steve Anderton, Region 4.

John Taylor used to be the property officer in the Auckland Central Police Station but recently got his own back and had his lost wallet returned courtesy of the Swiss Police…...but more of the story.

John of Churton Park, Wellington is 81 and a well-travelled IPA member of some 25 years. He retired in 1988 as a Sergeant after stints at Auckland Wharf, Takapuna (twice) and Auckland Central. John also has a penchant for model railways and has built his own (see photo). Coincidentally it is of the same railway system he lost his wallet and contents on in April this year.

His latest trip starting on 23rd April when he flew to Amsterdam, and took a river cruise to Budapest, Hungary was followed by a rail tour through Switzerland. Realizing he had lost his wallet during the latter part of his rail travels, he reported the loss to the railway property office at Zurich.

Nothing was heard by John until I phoned him at home in May to say that the Swiss Police had been handed his wallet by Swiss Railways with credit cards, money and retired police identification all intact. Naturally he was over the moon about the wallet being found. In due course I received the wallet and contents by mail from Swiss Police and handed it back to John on 19 June. See photo of the "handing over" ceremony…..

It's common knowledge that Switzerland is one of the safest countries in the world and renowned for its chocolate, bank deposits and cuckoo clocks….now having a reputation for honesty and a good member of IPA.

John says many thanks IPA and the Swiss Police "servo per amikeco"

John's wayward wallet even rated a mention in the June IPA International Newsletter.

In the middle of May, I received a request from IPA Switzerland: They had been contacted by a local police station who had informed them that a helpful member of the public had handed in a wallet he had found on a train. It turns out that this wallet contained amongst other things an IPA card belonging to a member from IPA New Zealand. A few email messages and only 3 days later, everything is sorted: IPA New Zealand contacted the very happy owner who had probably thought he would never see his wallet again.

Quick, helpful and international: IPA at its best!

Elke

Office Manager

IPA International Administration Centre



ABOVE: John (left) with Steve and the well-travelled wallet



ABOVE: John with his model railway

Region 2 Goes to the Dogs...

I will add that it was not just the dogs but harness racing as well. It was on Thursday 13th February 2014, on a lovely warm and clear evening when members of Region 2 had a very enjoyable time at the Cambridge Raceway, watching and I do believe betting on both the greyhounds and the harness racing.

Everyone appeared to have a good time, with members attending from Cambridge, Hamilton, Te Awamutu, Tauranga & Rotorua.

Brian Husband, the Region 2 Chairman had kindly arranged for us to use the Members Lounge, with tables reserved, where we could clearly see the racing, with access to both the bar and bistro facilities.



ABOVE: Ann Bardsley clearly having a very successful night!

I must say that the food was excellent and I would certainly recommend the evening to anyone. My wife, Anne and I stayed the night at the Colonial Court Motel, 37 Vogel Street, Cambridge, with only a ten minute walk to the raceway.

One thing I learnt that evening about taking photographs of the event, as you will see from one of the photographs, is don't try taking a group photograph when there is a race on!!



ABOVE: Region 2 members enjoying the action

Following the racing, the members had a short meeting to discuss future activities, one suggestion was a 10 pin bowling evening at Sky City in Hamilton, so we will have to see what transpires?

We also discussed the two applicants; Lauren Hancock & Timothy Husband-Dravitzki, who had been accepted to represent the IPA New Zealand Section at the International Youth gathering in Paris, France, from Saturday 19th July to Saturday 2nd August 2014.

Lauren is the granddaughter of Grant Middlemiss (Region 2) and Timothy is the grandson of Brian Husband (Region 2). This will be the third year running that Region 2 relatives have represented the New Zealand Section at the International Youth Gatherings and we wish them well.

For your information and consideration, the 2015 & 2016 International Youth Gatherings will be held in Spain & the USA, so if you have a daughter, son, granddaughter or grandson, aged 16yrs – 17yrs in 2015 or 2016, then you may wish to consider putting in an application in for them to attend one of these IYG's?. The closing date for applications is the 31st December 2014 & 31st December 2015 respectively and applications must be sent to the Secretary General.

By the way, if you are missing out on any of the IPA activities in your area, just check your personal details on the IPA website www.ipa.org.nz to insure that we have your correct details and email address.

Michael Lucas. Region 2 Editor

BELOW: Brian Husband and Michael Lucas studying the form



Region 4

Wellington Region IPA members recently took the opportunity to mark the occasion of Kate Foxall's pending trip as New Zealand Section's representative on the IYG being held in France with an evening spent at the D4 Irish restaurant and bar in FeatherstonStreet,Wellington.



