

IPA Newsletter

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A Touching Moment



'Connection', by the overall winner of our IPA Photo Competition 2019, Alan Keane (IPA Ireland)

WORD OF INTRODUCTION

Dear friends,

Another IEB term has begun. Unity, as expressed during the 64th IPA World Congress held in Dubrovnik, achieved through effective dialogue, is the key asset of this board in the challenging tasks it has undertaken. From the delegates, there was a clear statement of support for the actions of the previous four years, and proposals were made for the term ahead.

The new IEB is made up of old members armed with their valuable experience, and new members with fresh ideas and a willingness to work! A common



feature of all of us is our love for the IPA, altruism and the willingness to offer!

The new board is expecting a lot of work! We will be assisted in this endeavour by valuable colleagues, who have been appointed by the IEB as commission members, and who have been assigned to carry out difficult but important projects. At the same time, other colleagues who offered to help, remain in our 'reserve pool' for future projects.

Travel, education, sports, humanitarian activities, youth gatherings, art exhibitions, collaborations with international organisations: there are many opportunities and benefits for active or retired colleagues. 2020 is a year full of activities, such as:

- **IPA Games**, a global celebration of the ideal of sport and friendship
- Hosting Sections' Meeting, gathering sections to focus on hosting and hospitality
- Photo competition that allow us to express our artistic side
- Children's painting competition, to bring our families closer to the values of our Association
- 70th anniversary of the IPA, global action to bring the IPA closer to society and citizens

The IPA, at the time of its 70th anniversary, is entering a new era. With a grand plan, pioneering actions, and with a perspective to the future. In this endeavour, no one is left out.

In February, we will officially welcome another section in foundation: Albania. At the same time, actions are being taken to integrate other countries into our large family and to create more national sections.

Our goal is to extend the IPA even more, so that it spreads all over the world. Always faithful to the principles and values of our founder Arthur Troop, to maintain unity, to listen to the concerns of our members, and to guide our historic association where it deserves to go: TO THE TOP!

Kyriakos Karkalis, IPA Vice President & Chairperson of the SCC

AROUND THE WORLD

NEW NATIONAL PRESIDENT

IPA Latvia



On the 18th of January 2020, the annual meeting of the IPA Latvian section was held in Jūrmala.

During the meeting we had many discussions about the future of our section, such as membership requirements, a new and improved structure of the National Board, and most importantly: the elections of a new board.

On behalf of all members of IPA Latvia I would like to inform all of you that it is a great honour for me to be re-elected as the President of IPA Latvia, and I am pleased to introduce the new board members to you:



Secretary General:

Mr Vitālijs Kalugins

Treasurer:

Mr Aldis Pāže

Members of the Management Board:

Mr Elvijs Bogdanovs, Mr Inguns Pičs and Mrs Arta Mūrmane

We will continue to strengthen friendship with other member states, continue to develop our projects with our neighbour countries, thus hoping to increase our membership, and most importantly we will continue to serve through friendship!

Best wishes to our friends all over the world!

On behalf of all IPA Latvian section members,

Ilze Ungure, President IPA Latvia

NEW NATIONAL PRESIDENT

IPA Netherlands



Dear IPA friends,

I welcome this opportunity to share some information on both myself, as well as on the strategy of our new IPA Netherlands board for the new term ahead of us.

I started my career in the police as a patrol officer and gained experience in a wide range of police expertise over a period of 49 years. I am now a senior police officer (retired commissioner). I worked in the field of anti-terrorism, organised crime, the mounted police, canine policing, IT departments, technical support units, policy making, facility management, traffic police and international policing, and participated in managerial training courses in several countries, as well as CEPOL and Europol.

My last international policing experience was gained as a senior advisor in three European networks: Aquapol, Railpol and Tispol, where I was responsible for security, crime and matters of terrorism. I also worked as an EU resident twinning advisor in the Balkans, and have lived in Africa, Middle and South America, and Europe. Over the last decades, I performed my strategic management skills nationally and internationally, and worked for the Netherlands' National Police Agency, the EU, the United Nations and in multi- and bilateral cooperation projects.

