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## IPA Newsletter

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### On the road to spring!



An action-packed entry by a Finnish IPA colleague  
from our 2014 photo competition

## WORD OF INTRODUCTION



The discussions held during the recent IEC conference have shown clearly that in our association as well, money is playing an ever more important role. It would go beyond the scope of this Newsletter to mention everything that I could about this topic; I would, however, like to encourage you to discuss and think about these vital issues while highlighting the financial aspects of our association from the perspective of the International Treasury.

Does the IPA live beyond its means? Quite clearly: YES, we do. It is well known that one should be careful spending money when times are tough economically. We have only got a single source of income: our annual membership fees. Spelled out in plain language this means that our income is limited and difficult to anticipate. The situation is aggravated by the fact that at the moment the world is unstable – we have various trouble spots which create severe financial problems for some of our sections. And every time sections are suffering financially, this also has consequences for the International Treasury. The related immense human suffering of course outweighs any of these considerations, and I sincerely hope that there will be an end to all this suffering as soon as possible.

One factor often overlooked in this whole discussion is the following: the annual international levy has not been raised since the year 2003, when the current International President took over the International Treasury with myself acting as his assistant. On the contrary, membership fees were lowered in the meantime. In addition, 12 new sections were welcomed into our IPA family in the period from 2003 to 2014, a worthwhile and positive initiative. But it is not enough to simply affiliate sections. We also have to ensure that the membership base in our existing sections keeps growing. Otherwise a rise in the levy will become unavoidable.

Our expenditure is increasing. Both the members of the IEB and the delegates have wishes and good ideas they would like to implement; and so far, we have always tried to find a healthy financial balance between income and expenditure. Being self-critical, we have to admit we have not always achieved this. And it is more than likely that we will not be able to lower our expenditure significantly in the future. Our congresses have been fixed up to the year 2021 – a long-term commitment. For some of these destinations, the majority of our delegates will have to travel to a different continent which will mean an enormous financial burden for the treasury. I do not think, therefore, that there is any point to contemplate a further reduction in the annual levy in the future.

In addition, I am firmly against using our reserves. I am convinced that no responsible Treasurer would be prepared to agree with such a strategy.

Sections are regularly praised for their good relationships with both governments and various administrative bodies, and I agree that this is per se a positive development which should be recommended. It is, however, vital in my opinion that sections do not get into a position where they are exploited for political reasons, and they need to ensure their financial independency. Otherwise they run the danger of being 'dropped' when in dire straits, and the section faces its end.

The future may mean that we really will only be able to afford the absolute essentials.

For now, I would like to send you my friendly IPA-greetings and remain your optimistic Treasurer.

**Romain Miny, International Treasurer**

## AROUND THE WORLD

### IPA Austria's 27<sup>th</sup> Ski Week a full success!



*Sun and Snow: Canadian and Norwegian IPA friends enjoying light refreshments*

The IPA ski-week in the Nassfeld-Hermagor region of Carinthia has become an established feature of IPA Austria's annual calendar of events. 143 IPA friends from Austria as well as 8 further IPA sections (Canada, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Norway, Russia, Slovenia and Ukraine) took part in this winter sports event from 24 to 31 January 2015, which was organised under the motto of 'Fun and Enjoyment with Friends'. Such is the success and popularity of this event that IPA Germany member Ursula Seiler was congratulated on and received a certificate from the organisers for

attending her 25<sup>th</sup> ski week, during a pleasurable ski lodge evening on the Watschinger-Alm. IPA Ireland members Carol and Con O'Donovan, loyal guests for 10 years, also received certificates and awards.

Guests from neighbouring IPA sections included Stanislav Ficko, president of IPA Slovenia, as well as regular participants Domenico Giannieri and Elvio Polini from IPA Italy.

Once more the guest list included Nikolay Koshcheev from IPA Russia as well as IPA supporter and mayor of IPA Kirov, Vladimir Bykow, who were not deterred by the long journey.

The overall organisation was left in the competent hands of Ewald Grollitsch [ewald.grollitsch@ipa-at](mailto:ewald.grollitsch@ipa-at), and as always, all visitors were looked after in a perfect manner both on the ski slopes and in the valley by the IPA officials from IPA Carinthia who showed clearly once more, what SERVO PER AMIKECO means for them in practice.

