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On eagle's wing …



A beautiful entry to our IPA photo competition 2017,
submitted by Ashvin Munisamy from Sri Lanka

WORD OF INTRODUCTION

Happy 1 November or Allhallowtide time to all!

Allhallowtide is known in the western Christian traditions as a triduum celebrating All Saints' Eve (Halloween), All Saints' Day (All Hallows') and All Souls' Day, which lasts from 31 October to 2 November each year. Apart from what Halloween has become in many countries, with kids collecting candies and pumpkins becoming the most popular vegetable for the same period, Allhallowtide remains the time to remember the people who passed away. One of the traditions linked to this is to bring flowers, especially Chrysanthemums, to the tombs or graves.



While celebrated on 1 and 2 November in the Christian culture, all cultures have their own similar traditions and celebrations across the year.

I have friends who do not like the officiality of these celebrations. They approve of the fact that, at least where I live, we get an extra day off at work, though ☺. They consider it hypocritical to have an official day to remember the dead and claim that to remember the ones you should grieve for does not require such a day.

I understand this point of view, but to be honest, I tend to be someone who needs such a day to remember and to take the time to visit the cemetery. Every year, I am surprised to see how many more people I used to know have left us. This can be very hurtful: remembering everything that you miss about them, maybe sometimes the guilt of what you never took the time to do, and many other feelings. Thankfully, it can also be joyful, though: remembering the good times shared, the laughs, etc.

I certainly see it as an opportunity to 'remember' in a more general sense. To remember that you can't change things once they are labelled 'too late'. To remember that to give is a true path to happiness. To remember that friendship is not only a word, but a state of mind and of the heart.

So my dear fellow IPA members, let us serve not only through friendship, but let us simply serve friendship ☺

Servo per Amikeco,

Pierre-Martin Moulin, IPA President

AROUND THE WORLD

IPA Finland members visit Europol



Piia Vuori Murto (chairperson IPA Häme), with Jari Liukku (Europol)

The Häme region of IPA Finland organised a visit to Europol in The Hague for its members on 18 August 2017. One of our members has been working at Europol for four years and acted as our excellent host over the whole weekend we stayed in the Netherlands.

Our programme included several interesting presentations.

The Head of the European Serious and Organised Crime Department Jari Liukku, who is also from Finland, gave us an overview of the Europol organisation, as well as the key functions and tasks of his own department.

The Finnish liaison officers described their work, and we learned that Finland is active in using Europol's secured information exchange application (SIENA) system.

The Europol Operational Centre is striving to be the principle information hub by providing real-time and relevant services to its internal and external stakeholders on a 24/7 basis.

We also enjoyed excellent presentations of the European Counter Terrorism Centre and the Digital Forensic Laboratory's role in cyber matters.

On 19 August, we met René de Brouwer from The Hague. He is a member of IPA Het Groene Hart Region. Rene took us to visit the ABB Protection and Security Division, the police station responsible for the protection of embassies and international organisations.



The visitors with René de Brower (front)

In the evening, we visited the famous Scheveningen Beach. We were lucky because at the same time, a spectacular International Fireworks Festival took place.

Our team is pleased and grateful to all those who made this interesting journey possible. We will always remember the kindness and helpfulness we received.

Teija Koivunen, IPA Häme, Finland

4th Riviera delle Palme Trophy won by IPA Košice



Winners IPA Košice with their trophy

IPA Košice from Slovakia won the 4th Trophy 'Riviera delle Palme', a five-a-side international football tournament, by beating the team of the Penitentiary Police of Ascoli Piceno with 7:1.

The tournament, which took place at the Eleonora Sports Centre in San Benedetto del Tronto, saw the participation of 12 teams, 5 of which came from Belgium, Poland, Slovakia, Romania and Hungary, in addition to several local police forces' teams.

The competition took place in a festive and peaceful atmosphere, apart of course from the competitiveness shown within the matches.

The spirit demonstrated during the tournament was the one shared by all members of the IPA: friendship and collaboration amongst the members of all Police Forces around the world.

With pleasure we point out the positions of the other participating teams:

3rd place: IPA Łódź (Poland) beating the colleagues of IPA Szombathely (Hungary).

5th place: IPA Timişoara Regiunea 2 (Romania), beating the team of the Guardia di Finanza of Ascoli Piceno.

The further ranking is as follows: State Police Force team of Ascoli Piceno, the Capitaneria di Porto of San Benedetto del Tronto, IPA Giulianova (Teramo), Virgo Fidelis 1996 of Ascoli Piceno, the Local Police Force team of Fléron (Belgium), and last but not least the IPA team of Ascoli Piceno.



