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:: The Editor's Quill



Hi everyone. Welcome to the 50th Anniversary of IPA New Zealand magazine. I feel privileged to be sitting in the chair of Editor at the time of this important anniversary and celebrations for IPA New Zealand and want to take this opportunity to acknowledge the many editors who have gone before me who have kept this magazine alive and which I know is considered by many members an important part of IPA New Zealand.

There is so much history we could have shared in this edition of the many events, get-togethers, travels and tales that have taken place over the last 50 years, but we had to set a limit somewhere so I hope you do enjoy the articles we have shared here.

Reading through the history creatively written by the late Lawrie Philpott and enjoying the memories of our former Editor, Carole Tipler, and founding President, John O'Farrell, it reminds one how thankful we should be to those pioneers who started and have sustained this organisation.

In perusing some of the earlier magazines it is clear that some of the challenges we face today for IPA existed back in the early days too, so at times when one wonders about the future if IPA, I suspect many of those who have gone before us have had the same thoughts also through the years, yet here we still are!

Policing as we all know creates its own unique brand of comradeship, which I personally have never come across in any other job since leaving the police and while the world has become a much smaller place due to technology and the ability to travel far and wide is now a lot easier, there are still those unique connections that enable our experiences to be that much richer. Being a member of the police family certainly assists, but adding the layer of IPA onto that opens the door to a whole new level.

You only have to read of some of the experiences our members have had over recent and not so recent years in our collection of member's snippets from their experiences and journeys to appreciate the rewards of IPA membership - professionally in some cases, but certainly in every case, personally.

If you are reading this magazine as a visitor to our country, welcome, and I do hope you enjoy reading some of the history of IPA New Zealand and learning a little more about our various regions. We are fortunate to live in a beautiful country and we're always keen to show off our backyard to our friends from afar.

In closing, I would like to acknowledge the support and contributions from the Executive and members for the magazine during the short time I have been editor. There are many among those who go above and beyond for the benefit of IPA New Zealand and because of that we are in this position of celebrating 50 years of existence. Thank you to you all.

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Kathy Graham :: Editor

:: President's Report

It is with immense pride that I pen this note to go in the 50th commemorative magazine. Along with the 50th celebrations we are of course hosting the 61st IPA World Congress in Auckland followed by the Friendship Week.



Planning has been underway by a committed few for the last three years and the work that has gone on behind the scenes has been amazing.

Watching it all come together after all this time is an absolute delight. I stand down at the end of this term and am so proud of the people who are coming through to follow on the legacy that was passed to me.

Membership has been steady in growth and we have a strong base membership that will take us into the future. It is pleasing to see new and serving members signing up to be part of such a great organisation.

As more and more people hear about IPA they are keen to join, the benefits of such an organisation are truly fantastic.

I sat next to a 40 year member at our last regional function and we chatted about the great things that are IPA and how we need to pass this to young serving members.

Arthur Troop founded this organisation to spread the fellowship around the world amongst Police Officers. It is the largest, by far, Police organisation in the world with no boundaries.

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My term as President of New Zealand section has left me with nothing but pride to have been part of such a great organisation.

It is so easy to sit here and write and thank everyone that has made my term so enjoyable, the National Executive and the National Council members who give so much of their time freely and without a grumble, often placing friends and family second to their duties in IPA.



Paul Visser, Coleen Meyers, IEC President Pierre-Martin Molin & Ross Pinkham

I do need to name a few who have been totally committed over the last 3 years; Ross Pinkham, my Vice President and the Chairman of the organising committee, who has put together the World Congress with help from a small committee including Billy Lawrence, from Region 1.

I remember a conversation with Secretary General, Coleen Meyers on the plane returning home from Congress in Israel, telling me we could do this – hold a World Congress! We put a few things down on scrap paper and Ross and his team have put on this superb event.

To those members staying on for Friendship Week, I know you will have an experience that will remain in your memories forever.

Thank you for the journey over the last few years and the memories I will have of IPA for years to come.

Once again thank you to the membership for your loyalty to IPA. If you are not involved, see what you can do to be part of your regional committee.

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Paul Visser :: National President

:: The Secretary General's Report

Hi there everyone! I feel very proud to be penning this report in our 50th commemorative magazine. It's time to celebrate New Zealand's IPA 50th celebrations and also the hosting of the 61st World Congress here in Auckland and the Friendship week that will follow.



Welcome to our guests for the Congress and for those staying on afterwards for the Friendship week, we know that you will experience something unique to New Zealand and the memories will remain with you for a long time.

Whilst thinking about the last 50 years I found myself reflecting on our foundation members and have tried to imagine the immense pride they must have felt when New Zealand became a section in the IPA International. Today I would like to take a moment to salute our foundation members and say thank you for what you achieved and for the legacy that you have left for us to carry on.

May our next 50 years be as our motto says - 'Service through friendship' every single day.

Things nationally have been a little quiet over the last few months.

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IYG this year was in California, America. We had 2 young people go from New Zealand. Region 1 and Region 5. From all accounts they all seem to have had a great time and have come home with lots to talk about and new friends to now talk to on Instagram. Next year the IYG is in South Africa, 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 goes on the website as it comes to hand.

Our membership growth for the last 6 months has been slow, but we have had 31 new members join us since the beginning of 2016. Increasing membership is something that each of us can be involved in at Regional levels. We are seeing a number of our newer serving Police Officers joining and becoming a part of this large Police family and this is great to see.

Don't forget to go the website, have a look around, this is constantly being updated by our Webmaster. Members are able to update their personal details themselves on the website and I would encourage you to do this as it makes it easier to keep our Regional mailing lists up to date. There are a number of IPA events on all around the world. These are on our website, for your perusal, so check them out.

GIMBORN – This is an avenue for our members to experience study in topics of interest to their work place. These can be found on their website www.ibz-gimborne.de

Our international travellers have been keeping Travel Secretary Marlene busy and she continues to do a great job in organising and helping the many visitors who want to see our great country.

Again in reading the Regional reports, there seems to be some good activities going on amongst our members and this is encouraging to read about.

National elections will be held in each Region later in the year, this is your opportunity to elect your National Executives for the next three years. Nomination forms will be with your Regional Secretaries, so can I encourage you to attend your Regional Council meeting and be involved in this process.

Lastly summer is just around the corner and with that comes a good opportunity for BBQ's, and summer holidays. Continue to enjoy the world of opportunities through friendship.

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Coleen Meyers :: Secretary General

:: In the beginning

The following article, published in 1986, was one of several written about the New Zealand IPA history by Lawrie Philpott.

While there are many familiar names mentioned throughout, a number, including Lawrie himself, have now passed on. I hope the article brings positive memories of times past.



Arthur Troop

In the beginning of IPA was Arthur Troop, a Sergeant in the Lincolnshire Police, who because of an idea he had in 1949 and which he persevered with, formed the International Police Association and so became the best known policeman in the world. Arthur became the first Secretary General of his association and it was he in his official capacity who supported the proposal that the New Zealand Section be admitted to the World Body at the International meeting held in Toronto in 1966.

But there is much to record before the Toronto acceptance.

If IPA started in 1950 it did not take long for it to become known in New Zealand, albeit by only a few persons at first.

Whereas one would think that with immigration, especially from the United Kingdom at that time, that the first IPA members in New Zealand would be ex patriot members of the British Section, this was not so.

IPA No: 1

The first person in New Zealand to have any official contact with IPA or perhaps even any knowledge of IPA was Basil Johnson, now of Rotorua. Basil wrote to Arthur Troop in late 1954 and as a result he applied for Associate membership of the British Section and was enrolled in early 1955.

After Basil Johnson, Brian Bates of Wellington received recognition on 24th September 1955 and was enrolled at NZ 2.

No doubt because of the interest in Australasia, the British Section appointed Jim Soden in 1955 the first Associate Secretary for Australia and New Zealand. The next member enrolled from New Zealand was Ron Halpin, who kept in touch with John Coates, who in April 1962 succeeded Jim Soden as our Associate Secretary.

At Ron's suggestions, John instigated the mailing of the journal of the British Section of IPA, Police World, on a regular basis to the New Zealand Police College. As a result of this an article on IPA was published in the New Zealand Police Association's Newsletter of June 1963. This was followed up three months later with a report submitted by Ron Halpin, through his superiors, to the Commissioner, for authority to proceed with forming a Section of IPA in New Zealand.

The Commissioner of the day, Mr C L Spencer, not only gave his permission by memorandum, dated 14th October 1963, but he later became a member himself. He also gave permission to print information on IPA in the Police Bulletin.

Efforts Foiled

By early 1964 there were twenty-nine members listed as resident in New Zealand so Ron Halpin and Brian Beech made great efforts to form the New Zealand Section. Their efforts were assisted by an article in the April edition of the Police Bulletin but unfortunately difficulties got in the way and for "bureaucratic reasons" and not being able to contact and confirm membership of at least twenty, the minimum number required to form a Section, their efforts were foiled.

"That the New Zealand Section of IPA be formed"

At about the same time on 29th May 1964 the Fourth Triennial Congress of the World Body was held at Blackpool in England. Present as a guest was a man who was to have a big influence on IPA in New Zealand, Trevor Cook. Trevor happened to be in England at the time so New Zealand made its presence felt on the international scene.

On his return to Auckland, Trevor put on an evening in November 1964 for members and friends and showed slides of the Congress. This, together with a circular distributed at about the same time to known New Zealand members from John Coates and a visit to New Zealand by Ray Dodd, who had already organised the Australian Section, aroused a lot more interested, with the result that a meeting was held in Porirua where Basil Johnson and Alex Matheson were elected Chairman and Secretary to a committee to set up IPA in New Zealand.

Less formal meetings were being held at the Mt Eden Police Station by John O'Ferrall and Jim Stoddard and finally an informal meeting at 20 Rosemay Terrace, Auckland, worked out a possible constitution and decided that as most known members in New Zealand were resident in Auckland, the inaugural meeting would be in that city.

This meeting took place at the Astor Hotel in Symonds Street, Auckland on Tuesday 31st May 1966.



Astor Hotel, Symonds Street, Auckland

It commenced at 8pm and was attended by twenty-five persons, including three civilians and Basil Johnson who offered the full support of the Wellington members. Item No. 2 on the agenda was "Vote on the proposed formation of the New Zealand Section of IPA". The meeting was quite lengthy but from the minutes and reports, a full agenda was completed except for two minor points. Everybody was so keen for the New Zealand Section to be formed that no names were recorded as to who moved or seconded the proposal "That the New Zealand Section of IPA be formed". Perhaps we could assume that in their enthusiasm, twelve persons jointly moved it and twelve equally keen persons seconded it – the chairman remaining impartial. The main point, of course, was that the motion was passed unanimously and our Section came into being.

The second omission was that although Officers were elected, the position of Travel Secretary was overlooked. This was rectified during refreshments after the meeting when someone suggested that Ray Carter had been overseas so would made a good Travel Secretary – no further discussion and Ray proved a very efficient and helpful Travel Secretary for twelve years.

Arthur Troop delighted

The foundation stone had now been laid, a draft constitution had been accepted, we had to consolidate and make progress – it was all GO! Arthur Troop was delighted because he would be able to recommend acceptance of New Zealand as the 40th Section of the International body in his last year of his service in the Lincolnshire Police and as Secretary General of IPA.

Our Treasurer, Nora Crawford, opened an account at the Bank of New South Wales, Auckland and the first account passed for payment was £2/8/0 for stationery. We needed to expand so, with the assistance of a further article in the Police Bulletin (August 1966) more members were recruited. By the time of the international meeting we had one hundred members.