For those of you who have not had the pleasure of taking part in our ski-week, there will be the opportunity to take part in our 28<sup>th</sup> ski week from 23 – 31 January 2016. Speed is of the essence, however, as we have already received 50 reservations from this year's guests!

**Otto König, Secretary General IPA Austria**

## IPA Australia member wins JEDD print

Robert Galtieri, a member from Section Australia has won a JEDD print as part of a competition run recently by Section UK.

Robert and the two other winning members from Section UK will each receive a limited edition print which was specially commissioned by IPA West Mercia branch in 2009 to celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the IPA in 2010.

The print, which depicts IPA members in uniform from across the world, is by the very successful UK police artist John R Edwards, a retired police officer and IPA member, also known as JEDD. Each picture was signed by JEDD and signed by the IPA President of Section UK at that time, Steve Connor. The central figure is a caricature of Len Washer, who was recruited by the founder of the IPA Arthur Troop, and until his death held IPA membership number 4.



There is still stock of these 850 limited edition prints. Each print measures 420mm x 525mm and is accompanied by a certificate of authenticity.

The cost is £10 sterling - not including post and packaging. To order one of these fine prints email: [west-merciam@ipa-uk.org](mailto:west-merciam@ipa-uk.org) with your order and full postal details. The branch secretary will confirm payment instructions (cost of postage / bank details) before dispatching the item/s.

***Elizabeth Jones, Communications Manager IPA UK***

## OBITUARY GEBHARD REITHOFER



The national board of Section Austria has the sad duty to inform the international friends of Gebhard Reithofer of his sudden and unexpected death on 5 February 2015.

Gerhard Reithofer joined the IPA Vorarlberg region in 1971 and was instrumental in organising the 'IPA-Bodenseetagung' which took place in the border region of Austria, Switzerland and Germany. He was elected regional chair of the IPA Vorarlberg region in 1986 and contributed actively to its success over 12 years. In addition, he was elected Vice President of Section Austria at the 12<sup>th</sup> national congress in 1996 and was awarded IPA Austria's Ring of Honour.

We mourn the loss of a valuable role model and would like to express our sympathy to his family.

We will honour his memory!

***Otto König, Secretary General IPA Austria***



# ON THE TABLE OF THE IEB

## New member of the ERC: Charlie T. Deane

### **It took a while, but finally the ERC is complete again.**

When Hugh Brien, representative of the ERC in the Organization of American States (OAS) in Washington resigned from his position for family reasons, I, in my capacity as Chairman of the ERC, asked Kevin Gordon, President of IPA USA, for help in finding a new candidate.



Charlie T. Deane was chosen to be the right person for this position.

Chief (retired) Charlie T. Deane led the major county police department of Prince William, Virginia from June 1988 to October 2012, serving a fast growing and diverse population of over 400,000 residents. Under his leadership, the department established a nationwide reputation for integrity and service. During his years as Chief, the police department maintained high public approval, low crime rates and high staff morale.

In twenty-four years as Chief, Charlie effectively managed dramatic change within the police department and community. Throughout his career, he has been an active leader at state, regional and national levels. He served, for example, as President of the Virginia Association of Chiefs of Police, Vice President of the Police Executive Research Forum and was on the Executive Board of the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

Charlie T. Deane's educational background is impressive and guarantees professional work for the ERC and IPA.

- FBI National Executive Institute, Quantico, Virginia
- George Mason University, Masters in Public Administration, MP A, Fairfax, Virginia
- FBI National Academy, Quantico, Virginia
- American University, Bachelor of Science in Administration of Justice, Washington, DC

As Chairman of the ERC I welcome Charlie into our team of hard working commission members. His personal introduction will take place in April, when the ERC will meet at Europol in The Hague.

***Werner Busch, Chairman External Relations Commission***



12 April marks the world day for street children. Our Association has committed itself to support CSC in their work to achieve greater awareness and understanding of the situation of street children, and I am therefore asking all IPA members to visit the following link <http://streetchildren.org/our-work/international-day/> and sign the petition on <http://www.streetchildrenday.org/> today.