Francesco Prunella, President of IPA Ascoli Piceno, presenting the participating teams

The prize awarding ceremony was attended by the National Secretary of IPA Italy, Laura Giacomini, the Vice National Secretary, Milco Cipullo, the President of Region 15 Marche, Pasquale Manente, and the Treasurer of the Local Branch Macerata / Fermo, Claudio Collina.

The Fair Play Cup was awarded to the Fléron team, while the best player was Maros Miskovic, wearing the number 6 shirt of the winning team of IPA Košice.

See you next year!

Francesco Prunella, President IPA Ascoli Piceno - Italy

10th Anniversary Celebrations of IPA Serbia



On 7 October 2017 the central ceremony for the celebrations of the 10th Anniversary of the International Police Association's Section Serbia was held at the National Theatre in Belgrade.

The ceremony was attended by more than 30 foreign delegations, including the IPA Vice-President & Chairperson of the Socio-Cultural Commission, Gal Sharon from Israel, who spoke to the audience on behalf of the International Executive Board. Delegations from Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Romania, Greece, Poland, Hungary, Norway, Albania and others participated in the ceremony, as well as regional delegations from Montenegro, FYRO Macedonia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Slovenia, Croatia, plus representatives of the Government of the Republic of Serbia and the Provincial Government, the National Assembly, religious communities, embassies and other prominent figures.



In addition, for the foreign delegations, the programme included a formal parade of uniforms in the city centre with the flags of the IPA member sections, the playing of the hymn of the International Police Association, performed by the Police Orchestra, plus an exhibition of Police equipment in the Serbian Army House and last, but not least followed a Gala dinner in the Serbian Army House.

Grateful for the numerous congratulations and praise received, IPA Serbia celebrated its jubilee - the 10th Anniversary of affiliation. The activities of IPA Serbia make a significant contribution to international cooperation, as well as to the promotion of the Ministry of the Interior and of Serbia in the World.

Please take a look at further photos of the ceremony by following the links:

https://www.facebook.com/pg/ipa.beograd/10th Anniversary Photo Album

http://www.ipa-serbia.org/Activities 10th Anniversary IPA

Watch the IPA hymn being played: https://www.youtube.com/Serbia IPA Hymn

Or a video clip of the Celebrations: https://www.youtube.com/Serbia Celebrations

Marija Kozomara, IPA Serbia

A moving ceremony:
IPA France presents IPA certificate of recognition to DSPAP



On 28 September 2017, we had the honour of presenting an IPA Certificate of Recognition to the Commissioner of Police, Jacques Meric, at the Police Headquarters in Paris.

As all of you will remember, the Parisian police forces (DSPAP) have been faced with a number of terrorist attacks from 2015 onwards.

The certificate, awarded by the International Excecutive Board of the IPA, was announced to all delegates during the IPA World Congress 2016 in New Zealand, is a testimony to the understanding that police forces across the world have for each other.

During the award ceremony in Paris, the Commissioner of Police was joined by all Chiefs of Police from the Paris region, as well as by police officers on duty during the terrorist attacks.



A large IPA delegation, led by the French IPA President Rose Lourme, participated in the event. Introducing the International award, Rose, speaking on behalf of the IPA President Pierre-Martin Moulin, highlighted some of the IPA's values:

'Each police officer is concerned when colleagues have to face terrorist situations. They all know the price of life and the price of duty.

Only Police cooperation can stop this international blight and as IPA members, again and again, we try to encourage peaceful co-existence between peoples and preservation or world peace.'

Daniel Condaminas, National Advisor IPA France

World Congress 2017: the Film



A big thank-you to Eran Israel for producing a fabulous short film of the IPA World Congress in Albena, Bulgaria.

Follow the link and enjoy!
https://youtu.be/IPA World Congress 2017

3rd IPA Balkan-Adriatic Conference in Veria, Greece



The 3rd Balkan-Adriatic Conference of the IPA, which took place from 13-15 October 2017 in Veria Imathia, under the aegis of the Greek Police Headquarters and was co-organised by the municipality of Veria, was a resounding success.

Delegations from Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Italy, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia and Turkey, plus the hosting section of Greece participated.

The event was furthermore attended by the local authorities, including the mayor of Veria, the General Regional Police Director of Central Macedonia as representative of the Greek Chief of Police, the Police Director of Imathia and the Commander of the School of Further Education and Training of Northern Greece. The IPA Secretary General, Georgios Katsaropoulos represented the IEB, and representatives of 23 Greek regions also attended.