ABOVE: Kate Foxall and Chairman Mike Norden

Mike Norden, Wellington Regional Chairman and US Embassy Regional Security Officer also used the occasion to present Keith Knox and David Ross with their 40 year IPA membership certificates.



ABOVE: David Ross receiving his 40 year certificate



ABOVE: Keith Knox receiving his 40 year certificate

Also joining us for the evening were two Irish IPA guests, Barry and Mairead Martin, re-visiting New Zealand after having stayed for a period some years ago. They simply couldn't resist the scenery, weather, food and drink as well as the sincere friendship of New Zealanders.



ABOVE: Barry and Mairead Martin with Mikeand Trish Norden



ABOVE: Senior Constable Thomas "Blue" Young of Christchurch receiving the US Embassy Regional Security Officers presentation jacket from Acting Regional Security Officer Corey Thomas

A special presentation of a United States Embassy (Regional Security) jacket was made to Thomas (Blue) Young, senior constable from Christchurch for his efforts in assisting a United States congressional delegation visiting during the disastrous earthquakes there.

What with the presence of Irish colleagues, the soft lilt of Irish music in the background and the aroma of Irish Guinness swishing between glass and mouth, one could be forgiven for thinking we were in a real Irish bar in Ireland itself on St Pats Day to be sure!!... begorra ! Sláinte.

The Rise and Fall of Richard Gamble

By Ken Brewer

Born in Waterford, Ireland in 1837, Richard Gamble had married in Kilkenny on 26 November 1864 and moved to New Zealand to join the Auckland Provincial Police Force on 4 August 1865. He was described as being 6 feet 2 inches tall of fresh complexion, with light brown hair and brown eyes and a member of the Church of England. Given the number 28, he was sent to Otahuhu in 1871 to become that township's third constable. When the Auckland Provincial police was merged into the military organisation known as the New Zealand Armed Constabulary on 1 July 1870, he was sworn into that force.

The first record of him at Otahuhu is found in a station charge book entry dated 1 October 1871 when at 10.30 am he had arrested 25 year old Anderson Christie an Irish labourer and charged him with willful trespass, being drunk and disorderly and also assaulting Constable Gamble. The offender's level of education was recorded as being *"Number Two"*, which meant that he could read and write. In the space indicated *"Prosecutor"* (which today is called the complainant) is inscribed an "X", followed by the words, *"William Boggs – his mark"* which is then countersigned by Gamble. The prisoner is shown as possessing no property and there is no mention of bail being granted. The charge book indicates that he was provided with one meal of *"Number two rations"*, which suggests a period in Police custody pending his Court appearance.

The ensuing Court case did not go well however, as the complainant William Boggs failed to turn up to give evidence, resulting in Mr. C. Mellsop R.M. dismissing the charges of trespass and assault. The drunk and disorderly charge was upheld and the offender was fined 1 pound, with 4 shillings costs, or 48 hours imprisonment. It is faithfully recorded that the fine and Court costs were paid in full at the time of the hearing on 4 October 1871.

An interesting entry occurred on 30 January that year and related to the arrest of 28 year old English labourer Henry Smith, *"On suspicion of setting fire maliciously to a hay barn and four tons of hay on the night of January 29th of 1875, the property of James Wallace."* His previous police history is recorded as, *"Repeatedly convicted of drunkenness"* and Smith was brought before Mr. R. G. Barston Esquire R.M. to be committed for trial to the Supreme Court. The result of that trial is unfortunately not recorded on the charge book entry.

On 1 October 1876 Richard Gamble was promoted to the rank of Second Class Sergeant and transferred to Auckland at about the same time. One month later he gained the rank of First Class Sergeant and on 7 December that year a New Zealand Herald newspaper article advised that he had been Gazetted as an Inspector of Weights and Measures for Auckland and a room had been set aside for his office at the High Street Police Station. This article described him as an efficient officer who did his duty without fear or favour and suggested that to "Avoid collision with him," tradesmen should take their measures to him for testing and stamping in accordance with Colonial Law.