Our Big Day

The big day in our history was 25th September 1966 – the place, the International Executive meeting in Toronto, Canada. The British delegate, Ken Robinson, proposed that the New Zealand section be accepted as a full member section of the IPA. He was supported by the delegate representing Australia for the first time, Paula Dallas. Arthur Troop, in confirming that all conditions for admission had been met, fully supported our acceptance. So it was that Uganda and New Zealand were accepted as 39th and 40th Sections. We have gone from strength to strength and have managed to be represented at most IEC meetings but, unfortunately, Uganda dropped out some years ago. At present there are forty-nine Sections in IPA.

Within three days of our acceptance, the first meeting of our National Executive Council (now Bureau) took place on 28th September 1966. This and the second meeting on 17th January 1967 were held at a house that was to become well known in IPA circles throughout the world, 20 Rosemay Terrace, Auckland, the home of Nora and Dougal Crawford, our first married couple and both members.

Formation of Regions

The first regions were formed at meetings in Wellington and Auckland on 6th October. These were followed by Southland, Waikato/Bay of Plenty, New Plymouth and Christchurch. The Wellington region was at first based in Palmerston North but later this region was split up into the Wellington and Manawatu regions. Manawatu then moved its base to Napier and became the Hawkes Bay region. Several regions have struggled to survive over the last few years, due mainly to transfer of such staunch members as the Walkinshaws, Brian Daw, Steve Anderton, etc. Rotorua and Dunedin, although having steady members have never been regions but let's hope that some day regions will be formed in their districts and indeed in all Police districts.

Executive Officers

Pride of place for service as an executive officer must go to our gracious treasurer Mrs Nora Crawford, who has held that office from day. One. She will complete twenty-one years in office at the next AGM and has missed only two executive council meetings in that time.

The office of President has its worries and responsibilities. John O'Ferrall guided the Section through the tricky course of launching and commissioning. After four years Trevor Cook took over the helm and guided the section for another four years. Brain Daw and Basil Johnson each had a two-year term and Brian Walkinshaw has been our President since 1980.

At first we had two Vice Presidents, Basil Johnson and Tony Curd but later we reduced this to one. Others to hold this office have been Brian Daw, Len Withers and Dave Griffiths. Howard Ireland has been our Vice President since 1978.

Jim Stoddard carried the burden as scribe for the Section as Secretary General for the first fourteen years until he handed over the 'pen' to Lawrie Philpott in 1980.

For twelve years, Ray Carter assisted all our travellers as Travel Secretary, but after Lawrie Philpott, Peter Burridge and Carole Stewart (in that order) each had a short spell. Our present Travel Secretary, Jill Chester, took over in 1984. The precarious position of Hobbies Secretary has been held at times by Don Austin, Stu Mason, Tony Picketts and now Roly Hermans.

We have been quite well served at International meetings but until recent years we have had to rely on members who just happened to be on holiday in the vicinity of the meeting venue at the time.

Since our acceptance at Toronto there have been only four IEC meetings at which New Zealand has not been represented. Barry Anderson was our first official delegate in 1967. He was followed by Bruce Bulmer (1969), Gordon Glossop (1970) Bill Roughan (1971) Harry Couppleditch (1972) Garth Durton (1973) Neville Trendle (1976 and 1981) and Howard Ireland (1980). Owen Jacobson tops the list with attendances in 1979, 1983, 1984 and 1985. He should have been our man at the important Wiebaden Congress in 1982 but his bad back (a serious motor accident) meant that Lawrie Philpott took the field as an eleventh hour substitute.

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Meetings

Since the inaugural meeting at the Astor Hotel, general meetings have been held in Auckland (5), Christchurch (3), Wellington (3), Hamilton (2) Palmerston North (2) New Plymouth (2) Invercargill (2) and Napier.

Half yearly NEC meetings have been held in Palmerston North (2) Blenheim, Rotorua and Taupo. Wellington, because of its central position now regularly hosts these meetings.

Perhaps the classic NEC meeting of all time would be the one held on 9th April 1969. The venue was the Alpine Sports Club Hut, National Park, Mt Ruapehu. It started at 1.20pm and closed at 5.30pm. Ray Carter describes "walking through snow up to our knees for a hundred yards or so from the car to the door of the hut. We had to carry out bags, etc. which was not easy. A very welcome cuppa and a fire cheered us up". Ray does not say what was in the cuppa!

Membership

While we have enrolled over 1500 members in our twenty years, we seem to hover about the 850 mark as current financial members. This means that we have lost something like 700 members. Some just disappear, some fall so far behind in their annual subscriptions that they cannot catch up, some become disgruntled because they haven't received red carpet treatment when overseas due to not going through proper procedures and unfortunately we find it necessary to terminate the membership of a few. So we come to the ones we were sad to lose, those who have died from various causes. Our Section was not one-year-old before Barry Cook was killed in a road accident. Trevor Maskelyne's joy in winning a prize in a lottery which gave him a trip on the ill-fated flight to Antarctica was short lived, when the DC 10 crashed into Mt Erebus in November 1979.

The National Executive seems to have survived, generally even though quite a few have been injured in accidents of all sorts. Two Associate Travel Secretaries Val Hartshorne and John Lardner, did excellent work prior to their deaths.

The real tragedy was to have one member, and thankfully so far only one, murdered by criminal action in the course of his duty in 1976 – we should all be very proud of (Constable) Peter Murphy, IPA No. 886.

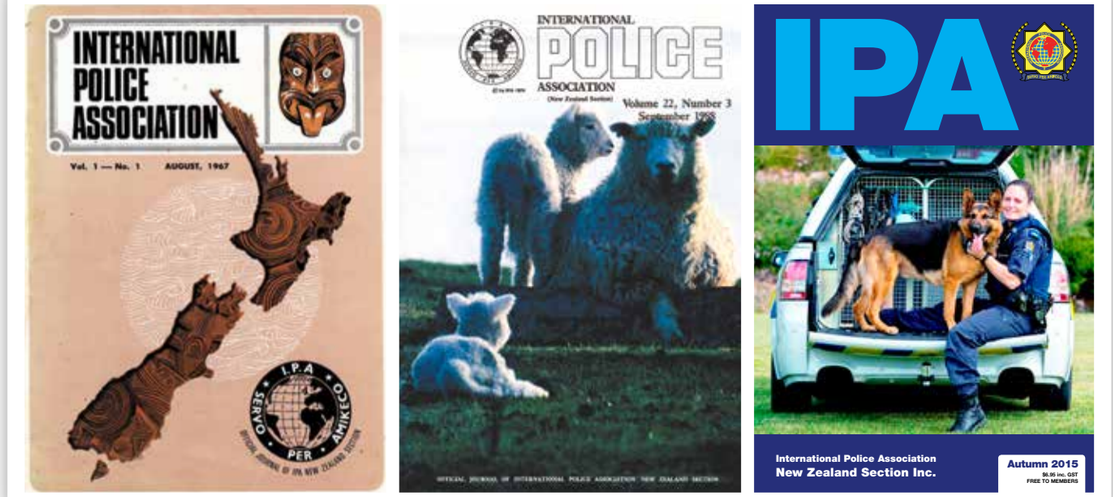
If you were one of the early members you would have paid £1/5/0 enrolment fee and an annual subscription of £1, but if you joined after 16th August 1966 the enrolment fee had increased to five shillings. We reached our first 500 with the enrolment of Kevin Wall of Invercargill on 5th June 1971. Kevin is still a stalwart in Invercargill. It took almost seven years to reach the 1000th member with Malcolm Thomas being enrolled on 29th March 1978. Malcolm started well but left the Police and the IPA after an overseas trip. On 10th October 1085 William Hadley of Christchurch became our No. 1500.

The Records… the Firsts

But let's look at some of the other members. As mentioned above, Nora and Dougal Crawford were our first husband and wife members. Our first IPA wedding was that of Jim and Margaret Stebbings. Several members such as John O'Ferrall, Harry Figgest and John Seton were members of IPA before coming to New Zealand. The record for the oldest new member must surely go to Member No. 246 who enrolled at the age of 97 years – his name appropriately was Arthur Young. Arthur retired from the Metropolitan Police, London in 1920 but joining IPA must have been a little too much for him as he died a year later. Arthur's record as the oldest member would be hard to beat but who could claim to have been our youngest member? As to high ranking Officers, it appears that those were a little hesitant to join our ranks at first. The late Mr Spencer was the first commissioner to be a member. With promotions amongst our members and our prestige increasing both at home and overseas we list two more Commissioners, Mr Ken Thompson and one of his predecessors, Mr Ken Burnside and two Deputy Commissioners, Mr Bryan Gibson and Mr Ted Trappit (Rtd).

While some countries can claim to have members, who having retained their membership, have gone onto higher or more publicised occupations such as Politicians, Judges, University Professors, etc., so far we do not claim any such members. On the other hand, some of our members can claim major achievements. Neville Trendle heads the Police Department's Legal Section. The first Policewoman to become a Commissioned Officer was our member, Elizabeth Parker, while another member Jean Dougal is the only Policewoman to reach Chief Inspector rank.

On the sporting scene, it seems the women have taken the lead. Glenda Hughes and Rosemary Gibson have an impressive display of medals in athletics while Diane Barker has proved her class as a champion in Dressage. We must also not forget our breeders of champion canines, Carole Reidy and Molly Measor.



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Publications

One of the most important aspects of our Section is the New Zealand IPA Journal, but we must not forget the newsletters, the hand typed stencils, laboriously churned out and distributed as a fore-runner and adjunct to the professionally printed Journal. When researching for the initial publication of our history, Volume No. 1 seemed to be the logical aim, but before our official Journal was printed there were other publications, etc. Auckland members produced a newsletter I April 1966 and then NEWSLETTER Volume 1. No 1 in July 1966 and No. 2 in October 1966. No 2 was the first effort composed by our first Editor, Dorothy Waymouth. Dorothy then reorganised and updated the Newsletter into a more presentable format and the "New Zealand IPA Newsletter" Volume 1. No 1 was circulated in January 1967 followed by No. 2 in April 1967. The next publication for the Section was the "Official Journal of the New Zealand IPA", the first edition being published in August 1967.

After Dorothy Waymouth had done the ground work and launched the Journal, she carried on as Editor till 1972 – her name by then was Mrs Parkes, Geoff Catton was appointed Editor, followed by Dave Griffiths, Derek Cantello and now Carole Reidy. Assistant Editors have been Ellen Young, Margaret Stebbings, Tony Moore, Brian Rosswell and now Sherwood Young.

Our Journal would not be possible without the assistance of the publishers (including their staff) and our advertisers – our thanks to them, do not forget to support them.

The newsletters, etc., listed above were those composed and distributed by New Zealand members but they were not the first IPA newsletters to be sent to New Zealand members. The honour for this goes to John Coates in England who sent out three newsletters, the first in June 1962, the second at Christmas 1962 and the third in October 1964.

Social Functions

On the social side, we started off well with social functions of all sorts, including picnics, car rallies, slide evenings to name but a few, forming some of the main attractions of IPA.

The other, of course, was travel. The Section AGM used to be the major function of the year with a full weekend of activities attracting members from long distances, for example, the AGM in Invercargill in 1971, when a group hired a small aircraft to take them from the North Island.