The official opening of the conference took place on Saturday afternoon at the School of Further Education and Training of the Greek Police in Northern Greece in Panorama, Veria. The Greek Chief of Police, General Tsouvalas Konstantinos and the IPA President, Pierre-Martin Moulin, addressed the participants via Skype.





The following topics were discussed during the conference:

- Organisation of the IPA Games
- Assigning the next conference
- Scheduling of conferences and Gimborn seminars
- Review of the IPA World Congress

As part of the accompanying programme, visits were made to the Royal Tombs of the Aigai in Vergina, and, following in the steps of St. Paul, the old town of Veria and its cathedral.

The Greek Section's NEC would like to express its thanks to the President and administration board of the Mathai region, who contributed greatly to the success of the conference. In addition, we would like to thank all delegates and visitors for joining us.

The next Balkan-Adriatic conference will take place in Bulgaria in 2018.

SERVO PER AMIKECO

Kyriakos Karkallas, Head of International Relations IPA Greece

Prestigious award for IPA Croatia's regional club Split-Dalmatia



The 'Security of Historic Cities' Conference, organised in Split in March 2017 was declared as the best project in the category 'Partnership in Security' at the Croatian Security Days Meeting, which took place in October 2017. The winning conference had been organised as a partnership project by the IPA Regional Club Split-Dalmatia and the Croatian Association of Historical Towns (CAHT).

The Security Award was handed to the President of the IPA RC Split-Dalmatia, Mr Slobodan Marandi, and the President of the CAHT, Mr Jacob Velma, on 11 October 2017 in Optima, Croatia.

Since the award comes from the Croatian Association of Security Managers, and as the decision who to award was taken by a committee of well-established and renowned experts in the field of security, academics and police officers, this award has a special value for all members and friends of the IPA.

The decision of the Committee took into account that the conference had attracted more than 130 experts and the lecturers from nine different countries, who had come to Croatia following the recommendations of our friends and colleagues from the IPA sections of France, Slovenia, the United Kingdom, the United States, Spain, Canada, Portugal and Romania.

A valuable aspect of the conference was the fact that the majority of lecturers who came were practitioners: former or active members of the police or from closely related services, experts who present an enormous potential of the IPA in an international environment.



This remarkable award is a confirmation of the good work and a challenge for all members of the IPA RC Split-Dalmatia. It provides motivation to follow the direction which was started with the organisation of the 'Partnership for Secure Daily Life Conference', organised in Split, April 2016, and continued with the organisation of the 1st Conference 'Security of Historic Cities'.

Preparations have now begun for the 2nd 'Security of Historic Cities Conference', scheduled for March 16-17 2018 in Split, Croatia, and we can expect even more international participation from other IPA Sections.

If you would like to know more about the Conference, visit www.shcconference.com or www.ipa-split.hr, or alternatively contact us by email on ipa.split@gmail.com.

For participation in the 2018 conference, please reserve mark 16-17 March 2018 in your calendar.

ŽeljkoTurk, Secretary General IPA Croatia

Retracing history with the help of the IPA:
IPA UK's Glyn Bull on his father's steps in Italy



At the British War Grave Cemetery Allerona

During my early teenage years I had badgered my father to know what he did and where he was during the Second World War, but it was only with great reluctance that he eventually told me that he had been a member of 46 Recognisance Regiment captured at Monte Cassino, Italy, in December 1943. In spite of many requests from me over the years my father would not revisit Italy, but thanks to a combination of circumstances and tremendous help from the Umbria delegation of the IPA I was able to visit Italy earlier this year and retrace many of my father's footsteps.

A friend of mine was well aware of my wish and reasons to visit Italy and approached me, telling me that his daughter was getting married in Sorrento earlier this year and then followed up that news with the suggestion we should attend the wedding and then hire a car, and seek out the various locations of interest to me. In the months leading up to our journey, having approached the Italian IPA delegation, I was contacted by Pasquale Murchese, IPA Secretary Perugia Delegation, and thanks to him and his colleagues I had a truly unforgettable experience for which I shall be forever indebted.

Having been captured by German forces prior to the battle for Monte Cassino, my father was taken initially to a holding prison camp and subsequently to Prison camp 54 in an area known as Fara in Sabina, north east of Rome, before being loaded onto a train for transporting to Germany together with 1100 allied prisoners.

On 28 January 1944, as the train travelled north approaching Allerona, Umbria, it came under fire from the American air force whose mission was to destroy the rail line and with it the main communications line between Germany and southern Italy. The bombardment was so intense that 4 box cars were blown off the bridge into the river below and resulted in the loss of more than 400 allied prisoners whilst another hundred casualties were admitted to local hospitals.