On those days and for many years since, shopkeepers, traders and hotels sold their goods by either weight or volume and used a container to measure it out for sale. The problem was that these containers varied greatly in size and whether buying flour or a beer, a purchaser rarely received the same amount at different locations even though they paid the same. This caused the Government to standardise all such containers and each one had to be tested for accuracy. As most were metal, they were then stamped with an official approval of their accuracy. Traders were given a period in which to present their measures for testing, but once the final deadline had passed anyone found using unstamped measures not only had them confiscated, but were also brought before the Courts to face prosecution. This then was Sergeant Richard Gamble's new job.

A similar newspaper article on Gamble appeared a year later on 25 November 1877 and referred to a raid by the Sergeant on licenced premises in the city where in some cases bars were left without a single measure after their "illegal" measures were seized by him. Upwards of some 250 such measures, used to pour quantities of alcohol were seized and the newspaper item states: "Dainty barmaids were alarmed by the gruff voice of the gentleman in blue, demanding the measures which were in use.

On 1 January 1877, Gamble transferred to the newly reorganised national police service renamed as the New Zealand Constabulary Force. He continued to wear the same uniform and cap badge. On 17 May 1881 the Sergeant's son Henry was born and their address was written on the birth certificate as Kyber Pass Road (minus the 'H'), Auckland.

On 1 September 1886 the national police service was once more reorganised, this time becoming a fully civilianized and unarmed service called the New Zealand Police Force. This was the birth of the modern police and Richard Gamble transferred into it to serve with distinction. A new badge was designed for the new force, but due to the need for major economies in government services it was not introduced until 1897.

A tragic incident occurred in 1894 that was to result in Sergeant Gamble earning a special mention in the Commissioner's annual report to Parliament the following year. The report reads:

"In addition to the police duties proper performed by the Force during the last year, I cannot omit mentioning the meritorious services rendered by Sergeant Gamble and six specially selected Constables from Auckland at Great Barrier Island, in connection with the wreck of the steamship "Wairarapa" under most trying circumstances. The party left Auckland on the 1st November last and were employed on this special duty until the 21st of that month and, during that interval they succeeded in recovering the Mails, for which they were rewarded and thanked by the Postal Department and, with the assistance of the Maoris living on the island, were enabled to recover and bury some 63 bodies, taking accurate descriptions in each case. And in many instances, bodies already buried

by the Maoris had to be exhumed to get descriptions and any valuables they might have, which to the credit of the natives, be it said were not interfered with. As an illustration of their honesty, it may be noticed that in the case of one body, which the Maoris had buried, 15 sovereigns were found on its being exhumed by the Police. By means of the careful descriptions taken, many bodies were identified by relatives and friends while all the valuables found were handed over to an agent for the Public Trustee."

"To say that this unusual and trying duty was commendably carried out by this party of Police, conveys no adequate idea of what they had to go through. When it is considered that the scene of the disaster is as far north as the Great Barrier, that it was the middle of summer and that many of the bodies were not recovered or exhumed until ten days or a fortnight after the disaster, some faint idea can be formed of the exceptional and horrible nature of the duty carried out night and day in a foul and dangerous atmosphere on scant rations. Yet there was no grumbling or complaints and persons who visited the island while the work was going on, testify to the kind, humane and sympathetic manner in which these trying duties were performed. The directors of the Union Steamship Company were also pleased to express heir high appreciation of the work done by this Department in connection with that lamentable disaster."

At least one of the Constables on that expedition, Luke McDonnell, was to die from an illness contracted whilst diving on the wreck. His widow Elizabeth went on to become Auckland's second Police Matron serving from 1901 until her death on 4 August 1908, at which time her place was taken by her daughter Kate McDonnell, who herself was to marry Constable Gerald Lambert and they eventually moved to Hamilton.

Church leaders unsuccessfully campaigned to have medals awarded to the policemen who attended the wreck, but strangely their strongest opposition came from the very Police Commissioner who had presented the highly supportive report to Parliament. The blame for the tragedy was to fall upon the Captain of the steamship who, intent upon achieving a fast passage to Auckland, had maintained a high speed in foggy conditions causing the ship to slam into the unseen cliffs of the island. 121 passengers and crew perished in the accident.

On 24 December 1896 the Auckland Star reported: "Richard Gamble was in charge at the Auckland central station late one night on 18 December 1896, when Constable Timothy McCarthy brought in share broker George South and accused him of being drunk and disorderly. The suspect loudly proclaimed his innocence but Gamble was in no mood for excuses and helped wrestle him into a cell for the night. The prisoner turned out to be a well-respected businessman with friends in high places and an investigation showed he'd been roughly treated by the arresting officer."