But social life in New Zealand has changed over recent years

and this has affected almost all aspects of IPA. Entertaining visitors from overseas has been an attraction for social functions but most visitors these days either have a very tight restrictive schedule or no timetable at all. The earliest visitor recorded was John Fazackerley of Manchester 1964 followed by Peter Page from Australia the following year. The first visitor we entertained after being accepted was New South Wales Policeman, Alan Douglas and his wife who were passengers on the Arcadia.

It is generally felt that group travel would be one of the advantages of IPA but although several attempts have been made to arrange tours for our members, only one has succeeded, that to Australia in 1969 and even then we could manage only ten members, after quite a few had withdrawn. Three groups, one from Australia in October 1967 and two from the United States have visited our Section but they had hardly time to breathe let alone socialise or sightsee. We have been pleased to welcome individual visitors from most sections but the members of the PEB or even officials of other Sections appear to be averse to travelling to the South Pacific.

The exceptions have been Hugh Hallett as Secretary General in 1983, Mr P Matthews, former President of the British Section and Jim Whiteford, IEC Delegate for Canada. The Australian President Val Doherty and Vice President Elke Pfau came over for our AGM in 1984.

Charitable and Youth Activities

Within the meaning of friendship must be associated charity. The Police in New Zealand have always been involved in assisting with various charitable works so most of our members have been involved in some way. As far as IPA is concerned, Auckland region have organised outings for elderly people, etc., and the National Executive have made donations on two occasions to assist Air New Zealand in taking handicapped children to Disneyland, USA. Efforts to assist our youth were instigated by Brian Daw at the IEC meeting in Blenheim in 1974 with a contest but due to lack of interest in general, only two contests were held. Our Australian friends also tried a youth contest, the first prize for which would be a holiday in New Zealand with which we would assist but again it did not get off the ground.

In the Beginning...

So how did we all find out about his wonderful Police Friendship group, now the envy of many other professions? Most of us were to learn about it from the Journal, from other members, etc. but 'in the beginning' it was quite different.

Nora and Dougal Crawford heard about IPA through Ray Dodd while accompanying the Police Pipe Band on a tour of Australia, Ray being a member of the Sydney Police Pipe Band and Dougal a member of the Auckland Pipe Band.

Ray Carter got to know of IPA through his involvement with the Scout movement and he too met Ray Dodd in Sydney on the top of the AMP Building in Sydney to be exact.

But first, of course, was Basil Johnson. Basil is not sure how he first heard about IPA but thinks he read an article about it in a Police publication in 1954. From this small beginning and because someone put pen to paper we now have a Section of the world's largest police organisation of which we can all be very proud.

In addition Lawrie wrote further articles in 1996 which included the following extracts:

The past ten years

1986 was a landmark year for the New Zealand Police historically. We celebrated the 100th formation of the New Zealand Police which became a separate civilian national law enforcement body from the Armed Constabulary by Government Proclamation on 1st September 1886. This event was marked in 1986 by a Police History Centennial Train Display which travelled throughout New Zealand and a travelling road show in the form of a Police Tattoo which visited the main centres. In addition it also saw the publication of the first of a series of official volumes of New Zealand Police history plus a number of Police District History books. This document of Police History has since been carried on with such enthusiasm and departmental support that the New Zealand Police can now be quite proud of the claim that its history is more fully documented than the Police of any other country in the world.

A number of IPA members have made significant contributions in this area. Sherwood Young (IPA Journal Assistant Editor) has been the Police National Headquarters Co-ordinator of the Police History Projects and has assisted in the editing and proof reading of many of the district history books that have been written.

It was also a significant year for the New Zealand section of IPA which celebrated its 20th anniversary and organised its first international event, a Friendship Week which was run from 13th to 21st October 1986. This was an ambitious undertaking and took considerable planning and co-ordination, mainly by Brian Walkinshaw, who at that time was working at Police National Headquarters.

The Friendship Week kicked off in Christchurch with a number of social events, moved on to Wellington for further events including a reception at Parliament Buildings (the Beehive) and wound up in Auckland with a spectacular street march, a civic reception, followed by a very relaxed 'knees up' social and dance accompanied by a meal which featured a spit roast in a huge marquee at a West Auckland winery. It was a resounding success. The IPA Friendship Week was in some respects able to ride on the coat tails of the NZ Police Centennial celebrations and in effect became a colourful part of the total programme. Brian Walkinshaw was able to devote a very considerable part of his Police working week to IPA organisation in a way that would no longer be possible today.

The Green Experience

We applied for and were granted the 14th International Youth Gathering and Evan Jordan put together an excellent adventure programme which was approved and widely publicised in IPA magazines and newsletters throughout the world as "The Green Experience".

Competition for places in this event was particularly keen among the European countries as there is normally a limit of three participants per country.

The 14th International Youth Gathering held in July 1994 attracted 44 youngsters aged between 14 and 19 years from 13 countries. It commenced in Auckland with a number of IPA families meeting the young people on their arrival and billeting them for the first two or three nights. The IYG then moved on to Rotorua where the group was able to live on a marae and experience indigenous art, craft, culture and performance.

It was a brave venture and we set a precedent for it was the first IYG to be held in the Southern Hemisphere as well as during a winter season. Despite the vagaries of winter weather, all members of the group were able to participate fully in Evan Jordan's innovative adventure programme, which involved sightseeing thermal areas, geysers, trout streams, farm visits, gondola and luge riding, horse riding, snow skiing, white water rafting, helicopter riding, exploring the crater of an extinct volcano at Mount Tarawera, Waitomo Caves and the Waiouru Military Museum. The whole two week adventure programme was completed with no injury, minimal illness or health problems and 44 young people had a 'whale of a time'. It was a fine team effort by the National and Regional officers who assisted leader Ron Richardson in the management of the youth programme.

Landmarks



1991 World Congress Street parade – Wellington

Agreement was reached with the New Zealand Police Staff Benevolent and Welfare Fund to provide the finance, on permanent interest free loan, for the Christchurch Police Holiday home at 375 Harewood Road, in return for IPA member access to all of the Police Holiday homes in New Zealand administered by the fund. This far-sighted move provides a more comprehensive holiday home choice for IPA members (both local and overseas visitors) than any other IPA section anywhere in the world. The money to finance this project was accumulated through the honorarium paid for the IPA Journal publication over a number of years.

13th World Congress (1991)

Buoyed by the success of the 1986 International Friendship Week with over 140 overseas visitors, New Zealand applied to host the 13th World Congress in Wellington in 1991. This was also a very successful event socially and it put the New Zealand IPA firmly on the international map in a very favourable light. More than 560 visitors from 34 countries including overseas delegates, observers and visitors took part in the very comprehensive social and business programme and for these people it was a memorable experience. There were a number of highlights in the programme.



Two of the 'old timers', Arthur Troop and Lawrie Philpott, try to solve IPA's problems.

A parliamentary reception, a colourful street march, a casual "Happy Hour" at the Royal New Zealand Police College, a farm visit BBQ at Wairarapa, an excursion across Cook Strait to visit the Marlborough Wine country and a rip-roaring International Night at the K-Mart Plaza, Porirua. From a social and business viewpoint, the 13th World Congress in Wellington was a total success and the planning and organisation ensured that all went smoothly.

Sadly it proved to be very expensive financially and wound up with a deficit of more than $60,000. Much of this loss was attributable to the failure of promised sponsorship, not helped by a breakdown and lack of accountability by the Company Organisers to the IPA Organising Committee, until it was too late to avert the expensive commitments that had been made on the basis of that sponsorship would be available. Unnecessarily expensive promotion of the event overseas was also a contributory factor to the loss.

Mindful of the bitter lesson learned from the World Congress loss, we approached the organisation of our next international event in a much more conservative way. Accountability and keeping firm control on the projected expenses and our ability to meet them was uppermost in the minds of those who planned this event.



Lawrie Philpott passed away in 2005.

First Auckland Newsletter

April 1966

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 and it 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 has met several of the New Zealand members in Region One 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 top 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 hold in September 1966 at Toronto, Canada.

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 IMEETING A meeting is to be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday 31st 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 on your 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.

John O'Ferrall
P.O.Box 33245,
TAKAPUNA. 294 059

Jim Stoddart,
P.O.Box 8608
Auckland Phone. 40615.



Arcadia Motel is located just 4km, or a 10-minute drive, from the Christchurch City Centre in a spacious park setting in historical Woolston, on the banks of the Heathcote River.

The owner Geoff, is a retired Police Officer and IPA member.

Geoff says the motel is *"halfway between the city centre, Cashmere, Lyttelton and Sumner Beach, so is very convenient.*

It is a easy walk to restaurants, supermarket, shops, cafes, and local attractions like The Tannery, but at the same time being peaceful and quiet."

The motel has studio, 1 and 2-bedroom expansive well-appointed rooms and plenty of parking able to accommodate a wide range of vehicles including trucks, boats, mobile homes, trailers and caravans.

"We are child and pet-friendly and have very affordable rates with guests enjoying unlimited WiFi."

Geoff says he would enjoy welcoming IPA members to Christchurch and is offering a 10% discount on bookings at Arcadia Motel, to both local and overseas members.*

**Proof of IPA membership will be required.*



Waitangi - Photo: Sara Orme



Auckland City from the harbour

:: Around the Regions

Region 1 :: Auckland/ Northland

Auckland city is located between two large harbours and is the largest city in the north of New Zealand's North Island.

The population of our Region is some 1,454,300 spread over the geographical area similar to Greater London. That makes for some pretty relaxed living. In terms of population it is the largest Oceanian city outside Australia.

Visitors are encouraged to spend some time in Auckland city's harbour area to enjoy outstanding views of the many superyachts that visit and take their pick of bustling bars and cafes. A trip up the Sky Tower will give you a birds-eye view of Auckland and if you're so inclined you can travel down the fast way with a SkyJump from the Tower!

Auckland Domain, the city's oldest park is a short journey from the city and is based around an extinct volcano and home to the formal Wintergardens and the Auckland Museum.

Bordered on one side by the black sands of the West Coast beaches and on the other by the East Coast's white sands, there is no lack of activities for visitors. Those who are feeling energetic can traverse The Coast to Coast walk, a 16km hike across Auckland from one coast to the other, from the Waitemata Harbour to the Manukau Harbour or if you're after a more relaxed sojourn, perhaps a relaxing sail across the harbour to one of the nearby islands such as Waiheke where a visit to one of the renowned vineyards is sure to please the palate.

Further north

The Bay of Islands is a New Zealand enclave encompassing more than 140 subtropical islands by the country's North Island. It's known for its undeveloped beaches, big-game fishing and Maori cultural artefacts.



Lion Rock – Piha – West Coast of Auckland

It is also home to the 19th-century whaling port of Russell, whose waterfront promenade is lined with remnants from its days as the country's first colonial capital.

The Treaty House at Waitangi in Northland, New Zealand, is the former house of the British Resident in New Zealand, James Busby. The Treaty of Waitangi, the document that established the British Colony of New Zealand, was signed in the grounds of the Treaty House on 6 February 1840. A visit to New Zealand is not complete without a visit to this historic place.

There's no lack of scenic sights and iconic New Zealand's towns to visit in the Region One area and any one of our 230 members would be pleased to share their favourite spot.

Region 2 :: Waikato/Bay of Plenty

Region 2 is situated in the heart of the North Island. It includes Waikato and the King Country, the Coromandel, the Bay of Plenty and Eastland. This area extends from Raglan on the west coast to Gisborne on the east coast, from the Coromandel Peninsula in the north to Taupo in the south.