I took over the Presidency of IPA Netherlands on 17 January 2020, and I am glad to announce that we have a complete board again. Our first board meeting took place on 20 January, and the atmosphere and positivity were very noticeable.

If the IPA in the Netherlands stands for continuity, a survival strategy will be a necessity. When I look at the aims for our board, in the short term it will be to steer our finances in the right direction again. IPA Netherlands suffered considerable



The new national Board of IPA Netherlands

losses over the last few years, and our aim is to put financial things right again within two years.

In the mid-term, we would like to invest in new and young members of the IPA in the Netherlands. During the early 90's of the last century, the IPA in the Netherlands had almost 12,000 members, whereas this figure has now reduced to just over 5000 members. Contacts with students in various police academies in the Netherlands will be established. We will add an extra member to the board, who will be responsible for enlisting new and young members again. This forms a part of the survival strategy for our section. At the end of our term, we hope to have more members than we have now, which will not be easy, looking at the average age of our members.

Willem Schewe, President IPA Netherlands

IPA Spain invites you to the 65th IPA World Congress and Friendship Week 2020!

Dear IPA friends,

On behalf of the Organising Committee and all members of IPA Section Spain, it is my pleasure to invite you to the 65th IPA World Congress followed by the Friendship Week (Barcelona & Madrid).

The IPA World Congress will be held from 13-18 October 2020, followed by the IPA Friendship Week from 18-25 October 2020.



All information related to both events can be found directly on our website at https://wc2020.ipaespana.org/.

We have worked very hard to find a place where we can celebrate our World Congress with the best conditions and prices. We also decided on this location as it is interesting from a tourist point of view.

The venue we have chosen is the Olympic Congress Centre, which is part of the EVENIA Olympic Resort composed of 4-star hotels and a congress centre (auditorium), located in the heart of the Costa Brava, in a residential area of Lloret de Mar (1000m from the beach, 12 minutes' walk).



We know from experience, that the working days at the congress are very hard, and for this reason we have made every effort and put special interest into the social programme.

It will be exciting for all, delegates, observers and visitors. During the World Congress, you will have the opportunity to spend a different and fun evening with a Medieval live show and a Spanish flamenco dance festival, unique in

Catalonia and in a real medieval castle.

We will visit Barcelona, take a sightseeing tour and a skyline tour by boat. Barcelona is a cosmopolitan city on the shores of the Mediterranean Sea, always following and leading the latest international trends, which becomes evident in particular if you look at its architecture.

For those of you who want to take part in the Friendship Week after the World Congress, I assure you it will be amazing. Colleagues from IPA Madrid and the IPA Catalunya communities have prepared a programme that you will not forget for years to come. You will be accompanied 24 hours a day by members of the organising committee.

We will visit Barcelona and Madrid, take a ZIP train to climb to the top of the Holy Mountain of Montserrat, visit the interior of the Sagrada Familia, and also take a tour in a small train to one of the largest 'cava' factories in the world.

The transfer to Madrid will be on the high-speed train 'AVE', a great experience! Colleagues from IPA Madrid will be waiting for us and show us the capital of Spain, full of historical monuments and unique places.

We will visit 'The Madrid of the Austrias' which is the name given to one the most touristic areas in the centre of Madrid, located between the Puerta del Sol and the Royal Palace and where some of the most important monuments of Madrid are concentrated. It is named for having been built, mostly, during the reign of the Habsburg dynasty.

We will also visit other cities, such as: Toledo, Avila and, if we have enough time, the unique and magnificent Aqueduct of Segovia, one of the most amazing masterpieces from Roman times.

In Toledo we will take a half-day guided tour to visit this monumental World Heritage city, the capital of the Spanish Empire under Carlos V. The visit to the medieval city of Avila will impress you, due to its magnificent city walls. We will also visit the National Police Academy (CNP).

This year marks the 70th anniversary of our Association, and this milestone will be celebrated at the IPA World Congress in Spain. The IPA was founded on 1 January 1950 under the Esperanto motto of 'Servo per Amikeco' (Service Through Friendship). Arthur Troop became the first Secretary General of the British Section. His notion of association with development of social, cultural and professional links amongst



its members, in an environment free from distinction of rank, gender, race, language or religion, became a reality. The International Police Association currently comprises 65 National Sections, and IPA Spain was affiliated on 11 September 1961, during the 3rd World Congress in Stuttgart, Germany.