"In fact the suspect, share broker George South wasn't "brought in – he'd headed to the police station, carrying a lost 2½ year old child, demanding that Constable McCarthy take charge of the child for safe-keeping until its mother could be located. Constable McCarthy had earlier been approached by both South and a Salvation Army worker in Queen Street, but he had declined to accept the child at the beginning of the incident solely because it was getting close to the end of his duty. Instead, because South had remonstrated with the constable in Queen Street about this, McCarthy went to Sgt. Gamble to complain that South had been "interfering with his duty".

Sergeant Gamble wasn't in charge of the station that night -- it was a Sergeant McMahon on duty and Gamble became involved after South, thinking his door was that of the station Inspector tapped on it, wanting to complain of McCarthy's actions.

Instead, civilian clothed Sergeant Gamble answered and things went from bad to worse.

"Gamble and another constable named Quirke decided that after South failed to calm down in his remonstrations against the conduct of the police that he appeared to them to be drunk and should be locked up overnight in the cells below. Each grabbing one of South's arms, they hauled him fighting all the way (his legs reported to be sticking out like a mule) down the stairs. At a final bend South's legs tangled with those of Quirke and he fell, slamming down the stairs. The two policemen then bodily picked him up, put him on the floor of a cell, and stripped him to his shirt, rifling through his pockets to take his valuables for storage."

At the trial, the mother of the child who was located on that night testified that South wasn't drunk, merely "excited". Apparently, he was emotionally appalled by the seeming lack of care by the police for the safety of the child and he became angrier the more doors were shut and the more he was told by police to go off and mind his own business.

The actions of Constable McCarthy was severely criticised by the Court, as were the actions of Sergeants Gamble and McMahon and ultimately the defendant was acquitted. Gamble was reprimanded for not listening to the man's pleadings and McCarthy's actions especially condemned.

"During the trial South's lawyer Mr Northcroft quoted from Commissioner Brannigan's original regulations framed when he re-organised the New Zealand police force many years ago for the guidance of the constabulary (which, he said, were almost identical with the Police Regulations now in force) as to the duty of the police in preventing as well as repressing crime and urging the necessity of members of the force discharging their duties with, *"the utmost forbearance, mildness, urbanity, and perfect civility towards all classes. They should on no occasion, nor under any provocation, so far forget themselves as to permit their feelings to get the better of their discretion, and conduct themselves rudely or harshly in the performance of their respective offices. Nothing would serve more to cause the force to be respected than a general readiness to render kindness and assistance to every member of the community."*

The Auckland Star newspaper reported on 6 January 1897 that the Hon. T. Thompson, Minister of Justice had forwarded to Inspector Hickson of Auckland a memo embodying the decision he had arrived at as the outcome of the inquiry into the recent case of the police v. George South, share broker. The police had charged Mr. South with being drunk and disorderly and with resisting Constable McCarthy in the execution of his duty. The charges were dismissed and the magistrate commented severely on the action of the police concerned in the case.

"The Minister, after going repeatedly through the papers relating to the case, has come to the following decision on the matter :—First-class Sergeant Gamble to be requested to send in his resignation; first-class Sergeant MacMahon to be requested to send in his resignation; first-class Constable Timothy McCarthy to be dismissed from the force; third-class Constable Quirke to be dismissed from the force; (another involved to a lesser degree) first-class Constable Clark to be reduced to the second class and to be transferred from Auckland to another district as soon as arrangements can be made. Inspector Hickson has been requested

to give immediate effect to this decision. Mr. Thompson has also forwarded a departmental memo to the Commissioner of Police Colonel Hume, with remarks on the circumstances which led him to the above decision. It is understood that no civil action is to be taken in connection with the complaints made by Mr South against the police."



Above: Shown here in later years as a Sergeant and wearing the Long Service and Good Conduct Medal that was first introduced in 1886, Richard Gamble was Otahuhu's third named Constable. Here he shows off to good effect the shako headgear of the day. Ken Brewer Collection.

The Auckland Star reported on 7 January 1897 that: "Sergeants Gamble and MacMahon tendered their resignations to Inspector Hickson yesterday afternoon. They will now be enabled to apply for their compensation allowances (one month's pay for each year of service). Sergeant Gamble has seen 31 years of service, and Sergeant MacMahon about 20 years."

"The Government then decided to grant compassionate allowance to ex-Police Sergeants Gamble and MacMahon at the rate of a year's pay each. If Sergeant Gamble hadn't lost his temper that night in December 1896 and had instead called for the Inspector, or simply not become involved at all – he might have had a better end to a long and distinguished career."

