



International Matters – February 2016

For all Leaders and Network members concerned with International and Global affairs

This is your invite to our County International Forum

on Sunday, 28th February 2016
10:00 until 16:00 at Well End Activity Centre
Well End Road, Borehamwood, WD6 5PR

An opportunity for DCs, ADCs, DESCs, DSNs and District Advisers to:

- update on the new global and international awards for Beavers thro' Network
- hear from personal experiences of young people who visited Southern Africa, Japan, Kandersteg and Haarlem last year
- find out how to run a Jamboree on the Internet (JOTI) event in your district
- enjoy a 'free' Japanese lunch
- hear the latest news from ShelterBox disaster relief
- debate the issues of Scouting and the Syrian Refugee crisis

Guest Speaker

Peter Rogers OBE (UK Contingent Leader – World Moot Iceland 2017)

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or call Peter Makewell on 07931 543185

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Did you miss out on the World Scout Jamboree in Japan? Or did you go, and want some more?

In the summer of 2017 the Asia-Pacific Region of World Scouting is holding its **31st Regional Jamboree in MONGOLIA** – one of the most enigmatic countries in the world. The Jamboree is open to small contingents of 12-17 year olds with leaders, and of interest to Network and Leaders, they are also

looking for IST support. With Ho Ho and other visits, the cost is expected to be between £1,750 and £1,950 dependent upon itinerary. [Click here](#) for the Mongolian Jamboree Bulletin. Dick Griffiths, Global Adviser APR region, is co-ordinating UK interest on behalf of The Scout Association, with a commitment to submit UK numbers by Easter 2016. There is already some good UK interest but for further information please contact Dick Griffiths

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If Mongolia is not challenging enough, details have come in on some more exciting opportunities:



10th Indonesia Jamboree

“Cool. Fun and Happy” is the theme of Indonesia’s upcoming 10th National Scout Jamboree on 14-21 August 2016.

Cibubur Scout Camp in Jakarta will house an estimate of 25,000 Scouts and leaders from 34 provinces of Indonesia and around 1,000 overseas Scouts.

Exciting challenges in land and water activities await the participants.

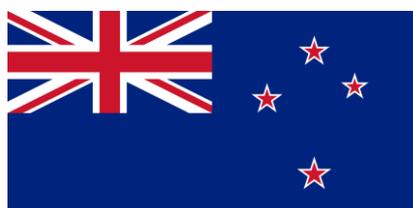
For registration and inquiries, contact International Commissioner Mr Ahmad Rusdi of Gerakan Pramuka Indonesia. Email: kwarnas@centrin.net.id

II Interamerican Scout Camporee & XV Interamerican Scout Jamboree

27 December 2016 - 2 January 2017 Ecuador

Register here:

<http://sistemas.widesolutions.com.ec/ecuascout/login>



21st New Zealand Jamboree

29 December 2016 – 7 January 2017

Information here: <http://jamboree.org.nz/>

Register interest here:

<http://applications.jamboree.org.nz/Login.asp>

13th Canadian Scout Jamboree

Camp Nedooae, Nova Scotia, Canada

July 8-15 2017

<http://www.scouts.ca/cj17/index.html>



Lower Austrian Jamboree



Pinakarri, Austria

1 – 11 August 2016

3,000 young people aged 13 – 20 years (International guest above 13)

Cost: 330 Euro

Information: www.pinakarri.at

Register with: office@noe.pfadfinder.at

7e Jamboree Africain du Scoutisme Côte d'Ivoire

August 1-10 2016

<https://www.scout.org/node/153096>

<https://www.facebook.com/AfricaScoutJamboree>

The 7th Africa Scout Jamboree will be held from 1st – 10th August 2016 in Yamoussoukro, Côte d'Ivoire. The event, organized by the Africa Scout Region and hosted by Fédération Ivoirienne du Scoutisme, is expected to attract over 6, 000 participants from Africa and beyond.



For all
Keeping you up-to-date with the humanitarian role of Scouts around the world:
In Nepal

Nepal struggles to recover after the two earthquakes, but Nepal Scouts rise above the challenges



Shrijan, one of the Rover Scouts, continues to distribute tarpaulin for tents. He has been volunteering actively with other relief aid groups too. Satindra, a fellow Rover Scout, continues to help with the distribution of aids in affected remote areas.

Badly scarred by the earthquake, the country is limping back to normalcy. But there is no denying that the situation in Nepal remains dire. While the media attention is receding, the call for help is as strong as ever. Hundreds of thousands of people have been rendered homeless and the task of rebuilding the economy is huge.

“The quake has affected eight million of Nepal’s 28 million population. At least three million people will still need tents, water, food and medicines over the next year,” according to the United Nations.

And the Scouts of Nepal are rising to and above this challenge. Their optimism and their dedication are really making a difference.

Hertfordshire Scouts have raised over £2,000 and this has already been transferred to the Nepal Scout Association to help fund their relief and reconstruction efforts.



In Greece



"Dear Scouts:
Thank you for your warm welcome here on the shores of Europe, for your help and assistance! These are true signs of solidarity and Scouting Spirit!"

(Micha, 17, a Scout from Damascus in Syria, after having disembarked from a rubber dinghy which had brought him and hundreds of others to Lesbos)

Scouts from the [2nd Mytilene Scout Group](#) and the [3rd Mytilene Sea Scout Group](#), both members of [Ελληνικός Προσκοπισμός](#) (the Scouts of Greece, a member of the [World Organization of the Scout Movement](#)), spent another eventful day on the Kratigos coast, situated south of the town of Mytilene, capital city of the Greek island of Lesbos.

They had just arrived at the beach when they witnessed the arrival of dozens of rubber dinghies with hundreds of refugees and migrants who had sailed across the sea from the opposite Turkish coast.

Without hesitation, they catered for the tired passengers, including many children and young people, by helping them disembark and reach a safe place on the shore, taking off their lifejackets, giving them something to drink and something to eat.

Expressing the refugees' gratitude was Micha (17 years old), a Scout from Damascus in Syria, who thanked the Greek Scouts for the warm welcome in Europe, a true image of solidarity and Scouting spirit.

Once the refugees had left the beaches for the refugee registration centre, the Scouts spent the remainder of the day cleaning the area of tons of waste, including hundreds of lifejackets and remains of large rubber dinghies. While gathering the debris was relatively easy, it involved more efforts to get all waste from the beach high up to the coast road for subsequent collection.



Beach cleaning has become a regular feature in the weekly programme activities of the Scouts with the number of refugees and migrants transiting through the island of Lesbos now 500,000 since the beginning of 2015. It is likely to remain an important part of the refugee and migrant support activities in which the local Scouts are involved.

And don't forget – if you are travelling abroad this year with Scouts or as an individual ask Peter Makewell for a Visits Abroad Pack by email to acc.international@herfordshirescouts.org.uk or call 07801 480946