In the centre of the Region is Rotorua, which is the most popular tourist area of the North Island and it has the most energetic thermal activity in New Zealand. Rotorua is also home to a large Maori population, whose cultural activities are among the most interesting and accessible in New Zealand and if you want adrenaline activities then this is where to be.

Region 2 currently has 115 members, which includes both operational and retired members and warmly welcomes new members.

The IPA is certainly a family affair here in Region 2. Pictured left are our Region Secretary, Emily Savage and her husband Andrew Savage, who recently graduated as a police dog handler with his dog Kash. And we look forward to maybe welcoming the next generation of IPA members when their son Christian grows up?



Aspiring dog handler, Christian Savage?



Region 2 can also boast to having the IPA **'No. 1 Member'**, Basil Johnson, (Pictured left) as one of our members. Basil joined as an Associate Member of the British Section on the 13th February 1965 and was the first member to join the New Zealand Section when it was formed. He has since been awarded Life Membership in October 1992 for his dedicated work for the IPA and at the AGM in Napier in April 2015 he was presented with his 50 Year Badge & Certificate by Superintendent, Sandra Venables & Vice-President Ross Pinkham.

Region 2 members will welcome guests taking part in the IPA NZ International Friendship week, who will be staying in Rotorua for three nights. During this time they will visit *Hobbiton, Wai-O-Tapu Thermal Area, Mitai Maori Village, Agrodome Sheep Show & Organic Farm Tour, Rainbow Springs* spread over 22 acres of parkland and Skyline, which is set into the side of Mount Ngongotaha and accessed by a gondola ride. There will be a number of Region 2 members in attendance to meet & greet our International colleagues.



White Island - Bay of Plenty Photo: Chris Sisarich

The iconic Bathhouse, Rotorua which houses the Rotorua Museum



The Champagne Pool at Wai-O-Tapu



"Welcome to Hobbiton" sign at Matamata



A Hobbit's House, Hobbiton Photo: Wendy Cameron

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Church Road Vineyard – Hawkes Bay Photo: Chris McLennan

Region 3 :: Central/Eastern



Region 3 of the New Zealand Section of the IPA includes the Central and Eastern Districts (North Island, New Zealand).

There is plenty to do in the region, and no shortage of spectacular scenery. A visit to Pukekura Park and the coastal walkway which stretches approximately 7 kms along the coast are easily accessible with both of these attractions right in the heart of the City of New Plymouth.

The eastern reaches of Region 3 include Hawkes Bay, a region which has almost 150 years of wine history under its belt. The cellar at Church Road Vineyard is named after Tom McDonald, who pioneered quality red wine production in New Zealand. His brilliant career began in 1921 at the ripe old age of four!

Napier, the Hawkes Bay's oldest town, runs south from Bluff Hill, a small promontory of Hawkes Bay, along the coast and inland towards Hastings. The town was rebuilt in an art deco style following the 1931 earthquake.

The Gisborne region is famous for its sunshine, warm temperatures, sandy beaches, excellent surfing and award-winning wines. Sunrises are also a local specialty, because Eastland is the first place in the world to see the light of the new day.

If you're the active sort, a cycle on the Mountains to Sea cycle trail, which crosses two National Parks and the Whanganui River should definitely be on your list. While you'll be on your bike for much of the trail, the link to Pipiriki requires a jet boat ride – a super-exciting way to see the spectacular Whanganui River.

The university city of Palmerston North is in a top spot. It's home to Te Apiti Manawatu Gorge, best known for its spectacular scenery and walking tracks, and is handy to volcanic mountains for skiing & snowboarding and other extreme adventures of the scream-out-loud kind. Ensure you visit the iconic Rugby Museum and Te Manawa Museum of Art, Science and History.

Region 3 is active social as a group with approximately 110 members.



Aspiring d Pania of the Reef – Napier



Palmerston North City Photo: Destination Manawatu



Ross Pinkham – Vice President in his home town, Napier.



Mount Taranaki

Gisborne



Wellington Cable Car Photo: Ian Trafford

Wellington Harbour Photo: Ross Martin

Region 4 :: Wellington

Region 4 IPA includes as far east as the Wairarapa and north to the Kapiti Coast. The area is home to Police National Headquarters, the Royal New Zealand Police College and is central base to many specialist Police Services including Interpol, Protection Services, National Dive Squad, Special Tactics Group and many others.



The Region is strategically placed in the centre of New Zealand and hosts a number of overseas visitors travelling between the two islands.

Commonly referred to as the 'coolest little capital in the world' Wellington City is home to New Zealand's Parliament and the uniquely shaped 'Beehive' building is a must for any visitors.

Home also to the national museum of New Zealand, Te Papa and of course the extraordinary Weta Workshop and Lord of the Rings maestro, Peter Jackson, Wellington has plenty to keep locals and visitors alike busy.

For sea and nature lovers a visit up to the Kapiti Coast is a must. Kāpiti was home to the 15,000 US Marines in WWII, and the first Chinese settlers in the 1800's. It is home now to many artists attracted by the relaxed lifestyle, stunning coastal landscapes and amazing wildlife.



Kapiti Coast

The Wairarapa is just an hour's drive north of Wellington where one can visit the vineyards of Martinborough or Cape Palliser, the southernmost point of the North Island.

Region 4 hosts regular IPA National Executive meetings and socially the highlight of the year is the annual Christmas Social.

Region 4 supports members applying for the many opportunities IPA have to offer including The Arthur Troop Scholarship, International Youth Gathering and Serving Officer events.

Membership applications are welcomed and encouraged to ensure IPA continues to grow.



Cape Palliser

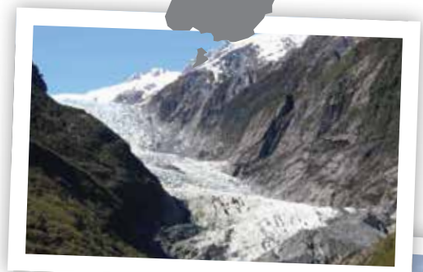


Little Kaiteriteri – Nelson/Tasman region

Church of the Good Shepherd – Lake Tekapo

Region 5 :: Canterbury/Nelson-Tasman

Region 5 of the New Zealand Section of the IPA covers the top half of the South Island taking in some of New Zealand's most beautiful scenery from the wonders of the Marlborough Sounds into sunny Nelson down to the West Coast and back to the varied Canterbury Plains and Christchurch.



Franz Josef – West Coast

The Region has 175 members which includes operational and retired members and over the past year it has been great to see younger members joining the committee.

The team is made up of Chairman Paul Visser with Treasurer Hamish Keer-Keer and Bruce Ward as Region Secretary. This year has seen a new position included that of Welfare Officer and this has been filled by John Rae a former Christchurch Detective Senior Sergeant.

The region has been busy this year with the year starting well with a BBQ lunch where around 25 attended. This was followed by an evening meal at the RSA where those who had given long service to the IPA were presented with certificates.

Overseas members continue to contact Region 5 and members have extended their hospitality during 2016 and I am sure this will continue into next year. It is very clear that now the Christchurch rebuild is well on the way we can expect more visitors to Region 5.



Artists impression of the new Justice Precinct in which the new Christchurch Central Police Station will be located



Region 5 Chairman Paul Visser presents Paula Stevens with her long service award. Paula said she had made many friends over the years and encouraged others to get involved.

Our members love meeting new members from throughout the world and would welcome you to the beautiful part of New Zealand.

The Trams are now back and running and are a great way to see Christchurch and what is happening in the rebuild.



Christchurch Trams



Milford Sound Photo: Tourism New Zealand

Region 6 :: Otago/Southland



Region 6 is the Southernmost and largest region of the International Police Association in New Zealand.

It has the least number of members, currently around 50, and also the lowest population out of all the regions. The northern boundary is close to the 45th parallel halfway between the equator and the South Pole. With a terrific variety of spectacular landscape and abundant wildlife the climate is temperate and dominated by the “Roaring 40s” weather patterns.

Two international airports and a network of tar sealed state highways make driving the ideal means of travel for visitors. State Highway 1 south from the Waitaki River leads first to the city of Oamaru with a heritage building precinct of white sandstone warehouses. Just a few steps away is a popular penguin nesting site.

A world famous University, Medical School, and Dental School add a further 25000 local and international students to the 100,000 Dunedin residents.

Larnach Castle, the Albatross Colony, Penguin viewing, the world’s steepest street, and the Dunedin Railway Station are just some of the places one must add to their list when visiting Dunedin.

The Taieri Gorge excursion train operated by Dunedin Railways travels every day and Dunedin also has a number of white sand Pacific Ocean beaches within a one hour drive. So many in fact that you could travel to a different one every weekend for a year. If only the temperature were 10 degrees warmer.

Region 6’s second city, Invercargill is home of the famous Burt Munro rider of the “World’s Fastest Indian” with the port town of Bluff the stepping stone for a visit to New Zealand’s third island, Steward Island.



Larnach Castle - Dunedin

Taking the North Road from Invercargill to go to Te Anau you are able to travel across the lake to see the Glow Worms and even visit the massive underground Hydro Electric Manapouri Power Station. A number of mountainous walking tracks can be found here if you are so inclined.

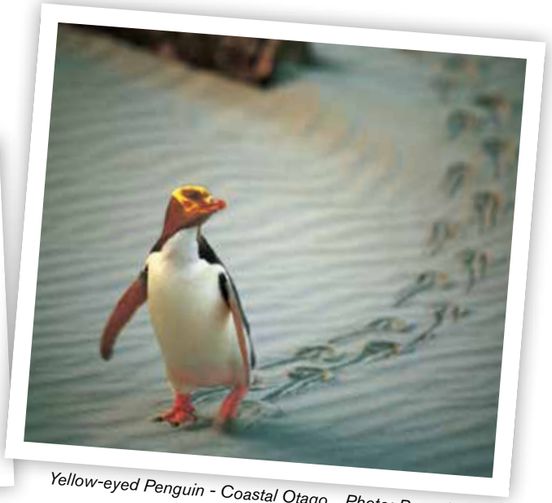
Next stop west is the world famous Milford Sound where the water is as deep as the mountain is high. Travel back to Te Anau then north to Kingston and up the lakeside and “Devil’s Staircase” to the busy International Airport and city of Queenstown.

Spectacular scenery and all manner of exciting adventure activities abound with “Bungy Jumping” and “jet boating” joining Sky Diving and Skiing on the 3 nearby ski fields or helicopter excursions to ensure that you enjoy the night life which continues until daylight.



Bluff

There’s no shortage of adventure activities in Region 6 but if you’re inclined to take life a bit slower you’ll still find plenty to occupy your time and don’t forget to enjoy a taste of one of the world class wines from one of our Central Otago vineyards.



Yellow-eyed Penguin - Coastal Otago Photo: Penguin Place



Dunedin coast – Albatross colony Photo: DunedinNZ



Celebrating 50 years :: 2016

Hosts of the 61st IPA World Congress
:: 4th–9th October 2016

Friendship Week :: 8th–16th October 2016

:: IPA New Zealand – Some reflections with Carole F. Tipler

When I started work at Lower Hutt in the latter part of 1972, I was approached by Lawrie Philpott who suggested that I might like to join the International Police Association. Having spent the last seven years travelling abroad, I was very happy to join this friendship organisation and Lawrie found himself another willing recruit. I cannot remember much happening at that time in terms of social activities but I did enjoy the quarterly magazine which was, at that time, edited by Derek Cantello in Auckland. Sometime later, when I noticed that there were no local reports published, I put my hand up to be the local correspondent and attempted to gather any interesting titbits, including targeting anyone who actually travelled, to help Derek fill the magazine's pages.