On 9 November 1907 an item appeared in the Observer newspaper stating that: "Richard Gamble, whose death was reported this week (3 November 1907), was for many years one of the most conspicuous figures in the local police force. Tall of stature and burly of figure he could not fail to be conspicuous because he was a subdued Goliath amongst his stalwart comrades. Away back in the seventies when the late Mr. Broham was the local inspector and Mr. Purdy, now living in retirement at New Plymouth, was sub-inspector Mr. Gamble held the rank of sergeant and was also the local inspector of weights and measures. He was a good police officer, with an intelligent conception of his duties and responsibilities and more than the ordinary amount of capability. Being of an affable and kindly disposition he was also very popular with the men under him and the general public."

"Mr. Gamble rose to the rank of sergeant-major, with the charge of the station and the control of the city police, and he would have risen still further if it had not been for the unfortunate circumstances connected with the arrest of Mr. South, a well-known man about town. The arrest was made by a stupid and aggressive constable, who rough-handled his captive on the way to the station. South was not drunk as the constable alleged and he counted upon being released when he got to the lock-up. Instead of that Sergeant Gamble refused to listen to his remonstrances and, when he resisted, actually took a hand in conveying him to the cell. There was an enquiry and as a result Sergeant Gamble and the constable were both forced to retire, thus ended a promising career in the force."

"It was strange that Gamble should have been drawn into the affair, because he was of a most kindly disposition although, like most Irishman, somewhat impulsive. He was a County Waterford man."



ABOVE : The wreck of the steamship SS Wairarapa at Great Barrier Island on 28 October 1894, in which 121 passengers and crew perished. Photograph courtesy of the Alexander Turnbull Library

Letters to the Editor

Sir,

I read the article 'A touch of History' (Summer 2013 edition) with some interest because my first posting in 1977 was to that district. As a Traffic Officer, I was posted to Meremere at the request of the then New Zealand Electricity Department as there was no local traffic enforcement. The nearest officer was at Waerenga some 25km to the south.

I was a fresh immigrant and noticed that there were a lot of memorials in the area which got me interested in the history of the area. Another factor was that my wife's ancestors had first settled in the Drury / Razorback area in 1856 and many were buried there. (They arrived on the Euthamus and Hellenslee and farmed lot 51 – part of which is now the pet food plant on the Bombay hill)

In Ken Brewers story, there are several inaccuracies in his description of the start of the Waikato campaign.

You have to remember that George Grey was the head of the colonial government; Duncan Cameron was the general commanding the Imperial Army. Grey represented the politicians and settlers, Cameron was a soldier. They disliked each other intensely.

The Waikato campaign was to have started on the 16th July, but there were several hundred Maoris, sympathetic to the Waikato cause in the area between Drury and the Mangatawhiri. Cameron had planned to disarm them and place them in detention or require them to withdraw to the Waikato country.

But on 8th July, Governor Grey suddenly ordered the campaign to start and he started to use his colonial troops to deal with the local Maoris.

A few days later, on July 12th an advance party of the 12th and 14th regiments were landed by HMS Harrier on the banks of Mangatawhiri below the Koheroa Ridge – (probably near the present area of Kellyville) where they set up camp. About a week after this occupation, a large body of Maoris started to dig in just in front of the British position. The Commander attacked and drove the Maoris back out of the partly completed trenches and pursued them across the water. The Maoris withdrew to Meremere.

The small steamer HMS Avon was bought for the specific purpose of moving troops and supplies across the waterways but it had been reinforced for protection from bullets. It sailed from Manukau on 16th July but was unable to cross the Manukau bar until 25th July. It finally sailed up the Waikato River and arrived at the Mangatawhiri on the 27th July.

But the actions of Grey and his colonial troops meant that Cameron now had armed bands of Maoris on his flank which delayed his campaign by 3 months. This is the period of skirmishes described by Ken Brewster.

HMS Pioneer became available in October and the campaign was restarted. The Maoris at Meremere had managed to drag a ships cannon from Raglan and had set it up on the hill at Meremere. They had powder but no shot. So they loaded it up with whatever they had including scale weights! HMS Pioneer made a couple of reconnaissance trips past Meremere and got bombarded by this cannon. Only one casualty, the ships cook!

Finally, during the night of October 31st, HMS Avon and HMS Pioneer landed some 600 troops about 10km up the Waikato river. But as they assembled for the attack, Meremere was evacuated without a shot being fired and the defenders withdrew to the east. Meremere was then occupied by the British.