Following CSC's presentation at the IEC conference in Copenhagen in 2013, a fundraising campaign was launched during the IEC conference in Potsdam in 2014 to support the CSC in highlighting 12 April as the world-wide street children's day.

500 wristbands were sold in Potsdam during the conference. Many sections offered their support and assistance, and order forms were issued to all.

Let me remind you why we, the IPA, stand behind this initiative:

- Since 2005, there have been significant developments at international policy levels regarding children in street situations.
- The UN office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights study (2012) on the protection and promotion of the rights of children working and/or living on the streets, outlines key issues faced by street children, including extreme levels of police violence experienced by street children and the so-called police round-ups.
- By amplifying street children's voices, awareness is raised for action by governments, organisations and the public.

I would like to thank all those of you who have already taken the initiative and ordered our wristbands. Unfortunately, the amount of orders received so far will not create enough funds to design and manufacture an international flyer or App just yet.

So we are calling on all Sections once more to act and consider purchasing our wristbands. All you need to do is follow this link [CSC Wristband Order Form.docx](#) and download the order form provided.

Please note that your order will only be confirmed and processed after we have received your payment.

Let me finish this article by replying to a question that I have been asked lately: Why should we get involved when there are other organisations that take care of these issues?

As far as I am concerned, there are many reasons why we, as an international association, with an NGO status, should support the awareness of street children:

We, the IPA

- can make a difference
- are in many cases their first professional contact
- can be there for street children
- are able to show them we care and create safety
- create trust and support



***Kees Sal, Chairman International Professional Commission***

## IPA International Seminar at IBZ Gimborn



The International Professional Commission highly recommends the ASP Instructor Course from 12-18 July 2015 at IBZ Schloss Gimborn.

The ASP Instructor Certification program (AIC) is a hands-on seminar which trains participants to instruct classes in the operational use of the ASP tactical baton and handcuffs. It provides efficient defensive impact weapon and restraint tactics for personnel which can be quickly learned, easily practiced and readily maintained long after the program is completed.

By the end of the seminar, all participants will be qualified and prepared to instruct other personnel in the operational use of the ASP baton and handcuffs.

This course will be physically demanding and therefore requires a certain level of fitness and flexibility. Participants are required to take part in scenarios.

For further details and contents of the program, follow the link [ASP Instructor Course](#) and you can apply for the course by clicking on the following link [Application Form](#).

For further questions please contact IPC member Paul Kelly at [kelly.paulg@gmail.com](mailto:kelly.paulg@gmail.com)

***Kees Sal, Chairman International Professional Commission***

## LAST WORD

Having recently returned from a trip abroad, I would like to share some thoughts with you from 'the other side of the fence', as a member of the public.

For the first time in my life, I had to report a crime and seek help from the police, after I had been mugged and my money and cards taken off me.

All in all, I saw a total of 8 policemen, and I was asked to fill in a form, requiring me to list the items I had lost, which was then copied several times and stamped. I was then left to go.

Not once was I asked to explain what had happened or give a description of the attackers. Not once was I asked if I was okay or needed any sort of help. Not once did I see any sign of concern or compassion.

Don't get me wrong: I don't want any of you to feel sorry for me - crime happens, and at the end of the day, I was not physically hurt.

The reason I am sharing this with you is that I was disappointed and more than anything, surprised.

I know and appreciate very much the enormous capacity for friendship and willingness to help within the police, and IPA in particular.

And I was therefore taken aback to see every single policeman I met on that occasion doing the bare minimum and simply going through the motions.

Knowing the IPA, I am hoping that this would not happen, if any of you were put in this situation and were confronted with a foreigner having just been attacked and not just needing a stamped form, but rather the reassurance that the police, above all, can be your friend and helper.