The National Executive Committee of IPA Spain has taken the decision to hold its general assembly during the weekend coinciding with the World Congress. This means that, in addition to those attending the World Congress, we will have all our delegates and visitors with us: about 180 more people. If we add the participants in the Friendship Week, who will also stay initially in the same hotel, we can conclude that for a few days that space will be totally IPA territory, can you imagine?

Well, now all that remains is for you to encourage yourselves and complete your registration for these events in the form provided on the website, as soon as possible.

We are waiting for you with open arms!

Servo per Amikeco

Arturo Salinas Marin, President IPA Spain

IPA España os invita al 65º Congreso Internacional IPA y Semana de la Amistad 2020

Queridos amigos de la IPA,

En nombre del Comité Organizador y de todos los miembros de la Sección IPA de España, tengo el placer de invitaros al 65° Congreso Mundial de la IPA, en España, seguido de la Semana de la Amistad (Barcelona & Madrid).

El Congreso Mundial se celebrará del 13 al 18 de octubre de 2020 y la Semana de la



Amistad tendrá lugar del 18 al 25 de octubre de 2020. Toda la información relacionada con ambos eventos puede consultarse directamente en la página web https://wc2020.ipaespana.org.

Hemos trabajado muy duro para encontrar un lugar donde podamos celebrar nuestro WC con la mejor relación entre precio y calidad. También decidimos este lugar por los sugerente desde el punto de vista turístico.

El lugar que hemos escogido es el Centro de Congresos Olympic que forma parte del EVENIA Olympic Resort compuesto por 4 hoteles**** y Centro de Congresos (auditorio), situado en el corazón de la Costa Brava, en una zona residencial de Lloret de Mar (a 1000 m. de la playa, a 12 minutos a pie).



Sabemos, por experiencia, que las jornadas de trabajo del Congreso son muy duras y por ello nos hemos esforzado y puesto especial interés en el programa social. Será emocionante para todos, delegados, observadores y visitantes. Durante el Congreso Mundial tendréis la oportunidad de pasar una velada diferente y divertida con un espectáculo medieval en vivo y un festival de baile español y flamenco,

único en Cataluña y en un verdadero Castillo Medieval.

Visitaremos Barcelona, haremos una visita turística y un recorrido en barco por el litoral marítimo. Barcelona es una ciudad cosmopolita, abierta al mar Mediterráneo, siempre siguiendo y liderando las últimas tendencias internacionales que se hacen evidentes, sobre todo, si nos fijamos en su arquitectura, reflejándose en la forma de enfocar la vida que siempre impulsa la ciudad.

Para aquellos de vosotros que queráis compartir la Semana de la Amistad después del Congreso Mundial, os aseguro que será increíble. Colegas de las comunidades de IPA Madrid e IPA Catalunya han preparado un programa que no olvidareis en los próximos años.

Estaréis siempre acompañados, las 24 horas del día, por miembros del comité organizador.

Visitaremos la mayor parte de las ciudades de Barcelona y Madrid, tomaremos un tren cremallera para subir a la cima de la Montaña Santa de Montserrat, visitaremos el interior de la Sagrada Familia, también disfrutaremos de un tour en un pequeño tren visitando una de las fábricas del "cava" más grandes del mundo.

El traslado a Madrid se hará en el tren de alta velocidad "AVE", una gran experiencia. Colegas de IPA Madrid nos estarán esperando y nos mostrarán la capital de España, llena de monumentos históricos y lugares únicos.

Visitaremos "El Madrid de los Austrias" que es el nombre que se le da a una de las zonas más turísticas del centro de Madrid, situada entre la Puerta del Sol y el Palacio Real y donde se concentran algunos de los monumentos más importantes de Madrid. Su nombre se debe a que fue construido, en su mayoría, durante el reinado de la Casa de los Habsburgo o la dinastía de los Habsburgo. También visitaremos otras ciudades como: Toledo, Ávila y si disponemos de tiempo suficiente, visitaremos el Acueducto de Segovia único y magnífico, es una de las obras maestras más sorprendentes que los romanos difundieron por toda España.