The next engagement was Rangiriri where the attack started at 4:30pm on the 20th November. The surviving defenders surrendered a few hours later, at dawn on the 21st. There was a memorial to the dead from this engagement erected across the road from the earthworks of the Pa.

So it was Rangiriri not Meremere that fell on the 21st November.

Both the Avon and the Pioneer were supply vessels. Their reinforcements consisted of a riveted boiler shaped turret with rifle slits. The gun boats were smaller vessels towed by the two supply vessels.

The turret from HMS Pioneer used to be on the main street of Mercer opposite the Mercer pub serving as a war memorial. But with the removal of the pub and the development of the Waikato expressway, the turret may go.

The term 'Pa' means 'fortified village'. The use of the term in this case is misleading because there was no village in the usual sense. It was briefly occupied by about 200 Maoris who had dug themselves in. The earthworks visible today on the crest of the Meremere hill are the remains of one of the several redoubts built to protect the British supply lines as they advanced into the Waikato.

Regards

Alastair Crosland

Region 6

Article author Ken Brewer replies:

Dear Editor,

I am aware of the information described, in fact there was much more that occurred in this region than is even mentioned here.

The point, however, was that the information contained in the article was intended to provide a backdrop to the daily working life of Constable Andrew McKnight during that period and most the events listed, would have impacted directly upon his daily duties in his "patch."

The additional material such as those mentioned at Bombay, Tuakau and Cameron Town occurred outside his policing district and were intended to illustrate the sudden escalation in fighting.

The bombardment of the Meremere pa and some others as mentioned by the writer, were specific military operations well beyond the control or sphere of influence of a country constable.

For the writer's information some of the incidents he has raised here, but I warn him in advance – not all, will be included in a future book once I have completed my current volume and finished the requested screen play for my first novel.

Kind regards

Ken Brewer

Noticeboard

Quartley Recruit Wing Reunion

Region 4 member, Clint Libby advises that January 2016 will be the 50th anniversary of the 33rd Quartley recruit wing.

Clint is hoping to gauge whether there is any interest for a reunion. "I would like to ask wing members to contact me either at email cjlibby@xtra.co.nz or phone 0274432466."

There were 63 in the wing and the graduation photo below is at the Trentham Training School.



2015 AGM

Vice President Ross Pinkham is encouraging as many members to take the opportunity to visit his patch for the 2015 AGM set down for 10 April.

"The meeting will be held on the weekend after Easter which gives the opportunity to head our way prior to Easter and experience the places close to the Hawkes Bay –Taupo, East Coast and Gisborne, plus the coastal areas south of Hawkes Bay on the way to the meeting. There will be a chance for a partner's programme so bring along a 'friend'. Over the next 12 months there will be plenty of information available about the meeting – but in the meantime – make plans for a trip to the Bay."

Feel free to drop Ross a line if you want to know more vice-president@ipa.org.nz

Website update

Kerry Morrell, web editor advises the website now has a newsletter function for each region to send out newsletters to their regional members.

Chairpersons and Treasures are also able to add stories on their region's page plus manage their regional page.

The new feature allows members to be kept up to date with what's happening in their regions.

If you have items or news you wish your Chairperson or Treasurer to include on your region's page or in a newsletter, let them know.

AGM 2014 Dunedin

IPA NZ was fortunate to have the presence of International Secretary General, Georgios Katsaropoulos, International Treasurer Romain Miny, and Australian President Michelle Harris at the 2014 AGM held in Dunedin.



ABOVE: President Paul Visser with international guests at the 2014 AGM in Dunedin



ABOVE: Ross Pinkham, Georgios Katsaropoulos, (International Sec. Gen) Paul Visser, Coleen Meyers, Romain Miny (Int. Treasurer), Jim Wilson, Billy Lawrence



ABOVE: Paul Visser and IPA Australia President Michelle Harris enjoying some friendly Australian/New Zealand banter!

AGM 2014 Minutes are available online on the website.

Cartoon



Editiorial from the first edition of NZ IPA magazine, August 1967

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Editorial . . .

I.P.A. is really catching on — since our last magazine we have 70 new members, and it's good to see many of them from the "mainland." With so many members we thought it wise to become organised about the magazine — probably our only means of national communication.

But national communication means national co-operation. I'm sure there are many budding writers amongst our members but this talent is being modestly hidden. Writing or reporting is not new to anyone — we all commit ourselves daily to paper, or have done so, at some time.