*Elke*



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Full details of all events, where available, have been sent to sections separately. Please find below a summary for the next 12 months:

<b>Section</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
Germany	6-8 Mar 2015	60 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations, Münster
Ireland	12-19 April 2015	60 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Friendship Week
Cyprus	16-19 Apr 2015	ISC Liaison Officers Seminar
Switzerland	17-18 Apr 2015	60 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations
Malta	23-28 April 2015	Dynamic Tri-Gun Competition
Austria	8-10 May 2015	30 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Villach
Greece	11-17 May 2015	50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Friendship Week, Chalkidiki
Germany	14-17 May 2015	60 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary IPA Berlin
Portugal	19-23 May 2015	Copa del Mar Football Tourn., Loulé
Spain	28-31 May 2015	IPA Motorcycle Tour, Pyrenees
Spain	28-31 May 2015	5-a-side International Football Torun., Salou
Poland	28-31 May 2015	XVI Int'l Football Tournament, Poznan
Canada	28 May-6 Jun 2015	Friendship Week Niagara Falls
Italy	3-7 Jun 2015	16 <sup>th</sup> Troph. dell'Adriatico Footb. T., Giulianova
Bulgaria	4-7 Jun 2015	17 <sup>th</sup> IPA-Conf. Mediterranean Region, Varna
Poland	11-13 Jun 2015	IV IPA Int'l Football Champ., Gdynia
Italy	11-14 Jun 2015	5 <sup>th</sup> Motorcycle Rally, Dolomites
Belgium	15-22 Jun 2015	40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary IPA Charleroi
Germany	11-14 Jun 2015	17 <sup>th</sup> IPA Fly In, Heilbronn
USA	15-25 Jul 2015	Region 57 See America Tour
Poland	19-26 Jul 2015 26 Jul-2 Aug 2015	Young Police Officers Seminar, Legionowo Friendship Week for YPOS participants
France	27 Jul-2 Aug 2015	Friendship Meeting Rhône-Alpes
Luxembourg	30-31 Jul 2015	1 <sup>st</sup> European Golf Tourn. for police officers
Spain	1-15 Aug 2015	International Youth Gathering
UK	8-15 Aug 2015	Friendship Week – A Taste of Scotland
Poland	23-31 Aug 2015	XV World Ind. Soccer Police Ass. T., Krakow
Italy	17-20 Sep 2015	2 <sup>nd</sup> Riviera delle Palma Trophy, Grottammare
Austria	17-20 Sept 2015	Biker Meeting, Steiermark
Austria	18-20 Sept 2015	30 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations, Leibnitz
Netherlands	12-16 Oct 2015	World Police Indoor Soccer Tourn., Marveld
Cyprus	12-18 Oct 2015 18-25 Oct 2015	XXI World Congress, Limassol Friendship Week
Spain	28 Nov 2015	XV Int'l Trader Show, Barcelona

## 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](http://www.ibz-gimborn.de)



<b>Date</b>	<b>Seminar</b>	<b>Language</b>
02-06 Mar 2015	Die Ware Mensch in der international organisierten Kriminalität – moderne Formen des Sklavenhandels	G
09-13 Mar 2015	Kommunikationskompetenz für Frauen	G
16-20 Mar 2015	Politischer Extremismus und Populismus	G
23-25 Mar 2015	Ab in die Mitte – werden rechte Themen bürgerfähig?	G
13-17 Apr 2015	Usurpation d'identité et fraudes massives – une menace réelle pour notre sécurité financière	F
20-24 Apr 2015	Migration und Kriminalität	G
04-08 May 2015	Rechtsextremismus – Neueste Entwicklungen	G
18-22 May 2015	Islam and Islamism – History and culture of a world-religion between everyday-life and extremism Islam und Islamismus – Geschichte und Kultur einer Weltreligion zwischen Alltag und Extremismus	E and G
08-12 Jun 2015	Bezpieczenstwo bez granic? - Miedzynarodowa wspolpraca transgraniczna Policji w Europie - Przyklad Polska – Niemcy Sicherheit ohne Grenzen? – Internationale, grenzüberschreitende Zusammenarbeit der Polizeien in Europa – Bsp. Polen - Deutschland	G and Pol
15-19 Jun 2015	Terrorismus – politisch und religiös motivierte Gewalttaten in Europa	G
22-26 Jun 2015	Violenza Intorno alla Partita di calcio – Contro il teppismo (hooliganismo) e la Scorta della Polizia e di organizzazioni Gewalt im Spiel – Gewalttätigkeit und Kriminalität im Umfeld von Fußballspielen	G and I