Carole Tipler– 1972
Source: Ten One Magazine

It was fun. There were a number of members at Lower Hutt but Lawrie was IPA's main stalwart and would readily recruit any newbies at the Station, with some success I might add. Then came the time that Derek decided he didn't want to be Editor anymore and asked for applications for the job. After about six months of advertising I consulted with Lawrie as to whether I might be able to do the job. I had no editorial experience, only secretarial stuff in my past life. We thought about it and then Lawrie suggested that I give it a go, so with some trepidation, I might add, I sent Derek my application. Well, it was snapped up as obviously anything is better than nothing!

So, I found myself to be Editor of the International Police Association magazine (NZ Section). I went to Auckland to meet Derek and to get a lesson in being Editor and also to meet the Publishing Team. Well, they were a wiley lot I can tell you. The deal was that they would sell advertising to cover the cost of publishing and my job was to supply the content. I think at that time they gave us a small remuneration to enable us to buy a beer (or something) for any would-be contributors if necessary.

For the first few issues I trod carefully, more or less following in Derek's footsteps. I have given my collection of IPA magazines to the Police Museum so find that I cannot give dates as to when things started to change. I was transferred to Auckland and must admit, found it easier to do the job up there where the Publishers were situated. Warren Turner was the NZ Manager of Percival Publications Ltd. at that time. He was a smooth-talking, very likeable rogue of a guy from Australia!

I don't know how I found out but I did discover that Percival Publishing was making rather a lot of money from selling advertising for us – it was the word "Police" you see and it doesn't test one's imagination as to what kind of sales patter the telemarketers were coming up with to our would-be clients.

New Editor! New format! So it was that I met with Warren to discuss changing our magazine from the A5 size to quarto size and renaming it the IPA Journal. At that time I also pointed out to him that the small stipend IPA was receiving was pretty low, really, in relation to the profit the Publishing Company was making! Joy! He agreed and so negotiations started on upping the ante. Derek had told me that he had always wanted a cover with a Police Dog leaping out of the cover (kind of thing). So, I approached this lovely Police Photographer and explained my desire to fulfil Derek's wish. It worked. Out came this glossy Journal, full colour front page of a Police dog (can't recall just who) leaping through something round looking like it was leaping out of the Journal. No colour inside at this stage.



Dog – Brett, Handler Gary Hardgrave, Wellington – March 1985 IPA Magazine

I was busily photocopying one day when like a whirlwind this Senior Sergeant blew into the photocopy room and asked me if I wanted a wine column for the Journal, saying that he had offered previously but that there had been no real interest in the idea. Well, I jumped at the opportunity and so *Wine Chat with Ace* was born. It was an amazing column and as a result Ace O'Hara became quite famous internationally for his knowledge and expertise with the wines, mainly of New Zealand. I always thanked that day when he burst into the room and I had just time to say "yes please" before he was gone again!

It wasn't long before I was being supported by the various Region's whose Regional Editors happily sent in news of what was happening in their areas. I was also able to establish contact with my fellow-Editors overseas, mostly Brendan Colvert from Ireland and Johan Du Plooy from South



Attendees at the International Editors Conference

Africa. As the Journal became even more professionally produced so it was that Johan and I competed with each other for the "best" internationally – he got colour inside before we did and that helped convince our Publishers that we should do the same! It was fun and when it was suggested that we have an International Editors' Conference at Schloss Gimborn in Germany, I was able to finally get to meet Brendan and Johan, amongst others.

The Conference was great but we were ahead with our publication. Our Publishers offered to do an International Magazine encompassing all the different Sections but the offer was not taken up, I don't think Germany was very enthusiastic about the concept. I don't quite know how it would have worked but it seemed to be a good idea at the time.

Meanwhile, we had been having our own Editors' Conferences which proved to be enormously helpful not only from working with everyone to improve our Journal but also they were great team-building exercises. The older IPA members amongst us will remember those days – the Journals were much sought after especially by overseas members and everyone worked very hard to make it the success it was.

Then we held our own International Editors' Conference and we were delighted to welcome Brendan from Ireland to New Zealand. We worked hard but we also had a wonderful time. Friendship! That's what this organisation is all about!

We had some pretty awesome front cover pictures too which were mainly due to a friend, Brett Robertson, who was one of the Photography Team at Victoria University. Older members may remember the beautiful White Heron, or the rare Gecko as being just two of the extraordinary photographs Brett gave us.

Fiona Brown was my Assistant Editor for some time and she was great to work with. Another time, Sherwood Young took on that position. Fiona was with me at the time of the World Congress held in Wellington. The Congress started with a welcome by a local Iwi who spoke for half an hour in Maori much to the disconcertion of the various simultaneous translators who kept quizzing us as to what he was saying.



Kaye and Brendan Colvert, Carole Tipler and Greg McManus

Sadly he didn't give us the courtesy of repeating any of that speech in English so we were unable to help our international colleagues.

We found it all very intense as there was a lot of lobbying going on amongst all the delegates and their votes for the International President and his team. Our own ex-Superintendent Owen Jacobsen was the fore runner so it was a very exciting time. On this day Klaus from Schloss Gimborn spoke on the local radio and told a marvellous international joke about the difference between Heaven and Hell. At the end of the day Fi and I were in despair because everything was so dry and formal. So it was that we decided to liven it up the following evening at the formal get-together to be held at the College. We thought to try and enact the joke Klaus had told so enlisted the aid of Jacque Le Gros (our very own Frenchman), the delegate from Italy, the Assistant Secretary General at the time from England and Klaus. We then got the simultaneous translators on board and, I am afraid, we rather took over that get-together at College.

The difference between Heaven and Hell was.... In Heaven the Cooks were the French, the Lovers were the Italians, the Police were the English and it is all organised by the Germans. This was enacted appropriately by our IPA personnel who behaved impeccably. However, in Hell, the Cooks were the English and we had our Englishman running around trying to get the audience to eat Fish and Chips, the

Lovers were the Germans and we had Klaus clicking his heels to Fi holding out a withered rose we had taken from our hostess that evening (well past its use-by date), the Police were the French and there was Jacques with his helmet on back-to-front, in a state of chaos and, finally, it is all organised by the Italians. Our friend from Italy had everyone rolling around the ground with laughter at his antics at trying to control his colleagues!

It was the beginning of the end. Fi emptied the bar of the recruits there at the time and we set the tone with them singing (along with the kiwis at the function) a very enthusiastic Pokarekare Ana. This was followed by delegates from Ireland who sang and danced, then Israel singing one of their national songs, Greece who did one of their national dances and then every country took their turn doing something quite spontaneously and with huge success. We couldn't stop them and the hierarchy who had been at their formal meeting and who wanted to go home, just couldn't do a thing. It was such an enormous success and I know everyone had a ball.

The weekend progressed and I know everyone was far more relaxed and animated. On the trip to the Wairarapa we had a singing competition between all the buses which, of course, helped wile away the trip there. I hope that IPA has enlisted the enthusiasm and imagination of Fi as Entertainment Officer for this year's World Congress in Auckland. They won't regret it!



Police Holiday Home – Christchurch

As a result of the Journal, IPA managed to save up enough money to purchase one of the Christchurch Police Holiday Homes which we gave to the New Zealand Police Assn/Credit Union in return for visiting IPA members having access to the Police Holiday Homes. It was a great deal and the New Zealand Section gets lots of accolades about this wonderful facility.

I guess the bubble had to burst at some stage. Warren's replacement Manager, Barry Daniels (another likeable rogue) sadly did a runner with the advertising revenue without publishing that quarter's Journal, and so we ended up with a new Publishing Company.

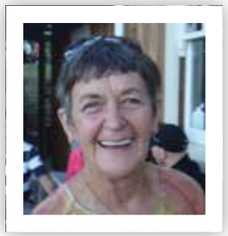
They chose to divide and rule which meant great difficulties with negotiation and trying to get stuff done. It was now 13 years that I had headed this amazing team of men and women and when Ace O'Hara's wife, Elaine offered to take on the job, I happily passed her the baton.

She did a wonderful job but then the advertising started to become harder to sell and publication of the Journal greatly threatened. What had happened was the Police Manager's Guild had cottoned on to the possible revenue to be gained in the publication of their own quarterly magazine which greatly affected the ability for ours to be supported. You can imagine the Telemarketers emphasising the Police Managers compared to a relatively small membership of "ordinary coppers"!!!! At that time, telemarketing became very dishonest and Fair Go started to become involved, thankfully not with us! All sorts of publications randomly appeared, many claiming to support various organisations in the Community. Sadly the advertising dollar can stretch only so far especially in the shady world of telemarketing.

When I now reflect on the happy times I have spent with overseas visitors as well as local members, it makes me smile. Through IPA I was fortunate to meet Doreen and Peter Bell of Harare in Zimbabwe who proved to be most marvellous friends. Sadly I was never able to persuade them to visit us in New Zealand although after Peter died I was fortunate to meet up with Doreen a couple of times in England. The Irish Section were also wonderful and I loved being with those beautiful people when I finally visited Ireland. Relatively recently I stayed at the IPA Houses near Paris. But, the world has become a much smaller place with the ease of international travel, computers, smart phones, and all that lovely IT "gobble gook"!

When I came to Taranaki from Henderson I met up with George White who signed up all his Section as IPA members. For some years, we had a wonderful time doing lots of different and mad things. For a few years we went to Ruapehu skiing. We stayed in an ex school on a couple of occasions and a great big guest house on another. Phil Rowe organised all the cooking – he was magnificent. We played Charades which caused many a laugh I can tell you. On another occasion we went Black Water Rafting and once we trundled up to the Poor Knights scuba diving and scallop hunting! The attraction for new members was the promise that if they didn't want to travel and take advantage of the various opportunities available to IPA members overseas, then if they came on the activities we provided, they would get their subscription back through subsidies. And they did and at the same time everyone had a blast!

We all move on and joining the CIB left me little time to continue to be active in our local IPA. Now we have our special lady, Karen Drysdale, who keeps us all trucking along. Whatever would we do without her. IPA continues to be a pretty special friendship organisation and should be treasured as such Congratulations to New Zealand on their special anniversary. My hope is that the anniversary celebrations are all a great success and that the World Congress turns out to be as much fun as the last one!



Carole Tipler – smiling as always!

New Zealand Section IPA's first President John O'Ferrall shares some memories, taken from a letter he wrote to fellow member, Ace O'Hara in 1995.

I went to my first boarding school in India, where my father was with the Gurkhas (the great infantrymen from the foothills of Mt Everest, Nepal). It took me two days and a night to travel to school (from Dharamasal to Nine Tall). At the age of 7 and 8 I was at school with 400 boys, half of whom were Indian, and I learned to associate early with friends of different culture, but there was a bond of a common religion (Catholicism). I returned to UK to start, well behind other boys of 9, schooling at a boarding school there, primary, intermediate and then college.

The way life was in 1952 I had to enrol for compulsory military service. To many people this was a bind, a nuisance; to others a shackle, and a burden. To some including myself, against a background of army life, it was 'normal', natural, quite exciting. The East Kent Regiment took me to Kenya (one of five British Regiments sent to the 'Colony" because of the Maumau Uprising.)

The Kenya Police and the Army worked very closely together. I got to know something of Police life and it appealed to me more than Army as a career. I made friends in Kenya among Indians, Africans and local Europeans. My final Army six months was served in Germany and then back to UK, before going out to Kenya to join the Police there after passing out of the College in Nyeri (about 100 miles north of the Capital of Kenya, Nairobi). I learned the local language Kiswahill.