En Toledo haremos una visita guiada de medio día, visitando esta monumental ciudad Patrimonio de la Humanidad, capital del Imperio Español con Carlos V. La visita a la ciudad medieval de Ávila os impresionará, la imagen de la ciudad medieval está configurada por sus murallas. Visitaremos la Academia Nacional de la Policía (CNP).

Este año se cumple el 70 aniversario de nuestra asociación, y este hito se celebrará en el Congreso Mundial de la IPA en España. La IPA se fundó el 1 de enero de 1950 bajo el lema esperantista 'Servo per Amikeco' (Servicio por amistad). Arthur Troop se convirtió en el primer Secretario General de la Sección Británica. Su idea de una asociación con el desarrollo de vínculos sociales, culturales y profesionales entre sus



miembros, en un entorno sin distinción de rango, género, raza, idioma o religión, se hizo realidad. La Asociación Internacional de Policía está compuesta actualmente por 65 Secciones Nacionales y la fecha de afiliación a la IPA España fue el 11 de septiembre de 1961, 3er WC de Stuttgart, Alemania.

El Comité Ejecutivo Nacional de España ha tomado la decisión de celebrar su asamblea general durante el fin de semana, coincidiendo con el congreso mundial. Esto significa que, además de los asistentes al WC, contaremos con todos nuestros delegados y visitantes. Son unas 180 personas más. Si añadimos los participantes en la semana de la amistad, que también se alojarán inicialmente en el mismo hotel, podemos concluir que durante unos días ese espacio será totalmente territorio de la IPA, ¿os lo imagináis?

Bueno, ahora sólo queda que os animéis y formalicéis vuestra inscripción en el formulario que se proporciona en el sitio web, lo antes posible.

¡Os esperamos con los brazos abiertos!

Servo per Amikeco

Arturo Salinas Marin, presidente IPA España

IPA Sri Lanka celebrate 3rd Members' Day

The National Executive Council (NEC) of IPA Sri Lanka held their 3rd IPA Members' Day and Christmas celebration on 22 December 2019 at the Zey-Nor Hotel of Sri Lanka's capital city, Colombo.



from left to right: Vice President Mr Latiff; Vice President R Sunevirathne; Secretary General A Wijetilleka; Assistant Secretary General S Senevirathne; Committee Member Mr Jayakody; Travel Secretary N Wedasinghe; National Council Members Mr Iddamalgoda and Mr Ranga

This event was attended by a large number of members of the section, and the day's programme covered several events of fun and games, followed by a fellowship grand lunch and an opportunity for them to relish the day.



Sri Lanka Police Band



Balloon Dancing Competition

This is the third time an event of this nature has been organised by the section, and the occasion undoubtedly enabled a greater fellowship amongst members, strengthening mutual feelings of understanding.

Servo per Amikeco – Service through Friendship,

Asoka Wijetilleka, Secretary General IPA Sri Lanka

IPA Canada – Christmas Means Giving

Region 2 Greater Toronto Area and Northern Ontario

The Children's Breakfast Club Christmas Gala

For the eighth straight year, members of IPA Canada Region 2 (Toronto, Ontario) have volunteered to assist at the Annual Children's Breakfast Clubs' Christmas Gala. On 3 December 2019, more than one thousand children from local schools attended the Liberty Grand Event Centre for this holiday festival.

All the children received toys donated by the Spin Master Toy Co., and Liberty Grand provided a lunch for all the kids, numerous volunteers, and dignitaries in attendance.

The children were treated to a host of fun activities, music, and of course photos with Santa and Mrs. Claus, (Region 2 member Jim Dallimore and his wife Lorna). Rick Gosling, the founder of the Breakfast Clubs and organizer of this event, is an honorary member of Region 2.





Toronto Mayor John Tory was present as the Guest of Honour along with all the corporate sponsors that generously support the Breakfast Clubs. Toronto Police, Fire and Paramedics were represented by their respective Honour Guards.