My father was lucky enough to escape without injury and spent several months being sheltered by local farmers before returning to the U.K. the following year.

On the morning of 7 June 2017 I met with Pasquale and several members of the Umbria IPA delegation, including Paolo Rossi, IPA Umbria President and Maggiore (Chief Constable) Marco Rovaldi, who then led me on a fascinating expedition. First stop, after morning coffee, was at a memorial commemorating the lives lost, where I laid flowers as a mark of respect. The memorial is set close to the scene of the bombing in a very rural area of the municipality of Allerona. It depicts the different aspects of the bombing and the unity of those involved in the aftermath. We were joined by Fabio Roncello, mayor of Montegabbione, an authority on the bombardment of Allerona and Signor Gioubattista, a published author on the subject from whom I learned so much about the villages having been badly affected by the

prolonged American bombing campaign, the consequent medical assistance given to those injured and the subsequent searches by German forces for those lucky enough to escape from the train. Fabio also explained how he takes part in local history lessons in schools to ensure the children are aware of their heritage.

Our next stop, the British war graves cemetery at Allerona, was for me a very humbling and poignant experience, particularly so, as many of the head stones contained not only the name of the deceased but of wives and families, which emphasised for me a far greater sense of loss than each individual grave ever could. I was honoured to be able to pay my respects and sign the visitors' book.

The six course lunch which followed had to be seen to be believed. Each course devoured at an ever slower pace than the previous as we swapped notes about policing. Italian cuisine at its best, exactly as the holiday adverts seek to portray it. A very enjoyable occasion during which I was presented with an Umbrian IPA pendant and cap.



Meeting
Giovanni Muccifora

Saving the best until last, our final visit of the day was to meet with retired farmer, 94 year old Giovanni Muccifora who well remembers his parents taking in and hiding escaped allied soldiers following the bombing. He explained that his very large kitchen-cum-living room in which we met him had not always been that size and that one end of the room had previously been a cattle shed in which soldiers had slept. As this was being explained I suddenly remembered my father telling me of the many nights he spent in a farm cattle shed, laying alongside the animals in search of any heat from them. For me the question remains, was I present in the farm in which my father took shelter all those years ago?...

Following my visit to Italy, I have an arrangement with Pasquale, that I will meet him in 'The Bull' in Bedford when he next revisits relatives.

Glyn Bull, IPA UK

IPA Cyprus runs an IPA Workshop on Community Policing



IPA Cyprus organised a professional Workshop on 'Community Policing' on 6 October 2017, at the Miramare Beach Hotel in Limassol.

The Workshop was addressed to 60 Cypriot serving Police Officers, all IPA members, but it was also attended by 18 further IPA members from Israel, Greece, Italy, Romania, Poland and Ukraine, who had been invited for this

purpose.

The Workshop was opened by the Chief of Police, Mr Zacharias Chrysostomou, who was also one of the speakers.



The main lecturers were Dr. Eran Israel, Secretary General of IPA Israel and Dr. Maria Constantinou a professor of the Open University of Cyprus. Both are specialists in the subject. Short speeches were also given by Mr. Stavros Neophytou and Mrs. Fani Araouzou, both coordinators of the Neighbourhood Watch Programme, who spoke about the usefulness of the programme and the experience acquired from the project.

During the discussion which followed, Dr. Eran Israel and the other speakers responded to the questions raised.

I am pleased to conclude that the Workshop was very successful, and I believe it will prove helpful to all participants. I am convinced that everyone present benefited from the event.

Michael Odysseos, President IPA Cyprus

IPA NZ Webmaster - and his cat Tia – go viral



IPA New Zealand President Ross Pinkham shared a video with the IAC a little while ago, featuring the section's Webmaster, Kerry Morrell.

Kerry, who works for the Porirua Police, recently became world-famous, with 2.9 million views, when he and his work partner Tia, a 6-year-old Tortie Seal Birman cat, appeared in a post of the New Zealand Police Facebook page, as well as on a variety of online newspapers and TV shows from around the world, including New Zealand, Australia, Germany, the USA and Canada.

Purrfect promotion for the IPA as well hopefully ☺

If you would like to find out more about Kerry and his feline helper, please follow the link to the video: www.facebook.com/NZPolice/videos/1182210625246252/

Elke Schülpen-Roberts, IAC Office Manager

IPA Italie: Tour au cœur des Dolomites

La réunion réalisée du 15 au 18 juin dernier, organisée par le Comité local "Fiemme et Fassa" IPA Trento (Italie), sous la direction de l'infatigable président M. Rosario Giuliani, a enregistré la présence de 130 motocyclistes associés IPA Européens: Allemagne, Autriche, Belgique, Espagne, Luxembourg, Slovaquie, Slovénie, Suisse, ainsi que plusieurs représentants de délégations Italiennes, sans omettre les organisateurs et les représentants de la XXIIème délégation Trentino (Italie).