In about my fifth year there I became a member of the IPA as soon as I heard about this great idea, which had originated from a fellow in England. We had two or three socials, with a handful of members; Indians, Africans and Europeans all being members of the Kenya Police. Then I had my first taste of hospitality extended by the IPA members in UK when I went there in leave.

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In 1962 I had to make a decision about my future, long term plans. It was an IPA member in New Zealand who had a great influence on me. Ron Halpin and his wonderful wife Roselyn who sent in reply to my long questionnaire, information concerning housing, Police work, conditions, pay and the church and social life.

It was not long after I had been advised from Police HQ in Wellington that I had the qualifications to get into the NZ Police that I was on a plane from Nairobi, a stopover in Bombay (no IPA there) and Singapore where I enjoyed great IPA hospitality and up to Kuala Lumpur where I spent a few days with relations.

June 1964 saw me at Trentham Police College trying to adjust to the climate - physical, political, social and cultural. Of course my good wife Frances followed as one of about six passengers on a cargo ship from Mombassa with our car and all our worldly goods. She then drove down to Wellington to be there for the passing out parade and we drove back to Auckland.

Like the other handful of members of IPA in New Zealand then, we all had to be associate members of the British Section. Jim Stoddart, Nora Crawford, Dorothy Waymouth, Riria and Papa Netana and others in Auckland, Basil Johnson in Murupara, and others in Wellington slowly built up our communication network. Remember this was well before the days of Fax, cellphone, tie-lines, even couriers seem to have been unheard of.

We relied heavily on the NZ Post. Of course the contact with UK extended to obtaining names and addresses of IPA members in Australia.

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Ours was not the first attempt to get the New Zealand section on its feet. At the historical meeting held at 7pm at the Astor Hotel (at Khyber Pass/Symonds St) Auckland on the 31st May 1966, Ron Halpin said a few words and traced the history of IPA NZ.

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Many of the names given in the list of 16 apologies were people I had not met. I did not know their rank, some of them I had corresponded with. I think Kevin Egan may have been a Sergeant, Senior Sergeant possibly Inspector but

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Basil formally thanked Kevin Egan for his full support for the formation of the National Section.

Then as the meeting went on I felt it was necessary to read out:

Article 1 – Title and Motto

Article 2 – Aims and Objects….5 sections

Article 3 – Membership – one and a half pages, each being moved/seconded and discussed and put to the vote.

By about Article 7 I had run out of voice, dried up and I had to sit down while Jim Stoddart (Pro-term Secretary took over from the pro-term Chairman John O'F who had a sip of beer to lubricate his larynx!)

Ron Halpin moved that I should be the first President, seconded by Mick Huggard (God rest his soul). I think they were both Sergeants at Newton Station in 1966.

Basil Johnson Sen. VP, Anthony Curn VP, Jim Stoddard Secretary General and Nora as the Treasurer.

The formal part of the meeting closed at 10.15pm. That was in 6 o'clock closing time. We did have time for some social informal business.

I have a list of the 25 members who attended that first inaugural meeting. Trevor Cook was among them, Molly Sim, Betty Bennett MBE, Garry Lambert, Max Tunnicliffe. Of course it was not until the International Executive Council Conference held in Toronto that Detective Sergeant Ken Robinson of the British Section (Secretary General of the British Section) formally sponsored our admission. This was seconded or supported by the Australian section which had been formed no more than 2 years before us. Paula Dallas was in Toronto I believe.



Taken from the first official Journal published in August 1967.

The IPA Magazine, Volume 1 No. 1 was published in August 1967. There was a page of 70 new members and the membership number most recently allocated was 235.

My recollection of the relationship between IPA and the Police Department was a strange one. I always made sure that the District Commander was made aware of the inaugural meeting; he was invited but declined. We all, (the committee) gained a distinct feeling that this movement was for the lower ranks only….perhaps a threat to the Commissioned ranks even.

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Gradually over the years we had a few Commissioned ranks join. Then very much later I was given permission to change shifts, a big concession, so that I could chair an AGM or to host visitors arriving at the airport.

Being in IPA neither helped nor hindered my police career.

I must say that Nora Crawford was extremely hospitable. We ran raffles to raise funds and Jim Stoddard and I worked at the same station for a while so we had regular communications.

An indication of my enthusiasm has stuck in my memory. One day I left home in Glenfield at 4am and had pre-arranged to have breakfast with Harry Figgest who by then had been transferred to Taupo (or was it another IPA member?) and then I drove on to Napier, never having been there before, to have lunch with a very keen member.

We were planning a group flight to Australia and had to do a lot of planning and drum up enthusiasm. We had an evening meeting with about 10 IPA or prospective IPA members.

I was introduced to Tui beer at a brewery with sad results! I don't think the trip ever got off the ground!

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John O'Ferrall



John and his wife Frances in more recent times



Wine Chat with Ace O'Hara

New Zealand wines have come of age and now are the most expensive in the United Kingdom market. Our most popular wine, Sauvignon Blanc accounts for over 80% of our export market and that wine from Marlborough is now acknowledged to be the world's best of that variety. There are however more than 40 varieties of grapes grown in New Zealand for wine making. I was quite surprised when I sat down and wrote them all up to find that there are 20 reds and 20 whites. I list these as follows:

White Wine Varieties:

Albarino; Arneis; Chenin Blanc; Chardonnay; Flora; Gewurztraminer; Gruner Veltliner; Muller Thurgau; Muscat; Marsanne; Pinot Gris; Pinot Blanc; Reichensteiner; Riesling; Rousanne; Semillon; Sauvignon Blanc; Verdelho; Viognier and Werzer .

Red Wine Varieties:

Cabernet Sauvignon; Cabernet Franc; Carmenere; Chamboucin; Gamay Noir; Grenache; Malbec; Marzemino; Merlot; Montepulciano; Nebbiolo; Petite Verdot; Pinot Noir; Pinot Munier; Pinotage; Saint Laurent; Sangiovese; Syrah; Tannat and Zinfandel.

True there may be only a small planting of several of these varieties, but they are all grown for wine-making and are listed in the New Zealand Winegrowers Annual Report. This indicates that winegrowers here are prepared to try out new varieties, to spread the market, and not reply purely on Sauvignon Blanc. Pinot Noir is now the most planted red variety, and a very significant percentage of that goes into making Methode Champenoise . The modestly priced Lindauer Brut Cuvee is one of the bargains of the wine world, and in fact any of the wines in the Lindauer range are terrific value for money. Who in their right mind would want to spend four times the price of a bottle of Lindauer for French Champagne for a celebratory drink when Lindauer is so readily available in your supermarket.

New Zealand is hosting the IPA World Congress Meeting this year and I hope that some of our overseas visitors take the opportunity of doing a Winery Crawl in West Auckland while here. There are organised winery visits in all of New Zealand's wine growing areas, but the advantage of doing this in Auckland is that most of the major Auckland Wineries own vineyards in the other areas, and so you are not confined to tasting Auckland wines but can taste wines from their premium growing areas in other parts of New Zealand.



On an Auckland winery crawl you can taste Chardonnay and Gewurztraminer from Gisborne, Pinot Noir from Martinborough, Central Otago and Marlborough, and Riesling from Marlborough, Nelson and Waipara and Bordeaux Red Varieties and also Syrah from Hawkes Bay, whereas on a winery crawl in Nelson or Hawkes Bay you will normally only get to taste wines made in that area.

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Unlike France where growers in each region are bound by the Appelation Controlee requirements and subject to various restrictions in the way they grow the grapes, and later the way they make the wine in the winery, New Zealand wine growers have a totally free hand, and can plant whatever varieties they please, and can grow the grapes and make the wine without any restrictions. However the policy of the New Zealand Winegrowers is to encourage Sustainable Winegrowing Principles and now more than 90% of New Zealand winegrowers produce their wine under the Sustainable Winegrowing regime or other Biodynamic principles.

The New Zealand Winegrowers organisation works closely with Crown Research (NZ), and the Universities of Lincoln and Auckland on extensive programs that are aimed at improving the quality of viticulture and viniculture within the Wine Industry. These research programs are long term and funded partly by Government and partly through the NZ Wine Industry.

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To introduce myself to new readers, I did a New Zealand Certificate in Wine in 1983 under the Hotel and Catering Industries Training Board, with the material provided by the N.Z. Wine Institute. From then on for more than 17 years I

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wrote a regular wine article in the IPA Magazine, “Wine Chat with Ace”. In 2002 I did a course with the International Wine Academy and am now a “Certified Wine Advisor”. In 2000 I founded a U3A Wine Study Group that met for monthly wine tastings, and convened the group for six years before passing it on to one of the other Group Members. I still belong and the group is still going “strong”.

Over the years I have visited all of the major wine growing areas of Australia, New Zealand, North America, Europe and the United Kingdom (which now has a thriving wine industry) and I have tasted more than 100 varieties of grape wine. I have also acquired a collection of more than 40 books on wine. The wine writer Hugh Johnson was once asked why he was so successful as a wine writer and his reply was, “I always tell a story”.

I can take that further and can say that every time that you take a sniff and sip of wine, it is telling you a story. The wine story involves what the French call “ Terrior” . This word is untranslatable in English and it takes a whole sentence to explain its meaning. It involves the vine, soil, earth, locality, and climate of a specific area. It is the Terrior that gives the wine it’s unique character. And finally I must say that you never stop learning about wine. It is an on-going thing and just around the corner you may taste a wine that will “blow you away” with its special character. New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc seems to have that effect on people who are tasting it for the first time. If you are visiting New Zealand for the first time, get yourself a take-away meal of Fish and Chips and wash it down with a bottle of Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc. It is a perfect match. Bon Appetite!

Robert (Ace) O’Hara



:: Benefits of IPA Membership

The IPA creates an opportunity for cultural exchange and contacts on a local, national and international level. It is a tremendous organisation for members and their families to travel anywhere in the world, gaining access to affordable IPA houses, homes, and accommodation. Travellers find police officers around the world have much in common, and love to share their thoughts and experiences with fellow officers.

Although not a requisite for membership, all members are encouraged to host visitors in their homes and to act as guides to visitors (arrangements will be made through the appointed Hosting Officer in each Region). Many lasting friendships develop this way and exchange visits may eventuate.

Members are also encouraged to take part in social activities within their own region, such activities being organised by their social committee and can range from dinner boat cruises, to movie nights or sporting events - the possibilities are endless.

International Youth Gatherings (IYG) are held annually in one of the member countries belonging to IPA. These gatherings are open to the children or grandchildren of current IPA members. Participants will have reached the age of 16yrs but not have exceeded 17yrs as at the commencement date of the gathering they wish to attend.



Katie Foxall, Tim Husband-Dravitzki, Lauren Hancock – IYG Paris 2014



IBZ - Gimborn Castle

There are also opportunities for members to travel overseas to further their study. The Arthur Troop Scholarship is awarded annually to 10 IPA members to attend a seminar at the International Conference Centre ‘IBZ Schloss Gimborn’, or at a comparable institution.

Serving Police Officer Day – Australia

The International Police Association ‘Serving Police Officer’s Day’ (SPOD) was introduced in 2006 by NSW Region as part of the National AGM weekend in order to further enhance the weekend’s events by adding a professional element. The SPOD is hosted by the policing jurisdiction where the National AGM weekend is being held with the hosting coordinator determining the program for the day. The New Zealand Section of the I.P.A. has also been invited to participate in this initiative as they send a representative to our National AGM. All members are expected to attend in uniform. The SPOD Program was introduced to encourage the attendance and participation of serving policing officers who are I.P.A. members and who do not hold a National or Regional executive position within the I.P.A., at the National AGM weekend.