Our participation assisting the organizers and children is a rewarding experience that we hope to continue for many more years. For more information about the TCBC visit https://breakfastclubs.ca/

Region 3 Calgary, Alberta



On 19 December 2019, members of IPA Canada Region 3, with the plentiful support of the Developmental Disabilities Resource Centre of Calgary (DDRC), once again held the annual 'Policeman's Ball' at the Christine Meikle School in Calgary, Alberta.

Every year the Policeman's ball is a holiday event for the students of the Christine Meikle School to kick off the holiday celebrations. Region 3 with the generous

donation of the DDRC and with the help of the school's teachers purchase presents for the students that fit their individual needs.

The Policeman's Ball features a visit from Calgary Police's 'Simon the Safety Bear', entertaining clowns and members of Region 3. Of course, Santa always makes a special appearance to hand out the gifts to the students. The Policeman's Ball is an event the students and staff of Christine Meikle look forward to every year.

The Christine Meikle School is a unique setting for junior high and high school age students with moderate to severe cognitive disabilities and/or complex learning, medical, emotional, sensory or behavioural needs. The School's programming



helps students develop communication, independence and vocational skills to the best of their ability.

Region 3 has hosted this event for over 25 years, and we are very proud to have partnered with the DDRC to make the event possible and put a smile on some well deserving kids' faces.

Region 16 – Atlantic Provinces

For many years now, the IPA in Atlantic Canada has undertaken a project where the Director in each of our four Atlantic Provinces (NB, NS, PEI and NL) selects a charity or organization in one of our communities and makes a donation of a minimum of \$200. One of the goals of our friendship organization is to enhance the reputation of law enforcement professionals in our communities. We believe that this program helps achieve that goal, and it is a great way to have fun, do the right thing, and attract new members in the process.





This year, our group in Newfoundland and Labrador selected a senior's home and in particular, two senior residents Margaret and Chesley. 17 IPA members met at a luncheon prior to the presentation day to gather some donated gifts from the list of needs provided. They collected \$235 in cash to add to the \$200 contribution as well as the gifts and two Christmas stockings completely filled with small gifts. Director Beverly Bryant along with Sharon Warren attended the senior's home and personally presented the gifts to a very happy Margaret (See Photo 1).

In New Brunswick members selected the Beausejour Family Crisis Centre in Shediac as their charity. In partnership with the local RCMP Detachment, IPA members sponsored two single women who had been recently rescued from abusive relationships. The ladies provided modest wish lists and our members sought donations from IPA members and community friends for the gifts or cash to cover the costs. All of the gifts were collected, wrapped and delivered personally by local IPA and RCMP members. In addition to the gifts, organizers contributed or collected over \$1100.00 in gift cards to be split between the two recipients (see photo 2).

Chris Barratt, President IPA Canada

We are here to light the children's hearts! Shain Pninit from Israel reports on a special initiative

In January 2019, I 'adopted' a kindergarten for children with special needs. Every Jewish holiday I arrive with my team of 20 police officers from the border police in Israel to celebrate the Jewish holidays with the children.

Before the Hanukkah holiday, we prepared a very special celebration: the police officers had baked and cooked special Hanukkah food, and a Hanukkah lamp, which lights coloured candles, was bought with the help of IPA Israel.





At the party, the police officers sat with the children in an activity hall, while I turned off the lights in the hall and arranged for our special guest 'Bambi', a police robot, to come into the hall and light the coloured candles. Everyone was very happy to witness how excited the kids were by the appearance of the robot, and we all welcomed the colourful candles and sang with the children.

At Hanukkah, we traditionally sing 'We have come to expel darkness – in our hands are light and fire – each person is a small light – and all of us a great light'. I feel that my team and I have ignited a special light for all the children and teachers.

Shain Pninit, member IPA Israel

All good things come in threes! IPA Spain's III IPA Trans-Pyrenean Motorcycle Tour 2019

The III IPA 2019 Trans-Pyrenean Route took place from 3-6 October 2019, with 42 people on 41 motorbikes participating, including 17 from Italy. Demand was extremely high, and registrations were full by the end of May.

The event began at the Marina de Roses Hotel meeting point, where participants arrived during the evening to collect their documentation.

Many of those who attended had met each other during previous trips. Those who were joining for their first time soon got to know everybody extremely well.