Un immense remerciement pour nos 'Anges gardiens' de la Police Routière - Station de Predazzo qui, dès la première édition, nous ont escortés pendant toute la manifestation pour assurer notre sécurité.

Un remerciement spécial à Donata, Mauro et Diego, propriétaires de l'Hôtel Panorama de Panchià chez qui, depuis des années, sont reçues 'en famille' tous nos collègues - amis 'IPA FRIENDS'.

Deux journées fantastiques, sous un beau soleil nous ont permis de découvrir des panoramas extraordinaires, entourés de montagnes et de vallées.



Le premier jour nous avons quitté Predazzo en direction de Moena, Passo San Pellegrino, les villages de l'Agordino, Alleghe, Passo Giau, Cortina d'Ampezzo, le Lac de Misurina et le 3 Cime di Lavaredo. Au retour nous avons choisi de monter jusqu'au Passo Falzarego, Arabba, Passo Pordoi, Canazei et, en dernier, Panchià.

Le lendemain nous sommes repartis de la Place Centrale de Predazzo où nous avons reçu un bon accueil de la part de Mme Maria Bosin - Maire.

Sur nos motos nous avons emprunté la Route panoramique 'Val di Fassa' direction Canazei, en plein soleil, pour grimper jusqu'au Passo Fedaia. Nous sommes entrés en Veneto jusqu'à Sottoguda (Belluno). Après Colle Santa Lucia et le tortueux Passo Staulanza, Zoldo di Sopra. Et encore vers Passo Dura et Agordo.

Au retour nous avons traversé Frassené, Agordino, Forcella Aurine, Passo del Gosalto, San Martino di Castrozza, Passo Rolle et le majestueux Cimon della Pala qui le domine, Parco di Paneveggio (connu pour ses sapins: fameux pour leurs résonance acoustique, utilisés par les fameux luthiers comme Stradivari, etc…) et son lac, jusqu'à Predazzo et, enfin, Panchià.

Pendant toute la soirée nous avons continué à fêter la réussite de cette randonnée en partageant et en dégustant avec du bon vin, un savoureux buffet/dîner préparé par Chef Alessio et ses collaborateurs.



A la fin de la soirée nous avons eu droit au discours de bienvenue des Autorités, et pour terminer nous avons en reçus les remerciements et les témoignages de satisfaction des nombreuses délégations étrangères et Italiennes qui, toutes, ont échangé des petits cadeaux en se souhaitant un chaleureux "AU REVOIR" en différentes langues.

Au nom du Président de la XXII Délégation Trentino, M. Antonio Saggiomo, le Secrétaire M. Salvatore Zanza, a pris la parole.

Le Vice-Président Giorgio Ropelato qui a été présent uniquement le deuxième jour, a adressé à son tour des mots de sympathie, de satisfaction et des remerciements à tous:

'Arrivederci all'8° edizione – 2018'

A la fin de la soirée l'associé Faliero Favilla nous a donné de moments de musique et harmonie bien appréciés par tous les présents.

Au nom de tous les membres du Comité j'ai remercié tous ceux qui ont permis la parfaite réussite de la 7ème édition du 'Tour au cœur des Dolomites'.

A la prochaine / Ad maiora

Rosario Giuliani, President IPA Trento, Italy

IPA UK member David Rendall enjoys IPA friendship during a trip to Vancouver and the Rockies

In September 2017, Dave Toomey, a fellow retired Police Sergeant from Devon and Cornwall Police and I, together with our partners, visited Vancouver to start a journey through the Rockies, visiting Victoria, Whistler, Lake Louise and Banff. We were met in Vancouver by retired Sergeant Larry Yip, Ambassador for IPA Canada Region 9 who gave us the grand tour of the City followed by lunch at the Granville Island Hotel.



Lunch at the Granville Island Hotel

Here we met several other IPA members and there was much discussion over a

hearty meal. It was revealed that Larry was the lead singer for a local band and was well known for his Elvis tribute talents amongst others!



David (first on right), Dave, plus Anne and Sue meeting the Mounted Police at Stanley Park

In the afternoon a visit was arranged to the Royal Mounted Police Branch at Stanley Park which was another highlight of the day.

A full and great day was had by all before we started our drive to Vancouver Island, then north through the Rockies.