The following are just some snippets from members who have taken advantage of these opportunities over recent years and will no doubt have life-long memories to treasure.



IPA International Youth Gathering- Paris - By Lauren Hancock – Granddaughter of Grant Middlemiss – Region 3

For the last 14 days I have been lucky enough to attend the International Police Association Youth Gathering thanks to my Granddad being involved in this awesome association. There were 66 other teenagers there from 28 different countries, all of whom have a parent or grandparent involved in the IPA. The gathering is held annually and this year it was in France, which meant it was super easy for me to attend. I had some of the best 2 weeks of my life, and I will never forget this experience.



Laurens County, USA, 2012 - Aimee Dodds – Region 1

Lt Crain showed me where he keeps the rifle in the boot and told me to use call sign 214. He told me if things go really bad on a job, just to leave him at the scene, save myself and take off in his vehicle and if that didn't happen to either grab his glock, a 22.40 Calibre side arm or the 27.40 Calibre backup weapon attached to his ankle if he was down, or the rifle from the boot. I imagined myself driving (on the wrong side of the road) out in the country in the pitch black lost with no GPS, I'm sure I presented a slightly worried look on my face and questioning Lt Crain about the possibility of such incidents evolving with firearms. Lt Crain informed me it was common to attend firearms jobs and reminisced the unfortunate story of his Deputy who was shot and killed in front of him at a job where they were arresting a murder suspect in 2011. Lt. Crain performed CPR on his Deputy but he died in his arms. Although shooting at law enforcement officers are common, for Lt Crain this was the first time one of his men had been shot and killed on his watch. Lt Crain showed me a funeral sheet he keeps with him in the visor of his vehicle.

Laura Jackson – 2013 International Youth Gathering, Switzerland – Daughter of Anna Jackson – Region 4



Laura (right) and her Finnish friend Taru

With the help of our region's IPA, I was able to enjoy one of the most worthwhile trips I have, and probably will ever do.

We visited the Lenzburg Castle and were taken to the Zurich Police Training Centre. We took turns shooting targets with machine guns, admiring a Swiss SAR helicopter, blasting cones with the water cannon, given a demonstration of a police dog's searching abilities and (on that hot afternoon), ran around the grounds being blasted by the powerful water cannon.

I am hugely grateful to the IPA for this experience, as I have learned so much about many cultures and the world at large. I still keep in touch with my international friends and am making plans to visit them all when I go on my OE. I cannot wait to visit Taru in Finland, and have her show me the Northern Lights. So thank you once again, this experience has given me so much and inspired me to do more with my life – including a whole lot of travel!

Percy Gilmour - 1966

The "Oriana" berthed at Vancouver at 9 p.m. on March 18, 1966.

We found the night very cold — there had been heavy snow the day before but there was no sign of it.

By arrangement I telephoned Jack Emdall, 1.P.A., who picked us up the next morning. He escorted ashore to his car and showed us much of Vancouver city and what a great city it is. Jack proved a wonderful host, showing us a lot of Stanley Park and the surrounding scenery with snow - capped mountains. From here Jack took us to his home at New Westminster where we met his wife Rena and daughter Kirstie. It is to be hoped that Jack and Rena did not think us rude when we asked questions about their maple furniture which we thought striking and had much appeal to us. We stayed for lunch, exchanged ideas, then returned for some "Oriana" hospitality before we sailed at 6 pm.



World Travels –2009 - Judy & John Pegler – Region 1

Spending four weeks in Germany, meeting up with many of our very good German friends, including a week with our young IPA friends in Luxembourg, has made us want to return another time. On leaving Luxembourg with big hugs and being told that "we love you like our parents" has sent us home with very warm feelings. The hospitality and generosity of all our IPA friends in whichever country we visit is outstanding and being part of the local people's lives, is so much more rewarding than travelling without personal contacts. IPA really is a Wonderful World of Friendship.

And Developing the Travel Bug has not been difficult. All it takes is to be a member of IPA, home-host many people from various countries around the world and instantly become good friends with most of them.

In 1990, 1992, 1993 and 1998, we travelled to Britain, Europe and the USA. Then in 2000, while on another six month jaunt, we attended our first IPA World Congress meeting held in Bournemouth, celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the founding of IPA. We then went back to Europe in 2005 and 2007.

Editor's Note: Sadly Judy passed away in October 2015



Paul Housley – Region 1

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.

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 also 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 course content highlighted the efforts being made by the EU in relation to tackling child abuse across the board.

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!

Ace O'Hara – Region 1



Mari, Ace, Elaine & Torkel at Ngunguru Estuary. Northland.

Torkel Jodalen of Norway was one of 44 teenagers who participated in our 1994 Youth Gathering, which was held in Rotorua and Auckland. He enjoyed his action-packed experience so much that over the years he kept in touch with the Richardsons (Ron was the IYG Director, his wife Beth was an adult assistant, and their daughter Heidi was one of the New Zealand participants) and O'Haras (Ace was one of the section supervisors and his wife Elaine was, like Beth, an adult assistant in the programme).

Back in Norway, Torkel pursued an active interest in Scuba diving and also qualified as a commercial airline pilot. He now flies mostly domestic flights in Scandinavia for a subsidiary of Scandinavian Airlines. Torkel has several times mentioned his wish to return to New Zealand and 2013 saw him fulfil this wish bringing his lovely partner Mari with him. They arrived just before mid-night from Brisbane, and were met at Auckland airport by Ace.

Frankfurt - Diane Limbry – 2012 – Region 3



I was met at the airport by IPA members Mr Udo Dorn and Mr Hubert Porche. Both are retired policemen. I had booked my accommodation in Frankfurt at backpackers but on their recommendation changed it to a more desirable place in a much better suburb i.e. not the red light district!

For just ten Euros a night I was now staying at the police training facility complete with my own huge room, en suite and cheap washing facilities which was much appreciated after the heat of Hong Kong.

The pair generously gave up their time for two days, especially Hubert, as they showed me the sights of their wonderful city including the city's most important police station in the 18th century that was complete with a prison, gallows and a pillory. However these days it's a café surrounded by shops in an outdoor mall!

Brent Menzies - IPA World Seminar for Young Police Officers – Brisbane – Region 5



The theme of the Seminar was 'One world of Policing – International Similarities'.

To finish off the week the final day consisted of practical training scenarios using Simunition®. Although the scenarios were the same for all participants it was interesting to note how people from different countries responded to the 'incident' and the use of force used. This ranged from the 'shoot first, ask questions later' response, to the 'runaway shooting blindly' response.

Having paired up with a counterpart from Australia it was interesting to note how similar our response to the scenarios was in both our approach to the incident, and how it was ultimately resolved.

ANZAC day in Brisbane was particularly memorable. Having marched as a serviceman in a number of parades within New Zealand, this was by far the biggest.

With a parade route covering about 2km, almost 200 different groups marching, and tens of thousands of people lining the streets, it was quite an honour to be able to carry the International Police Association flag and march with a group of Police Officers from around the world. Marching behind the Queensland Police Pipe Band the atmosphere was amazing, and the response from the public certainly gave one a sense of pride.

Brent Menzies & Aimee Dodds

IPA makes History

The New Zealand section has posted a first being the first organisation to take on the role of patron for a police recruiting wing in the history of New Zealand policing.

Eighty-two members of the wing number 192, graduated and were posted mainly to the North Island.

Bruce Hutton, former secretary-general,and a police photographer in Wellington first mooted this innovative idea.

"I was very proud to be associated with this wing while at the Royal New Zealand Police College and I believe that IPA New Zealand received positive exposure from being involved," he said.

He said that IPA was the first Wing Patron to take an active interest in the wing and introduced a number of positive and stimulating speakers.

These included:

- Basil Johnson, the first member and a life member of NZ section IPA;
- Eike Pfau, member International Social Commission, retired Detective Senior Sergeant, South Australia Police;
- Detective Superintendent NZ Police, Peter Marshall, member NZ section IPA;
- Alan Carter, International Secretary-General, retired Chief Inspector 8 (Deputy Commander, Cambridgeshire Traffic Division, England;
- Tony Christiansen, a motivational speaker who addressed his audience from scaffolding after climbing it. (What's so special about him? He has no legs.)

At the actual graduation, the wing was addressed by the IPA International Secretary-General and a retired Chief InSpector and Deputy Commander of the Cambridgeshire Traffic Division in England, Alan Carter.

Also present was the New Zealand president of IPA, Inspector John Coomber of Christchurch.

Each graduate received an invitation to join IPA on the understanding that they would not be required to pay a joining fee.

Each region has been asked to contact these graduates as a follow up with a view to signing them up as members.

The idea of becoming a wing patron received interest from the Russian Section and was featured in the international IPA newsletter on the Internet.

Support for the wing had come from various quarters, including the Minister of Police, George Hawkins, and the Australian, British and Russian sections of IPA.

An off-the-cuff remark from Mr Carter resulted in a significant gesture when he was given an 'ulufa' (ceremonial lei) by one of the Samoan graduates, Louis Solia.

The 'ulufa' is made by from a tropical plant which is grown and nurtured for special occasions, such as the graduation.

Mr Carter had mentioned that he had seen one of those worn by New Zealand boxer, David Tua.

On hearing this, Constable Solia gave his, which had been brought from Samoa for him from his own family, to Mr Carter.

"My ulufa had been made for me by my father," said Constable Solia, whose mother and grandmother travelled from Samoa to see him graduate



Hooray... At long last, the 86 members of the IPA wing, no. 192, throw their hats in the air as they celebrate their successful graduation from the wing last November.



Members of the IPA wing at the start of their training course at the Royal New Zealand Police College gather around the International Police Association flag with the Minister of Police, George Hawkins, and members of the IPA from both New Zealand and Australia.



A poignant moment for International Secretary-General of IPA, Alan Carter, as he Is presented with on 'ulula' (ceremonial lei) by Constable Louis Soila. (Photos provided by Bruce Hutton)

:: A Touch of History – Early NZ Police Working Conditions

by Ken Brewer

A policeman's lot as they say, is not always a happy one and whilst this may still be true on occasion today, the early policeman in 19th and early 20th Century New Zealand would definitely have found himself in that category. This wasn't necessarily due to workload, the type of people they were dealing with, pay, or even poor physical working conditions. The primary cause was the draconian system they worked under.

The first policemen here had to possess the qualities of honesty, sobriety and the ability to read and write. The latter required not for the taking of notes, but for the delivery of mail as they were also the first postmen. One of the many diverse roles they had to fulfil.

Walking their patch from early morning to late at night seven days a week, many men worked for years without a day off. Rural constables were required to patrol their whole district at least once a week on foot as the cost of providing a horse was considered too high and an option not granted lightly. In cases of emergency a horse could be "borrowed" from a local resident at minimal rental, but this was problematic, so it was not surprising therefore that those who were able, purchased their own transport in order to conduct their routine duties.

Throughout most of the 1800s days off were a rarity and even by the 1930s annual leave was still considered to be a privilege rather than a right.



Even as late as 1906, Constable Bennett, shown here with his wife outside the police station he had just finished building, arrived at Waiheke Island only to find a pile of timber waiting for him. From this photograph it seems he did a splendid job of it.