The route details were explained in an evening briefing, and new groups were quickly formed with people who had travelled on their own. It was brilliant to see new friendships form as everybody enjoyed dinner at the hotel.



Ready for departure!

It is not recommended travelling around this area on your own.

Thursday 3 October: Roses-Andorra (349 km)

We departed in the morning from a nearby car park, where local police had helped us by booking the space.



Summitting el Col de Pailhères

The first day's trip took us from Roses to Andorra, a 349 km route, mainly through French territory and some amazing mountain landscapes. We then entered Andorra, at Col de Pailhères with an altitude of 2001 metres.

The participants started to arrive at the hotel from 5 pm onwards, extremely buoyant after the route and the many mountainous roads. The Imperial Atiram hotel in Sant Julià welcomed us on the first stage. After check-in was completed, everyone went for a stroll before dinner.

Friday 4 October: Andorra-Jaca (355 km)

Today, we had a 455 km route ahead of us, entirely though Spanish territory. After the first mountain pass, we stopped at Sort, where apart from having a coffee, some of the participants decided to buy lottery tickets at the famous store 'La Bruixa d'Or'.

Afterwards, we travelled to Port de la Bonaigua, continued towards 'el Cañón de Añisclo', and then to Cotefablo. The road had been paved recently, which created superb driving conditions.

We arrived at Jaca by 5:00 pm – far earlier than planned, which gave us time to explore the city.

Saturday 5 October: Jaca-Irún (350 Km)

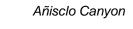
We began from Col du Mary Blanch, followed by the Col de Irati, Col de d'Irau and Col d'Arthé – some of the most picturesque parts of the Pyrenes.

Once we arrived at San Joan de Port, we then passed through more French territory before arriving at Irun.

It was clear when everyone arrived, how thrilled they were to have just driven across some of the most scenic landscapes and mountain ranges in all of Europe. This, combined with the friendships forged, had made for an amazing few days on the road.

During dinner that evening, an award ceremony also took place – where everybody was accredited for participating in the III IPA 2019 Trans-Pyrenean Route.

The next morning over breakfast everybody said an emotional goodbye – ending an unforgettable



trip. The vast majority returned home, though a few people carried on travelling.

The participants came from Galicia, Madrid, Andalucía, Valencia, Tarragona, Girona, Barcelona, and the largest group came from the Dolomites (Italy).



On your marks – get set – go!

Thank you to everyone for the great atmosphere throughout the entire trip and for those who could not come last minute for various reasons, I hope to see you next year. Sergio from Valencia, who had to go back home from Andorra, I hope another year you can finish the trip alongside us.

Furthermore, a huge thank you to Angel and Paco who helped with organisation. Without them I would not have been able to make it!

See you next year!

José Luis López, Head of IPA Barcelona Routes, IPA Spain

IPA South Africa's Garden Route Region working hard on bringing a little happiness to those in need

The IPA Region Garden Route, under the Chairmanship of Mondray van Eck, had during late 2019 made several donations to members of their community in need.

The Garden Route Region includes the towns of George, Pleteberg Bay and Mossel Bay in the South Cape Area of South Africa.

Pictured on the right is Regional Secretary Erica van Eck with a stove and bicycle donated to a single mother with 4 children in need on 24 December 2019.

The second photo shows clothes, toys and toiletries being donated to the Phambili Shelter which cares for abused women and children, on 17 November 2019.





Mondray van Eck, Chairperson IPA Region Garden Route, South Africa

ON THE TABLE OF THE IEB

First full meeting of the new IEB in Nottingham

Whilst we had a short introductory meeting in Croatia, immediately following the World Congress, our first full meeting took place in late December 2019 in the Arthur Troop House in Nottingham.

As the IEB members had submitted their written reports on actions in progress, or completed since the World Congress in advance, the more routine aspects of the agenda were speedily dealt with on the first morning.

We then moved on to a series of workshops, covering the IEB commissions, their projects and programmes, the IEB Strategy for the term 2019-2023 and the Annual Global Report of the IPA, aimed at external readers in this, our 70th anniversary year. All agreed that the new format was an improvement, with positive and successful outcomes.