This is our magazine—let's make every effort to have it contain all I.P.A. happenings and members' scribblings. This is my personal letter to you all — "What about something from **you** for the next journal?"!

Dorothy Waymouth,
Editor

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Auckland Newsletter
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Dear Members and Friends,

In response to several members' suggestions as much as to other members' earnest pleas a few notes have found their way into print. Members having a long association with the I.P.A. will remember that a few attempts have been made in New Zealand to form our own section of the I.P.A. Efforts in this respect have met with little or no success in the past. However, as our present membership has exceeded 50 it is felt that the time is ripe to start something constructive.

A few members including myself have been fortunate to meet Ray Dodd, the Secretary General of the Australian Section, and after discussing all angles for the forming of our section definite steps have been taken with a view to starting the association on a proper basis in New Zealand. Some of the problems that we have to overcome concern the publishing of a magazine, the obtaining of badges and literature and the location and formation of the National Executive. It is at this stage that we need your help and interest, your ideas, your constructive criticism and your articles for our embryo magazine. Help us to make the New Zealand Section of the I.P.A. the success it promises to be.

I wish to welcome New Members to the Association. By joining you have made it possible for us to go ahead with the formation of the New Zealand Section. When New Zealand has been recognised at the Council Meeting in Toronto our Section will be properly on the map.

EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS FROM JOHN COATES
Associate Secretary for Australia and New Zealand

In October 1964 John Coates prepared a New Zealand Newsletter in which it was outlined that the IPA had established National Sections in 32 countries and that there were 29 members in New Zealand at the time. This newsletter may not have reached all the members at that time andit is unlikely that those who joined recently will have read it. John told us about the number of members in Australia, Bermuda and England who were keen to contact New Zealand members. We were told that on the 6th August 1964 Ray Dodd had been elected as the first Secretary General of the newly formed Australian Section.

John Coates was at that stage corresponding with about eight or ten New Zealand members. He was making every effort to help in the formation of the New Zealand Section. Since then John hasmet several of the New Zealand members in England and has also stepped up his correspondence to New Zealand.

A more recent newsletter from John Coates, dated July 1965 did not reach some of us till October. There may be others who did not receive it at all. At the end of this newsletter there was a pro-forma which was to be completed by members and forwarded to Trevor Cook in Auckland.

The purpose of this pro-forma was to obtain the support of a large number of members, so that immediate steps could be taken to have an inaugural meeting and elect office bearers for the New Zealand National Section. This support was not forthcoming. Had there been sufficient support at this stage the British Section were to be delegated to sponsor the New Zealand National Section at the International Executive Council meeting held in October 1965 in Barcelona, Spain. This has resulted in a further delay, but with your earnest support we trust that it may be possible to have the New Zealand Section accepted at the next International Executive Council meeting to be held in September 1966 at Toronto, Canada.

ORAKEI KORAKO

Heard of it? It means "Place of Adorning" and it is situated a little off the beaten track between Taupo and Rotorua. One of our members recently visited this thermal phenomena on the bank of the upper reaches of the Waikato River. If you have visited this spot before 1961 it will be well worth another visit as the turbulent section of the river has been transformed into a beautiful 24 mile lake Ohakuri. The resort at Orakei Korako has been built to take advantage of the views across the lake to the Emerald Terraces of silica and a large geyser called Aorangi. For about 7/6 per head you will be taken across the lake in a Jet boat, through the hot water area to the floating jetty at the main thermal area. There are dozens of interesting spots to see including Lord Cobham Geyser, My Lady's Lace, Golden Fleece and Aladdin's Magic Cave.

In 1859 a great Austrian Geologist, Ferdinand von Hochstetter, visited this area and selected a painting of Orakei Korako for the frontispiece of his work "The Geology of New Zealand."

The raising of the level of the Waikato River by 65 ft which resulted in the formation of the Hydro Electric Lake Ohakuri has also caused a considerable increase in the thermal activity of this spot. If any of you are passing near this area when on holiday and you have not seen it, I don't think you will be disappointed in a visit. Directions on how to get there - if travelling from Wellington then head for Taupo and continue on the No. 1 State Highway travelling towards Tokoroa. It is about 16 miles north of Taupo, there is a signpost which indicates the turnoff along the Tutkau Road. From Auckland, also along the No. 1 State Highway continues through Tokoroa and on to Atiamuri; about four miles South is the turnoff to Orakei Korako. Those coming from Rotoroa or Te Kuiti will be able to get to Atiamuri on the No. 30 Provincial State Highway. It may also be possible to get there by boat.