Fear among senior officers that the men would fall under the influence of the communities they worked in, resulted in arbitrary and regular transfers. It became rare for a man to remain at a location for more than two years before being moved on. Most of these transfers, always at their own cost, would be inter island, so an Auckland man would find himself in Dunedin, then Wellington, then Christchurch and so on. In the days of poor or non-existent roads and almost non-existent public transport, such moves were difficult especially as they had strict time limits in which to report to their next station. From time to time some policemen were found to be so effective in countering local crime that communities petitioned the Commissioner to keep him, but this only served to convince senior staff that the man had become too familiar with the local residents and had to go immediately. Even into the 1900s, some men posted to remote locations, found on arrival that they had to build their own police station and residence.



Detective Garrett Fitzgerald shown at right with police colleagues at Timaru as they display the arrest of their latest murder suspect. Photo courtesy of the Garrett family.

Sick leave was almost unheard of and if a man was unable to work through sickness or injury, they received no pay. If unable to continue working they were simply dismissed. One notable exception was Timaru's Detective Garret Fitzgerald who throughout his career arrested several violent offenders, receiving a series of significant injuries in the process. In 1901 he was granted special leave by the Commissioner himself, in order to recover.

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The creation of the New Zealand Police Force on 1 September 1886 saw the first set of Police Regulations introduced a year later. Although a vast improvement on previous internal regulations much of its content remained extremely draconian by modern standards. All unmarried men were to live in barracks, with bedtime set at 10.30 pm each night and lights out at 11.00 pm. No noise was permitted in the barracks under any circumstances and to minimise this, the toilets and bathrooms were out of bounds between 11.00 pm and 6.00 am. No visitors were permitted in the barracks and the rooms were subjected to daily morning inspections. Some consideration was given to those working the night shifts and their inspections place in the afternoons.

No items of uniform were permitted in the rooms as a special room was set aside for that purpose. No drinking, gambling, or smoking was permitted, but that did not stop some of the more enterprising and some sophisticated lookout and warning systems were set up to counter the threat of a sergeant's unannounced visit.

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When off duty they were not permitted to travel further than one quarter mile from their barracks under any circumstances and they were not to take any Police equipment with them. If granted leave, upon reaching their destination, they were ordered to report immediately to the nearest Police Station for duty if required. Regulations for those Constables working the beat stated, "Constables will not whilst on duty, enter into a conversation with any person whatever, except on matters relative to his duty, but will immediately give his name and number if asked." Regulation 207 stated, "Orange peel and other fruit skins should be removed from the footways by the constable to prevent accidents."

Mounted Constables meanwhile had their own specific instruction: "No Police horse is to be ridden above five miles an hour unless in an emergency." The 1913 Regulation 344 caused amusement in modern times and read: "No Constable shall be permanently mounted or dismounted without the approval of the Commissioner, but officers in charge of stations may mount any Constable in cases of emergency."

Marriage created a few additional obstacles and there will be many retired police members reading this who served in the 1950 and 1960s that will remember the requirement to ask permission to marry and to provide full details of the bride's family in order for them to be vetted before approval was granted. Sometimes it was refused and the marriage could only be achieved through resignation. Once married they had to rely solely on the man's single income for if his wife were to receive any personal work related income he was required to resign immediately. If they divorced, or the wife died, he was required in the bigger centres to report that same day to live in the barracks – even before the funeral!



A newspaper photograph of the McGovern home, hotel and tearooms in Pukekohe during late 1981 just prior to demolition. Photograph courtesy of the Franklin Times.

One known exception to several of these regulations was Constable Patrick John McGovern of Pukekohe who arrived there on 1 October 1886 and remained until his retirement on 30 April 1911. He had served in the Royal Irish Constabulary and immigrated to New Zealand with his wife and two children in 1870. During the voyage on the ship Babbington, their first two children drowned in their cabin during a storm. They settled in Northland where he took up a role as Gaoler and his wife became New Zealand's first hotel manager when she ran the Duke of Marlborough Hotel in Russell. He joined the New Zealand Constabulary Force on 13 November 1885 and was transferred to Pukekohe on 1 October 1886. By the time of his retirement in 1911 they had another seventeen children! OK, so his life may have been more pleasant than most! With the Pukekohe police residence (and his police wage) far too small to maintain such a large family, they were given dispensation to occupy and live in a large building in the town on Dominion Road, from where his wife operated dining rooms and hotel style accommodation throughout his police career.

When women were permitted to join the ranks from 1941, a new set of issues arose around fraternisation. There were severe limitations placed on them in the early stages and



Detective Gordon Fraser with Molly Speakman at left and Nora Crawford at right on beat duty at Auckland before uniforms were issued. Photograph courtesy of the late Nora Crawford.

when they were finally permitted to walk the beat, they had to be accompanied by a male. As they had no uniform, this meant a plain clothes detective was taken off his duties to chaperone them. However, it quickly dawned on senior officers that such a situation was "risky" so a second policewoman had to be present at all times, resulting in three staff members doing the work of one. The male detective watching the first police woman and the second watching the detective!

In later years when marriage between police colleagues arose, the administration did its utmost to prevent it, then made life difficult for those who did marry.



Nora Crawford of Auckland married husband Dougal who was stationed at Waiuku, but the happy couple had to live apart for two years until he obtained a transfer back to the city. Photograph courtesy of the late Nora Crawford.

When Constable Madeline Bines married Sergeant Don Bradley at Auckland in 1953, the event was attended by many of her colleagues. However at the reception she was handed a letter written by Commissioner Compton instructing her to resign, as policy dictated that policewomen should be single or widowed. She refused and only after many months of intense and difficult argument by the fledgling Police Association, did the Commissioner back down. Whilst she was to remain at Auckland, husband Don was transferred to the Wharf to ensure they did not work together.

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The day to day working life of police staff was affected in many other ways. Up to the WWI era and beyond, staff at one man stations, were responsible for paying their own power and heating costs, despite the building also being the local police station. Wives were responsible for cleaning the police cells and feeding any prisoners held there and it was post WWII before they began to receive any compensatory allowance for it. Even in the area of equipment the Department adopted some odd practices. All notebook entries were written in pencil, often the indelible kind, which when the lead was made wet would write in a form of ink that could not be erased. These were expensive, so in order to obtain a replacement pencil, the old one had to be produced and proven to be less than one inch in length. Then they snapped a new pencil in half and gave the constable one of the pieces to use!

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When it comes to financing bureaucratic roles at the coal face, successive governments over the past hundred and fifty years, have kept costs to an absolute minimum. As a result, they dumped all kinds of additional roles onto the burden of police.

When they created a Magistrates Court in a district, they often used the local constable's residence as the Courtroom and the policeman himself became the clerk of the court, the bailiff, the gaoler and probation officer in addition to his roles as arresting officer and prosecutor. Enough to cause a PC civil rights campaigner to have nightmares today.

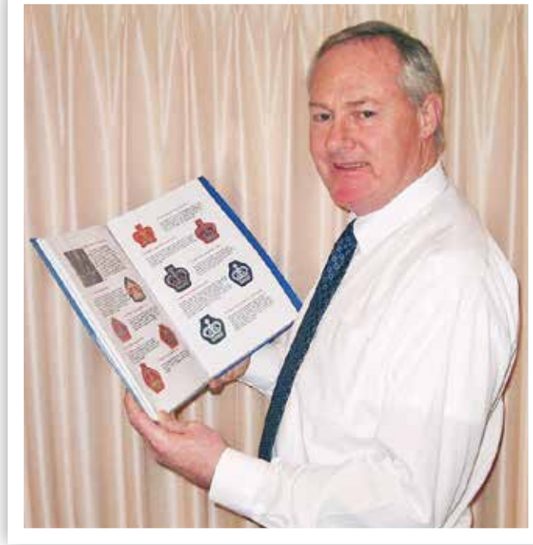
They became the local customs officer, inspector of fisheries, inspector of abattoirs and slaughter houses, inspector of factories, clerk of the local licencing committee, inspector of clubs, inspector of weights and measures, inspectors of sea fishing, receiver of gold revenues, mining registrar, registrar of births deaths and marriages, inspector of vaccinations, agents of the public trustee, inspector of schools of anatomy, agent of the charitable aids board, deputy customs officers under the Beer Duty Act, deputy registrar of old age pensions, dog registrars, inspectors of awards under the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, inspector of distilleries, inspector of machinery, inspector of shearer's accommodation, labour department agents, postmaster, official member of Maori councils, magazine (explosives) keepers, sale of food and drugs officers, rangers under the Crown Lands Act, the Fisheries Conservation Act, the Kauri Gum Industries Act and also the Animal Protection Act, inspector of stock, inspector of licenced premises, licencing officer under the Arms Act, returning officers for native licencing districts and sub enumerators for the taking of census.

Not all of these additional duties were thrust upon each and every constable. Some roles were seasonal, some occasional and others dependent upon location, but most men were required to act in several of these capacities at some stage in their careers and they were all unpaid functions over and above their normal duties. They still had to patrol their entire area of responsibility once a week and also be subject to unannounced building, equipment and records inspections in an era when reprimands sometimes took the form of a reduction in pay, dismissal, demotion, or a dreaded monetary fine.

The only early police not greatly affected by these issues were the detectives, for once they were appointed to that rank it was a job for life and they could not be dismissed except in extreme cases of gross negligence or misconduct. The vast majority achieved that rank through sheer hard work and determination, but there were a few who reached it through favouritism, or just luck. Of these, some were incompetent and a handful sat back and did little to make society safe for the public, however the creation of the New Zealand Police in 1886 put an end to that. In today's world of professionalism, the creation of the Police Association, plus changes in attitude across all ranks, has led to a much different police service. Today there is greater concern for staff safety and, frontline staff receive much better training and are better training and are better equipped than their predecessors ever were.



6 foot 6-inch-tall Andrew Gregor had to have a special bicycle made. He and many of his colleagues purchased bicycles at their own expense to patrol their areas and it was many years before any allowance was paid. Photo courtesy of the NZ Police museum.



The author of many of our historic articles, Ken Brewer.

:: The Last Word

My IPA connection goes back to about 1956.

There was a sufficient "critical mass" of individual members in Kenya (East Africa) for that section to come to birth. The motto of the Kenya Police is "Salus Populi – service of the people. IPA is 'Service through Friendship'.

I had a taste of that friendship when Frances and I were married in 1960 and IPA London UK guided us through the Tower of London via the "back door" Traitors Gate, an hour ahead of the patiently waiting tourists.

In 1963 I was in touch with IPA in Canada, Australia and New Zealand. It was a combination of a couple of Kiwi friends in the Kenya Police, a very helpful individual member in Auckland (Ron Halpin) and a positive letter from Police HQ in Wellington that got me on a plane to apply to join the New Zealand Police. Slowly I met up with other associate members of British section in New Zealand.

It was an exciting time. I quickly made many new friends in NZ Police as a result of IPA. We enjoyed hosting members from many countries – Holland, UK, USA and Germany and in turn enjoyed being hosted in Australia, Germany and UK.

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John and his son Alex



Ending on a current note I must thank all involved in New Zealand and USA who helped establish a contact for our 24 year old granddaughter, Katelyn, who went to New York in August this year.

It is my hope that in October, when we have many visitors from overseas for the 61st IPA World Congress in Auckland, it will be possible to meet with and perhaps take one or two visitors to nearby local attractions.

Keep up the great work current NZ local and national IPA Committees and may October 2016 be a landmark in the history of New Zealand IPA.

Servo per Amikeco :: Service through Friendship

John O'Ferrall



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