I had useful meetings with Section UK President, Clive Wood and Secretary General, Steve Bretherton covering the renewal of the IAC tenancy agreement for the new term and maintenance and upkeep of the shared areas of the building. Clive joined the IEB meeting for a short period, and he graciously presented us all with commemorative traditional UK police whistles.

Clive, along with NEC members Sean Hannigan and Martin Turner and former IAC staffers, Lesley, Wendy and her husband Maurice joined the IEB and current IAC staff members Elke, Kerry and Daniel for an enjoyable joint tour of the National Justice Museum and Christmas dinner.

The next full meeting of the IEB will take place at IBZ Gimborn in March, with a couple of remote video conferences before then, to maintain the active workflow.

Stephen Crockard, Head of Administration

IPA International Photo Competition 2020

The IPA Socio-Cultural Commission is pleased to announce the IPA International Photo Competition 2020, open to all IPA members.

Following on from the successful and very popular Photo Competitions 2017 and 2019, there will be two categories:

Open Category: any photographic topic

Subject Category: Police at Work

A prize of 400 Euros will be awarded to the overall winner, with category winners and second and third places also receiving awards.

By taking part in the IPA International Photo Competition, IPA members from all over the World have the opportunity to unfold their talents and show off a potentially unknown aspect of their personality.



Last year's competition saw professionalgrade photos, which were exhibited during our IPA World Congress in Croatia, such as the one you can see here from Pekka Olavi Alamommo from IPA Finland

More detailed information, including the official entry form, deadlines and competition rules, has been circulated to all IPA sections and can also be found on our website at:

https://www.ipa-international.org/photo-competitions.

I encourage you to take your cameras or smartphones and ... impress us!

Kyriakos Karkalis, IPA Vice President and Chairperson of the SCC

IPA NEWSLETTER SURVEY

Enter our Prize Draw!

Thank you very much to all readers who replied to our January survey question of 'Which section do you come from?'.

Looking at the overall figures, the response was not great: we received only 78 replies (yes, you read this correctly)

We hope that many more people read our January edition, and we are convinced that we simply did not manage to catch enough of your attention to encourage you to reply to our survey!



On the positive side, readers from 23 sections replied, which represents just over 1/3 of all our sections. A great start, but this can still be improved.



Top spots go to our readers in Ireland, Sweden and Canada, which between them accounted for 49 % of all responses. Thank you for your contribution!

This month, we are looking at a different aspect – and – to encourage you to answer our February survey, we will pick out 10 replies at random and offer them a small IPA gift.

If you are interested in winning, as well as communicating with us, please enter our next survey by clicking the red button:



Thanks in advance and good luck!

LAST WORD

Those of you who live in older houses will know that maintaining properties which have reached a certain age is a never-ending task. The Arthur Troop House is no different in this respect, as it is well over 100 years old.

The IAC rents its office space from Section UK, the proud owners of the Arthur Troop House, and thus responsible for the maintenance of our building.

Have a look, and you will see that being a board member of Section UK does not simply mean strategies, emails and paperwork ...

... President Clive Wood and Secretary General Steve Bretherton regularly get to have fun with ladders, drills and the like to make our IPA home look its best ©