Other highlights were the wonderful waterfalls en route, bear watching, snow-capped mountains and of course the fine wines.

Our thanks to Larry and the IPA for a memorable holiday.

David J Rendall MBE, member IPA UK

YOUNG POLICE OFFICERS' SEMINAR 2017

Bartlomiej Majchrzak on the Happiness of Friendship



Two years ago I was completely heartbroken: I was sitting in a library, studying police law before an important exam on my higher education police course, but my thoughts were in Warsaw – where young police officers from the whole world had their YPOS meeting. I was a candidate of the Polish Section for the YPOS 2015, but because of the timing of my exams I could not participate. I did not think I would get a second chance.

Life however can be full of surprises, and when I received an email informing that I was chosen as a candidate of IPA Poland for the Young Police Officers' Seminar 2017 in the United States of America, I promised myself that whatever happened, I needed to go. That was the moment when the programme started for me, because the YPOS was not only the 5-day event - those days were the cherry on the cake -

but it also involved all the things that had happened before and - I hope - will be happening after the programme.

Thanks to Arcee Kaine from IPA Chicago and friends from New Zealand, the United Kingdom and Spain, I and Rafal Gula - the second delegate from IPA Polish Section, had an opportunity to visit Chicago before the Seminar, where we were able to go on a ride-along with Chicago Police Officers – an absolutely unique experience.

The actual YPOS programme was held in Green Bay from 11-16 July 2017. About 60 police officers from around 30 countries attended the Seminar. The organisers, and in particular Joe Johnson, were very focused on the task, taking care of every single detail. Everything was planned perfectly. We were accommodated in St Norbert College, a great place for socialising and building friendships with other delegates from around the world. We came from various countries, different parts of the world, spoke many languages, had a different life experience and perception of the world, but we were all members of IPA. And guess what? When we met more closely, it turned out that we have a lot in common; the thin blue line with the message 'Servo per Amikeco' goes around the world. The friendship on the Young Police Officers' Seminar 2017 woke up every day early in the morning and lasted until late at night. I started my days jogging with friends from Mauritius, Cyprus, Sweden and Canada, played 'kartoshca' with Japanese, Estonian, Finnish and Kenyan friends, and my days ended with interesting conversations. This was the time when friendships were born and established.



The programme was very diverse. Every day brought new adventures in new places. We visited Fox Valley Technical College, the Public Safety Training Center in Madison, the Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, the Academy University of Wisconsin-Green Bay and Green Bay High School. All classes were led by experienced instructors with extensive and impressive knowledge. Each day featured a theoretical and a practical aspect. After the classes we had the chance to visit shooting ranges, tactical workshops and do some sightseeing. There was something interesting for everyone.

During her introductory lecture, May-Britt Rinaldo from the International Board of the IPA mentioned the different life lines of police officers - we all have some bad moments. Participation in the YPOS 2017 was one of the highest among my police life lines. I highly recommend participation in this programme to all my IPA friends!

I think the YPOS is an excellent example of a project that fulfills the motto of our organization 'Servo per Amikeco', and I would like to thank IPA IEC, the IPA USA Section, all the sponsors and our national IPA, as well as all police agencies involved for the wonderful time I had, without divisions according to rank/position, gender, race, language or religion.

It has been an honour for me to represent the Polish IPA Section and the Polish Police at the 4th Young Police Officers' Seminar.

Bartlomiej Majchrzak, IPA Poland

ON THE TABLE OF THE IEB

Advice on travel to Turkey for members of the IPA

If you are planning a visit to Turkey, please be aware of the following:



The IPA within the country no longer has official recognition from the Government and has ceased to operate.

The delegates at the World Congress in Bulgaria gave their support to the IPA Turkey members living abroad.

Our advice, if travelling to Turkey, is to not seek any IPA support from local police.

Stephen Crockard, Head of Administration

A thank-you note from Arthur Troop Scholarship recipient Teboho Simon Ramontsi from IPA Lesotho



IPA member Teboho Simon Ramontsi from Lesotho, who serves in the Lesotho Mounted Police, applied for an Arthur Troop Scholarship back in 2015, and was one of 12 recipients of the 2016 award. Teboho used his scholarship to further his studies with an Honours degree after the completion of his first degree in Policing Practices. The Arthur Troop Scholarship helped him finance the part-time course in South Africa, entitled 'Organisational Behaviour, Leadership and Research Methodology'.