TRAVEL SECTION

On the 9th March PERCY GILMOUR and his wife set off in the 'Oriana' for a lengthy visit to numerous parts of the United States and Canada and then on to England. Jim Stoddart saw them off and wished them all the very best on their travels .

Ahead of Percy, but travelling the other way round the world are two N.Z. Policewomen, Josephine Callanan and Dorothy Waymouth. They set off from Wellington on the 'Orcades' on 1st February and will be away till September. News has reached us about their travels from Australia and also from John Coates. A card was received from Josephine when her ship called at Aden, both Dorothy and she received a very warm welcome from IPA members in Brisbane. There was a short article in the N.Z. Herald on 24.3.66 referring to the girls' plans. After a couple of months in England they will be visiting the Continent and returning to New Zealand through the United States.

Brian Wilkinson is going to England on 6th June to 30th August.

Robert Goff in the CIB at Hamilton wentoverseas last year and seems to have had an interesting time.

Though there may be several more who can be added to the list, we would like to mention Harry Piggest in Rotorua, John Fazacherley in Wellington and David Roberts in Auckland are IPA members who have recently arrived in New Zealand and joined the New Zealand Police.

It has given some of us a very great pleasure to meetvisitors from the Australian Section. Nora and Dougal Crawford have very recently accommodated the Australian Secretary General Ray Dodd and his wife and close behind them were Peter Page from Adelaide and Tony Jeffries and Peter Barrett both from Sydney. It is felt certain that there will be several other visitors from Australia in the very near future and we will be very glad to welcome them to Auckland.

The latest news received by John O'Ferrall in the form of several newspaper cuttings, shows that Dorothy Waymouth and Josephine Callanan are making the most of their visit to England. One of the newspaper reports is as follows:

"Policewomen from New Zealand and East Anglia visit"

Two New Zealand Policewomen, who are on a tour of Europe, were in Wisbech yesterday. They had stayed overnight with Det. Insp. J.E. Coates who is in charge of the Regional Crime Squad in the area. The two visitors, Miss Josephine Callanan and Miss Dorothy Waymouth are both aged 22 and are stationed in Auckland, Josephine in the uniform branch and Dorothy in the C.I.B.

The International Police Association has taken them under its wing since they reached this country. They have been to Scotland Yard, to Ipswich, Norwich and King's Lynn before calling on Det. Insp. Coates, who is the I.P.A. Secretary for Australia and New Zealand for this country.

The two girls have bought a secondhand car since their arrival in England and left Wisbech early yesterday morning on the way to Edinburgh."

BLAZER BADGES

Contact has recently been made with a firm in Pakistan with regard to the supplying of gold wire blazer badges. A sample one was forwarded and believe you me it is a very striking design. It is identical to the lapel badge surmounted on a silver star and this in turn is surrounded

by two leaves; at the base there is written "New Zealand". These are available at the moderate price of 30/- .

Members desirous of obtaining a badge should please forward the amount in either English currency or British postal orders as soon as possible. A similar badge sold like hot cakes in Australia. For it to be economical I would have to send for at least twenty at a time. N.B. In England the cost of a similar gold wire badge is 50/-.

PENFRIENDS WANTED

We received a letter from J. Western, the Secretary of region one, I.P.A. London, Ontario, Canada. There are two members known to him who wish to correspond with two members of the N.Z. Section, both members come from Ontario. Would members interested in corresponding with these and perhaps other members please drop me a line in the first instance. - Jim Stoddart, P.O.Box 8608, Auckland.

STOP PRESS

On the 12th April 1966 at a meeting held in PORIRUA Basil Johnston was appointed Chairman and Alexander Matheson Secretary of an Interim Regional Committee in Wellington. They have promised their full support in the formation of a national section.

NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting is to be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday 31st (note shift). May 1966 at the Astor Hotel, Symonds Street, with a view to the formation of a National Section. You are earnestly requested to make a note NOW onyour duty roster or in your diary of this date. There have already been clear indications that members in Wellington and Rotorua are prepared to go to some considerable lengths to attend this meeting and those of us in Auckland should not find it so difficult to attend. The Agenda for this meeting will be sent to all members very soon.

Please inform one of the undersigned by the 17th May if you are going to attend the meeting and if you require accommodation.

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