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

Section	Date	Event		
UK	14-17 Feb 2020	Devon Branch Spring Friendship Weekend,		
		Exmouth		
Spain	07/03/2020	Polibomber 2020, Madrid		
Iceland	19-20 Mar 2020	Seminar on Organised Crime, Human		
		Trafficking and Prostitution		
Germany	28 Mar 2020	60 th Anniversary IPA Würzburg		
Japan	7-14 Apr 2020	Japan Friendship Week		
UK	21 / 22 Apr 220	Street Gangs to Organised Crime Seminar,		
		Leicestershire (21); Northallerton (22)		
UK	22-28 Apr 2020	Caravan & Camping Club Rally, Spalding		
Montenegro	10-15 May 2020	IPA Games, Bar		
Spain	11-24 May 2020	Grand Tour – Barcelona to Paris		
Germany	14-17 May 2020	50 th Anniversary IPA Bamberg		
Austria	14-17 May 2020	XX National Congress + 60 th Anniversary,		
		Seefeld (Tirol)		
Italy	14-17 May 2020	Cesena-Forli 30 th Anniversary Celebrations		
France	20-25 May 2020	IPA Nord 'Discovery of the Hauts de France'		
		Friendship Week, Lille / Flanders		
Canada	21-25 May 2020	Annual General Meeting, Québec		
Italy	24-28 May 2020	45 th Friendship Cup 5-a-side football		
		tournament, Riccione		
UK	26-31 May 2020	COPS 2020, Wales		
France	29 May-3 Jun 2020	3 rd Friendship Week, Nîmes		
UK	5-8 Jun 2020	Lincolnshire Friendship Weekend		
Kenya	7-13 Jun 2020	Friendship Week with the Lions of Masai		
		Mara		
UK	7-19 Jun 2020	British Isles Cruise		
Sri Lanka	9-12 Jun 2020	Hosting Sections' Meeting, Negombo		
Sri Lanka	11-17 June 2020	Sri Lanka Friendship Week		
Spain	11-14 Jun 2020	V Torre de Hercules Football Tourn., Galicia		
Italy	11-14 Jun 2020	10th Fiemme e Fassa Motorcycle Rally,		
		Predazzo		
Austria	13-20 Jun 2020	Hiking Week, Nassfeld		
Ireland	July 2020	Aran Islands Event + Galway 2020		
UK	1-8 Aug 2020	Friendship Week, Northern Ireland		
UK	8-15 Aug 2020	Friendship Week, Scotland		
Czech Rep. /	8-22 Aug 2020	International Youth Gathering – Czech		
Slovakia		Republic and Slovakia		
UK	25 Aug-2 Sep 2020	Liverpool & Merseyside Friendship Week		
Belgium	31 Aug-7 Sep 2020	45 th Anniversary IPA Charleroi		
Romania	2-6 Sep 2020	2 nd Florin Mergea Tennis Cup, Târgu Jiu		
Spain	3-6 Sep 2020	XII Iberico Football Tournament, Galicia		

Section	Date	Event	
Germany	3-6 Sep 2020	Young Police Officers' Weekend, Münster	
UK	4-6 Sep 2020	Region 3 Iconic Event, York	
UK	13-20 Sep 2020	Mayflower 400 Iconic Event	
Italy	14-20 Sep 2020	7th Riviera delle Palma Trophy, Ascoli Pieno	
Spain	13-18 Oct 2020	65th IPA World Congress, Lloret de Mar	
	dates to follow	Friendship Week, Barcelona & Madrid	
Poland	14-18 Sep 2020	Ice Hockey Tournament, Nowy Targ	
Netherlands	4-10 Oct 2020	Netherlands on Patrol, Limburg-Noord	
UK	27-29 Nov 2020	Mini-Friendship Week, Ayrshire	

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Date	Seminar	Language
17-18 Feb 2020	Taktische Einsatzmedien für Polizeibeamtinnen und -beamte // Tactical First Aid for Police Officers	G/E
24 Feb-01 Mar 2020	Fasten? Trau Dich! – Heilfasten im Oberbergischen Land – FULLY BOOKED!	G
30 Mar- 03 Apr 2020	Terrorismus – Bedrohung von Freiheit und Sicherheit // Terrorism – A Threat to Freedom and Security	G/E
20-24 Apr 2020	Le maintien de l'ordre : Face aux nouvelles formes de manifestations, que faut-il faire pour adapter les techniques de maintien de l'ordre	F
27-30 Apr 2020	Hablamos Español für Neulerner	G/S
27-30 Apr 2020	Street Gangs to Organised Crime	Е
04-08 May 2020	Aktiv in den Ruhestand	G
08-10 May 2020	Motorradkultur und Sicherheit – Training für verantwortungsbewußtes Motorradfahren	G
15-17 May 2020	Fortbildung für IPA-Funktionäre	G
18-20 May 2020	Führrung in Aussicht oder den Rollenwechsel meistern	G
25-29 May 2020	Gewalt im Spiel – Hooligans und Ultras im Umgang von Fußballspielen // Przemoc w grze – huligani I ultrasi wokól maczów pilkarskich	