I am pleased to share a thank-you note from Teboho, which he sent after the completion of his studies:

'Good morning. It is my great pleasure to submit the qualifications of Bachelor of Policing Practices Honours. Its duration was 1 year and 6 months, enrolling with Southern Business School in the Republic of South Africa. It is with great thanks and honour I thank IPA for sponsoring my tuitions. The graduation was held in Krugersdoorp at Mount Usambara on 13 September 2017.'

May-Britt Rinaldo, Chair of the Professional Commission

3rd ‘Gimborner Gespräche – Gimborn Talks’



We are a group of enthusiastic young IPA members who want to make IPA more attractive for younger people throughout the world. To do this, we try to develop activities that young people like. The main issue with the IPA is that people think that it's ‘a bunch of old people’ playing cards and doing ‘old people’s pastimes’. With the new activities we try to get the new ‘young’ members more active. IPA is not only for senior people, it's for everyone!

Some of the activities have already taken place; some of them will take place in the near future. So far (new) members are very positive! We are also working on a promotional film to attract new members.

In addition, we are working on an app for smartphones which will bring members closer together and highlight our personal interests.

When we plan new activities and think about the future of IPA, we are bonding as well: making new friends and having a good time, this is what IPA is all about!

We hope to see you all taking part in our new activities and try to keep you posted.

Servo per Amikeco,

Niku Shams Zanjani, Thomas Buchegger, Fabian Payr and Rutger Sauter, on behalf of the Junior Gimborn Talks

Goals of the Gimborn Talks:

- Promotion of the IPA
- Build a bridge between Senior and Junior IPA members
- Recruitment of junior Police officers
- Increase interest among junior IPA members
- Identify activities
- Offer activities which attract junior members
- IPA network for junior members
- Future communication

Past Gimborn Talks gathered junior members from 10 European IPA sections. The meeting in October 2017 was about producing an initial promotional video to attract and recruit young members. Support from the local police with a patrol car brought one new member to the German section when she met the juniors in action. Rain didn’t stop the recording, and we expect the video to be released in January 2018.

Many ideas and activities were forwarded and 2018 promises to be an active and attractive year for the younger IPA generation.

May-Britt Rinaldo, President IPA Sweden, on behalf of the Senior Gimborn Talks

IPA HOUSES – YOURS TO DISCOVER!

IPA House Gävle, Sweden

Situated in the very centre of the town of Gävle, on the Swedish east coast. Sweden's fantastic railway museum is located nearby.

The House is situated 4 km from an 18-hole golf course. Furuvik, the beautiful amusement park with a zoo (the park goes down to the coast of the Baltic Sea) is a mere 10 km away, and a famous salmon fishing area can be found at around 20 km distance.



Gävle is renowned for the 'Gävle Goat', a giant version of a traditional Swedish Yule Goat figure made of straw. It is erected each year in December in central Gävle.

The IPA House Gävle has 2 bedrooms:

one room has 3 beds, the other one is a single bedroom. Both rooms have a TV and radio.

The bathroom is shared.

There is a fully-equipped kitchen with a stove, oven, coffee machine, microwave, fridge and freezer.

Bed linen and towels are not provided, but can be hired at a reasonable cost.

A bar is also situated on the premises, and is frequented by IPA members on Thursday nights

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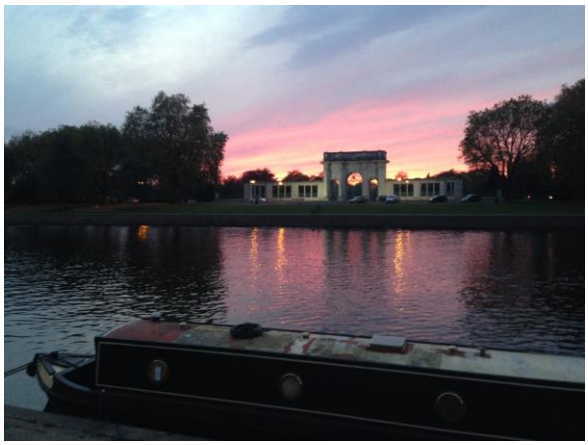

Next month, IPA UK will celebrate 'Members' Day', which each year takes place on 15 December, to commemorate Arthur Troop's birthday.

If by chance you are nearby, you are more than welcome to drop in and visit all of us.

Both the offices of IPA UK and the IAC will be open from 1-5 pm on the day, and you will be able to have a chat with everyone around.

If you have not been to the Arthur Troop House before, this might be a nice opportunity for you to come and explore: memorabilia from many IPA sections are on display around the building, and the archives, containing Arthur Troop's membership card amongst many items, will be open.

IPA UK will unveil a Blue Plaque, cementing the connection of the Arthur Troop House with the association's founder. In addition, you will be able – for the first time ever – to listen to a recording of the 'Arthur Troop Tapes', which were discovered by Section UK last year.

While you are here, make sure to venture into Nottingham: the photo you can see on this page was taken on my cycle ride home last week about 10 minutes from here – there are lovely walks along the river for everyone to enjoy.

Of course with Christmas round the corner, Nottingham also boasts its own Christmas Market and Winter Wonderland – all only a short bus ride away.

It would be lovely to see you in December at the Arthur Troop House, and we'll make sure there will be some tea and biscuits on offer as well ☺

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Please find below a list of IPA events for the next 12 months:

Section	***Date***	***Event***
Germany	4 Nov 2017	IPA Radio Club Contest
Hong Kong	7-12 Nov 2017	Hong Kong Friendship Week
UK	11-12 Nov 2017	COPS-UK CPD Training Weekend, Exeter
Spain	2 Dec 2017	17th Int. Trader Show, Barcelona
UK	15 Dec 2017	Members' Day, Nottingham
UK	22-25 Nov 2017	IEB Meeting, Nottingham
Austria	27 Jan-3 Feb 2018	30th IPA Ski Week, Nassfeld-Hermagor
Germany	8-13 Feb 2018	Cologne Carnival
Spain	22-24 Apr 2018	24-hour IPA Cycling Challenge, Barcelona
Croatia	28 Apr- 12 May 2018	Croatia Coast and Country Tour
Belgium	10-13 May 2018	60th Anniversary celebrations IPA Liège
Sweden	10-13 May 2018	60th Anniversary IPA Sweden, Malmö
Portugal	13-18 May 2018	IPA Games, Lisbon
Croatia	18-25 May 2018	IPA Dubrovnik Diving Week
Hungary	24-27 May 2018	Conference of Central and Eastern European Sections, Rackeve
Cyprus	31 May-3 Jun 2018	Conference of Mediterranean Sections, Nicosia
Belgium	4-8 Jun 2018	COPS 2018, Antwerp
France	6-10 June 2018	Rhône/Alpes Motorcycle Meeting
UK	7-10 Jun 2018	Notts Branch 60th Anniversary Celebrations
Austria	14-17 Jun 2018	Northern European Forum, Vienna
Sri Lanka	7-14 Jul 2018	International Friendship Tour
UK	6-19 Aug 2018	International Youth Gathering, Sherwood Forest
Germany	10-19 Aug 2018	VIII International Friendship Meeting, Bork
Netherlands	19-23 Sep 2018	63rd IPA World Congress, Rotterdam

FORTHCOMING GIMBORN SEMINARS

Please see below a 4-month summary of seminars with vacancies, offered by our international education centre IBZ Gimborn in Germany.
If you are interested in taking part in any of these seminars, please follow the link:

www.ibz-gimborn.de



Date	***Seminar***	***Language***
08-10 Nov 2017	Alle Macht für Erdogan! Politische Entwicklungen in der Türkei und die Rolle der Deutschtürken	G
10-12 Nov 2017	Die Schreibwerkstatt für Polizisten	G
13-17 Nov 2017	Burnout – Ausgebrannt – Existenzielle Erschöpfungszustände	G
20-24 Nov 2017	Cybercrime, Cyber Threats and Cyber Terrorism	E
20-24 Nov 2017	Social Media Management für Polizei, Justiz und Öffentliche Verwaltung	G
27 Nov-01 Dec 2017	Gewalt gegen die Staatsgewalt / Violence against Police Officers & other representatives of the State	E and G
11-13 Dec 2017	Reisende Täter, Bandenkriminalität und Eurasische OK in Deutschland	G
08-12 Jan 2018	Linksextremismus – Die unterschätzte Gefahr?	G
15-19 Jan 2018	Islamistischer Terrorismus / Islamic Terrorism	E and G
22-26 Jan 2018	Gewalt im Spiel – Ultras und Hooligans im Umfeld von Fußballspielen	G
29 Jan-02 Feb 2018	Scientfic Examination of Documents	E
01-02 Feb 2018	Social Media und Recht	G
05-07 Feb 2018	Unter Druck – Im Konflikt handlungsfähig bleiben	G
12-18 Feb 2018	Fasten? Trau Dich! Heilfasten im Oberberg. Land	G
13-16 Feb 2018	Rocker- und Motorradbanden – Gesichter OK	G
19-23 Feb 2018	Social Media Management für Polizei, Justiz und Öffentliche Verwaltung	G
23-25 Feb 2018	Rücken verstehen – Schmerzen entgehen!	G


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